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People v. Percy Freeman 2019 CF 257

Percy Freeman, formerly of 15256 Vincennes, Phoenix, Illinois, was found guilty today after a bench trial by Circuit Judge Nancy Fahey on all counts of First Degree Murder and Aggravated Battery-Public Way. Freeman will be sentenced on July 2, 2021 and could face up to 75 years in the in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

At trial, prosecutors produced evidence through Danville Police Officers and independent witnesses that on April 24, 2019, defendant along with other individuals tracked the victim Roosevelt Anderson through Fair Oaks. When the defendant and other individuals captured Roosevelt Anderson, they struck him with their fists, pistol whipped him, and then shot him one time in the head. Vital evidence presented included surveillance video from the Vermilion County Housing Authority, which captured the attack.

The Attorney General's Office prosecuted the case in cooperation with Vermilion County State's Attorney Jacqueline Lacy's Office.

"Violent crime will not be tolerated in our community. Today's verdict demonstrates that partnerships with Attorney General Raoul's Office and local law enforcement are vital to protecting our community." "Thank you to the Danville Police Department for their dedication to this investigation." -*said Vermilion County State's Attorney, Jacqueline Lacy*

"Today's verdict holds the defendant accountable for the murder of Roosevelt Anderson," Raoul said. "Partnerships with the Vermilion County State's Attorney's office and local law enforcement were critical to ensuring the defendant was convicted, and I look forward to continuing to protect communities from violent crimes."

Assistant Attorneys General Jonathan McKay and Dan Weiler handled the case for Raoul's Criminal Prosecutions and Trials Assistance Bureau.