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**Monroe County
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Weekly Newsletter**



Welcome to the weekly newsletter from Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley.

Frederick Douglass HBCU Classic!

Tomorrow is the Frederick Douglass HBCU Classic!

Yesterday kicked-off the Weekend of Hope festivities with the HBCU Experience, a college and career fair for local high school students in the City of Rochester. Attorneys and members from the Monroe County District Attorney's Office joined our partners at GIVE (Gun Involved Violence Elimination) to discuss career opportunities, how to become a prosecutor, and internships.



This Inaugural game represents a mission to nurture community engagement and bolster public safety in Rochester. We owe a huge thank you to Rochester Police Department Deputy Police Chief, Keith Stith, who is the Chairperson of this weekend. The game and the surrounding activities are an important opportunity for law enforcement and the community to come together for a fun and positive experience.

Tomorrow is the main event, beginning with a Community Tailgate at the Rochester Community Sports Complex with entertainment, food trucks, vendors, raffles and more! At 1:00PM, the Game will start and Central State University will play Albany State University in the Inaugural Frederick Douglass HBCU Football Classic! Monroe County is proud to host this event, which as a family friendly event in our city is great for the community.



Homicide Update

To Date 2024:

City of Rochester Total:
41

Monroe County Total: 49

For more information, click on the above logo. I am proud of the Rochester Police Department and the event sponsors, many of whom I partner with on a daily basis.

Have a fun and safe weekend!

Sandra

Highlights from the MCDA's Office

The People vs. **Kwame Acosta** will continue into next week. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Buckley, Chief of the Local Courts Bureau. The defendant is charged with Murder in the 2nd Degree, Attempted Murder in the 2nd Degree, Assault in the 2nd Degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree, and Criminal Possession of a Firearm in front of Monroe County Court Judge Randall.

31-year-old **Shaquille Turner** was convicted by a Monroe County jury of Assault in the 1st Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree, and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree for shooting a woman on Lake Avenue on July 26, 2023. On July 26, 2023, Rochester Police Officers with the Non-Fatal Shooting Taskforce responded to Lake Avenue near Lake View Park for a report of gunshots from a motor vehicle. Rochester Police Officers also responded to Rochester General Hospital for a report of a woman shot. Investigators quickly determined that the 48-year-old victim was injured in the Lake Avenue shooting. She was shot in her face and her arm before being transported to the hospital, where she recovered from her serious injuries. After a thorough investigation conducted by the Non-Fatal Shooting Taskforce, which consists of Rochester Police Officers, Assistant District Attorneys and Investigators from the Monroe County District Attorney's Office, it was determined that Shaquille Turner was responsible for the shooting. This was a targeted assault, as the defendant and victim were known to each other. On August 10, 2023, United States Marshals arrested Shaquille Turner, who was in possession of illegal narcotics at the time of the arrest. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Rachel Clark, Deputy Chief of the Non-Fatal Shooting Taskforce. Shaquille Turner will be sentenced on October 17, 2024, in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Argento.

48-year-old **Kelvin Hunt** pled guilty to Kidnapping in the 2nd Degree, for the abduction of a child. He will be sentenced to 25 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 5 years of post-release supervision. On February 1, 2024, Kelvin Hunt, a registered sex offender, entered a home and forcibly kidnapped a 14-year-old girl. Kelvin Hunt specifically targeted this house and this victim. He took her to another location at gunpoint, against her will. The 14-year-old was released by the kidnapper and called the police. Rochester Police Officers, the Federal Bureau of Investigations, and the United States Marshals Service searched the community for Kelvin Hunt, who led police on two separate vehicular pursuits. He was located at the Gates Hotel on February 5, 2024, and arrested for the kidnapping of this teenage victim. This case was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney Janna Jehlen, of the Special Victims Unit. Kelvin Hunt is scheduled to be sentenced on December 6, 2024 in front of County Court Judge Healy.

35-year-old **Doyle Rucker** pled guilty to Attempted Murder in the 2nd Degree and Assault in the 2nd Degree, for the stabbing of his estranged wife, Shaughnessey Denson, and her 14-year-old child. He will be sentenced to 30 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 8 years of post-release supervision. On February 3, 2024, Rochester Police Officers were called to a home on Mitchell Street for a reported stabbing. Upon arrival, they found 34-year-old Shaughnessey Denson in critical condition and her injured 14-year-old daughter, both had been stabbed. After both victims were quickly transported to the hospital, Rochester Police Officers identified Doyle Rucker, the estranged husband of Shaughnessey Denson as the assailant. It was determined that Doyle Rucker claimed to be at the home to visit his children when he pulled out a knife and violently stabbed Shaughnessey, who nearly died from her injuries. Shaughnessey's 14-year-old daughter intervened in the attack, bravely putting herself between her mother and her assailant and was stabbed in the process. Both victims recovered from their injuries, but Shaughnessey Denson will live the remainder of her life with injuries from this brutal assault. This case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Sara VanStrydonck, Chief of the Special Victims Unit, and Assistant District Attorney Patrick Gallagher, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

Derek Scott was indicted on two counts of Driving While Intoxicated and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle in the 1st Degree in relation to a vehicular incident on May 11, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Diane Orosz-Roy, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

James Asberry and **Mildred Hardy** were indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and James Asberry was also indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree in relation to the possession of illegal firearms on August 26, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Tony DiPerna, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Tracey Corporan was indicted on Driving While Intoxicated in relation to a vehicular incident on February 25, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Diana Ferretti, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

Sean Delzell was indicted on Robbery in the 2nd Degree, Attempted Robbery in the 2nd Degree, Robbery in the 3rd Degree, two counts of Grand Larceny in the 3rd Degree, and two counts of Grand Larceny in the 4th Degree. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Nicholas Reeder, of the General Felony Bureau.

Walter Balkum, Jr. was indicted on Manslaughter in the 1st Degree and Aggravated Criminal Contempt in relation to the homicide of Melikah Bruner on August 27, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kaylee Rizzari, of the Special Victims Unit, and Assistant District Attorney Patrick Gallagher, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

Darryl Jacque was indicted on Driving While Intoxicated in relation to a vehicular incident on April 14, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Diana Ferretti of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

Terry Cordae was indicted on Robbery in the 1st Degree in relation to a gunpoint robbery on August 21, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Emily Chisholm, of the Major Felony Bureau.

William Dougherty was indicted on five counts of Grand Larceny in the 4th Degree in relation to a theft from June 26, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Nico Gonzalez, of the General Felony Bureau.

Nigel Lewandowski was indicted on Criminal Contempt in the 1st Degree and Aggravated Family Offense in relation to a violation of an order of protection on September 2, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kristina Hinkley, of the Special Victims Unit.

Raven Dukes and **Al-Bashir Haddock** were indicted on two counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree and two counts of Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the 2nd Degree in relation to the possession of illegal narcotics on February 14, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Boucher, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Anthony Williams was indicted on two counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree in relation to the illegal possession of narcotics on September 4, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Bridget Morgan, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

James Haines was indicted on Reckless Endangerment in the 1st Degree, Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 3rd Degree, Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 4th Degree, and Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle in the 3rd Degree in relation to the possession of a stolen vehicle on September 5, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Nico Gonzalez, of the General Felony Bureau.

Anthony Elliott Hernandez was indicted on Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 3rd Degree and Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle in the 3rd Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a motor vehicle on September 5, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Terance Calcagno, of the General Felony Bureau.

John Sheldon was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 4th Degree in relation to the possession of an illegal firearm and narcotics on February 1, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Boucher, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Cameron Porchea, Jarvis Seymour, David Smith, and Jahari Wilson were indicted on three counts of Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree, Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree, and Tampering With Physical Evidence. **Cameron Porchea** was also indicted on Unlawful Fleeing A Police Officer in a Motor Vehicle in the 3rd Degree and **Jahari Wilson** was also indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Merrick Sadler, of the Non-Fatal Shooting Taskforce.

Lauren Robeson was indicted on four counts of Driving While Intoxicated and two counts of Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated in relation to a vehicular incident on October 12, 2023 and October 26, 2023. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Mikael Pelkey, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

Robin Graham was indicted on Operator Leave Scene of Incident Resulting in Death in relation to the vehicular death of Lafayama Chapman on August 16, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Diane Orosz-Roy, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

Anthony Wallace was indicted on Burglary in the 3rd Degree in relation to a burglary at a Walmart on August 18, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Armando Benitez, of the General Felony Bureau.

MCDA in the News

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<https://13wham.com/news/local/man-charged-with-murder-for-attack-that-killed-family-of-4-in-irondequoit-knapp-avenue-homicide-ubaldo-moreno-dominican-republic-puerto-rico-rochester-new-york>

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<https://13wham.com/news/local/man-indicted-for-manslaughter-in-deadly-beating-of-rochester-woman>



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