

**CASE No. 1931011 Count 1****INCIDENT No./TRN: 9316349915****THE STATE OF TEXAS****VS.****FREDERICK GARLAND SPEARS**

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IN THE 297TH DISTRICT COURT**TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS**

ON CHANGE OF VENUE FROM: N/A

JUDGMENT OF CONVICTION BY JURY – CAPITAL MURDER

Judge Presiding:	• Hon. AMY ALLIN	Date Sentence Imposed:	8/19/2026
Attorney for State:	• PAYNE, CHASE - 24097077 • BANGS, ALLENN - 24054153	Attorney for Defendant:	• LOWE, JONATHAN - 24092726 • BROWN, TIMOTHY - 24078272

Offense for Which Defendant Convicted:**09990022 CAPITAL MURDER BY TERROR THREAT/OTHER FELONY (19.03(a)(2)) - FX**Charging Instrument:**Indictment**Date of Offense:**9/22/2025**Degree of Offense:**CAPITAL MURDER**Verdict of Jury:**GUILTY**Statute for Offense:

19.03(a)(2)

Plea to Offense:

Not Guilty

Findings on Deadly Weapon:**Yes, Not a Firearm**Punished Assessed by:**Judge**Date Sentence to Commences:**8/19/2026**Punishment and Place of Confinement:**LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE ID-TDCJ: Confinement**Court Costs:**\$ 290.00**Reimbursement Fees:**\$90.00**Restitution:**\$ 0**Restitution Payable to: N/A

(See special finding or order of restitution which is incorporated herein by this reference.)

Was the victim impact statement returned to the attorney representing the State? N/A

This cause was called for trial by jury and the parties appeared. The State appeared by her District Attorney as named above.

Counsel / Waiver of Counsel (select one)☒ Defendant appeared with counsel.☐ Defendant appeared without counsel and knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily waived the right to representation by counsel in writing in open court.

Both parties announced ready for trial. It appeared to the Court that Defendant was mentally competent to stand trial. A jury was selected, impaneled, and sworn. The Indictment was read to the jury, and Defendant entered a plea to the charged offense. The Court received the plea and entered it of record.

The jury heard the evidence submitted and argument of counsel. The Court charged the jury as to its duty to determine Defendant's guilt or innocence, and the jury retired to consider the evidence. Upon returning to open court, the jury delivered its verdict in the presence of Defendant and Defense Counsel.

The Court received the verdict and **ORDERED** it entered upon the minutes of the Court.



The jury heard evidence relative to the question of punishment. The Court charged the jury and it retired to consider the special issues set out in the jury charge. After due deliberation, the jury was brought into open court, where it returned its answers to the special issues as indicated below:

(1) The jury found beyond a REASONABLE DOUBT that there is a probability that defendant would commit criminal acts of violence that would constitute a continuing threat to society.

- ☐ Yes (unanimous)
☐ No (by at least 10 jurors)

(2) The jury found beyond a REASONABLE DOUBT that considering all the evidence, including the circumstances of the offense, the defendant's character and background, and the personal moral culpability of the defendant, that there is a sufficient mitigating circumstance or circumstances to warrant that a sentence of life imprisonment without parole rather than a death sentence be imposed?

- ☐ Yes (by at least 10 jurors)
☐ No (unanimous)

Special Issues to be included if necessary:

(If Defendant is found GUILTY as a party under TEX. PEN. CODE §§ 7.01; 7.02)

The jury found beyond a REASONABLE DOUBT that the defendant actually caused the death of the deceased or did not actually cause the death of the deceased but intended to kill the deceased or another or anticipated that a human life would be taken.

- ☐ Yes (unanimous)
☐ No (by at least 10 jurors)

(If Defendant has a mental impairment or defect)

The jury found from a PREPONDERANCE OF THE EVIDENCE that defendant is a person with:

- ☐ **Mental Illness**
☐ **Mental Retardation**

The Court **FINDS** Defendant committed the above offense and **ADJUDGES** Defendant **GUILTY** of the above offense.

The Court **ORDERS** Defendant punished as indicated above. The Court **FINDS** that the State of Texas is entitled to recover all costs and fees associated with the prosecution of this case from Defendant and may issue execution to recover the same.

Punishment Options

☒ **Confinement in Institutional Division.** The Court **ORDERS** the authorized agent of the State of Texas or the County Sheriff to take, safely convey, and deliver Defendant to the **DIRECTOR OF THE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION, TDCJ**, for placement in confinement in accordance with this judgment. The Court **ORDERS** Defendant remanded to the custody of the Sheriff until the Sheriff can obey the directions of this judgment. The Court **ORDERS** TDCJ to make withdrawals from Defendant's inmate account as such funds become available. TDCJ is hereby notified that Defendant has been ordered to pay court costs, reimbursement fees, and restitution as indicated above. The Court **ORDERS** TDCJ to make withdrawals from Defendant's inmate account as such funds become available to pay said court costs, reimbursement fees, and restitution until said amounts are paid in full. Any restitution ordered above shall be paid to the individual or agency indicated above. The withdrawals and payments shall be made in accordance with Section 501.014, Tex. Gov't Code, and TDCJ's policies and procedures, to the extent that such policies and procedures are consistent with Sec. 501.014.

☐ **Death.** The Court **ORDERS** the authorized agent of the State of Texas or the Sheriff of this County to take, safely convey, and deliver Defendant to the **DIRECTOR OF THE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION, TDCJ**. Defendant shall be confined in said Institutions Division in accordance with the provisions of the law governing TDCJ until a date of execution of the said Defendant is imposed by this Court after receiving the mandate of affirmance from the Court of Criminal Appeals of the State of Texas. The Court **Orders** Defendant remanded to the custody of the Sheriff of this County until the Sheriff can obey the directions of this judgment.

Execution

☒ The Court **ORDERS** Defendant's sentence **EXECUTED**.

After having conducted an inquiry into Defendant's ability to pay, the Court **ORDERS** Defendant to pay the court costs, reimbursement fees, and restitution indicated above.

Furthermore, the following special findings or orders apply:

Special Finding
NOTICE OF APPEAL FILED: 08/19/2026
COURT COST AND REIMBURSEMENT FEES TO BE CREDITED FOR TIME SERVED



Date Judgment Entered: 20th day of August, 2026

AMY ALLIN, PRESIDING JUDGE



THOMAS A. WILDER
Tarrant County District Clerk
Tim Curry Criminal Justice Center
401 W. Belknap, 3rd Floor
Fort Worth, TX 76196-0402

BILL OF COSTS

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COURT COST BREAKDOWN

Court Costs	Transaction ID	Amount
State Consolidated Court Cost - LGC § 133.102(a)(1)	000054	\$185.00
Local Consolidated Court Cost - LGC § 134.101(a)	000055	\$105.00

Total Court Costs 0.00

REIMBURSEMENT FEE BREAKDOWN

Fees	Transaction ID	Amount
Peace Officer: Commit or Release from Jail - CCP, art. 102.011(a)(6) Reim	000056	\$10.00
Peace Officer: Execute or Process AW, Capias or Capias Pro Fine - CCP, art. 102.011(a)(2), 102.011(e) Reim	000057	\$75.00
Peace Officer: Summon Jury - CCP, art. 102.011(a)(7) Reim	000058	\$5.00

Total Reimbursement Fees \$0.00

DISTRICT COURT OF TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct account of the Court Costs adjudged against the Defendant in the above entitled and numbered case number, up to 8/19/2026

Deputy, /s/ Brown, Laila





THOMAS A. WILDER
District Clerk,
Tarrant County, Texas



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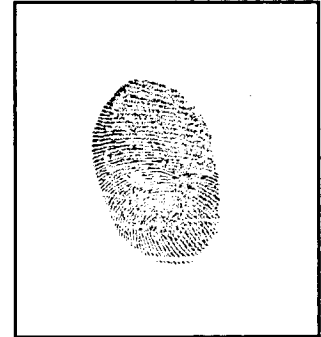
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Officer Signature

JUDGMENT AND SENTENCE
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REINDICTMENT OF CASE #1929845

NAME FREDERICK GARLAND SPEARS

RACE White SEX Male AGE 57 DOB
7/4/1969

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CID NO. 0779407

OFFENSE CAPITAL MURDER BY TERROR
THREAT/OTHER FELONY
OFFENSE DATE 9/22/2025

I.P. MARY SPEARS

AGENCY TARRANT CO CRIMINAL DISTRICT
ATTORNEY
297th DISTRICT COURT

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IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

THE GRAND JURORS OF TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS, DULY ELECTED, TRIED, EMPANELED, SWORN, AND CHARGED TO INQUIRE OF OFFENSES COMMITTED IN TARRANT COUNTY, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, UPON THEIR OATHS, DO PRESENT IN AND TO THE 372nd DISTRICT COURT, OF THE SAID COUNTY

THAT FREDERICK GARLAND SPEARS, HEREINAFTER CALLED DEFENDANT, ON OR ABOUT THE 22ND DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025, IN THE COUNTY OF TARRANT, STATE OF TEXAS, DID INTENTIONALLY CAUSE THE DEATH OF MARY SPEARS, BY CUTTING OR STABBING HER WITH A KNIFE OR SHARP OBJECT, AND THE DEFENDANT WAS IN THE COURSE OF COMMITTING OR ATTEMPTING TO COMMIT THE OFFENSE OF OBSTRUCTION OR RETALIATION,

AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.



Foreman of the Grand Jury