## News Release from The Honorable Sandra Doorley Monroe County District Attorney

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## Jeremiah Barley Convicted of Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree

Rochester, NY- Thursday, December 16, 2021, a Monroe County Jury convicted 27-year-old Jeremiah Barley of Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree for the death of Dakota Podlaski.

On May 27, 2020, Rochester Police Officers were called to the corner of Magee Avenue and Dewey Avenue for reports of a drive-by shooting. They found Dakota Podlaski shot on site. He was quickly transported to Strong Memorial Hospital where he died shortly after arrival.

After a detailed and impressive investigation from the Rochester Police Department, Jeremiah Barley was identified as an assailant and later arrested on June 12, 2020.

The case was prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Bianca D'Angelo, of the Major Felony Bureau.

"This investigation and prosecution was a collaborative effort between the Rochester Police Department, the Monroe County District Attorney's Office, and the community," said Assistant District Attorney Bianca D'Angelo "Jeremiah Barley's actions on May 27, 2020, were violent, aggressive, and put many residents of our community at risk. Dakota Podlaski was an innocent bystander who fell victim to this random act of violence."

"Dakota Podlaski was a 20-year-old unintended victim who was caught in the crossfire of Jeremiah Barley's violent actions," said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. "Jeremiah Barley had no regard for human life when he chose to fire shots out of a moving vehicle. During these violent times in our community, we must do everything in our power to secure justice. It is our hope that Mr. Podlaski's friends and family feel justice in today's jury verdict."

Jeremiah Barley will be sentenced in January 2022, in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Renzi.