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Three Charged in Case of Marine on Leave Killed in Jefferson Park

Three alleged gang members were charged today in connection with the death of a 19-year-old Marine found shot inside his vehicle, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Oscar Aguilar, aka Chino, (dob 10/11/90) and Esau Rios, aka Lil' Chuko, (dob 5/26/88) each face one count of murder. Ricky Valente, aka Aser, (dob 5/10/98) is charged with one count of accessory after the fact, having knowledge of the murder.

In addition, Aguilar faces one count each of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and dissuading a witness by force or threat.

Arrest for all three is scheduled today in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Case BA451748 includes allegations that the crimes were committed in association with, or for the benefit of, a criminal street gang and that Aguilar personally and intentionally used a firearm for the killing.

The criminal complaint also alleges Aguilar was convicted as a juvenile of assault with a deadly weapon with great bodily injury, felony vandalism in 2008, criminal threats in 2011 and sale/offer to sell/transportation of methamphetamine in 2015.

Victim Lance Cpl. Carlos Segovia was in Jefferson Park, on leave from Camp Pendleton, when he allegedly exchanged words with the defendants on Sept. 16, prosecutors said. Segovia was found shot inside his vehicle and died three days later at a hospital, prosecutors said.

If convicted as charged, Aguilar faces a possible maximum sentence of 167-years-to-life in state prison, Rios faces 50 years to life and Valente faces 7 years in state prison.

The requested bail for Aguilar is \$4.23 million, more than \$3 million for Rios and more than \$1 million for Valente.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department, South Bureau Division.
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