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Roderick Johnson Arraigned for Fifteen Year Old Murder Case

Rochester, NY- Yesterday, New York State Supreme Court Justice Thomas Moran arraigned 41 year old Roderick Johnson on a sealed indictment charging him with Murder in the Second Degree for the August 6, 2000 shooting death of 24 year old John Williams III. On that date, Johnson fired several shots into a vehicle driven by Williams, striking him and causing injuries that led to his death. The homicide occurred on Bernard Street in the City of Rochester.

The case will be prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Patrick Farrell, Deputy Chief of the Major Felony Bureau.

"Sometimes it takes many years to develop information or to connect the dots in complex cases, but no murder victim is ever forgotten," said Farrell. "This indictment was the result of an ongoing investigation by the Rochester Police Department Major Crimes Unit in conjunction with investigators from the District Attorney's Office, who continually follow leads in an effort to keep violent individuals off of our streets."

Johnson, who is currently serving time for a 2002 murder conviction, is scheduled to appear in court on March 9th at 9:30 AM, when an attorney will be assigned to defend him.

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