

**News Release from  
The Honorable Sandra Doorley  
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**Jury Finds Parolee Lequan Hill Guilty of Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree for the  
Murder of Antoine Parris**

Rochester, NY- On Monday, January 8, 2024, a Monroe County Jury convicted 31-year-old Lequan Hill of Murder in the Second Degree for the murder of Antoine Parris on November 3, 2022.

On November 3, 2022, at approximately 6:45PM, Rochester Police Officers were called to Frost Avenue in the City of Rochester for reports of a man who was stabbed. It was discovered that 42-year-old Antoine Parris was stabbed and he was immediately transported to Strong Memorial Hospital, where he died from his injuries shortly after.

After a thorough investigation by the Rochester Police Department and the New York State Division of Parole, Lequan Hill, a parolee who was released from custody early on a parole violation the previous month, was identified as the suspect. Lequan Hill was in an argument with his father while walking past the house of Antoine Parris on Frost Avenue. Antoine Parris attempted to intervene when Lequan Hill stabbed him.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Harrigan, Chief of the Homicide Bureau, and Special Assistant District Attorney Adam VanHeyst, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

“What began as an aggressive argument turned into the murder of Antoine Parris,” said Assistant District Attorney Michael Harrigan. “Antoine Parris was attempting to be a Good Samaritan and calm an escalating situation when Lequan Hill violently stabbed him. I want to thank the Rochester Police Department and the New York State Division of Parole Officers for their thorough investigation that resulted in the swift identification and apprehension of Lequan Hill. Today, our community is safer knowing that Lequan Hill will be spending time in the New York State Department of Corrections, away from Monroe County.”

“Lequan Hill’s history proves that he never planned to re-enter society as a law-abiding citizen,” said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “A week before Antoine Parris’ murder, Lequan Hill was released from custody for a parole violation, in which he cut off his ankle monitor. Instead of resolving conflict rationally, the defendant was quick to kill an innocent victim. Today’s conviction is a much-needed resolution for the loved ones of Antoine Parris.”

Lequan Hill will be sentenced on February 14, 2024, in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Alex Renzi.

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