	DISTRICT COURT FOR THE RICT OF MISSISSIPPI EN DIVISION
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	Ov January 1
$\mathbf{v}.$	) Criminal No. 4:01cr8BN
BILLY D. COOPER, A/K/A "RABBIT" Defendant.	) ) )

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK THE DEATH PENALTY

COMES NOW the United States of America, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3593(a), by and through its undersigned counsel, and notifies the Court and the defendant in the above-captioned case that the Government believes the circumstances of the offense(s) charged in Count Two of the Indictment are such that, in the event of the defendant's conviction, a sentence of death is justified under Chapter 228 (Sections 3591 through 3598) of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that the Government will seek the sentence of death for this offense: Count Two, carjacking resulting in the death of Lottie Anderson Marshall, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 2119(3).

The Government proposes to prove the following factors as justifying a sentence of death.

## **COUNT TWO**

## CARJACKING RESULTING IN DEATH OF LOTTIE ANDERSON MARSHALL

- A. Statutory Proportionality Factors Enumerated under 18 U.S.C. § 3591(a)(2)(A) and (C).
- 1. Intentional Killing. The defendant intentionally killed Lottie Anderson Marshall. Section 3591(a)(2)(A).
  - 2. Intentional Acts to Take Life or Use Lethal Force. The defendant

intentionally participated in an act, contemplating that the life of a person would be taken or intending that lethal force would be used in connection with a person, other than one of the participants in the offense, and Lottic Anderson Marshall died as a direct result of the act.

Section 3591(a)(2)(C).

## B. Statutory Aggravating Factors Enumerated under 18 U.S.C. § 3592(c).

- 1. Heinous, Cruel, or Depraved Manner of Committing Offense. The defendant committed the offense in an especially heinous, cruel, or depraved manner in that it involved torture or serious physical abuse to the victim. Section 3592(c)(6).
- 2. **Pecuniary Gain**. The defendant committed the offense as consideration for the receipt, or in the expectation of the receipt, of anything of pecuniary value. Section 3592(c)(8).
- 3. Substantial Planning and Premeditation. The defendant committed the offense after substantial planning and premeditation to cause the death of a person.
- 4. Conviction for Serious Federal Drug Offenses. The defendant has previously been convicted of violating Title II of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 801, et seq.) for which a sentence of five or more years imprisonment may be imposed. Section 3592(c)(12).
- 5. Multiple Killings or Attempted Killings. The defendant intentionally killed more than one person in a single criminal episode. Section 3592(c)(16).
  - C. Other, Non-Statutory, Aggravating Factors Identified under 18 U.S.C. § 3593(a)(2).
- 1. Future Dangerousness of the Defendant. The defendant Cooper represents a continuing danger to the lives and safety of other persons. The defendant has

committed the acts alleged in the capital offense charged in the Indictment and in the statutory and non-statutory aggravating factors contained in this Notice, and, in addition, has committed and exhibited acts and characteristics including but not limited to the following:

- a. Continuing Pattern of Violence The defendant Cooper planned and participated in violent acts including but not limited to the armed robbery of the Taylor Real Value on August 13, 1999.
- b. Low Rehabilitation Potential The defendant Cooper has demonstrated a low potential for rehabilitation as evidenced by: (1) his participation in the charged capital offense as well as other crimes charged and uncharged while on Supervised Release from a sentence of incarceration in the Federal Bureau of Prisons which Supervised Release was revoked; (2) defendant Cooper's escaped from custody in May of 2000 while charged with Capital Murder.
- 2. Victim Impact Evidence. The defendant caused injury, harm, and loss to the victim's family because of the victim's personal characteristics as an individual human being and the impact of the death upon the victim's family. Payne v. Tennessee, 111 S.Ct. 2597, 2608-09 (1991). The victim's characteristics as an individual included but was not limited to one or more of the following: Lottic Anderson Marshall was a loving daughter and granddaughter. The family of the victim has suffered injury harm, and loss, as a result of the victim's death, including but not limited to one or more of the following: Extreme anguish upon the disappearance of the victim, grief upon discovery of her death and continued fear and anguish until the perpetrators are brought to justice.

3. Obstruction of Justice. The defendant committed the offense with the intent to prevent the victim, Lottie Anderson Marshall, from providing information and assistance to law enforcement authorities in regard to the investigation or prosecution of the

commission or possible commission of another offense, that is, the murder of Willie Hatten III.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated Ow. 15, 2002

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 

I hereby certify that on the 15 day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2002, a true and correct copy of the foregoing notice of intent to seek the death penalty was mailed via first class mail, postage prepaid thereon, to the following attorney of record:

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