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FEBRUARY 2025 FATAL SHOOTING

Hagerstown man found guilty

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A Hagerstown man was found guilty recently in a February 2025 fatal shooting in a city apartment.

A Washington County jury, on Friday, Feb. 27, found Kevin Wilfred Huling, 29, guilty on eight charges, including the first-degree murder of Jamaal Roberts,

39, in a shooting that occurred on Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2025, in an apartment in the 200 block of West Franklin Street.

Hagerstown Police were dispatched to that area around 3:41 p.m. that day for a man with a gunshot wound to the chest, charging documents state.

That block is between Walnut and Prospect streets and the address given is near a convenience store.

Roberts was identified by Hagerstown Police a year ago as being from Rocky Mount, North Carolina. Rocky Mount is northeast of Raleigh.

Among the crimes Huling was found guilty of are second-degree murder, the use of a firearm in the commission of a violent crime, and possession of a regulated firearm after a disqualifying conviction — possession with intent to distribute cocaine, according to his

online case docket.

Washington County Circuit Court Judge Brett R. Wilson, after the prosecution finished presenting its witnesses on Feb. 26, granted a motion by defense attorney Samuel Nalli to acquit Huling on charges of armed robbery and robbery. Also, prosecutors dropped a second charge of possessing a regulated

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A plume of smoke rises after a strike on Tehran, Iran, on March 3. Secretary of State Marco Rubio predicted “the hardest hits are yet to come” against Iran. ATTA KENARE/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

Drone strikes hit the U.S. Embassy in Saudi Arabia

U.S. personnel, citizens told to leave region

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The United States ordered nonemergency government personnel and their family members to leave Qatar, Kuwait, Bahrain, Iraq and Jordan and closed several diplomatic missions across the

Middle East on March 3 as the war with Iran escalated.

The move came as the U.S. Embassy in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, was hit by two drones in an attack that sparked a “limited fire and minor material damage to the building,” a Saudi Defense Ministry spokesperson announced on the Ministry’s X account.

The U.S. Mission to Saudi Arabia issued a “security alert” recommending

Americans to “shelter in place immediately and avoid the Embassy until further notice.”

On March 2, the State Department urged American citizens across 16 countries in the Middle East to immediately depart the region using “available commercial transportation” without offering any U.S.-government-vouched means. The U.S. embassy in Jerusalem in a statement said it was unable to offer assistance to Ameri-

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Supreme Court blocks NY map change

Ruling gives GOP win on congressional redistricting

Maureen Groppe
USA TODAY

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on March 2 agreed to a Republican request to intervene in the battle over the boundaries of a New York congressional district, blocking a ruling that would have given Democrats a chance to flip the seat. The court’s three liberal justices dissented from the unsigned and brief decision.

Rep. Nicole Malliotakis, R-New York, and others asked the high court to let New York use its existing congressional map for the fall 2026 election even though a state court said the map unlawfully diluted the voting power of Black and Latino residents. The emergency request was backed by the Trump administration, which has pushed red states to rejigger maps to

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New York Gov. Kathy Hochul condemned the decision to take the New York redistricting case to the Supreme Court before the legal dispute made it through state courts.
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