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CADE KIRK FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER AFTER SWIFT 45 MINUTE JURY DELIBERATION FOR HIS ROLE IN BRUTAL BEATING

Evansville, IN – Prosecutor Diana Moers announces that on February 4, 2025, Cade C. Kirk was found guilty of Murder for his role in the brutal beating of Corey Fisher. The Honorable Magistrate Ryan Reed of the Vanderburgh County Circuit Court presided.

On June 22nd 2024, Corey Fisher was attacked by a Co-Defendant at the Sonoco Gas Station located at 201 E. Louisiana Street. Corey Fisher fled, and while doing so, a vehicle possessing Cade Kirk, the Co-Defendant, Samantha Chase, and Elizabeth Miles passed by Corey Fisher, seemingly following him. Because of the prior attempted attack and the vehicle passing him, Corey Fisher picked up a rock to defend himself.

Video evidence was collected in this case from home cameras as well as the Sonoco Gas station which showed the fight unfolding:

Cade Kirk and the Co-Defendant (set for trial in April) parked by Corey Fisher's home and then proceeded to confront and attack Corey Fisher at the intersection of Heidelbach and Louisiana Streets. Prior to attacking Corey Fisher, it also appeared that Cade Kirk lifted his shirt and placed brass knuckles on his right hand (which were later found on his person) and he admitted to possessing (but not wearing and using) when he was interviewed later by police. During the attack on Corey Fisher, approximately 42 punches were landed on him, almost all of which were to the head.

Cade Kirk punched 16 times, all of which were with his right hand, the hand seemingly reaching toward the brass knuckles in his right pocket. At a certain point in the altercation, Cade Kirk held Corey Fisher while the Co-Defendant landed at least 10 blows directly to Corey Fisher's head. Corey Fisher tried to defend himself during the altercation to no avail. At a certain point during the savage beating, a car arrived to turn from Tennessee onto Heidelbach, and Cade Kirk and the Co-Defendant started to run away. At this point, Corey Fisher was able to make it to a nearby house for help, and while he was knocking, Cade Kirk came back but retreated once he saw Corey Fisher knocking on the front door of the home. An individual opened the door, but within a couple of minutes, Corey Fisher collapsed. Corey later died at the hospital, with the Coroner determining cause of death to be blunt force trauma to the head.

Prosecutor Moers commented: “My heart goes out to the family of Corey Fisher who passed away because of this senseless act of violence, leaving behind two beautiful daughters. Justice will never be fully served because nothing will bring Corey back, but we hope that this verdict brings a sense of justice to his family and friends. This Defendant is violent, and his actions have brought an endless amount of pain to many. It is not safe for someone like him—willing to beat a man to death with multiple blows to the head— to live among us in society and we look forward to his sentencing day.”

Moers went on to say: “My prosecutors appeared at trial ready to tell the complete story and gain justice for Corey. Thanks to skill in the courtroom, and great investigative work from the Evansville Police Department, we were able to put on a compelling case which included testimony, video evidence, physical and DNA evidence. The result of this hard work and skill was a verdict of guilty for murder after an astoundingly quick 45 minute jury deliberation.”

Prosecutor Moers thanks her deputy prosecutor, former elected prosecutor Stan Levco, and deputy prosecutor Keaton Maurer for their hard work in successfully obtaining a swift guilty verdict in this tragic case. In addition, Robyn Mastison, Jennifer Savage, Jess Pollock, Tony Cardin and Morgan Richardville, all from the Prosecutor’s Office, were critical in preparing this case for trial and assisting the victim’s family through the process.

Prosecutor Moers also thanks the Evansville Police Department for their great Detective work completed by EPD Detective S. Toney, EPD Detective N. Hackworth, EPD Detective J. Breivogel, and Retired EPD Detective T. Lincoln—the gathering of video evidence from multiple homes and businesses and the Defendant’s statements were critical pieces of evidence in this case.

Sentencing is scheduled for February 26, 2025, in front of the Honorable Magistrate Judge Ryan Reed of the Vanderburgh County Circuit Court.

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