

**News Release from
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Margzell Miller Convicted of Murder in the 2nd Degree

Rochester, NY- Wednesday, March 31, 2021, a Monroe County Jury convicted 37-year-old Margzell Miller of Murder in the 2nd Degree and four counts for Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree for the death of his girlfriend, Shaniece Taylor.

On August 15, 2019, Rochester Police Officers arrived at a house on Fourth Street in the City of Rochester for a report of shots fired. Once they arrived, the officers found Shaniece Taylor, who had been shot 16 times at close range while sitting down in her home. Ms. Taylor died at the scene.

Immediately after the crime, Miller fled parole supervision. With assistance from the Rochester Police Department, the defendant was arrested by the United States Marshal's Task Force

The case was prosecuted by First Assistant District Attorney Perry Duckles.

"I want to sincerely thank the Major Crimes Unit at the Rochester Police Department and the United States Marshal's Task Force who were responsible for the identification and apprehension of Margzell Miller," said First Assistant District Attorney Perry Duckles. "Mr. Miller's actions on August 15, 2019, were violent, aggressive, and took the life of Shaniece Taylor. This brutal murder not only took the life of Shaniece but left a void for all those who loved her. After a year and a half, Shaniece's family and friends can finally have justice for her death."

"Shaniece Taylor was a 26-year-old woman who had her entire life ahead of her," said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. "Margzell Miller is a ruthless killer who deserves to spend decades in the New York State Department of Corrections. We are grateful to be able to once again hold jury trials so we can finally find justice for so many victims in our community who have been waiting for over a year. During these violent times in our community, we must be able to move forward with justice."

Margzell Miller will be sentenced on May 20, 2021 in front of Monroe County Court Judge Douglas Randall.

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