



COUNTY OF FRESNO

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MARC CAIN RODRIGUEZ CHARGED IN THE MURDER OF HANNAH PIMENTEL

Marc Cain Rodriguez, 31, was charged today with murder in connection to the death of Hannah Pimentel, 19, who he is alleged to have killed with a motor vehicle while fleeing from police on May 12, 2021, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office has announced.

The complaint filed in the Fresno County Superior Court alleges that Rodriguez committed the following crimes:

1. MURDER [PC 187(a)]
2. EVADING AN OFFICER CAUSING DEATH [VC 2800.3(b)]
3. POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY A FELON [29800(a)(1)]

Additionally, the complaint alleges Rodriguez has suffered a prior "strike" conviction under California's Three Strikes law [PC 667(b) through (i) and 1170.12(a) through (d)].

If convicted, Rodriguez faces a maximum sentence of life in state prison.

At the time of the offense, Rodriguez had active warrants for failing to appear in court on weapons possession charges and was in violation of his release conditions following a prison commitment for a prior evading an officer charge in 2018.

Rodriguez was arrested in Phoenix, AZ, and is facing extradition for the murder filed today as well as his other charges. The Fresno County District Attorney's office is working with Arizona authorities to return him to Fresno County as quickly as possible, where he will be arraigned upon his return to Fresno.

In addition to Rodriguez, separate charges are pending against at least three additional individuals for conspiracy to obstruct justice for the benefit of a criminal street gang in connection with this case.

The Fresno County District Attorney's Office would like to thank the Fresno Police Department, the California Highway Patrol, the Fresno County Sheriff's Office, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, the U.S. Marshal's Service, the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and the Phoenix Police Department for their assistance in this multi-agency effort.

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