Trial date set for Placer deputy slaying suspect

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Trial for Luis Enriquez Monroy Bracamontes was set Friday for next October, but only after the suspect in the slaying of two Sacramento-area deputies briefly objected, telling a judge he preferred an earlier date.

"So for me, it will be better in March," Bracamontes told Sacramento Superior Court Judge Steve White, adding that waiting for October 2017 — three years after he allegedly gunned down Sacramento sheriff's Deputy Danny Oliver and Placer sheriff's Deputy Michael Davis Jr. — is "too long."

The suspect, a 36-year-old Mexican citizen who was in the United States illegally at the time of the shootings, relented after his court-appointed attorneys, Norm Dawson and Jeffrey Barbour, conferred with him quietly at the defense table in their latest effort to prevent their client from upending the court proceedings.

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