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DA McMahon: Staten Island Man Convicted for Double Murder

Ricky Dennis executed his former boss and an employee inside a Dongan Hills business

Staten Island, N.Y. – Richmond County District Attorney Michael E. McMahon today announced that RICKY DENNIS has been found guilty of two counts of Murder in the First Degree and one count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree for fatally shooting Michael Genovese, 57, and Carl Clark, 52.

DENNIS, 33, was convicted today following a four-week jury trial in Richmond County State Supreme Court before Justice William E. Garnett. He faces a maximum of life in prison without parole when he is sentenced on March 28.

“This defendant walked into a private business and murdered his former boss and an employee in cold blood, shooting both victims and then fleeing the scene,” **said District Attorney Michael E. McMahon.** “The irrefutable evidence linking Mr. Dennis to these gruesome executions has now been upheld in court by a jury, and he faces life in prison. We hope this conviction can provide some closure to the families and friends of the victims. ADAs Lisa Davis and Michael Tannousis did a tremendous job successfully prosecuting this case and they should both be commended for their tireless efforts in holding this defendant accountable for his crimes.”

According to an indictment and documents filed in court, on January 24, 2017, at approximately 6:10 p.m., RICKY DENNIS entered Universal Merchant Funding located at 124 Buel Avenue and shot Michael Genovese, his former boss, and Carl Clark, an employee, killing them both. The defendant then fled the scene in a gray 2017 Honda Accord and was later apprehended by police in Brooklyn.

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The case was prosecuted by ADA Lisa Davis and Michael Tannousis

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