

Maurice Pope was convicted of Capital Murder by a Dallas County Jury. The Jury deliberated for about 30 minutes. Dallas Circuit Judge Collins Pettaway sentenced him to Life Without Parole. The Co-Defendants trial is pending.

My Quote: We ~~a~~ have gotten another Gunslinger off the streets for the rest of his life.

Michael Jackson
District Attorney

The State of Alabama, Dallas County

Dallas District Court

WR-14-26

Before me the undersigned authority in and for said State and County personally appear {Detective Charles Clark} who after being by me duly sworn, on oath deposes and says he does believe that on or about the {12th} day of {January}, 2014 within said Dallas County, Alabama {Maurice Devionne Pope} did, commit, Capital Murder during a Robbery, in violation of Section 13A-5-40 (a) (2) of the Code of Alabama, against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama.

Probable Cause: On January 12, 2014 at 12:00 am Detective Clark went to the Vaughn ER in reference to a report about a subject that had been shot. When he arrived he found that Mr. Orlando Robinson was in Trauma Room #1 and that the ER staff was working on him. They stated that they had sedated him so that they could better work on him. The staff stated that he had come in saying that he had been shot at Cheers Packing Store. Mr. Robinson later succumbed to his wounds. Officers were not able to speak with Robinson before his death.

Detective Clark went to Cheers Packing Store where the incident had supposedly taken place and when he spoke to the clerk that was working there he stated that he had not seen the shooting but that the surveillance system had captured the whole event.

Detectives also reviewed the Security Footage from Cheers Packing Store and it showed Mr. Walters and Mr. Pope entering the store and standing inside. When Mr. Robinson approached the cashier and pulled his money from his pocket Walters made a gesture with his head towards Pope. After Robinson made his purchase the two followed him outside to his vehicle making sure that no one else was around and then they attempted to rob him and as he attempted to get into the red truck that he had come in, Pope shot him from behind the Truck and then took off running towards the area of Church St. Walters then approached Robinson and after a few seconds he takes off running in the same direction as Pope had ran.

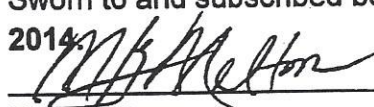
Detective Clark interviewed a Marcus Thompson at the Vaughn ER. He stated that he was the driver of the red pickup that had dropped off Mr. Robinson at the ER. He stated that he had taken Mr. Robinson to Cheers Packing Store and that Robinson had went into the store and that when he came back outside that two subjects approached him from behind and that one of them pulled out a gun and the other one came up to him and told him to "Give it up". He stated that Robinson started to get into the truck and that the guy that was standing near the rear of the truck shot Robinson in the back and the other guy went into Robinsons pocket and got the money and then they fled the area. He stated that the subject that shot Robinson has the nic-name of "Slo-mo" and the one that took the money is called "Wody". Thompson stated that "Wody" is Brenda Solomon's son. He stated that the Solomon's stayed right around the corner from Mr. Robinson. He stated that he thinks that "Wody's" real name is Rodney. Mr.

Thompson was asked if he could describe what the subjects were wearing. He stated that Slo-mo had on a brown hoodie and regular jeans and Wody had on a black hoody with jeans. Thompson stated that he knew the subjects and that he could pick them out again if he saw them. Mr. Thompson was taken to the Selma Police Department and shown a 6 pick pack line up of Maurice Pope and Rodney Walters. Thompson picked Walters out as the subject that took the money from Mr. Robinson. When shown a photo lineup of Pope, Thompson stated that he wasn't sure but stated that Pope was with Walters earlier that day wearing a brown hoodie that was just like the one wore by the subject that shot Mr. Robinson.

Det. Clark and Sgt. Hardy interviewed Maurice Pope at the Selma Police Department, he was read his Miranda Rights and the interview was recorded. When first asked about what happened at Cheers Packing Store, he stated that he had not gone to the store and didn't know what happened there. Det. Clark showed him pictures of the surveillance video that showed him and Rodney Walters in the store. He stated that he had gone to Montgomery that night and hadn't been in town. After further questions Pope stated that he threw the gun out the window of a vehicle while he was on the way to Montgomery. Detectives stated that they knew that he was not telling the truth about the weapon because of the other people that they had talked to. Pope stated that he had a 38 and that after the shooting that he hid it in the garbage cans behind the brown house where he was arrested at which is 1501 Church St. He stated that it wasn't his intent to shoot Mr. Robinson. They had intended to go buy beer. He stated they went into the store and that when they saw that he had some money that he then went outside and waited for him to come out. He stated that when Robinson came out side that they followed him to the vehicle and that when they told him to give it up he pulled out a knife and that's when he shot him and Walters went up to him and got his money. He stated that they then ran from the area. He stated that when he got in the area of Small Street Inn and Kayser St. and that is where he took off his sweat shirt and tried to burn it. He stated that he got the gun from a vehicle that he had broken into earlier that night near Small Street Inn.

And that he does believe that {Maurice Devionne Pope} is guilty thereof.


Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this {13th} day of {January} 2014. J.L.T.

Magistrate

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