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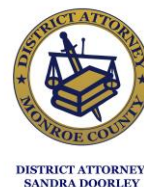
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Monroe County District Attorney's Office Weekly Newsletter



Welcome to the weekly newsletter from Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley.

Message from Sandra Doorley

The work coming out of my office speaks for itself. Over the past two weeks, the Monroe County District Attorney's Office has secured convictions, life sentences for murders, indictments, and countless court appearances. I encourage you to read the office updates I have highlighted below, as myself and the Assistant District Attorneys in my office have been in court, fighting for the people of Monroe County every day.

While the work has been nonstop, I want to take a minute to highlight a case that is very important to me, a case that after 40 years, justice was finally served.

The People vs. James Krauseneck

In 2015, the Brighton Police Chief at the time, Mark Henderson, approached me about the infamous Brighton Ax Murder. At that point, I specialized in cold cases and was always looking to find delayed justice for victims. On February 19, 1982, Brighton Police Officers arrived at the house on Del Rio Drive in the town of Brighton. Upon entering the house, investigators located the body of Cathleen Krauseneck, who was found deceased in her bed with an ax embedded in her head. Reports show that Cathleen was killed from a strike in the head with an ax while she slept.

I reviewed this case and I knew that I needed to take a fresh look at this 1982 case to see if I could give Cathy Krauseneck her day in court. Since that day, Monroe County District Attorney Investigators and I worked with the Brighton Police Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigations, the Monroe County Crime Lab, and Dr. Michael Baden to further review the case. Upon a thorough and detailed investigation, James Krauseneck was indicted in November 2019 for the 1982 murder of his wife and mother of his child, Cathleen Krauseneck.

Over 40 years later, Assistant District Attorney Patrick Gallagher, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau, Special Assistant District Attorney Constance Patterson, of the Special Victims Unit, with the preparation and assistance of former Domestic Violence Bureau Chief William Gargan, secured a guilty verdict. On September 26, 2022, a Monroe County Jury convicted 70-year-old James Krauseneck of Murder in the 2nd Degree for the murder of his wife, Cathleen Krauseneck. Cathy's sister, Annette, said it best upon exiting the courtroom, "justice for Cathy."

Homicide Update

So far in 2022:

City of Rochester Total:
72

Monroe County Total: 75

Monroe County Heroin Task Force Update

October 2022

Total Reported ODs: 47

Total Fatalities: 13

Year To Date 2022

Total Reported ODs: 500

Total Fatalities: 110

Last week, the chapter was closed when New York State Supreme Court Justice Schiano sentenced James Krauseneck to 25 years to Life in the New York State Department of Corrections. One of Mr. Krauseneck's defense attorneys claimed that this served as a 'political prosecution.' This was a completely false claim. This was a search for justice. I think I can speak for myself, my prosecutors, and the investigators from both my office and the Brighton Police Department, that It has been an incredible honor to help secure justice for Cathy and her family.

Sandra

Highlights from the MCDA's Office

Convictions

A Monroe County Jury convicted 50-year-old **Raymond Dukes** of two counts of Murder in the Second Degree, two counts of Kidnapping in the First Degree, two counts of Assault in the First Degree, and Assault in the Second Degree for the murder of Tim Lewis. Co-defendant 50-year old **William Crenshaw** was also convicted of Kidnapping in the First Degree and Assault in the Second Degree. On February 5, 2020, while at 762 Smith Street in the City of Rochester, 59-year-old Tim Lewis was beaten repeatedly with a baseball bat by Raymond Dukes. Tim Lewis was bound, chained, gagged and kept in the defendant's house until February 7, 2020 when members of the Rochester Police Department responded and rescued him. From February 5, 2020 to February 6, 2020, Raymond Dukes and William Crenshaw assaulted and kidnapped another female at the same location. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Rachel Clark, Deputy Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau and Senior Assistant District Attorney Kelly Pettrone, of the Felony DWI Bureau.

Sentences

County Court Judge Dollinger sentenced **Derrick Gunter Jr.**, to 25 years in the New York State Department of Corrections, to be followed by five years of post-release supervision for shooting and causing the death of Waltquaries "Junior" Evans, on December 12, 2021, on Orchard Street in the City of Rochester.

New York State Supreme Court Justice Argento sentenced 26-year-old **Tywayne Ivery** to 40 years to Life in the New York State Department of

Corrections after he was convicted by a jury of Murder in the 2nd Degree and three counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree for the murder of Chrishon Youmas. On December 11, 2020, Rochester Police Officers were called to the area of Clifford Avenue and North Clinton Avenue. After lifesaving measures were attempted, 24-year-old Chrishon Youmas was pronounced dead at the scene with one gunshot wound. The following week, Tywayne Ivery was arrested for the murder. Chrishon Youmas was not the intended target. While Tywayne Ivery was out on bail on the homicide charges, he was arrested for an additional charge of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree on August 25, 2021. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Harrigan, Chief of the General Felony Bureau, and Special Assistant District Attorney Michael Caranante, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Indictments/Arraignments

Hayden Cypressi was arraigned on Rape in the 1st Degree, three counts of Attempted Rape in the 1st Degree, and four counts Sexual Abuse in the 1st Degree for various sexual assaults in the City of Rochester. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Constance Patterson, of the Special Victims Unit.

Ronald Lagasse was indicted on Murder in the 2nd Degree for killing Mary Simzer on September 24, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley.

Shawn Appleberry was indicted on Murder in the 2nd Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree for the shooting death of Desmin Diggs on March 21, 2022. Appleberry will be arraigned on Monday, November 21, in front of Monroe County Court Judge Miller. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kevin Sunderland, of the Special Victims Unit.

Raymar Alexander was indicted on Murder in the 2nd Degree and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree for shooting Chance Mosley, killing him on November 1, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Constance Patterson, of the Special Victims Unit.

Kenneth Scott was indicted on Murder in the 2nd Degree and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree, and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree for shooting Lamar Casseyoy, killing him on September 20, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Anthony Freeman, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Jessica Cafarelli was indicted on Manslaughter in the 2nd Degree, Vehicular Manslaughter in the 2nd Degree, and two counts of Driving While Intoxicated in relation to the vehicular death of Gianna Chapman on October 21, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Camille Ingino, of the Felony DWI Bureau.

Orlando Velazquez was indicted on Robbery in the 1st Degree in relation to an armed robbery against an individual on September 5, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Gregory Clark, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Mardell Hall was indicted on two counts of Robbery in the 1st Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree in relation to the armed robbery of an individual on October 18, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Robertson, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Michael Lang-Concepcion was indicted on two counts of Strangulation in the 2nd Degree, Assault in the 3rd Degree and Stalking in the 3rd Degree in relation to domestic related incidents during the month of October 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Drew Kroft, of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

Terrance Carter was indicted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and Unlawful Fleeing of A Police Officer In a Motor Vehicle in the 3rd Degree in relation to illegal weapons possession and fleeing from New York State Troopers on October 19, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Boucher, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Bryant Orum was indicted on Burglary in the 1st Degree in relation to an armed burglary inside a home on October 26, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Robertson, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Akech Deng was indicted on two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and Assault in the 2nd Degree as a Hate Crime for shooting a victim on October 10, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Eleanor Biggers, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Davante Gibson was indicted on five counts of Criminal Contempt in the 1st Degree, two counts of Criminal Contempt in the 2nd Degree, two counts of Criminal Mischief in the 4th Degree, Burglary in the 2nd Degree, Criminal Obstruction of Breathing or Blood Circulation, and Stalking in the 3rd Degree. This case will be arraigned on Wednesday, November 23, in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Renzi. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kristina Hinkley, of the Domestic Violence Bureau.



MCDA in the Community

Congratulations to Monroe County District Attorney Investigator Ed Bernabei for being recognized at the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Annual Award Ceremony. Investigator Bernabei was honored for his tireless work on the Monroe County Heroin Task Force. He truly exemplifies what it means to protect and serve through his career in the Rochester Police Department and currently in the Monroe County District Attorney's Office. Congratulations, Eddie!

Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley was a guest lecturer for former ADA Brian Green at St. John Fisher University. Sandra and Brian shared information about some of the most egregious cases they prosecuted while going through the logistics of a criminal case. Thank you to the students for the lively discussion and attentiveness.



Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley attended the annual Camp Good Days and Special Times fundraiser to benefit this amazing organization. Camp Good Days offers summer camping sessions, weekend adult retreats, and year round programs for families who have been touched by cancer and other life challenges. All programs are provided free of charge. Thank you to Gary and Wendy Mervis for all you do!



Election Day Football

With Monroe County being closed on election day, the Monroe County District Attorney's Office has held an Election Day Football tradition for years. Each year, the misdemeanor assistant district attorneys take on the felony assistant district attorneys for a friendly competition. Following tradition, our felony attorneys once again won the game. Congratulations!



MCDA in the News

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<https://13wham.com/news/local/man-hit-and-killed-by-school-bus-in-rochester>

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<https://www.democratandchronicle.com/story/news/2022/11/07/james-krauseneck-to-be-sentenced-in-brighton-ny-ax-murder-case/69608219007/>

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<https://lawandcrime.com/crime/brighton-ax-murder-case-that-inspired-horror-film-reaches-dramatic-conclusion-judge-admonishes-condemned-man-while-daughter-professes-fathers-innocence/>

<https://www.rochesterfirst.com/crime/man-sentenced-for-2020-n-clinton-ave-murder/>

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