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Accused Murderer Found Guilty

(KAIR)--A St. Joseph man has been convicted of first-degree murder in a fatal shooting that happened nearly two years ago in midtown St. Joseph.

[KQ2-TV reports](#) jurors returned the guilty verdict Thursday following two hours of deliberations regarding the fate of Charles Coats, Jr.

Testimony in the trial began Wednesday, with 34-year-old Coats accused of the July, 2015 shooting death of his cousin, Jason Ginn.

Sentencing is set for the afternoon of July 24, pending the outcome of a motion filed by the defense requesting a new trial.

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