

New Mexico Republican candidate arrested for shootings at homes of Democrats

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Albuquerque, January 18 (RHC)-- In the U.S. state of New Mexico, a Republican candidate who lost his bid for a seat in the state House in November has been arrested for orchestrating shootings at the homes of four Democratic officials.

According to the Albuquerque Police Department, Solomon Peña paid four men in cash to shoot at the homes of two county commissioners and two state legislators. Police say he also took part in at least one of the shootings but his gun malfunctioned.

Peña was arrested by a SWAT team on Monday. Albuquerque Mayor Tim Keller described Peña as a “right-wing, radical election denier.” Peña refused to concede his election loss in November when he lost by a landslide. He also was a vocal supporter of Donald Trump.

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