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Harris County District Attorney

Devon Anderson

DA to Prosecute Capital Murder Suspect

Harlem Lewis will stand trial for 2012 Christmas Eve murders of a police officer and a good Samaritan

Harris County District Attorney Devon Anderson will try her first capital murder case since taking office in September.

"I am honored once again to represent the great State of Texas in the courtroom as we seek justice for Corporal Jimmie Norman and business owner Terry Taylor," said DA Anderson. "Because of my respect for the integrity of the process, I will not be commenting on the trial until it has concluded."

According to court documents, Harlem Lewis shot and killed Bellaire Police Corporal Jimmie Norman and Terry Taylor, a bystander who had to come to Corporal Norman's aid, on December 24th 2012. Lewis was true billed by a Harris County grand jury for the murders.

Evidence will begin on July 14th, 2014 on the 20th floor in the ceremonial courtroom. 351st District Court Judge Mark Ellis will preside. Assistant District Attorneys Craig Goodhart and Anna Emmons will be trying the case with DA Anderson.

Devon Anderson Fact Sheet

Governor Rick Perry appointed Devon Anderson Harris County District Attorney on September 26th 2013.

Devon Anderson has a long history of fighting for justice. She was a prosecutor for 12 years at the District Attorney's Office and rose through the ranks of the office prosecuting offenses at every level. She was a Chief Felony prosecutor for 5 years and tried over 100 felony jury trials including 7 capital murders. She began trying capital murders in 1996.

1996 State of Texas vs. George Whitaker

1999 State of Texas vs. Juan William Rivera

1999 State of Texas vs. Trenton Lantzsch

2000 State of Texas vs. Angel Maturino Resendiz

2002 State of Texas vs. Derrick Comer

2002 State of Texas vs. Arthur Lee Burton

2004 State of Texas vs. Michael Jamil Tyler

In 2005, she was elected to served four years as a Criminal District Court Judge in the 177th District Court, presiding over fifty+ jury trials a year involving capital murder, murder, child abuse, kidnapping, arson, and drug and property crimes.