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Killer from 2006 West Sacramento Hit and Run Murder Denied Parole

(Woodland, CA) – **November 17, 2023** – On November 16, 2023, a two-commissioner panel of the Board of Parole Hearings denied the parole of 56-year-old Kevin King. King is serving a 19 year-to-life prison sentence. This was his first request to be paroled. The denial was for three years.

On May 13, 2006, King was speeding in a van westbound on West Capitol near Pecan Street in West Sacramento, CA. The victim was crossing the street in the crosswalk when King hit him going 50 mph. King never stopped. A Port Officer through a surveillance camera saw King get out of the van and run. West Sacramento Police Officers caught him nearby. He was under the influence of cocaine, marijuana, and alcohol.

In 2009, a Yolo County jury convicted King of Second-Degree Murder, Hit and Run, and Felony Gross Vehicular Homicide with prior DUIs.

Assistant Chief Deputy District Attorney Garrett Hamilton represented the District Attorney's Office at the lifer hearing. The victim's daughter asked her statement to be read because she said being in the hearing would bring back too many painful memories.

Board of Parole Hearings Commissioners David Ndudim and Mary Dang determined that King still poses an unreasonable risk to public safety and is therefore unsuitable for parole. They were concerned about his rules violations in custody, his attitude towards prison work assignments, and his need for more programming. He was given specific instructions on how he could improve his chances of being paroled.

Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig was pleased that parole was denied. "It is clear from his lack of rehabilitation and prior crimes, due in part to his addictions, that he is not ready for release,"

King will be eligible for a new parole hearing in 2026, however, the law permits him to request an earlier hearing date if circumstances change that would increase his likelihood of release.

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