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PRESS RELEASE

Hinds County DefendantJoshuwa HurstSentence on all Five Counts including Two Murder Charges

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(Jackson, Miss) Hinds County District Attorney Robert Shuler Smith announced today, Jackson resident Joshuwa Hurst (Age 27) received a sentence of Life without parole on two counts of Murder. In addition, Hurst was sentenced to 20 years for 2 counts of Aggravate Assault. Each counts willrun concurrently. He was also sentence to 10 years for being aConvicted Felon in Possession of a Firearm. That sentence will run consecutive to the other sentences.

On March 7, 2013, Jackson Police Department responded to a chaotic scene where it was determined that four victims were shot. Two of the victims, Ronnie Jermaine Williams and Kendra Hill-Murray, died as a result of the gunshot wounds. Two additional victims were shot, and were able to provide testimony against Hurst at trial. It was later determined that the defendant, Joshuwa Hurst, was the only shooter that night at 2907 Greenwood Ave. Ballistics test performed by the Mississippi Crime Laboratory confirmed all 13 shell casings were fired from the same firearm.

Hinds County District Attorney Robert Shuler Smith stated, 'He was pleased with the sentences that were rendered against Hurst'. "Many lives was affected by these crimes, and I am delighted that the Assistant District Attorneys were able to get justice for the families of the victims.