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**JUSTICE DI LUCA TO RENDER SETENENCING DECISION FOR
CONVICTED TORONTO POLICE CONSTALBE MICHAEL
THERIAULT ON NOVEMBER 5, 2020**

On Thursday, November 5, 2020, Superior Court Justice Joseph Di Luca will release his sentencing decision for convicted Toronto Police Constable Michael Theriault.

On June 26, 2020, Justice Di Luca found Police Constable Michael Theriault guilty of assault in relation to an attack on Dafonte Miller on December 28, 2016. Dafonte suffered catastrophic injuries, including the loss of his left eye.

Dafonte Miller commented:

This has been a long journey for me and my family and I'm grateful that we are coming to the end of these proceedings. Throughout this process, all I have ever wanted was for those responsible for causing me harm and altering my life be held accountable. The sentencing decision, whatever it may be, is an important step in the accountability process.

Again, I want to thank my family for all their love and support during these challenging times. I would also like to thank the community for all of their support. My family and I are forever grateful.

Due to family health reasons, and the current COVID pandemic circumstances, the Miller family will not be holding a press conference outside the courthouse following the release of Justice Di Luca's decision.

Phillip Pearce, Dafonte's stepfather, and legal counsel for the Miller family will hold a teleconference tomorrow. Details for the teleconference will be distributed tomorrow.

For further information, please view our website at www.falconers.ca.

