

# Fired Ex-Partner Crashes Firm's Holiday Party and Kills Ex-Boss

A former partner of a California law firm showed up at the firm's holiday party and killed his ex-boss before turning the gun on himself, reports the *Long Beach Press-Telegram*.

Police named John Alexander Mendoza, 58, as the man who shot two colleagues, one fatally.

The incident occurred at the party held for Perona, Langer, Beck, Serbin and Harrison. Mendoza's name had been removed from the firm's name after he was fired in recent days.

**Above the Law** also reported on the incident: "Mendoza reportedly told all lower-level staff members to leave the building before he opened fired upon senior managing partner Major A. Langer and Ronald Beck, who ran day-to-day operations at the firm. Langer was shot in the upper body and died at the scene, while Beck was shot in the leg and had a bullet graze his stomach."

Mendoza was found dead at the scene with a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

**Read the *Press-Telegram* article.**