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TYQUAN ANDERSON SENTENCED ON VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER CONVICTION

PORTSMOUTH, VA – On March 1, 2024, Tyquan Raysean Anderson was sentenced to serve an active sentence of 9 years, followed by 3 years of supervised probation upon release, for the killing of 28-year-old Robert Artis II on June 1, 2019.

During the trial that concluded on November 15, 2023, Anderson was found guilty of Manslaughter, 2 counts of Unlawful Wounding and Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon

Anderson was sentenced to 10 years with 5 years suspended and 3 years of supervised probation upon release for the Voluntary Manslaughter charge. He was sentenced to 5 years with 3 suspended and 3 years of supervised probation for both counts of Unlawful Wounding, to run concurrently. Anderson was also sentenced to serve two years for Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon.

Evidence presented by the Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney during the trial showed that Anderson fired multiple gunshots towards an individual who was standing near the victim, Mr. Robert Artis II, on Mt. Vernon Avenue in the London Oaks neighborhood. Mr. Artis was not the intended target. Several other people were injured in the shooting.

This matter was prosecuted by Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney Bernadine Gerlach.

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