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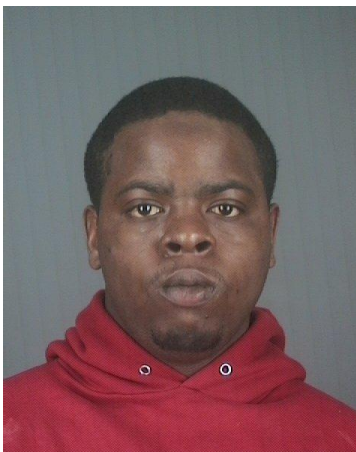
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Guilty Verdict for Elks Club Stabbing Murder



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares today announced that JAHTEEK STANFORD, 24, of West Street in Albany, NY, was found guilty after a jury trial of (1) count of Murder in the Second Degree, a Class “A-1” Felony, (1) count of Attempted Murder in the Second Degree, a Class “B” Violent Felony and (1) count of Assault in the First Degree, a Class “C” Violent Felony, before Judge Thomas A. Breslin in Albany County Court this afternoon.

On February 13, 2011 at approximately 3:45 A.M. at 39 Second Street in the City of Albany, STANFORD caused the death of Robert Smalls by means of stabbing Mr. Smalls in the neck. Additionally, STANFORD attempted to cause the death of a second victim Ahmeen Lanier by stabbing him in the head.

STANFORD remains in custody and faces 50 years to life in prison when sentenced on October 18, 2012.

Chief Assistant District Attorney David Rossi handled the prosecution of this case.

For more information, please contact Cecilia Logue.

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