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Tywayne Ivery Sentenced to 40 Years to Life for the Murder of Chrishon Youmas

Rochester, NY- Thursday, November 17, 2022, New York State Supreme Court Justice Argento sentenced 26-year-old Tywayne Ivery to 40 years to Life in the New York State Department of Corrections after he was convicted by a jury of Murder in the 2nd Degree and three counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree for the murder of Chrishon Youmas.

On December 11, 2020, Rochester Police Officers were called to the area of Clifford Avenue and North Clinton Avenue. After lifesaving measures were attempted, 24-year-old Chrishon Youmas was pronounced dead at the scene with one gunshot wound. The following week, Tywayne Ivery was arrested for the murder. Chrishon Youmas was not the intended target.

While Tywayne Ivery was out on bail on the homicide charges, he was arrested for an additional charge of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree on August 25, 2021.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Harrigan, Chief of the General Felony Bureau, and Special Assistant District Attorney Michael Caranante, of the Major Felony Bureau.

“The murder of Chrishon Youmas is among the worst cases of the senseless gun violence we are seeing in our community,” said Assistant District Attorney Michael Caranante “Tywayne Ivery exhibited a complete disregard for human life when he shot Chrishon Youmas and left him to die. I hope that the family and friends of the victim feel justice in today’s sentence.”

“Tywayne Ivery killed an innocent bystander with an illegal gun, posted bail, and continued to carry an illegal firearm while awaiting trial,” said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “Tywayne Ivery gave no thought to shooting a weapon, and senselessly took the life of Chrishon Youmas, an unintended target. This is unacceptable and our community cannot and should not have to tolerate these guns and murders. Mr. Ivery deserves this life sentence in the New York State Department of Corrections, where he can no longer promote this deadly violence.”

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