



DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR THE 15TH JUDICIAL COURT **SERVING ACADIA, LAFAYETTE & VERMILION PARISHES**

District Attorney Keith Stutes announces the sentencing of defendants, John Hebert III, Francis Briggs, Colt Turner and Preston Toussaint for their recent conviction of manslaughter of Abbeville resident, Rickey Picard, Jr. The victim, after having been beaten and stomped upon, succumbed to his injuries 33 days after the attack, as presented at the time of the defendants' pleas.

Judge Laurie Hulin sentenced the defendants to the following prison terms: John Hebert III, 25 years; Francis Briggs, 20 years; Colt Turner, 20 years and Preston Toussaint, 10 years. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney J.N. Prather, Jr. and investigated by the Abbeville Police Department and Investigator Ryan Boutte.