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Attorney General Steve Marshall Announces Court of Criminal Appeals Upholds Capital Murder Conviction in Montgomery County

(Montgomery) – Attorney General Steve Marshall announced that the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals affirmed the conviction of Kijuan Cortez Flowers, 24, of Montgomery, for capital murder. Flowers was convicted in the Montgomery County Circuit Court on April 14, 2022.

The evidence at trial showed that Flowers went to a residence on South Holt Street in Montgomery looking for someone when the victim, Zhivago Hines, drove up to the residence, parked in the driveway, opened his car door, and began talking to another individual. It was at this point that Flowers walked up and shot the victim numerous times. The victim was able to drive his car away from the scene, but crashed his car and was later pronounced dead from multiple gunshot wounds to his chest and lower body. Flowers was arrested by United States Marshals while in possession of the murder weapon.

Montgomery County District Attorney Daryl Bailey’s office successfully prosecuted this case and obtained a guilty verdict. Flowers was sentenced to life imprisonment for his conviction. Flowers 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 Flowers’s conviction. The Court did so in a decision issued Friday, September 15, 2023.

Attorney General Marshall commended Assistant Attorney General Christopher D. Howell for his successful work on this case and thanks District Attorney Daryl Bailey and his staff for their valuable assistance in defending the capital murder conviction.

