ANTHONY PORRAS-GONZALEZ (20) FOUND GUILTY OF 2<sup>ND</sup> DEGREE MURDER, SHOOTING AT OR FROM A MOTOR VEHICLE, AND TWO (2) COUNTS OF TAMPERING WITH EVIDENCE.

Twelfth Judicial District Attorney, Scot D. Key, announces on April 13, 2023, a Lincoln County Jury found Anthony Porras-Gonzalez, guilty of 2<sup>nd</sup> degree murder, shooting at or from a motor vehicle and two (2) counts of tampering with evidence after a four-day jury trial before the Honorable John P. Sugg. The jury deliberated for approximately one hour before delivering their guilty verdicts.

On March 10, 2021, the Ruidoso Police Department (RPD) received 911 phone calls regarding a shooting at Wingfield and Chase Drive. A caller stated a white car was observed leaving the area toward Chase Drive.

When RPD Officers arrived on scene they located a male subject, later identified as Briyan Alvarado (19) lying on the street with several gunshot wounds.

Through the investigation it was learned from witnesses and video surveillance footage from numerous locations Briyan Alvarado was driving a motorcycle west-bound on Wingfield, stopped at the stop sign at Chase and Wingfield, a white car pulled up next to him and five (5) shots were fired. After the shots were fired, Briyan was observed lying on the ground and the motorcycle was lying on top of him.

Through numerous search warrants in the Ruidoso and Lincoln County area and after interviewing multiple people it was learned Anthony Porras-Gonzalez shot Briyan Alvarado a total of five (5) times resulting in his death.

The investigation revealed Porras-Gonzalez and Briyan Alvarado had a disagreement and hard feelings related to a post on social media made by Porras-Gonzalez.

Porras-Gonzalez faces 24 years in prison at a sentencing hearing expected to occur later this year.

This case was prosecuted by Twelfth Judicial District Attorney, Scot D. Key and was investigated by the 12th Judicial Major Crimes Unit which consists of Investigators from the Alamogordo Police Department, Ruidoso Police Department, Otero County Sheriff's Office, Lincoln County Sheriff's Office and the 12th Judicial District Attorney's Office.

