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People v. Percy Freeman 2019 CF 257

In May of last year, after a bench trial before the Honorable Nancy Fahey, Percy Freeman was found guilty of First Degree Murder and Aggravated Battery. At trial, Prosecutors presented evidence through Danville Police Officers and independent witnesses that on April 24, 2019, Freeman, along with other individuals, tracked the victim Roosevelt Anderson through the Fair Oaks housing complex. When Freeman and his cohorts captured Anderson, they struck him with their fists, pistol whipped him, and then shot him one time in the head. Vital evidence in the case included surveillance video obtained from the Vermilion County Housing Authority, which captured the fatal attack.

Yesterday, April 26, 2022, Freeman was sentenced by Judge Fahey to forty (40) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections. The sentence shall be served at 100 percent, and will be followed by three (3) years of Mandatory Supervised Release (i.e., Parole). Upon his release from imprisonment, Freeman will be required to register as a Murderer pursuant to the Illinois Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Registration Act.

The Illinois Attorney General's Office prosecuted the case in cooperation with Vermilion County State's Attorney's Office. State's Attorney Jacqueline Lacy thanked the prosecution team and the Danville Police Department for their dedication to this investigation and ensuring the just resolution. She further noted that, "Criminals who insist on terrorizing our community will be held accountable and severely punished."