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## Jury Recommends Death For Convicted Quadruple Murderer

A jury today recommended the death penalty for a 34-year-old man convicted of gunning down four people outside a Northridge boarding home two years ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

The same jury that on Nov. 19 found Ka Pasasouk guilty of four counts of first-degree murder deliberated a little more than a day before reaching a verdict in the penalty phase.

Pasasouk returns to Department 106 on Feb. 5, 2016, for sentencing before Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Larry Fidler in case PA075729.

Deputy District Attorney Dan Akemon with the Major Crimes Division prosecuted the case.

Pasasouk was convicted for fatally shooting Teofilo Navales, Robert Calabia, Amanda Ghossein and Jennifer Kim on Dec. 2, 2012. The murders occurred outside the home in the 17400 block of Devonshire Street. Pasasouk also was convicted of one count of attempted murder, five counts of assault with a semiautomatic firearm and possession of a firearm by a felon. Jurors also found true the special circumstance of multiple murders.

The prosecutor told jurors earlier that Pasasouk began the killing spree as a robbery and then he continued the fatal assaults to silence witnesses.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department's Robbery-Homicide Division.

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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 seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.