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DINUBA MAN DENIED PAROLE FOR 1989 MURDER

On November 9, 2017, at the Substance Abuse Treatment Facility and State Prison in Corcoran, a California parole board denied parole for Eddie Zarate Gallardo, age 59, of Dinuba, for murder. Gallardo received a 3-year denial, and therefore is not eligible for another parole hearing until 2020.

In the late evening of July 14, 1989, Gallardo traveled to his cousin's residence in New London after believing that his cousin wanted him dead because he, Gallardo, was allegedly ripping off a drug dealer. Gallardo fatally stabbed his cousin once in the chest and ran away.

In January of 1990, Gallardo was found guilty by a jury of first-degree murder with a knife and sentenced to 31 years to life in prison. Gallardo possessed a prior prison sentence for felony robbery with the use of a firearm in 1982, as well as multiple DUI's throughout the 1980's.

This was Gallardo's third parole hearing. The District Attorney's Office routinely attends parole hearings and a Deputy District Attorney argued against the inmate's release in this case.

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