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## OFFICE OF STATE ATTORNEY FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

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PRESS RELEASE

State Attorney Bill Eddins announced today that an Escambia County Jury recommended by a vote of 12-0 that Joshua Wayne Douglas be sentenced to death.

Douglas was convicted of First Degree Murder on April 10, 2014. A penalty phase began on Monday, April 14, 2014, and concluded with the death recommendation.

A Spencer Hearing is scheduled for May 23, 2014. This hearing is held for the purpose of presenting any further evidence for the court to consider before imposing sentence.

Both the investigation and arrest were conducted by the Escambia County Sheriff's office. Assistant State Attorney John Molchan prosecuted the case. For further information, please contact Mr. Molchan at 595-4231.