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Weekly Newsletter



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

The Impact of Driving While Intoxicated

This week, 33-year-old Alexander Hackett was sentenced to an indeterminate sentence of 6-18 years in the New York State Department of Corrections for causing the death of 18-year-old Maria Eichas.

You hear law enforcement all of the time, preaching, urging, begging, DO NOT DRIVE WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS OR ALOCHOL. What may sound like white noise is based on what we have seen. These pleas derive from the scenes we have responded to, the people we have lost, and the families that were ruined.

The face of loss? Maria Eichas. Maria was everything that was right in our community. She was a young woman home from college. She was a musician, a student, and a loving daughter and sister. Maria was also a phenomenal friend and on that tragic night in June, she was a responsible driver, volunteering to pick up friends from a party so there was not even a temptation to drink and drive.

Unfortunately, we cannot control the choices of others. Unlike Maria, Alexander Hackett made a choice to drink. He made a choice to drive. He made a choice to speed. These choices resulted in Maria's death. A death that devastated her family, her friends, and an entire community.

When an individual makes a choice to drink before driving, they risk their own life, and the lives of everyone on the road. When this person is ultimately unable to control their motor vehicle, this is a crash, not an accident. There are no accidents when it comes to these destructive choices.

We preach from the day young drivers obtain their learner's permit. If you feel different, you drive different. Maybe you are a frequent drinker and believe that you are fine. I am here to tell you that if you feel any effects of alcohol on your body, you are not fine to drive. It is worth repeating again, if you feel different, you dive different.

In the month of September alone, the Monroe County District Attorney's Office took in over 100 misdemeanor and felony DWI cases. Think about that. Over 100, in one month alone. These are just the cases where the drivers were identified and arrested. It is scary to think how many more are on our streets, driving under the influence and not being caught.

Homicide Update

To Date 2024:

City of Rochester Total:
42

Monroe County Total: 50

If you are struggling with substance abuse disorder, please reach out. Reach out to me directly at DistrictAttorney@monroecounty.gov, any police agency, or directly to treatment providers. We will connect you with resources. There is time to help yourself. But there is NO excuse to risk the lives of everyone on our roadways by getting behind the wheel of a car.

Thank you to Assistant District Attorney Raymond Benitez, Chief of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau who is dedicated to these cases every single day. His commitment to the victims of DWI and safety on our roads is truly commendable.



This is for Maria Eichas. This is for her family. This is for our community. This tragedy was preventable. Please think of this young woman when making a choice to drive. Our community is worse without her.

Sandra

Highlights from the MCDA's Office

A Monroe County Jury convicted 35-year-old **Marlon Williams** of Murder in the 2nd Degree and three counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree for the murder of Shaquan Parker. On July 15, 2022, just before 10:00AM, Rochester Police Officers responded to Wellington Avenue to investigate shots fired near Frost Avenue. Upon arrival, officers located 24-year-old Shaquan Parker shot in the torso in a backyard on Wellington Avenue. He was pronounced dead at the scene. After a thorough investigation, the Rochester Police Department identified Marlon Williams as the shooter. It was determined that the defendant was driving a vehicle, saw Shaquan Parker on Wellington Avenue, and shot multiple rounds at him from the car, hitting him twice. Marlon Williams was apprehended by the United States Marshals Violent Felony Fugitive Task Force on September 5, 2023, with an illegal firearm in his possession. The Monroe County Crime Laboratory was able to determine that the firearm found on September 5, 2023, was the same gun used to shoot and kill Shaquan Parker on July 15, 2022. The case was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District Attorney Kristina Hinkley, of the Special Victims Unit, and Assistant District Attorney Patrick Gallagher, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau.

The People vs. **Chace Smith** and **Timothy Tabron** will continue into next week. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Drew Kroft and Assistant District Attorney Mikael Pelkey, both of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau. The defendants are charged with Manslaughter in the 2nd Degree. Timothy Tabron is also charged with Operator Leave Scene of Incident Resulting in Death. This trial is in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Argento.

32-year-old **Christopher McCrea** pled guilty to Manslaughter in the 1st Degree for causing the death of Julius June on March 16, 2024. The defendant admitted to shooting Julius June on Hudson Avenue in the City of Rochester, causing his death. This case was investigated by the Rochester Police Department and prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Tony DiPerna, of the Special Investigations Bureau. Christopher McCrea will be sentenced on December 5, 2024, in front of Monroe County Court Judge Bailey-Turner.

Julio Cesar Pimentel Soriano and **Luis Francisco Soriano** were indicted on four counts of Murder in the 1st Degree, four counts of Murder in the 2nd Degree, two counts of Burglary in the 1st Degree, two counts of Kidnapping in the 1st Degree, Arson in the 1st Degree and Arson in the 2nd Degree in relation to the homicides of Fraime Ubaldo, Marangely Moreno-Santiago, Evangeline Ubaldo-Moreno, and Sebastian Ubaldo-Moreno. This case is being prosecuted by First Assistant District Attorney Perry Duckles and Assistant District Attorney Michelle Crowley, Chief of the Grand Jury Bureau and Director of Attorney Training.

Shavorie Nesmith was indicted on Driving While Intoxicated and two counts of Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated With a Child Passenger in relation to a vehicular assault on June 25, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Courtney Kleiman, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

Toland Canty and **Brian Hopkins** were indicted on Grand Larceny in the 4th Degree, Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 3rd Degree, Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 4th Degree, Criminal Mischief in the 4th Degree, and Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle in the 3rd Degree in relation to an the possession of a stolen car on February 28, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Terance Calcagno, of the General Felony Bureau.

Keith Butler were indicted on two counts of Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument in the 2nd Degree and two counts of Identity Theft in the 1st Degree. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Caroline Rodriguez, of the Public Integrity/Economic Crimes Bureau.

Khyree Brown was indicted on Assault in the 2nd Degree in relation to an armed assault on August 9, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Matthew Hogestyn, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Tyler Lee was indicted on Driving While Intoxicated in relation to a vehicular incident on March 28, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Drew Kroft, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

Michael Brown and **Alan Jones** were indicted on Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 4th Degree. Alan Jones was also indicted on Driving While Ability Impaired and Reckless Endangerment in the 1st Degree. Michael Brown was also indicted on Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle in the 2nd Degree. These charges are related to with a vehicular incident on April 26, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Courtney Kleiman, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

Rashod Coe and **Michael Marble** were indicted on Assault in the 1st Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree, Reckless Endangerment in the 1st Degree, a seven counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child in relation to a shooting with many rounds fired on September 8, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Aliyah Fowler, of the Major Bureau.

Brian Weaver was indicted on two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree, and four counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Tony DiPerna of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Rego Ellis, Jr. and **Breyone Johnson** were indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on September 20, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Stephen Ryck, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Jose Santiago-Gonzalez was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on September 20, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Karen Chung, of the Special Victims Unit.

Bhakta Rai was indicted on Assault in the 2nd Degree and Petit Larceny in relation to an assault against a Monroe County Sheriff's Deputy on September 19, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Matthew Hogestyn, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Anthony Williams was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a large capacity ammunition feeding device on September 21, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Michael Caranante, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Charles MacPhee was indicted on Assault in the 2nd Degree in relation to an armed assault on September 23, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Matthew Hogestyn, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Jadell Williams was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree and two counts of Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the 2nd Degree in relation to the illegal possession of narcotics on January 18, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Stephen Ryck, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Jaquan Balkman was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on September 23, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ryan Mulcahy, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Jaliyla Shelton and **Joe Torres** were indicted on Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 3rd Degree and Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle in the 3rd Degree in relation to the possession of a stolen vehicle on September 3, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ryan Lamon, of the Youth Part/Major Felony Bureau.

Peter Korts was indicted on Driving While Intoxicated and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle in the 1st Degree in relation to a vehicular incident on September 25, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Diane Orosz-Roy, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

Samuel Bahiga was indicted on three counts of Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle in the 1st Degree in relation to three different vehicular incidents. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Diane Orosz-Roy, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

Ahmed Ali was indicted on Robbery in the 1st Degree, two counts of Robbery in the 2nd Degree, Burglary in the 2nd Degree, two counts of Assault in the 2nd Degree, Assault in the 3rd Degree, Criminal Mischief in the 2nd Degree and Criminal Mischief in the 3rd Degree in relation to an armed robbery on August 9, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Matthew Hogestyn, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Timothy Brooks and **Raphael Marquez** were indicted on Murder in the 2nd Degree in relation to the homicide of James Jackson, Jr. Raphael Marquez was also indicted on an additional count of Murder in the 2nd Degree in violation of Section 20.00 and 125.25. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Emily Chisholm, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Frank Petronio was indicted on eleven counts Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Kennedy, Deputy Chief of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Elisha Jackson was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 1st Degree, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree, and three counts of Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the 2nd Degree in relation to the possession of illegal narcotics on January 17, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Boucher, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Jose Lionel Santiago was indicted on two counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree and three counts Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the 2nd Degree in relation to the possession of illegal narcotics on January 4, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ryan Mulcahy, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Bharat Khadka was indicted on four counts of Driving While Intoxicated in relation to a vehicular incident on July 1, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Mikael Pelkey, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

Tracy Babcock was indicted on Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 3rd Degree and Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle in the 3rd Degree in relation to an the possession of a stolen car on September 19, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Terance Calcagno, of the General Felony Bureau.

Dylan Ballard was indicted on Burglary in the 3rd Degree in relation to a burglary at a Rite Aid on June 26, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Angela Carson, of the General Felony Bureau.

Louis Smith was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on December 24, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ryan Mulcahy, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Antonio Chatman, Gioni Chatman, Jerome Lindsey and Kamron Taylor-Phillips were indicted on Robbery in the 1st Degree and two counts of Robbery in the 2nd Degree in relation to an armed robbery on September 13, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ryan Lamon, of the Youth Part/Major Felony Bureau.

Markus Schuller was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on March 30, 2022. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kelly Pettrone, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Michael Pacheco was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree in relation to the illegal possession of a firearm on January 17, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Boucher, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

William Parsons was indicted on Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree in relation to the possession of an illegal firearm on January 2, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Merrick Sadler, of the Non-Fatal Shooting Taskforce.

Chico Cruz-Nunez and **Treyvion Daguiar** were indicted on separate counts of Criminal Possession of Weapon in the 2nd Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree. Chico Cruz-Nunez was also indicted on an additional count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ryan Lamon, of the Youth Part/Major Felony Bureau.

Edward Lee Jones was indicted on Burglary in the 3rd Degree, Grand Larceny in the 3rd Degree, and Resisting Arrest in relation to a burglary of Good Life Collaborative on June 7, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Nicholas Reeder of the General Felony Bureau.

Anas Hussein was indicted on Assault in the 2nd Degree in relation to an armed assault on January 9, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Aliyah Fowler, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Anthony Alamo-Nevarez was indicted on two counts of Assault in the 2nd Degree in relation to an assault against University of Rochester Public Safety Officers on May 7, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ellie Laloudakis of the Major Felony Bureau.

Lee Biedenbach was indicted on Burglary in the 2nd Degree, two counts of Criminal Contempt in the 1st Degree, five counts of Criminal Contempt in the 2nd Degree, and Stalking in the 4th Degree. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Ellie Laloudakis, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Cody Newland was indicted on Driving While Intoxicated in relation to a vehicular assault on January 26, 2024. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Courtney Kleiman, of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau.

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