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### **TOMAH MAN CONVICTED OF 2019 HOMICIDE OF A 3 YEAR OLD**

[SPARTA WI] Today, Monroe County District Attorney, Kevin D. Croninger announced that on April 12, 2022, a Monroe County jury convicted 37 year old, Marcus W. Anderson of eleven counts including, 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Intentional Homicide; Physical Abuse of a Child - Intentionally Cause Great Bodily Harm; four Counts of Felony Bail Jumping; Felon in Possession of a Firearm; Felony Possession of Narcotic Drugs; Felony Possession of Tetrahydrocannabinols; Operating with a Restricted Controlled Substance and Intimidation of a Witness. The convictions came after an eight day jury trial. The charges against Anderson stem from a 2019 incident in which Anderson beat, 3 year old Kyson Rice, to death in the City of Tomah.

After eight days of trial the jury deliberated for just over two hours before reaching their verdicts. Monroe County District Attorney Kevin Croninger stated, "This was an extremely difficult case, as the jury had to view evidence of unthinkable acts of violence committed against Kyson, we are extremely grateful for the jurors' service and the close attention they paid to the evidence. Their verdicts help to give justice to Kyson and his family."

The prosecution of the case was handled by Monroe County District Attorney Kevin Croninger and Assistant District Attorney Sarah Skiles, along with a tremendous amount of support and assistance by the entire staff of the Monroe County District Attorney's Office.

The investigation of the case was led by Investigator Paul Sloan of the City of Tomah Police Department, West Central Metropolitan Enforcement Group Director Rob Walensky (formerly of the City of Tomah Police Department) and retired Monroe County Sheriff's Office Detective Clayton Tester. The investigation was aided by numerous members of the City of Tomah Police Department, the Tomah Ambulance Service, the Monroe County District Attorney's Office Investigator, as well as information from medical professionals in the Gundersen, Mayo and UW Health systems.

Croninger praised the work of the law enforcement officers involved, "The officers and first responders involved in this case are real life heroes. From the moment they became aware of the situation they

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did everything they could to save Kyson's life. When the situation transitioned to a homicide investigation the officers demonstrated the highest level of professionalism and skill in procuring the necessary evidence to obtain justice for Kyson."

Following the jury's verdicts, Monroe County Circuit Court Judge Mark L. Goodman, who presided over the case, revoked Anderson's bond and remanding him to custody pending sentencing.



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