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SPARTANBURG MAN RECEIVES 35-YEAR PRISON SENTENCE FOR SHOOTING DEATH

A Spartanburg man received a 35-year prison sentence today for shooting a North Carolina man to death and leaving the body on the shoulder of I-85.

Fredy E. Sibrian, 22, pleaded guilty to murder before Circuit Judge John Hayes the morning his case was set to the called for trial. He will serve every day of the prison sentence.

Sibrian shot Marcial Antonio Perez, 36, of Greensboro on April 29, 2008. Two women and a child searching for scrap metal found the body in a field near the intersection of I-85 and Highway 129. Sibrian took the victim's identification when he fled the area where the body was dumped.

Sheriff's deputies identified Perez by running his fingerprints through a national immigration database. Deputies pursued a lead to Greensboro, NC where they worked with local law enforcement to identify Sibrian and Patricia Y Flores De Ramos, 25, of Greensboro, as suspects. De Ramos named Sibrian as the shooter and turned over his address in Spartanburg.

During questioning with deputies, Sibrian admitted to shooting Perez because he was jealous about his relationship with De Ramos. Sibrian also told deputies where they could find the murder weapon on property owned by his parents.

De Ramos pleaded guilty to accessory before the fact of a felony today and she received a 5-year prison sentence.

Deputy Solicitor Derrick Balsa prosecuted the case.

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