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Edward Mero Sentenced in Double Murder Case



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that EDWARD MERO, 30, of Albany, was sentenced to 50 years to Life in State Prison, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On December 19, 2018, MERO was found guilty after a jury trial of (2) Counts of Murder in the Second Degree, each Class A-1 Felonies, and (2) Counts of Tampering with Physical Evidence, each Class E Felonies.

A jury found that on January 27, 2013, in the area of Arcadia Avenue in the City of Albany, MERO did cause the death of Megan Cunningham. In addition, MERO did tamper with physical evidence by altering the condition of Cunningham's body. A jury also found that on December 3, 2014, while in Albany County, MERO did cause the death of Shelby Counterline. MERO also did tamper with physical evidence by altering the condition of Counterline's body.

The investigation conducted by the Coeymans Police Department, New York State Police, Albany Police Department, Albany Fire Department, the State Office of Fire Prevention and Control, and the Albany County Sheriff's Department ultimately led to MERO's arrest, prosecution, and conviction.

Chief Assistant District Attorney David Rossi and General Felony Unit Bureau Chief Steven Sharp prosecuted this case.

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