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Portsmouth, Virginia

A Portsmouth jury convicted Alfred Lane, a 24-year-old man, of felony first degree murder on March 30, 2016 for shooting and killing Antonio Scott.

On August 20, 2015, Antonio Scott was at his home on 443 Florida Avenue with his sister and his seven-year-old daughter. At approximately 2:45p.m. Lane and his co-defendant, Christian Burden, entered the home with firearms. According to Scott's sister, Lane tussled with Scott in the hallway of the home and fired a shot. More shots were fired and Scott received five gunshot wounds. Scott was pronounced dead at the scene.

After the initial shot was fired, Scott's sister hid underneath her bed. Lane and his co-defendant drew their guns on her, forced her to get from underneath the bed and told her not to call the police. Lane obtained the keys from Scott's pocket to access Scott's bedroom, where Lane proceeded to look for drugs and money. Lane ordered Scott's sister to come upstairs to help him with his search. Lane stole a bag of marijuana and left the residence with his co-defendant. Lane was convicted of felony first degree murder, armed statutory burglary, robbery, abduction and three counts of use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

The jury recommended he serve 69 years in prison. A judge will formally sentence him on May 26, 2016. This matter was prosecuted by Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney Teresa Murrell and Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Dennis McCarthy.

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