

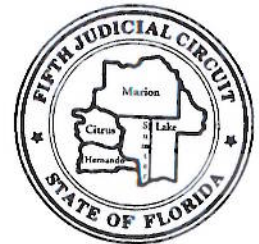


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CITRUS, HERNANDO, LAKE, MARION AND SUMTER COUNTIES



Daniel B. Merritt, Sr.
Chief Judge

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HERNANDO COUNTY
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On Wednesday, May 16, 2012 the jury in the penalty phase of the Steven Allen Wesolek trial returned an advisory sentence of life without the possibility of parole. Judge Daniel B. Merritt, Sr. discharged the jury and then pronounced sentence as follows:

Count one, murder in the first degree in the death of Enrique Daniel Acevedo; sentenced to life without the possibility of parole.

Count two, attempted felony murder for the attempted murder of Skyler Nicolle Collins; sentenced to life, sentence to run concurrent with the sentence for count one.

Count three, carjacking while armed; sentenced to life to run concurrent with the sentence for counts one and two.

Count four, robbery with a deadly weapon; sentenced to life sentence to run concurrent with the sentence for counts one, two and three.

The jury found Wesolek guilty of all four counts, as set forth in the indictment, on May 11, 2012. Judge Daniel B. Merritt, Sr. remanded Wesolek to the Florida Department of Corrections to serve his sentence.

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