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**Natalie Johnson Found Guilty of Murder**

Rochester, NY- Today, a Monroe County jury found Natalie Johnson Guilty of two counts of Murder in the Second Degree for her role in the February 3<sup>rd</sup> slaying of RIT Professor Edline Chun. On that date, Johnson and an accomplice entered Chun's home on Hazelwood Terrace in the City of Rochester where they robbed her and later shot her twice in the head. Her body was discovered in a ravine in Tryon Park three days later by Monroe County Water Authority employees. Police arrested Johnson and Jerrell Henry the following day, when Henry was discovered with Chun's car.

The case was prosecuted for the People by Perry Duckles, Chief of the Monroe County District Attorney's Office Major Felony Bureau, and Assistant District Attorney James Egan.

"As a major felony prosecutor, I've spent my career dealing with all manner of violent behavior, but the murder of Edline Chun was among the more savage," said Duckles. "Natalie Johnson had no feud with the victim—no negative interactions, no vendetta; Ms. Chun was simply murdered for her possessions. It was in many ways the definition of a cold blooded crime, and I believe that this conviction was both just and necessary to protect the community."

Johnson will be sentenced on December 3<sup>rd</sup> before Judge Francis Affronti, where she faces up to 25 Years to Life in prison. The trial of her alleged accomplice, Jerrell Henry, will commence on that same date. Henry is charged with Murder in the First Degree and faces up to Life in Prison Without the Possibility of Parole.

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