

MONROE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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From Monroe County District Attorney Brian Green

As we reach the halfway point of 2026, I want to take a moment to reflect on what the numbers tell us about public safety in our community. While statistics never tell the whole story, they do provide an important measure of the progress we are making together, which is especially important to acknowledge following last weekend's violent episodes.



During the first six months of this year, the City of Rochester has experienced five homicides, the lowest mid-year total in nearly a decade. We have also seen significant decreases in motor vehicle thefts compared to the 2023 high and the percentage of homicides committed with firearms compared to previous years.

These improvements are encouraging, but they are not a reason for complacency. Every act of violence leaves victims, families, and neighborhoods forever changed. Even one homicide is one too many, and every crime has a real human impact.

These positive trends are the result of the collective efforts of many dedicated professionals. I want to thank the prosecutors in the Monroe County District Attorney's Office, our law enforcement partners, first responders, victim advocates, and community organizations who work every day to prevent violence, support victims, and hold offenders accountable. Public safety is a shared responsibility, and these results reflect what can be accomplished when we work together.

My commitment remains unchanged. The Monroe County District Attorney's Office will continue to prosecute violent offenders, support crime victims, and work alongside our community partners to build on this progress. While there is still much work ahead, these first six months demonstrate that collaboration, accountability, and an unwavering commitment to justice can make a meaningful difference.



In the Community

Monroe County District Attorney [Brian Green](#) joined Rochester Mayor Malik Evans and Rochester Police Department Chief David Smith to provide an update on the ongoing investigation into shooting violence over the 4th of July weekend. If you have any information that may assist in the investigation into the shootings on Broad Street in the early morning hours of July 5, please contact the Rochester Police Department. Together, we can help ensure that those responsible are brought to justice.



Several members of the Monroe County District Attorney's Office welcomed interns from the Hall of Justice to learn about the District Attorney's Office in a behind-the-scenes tour. They had the opportunity to learn about the Grand Jury process, hear from our Special Victim's Unit, Appeals Bureau, and Vehicular Crimes Bureau. They concluded by asking questions to Monroe County District Attorney [Brian Green](#) about what it means to be a prosecutor.

In the Courtroom

New York State Supreme Court Justice Victoria Argento sentenced 22-year-old **Rahjule Keeton** to 25 years to Life in the New York State Department of Corrections. He was previously convicted by a jury of Murder in the 2nd Degree, Robbery in the 1st Degree, and Robbery in the 2nd Degree for the murder James Hallenbeck. On August 21, 2022, at approximately 1:45AM, Rochester Police Officers responded to Olean Street near Coretta Scott Crossing for reports of a shooting. Upon arrival, 29-year-old James Hallenbeck was found deceased with a gunshot wound and blunt force trauma after a robbery. Rochester Police Investigators spent the following years meticulously going through hundreds of hours of footage, scouring evidence, and building a criminal case. After a thorough and exhaustive investigation, it was determined that Rahjule Keeton saw James Hallenbeck taking a late-night walk. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney [Michael Caranante](#), Deputy Chief of the Special Investigations Bureau.



Upcoming Trials

The People vs. **William Owen**

This defendant is charged with Attempted Arson in the 2nd Degree in front of Monroe County Court Judge Michael Ansaldi. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney [Camille Ingino](#), of the Major Felony Bureau.

The People vs. **Jonathan Dentino**

This defendant is charged with Attempted Rape in the 1st Degree and Aggravated Family Offense in front of Monroe County Court Judge Doug Randall. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney [Kaylee Rizzari](#), of the Special Victims Unit.

The People vs. **Shakeem Colbert** and **Timothy Jones, Jr.**

These defendants are charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree in front of Monroe County Court Judge Michael Dollinger. Shakeem Colbert is also charged with Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the 2nd Degree. Timothy Jones, Jr. is also charged with two additional counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney [Bridget Morgan](#), of the Special Investigations Bureau.