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## **Man Sentenced for 1995 Caltech Murder**

A man who eluded authorities for nearly 16 years was sentenced today for the 1995 murder of a California Institute of Technology employee in Pasadena, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Dmitry Brodsky says Raul Alcazar Romero, 57, was sentenced to 25-years-to-life in state prison. He was convicted of second degree murder on Dec. 17, 2013.

Judge Darrell Mavis of the Los Angeles Superior Court, Pasadena Branch, also ordered him to pay \$9,000 to the victim's family for funeral expenses.

Romero was found guilty of killing Javier Francisco Mora, a Caltech custodian, on April 21, 1995, on the school's campus. A witness during the trial testified Romero unloaded his gun on Mora for having a relationship with his estranged wife, also a Caltech employee.

The defendant fled shortly after the killing but was located in Mexico in 2010. According to the Pasadena Police Department, who investigated the case, Romero worked as a police officer in Mexico before being extradited.

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