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## **Attorney General Steve Marshall Announces Court of Criminal Appeals Upholds Murder Conviction in Houston County**

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Steve Marshall announced that the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals affirmed the conviction of Quderius Ramon Robinson, 26, for murder. Robinson was convicted in Houston County Circuit Court on June 16, 2020, for the murder of Alicia Kelly.

The evidence at trial showed that on February 12, 2017, Dothan police officers responded to a 911 call where they found the victim, Alicia Kelly, dead in her bathroom. The medical examiner determined that Kelly had been strangled to death. Police soon identified a suspect, Quderius Robinson, whose DNA was found on Kelly's body and who gave three different statements to the police in which he blamed two other individuals as being responsible for Kelly's murder. The jury rejected these claims and found Robinson guilty of murder.

Houston County District Attorney Pat Jones' office successfully prosecuted this case and obtained a guilty verdict. Robinson was sentenced to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole. Robinson sought to have his conviction reversed on appeal.

The Attorney General's Criminal Appeals Division handled the case during the appeals process, arguing for the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals to affirm Robinson's conviction. The Court did so in a decision issued Friday, August 27.

Attorney General Marshall commended Assistant Attorney General Cameron Ball for his successful work on this case, and thanked District Attorney Pat Jones and his staff for their valuable assistance in defending the murder conviction.

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