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THREE MEN SENTENCED FOR ROBBING, FATALLY SHOOTING MAN IN 2018
One Defendant Pleaded Guilty to Manslaughter, Sentenced to 19 Years;
Other Defendants Pleaded Guilty to Robbery, Sentenced to 12 and 16 Years

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that three men have been sentenced to prison in the 2018 robbery and fatal shooting of a Bronx man in his apartment.

District Attorney Clark said, “The defendants texted each other and planned the robbery of the victim. When they got to his apartment, they robbed and fatally shot him. One of the defendants was a childhood friend of the victim, knew his family and even attended the victim’s funeral. One of the defendants pleaded guilty to first-degree Manslaughter and the other two pleaded guilty to first-degree Robbery. They will spend years in prison for their senseless acts.”

District Attorney Clark said defendants, Dexter Jones, 32, of Queens, N.Y.; Tommie Williams, 30, of Brooklyn, N.Y.; and Shawn Marquis, 31, of Brooklyn, N.Y., were sentenced by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Margaret Clancy. Jones was sentenced to 19 years in prison and five years’ post-release supervision for first-degree Manslaughter on February 8, 2022. Williams was sentenced to 12 years in prison and five years’ post-release supervision for first-degree Robbery on February 8, 2022. Marquis was sentenced today to 16 years in prison and five years’ post-release supervision for first-degree Robbery.

According to the investigation, on the night of December 28, 2018, the defendants drove from Brooklyn to the home of Rodney Bennett, 32, on Southern Boulevard. Jones and Marquis, armed with guns, went up to the victim’s apartment as Williams waited outside in the car. When the victim opened the door, Jones shot him in the back. Marquis struggled with the injured victim and one of the defendants stole Bennett’s chain. The three defendants fled the scene and Bennett was taken to St. Barnabas Hospital where he was pronounced dead less than hour after the incident. The defendants were arrested in March 2019.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney John Miras, Counsel in the Homicide Bureau, under the supervision of Christine Scaccia, Chief of the Homicide Bureau, and under the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division, and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division.



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District Attorney Clark thanked Principal Supervising Intelligence Analyst Theresa Ramos of the Crime Strategies Bureau for her assistance in the investigation.

District Attorney Clark also thanked NYPD Sergeant Luis Linares of the 42nd Precinct and retired NYPD Detective Matthew McCrosson of the Bronx Homicide Squad.

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