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AG STRANGE ANNOUNCES MONTGOMERY COUNTY MURDER CONVICTION UPHELD BY COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

(MONTGOMERY) --Attorney General Luther Strange announced that the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals on Friday upheld the murder conviction of Chandler Lavecus Boone. Boone, 21, of Montgomery, was convicted in Montgomery County Circuit Court in August of 2013 for the murder of Jederico Langford.

According to the evidence presented at trial, on August 30, 2011, a shootout occurred in the Gibbs Circle neighborhood of Montgomery. Jederico Langford, the victim, was present at the scene. Witnesses heard him say that he had been hit and saw him try to run away. Langford fell, and as he lay on the ground, Chandler Boone went up to Langford and fired five more bullets into his body. Two witnesses saw Boone shoot Langford. Later, Boone bragged to his cousin, Josephus Boone, and others that he had shot Langford with a Glock pistol as he lay on the ground.

The case was prosecuted at trial by Montgomery County District Attorney Daryl Bailey's office and former District Attorney Ellen Brooks' office. The trial court sentenced Boone to 50 years in prison, and Boone subsequently 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 the conviction. The Court did so in a decision issued on Friday, September 26.

Attorney General Strange commended Assistant Attorney General John Porter of the Attorney General's Criminal Appeals Division for his successful work in this case.

