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**Man Found Guilty For Death of Transient  
Outside Fast Food Restaurant**

A homeless man was found guilty today of murdering another transient outside a fast food restaurant in downtown Los Angeles last year, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

A jury deliberated for less than three hours before finding 42-year-old Charles Allender guilty of second-degree murder. He faces 37 years to life in state prison when he is scheduled to be sentenced on Dec. 7.

On Feb. 7, 2015, Allender and Derek Miller, 31, attacked Derrick Hamilton, 45, in the parking lot of a fast food restaurant in the 700 block of Cesar Chavez Avenue.

Both Allender and Miller beat and stomped the victim. Hamilton was taken to a hospital where he died.

Last month, Miller pleaded no contest to one count of voluntary manslaughter and is expected to be sentenced to 11 years in state prison on Oct. 31.

Case BA433582 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police 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.