

**News Release from  
The Honorable Sandra Doorley  
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**Travis Lewis Sentenced to 27 Years in the New York State Department of  
Corrections for Multiple Cases**

Rochester, NY- On Monday, October 30, 2023, 35-year-old Travis Lewis was sentenced by New York State Supreme Court Justice Moran to 20 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 5 years of post-release supervision for the homicide of Isaiah Fleming on September 5, 2022. Travis Lewis previously pled guilty to Manslaughter in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree for causing the death of Isaiah Fleming.

On Friday, October 27, 2023, Travis Lewis was sentenced by Acting Family Court Judge Healy to 20 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 5 years of post-release supervision for the shooting of a 3-year-old on September 28, 2022. These sentences will run concurrently. Travis Lewis previously pled guilty to the entire indictment, including two counts of Assault in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 7<sup>th</sup> Degree. 17-year-old Justin Rhynes, who was 16 years old at the time of the shooting, was sentenced to 5 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 5 years of post-release supervision for his involvement in the shooting on September 28, 2022. Justin Rhynes also previously pled guilty to the indictment, including two counts of Assault in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 7<sup>th</sup> Degree.

On Friday, October 20, 2023, Travis Lewis was sentenced by New York State Supreme Court Justice Moran to 7 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 5 years of post-release supervision following a plea to Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree for an incident on January 18, 2021. Travis Lewis pled guilty to this charge on May 13, 2021, which was pending sentencing at the time of his most recent crimes. This sentence will run consecutively to the homicide and assault cases.

**In total, Travis Lewis was sentenced to 27 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 5 years of post-release supervision for these three separate incidents.**

On September 28, 2022, Rochester Police Officers arrived in the area of N. Clinton Avenue and Clifford Avenue around 6:00PM. The toddler was sitting in a car seat in a parked vehicle when he was caught in the crossfire and shot. After a swift and thorough investigation, Travis Lewis and Justin Rhynes were identified as the shooters.

On September 5, 2022, at approximately 12:15AM, Rochester Police Officers responded to a convenience store at Joseph Avenue for the report of a male shot. Upon arrival, they located 24-year-old Isaiah Fleming shot in the upper body. He died at the scene following lifesaving measures. After a detailed investigation, Travis Lewis was later indicted by a grand jury for the homicide, which was unsealed on December 7, 2022.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Robertson, Deputy Chief of the Special Victims Unit and Special Assistant District Attorney Matthew Schiano, of the Major Felony Bureau.

“Travis Lewis left an enormous footprint of violence in our community,” said Assistant District Attorney Michael Robertson. “This man took the life of Isaiah Fleming, nearly killed a three-year-old with his dangerous and reckless shooting, and is responsible for the promotion of illegal narcotics and weapons. This man was unable to follow the law, even when he had a sentence pending for a possession of an illegal firearm. I want to thank the Rochester Police Department for their detailed investigation, resulting in today’s sentence.”

“When you hear us discuss the ‘worst of the worst’ in our community, we are talking about defendants like Travis Lewis,” said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “As a predicate felon, Travis Lewis knew what the consequences of his actions would be when he shot and killed Isaiah Fleming and almost killed a toddler. Travis Lewis does not value human life or the safety of our community. My heart goes out to the family of Isaiah Fleming and the toddler who was shot by the defendant. It is my hope that the families find peace knowing that we are all safer with this defendant in the New York State Department of Corrections.”

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