

Genesee County Prosecutor's Office David Leyton, Prosecutor



ANOTHER "PIERSON HOOD" DEFENDANT CONVICTED OF MURDER

- 7-YEAR-OLD BOY SHOT TO DEATH WHILE SLEEPING

FLINT - Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton said justice has been served as another member of Flint's violent "Pierson Hood gang" was convicted of murder.

Last month, a jury convicted Pierson Hood gang member Feronda Montre Smith for the 2005 murder of Larry Pass.

Today, a jury convicted Jarvon C. Brown, 32 (d.o.b. 11-19-78) of Flint, for the December 7, 2004 fatal shooting of 7-year-old Karibe Anderson. Anderson was sleeping on a mattress on the living room floor of his aunt's house on Flint's north side when gunshots were fired into the house just before dawn. Anderson was struck in the head and died the next day.

"We have seen many violent acts from the Pierson Hood gang over the years," said Prosecutor Leyton. "And yet, while the violence is so rampant and the destruction so widespread, it is still especially difficult to comprehend the killing of an innocent child," he said.

Brown was convicted on all counts which include first degree premeditated murder, felon in possession of a firearm, carrying a concealed weapon, and felony firearm.

He faces mandatory life in prison without the possibility of parole when he is sentenced.

"Over the last several years, my office has worked tirelessly with federal, state, and local law enforcement officers to reign in the terror known as the Pierson Hood gang. It has not been an easy task. But, we are seeing success and justice is being served," Leyton said.

"The battle against these evil elements in our community is relentless and the job never done, but we continue to work as hard as we can with the resources we have and we will never quit," he concluded.