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Michael Williams Found Guilty of Murder

Rochester, NY- Today, a Monroe County jury found twenty one year old Michael Williams Guilty of Murder in the 2nd Degree and Assault in the 2nd Degree for his involvement in the January 5, 2012 shooting death of Alexander Marquez and the wounding of Christian Ramos in a park on Bower Street in the City of Rochester. On that date, Michael Williams and an accomplice attempted to rob the victims at gunpoint during the commission of a drug sale. An altercation ensued which resulted in both victims receiving gunshot wounds. Ramos would survive with injuries to the right leg, thigh, and shoulder. Alexander Marquez, shot twice in the back, would succumb to his injuries.

Though the defendants initially fled, the pair were apprehended days later in separate locations after being identified by another individual who was at the park during the incident. Williams, located in Steuben County, was transported to Monroe County Jail until his trial, which started Monday.

Bureau Chief Julie Hahn and Patrick Gallagher of the Monroe County District Attorney's Office Major Felony Bureau prosecuted the case for the People.

“On the evening of January 5th, 2012, Michael Williams clearly demonstrated that he is capable of the unthinkable, and I'm pleased that the jury chose to hold Mr. Williams accountable for the lives that he destroyed,” said Hahn.

Michael Williams will be sentenced January 7th before Judge Joanne Winslow, where he faces up to 32 Years to Life in prison.

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