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### Weekly Newsletter

Welcome to the weekly newsletter from Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley.

Officer Jamieson Ritter - EOW July 4, 2024

A son. A brother. A police officer. On July 4, the Cleveland Division of Police lost one of their finest, but here in Webster, two parents lost their son.

27-year-old Cleveland Police Officer Jamieson Ritter was killed in the line of duty while serving and protecting his community. The Cleveland Division of Police said it best, Officer Ritter was raised "with profound desire to serve his country and community."

This community knows Jamieson's father, Jon Ritter, for his service as a police officer and dedication to public safety. Jon Ritter was a Greece police officer for decades before his retirement from the force. He was revered for his selflessness for his actions when the West Webster firefighters were ambushed in 2012. While off-duty, an unarmed Officer Jon Ritter was driving in the area of the violent scene and immediately closed off the area to the public with his vehicle, which was hit by a bullet.



Jon did not see his actions as heroic, but always shared his opinion that the two firefighters who lost their lives were the true heroes.

I am proud to know Officer Jamieson Ritter's mother, Karen Bianchi Ritter. Karen worked in the Monroe County District Attorney's Office for years as a grand jury stenographer. We were lucky to have her for so many years before she left to work as a court reporter. Karen is always kind, warm, and proud of her children.

It is clear that Jamieson had phenomenal role models in his parents. Thank you to Jon and Karen for raising this amazing young man.

# Homicide Update To Date 2024:

City of Rochester Total: 25

Monroe County Total: 29

My daughter Erin was fortunate enough to know Jamieson, a 2015 McQuaid Jesuit High School graduate. He graduated from Syracuse University in 2019 and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant. As a member of the Ohio Army National Guard, he deployed to Syria in 2022 and returned to continue his service with the city of Cleveland.

He will not only be remembered for his service to his community, but his family and friends will remember him for his sense of humor and his smile. He was also an animal lover, which he and I have in common.

On behalf of the entire Monroe County District Attorney's Office, to Jon and Karen, to the Cleveland Division of Police, to everyone who was lucky enough to know this young man, I offer my most heartfelt condolences.

If you would like to offer support to his family during this time, Ohio Cops, a law enforcement foundation, is hosting a fundraiser for Officer Ritter's family by selling memorial apparel. If you are interested in making a purchase and supporting this amazing family, you can find the information here: <a href="https://stores.inksoft.com/ohio\_cops/shop/home">https://stores.inksoft.com/ohio\_cops/shop/home</a>.

I am saddened that law enforcement officials continue to be targeted and fear for their safety. I am tired of hearing about the deaths of police officers. And mostly, I am devastated for this young man and his family.

Sandra

## Highlights from the MCDA's Office

28-year-old **Brandon Hall** pled guilty to Manslaughter in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree for the fatal shooting of Alec Rouse. On August 20, 2023, Rochester Police Officers responded to the area of North Plymouth Avenue and Ambrose Street for reported gunshots. Upon arrival, they located Alec Rouse in the street with a gunshot wound to his torso. He was immediately transported to Strong Memorial Hospital, where he died from his injuries. After a thorough investigation by the Rochester Police Department, Brandon Hall was identified as the shooter. He was arrested for the homicide on January 11, 2023, by the United States Marshall's Task Force. The two men were involved in an argument that escalated to Brandon Hall shooting and killing Alec Rouse. The defendant and the victim were known to each other. Brandon Hall will be sentenced to 20 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 5 years of post-release supervision. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Gregory Clark, Chief of the Public Integrity/Economic Crimes Bureau. Brandon Hall will be sentenced on August 8, 2024, in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Argento.

Following a bench trial, 28-year-old **Marquis Hooks** was convicted by New York State Supreme Court Justice Schiano of four counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, three counts of Reckless Endangerment in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, one counts of Arson in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree, four counts of Arson in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree, and eight counts of Criminal Mischief in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree. This case was investigated by the Rochester Police Department and the Ogden Police Department, and prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Kevin Sunderland, of the Special Victims Unit. Marquis Hooks will be sentenced by New York State Supreme Court Justice Schiano on October 15, 2024.

Monroe County Court Judge Dollinger sentenced 19-year-old **Keyvin Miller** to 25 years in the New York State Department of Corrections and 27-year-old Kirsean Chatfield to 15 years in the New York State Department of Corrections. Both defendants pled guilty to Manslaughter in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree for the fatal drive-by shooting of Eric Martin, Jr. Kirsean Chatfield also pled guilty to one count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree. On May 31, 2023, Rochester Police Officers responded to multiple 911 calls for a shooting near Dewey Avenue in the City of Rochester. Upon their arrival to the scene, Rochester Police Officers located 21-year-old Eric Martin, Jr. sitting in the front seat of his vehicle with a gunshot wound to his head. He was immediately transported to Strong Memorial Hospital, where he died from his injury. After a thorough investigation by the Rochester Police Department, it was determined that Keyvin Miller shot Eric Martin, Jr. from a vehicle and Kirsean Chatfield was identified as the driver of the vehicle, which was stolen. Eric Martin, Jr. was not the intended target of the shooting. Immediately following the homicide, the two ditched the stolen vehicle, immediately stole a second vehicle, and then fired shots into a storefront on Parsells Avenue in the City of Rochester. On June 25, 2023, during an unrelated traffic stop, Kirsean Chatfield was located in the vehicle in possession of the weapon used to kill Eric Martin, Jr. Following an unsealed indictment, Keyvin Miller and Kirsean Chatfield were charged with the homicide. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ellie Laloudakis, of the Major Felony Bureau and former Assistant District Attorney Camille Ingino.

New York State Supreme Court Justice Moran sentenced 28-year-old **Jaquan Owens** to 15 years in the New York State Department of Corrections plus 5 years of post-release supervision for the armed robbery of an employee at Rite Aid on August 7, 2023. He was previously convicted by a jury of Robbery in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree. This case was investigated by the Irondequoit Police Department and prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Emily Chisholm, of the Major Felony Bureau.

**Hector Ramos-Diaz** was arraigned in front of Monroe County Court Judge Vacca on two counts of Murder in the  $1^{\text{st}}$  Degree, two counts of Murder in the  $2^{\text{nd}}$  Degree, and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the  $2^{\text{nd}}$  Degree in relation to the homicides of Frank Rosario-Vazquez and Wahid Nazario. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Megan Hausner, of the Major Felony Bureau.

**Michelle Marini** was arraigned in front of Monroe County Court Judge Vacca on Corrupting the Government in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree, three counts of Grand Larceny in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree, and Official Misconduct. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Gregory Clark, Chief of the Public Integrity/Economic Crimes Bureau, and Assistant District Attorney Christopher Folk, also of the Public Integrity/Economic Crimes Bureau.

**Evan Famania** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on June 12, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Tony DiPerna, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Jose Vargas** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on December 24, 2023. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Kennedy, Deputy Chief of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Shayla Betances** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Firearm in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on June 2, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Aaron Rath, of the Special Victims Unit.

**Julian Harris** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree in relation to the illegal possession of narcotics and firearms on June 12, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Boucher, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Tressan Woods** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Firearm in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on November 16, 2023. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Boucher, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Lamark Nixon** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, Assault in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree and Assault in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree in relation to a domestic assault on June 17, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kristina Hinkley, of the Special Victims Unit.

**Tommy Rogers** and **Nathaniel Winder** were indicted on two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, five counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree, and three counts of Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ryan Mulcahy, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Lynn Lowery** was indicted on Driving While Intoxicated in relation to a vehicular incident on July 29, 2023. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Mikael Pelkey, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

**Jameke Saxton** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on August 4, 2023. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Stephen Ryck, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Raquintis Tisdale** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree in relation to the possession of an illegal firearm on July 29, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Stephen Ryck, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Taroy Williams** was indicted on two counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree and Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, in relation to the illegal possession of narcotics on June 19, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Bridget Morgan, of Special Investigations Bureau.

**Steven Narvaez** was indicted on Robbery in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree and Burglary in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree in relation to an armed robbery of an individual on April 18, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Matthew Hogestyn, of the Major Felony Bureau.

**Jibrael Hospedales** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on January 26, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Stephen Ryck, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Tul Gurung** was indicted on Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated with a Child Passenger and Driving While Intoxicated in relation to a vehicular incident on March 19, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Jonathan Jirik, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

**Luis Diaz** was indicted on Assault in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree in relation to a domestic assault on June 23, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Aaron Rath, of the Special Victims Unit.

**Ryan Abreu-Grandfield** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on June 21, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Boucher, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Sasha Ramos** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on June 24, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Boucher, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Charles Shick** was indicted on Driving While Intoxicated in relation to a vehicular incident on January 22, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kelly Pettrone, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

**Leander Peterson** was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on June 27, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Caranante, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

**Joel Mendez** was indicted on Criminal Mischief in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree in relation to the damage of property at a convenience store on January 28, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Courtney Kleiman, of the General Felony Bureau.

#### **DAASNY Summer Conference**

Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley and Assistant District Attorney Michelle Crowley, Chief of the Grand Jury Bureau and Attorney Training, attended the annual District Attorneys Association of the State of New York at Bolton's Landing. At this conference, prosecutors from across the state discuss trends, new laws, and priorities for the upcoming legislative session in the fall. This week, there was continued discussion on issues facing our offices, including challenges with recruitment and retention, means to efficiently comply with discovery, prosecutorial ethics, and training. At the summer conference, Richmond County District Attorney Michael McMahon was formally sworn in as President of the association, a role he has served since the retirement of former Erie County District Attorney John Flynn in April. Congratulations DA McMahon!



#### MCDA in the News

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