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Road Rage

Today 22-year-old Lester Alexis Bermudez Lozada was sentenced to 15 years in prison for Aggravated Battery thanks to the group effort of the State Attorney's Office, the Lee County Sheriff's Office and Cape Coral Police Department.

Lozada shot a tow truck driver in May 2016 in Lehigh Acres as the driver was unloading a car at an auto repair shop. The tow truck driver's vehicle was partially in the roadway and the defendant was angry his path was being blocked. The defendant put down the passenger window of his car, exchanged words with the tow truck driver, and shot him. Luckily the victim survived the bullet wound.

A "be on the lookout" or B.O.L.O. was put out to law enforcement for the customized silver Nissan Altima. A Cape Coral Police officer started looking at car clubs on Facebook to see if he could locate the unique vehicle. He found a post about the car and was able to determine the car was registered to Lozada. With that information, a detective with the Lee County Sheriff's Office then located and interviewed the original owner. He provided information about the new owner, the defendant. Thanks to their work, a photo line-up was created and the victim identified Lozada as the man who shot him.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office worked to get the evidence needed to get a search warrant for Lozada's home. The car from the crime scene was found in the garage. Lozada has no criminal history.

Today just as jury selection was getting underway, the defendant accepted a plea agreement. Assistant State Attorney Leena Marcos worked diligently with the agencies to put the pieces of this crime together as well as worked with the victim to get a resolution they were happy with. The victim was present in court today.

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