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Re: *People of the State of California v. Roberto Barrera & Richard Reyes*
Prosecutor: Stephen Foley, Chief Deputy District Attorney

Today, District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley announced that a four-week trial concluded in Santa Maria for Defendants Roberto Barrera, 2-1-89, and Richard Reyes, 7-14-90.

Both defendants now face a sentence of 50 years to life.

The trial, presided over by Judge Bullard, involved two juries, one for each defendant. On Monday, October 17, the first jury convicted Roberto Barrera of First Degree Murder. Barrera's jury also found the gang allegation true and two firearm allegations true. Today, the second jury convicted Richard Reyes of First Degree Murder. The jury also found the gang allegation true and one of the two firearm allegations true.

The victim was 14-year old Daniel Rodriguez. He was murdered in Lompoc on January 14, 2009.

The lead prosecutor in the case, Chief Deputy District Attorney Steven Foley, stated that the victim's family felt satisfied that justice had been done and grateful for the efforts of the Lompoc Police Department and the Santa Barbara District Attorney's Office.

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