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MYRTLE BEACH KILLER SENTENCED TO LIFE IN FEDERAL PRISON

COLUMBIA, South Carolina -- United States Attorney Reginald I. Lloyd announced that Kelvin Ross Sinclair, 31, of Myrtle Beach, was sentenced to life imprisonment without parole for a firearm charge stemming from a 2006 fatal shooting.

In the early morning hours of October 7, 2006, Sinclair was involved in a bar fight with Philippe Williamson at Club Maximus in Myrtle Beach. After the fight, Sinclair retrieved a gun from his car. He reentered the bar and shot Sinclair in the chest, killing him instantly. A federal jury convicted him last year for illegally possessing the firearm used in the shooting.

Sinclair had prior convictions of burglary, strong armed robbery,

distribution of crack cocaine, assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature, and possession of cocaine. These felony convictions prohibited him from possessing a gun or ammunition.

United States District Judge Bryan Harwell presided over the case. The case was investigated by the Myrtle Beach Police Department, the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division, the Fourth Circuit Solicitor's Office, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Alfred W. Bethea of the Florence Office.

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