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**THREE CONVICTED IN COP KILLER MAURICE CLEMMONS CASE**

Today a Pierce County jury convicted Eddie Lee Davis, 21, Douglas Edward Davis, 23, and Letrecia Nelson, 53, of a total of seven counts, including Rendering Criminal Assistance in the First Degree, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm and Possession of a Stolen Firearm. All were charged with assisting Maurice Clemmons after he shot and killed Lakewood Police Sgt. Mark Renninger and officers Tina Griswold, Greg Richards and Ronald Owens at a Parkland coffee shop on November 29, 2009. The jury found Rickey Hinton not guilty of Rendering Criminal Assistance.

The jury found Nelson guilty of Rendering Criminal Assistance in the First Degree and Possession of a Stolen Firearm. Eddie Davis was found guilty of Rendering Criminal Assistance in the First Degree, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm in the Second Degree and Possession of a Stolen Firearm. Douglas Davis was found guilty of Unlawful Possession of a Firearm in the First Degree and Possession of a Stolen Firearm.

“Our goal in the Clemmons cases has always been to hold everyone involved accountable, and to get the maximum amount of justice we could under the facts and law,” Prosecutor Mark Lindquist said. “Convicting these three defendants is another step in the march toward justice for the community.”

During opening statement and closing arguments, Deputy Prosecutors Stephen Penner and Kevin McCann reminded jurors of the shock and fear that permeated the community as Clemmons remained on the loose for more than 70 hours before being killed by a Seattle Police officer. Clemmons had vowed "I'm not finished yet." The jury returned special verdicts which will enable the prosecution to seek exceptional sentences. The State will urge the judge to impose the maximum sentences under the law.

Letrecia Nelson faces up to 15 years in prison and Douglas Davis and Eddie Davis face up to 20 years in prison when sentenced on January 14, 2011. LaTanya Clemmons, the first of the Clemmons seven to be convicted, was sentenced to five years in the Department of Corrections. Quiana Williams, who pleaded guilty as charged, was also sentenced to five years. Darcus Allen, the getaway driver, is charged with Aggravated Murder and is set for trial on March 1, 2011. Prosecutor Lindquist has until the end of the year to make a decision on the death penalty for Allen.

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