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Michael Williams Sentenced to 32 Years to Life

Rochester, NY- Today, Supreme Court Justice Joanne M. Winslow sentenced 21 year old Michael Williams to the maximum sentence of 32 Years to Life for the January 5, 2012 shooting death of Alexander Marquez, and the assault of Christian Ramos. On that date, Williams and a 15 year old accomplice, Treyquan Davis, met the victims in a park on Bauer Street in the City of Rochester to purchase marijuana. During the drug sale, Williams and Davis attempted to rob the victims at gunpoint. Alexander Marquez was shot twice in the back, and died as a result of his injuries. Christian Ramos was shot in the leg and shoulder, and survived the attack.

Williams was apprehended in Steuben County just days after the incident. After a jury trial in November of 2013, Williams was found guilty of two counts of Murder in the Second Degree, one count of Assault in the Second Degree, and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree.

The case was prosecuted for the People by Julie Hahn, Chief of the Nonviolent Felony Bureau, and Assistant District Attorney Patrick Gallagher of the Monroe County District Attorney's Office. Williams, who has remained in custody since his arrest in February of 2012, will begin serving his sentence immediately.

"This was a senseless act over an ounce of weed", said Hahn. "Many lives have been irreparably damaged as a result of this crime."

Williams' accomplice, Treyquan Davis, who was a juvenile at the time of the incident, pled to Manslaughter in the First Degree in November of 2013 and is serving a sentence of $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 10 years.