



Attorney General Steve Marshall Announces Court of Criminal Appeals Upholds Murder Conviction in Tuscaloosa County

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Steve Marshall announced that the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals affirmed the conviction of Clifford Sinclair Madison, 55, for murder. Madison was convicted in Tuscaloosa County Circuit Court on July 22, 2019, for the murder of 82-year-old Emmett Kyzer.

The evidence at trial showed that on June 27, 2016, Kyzer was beaten and stabbed to death by Madison, who was the boyfriend of Kyzer’s caregiver. Kyzer was in poor health and confined to a wheelchair when he was brutally murdered by Madison. Further evidence at trial showed that Madison later disposed of Kyzer’s body by burning it with gasoline.

Tuscaloosa County District Attorney Hays Webb’s office successfully prosecuted this case and obtained a guilty verdict. Madison was sentenced to life imprisonment for his crime. Madison 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 Madison’s conviction. The Court did so in a decision issued October 9.

Attorney General Marshall commended Assistant Attorney General John Davis for his successful work on this case, and thanked District Attorney Hays Webb and his staff for their valuable assistance in defending the murder conviction.

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