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Man Convicted of Murder in Claremont Car Crash

A jury found a 39-year-old man guilty of striking another vehicle with his car and killing its passenger in 2014, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

The jury deliberated for two days before finding Ryan Munoz of Alhambra guilty of second-degree murder in case KA106465.

The defendant is scheduled to be sentenced Nov. 18 in Department S of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Pomona Branch. Munoz faces 15 years to life in state prison.

Deputy District Attorney Casey Jarvis, who prosecuted the case, said in the early morning of June 28, 2014, Munoz was driving his truck on the westbound 210 Freeway when he crashed into another car.

The driver of the hit vehicle survived, but the passenger, Gevork Krpikyan, 27, died.

Rather than render aid to the victims, Munoz remained about a half mile near the incident and then fled 15 minutes after the crash.

Evidence presented at trial established that the defendant was driving with a blood alcohol content of at least .20 percent at the time of the crash. Additionally, the defendant was on summary probation for a 2012 DUI conviction, according to court testimony.

The case was investigated by the California Highway Patrol.

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