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**Michael Scott, Jr. Sentenced to 30 Years for the Homicides of Demetrius
Rucker and Cahj'Miere Robinson**

Rochester, NY- On Tuesday, May 20, 2025, New York State Supreme Court Justice Walsh sentenced 22-year-old Michael Scott, Jr. to a total of 30 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 5 years of post-release supervision. Michael Scott, Jr. previously pled guilty to two counts of Manslaughter in the 1st Degree for the shootings of Demetrius Rucker on August 4, 2023, and Cahj'Miere Robinson on September 11, 2022. For each homicide, he was sentenced to 25 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 5 years of post-release supervision to run concurrently. He also pled guilty to Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree for the possession of a loaded, operable firearm on September 23, 2022. He was sentenced to 5 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 3 years of post-release supervision to run consecutive to the homicides.

On September 11, 2022, Rochester Police Officers responded to a recreation center on Webster Avenue for the report of a shooting. Upon their arrival at the scene, Rochester Police Officers located 17-year-old Cahj'Miere Robinson, who was pronounced dead at the scene with gunshot wounds in the head and chest. Investigators determined that Cahj'Miere Robinson was lured to the location to be robbed before he was shot and killed.

On August 4, 2023, Rochester Police Officers responded to Henion Street, where 22-year-old Demetrius Rucker was found dead at the scene, with gunshot wounds to his head and torso. It was determined that he was the intended target.

On November 8, 2023, Michael Scott, Jr. was arrested for the homicide of Demetrius Rucker. He was also arrested on September 23, 2022, for the illegal possession of a weapon. The defendant was out of custody for the weapon charge when he shot and killed Demetrius Rucker.

In November of 2024, the Rochester Police Department completed the investigation into the shooting death of Cahj'Miere Robinson and arrested Michael Scott, Jr. and 20-year-old Jaiden Robinson for the homicide. Jaiden Robinson is scheduled for trial on the homicide on October 20, 2025, in front of Monroe County Court Judge Dollinger.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Anthony Freeman, of the Non-Fatal Shooting Taskforce.

“Michael Scott, Jr. shot and killed two young men nearly one year apart,” said Assistant District Attorney Anthony Freeman. “While I am pleased that the defendant admitted to shooting and killing Cahj’Miere Robinson and Demetrius Rucker, nothing can bring back the lives he stole. I want to thank the Rochester Police Department for their detailed investigation that led to the identification and arrest of the defendant. Based on his actions and promotion of violence in our community, Monroe County is safer with Michael Scott, Jr. in the New York State Department of Corrections.”

“Cahj’Miere Robinson was tragically lured to his untimely death, while Demetrius Rucker was pursued and fatally shot, both by Michael Scott, Jr.,” said Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “I am relieved that the defendant's admission of guilt can help provide closure for the families of both victims, who have been seeking justice for far too long. This resolution acknowledges the profound loss each family has endured and highlights the ongoing commitment of our office to hold individuals accountable for such violent acts.”

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