

COUNTY OF FRESNO

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NEWS RELEASE

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Jacob King Charged with Voluntary Manslaughter for the Shooting Death of Jason Vitug

Today, May 20, 2022, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office filed manslaughter charges against Jacob King (21, of Fresno) for the shooting death of Jason Vitug (27, of Fresno).

It is alleged that on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, King shot and killed Vitug while hanging out at a friend's home. The two men are childhood friends and have known one another for several years. According to police reports while bantering back and forth, King pointed a gun at Vitug and fired a single shot, striking Vitug in the chest.

The Felony Complaint filed in Fresno Superior Court alleges that Jacob King committed the following offense:

One (1) Count of VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER [Penal Code §192(a)]

In addition to the single count of Voluntary Manslaughter, the complaint alleges an enhancement for USE OF A FIREARM pursuant to Penal Code §12022.5(a).

If convicted of all charges, King faces up to 21 years in state prison.

King is set for arraignment in Department 34 of the Fresno Superior Court on May 23, 2022. King remains in custody at the Fresno County Jail.

The media may email FCDAMedia@fresnocountyca.gov with questions.

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