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**CONVICTED MURDERER NYQWUAN MONROE SENTENCED TO 53 YEARS TO
LIFE IN STATE PRISON IN CONNECTION TO 2023 KINGSTON KILLING**

KINGSTON, NY – On March 27, 2025, Nyqwuan Monroe, age 26 of Schenectady, was sentenced to a cumulative of 53 years to life in State Prison. Monroe was convicted on January 23 of this year of two counts of Murder in the Second Degree, three counts of Burglary in the First Degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree following a jury trial.

On July 27, 2023, Monroe, a convicted felon, traveled to the City of Kingston while illegally in possession of a loaded firearm and with intent to use it. While in Kingston with his two co-defendants, Shaliza Dhanraj, age 28, and Maliek Fredericks, age 27, they entered the residence of Dominique Green.

Inside Green's residence where he had no authority or permission to enter, Monroe shot and killed Green in front of his girlfriend. Monroe then handed off the gun to his codefendant to dispose in the woods behind Barmann Avenue Apartments. The gun was later recovered, and Monroe's DNA was found on the firearm and on the shell casing that was lodged inside it. After the incident, Monroe and his codefendants returned to Schenectady and were arrested the following day.

Dhanraj pleaded to Burglary in the First Degree on January 5, 2024, and was also sentenced on March 27 to 1 to 3 years indeterminate state prison on Burglary in the Third Degree in accordance with her agreement with the prosecution. Fredericks pleaded to Burglary in the First Degree on April 8, 2024 and was sentenced also on March 27 to 3.5 years prison and 5 years post-release supervision on a conviction of Burglary in the Second Degree in accordance with his agreement with the prosecution.

Trial against Nyqwuan Monroe began on January 13, 2025, with testimony from numerous witnesses, including Kingston Police Department detectives, a neighbor, and the victim's girlfriend, whose cooperation with law enforcement was key to the arrest and

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successful prosecution. Expert testimony and witnesses from the New York State Police Forensic Investigation Unit were also central to the case.

Sentencing began at lasted the full day on March 27 before the Honorable Thomas Marcelle, with victim impact statements given by family members, who were supported by multiple advocates from the **Ulster County Crime Victims Assistance Program (CVAP)**. CVAP advocates provide steady guidance to the victims starting in summer 2023.

"This defendant has proven time and time and time and time again that this defendant will shoot at anyone and everyone without any regard for the lives of others, like the cowardly, callous person that he is," said **Special Victims Bureau Chief Jenna Hastings** at sentencing.

"The family of Dominique Green showed great strength and grace at the sentencing proceeding of these defendants. As his brother stated, Dom did not love the wrong people, he was loving to all people. Through the prosecution of this case, we all learned about Dom's loving, hopeful, and caring nature. Although Dom can no longer reach his truest potential because of the actions of these defendants, his legacy will live on through his family," said **Chief Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Culmone-Mills**.

"I am grateful to the court for its dedication to serving justice in this case and in this County. A young life was taken by another young person who must now account for his conduct and now faces lifetime in prison for his decision. In the name of Dominique Green and other murder victims, I implore all youth and young people in this County to think of the consequences that result from violent conduct, and to recognize that 'life in prison' is no life at all and it is almost always the natural consequence of violent conduct. Resort to violence should never be considered as an option to resolve anything," said **District Attorney Emmanuel C. Nneji**.

This case was prosecuted by **Special Victims Bureau Chief Hastings** and Chief Assistant District Attorney Culmone-Mills; it is the first homicide trial exclusively prosecuted by two female assistant district attorneys in Ulster County. Monroe was represented by Marlborough attorney Matthew Mahan.

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