

MONROE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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From Monroe County District Attorney Brian Green

This week was exceptionally active both inside and outside the courtroom at the Monroe County District Attorney's Office.



We had three significant outcomes from our Special Victims Unit. I want to commend ADA Kaylee Rizzari for securing a 25-year to Life sentence on Joseph Berardi for the ongoing sexual abuse of a child. Thanks to ADA Rizzari's dedication, our community's children are safer.

Additionally, Chief of the Special Victims Unit, ADA Sara Vanstrydonck, secured a 38-year sentence for Level 3 Sexual Offender Brandon Decapua, who was convicted of Burglary in the 1st Degree as a Sexually Motivated Felony and various sexual assault charges for sexual assaults at the University of Rochester.



Just yesterday, ADA Kenisha Flowers earned a guilty verdict against Luke Calla, who was convicted of Strangulation in the 2nd Degree, Criminal Obstruction of Breathing or Blood Circulation, and Assault in the 3rd Degree. Prosecutions like this help empower more survivors to come forward and seek justice.

Earlier this week, I met with each of our local news stations to discuss my priorities for the office and for our community. I encourage you to watch those interviews if you'd like to learn more.

Have a safe weekend!

Notable Court Proceedings

37-year-old **Joseph Berardi** was sentenced by Acting Monroe County Court Judge Patterson to 25 years to Life in the New York State Department of Corrections. The defendant was previously convicted by a Monroe County jury of Predatory Sexual Assault Against a Child and Endangering the Welfare of a Child for the ongoing sexual abuse of a child less than the age of thirteen. This case was investigated by the Greece Police Department and CPS and prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kaylee Rizzari, Chief of Special Victims Unit.

37-year-old **Brandon Decapua** was sentenced by New York State Supreme Court Justice Renzi to 38 years in the New York State Department of Corrections. The defendant was previously convicted by a Monroe County jury of Burglary in the 1st Degree as a Sexually Motivated Felony, three counts of Sexual Abuse in the 1st Degree, three counts of Attempted Rape in the 1st Degree, and Public Lewdness for two separate incidents at the University of Rochester campus on January 17, 2025.

This case was investigated by the University of Rochester Public Safety Department and prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Sara Vanstrydonck, Chief of the Special Victims Unit.

31-year-old **Luke Calla** was convicted by a Monroe County jury of Strangulation in the 2nd Degree, Criminal Obstruction of Breathing or Blood Circulation, and Assault in the 3rd Degree. This case was investigated by the Webster Police Department and prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kenisha Flowers, of the Special Victims Unit.

MCDA in the Community

Monroe County District Attorney Brian Green joined ADA Patrick Gallagher, Chief of our Domestic Violence Bureau, and ADA Rachael Landauer, in celebrating the groundbreaking of the new Family Justice Center. This center will transform the way our community supports survivors of domestic violence—providing safety, compassion, and coordinated services all under one roof. I look forward to seeing this important vision come to life.



ADA Patrick Gallagher, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau, attended a Domestic Violence Roundtable on Prevention at City Hall hosted by Rochester Mayor Evans and Assemblymember Lunsford. At this roundtable, agencies shared information, statistics, and resources for survivors of Domestic Violence.



ADA Kevin Sunderland, Chief of the Local Courts Bureau, presented at two Irondequoit High School Law Classes about what it means to be a prosecutor and recent cases. Thank you to Mrs. Lent and the students for your engagement and lively conversation.



Upcoming Trials

People vs. **Lionel Hunt**

The defendant is charged with Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Sinclair. This case is being prosecuted by ADA Michael Caranante, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

People vs. **Jayquon Martin**

The defendant is charged with Kidnapping in the 2nd Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree, Endangering the Welfare of a Child, and Criminal Mischief in the 4th Degree in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Schiano. This case is being prosecuted by ADA Kenisha Flowers and ADA Kaylee Rizzari, both of the Special Victims Unit.