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Oxnard Man Pleads Guilty to Killing his Wife in 2017

VENTURA, California – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Alfredo Ortiz (DOB 07/25/83), of Oxnard, pled guilty to first-degree murder and admitted using a gun in the killing of Teresa Ortiz, also from Oxnard.

On January 5, 2017, Ortiz shot and killed his wife, Teresa, in the presence of six of their children ages 2 to 16. Ortiz then fled and was arrested the following day in Somis. The case was investigated by the Oxnard Police Department.

Ortiz will be sentenced on November 12, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in courtroom 12 of the Ventura County Superior Court. Ortiz is expected to be sentenced to 35 years to life in prison. He remains in custody in the Ventura County Jail.

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