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Previously Convicted Killer Sentenced for 2008 San Gabriel Murder

A 30-year-old man was sentenced today to life in state prison without the possibility of parole for the killing of one man and the shooting of another in 2008, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

On May 27, a jury found Xioaye Bai guilty of two felony counts in case GA075332: first-degree murder and attempted murder.

Additionally, the defendant admitted the special circumstance allegation that he had been convicted of another murder. Also, jurors found true that Bai personally and intentionally discharged a firearm during the commission of the 2008 crime, which caused great bodily injury and death.

Deputy District Attorney Theodore Swanson, who prosecuted the case, said on Dec. 4, 2008, Bai had an argument with several men at a San Gabriel restaurant.

During the dispute, Bai shot victim Zhe Li, 21, nine times, which ultimately killed him, the prosecutor said. The defendant also shot another man, but the second victim survived his injuries, the prosecutor added.

Following the shooting, Bai fled to Nevada. While in the city of Las Vegas, the defendant stabbed several people and killed one man, according to the prosecutor.

In 2012, Bai was convicted in Las Vegas of one count of first-degree murder and several counts of attempted murder and sentenced to life in state prison without the possibility of parole.

The defendant was subsequently transferred to Los Angeles County to face criminal prosecution for the 2008 shooting.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.