

Timeline - Criminal Trial of Alex Geiger

- 2012 to 2013 - July to July. Geiger serves as a provisional deputy with the Kings County Sheriff's Office (where he is seen in photo doing a K-9 bite work demo).
- 2014 - August. Geiger joins the Exeter Police Department as a provisional officer.
- 2015 - July. Geiger becomes a full-time officer with the Exeter Police Department.
- 2015 - September. Geiger becomes a K-9 handler with the Exeter Police Department. This same month, the city of Exeter acquires police K-9 "Neo" (1.5 years old).
- 2015 - November to December. K-9 Neo becomes "dual certified" in narcotics detection and patrol work (bite work) and begins his K-9 policing career.
- 2016 - March. K-9 Neo inflicts a bite during a routine bite-work training session. The bite injury is minor and the animal remains part of the Exeter K-9 unit.
- 2016 - August. Geiger pays the city of Exeter \$5,287 to keep his dual-certified K-9 and departs the Exeter Police Department. It was never revealed why he left.
- 2016 - September. Alex Geiger, 25-years old, is hired by the city of Grover Beach as a police officer. The Grover Beach Police Department does not have a K-9 unit.
- 2016 - September. Officer Geiger moves into a "rented" home on Owens Court in Grover Beach, one block from the scene of the deadly attack in December.
- 2016 - October 3. Officer Geiger is officially sworn in at a city council meeting.
- 2016 - November. Officer Geiger lobbies Grover Beach police Chief John Peters to start a K-9 unit, submitting a 140-page guide explaining how to form a K-9 unit.
- 2016 - December 13. Geiger's dogs (Neo, the primary attacker, and a German shepherd) escape his property and viciously attack David Fear and Betty Long.
- 2016 - December 15. Animal Services Director Eric Anderson issues news release stating Geiger's dogs are not connected to the Grover Beach Police Department.
- 2016 - December 16. David Fear dies of his severe injuries while hospitalized at Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center. Betty Long remains hospitalized.
- 2016 - December 19. Officer Geiger is placed on paid administrative leave.
- 2016 - December 22. City of Grover finally releases the name of dogs' owner, officer Geiger, to the public. The city does not provide information on the dog's training.
- 2017 - January 4. The Tribune publishes an exclusive article, detailing Geiger's previous employment, and showing that his dog is an attack-trained police K-9.
- 2017 - February 1. Geiger resigns from the Grover Beach Police Department.
- 2017 - February 2. The San Luis Obispo County District Attorney's Office files two felony charges against former Grover Beach Police Officer Alex Paul Geiger.
- 2017 - June 13. The district attorney's office amends its case against Geiger to include a single felony count of involuntary manslaughter for the death of David Fear.
- 2017 - July 18. The preliminary hearing for former officer Alex Geiger resumes.