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## **Trio Convicted of Capital Murder in Long Beach**

A jury today found three men guilty of killing a robbery co-conspirator in 2010, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

The jury deliberated for a week before finding Luis Orozco (dob 11/21/78), Shawn Verrette (dob 6/12/73) and Frank Ervin (2/2/62) guilty of three counts: first-degree murder, second-degree robbery and conspiracy to commit a crime in case NA090280.

Jurors also found true a special circumstance allegation of murder during the commission of a robbery. Additionally, a gun allegation was found to be true.

Sentencing for the three defendants is scheduled for Feb. 4 in Department S24 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Long Beach Branch. The three men face a possible maximum sentence of life in state prison without the possibility of parole.

A fourth defendant, Rosa Orozco (dob 5/11/76), pleaded no contest on Sept. 26, 2013, to being an accessory after the fact. She was sentenced on Jan. 24, 2014, to three years of summary probation.

Deputy District Attorney Karen Brako, who prosecuted the case, said the victim in the case, Franklin Robles, conspired with Luis Orozco to rob a body shop owner in Long Beach. Luis Orozco instead plotted with Ervin and Verrette to rob and kill Robles, the prosecutor said.

On Aug. 9, 2010, Robles arrived at the body shop and waited for Luis Orozco, the prosecutor said. However, Verrette and Ervin appeared at the location, exited their vehicle and fatally shot Robles.

After the killing, Luis Orozco, Verrette and Ervin went to the victim's home and stole his property, according to the prosecutor.

The prosecutor said Rosa Orozco threatened a witness not long after the crime.

The case was investigated by the Long Beach Police Department.

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