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**EAST QUOGUE MAN CONVICTED BY A JURY OF
FIRST DEGREE MURDER**

*Jeremy Allen Faces Life in Prison Without the Possibility of Parole
for Torturing and Murdering Longtime Friend*

(SUFFOLK COUNTY, N.Y.) – Suffolk County District Attorney Raymond A. Tierney today announced that Jeremy Allen, 44, of East Quogue, was found guilty after a jury trial of Murder in the First Degree and Tampering with Physical Evidence, for torturing and killing Christopher Hahn, 43.

“This defendant betrayed a bond of friendship in the most horrific way imaginable, and today’s verdict holds him accountable,” said **District Attorney Tierney**. “The evidence presented at trial demonstrated the deliberate cruelty of his actions over the course of several hours. I thank the prosecutors for their dedication to ensuring the victim received justice, the Suffolk Police’s Homicide Squad for their thorough investigation in this case, and the jury for their careful attention during this trial.”

The evidence at trial established that on September 27, 2024, Allen and the victim spent the evening at a bar before heading back to Allen’s East Quogue home. The two had been friends since high school. A few minutes after midnight, Allen began to brutally beat the victim for approximately 18 minutes, the sounds of which were captured on Allen’s exterior surveillance video. The rear exterior surveillance video then captured Allen dragging the bruised and semi-conscious victim onto the rear deck.

The victim was left on the back deck brutally injured and unable to stand. Later, Allen returned to the rear deck and repeatedly struck the victim's head and body with a baseball bat. Allen, who was aware that the victim was alive and in distress, was captured on video leaving and then returning with a plastic bag, then placing the bag over the victim's head and securing it with a loose knot. Allen then sat on a lawn chair a few feet from the victim while watching him struggle to breathe for approximately eight minutes. Allen then retrieved a large knife from inside his home and slowly stabbed the victim in the neck 10 times. He stood over the victim and watched as he took his last breaths, six hours after the torture began.

After the murder, Allen covered the victim with a blanket and then attempted to clean the blood inside the house and on the back deck. Allen also contacted his handyman to help him come clean his house. When the handyman arrived, he observed blood throughout the home and saw the victim's body covered by the blanket on the back deck. Allen told the handyman that he could not leave the home given what he had just observed. The handyman, after persuading Allen to allow him to leave the home, fled and called the police. Allen was apprehended by law enforcement at his home shortly thereafter.

On January 21, 2026, Allen was convicted of Murder in the First Degree, a Class A felony, and Tampering with Physical Evidence, a Class E felony, after a jury trial heard before Supreme Court Justice Timothy P. Mazzei. Allen is due back in court on February 26, 2026, and faces life in prison without the possibility of parole. He is being represented by Colin Astarita, Esq.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Elena Tomaro of the Homicide Bureau and Assistant District Attorney Stuart Levy of the Major Crimes Bureau, and the investigation was conducted by Detectives Michael Ronca and Matt Sagistano of the Suffolk County Police Department's Homicide Squad.

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