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Rashad Albert-Brown Sentenced to 25 Years to Life for the Murder of Tarrell McKnight

Rochester, NY- Monday, February 27, 2023, New York State Supreme Court Justice Schiano sentenced 30-year-old Rashad Albert-Brown to 25 years to Life in the New York State Department of Corrections. The defendant was convicted by a jury of Murder in the Second Degree for the murder of Tarrell McKnight.

On December 3, 2021, a family party was held where both Rashad Albert-Brown and Tarrell McKnight were in attendance. A heated discussion between the two men turned into a physical altercation. The following day, on December 4, 2021, Rashad Albert-Brown went back to the location of the party, demanding to see the victim. Once Tarrell McKnight arrived at the home, Rashad Albert-Brown shot him outside the house three times.

Shortly after the shooting, the Rochester Police arrived at the scene and Tarrell McKnight was transported to Strong Memorial Hospital. He passed away the following day. The Rochester Police Department led the investigation and arrested Rashad Albert-Brown for the murder on January 20, 2022.

The case was prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Eleanor Biggers, of the Major Felony Bureau.

"Rashad Albert-Brown's reckless and violent choices stole the life of Tarrell McKnight and destroyed their family," said Assistant District Attorney Eleanor Biggers. "He must live with the consequences of his actions and the maximum sentence in this case was the just and proper result. I want to thank the Rochester Police Department for their thorough investigation as well as the community members who came forward to help bring closure and justice to Tarrell's family."

"Rashad Albert-Brown used an illegal weapon and shot Tarrell McKnight over a petty argument and hurt pride," said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. "Mr. Albert-Brown proved that he is an ongoing danger to our community and is best served in the New York State Department of Corrections. Today's sentence is a much-needed resolution for Tarrell McKnight's friends and family."