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JURY CONVICTS ALEXANDER GEESY OF 2022 MURDER IN DALEVILLE

Muncie Indiana – Today a Delaware County jury deliberated for a little over 3 hours before convicting Alexander T. Geesy (DOB 10/24/2003) of Murder, a felony and Obstruction of Justice, a Level 6 Felony. A copy of the Affidavit for Probable Cause for Arrest is Attached. The Honorable Thomas A. Cannon Jr., Judge of the Delaware Circuit Court No. 5 set sentencing for July 26, 2024 at 9:30 AM. Pursuant to Indiana law, a Murder is punishable by 45 – 65 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine and a Level 6 Felony is punishable by 6 months – 2.5 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine. The jury also unanimously found that Geesy used a firearm to commit the murder. Pursuant to Indiana, the Court can impose an additional 5 – 20 years in prison in addition to the total sentence on the offense of murder. After the verdicts were returned, Delaware County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Andrew Ramirez said “Although nothing can bring back the life of William Coomer, the victim in this case, I hope that these verdicts will be the first step on the long road to healing for the victim’s family.” Prosecutor Eric Hoffman said “I am very proud of Deputy Prosecutors Andrew Ramirez and Lexi Starost, Prosecutor Investigator Gala Laughner as well as the Delaware County Sheriff’s Department for their hard work and dedication to the pursuit of justice in this case.”



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The basis and reasons why this officer believes that said arrestee committed the aforesaid offense(s) in Delaware County, State of Indiana, are as follows:

On July 22nd, 2022, at approximately 2:12 PM, Delaware County Dispatch was called by Stephanie Coomer stating that her husband, Randall Coomer, had been shot. Randall was pronounced deceased by emergency medical personnel at the scene located in the 12000 block of S CR 500 W, Daleville, Indiana.

Stephanie described to Investigators the incidents that took place prior to her making the 911 call. Stephanie states that she was parked getting her mail when two vehicles, one being a red Ford Focus, the other being a white Ford Explorer came racing down the road almost hitting her. Stephanie believes there were 3-4 people in the red Ford Focus and was unsure how many people were in the white Ford Explorer. The occupants of the Ford Focus yelled profanities and made obscene gestures towards her and continued down the road to Sharp Cemetary, located at 12101 S CR 500 W Rd, Daleville, Indiana. Stephanie observed the vehicles turn into Sharp Cemetary. She then pulled into her residence located just down the road located at 12220 S CR 500 W RD, Daleville, Indiana. While sitting in her car, she told her husband Randall what had just happened.

I affirm under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and accurate to the best of my information and belief.

DATE: 7/29/2022 Officer: *Matthew Kubiak* #1136

JUDICIAL DETERMINATION

The undersigned, being a judicial officer of Delaware County, and having reviewed the foregoing affidavit, now determines that probable cause existed for the arrest of said arrestee, and now fixes bail in the penal sum of \$ No bond

Dated: 7/30/22 Signed: *Shirley Howell* Title: Magistrate

PRE-INITIAL HEARING INFORMATION

Pre-initial Hearing Date: 8/3/22 Charges to be filed by Date: 8/8/22 Time: 1:00 p^m

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On July 25, 2022, Dawn Schattner, the mother of Brandi Zirkle, stated that Brandi, Ryan, and Alexander have been driving the white Ford Explorer, which belongs to Dawn Schattner. Dawn also stated that all three have been riding in the red Ford Focus and it belongs to Alexander's sister, but she did not know her name. This was also verified by a witness, who had seen Brandi and Alexander in both the white Ford Explorer, and the red Ford Focus. The witness did not know the owner of either vehicle. Later, on July 25, 2022, Detectives were following up on leads for family of Alexander and Ryan, which took them to the address of 1709 Broadway St, Anderson Indiana. Upon arrival to the residence, the red Ford Focus was discovered in the back alley, backed in towards the house, and unoccupied. This car matched the information given in witness statements, and video evidence. On the undercarriage of the vehicle there was a cross member that had clumps of grass and soil stuck to it. The location of the soil/grass was consistent with the damage to the lane where the body of the victim was found. Hanging from the rearview mirror was a "Mr. Fog" lanyard, consistent with the same brand lanyard, found at the scene. A family member of Ryan and Alexander Geesy, stated that she let Alexander borrow her car at the beginning of July, since he did not have a car, and has had it since. On July 22nd, 2022, Alex returned the car to 1709 Broadway St. Alex called and told his mother, Karrie Geesy, at 3:15 PM, that he had returned the car. The family member was made aware of the car being returned the following day, on July 23rd, 2022, at around 10:35 PM. A family member also stated that she bought Alexander a firearm a few days prior to the shooting, pawning his gun and buying him another. A copy of the pawn ticket was recovered at Allen's Pawn Shop, 130 E 10th St, Anderson Indiana. A family member purchased a Hi-Point .40 caliber handgun Serial #X7299738, the same caliber as the spent shell casing recovered at the crime scene.

Video of the "Get Go" gas station at 53rd/MLK in Anderson was later recovered for the date of July 22nd, 2022, the day of the shooting. At around 1:22 PM-1:34 PM both the red Ford Focus, and the white Ford Explorer are parked at the gas pumps. On camera Alexander Geesy can be seen exiting the driver's seat of the Ford Focus, and walking into the store. Alexander can also be seen carrying a handgun on his hip, in a holster, at the 2 o'clock position. Alexander walks out and then eventually gets into the drivers seat of the Ford Focus, followed by Brandi Zirkle getting into the front passenger, and eventually Ryan Geesy getting into the rear driver's side passenger door, followed by an unidentified female, in the rear passenger seat. The vehicles exit at around 1:34 PM with the white Ford Explorer, occupied with two persons, following the Ford Focus, heading towards Muncie.

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On July 28th, 2022, Detectives identified one of the occupants in the red Ford Focus, prior to the shooting at the "Get Go" gas station on 7/22/2022. That witness will be identified as Witness 1 through this document due to the fact that they are under the age of 18. Witness 2 and 3 will be identified as such for the same reasons.

Witness 1 stated that on July 22nd, 2022, Brandi Zirkle, Ryan Geesy, Alexander Geesy, Dawn Schattner, a person who will be identified as Witness 2, and a person who will be identified as Witness 3, went to Sharp Cemetery. Witness 2, and Dawn drove in a separate vehicle from everyone else, a white Ford. While en route to Sharp Cemetery Witness 1 says that there was car parked on the wrong side of the road and they had words with other passengers in the car she was riding in. Witness 1 also states that they were flipping other cars off on their way to the cemetery. Witness 1 then states that the red car she was in backed in to the cemetery lane, followed by the white car. Ryan, Alexander, and Witness 1 exited the red car. A truck then pulled up and the victim, Randall Coomer (unidentified by Witness 1 by name), got into an argument with Ryan. Witness 1 says that Ryan eventually was struck by Randall, and Alexander drew his handgun, pointing it at Randall. Witness 1 says that Alexander told Randall to get on the ground multiple times, and at one point fired a warning shot at Randall. Randall was retreating back to his car when Alexander fired a shot at Randall, and Randall ran in the opposite direction. Randall would then run in the opposite direction of his truck, while Alexander fired more rounds. At one point, Witness 1 describes Randall falling into a ditch, and then being told to get back into the car. Witness one says that Alexander fired approximately 3-4 shots at Randall. After the shooting, Witness 1 says that Ryan flipped off the woman who was originally parked on the opposite side of the road, who would turn out to be the victim's wife. Witness 1 says that after driving off Alexander was frantic saying that he was going to go to prison and he was only 18, while Ryan was under stress because he stated that he had warrants. Witness 1 says that she was dropped off with Dawn, while Brandi, Ryan, and Alexander left; Witness 1 believes they went to Tennessee. Witness 1 was also instructed not to talk about the events that occurred.

Witness 2 stated that on July 22nd, 2022, Alexander Geesy, Ryan Geesy, Brandi Zirkle, Dawn Schattner, and Witnesses 1,2 and 3, were going to Sharps Cemetery to celebrate a birthday. Witness 2 and Dawn were in a white Ford Explorer, while Alexander, Ryan, Brandi and Witnesses 1/3 were in the red car. While on the way to the cemetery, the persons in the red car were flipping off people they were passing. Witness 2 states that once they got in the area of the cemetery there was a car parked on the wrong side of the road so they had to go around it, but the people in the red car flipped that car off. Once at the cemetery the red car backed down the lane first, and then the white Ford.

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A short time later Randall Coomer driving his truck pulled up (Witness 2 did not identify victim by name). Witness 2 says that Randall got out of his truck and started saying that they had flipped off his wife. Ryan got out to calm down Randall, and they got into an argument. Randall eventually struck Ryan, which made Alexander draw his firearm, and pointed it at Randall. Alexander gave Randall 3 commands to get on the ground to which he gave a warning shot to Randall. Randall was retreating to his truck when Alexander fired another shot, causing Randall to run in the opposite direction. Alexander fired more shots while Randall was running in the opposite direction of his truck, causing him to fall into a ditch. Witness 2 says that Alexander fired approximately 3-4 shots, out of a black handgun, which he had just recently acquired. Witness two says that they then left the scene in the separate vehicles they arrived in, and Dawn said that everything was going to be fine. Brandi, Alexander, and Ryan then dropped off Witness 1/3 off to Dawn with Witness 2, and they left. Witness 2 believes they may have gone to Tennessee.

Dawn Schattner also later came forward and gave the following statement on her account of the events that took place on July 22nd, 2022. Dawn requested that a nurse and Chaplin be with her as she gave a statement. Dawn was also read a rights waiver form to which she consented to give a statement. Dawn apologized for lying in previous interviews, saying that she just wanted to protect everyone. Dawn said that "they all wanted to go look at gravestones" and were going to a cemetery near Daleville. Dawn said that Alexander, Ryan, Brandi, Witness 1/3 were all in the red car, while she and Witness 2 were in the white car. Dawn said that Alexander was driving, and they started flipping off everyone who didn't wave back while they were driving. Dawn said that upon arrival to the cemetery Alexander backed down the lane first, and then Dawn backed in. Dawn said that they had flipped off a woman because she was driving on the wrong side of the road. Dawn said that the female must have went and told her husband because a black truck pulled up and a male got out of it yelling and screaming about someone flipping off his wife. Dawn said that the man (unknown by the victim to be named Randall Coomer), was getting verbally violent. Ryan walked up to Randall asking what his problem was and that she should have waived back and not been driving on the wrong side of the road. Dawn stated Ryan began to walk away when the victim stated "mother fucker I'm crazy and I get a check for that shit, don't fuck with me." Dawn stated the conversation kept getting more and more intense between Ryan and the victim. Dawn stated she saw the victim punch Ryan in the face. Dawn stated she looked over and witnessed Alex pull his gun out and point it at the victim. Dawn stated she heard Alex tell the victim to "get on the ground". Dawn stated the victim laughed at him and Alex replied "no I'm serious get on the ground ass hole". Dawn stated the victim did not respond to Alex. Dawn stated Alex then told the victim twice more to "get on the ground" and then Alex shot his gun. Dawn stated after the first shot the victim did not respond once again so Alex fired another shot. Alex stated "I'm serious". As the victim turned to go to his truck Alex fired once again. Dawn stated that this time the victim ran in the opposite direction of his truck. Dawn stated that while the victim was running Alex fired two more times. Dawn then said that the victim went down into the ditch, and the family left south in their cars.

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On July 29th, 2022, Alexander, Brandi, and Ryan were arrested at 3100 S Tillotson Ave, Muncie Indiana.

Brandi Zirkle was read a rights waiver form to which she consented to an interview. Brandi said that they came back from Tennessee and that they came up with this elaborate story, for Ryan to take the fall for Alex since he was only 18. Brandi said that Ryan was the one who shot the victim (not identified as Randall by Brandi). Brandi also later stated that she wanted to try to cover for Alexander because she loved him so much. Brandi corrected her story and said that she was going to tell the truth, and that the truth was that Alexander was the one who shot Randall. Brandi said that on July 22nd, 2022 Dawn, Witnesses 1,2, and 3, Ryan, Alexander, and herself went to Sharp Cemetery. On the way to Sharps Cemetery they came across a car that was parked on the wrong side of the road, so they went around it. They backed in their cars to the cemetery, the red one backing down first, followed by the white one. Ryan got out of the car first to help back in Dawn, in the white car. A black truck pulled up shortly after and a man got out shouting. Ryan went up to him and the two men got into a verbal altercation. At one point the verbal altercation turned physical, and Ryan got knocked to the ground. Alexander saw his brother get knocked down and drew his weapon, which Brandi said was a .40 cal. Alexander gave Randall directions to get on the ground, to which Randall refused. Alexander said that he then fired a warning shot to the left. Randall started running away from his truck and Alex fired more rounds in the direction of Randall. Brandi said that the victim fell in the ditch, and they all drove off. Brandi said that they later went to Tennessee to try to hide. Brandi also said that she signed over her 3 children that were with her at the time of the shooting to her mother Dawn, so that they could be safe, and it wasn't safe to be with her. Brandi also acquired a bill of sale for the vehicle from Dawn for the white SUV they used to flee to Tennessee, the same white car present at the shooting of Randall.

Ryan Geesy was read a rights waiver form to which he consented to an interview. Ryan stated the same story which had been told previously be Brandi, which had included him taking the fall for the shooting of Randall. However, Ryan was told to tell the truth to which he stated that his brother, Alex, was the one who shot Randall. Ryan said that on July 22nd, 2022, Dawn, Alex, Brandi, witness 1,2, and 3, and himself went to Sharp Cemetery. On the way to the Cemetery they passed a car that was on the wrong side of the road without their hazards on. Ryan said that when they got to the cemetery the red car that they were in which was a Ford Focus, driven by Alex, backed in first. Ryan was in the rear passenger seat of that vehicle, Brandi was in the passenger seat, Witness 1/3 were also in the vehicle. Witness 1/3 are juveniles. Dawn and witness 2 (another juvenile) were in the white car. Ryan exited the red car and helped Dawn back in the white car.

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Ryan said that a man driving a truck came up and approached them (Randall). Randall and Ryan got into a verbal altercation which turned physical. Ryan said that he was on the ground, and observed Alex pull his gun, and fire a warning shot to the left of Randall. Ryan said that Alex told Randall 3 times to get on the ground. Randall refused and eventually began walking back towards his truck. Alex fired rounds at Randall, at which time Randall took off running South, away from his truck. Ryan said that Alex fired 4 rounds total, and Randall was in the ditch. Ryan then stated that they all got into their vehicles and left, not offering any aide to Randall, or calling 911. Ryan said that they later fled to Tennessee.

Alexander Geesy was read a rights waiver form to which he consented to an interview. Alexander told the same elaborate story as Brandi and Ryan did before, about Ryan taking the fall for Alex. Alex, like Brandi, and Ryan, was told to tell the truth to which he corrected his statement as such. Alexander said that Dawn, Ryan, Brandi, Witness 1, 2 and 3, and he all went to Sharp Cemetery. Alexander was driving a red Ford Focus, Brandi, Ryan, and Witness 1 and 3 were in the red car, while Dawn and Witness 2 were in the white car. Alexander stated that on the way to the cemetery a car was parked on the wrong side of the road so they went around it. When they got to the cemetery Alex backed in the red car first, followed by the white SUV. Ryan got out of the red car to help back in the white SUV. After which, a truck pulled up and Randall (not identified by Alex) started arguing with Ryan about someone flipping off his wife. Alex said that a physical altercation occurred between Randall and Ryan, so he pulled his gun out and fired a warning shot to the left of Randall and ordered him to the ground. Randall refused to do so. Randall began walking back to his truck, Alex fired his gun again, and Randall began running to the south. Alex said that he then shot to the right of Randall as he was running to the South, away from his truck. Alex said that the man was in the ditch, and everyone got into the vehicles and drove away, not offering any aide to Randall. Alex said that Ryan, Brandi, and he, fled to Tennessee because they were scared.