Efren Paredes, Jr., age 15

JUSTICE FOR EFREN PAREDES, JR.

Efren Paredes, Jr. is serving three life sentences for a 1989 murder and robbery in St. Joseph, Michigan he was accused of committing at age 15. Four other juveniles have admitted involvement in the planning or execution of the same crime and received lenient sentences for their admissions of guilt. One of them was not charged at all.

The key prosecution witness and his father were both drug dealers with a drug trafficking history that began two years before he testified against Efren. All evidence in Efren's case is entirely circumstantial. The murder weapon, money from the crime, and the car used in the commission of the crime were all owned by one of Efren's accusers and found in his possession after the crime.

Efren Paredes, Jr., age 33

Normally people found with the physical evidence linking them to a crime, particularly the murder weapon, are the focus of police and prosecutors in criminal investigations. In this instance that did not occur and the admittedly guilty parties were allowed to go free or receive deals from the prosecutor.

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