

**News Release from
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Dominic Flowers Guilty of Murder in the Second Degree

Rochester, NY- Today, a Monroe County Jury found 26 year old Dominic Flowers guilty of Murder in the Second Degree (depraved indifference murder), two counts of Assault in the First Degree, Assault in the Second Degree and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree for the August 18, 2013 shootings of Willie Little, Erica Fleming and Robert Moultrie. On that date, Flowers and an accomplice opened fire on a crowd outside the Renaissance Cafe and Lounge on South Plymouth Avenue in the City of Rochester just after 1:10 a.m. Over thirty shots were fired from an assault rifle and a handgun, resulting in the death of 59 year old Willie Little. Twenty-four year old Erica Fleming and 22 year old Robert Moultrie were also wounded in the incident but survived their injuries.

The case was prosecuted for the People by Assistant District Attorneys Patrick Farrell and Christine Callanan. The trial of a codefendant, Xavier Nelson, has not been scheduled yet.

"Willie Little, Erica Fleming and Robert Moultrie were minding their own business when the reckless acts of Dominic Flowers changed their lives forever," said Farrell. "The jury made the right decision by finding a dangerous man guilty of very dangerous acts."

Flowers will be sentenced on October 2, 2014 before Monroe County Court Judge Victoria Argento, where he faces up to 40 years to life in prison. Following the verdict, Flowers was remanded to custody without bail, and will remain in the Monroe County Jail until sentencing.

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