

**News Release from  
The Honorable Sandra Doorley  
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**Jury Finds Jonathan Spinks Guilty of Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, Attempted Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree and Various Violent Felonies**

Rochester, NY- Friday, October 28, 2022, a Monroe County Jury convicted 30-year-old Jonathan Spinks of all charges, including Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, Attempted Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, Assault in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, two counts of Burglary in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, and five counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree for the murder of Lysaun Curry and attempted murder of another victim.

On October 2, 2020, Rochester Police Officers responded to a house on Trenaman Street in the City of Rochester. 19-year-old Lysaun Curry was found shot 12 times and was pronounced dead at the scene.

On October 10, 2020, Jonathan Spinks entered the home of a woman, waited for her to come home, and shot her multiple times. After his arrest for the attempted murder and an extensive investigation by the Rochester Police Department, Jonathan Spinks was also charged for the murder of Lysaun Curry. Both victims were known to Spinks.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Robin Catalano, Chief of the Special Investigations Bureau and Special Assistant District Attorney Michael Caranate, of the Major Felony Bureau.

“Jonathan Spinks murdered Lysaun Curry in cold blood and nearly killed the second victim inside her home,” said Assistant District Attorney Robin Catalano. “He stalked his victims with the intention to take their lives. Lysaun Curry was an innocent teenager who had his entire life ahead of him when Jonathan Spinks violently took it away. I want to thank the surviving victim for her cooperation and the Rochester Police Department for conducting an excellent investigation that led to today’s successful conviction.”

“Often you hear myself and my partners in law enforcement speak about the worst offenders committing most of the violence in our city. Jonathan Spinks is one of those offenders,” said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “It is our hope that the remaining victim and Lysaun’s family can find justice to today’s verdict and that Jonathan Spinks will serve a life sentence in the New York State Department of Corrections for these brutal and heartless crimes.”

Jonathan Spinks will be sentenced December 8, 2022, in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Dinolfo.

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