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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF OKTIBBEHA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN VACATION, 2015

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

VS.

NO.: 2012-0184-CRH

MASON PERRY JONES

**SENTENCING ORDER- LIFE IMPRISONMENT**

This cause came on this day for hearing by the Court and the Defendant, MASON PERRY JONES, appearing in person and represented by counsel, BILL LABARRE, announced to the Court that he wished to withdraw his plea of not guilty entered on a previous day of this term and now enter a plea of guilty to the LESSER-INCLUDED charge of MURDER—1<sup>st</sup> DEGREE, §97-3-19. Said plea of guilty was accepted by the Court after the Court had satisfied itself by interrogation of the Defendant of the following:

1. That the plea of guilty was voluntary and was made freely on the part of the Defendant without any threats or promises;
2. That the Defendant understood the consequences of his act of pleading guilty to the charge; that he understood that he was admitting that he did in fact commit the offense; that he was waiving the right to a trial by jury; that he was waiving the right to a trial by jury; that he was waiving the requirement of the State to prove the case against him beyond a reasonable doubt; that he was waiving the right to be confronted to witnesses against him; and that he was waiving the constitutional right that protects him from compulsory incrimination;
3. That the Defendant fully understood the nature of the charge against him and admitted the commission of the offense;
4. That the Defendant understood the maximum penalty that the Court could impose on his

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plea of guilty;

5. That he understood that under the laws of the State of Mississippi he would have no right to appeal to the Supreme Court after the plea of guilty;

6. That the Defendant's attorney had fully advised the Defendant of all his constitutional rights;

7. That the Defendant is satisfied with the services of his attorney and believes he has represented his best interest and advised him properly before entering the guilty plea;

8. That the Defendant understood that the Court was not bound by agreements, if any, between the Defendant and its counsel and the State and its counsel.

The Court finds that the plea of guilty of the Defendant was intelligently and understandingly made. The Court further finds that the plea of guilty was freely and voluntarily made. A pre-sentence investigation has been conducted, a copy of which has been furnished to the Defendant and his counsel, and there was held a hearing in accordance with Uniform Circuit Court Rules.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Defendant be sentenced to serve a term of **LIFE IMPRISONMENT** in the Mississippi Department of Corrections. The Defendant is remanded to the custody of the Sheriff and is to be immediately transported to the Mississippi Department of Corrections.

It is further ordered that the interrogation to the Defendant by the Court as above described be transcribed by the Court Reporter and placed in the Court file of this proceeding.

SO ORDERED this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

*[Signature]*  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

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