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**Convicted Serial Killer Ramon Escobar Charged of Murder for Strangulation of Cellmate**  
*People v. Ramon Escobar: Kern County Superior Court Case BF195989A*

(Bakersfield) - District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced that Ramon Escobar has been charged with First-Degree Murder in connection with the homicide of Juan Villanueva that occurred on February 24, 2023.

Ramon Escobar was serving multiple life sentences in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation at North Kern State Prison. The criminal complaint further alleges seven special circumstance allegations based on Ramon Escobar's seven prior murder convictions, five from Los Angeles County and two from Harris County, Texas. He additionally accused of committing an assault with malice by an inmate serving a life sentence on Juan Villanueva. He is scheduled to be arraigned on the Complaint in the case on September 21, 2023.