**Criminal Justice 2**

Jury Assignment

Choose a well known, and widely written about court case from the 20th or 21st century. Research the case, focusing on the points below. Your findings should be compiled into a 2-3 page paper you will then present to the class. Your presentation will be a verbal one summarizing your paper.

1. What was the case? What happened and what charges were brought against the suspect? How did they plead?
2. What was the main argument of the prosecution? Who did the prosecution bring as witnesses?
3. What was the main argument of the defense? Who did the defense bring as witnesses? In general, what was their approach? How well did it work?
4. What do you think actually happened? Regardless of how the case was ruled or how the jury decided, what do you believe and why?
5. What came out of the case? Did it set a precedent for case law? Did the ruling require systemic or procedural changes? Overall, what impact did the court’s ruling have for other similar cases in the future?