

Zuni man pleads guilty to firearms offense

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A man from Zuni New Mexico has pled guilty to a federal firearms offense after he reportedly shot a man in the heel.

A federal grand jury indicted 31-year-old Ian Channing Lasiloo on March 21. In his plea agreement, Lasiloo, a member of the Zuni Tribe, admitted that he drove to of the residence of a man and asked him “where my 40 was.” The victim replied that he didn’t owe Lasiloo anything. While still in the driver’s seat of the car, and approximately five feet away from the victim, Lasiloo pointed a .22 caliber revolver at the victim's face and then pointed the weapon downwards. Lasiloo then fired the weapon one time, shooting the man in the heel.

Alexander M.M. Uballez, United States Attorney for the District of New Mexico, and Raul Bujanda, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI Albuquerque Field Office, announced that Lasiloo pleaded guilty in federal court to using, carrying and brandishing a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence on Feb. 16. Lasiloo voluntarily surrendered and will remain in custody pending sentencing, which has not been set as of press time.

At sentencing, Lasiloo faces a minimum of seven years and up to life in prison.

The Gallup Resident Agency of the FBI Albuquerque Field Office investigated this case with assistance from the Zuni Police Department. Assistant United States Attorney Robert James Booth II is prosecuting the case.



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