

Tiana's Murderer Sentenced to 60 years



On February 14th, 2009, James P. Carter murdered Tiana Angelique Notice. On January 13th, 2012, he was sentenced to serve 60 years in prison. For the nearly three years between Tiana's death and the sentencing, we posted updates on the court case against her murderer. The rest of this post details, update by update, how the process unfolded. While we are relieved to see justice done, it does not bring Tiana back. All we can do is miss her, and help to build a world free from domestic violence in her memory.

Court Updates:

Inmate Information

Inmate Number:
324109

Inmate Name:
CARTER,JAMES

Date of Birth:
7/30/1980

Latest Admission Date:
2/17/2009

Current Location:
MACDOUGALL

Status:
SENTENCED

Bond Amount:
200000

Controlling Offense:

MURDER AF

Date of Sentence:

1/13/2012

Maximum Sentence:

60 Year(s) 0 Month(s) 0 Day(s)

Maximum Release Date:

2/16/2069

Estimated Release Date:

Not Applicable

Special Parole End Date:

Not Applicable

Detainer:

NONE

The Tiana Angelique Notice Foundation provided a bus (**Free of charge**) to the sentencing of James Carter, the man who murdered **Tiana Angelique Notice** on February 14, 2009. The bus left K-Mart Plaza in Leominster, MA 01453 on the morning of Friday January 13th at 7:30 a.m. to New Britain Superior Court, 20 Franklin Sq. New Britain, CT 06051. In all 40 family members and friends join the bus to be a part of the process, food and snacks were provided after the sentencing at a designated Location (**YWCA**) New Britain 22 Glen Street, New Britain, CT 06051.

We want to thank the **YWCA** staff and everyone for their support during and after the trial. We are please to say that Justice was served to Tiana and all the women James P. Carter had hurt along the way. He is now serving 60 years in a Connecticut prison for the murder.

[Jury Finds Carter Guilty Of Murder](#)

November 1, 2011 the 2009 stabbing death of his ex-girlfriend, Tiana Notice. Carter, 31, of Bloomfield also was found guilty in courtroom. His family was not present. Alvin Notice, Tiana Notice's father, said the verdict was "like a weight"

http://articles.courant.com/2011-11-03/news/hc-carter-notice-1102-20111101_1_tiana-notice-alvin-notice-plainville-apartment

Conn. man found guilty of murdering ex-girlfriend

November 1, 2011 â€” 25-year-old graduate student **Tiana Notice** outside her Plainville apartment â€” did not contest that Carter killed **Notice**, but they argued the 31-year-old Carter took a knife with him to **Notice**'s apartment complex and called â€” Associated Press

James Carter Apologizes For Court Outburst

October 31, 2011 â€” homicide, Valentine's Day of 2009, when he snapped. **Tiana Notice**, his ex-girlfriend, was fatally stabbed outside her â€” that Carter called him that night and said he â€” stabbed **Tiana** a few times. â€” Rotiroti said the stabbing was planned â€”

http://articles.courant.com/2011-10-31/news/hc-carter-notice-1101-20111031_1_tiana-notice-james-carter-plainville-apartment

By CHRISTINE

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The Hartford Courant

Jury Begins Deliberations In Carter Murder Trial

October 28, 2011 â€” death of 25-year-old **Tiana Notice** on Valentine's Day â€” 2009 â€” instead lay in wait for **Notice**, Rotiroti said. â€” occurrence, and â€” he stabbed **Tiana**, â€” Rotiroti said â€” is accused of stabbing **Notice** and was suicidal in the â€”

By HILDA MUÃ‘OZ, hmunoz@courant.com, The Hartford â€” Courant

State says Conn. man planned ex-girlfriend's death

October 28, 2011 â€” 25-year-old graduate student **Tiana Notice** outside her â€” Plainville apartment â€” time because of the breakup with **Notice**, his inability to find a job and â€” didn't contest that Carter killed **Notice**. â€” Authorities said **Notice** was â€”

Associated Press, Associated Press

Carter Writes That His Doctors Are â€” Useless â€”

October 26, 2011 â€” stabbing of Carter's ex-girlfriend, **Tiana Notice**. Carter â€” wrote: â€” Even the doctors â€” was depressed around the time of **Notice**'s â€” death and felt pressure from â€” jury heard a 911 tape during which **Notice** says her ex-boyfriend had just â€”

By CHRISTINE â€” DEMPSEY, cdempsey@courant.com,

The Hartford Courant

[Defense Witness: â€” No Indication' That Carter's Actions On Day Of â€” Homicide Were Planned](#)

October 25, 2011 â€” his ex-girlfriend, **Tiana Notice**, was killed does not â€” 2009, â€” four days before **Notice** died. â€” Gonna go for â€” Disconnect me from **Tiana** completely. â€” In an â€” email that he sent to **Notice** the day â€” before she died â€”

By CHRISTINE â€” DEMPSEY, cdempsey@courant.com,

The Hartford Courant

â€” I Don't Regret What I Did,' Murder Defendant Said In Letter

October 21, 2011 â€” his ex-girlfriend, **Tiana Notice**, he wrote, â€” I â€” don't â€” emotional distress that **Tiana** caused. â€” In the â€” his father, he â€” blames **Notice** for running up bills â€” also expressed anger at **Notice**'s family. â€” **Tiana** and her family are in â€”

By CHRISTINE DEMPSEY, cdempsey@courant.com,

The Hartford â€” Courant

Homicide Victim's Father Breaks Down On The Witness Stand

October 19, 2011 â€” Alvin **Notice** broke down on the witness stand â€” she lay dead. â€” That's **Tiana**, â€” he said, his voice cracking. **Notice** testified during the trial of â€” Carter's jeans belonged to **Tiana Notice**. Specifically, â€” she said â€”

By CHRISTINE DEMPSEY, cdempsey@courant.com,

The Hartford â€” Courant

Testimony: Calls Were Made To Locksmiths From Carter's Cellphone

October 20, 2011 â€” Feb. 14, 2009 ? shortly before **Tiana Notice** was fatally â€” stabbed. The witnesses â€” testified. The address was that of **Notice**'s â€” apartment. She was chased and â€” Correction spokesman said he couldn't comment on whether Carter remains on a suicide â€”

By â€” CHRISTINE DEMPSEY, cdempsey@courant.com, The Hartford â€” Courant

Carter Said He Stabbed Tiana Notice, Defendant's Brother Testifies

October 18, 2011 â€” to protect his ex-girlfriend, **Tiana Notice**. She was fatally stabbed on Valentine's â€” basically told me that he stabbed **Tiana** a few times, â€” Brandon Carter said â€” who was Brandon's girlfriend when **Notice** was killed, also testified about â€”

By CHRISTINE DEMPSEY, cdempsey@courant.com, The Hartford Courant
Jury Hears 911 Call From Tiana Notice

October 14, 2011 **Tiana Notice**'s anguished screams filled a New Britain courtroom as **Notice**'s father, Alvin **Notice**, who struggled to maintain his composure and police officers who tried to help **Tiana Notice** could be heard in the background. One

By CHRISTINE DEMPSEY, cdempsey@courant.com, The Hartford Courant
Video Shows Stabbing Victim's Last Moments

October 17, 2011 The headlights of **Tiana Notice**'s car sweep through the Plainville streets as the headlights go off and **Notice**, who is wearing white, gets out and Carter Jr. in Superior Court. Carter, **Notice**'s ex-boyfriend, is being tried

By CHRISTINE DEMPSEY, cdempsey@courant.com, The Hartford Courant
Group seeks stronger protections in domestic cases

October 17, 2011 The concerns are illustrated by the case of college student **Tiana Notice**, whose ex-boyfriend, James Carter Jr., is charged with murder and violating a restraining order. **Notice** was stabbed to death at her Plainville home on

Associated Press

Testimony Begins In James Carter Jr.'s Murder Trial

October 13, 2011 It was Valentine's Day 2009, and **Tiana Notice** lay on her back on the rear deck of a car as she requested from the state to allow **Tiana Notice**'s father, Alvin **Notice**, to testify about a video camera **Tiana Notice** had in her apartment. Alvin **Notice**

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Carter Murder Trial Set To Begin Thursday

October 11, 2011 Police officers found his neighbor, **Tiana Notice**, lying in the snow on the deck of a car as police, the court system failed **Tiana Notice**, in part by not taking seriously to install more in Connecticut. The **Tiana Notice** Foundation, the funding source

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Domestic Violence Vigil Scheduled Oct. 20

October 11, 2011 The Generations Campus, 35 Clark St., in the city's North End. It is open to the public. Alvin **Notice**, whose daughter **Tiana Notice** was killed in 2009 in a domestic violence incident, will be the keynote speaker. Michelle Cruz, the

Defendants state of mind in question at Notice murder trial

NEW BRITAIN — Public defender Christopher Eddy admitted during his closing arguments Friday that there was no doubt that his client James Carter killed Tiana Notice outside her Plainville home in 2009. But the question he wants the 12 jurors to consider

Murder suspect Carter disrupts trial

Staff report NEW BRITAIN — James Carter, the man on trial for fatally stabbing ex-girlfriend Tiana Notice, was ushered from the courtroom in New Britain Superior Court this morning for disrupting the proceedings. As his public defender, Christopher Eddy

Defense rests in trial of man accused of killing Tiana Notice

NEW BRITAIN — Public defender Christopher Eddy rested his defense Wednesday in the trial of James Carter, who is charged with the 2009 murder of his former girlfriend Tiana Notice, who was stabbed repeatedly outside her Plainville home. Eddy had presented

Accused painted as hopeless, paranoid at Notice trial

NEW BRITAIN — Public defender Christopher Eddy spent much of Tuesday painting his client James Carter as a desperate, paranoid man who may have forgotten the events surrounding the death of his ex-girlfriend, Tiana Notice. Carter is charged with murder

Troubling letter from accused in Notice murder trial

Jurors on Friday were read a letter that prosecutors say was written by accused killer James Carter in which he tells a friend that the family of Tiana Notice was lucky I didn't make it a closed-casket funeral. The trial in New Britain Superior Court

Testimony: Carter sought locksmith to enter Notice's apartment

NEW BRITAIN — Someone using murder suspect James Carter's cellphone tried to hire a locksmith to get into Tiana Notice's Plainville apartment less than a half hour before the young woman was stabbed to death outside her Whiting Street residence, witnesses

OUR VIEW: End domestic violence

A heroic crusader against domestic violence is expected to take the stand in New Britain Superior Court during the ongoing trial of James Carter II, who is charged with the murder of 25-year-old Tiana Notice, a Plainville resident, on Valentine's Day

Jury told bloody jeans belonged to suspect in Notice slaying

Jurors in the murder trial of James Carter were shown a pair of jeans Monday that may represent a key piece of evidence against the defendant in the stabbing death of Tiana Notice. Carter is facing charges of murder and violation of a protective order.

Testimony outlines Tiana Notice's final hours on first day of trial

NEW BRITAIN The trial of the man accused of killing Tiana Notice began Thursday with testimony describing his rocky relationship with the 25-year-old Plainville woman. James Carter II is facing charges of murder and violating a restraining order.

Judge to decide if Notice's father can attend trial

A judge is expected to decide this week if the father of a slain Plainville woman will be able to attend the trial of her accused killer while testifying in the case. Alvin Notice has become an advocate for domestic-violence programs since the 2009 killing.

Jury selection to begin in Tiana Notice case

Jury selection is scheduled to begin Monday in the murder trial of James Carter II, who is accused of stabbing his ex-girlfriend Tiana Notice to death outside her Plainville apartment in February 2009. The 25-year-old University of Hartford graduate is charged with

On October 11, 2011 New Britain Superior Court Judge will be hearing motions on evidence collected during the investigation process. Completed on October 12th. (Jury selections started on August 15th and completed on October 7, 2011) in New Britain Superior Court

Past Court appearance August 9, 2011

Past Court Appearance June 13, 2011**

Past Court appearance May 3, 2011 **

Past Court appearance April 12, 2011

Past Court appearance March 15, 2011

Past Court appearance February 10, 2011

Past Court appearance January 27, 2011

Past Court appearance December 15, 2010

Past Court appearance October 29, 2010

Past Court appearance September 17, 2010

Past Court appearance August 4, 2010

Past Court appearance June 10, 2010

Past Court appearance April 28, 2010

Past Court appearance March 31, 2010

Past Court appearance February 25, 2010

Past Court appearance January 25, 2010

Past Court appearance December 15, 2009

Past Court appearance November 12, 2009

Past Court appearance October 7, 2009

Past Court appearance September 9, 2009

Past Court appearance June 29, 2009

Past Court appearance June 2, 2009

Past Court appearance May 5, 2009

Past Court appearance April 24, 2009

Past Court appearance March 16, 2009

Past Court appearance February 24, 2009

Past Court appearance February 16, 2009

** Not attend **

<http://www.courant.com/community/plainville/hc-plainville-murder-trial-0810-2-20110809.0,5141402.story>
Hartford.Courant.com/news/connecticut-Tiana's-trial.story

[Bristol Press: Judge says no delay in Tiana Notice trial; schedule date May 2, 2011](#)

Hartford Courant.News/connecticut/hc-tiana-notice-.story

[New Britain Public Defender Appointed](#)

[New Britain Public Defender Appointed In Year-Old Plainville Murder Case](#)