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CONVICTION INTEGRITY UNIT EXONERATES MAN AFTER 17 YEARS

On May 11, 2016, the Office of the State's Attorney for Baltimore City exonerated Malcolm Jabbar Bryant for the murder of 16-year-old Toni Bullock. Bryant spent 17 years in prison for a murder he did not commit.

In 1999, Mr. Bryant was convicted of felony murder, second-degree murder, and wearing/carrying a deadly weapon. He was sentenced to life plus 10 years.

Mr. Bryant has maintained his innocence and has been unwavering in this claim for more than a decade.

"On behalf of the criminal justice system, I'd like to apologize to Mr. Malcolm Bryant and his family for the pain they've endured as a result of his wrongful conviction," said State's Attorney Marilyn Mosby. "As prosecutors, our duty is to pursue justice equally and fairly under the law for victims, witnesses, accusers, and the accused."

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FORMER DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DATA ANALYST JOINS SAO

Daniel Kim is a 43-year-old former Marine and D.C. Metro police officer with an advanced degree in foreign policy, and is currently an Assistant State's Attorney in the SAO's new Crime Strategies Unit (CSU). Kim spent several years working as a data analyst for the U.S. military. When he heard that the office would be creating a state of the art intelligence unit to help gather crime data and analyze crime patterns Kim jumped at the opportunity to join the unit.



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The re-investigation of this case was handled by Conviction Integrity Unit Division Chief Lauren Lipscomb

On the night of November 20, 1998, Bullock and a friend were walking back from a store on Harford Road, when they were approached by a man who demanded money. Bullock's friend escaped, but she was stabbed to death.

Bullock's friend provided a description of the suspect to detectives, and a composite sketch was generated and given to the media.

In 2015, new DNA tests of Bullock's T-shirt revealed a DNA profile that matched previous DNA evidence which has inconsistent with Mr. Bryant's DNA.

"This is in all probability means Mr. Bryant is not the murderer," said Lipscomb.

The office did not seek to retry the case against Bryant at a recent post-conviction hearing and moved to dismiss the case. Bryant was set free after the dismissal was entered.

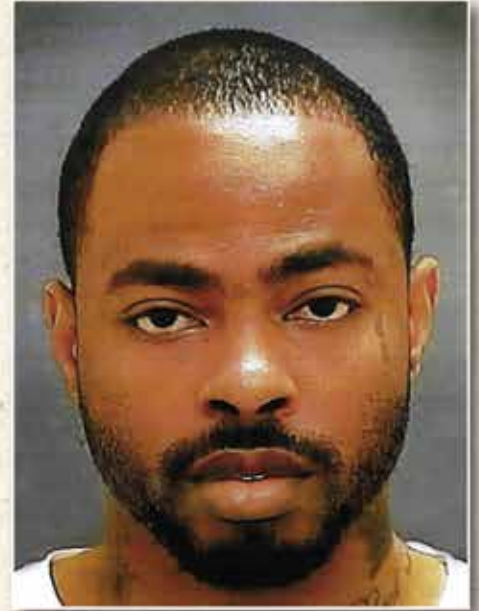
"My heart breaks for the family of Toni Bullock," said Mosby. "Please know that your daughter is not forgotten, and my office will be working with the Baltimore Police Department to do all that we can to investigate and prosecute the man who is truly responsible for Toni's death."

THE OFFICE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR BALTIMORE CITY CONVICTS BGF HITMAN

In 2013, the Office of the State's Attorney for Baltimore City Major Investigations Unit (MIU) indicted nearly 50 members of the Black Guerrilla Family (BGF) gang, accused of operating in the East Baltimore neighborhood of Greenmount.

Recently, MIU convicted Kenneth "Slay" Jones, a known BGF member who carried out execution style shootings on behalf of the gang. Jones was convicted of first degree murder, attempted first degree murder, first degree assault, and several gang and gun charges.

In particular, Jones shot and killed Gregory Rochester in January 2007, after Rochester was rumored to have been cooperating with law enforcement. Rochester was found dead with several gun shots to his head and torso.



Jones was also charged with the attempted murder of Lamontae Smith. The shooting occurred on October 5, 2013, when Jones shot Smith twice

while he was in the 300 block of E. 24th Street.

MIU's prosecution strategy relied upon a seldom used gang statute to tie Jones to a sustained campaign of violence and drug trafficking over an eight year period. Once the indictments were secured—according to the gang statutes—the criminal activity of other gang members and, in some instances, certified criminal records could be entered into evidence in

court. As a result, 27 BGF members have elected to plead guilty rather than stand trial.

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In 2011, Jones attempted to shoot and kill Perry Johnson. Jones was apprehended at the scene of the crime and identified by witnesses as the man who shot Johnson. Investigators uncovered that this shooting was in retaliation for gang members belief that Johnson was talking to the police.

YEAR TWO OF SIGNATURE DIVERSION PROGRAM PICKING UP STEAM



One of the first objectives of State's Attorney Marilyn Mosby's new administration was to replicate a wildly successful diversionary program called "Back on Track" in California. The program was recognized by law enforcement experts as a proven way to reduce crime, recidivism, and the amount of tax dollars spent on incarceration.

Mosby created the AIM to B'More program as a way to keep non-violent, first-time, felony offenders, like Therone Jones, from obtaining a criminal record that would prevent them from gainful employment for the rest of their lives.

"When I was arrested I thought there was no hope," said Jones. I was facing a 20 year sentence."

AIM, in exchange for a plea, allows program participants to stay out of jail; mandates that they receive academic and career training; and facilitates job placement for everyone who completes their academic, community service, and job training requirements.

Since its inception in 2015, the program has grown well beyond the 30 participants selected to participate in the pilot version of AIM.

"It's a great program. It gives these men and women a pathway to success, and connects them to the community through their 200 hours of required service," said Community Liaison and Program Mentor, Bilal Ali.

Once the participants complete their requirements, their record is expunged.

"I am very much less likely to back slide, or to go back down the road I just came from," said Jones. "I think the government should invest in this program all over the world."

Ali is hopeful, that in the next two to three years the program will be assigned to a specific judge. He believes that having a specialty court devoted to the program will provide more structure, continuity, and focus for everyone involved.

"Everyone has been receptive of both the concept of AIM and the people who have been chosen to participate in the program," said Ali. "I use my network and other personal relationships in the City to help grow the partnerships we need for this program to be successful."

UNCOVERING BALTIMORE'S CRIME TRENDS



"I first heard about the unit when it was announced at our office wide meeting last year, said Kim.

Kim points to his experience on projects in the defense industry as the catalyst for his invitation to join CSU.

"At my old job we collected data on Air Force deployments from 1990 to present. We then used that data to develop deployment packages that better managed their force," he explained.

Kim says that his job was to identify "non-material" solutions to his assigned objectives. He likens this to the burden that the criminal justice faces when allocating resources to fight crime.

"You can always hire more prosecutors, police, and judges—but the goal is to find out how can we go beyond the traditional models to drive down crime in a strategic, data driven, approach?"

The CSU was originally conceived in New York City, within the Manhattan District Attorney's Office. The office invested tremendous resources in its IT infrastructure, data management, and data collection capabilities. According to Kim, Manhattan's efforts have produced tangible results in the crime fight by providing prosecutors with a narrative for high value defendants that goes beyond their wrap sheets.

Kim meets with the police department and federal agencies three times a week to coordinate crime intelligence.

"You can't just stay in your lane. Those days are over. We must be as collaborative as possible."

Kim hopes that within five years, CSU will become the central hub for crime intel throughout the office.

OFFICE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR BALTIMORE CITY

COMMUNITY DAY IN COURT: LGBTQ VICTIM AWARENESS



STATE'S ATTORNEY MARILYN J. MOSBY AND SHERIFF JOHN ANDERSON INVITE YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY DAY IN COURT TO DISCUSS THE IMPACT OF CRIME ON THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

MITCHELL COURTHOUSE 100 N. CALVERT ST.
8:30 AM | CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST





MOTHER AND CHILD MOWED DOWN, KILLER SENTENCED TO LIFE

Assistant State's Attorney Lisa Goldberg sealed a sentence of life plus 20 years against Lucresha Mints.

Mints was convicted of first degree murder, second degree murder, and first degree assault in April.



On May 27, 2014, Mints drove her car onto a sidewalk, killing two-year-old Joshua Carter and 25-year-old Latoya Skipwith. A seven-year-old girl was also injured.

The investigation revealed Mints drove over to the home of her ex-boyfriend to confront him after the two had an argument online. Once at the home, Mints and her ex-boyfriend's new girlfriend, Latoya Skipwith, got into a heated argument. Mints left the home and drove around the block one time. When she returned she revved the car and drove up onto the sidewalk. Skipwith grabbed two children and tried to get away, but Mints struck all three before fleeing the scene.

The next day Mints called Baltimore Police claiming she had an accident the night before where she hit a pole. She told detectives she wanted to come in and explain what happened. Once at the station, Mints told investigators the transmission on her car failed as she tried to drive away.

"I am a mother of two young girls and cannot imagine the heartbreak these families feel. This woman's actions were reckless and showed her lack of disregard for human life," said State's Attorney Marilyn Mosby.

An examination of Mints' car showed there were no defects with the vehicle.

RAPIST SENTENCED TO LIFE PLUS 55 YEARS FOR BRUTAL ASSAULT AND ROBBERY OF A WOMAN



Assistant State's Attorney Michele Lambert sealed a sentence of life plus 55 years against Jerrell Randle after he was convicted in April of first degree rape and robbery.

It was just before 5 o'clock in the morning on December 10, 2014, when the victim left her home in the 1600 block of West Lexington Street to go to work. While waiting at the bus stop she learned she did not have to report to work and she started walking back home. As the victim reached the back door of her home she noticed the defendant walking down the alley.

"In that neighborhood plenty of people walk down the alley, so the victim thought nothing of it when she saw the defendant," said Lambert.

Suddenly, while the victim was waiting for her family to open the door, Randle grabbed the frightened woman and placed her in a chokehold, he threatened to kill her if she didn't stop screaming. Randle forced the victim behind a dumpster where he sexually assaulted her, before stealing her cell phone and \$15.

A witness heard the commotion and called 911. When police arrived Randle took off running. He was quickly located and placed under arrest. In 2014, he pled guilty to second degree assault of another woman, in that case he also placed the victim in a chokehold and dragged her into an alley.

"Rapists have no place on the streets of Baltimore," said State's Attorney Marilyn Mosby. "Sexual assault is such an intimate act of violence that no one should have to suffer. My office will continue to do all we can to make certain they get the justice they deserve."

For the third year in a row, Mosby lobbied for critical legislation that would allow prosecutors to introduce evidence of a defendant's other relevant sex crimes and bring the state's sexual assault laws closer to federal rules. Unfortunately, the bill did not pass, but Mosby has pledged to fight for sexual assault survivors in 2017.

"Cases such as this serve as a clear reminder that the laws need to be changed," said Mosby. "I cannot comprehend how for the third time legislators have failed to protect survivors of sexual assault."



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