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Rochester Man Pleads Guilty to Murder of Two Homeless Men in 2010
Both Victims Shot in the Back of the Head

Brandon Cochran, 23, pled guilty to two counts of Murder in the Second Degree for the 2010 shooting deaths of Darryl Boswell and Ulysses Miller. The prosecutor in the case, Julie Hahn of the Monroe County District Attorney's Office, says the same gun was used in both murders.

On September 8, 2010, Darryl Boswell worked at a small grocery store on Genesee Street. The 50-year-old was known as a nice guy who lived on the street but did not harm people in any way. Boswell was shot in the back of the head while at an address on Iceland Park in the city. This gunshot was a "contact" wound, meaning the muzzle of the gun was actually pressed up against the back of Boswell's head at the time the firearm was discharged.

13 days later, on September 21, 2010 at 156 Dr. Samuel McCree Way, Ulysses Miller was also shot in the back of the head at close range. Miller was homeless and lived in a van that was in the back yard of a home on Samuel McCree Way. The owner of the van says Miller never asked her for money or for food, and was always appreciative that she let him stay there.

Cochran will receive 15 years to life in prison on each murder charge when sentenced January 12, 2012. The prison terms will run consecutively.