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**CONVICTED MURDERER CHASE ADAMS SENTENCED TO 50 years**

*Muncie Indiana* – This afternoon, the Honorable John M. Feick, Judge of the Delaware County Circuit Court No. 4 sentenced Chase Adams (DOB 4/12/1996) to 50 in prison. On April 7, 2022, a Delaware County jury deliberated for approximately seven (7) hours before convicting Adams of Murder, a Felony, Obstruction of Justice, a Level 6 Felony, and two (2) counts of Criminal Mischief, Class B Misdemeanors.

The evidence indicated at trial that Adams fatally stabbed the victim in the back three times with an 11 inch knife. The victim died as a result of massive bleeding from his spleen. After the slaying, Adams fled from the scene, taking the knife with him. He later washed the blood off of the knife and hid it from law enforcement. At trial, despite having stabbed his victim in the back, Adams claimed he acted in self-defense.



Chase Adams

During the sentencing hearing, Deputy Prosecutor Andrew Ramirez asked the court to impose a sentence of sixty (60) years. After the sentence was imposed, Delaware County Prosecuting Attorney Eric Hoffman said “Another violent felon taken off the streets. I am proud of Deputy Prosecutors Andrew Ramirez and Jagen Arnold, Prosecutor’s Investigators Alyssa Sorrell and LeAnna Smith, and the Officers of the Muncie Police Department for their hard work and dedication in this case. As Deputy Prosecutor Andrew Ramirez told the jury in final argument at trial, a verdict of guilty is the only verdict that is dictated by the law and demanded by the facts.”

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