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**Interview of
7/22/2005**

Richard Garcia
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During the late 70's and early 80's Richard Garcia and his wife Mary Jane Garcia (Tapia) lived in an apartment on Carrizo Street. Mary Jane's family lived across the street in a house. Carlos Hernandez and his family were living on Carrizo Street during the same time period. The following is a summary of my conversation with Richard regarding his time on Carrizo and his encounters with Carlos Hernandez.

Carlos Hernandez lived in a house with his family on the opposite end of Carrizo Street from Richard and Mary Jane. Mary Jane's younger sister Mary Margaret (Margie) Tapia became romantically involved with and moved in with Carlos Hernandez and his mother Fedila.

One day Richard was at his mother-in-law's Janie's visiting when Margie rushed into the house from Carlos Hernandez's house. Margie's lip was cut and bleeding and her face was badly bruised. Richard asked Margie what happened and Margie fearfully shrugged her shoulders not answering. Carlos Hernandez had a reputation for assaulting women. Richard knew Carlos Hernandez was responsible for Margie's injuries. Richard confronted Carlos Hernandez at Carlos Hernandez's house and told Carlos Hernandez to come out of his house. Richard told Carlos Hernandez if he wanted to beat on someone he could beat on him. Carlos Hernandez wouldn't come out of his house. Carlos's mother Fidela told Richard "he won't touch her (Margie) again". Richard told Carlos

Hernandez if he ever touched Margie again he would, "beat your ass".

Within a few days of the above assault Richard was at home and Margie called pleading with Richard to come and get her as she wanted to leave and Carlos Hernandez wouldn't let her out of the house. Richard's brother Johnny was on leave from the Army and visiting Richard at the time. Johnny had just returned from a tour in Viet Nam. Richard explained the situation to Johnny. Johnny grabbed his 45 automatic pistol and Richard and Johnny set out to rescue Margie from Carlos Hernandez. As they arrived at Carlos Hernandez's house the CCPD also arrived and removed Margie from the house. The police left and as Richard and Johnny were leaving the Hernandez house. Carlos confronted Richard from behind and said "you ain't shit" to Richard. Carlos's brother Javier was right behind Carlos at the time. Richard turned around and struck Carlos two times in the face. Javier reached for a gun he was carrying in his belt. Johnny pulled his 45 and pointed it at Carlos and Javier before Javier could get his gun out. Johnny told Carlos and Javier he would gladly shoot them both. Fidela rushed out of the house and intervened. Fidela begged Johnny not to kill her son's. Johnny and Richard unloaded Javier's gun and returned to Richard's apartment.

Richard described Carlos Hernandez as: A coward, liked to beat up women, not a man, would not fight men, only liked to beat up women, liked to control women, was a mommy's boy, mommy's took care of him and fought his fights for him.

Johnny Garcia, Richard's brother is deceased. Johnny and Richard were involved in the shooting deaths of Roy Llamas and Richard Colunga. Johnny shot and killed both men on or near the Laredo Street Bridge near Carrizo Street. Apparently Roy Llamas had a run in with Richard and Johnny's grandfather and according to Richard as Johnny shot Roy he told him "you will never bother my grandfather again". Johnny was arrested but found to be temporally insane and did not do any time for the murders. Roy Llamas's girlfriend/wife? at the time was Maria Llamas Tanguma (now Rodriguez). At the time of this writing Maria is living with her daughter in apartment number 1913 in the "Navarro Project" south of Leopard Street on the west side of the Cross-town Freeway.

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