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Michael Parnell Convicted of Attempted Murder in the 2nd Degree, Assault in the 1st Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and Reckless Endangerment in the 1st Degree

Rochester, NY- On Tuesday, January 17, 2023, 30-year-old Michael Parnell was convicted by a Monroe County jury of Attempted Murder in the 2nd Degree, Assault in the 1st Degree, Reckless Endangerment in the 1st Degree, and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree for triple shooting at a strip club on Anderson Avenue on July 17, 2021.

On July 17, 2021, Rochester Police Officers responded to "The Barrel," a strip club on Anderson Avenue where they found two men shot outside and one man shot inside the club. Michael Parnell was identified as the shooter of all three men, and after a thorough investigation, Parnell was located and arrested on August 29, 2021.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Christopher Bokelman, Deputy Chief of the Major Felony Bureau.

"Michael Parnell violently injured three individuals on July 17, 2021, and could have recklessly hurt more people," said Assistant District Attorney Christopher Bokelman. "Thankfully, the three victims survived their injuries but will live with the trauma and physical effects for the rest of their lives. I want to thank the Rochester Police Department for their detailed investigation that led to the apprehension of Michael Parnell and everyone who cooperated with the prosecution, each helped make our community safer."

"When law enforcement refers to the most violent offenders, they are referring to criminals like Michael Parnell," said Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley. "Mr. Parnell shot three individuals without regard for their lives or the lives of anyone else who was present. It is the hope of the Monroe County District Attorney's Office that Mr. Parnell serves a lengthy prison sentence where he can no longer promote violence in our community."

Michael Parnell will be sentenced on February 22, 2023, in front of Monroe County Court Judge Michael Dollinger.

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