

**News Release from
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Martha Jones Convicted of Manslaughter in the 1st Degree

Rochester, NY- Wednesday, February 19, 2020, a Monroe County Jury convicted 29-year-old Martha Jones of Manslaughter in the 1st Degree for the death of Micah Welch.

On July 10, 2019, Rochester Police Officers found Micah Welch shot in the leg at a residence on Brookdale Avenue in the City of Rochester. Micah Welch suffered significant blood loss and was pronounced dead at the scene.

After a swift and detailed investigation by Major Crimes at the Rochester Police Department, Martha Jones was arrested for Micah Welch's murder.

The case was prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Christopher Bokelman, of the Major Felony Bureau.

"I want to sincerely thank the Major Crimes Unit at the Rochester Police Department who were responsible for the identification and apprehension of Martha Jones," said Assistant District Attorney Christopher Bokelman. "Ms. Jones' actions on July 10, 2019, were violent, aggressive, and took the life of Micah Welch. We believe there is justice in today's verdict."

"On July 10, 2019, Martha Jones not only took the life of Micah Welch, but ruined the lives of Micah's friends and family as well," said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. "This was an unwarranted death, and now Martha Jones will be facing the consequences of her dreadful actions in the New York State Department of Corrections."

Martha Jones will be sentenced on March 24, 2020, in front of Monroe County Court Judge Michael Dollinger.

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