



OFFICE OF THE VANDERBURGH COUNTY PROSECUTOR

DIANA L. MOERS

ADMINISTRATION BLDG. - ROOM 108
1 NW MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. BLVD
EVANSVILLE, IN 47708
(812) 435-5150 | prosecutorinfo@vanderburghgov.org

*****MEDIA ALERT*****

For Immediate Release

February 23rd, 2023

*CONTACT: Winston Lin
Phone: 219-242-2417*

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE
ANNOUNCES RICKY ALLEN KIPER, JR. SENTENCED TO 75 YEARS FOR
MURDER**

Evansville, IN – Prosecutor Diana Moers announces that, on February 23rd, 2023, Magistrate Judge Celia M. Pauli of the Vanderburgh Circuit Court sentenced 34-year-old Ricky Allen Kiper, Jr. on a single count of Murder to 60 years in prison and an additional 15 years for a habitual offender enhancement. “I am very proud of the efforts of my office and EPD on this matter and am pleased to report to the citizens of Vanderburgh County that the Defendant, someone who took it upon himself to take a life, received 75 years with his sentences running concurrently and will be residing in the Department of Correction and off of the streets of Vanderburgh County.

Kiper pleaded guilty on January 30th, 2023 after the prosecution presented evidence that Mr. Kiper shot a male victim and ran from the scene, discarding and hiding various items of clothing before being apprehended nearby. During an interview with the lead detective, Matt Elrod, from the Vanderburgh County Sherriff's Office, Kiper admitted to shooting the victim and stated that he had no remorse for doing so. The Evansville Police Department also participated in the investigation.

Prosecutor Moers thanked her Deputies Ian Blair and Josh Hutcheson, her staff Morgan Richardville and Rob Pylant, Detective Elrod, and other law enforcement partners for their diligent efforts.