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Porter Ranch Man Charged with Stabbing Ex-Wife

A man who stabbed his ex-wife at the Porter Ranch home they shared has pleaded not guilty, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Alen Alpanian (dob 9/6/64) faces one count each of attempted murder and assault with a deadly weapon, a knife, and two counts each of injuring a spouse or cohabitant and resisting executive officer.

Alpanian was arraigned yesterday and is due back in court on Aug. 9 in Department 50 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center. Case PA091179 was filed for warrant on June 25.

The felony complaint includes allegations of inflicting great bodily injury under circumstances involving domestic violence, use of a knife as a deadly and dangerous weapon and that he was convicted in 1998 of assault with a deadly weapon.

On June 20, Alpanian allegedly stabbed the victim multiple times during a domestic dispute, prosecutors said. Police arrived at the scene as the ex-spouse was being treated by paramedics.

The defendant is charged with then resisting arrest. The incident resulted in an officer involved shooting, prosecutors added.

If convicted as charged, Alpanian faces a possible maximum sentence of more than 23 years to life in state prison. Bail is set at \$1.2 million.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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