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La Puente Man Sentenced to Prison for Covina Stabbings

A 22-year-old man was sentenced today to 21 years to life in state prison for stabbing two men in Covina nearly three years ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

On Sept. 5, Louis Vasquez of La Puente pleaded no contest to two felony counts of willful, deliberate and premeditated attempted murder in case KA112007.

Additionally, the defendant admitted special allegations that he personally inflicted great bodily injury and used a deadly and dangerous weapon, a knife, during the commission of the crime.

Furthermore, Vasquez admitted that the attacks were committed for the benefit and at the direction of, and in association with a criminal street gang, and with the intent to promote, further, and assist in criminal conduct by gang members.

Deputy District Attorney John Rogers, who prosecuted the case, said on Jan. 31, 2015, the defendant stabbed two separate men in a Covina parking lot in the 100 block of North Azusa Avenue.

Soon after the assault, Vasquez was located by law enforcement and taken into custody.

The case was investigated by the Covina Police Department.

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