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DENIAL PAROLE LETTER FOR MARC GIRARD, FROM THE ALLIANCE FOR SAFE COMMUNITIES....

In the early hours of June 14, 1999, Jeanette Descoteaux's life was taken in what was possibly one of the most brutal, barbaric, and senseless murders in Rhode Island's history.

The murder was premeditated as both Marc Girard and Alfred Brisette had conspired to randomly kill and bury an unsuspecting and unfortunate female 18 mos. Prior to Descoteaux's demise.

Both Girard and Brisette lured Descoteaux to accompany them to the woods of Smithfield to procure cocaine from a fabricated drug dealer.

After arriving at their destination, Brisette demanded sexual acts from Descoteaux, after which the 1st physical assaults were unleashed by Brisette.

Descoteaux's desperate attempt to run away naked and wounded following Brisette's initial blows with a lug wrench to her head, failed. Her pleas along with the false bargaining from Girard were followed up with both men beating her.

Brisette used his bare hands and a lug wrench to pummel Jeanette's head, and Girard a shovel to sever her spine. Girard admitted to the final blows to Descoteaux's head using the lug wrench which ended her life.

From the beginning to end the carnage had been planned, carried out, and attempted to conceal by both men.

It was Descoteaux's friends whose persistence to find her, and identification of Girard to law enforcement as the last person seen with her, led to subsequent arrests.

The Alliance was fortunate to have worked with some of those very friends when Alfred Brissette was set for his first early release date that was moved to the next year in a parole decision change that was unprecedented.

This case received statewide coverage and national attention. Deemed as "a thrill kill," as it was ascertained that both men engaged in the horrific crime to experience the "thrill of the kill".

In 2018 while incarcerated, Girard was charged with and later convicted of felony assault in 2020. This event does not reflect positively on his criminal past and ability to rehabilitate.

A life sentence is the only appropriate sentence for Marc Girard.

Society needs to be kept safe from an individual capable of committing such an evil and heinous crime.

Alliance for Safe Communities requests that parole for Marc Girard be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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