

**News Release from
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Joshua Ross Convicted of Manslaughter in the 1st Degree

Rochester, NY- Thursday, October 28, 2021, a Monroe County Jury convicted 26-year-old Joshua Ross of Manslaughter in the 1st Degree for the death of 20-year-old Zaquan Jackson.

On August 23, 2020, Rochester Police Officers arrived at the corner of Jefferson Avenue and Bartlett Street in the City of Rochester. Once they arrived, the officers found Zaquan Jackson, who had been beaten with a liquor bottle, struggling for his life. Zaquan Jackson died four days later at Strong Memorial Hospital.

After a detailed and impressive investigation from Rochester Police Department section investigators, Joshua Ross was identified as the assailant and was arrested on September 14, 2020.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Robertson.

“I want to sincerely thank the section investigators at the Rochester Police Department who were responsible for the identification and apprehension of Joshua Ross,” said Assistant District Attorney Michael Robertson. “Joshua Ross’ actions on August 23, 2020, were violent, aggressive, and took the life of Zaquan Jackson. Joshua Ross beat Zaquan Jackson with a liquor bottle that led to his death, leaving a void in the lives of his friends and family.”

“Zaquan Jackson was a 20-year-old man who had his life ahead of him,” said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “Joshua Ross had no regard for human life when he decided to beat Mr. Jackson with a liquor bottle. During these violent times in our community, we must do everything in our power to secure justice. It is our hope that Mr. Jackson’s friends and family feel justice in today’s jury verdict.”

Joshua Ross will be sentenced on December 22, 2021, in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Moran.

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