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Date: April 17, 2026
Re: State v. David Williams

On Friday, April 17, 2026, David Williams, 67, of Abingdon, was convicted of First Degree Murder, Use of a Firearm in a Felony or Crime of Violence, Possession of a Regulated Firearm By a Prohibited Person, Possession of Ammunition by a Prohibited Person, and Impairing the Verity or Availability of Physical Evidence following a five-day jury trial before the Honorable Judge Alex Allman in the Circuit Court for Harford County. The Defendant will remain in custody at the Harford County Detention Center until his sentencing hearing, which will be scheduled after a Pre-Sentence Investigation.

Facts presented in the trial proved that on June 30, 2025, Lillian Williams was shot and killed in the upstairs of her Abingdon home. At the time of the murder, her husband, David Williams, was the only other occupant of the residence. After the murder, the Defendant left the victim in the residence to drive around and took the gun with him. Approximately an hour later, he returned to the residence after he discarded the gun in a wooded area and finally called 911 for assistance. He relayed pieces of the story to dispatchers and denied any knowledge of the details of the shooting. Despite the efforts of first responders, the victim had no pulse at the time of arrival and was pronounced deceased.

At the time of their response, Williams provided multiple stories to the responding deputies but allowed them access to his RING doorbell camera. He was eventually transported to the Criminal Investigation Division for further interviewing. There, his story changed again, and he claimed that the victim produced the weapon and that the gun simply went off during a struggle. An autopsy was conducted by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, which determined the victim's manner of death to be a homicide. They also determined that the gun was fired from approximately one to three feet away. During their testimony, the Medical Examiner testified that the findings of the autopsy were not consistent with a struggle.

Warrants were also executed on the Defendant's home and RING camera. Detectives recovered multiple gun cases, multiple types of ammunition, and a handgun holster from the Defendant's bedroom. The videos from the RING camera on the night of the incident showed the Defendant kicking in the front door to gain access to the home, then calmly and repeatedly exiting and entering the home in the moments following the shooting. Other evidence presented

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also showed that the Defendant called a friend who resided out of State and advised that he had been in an altercation with a man that resulted in the man's death.

Following the conviction, State's Attorney Alison M. Healey offered the following comment: "After our prosecutors persisted through this five-day jury trial, we are thrilled with the First-Degree Murder conviction of David Williams, along with convictions on all other counts charged, ensuring justice is served for the death of Lillian Williams, the victim of this tragic, domestically-related homicide. It is the worst kind of betrayal and violence when a Defendant takes the life of someone with whom they have an intimate relationship. While the result of this case will never bring Ms. Williams back, it is my hope that the convictions in this case will bring some peace to her family in knowing that the person responsible for her death will be held accountable to the fullest extent of the law and is likely to spend the rest of his life behind bars."

Ms. Healey extends her sincere gratitude to Senior Assistant State's Attorney Jason Allen and Assistant State's Attorney Jenn Alvarez for their preparation, diligence, commitment, and advocacy in the prosecution of this case. She also commends the Harford County Sheriff's Office for their thorough investigation of this case and especially thanks Deputies Alba, Elliot, and Distance of the Patrol Division, former Deputy and current Pentagon Police Officer Perez, Detectives Kaminiski and Golden and Forensic Lab Director Orchowicz of the Criminal Investigation Division for their assistance with the presentation of this case at trial. Finally, she recognizes the collaborative efforts of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner and Harford County Emergency Services.