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District Attorney Matthew Van Houten announced today that Jeremiah L. Jordan, 40, of Ithaca, was convicted by a jury yesterday afternoon of the crimes of Murder in the Second Degree and Tampering with Physical Evidence. Murder in the Second Degree is a Class A-I felony which is punishable by a maximum of 25 years to life in State Prison. Tampering with Physical Evidence is a Class E felony with a maximum sentence of up to four years in State Prison.

The indictment charged Jordan with fatally stabbing 38-year-old Michael Monroe on the Six Mile Creek Walk in the City of Ithaca on October 28, 2022.

Jordan was convicted of all charges after a jury trial in the Tompkins County Court. The trial commenced on July 10, 2023, and concluded on Wednesday, July 19, 2023.

Sentencing has been scheduled for August 25, 2023, at 11:30 a.m. before Judge John C. Rowley.

District Attorney Van Houten prosecuted the case with assistance from Assistant District Attorney Heidi Paulino. Ithaca attorneys Michael Pehinec and Joseph Kirby represented the defendant.

Van Houten said, "I would like to recognize the Ithaca Police Department and the New York State Police Forensic Investigations Unit for their thorough and effective investigation which resulted in an arrest very quickly after the commission of this brutal crime."

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