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REPEAT OFFENDER RECEIVES 25-YEAR SENTENCE FOR DEADLY SHOOTING

EL PASO, Texas (04/03/2025) -- An El Paso man with two prior felony theft convictions was convicted of recklessly killing a man during a shoot-out in a bar parking lot nearly four years ago.

Daniel Torres, 42, pleaded guilty to manslaughter and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon on Thursday, March 27 in the 409th District Court with Judge Sam Medrano presiding. Pursuant to the plea, Torres was sentenced to 25 years in state prison and waived his appellate rights.

On Oct. 15, 2021, El Paso Police were dispatched to the 3500 block of Durazno Ave., the parking lot of Cazadores Cantina, in response to a shooting. The subsequent investigation determined that Torres shot and killed Alfredo Morales, 28, after Morales himself produced a handgun and shot another patron during an argument. Torres, who fled the scene, had twice been convicted of felony theft and had been sentenced to four years in prison each time.

Assistant District Attorneys John Briggs and Ashley Martinez represented the state of Texas in the prosecution of this case.

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