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McCartney trial under way

McCartney trial under way The postponed trial of the man accused of murdering Robert McCartney in Belfast city centre went under way on Wednesday.

Terence Malachy Davison, 51, appeared at the city's Crown Court charged with the killing.

Robert McCartney died after suffering a stab wound outside a Belfast bar in January 2005.

The 33-year-old father of two turned to his friend during the assault and gasped: *"nobody deserves this"*, the court heard on the opening day of the trial.

Prosecution barrister Gordon Kerr said evidence will show that, after initially taking part in an attack on Mr McCartney along with a number of other men, Davison pursued the injured and bleeding man down another street before stabbing him in the abdomen.

Mr Kerr told the court an eyewitness, known as Witness C, said that, after delivering the fatal wound, Davison kicked Mr McCartney`s head as hard as he could.





"However, the prosecution also say that even if the court was not satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt that Witness C observed and is describing the stab wound which caused the death of Mr McCartney, the evidence would establish that the accused will be guilty of murder as part of a joint enterprise," Mr Kerr said.

Terence Malachy Davison, 51, denies murdering Robert McCartney.

Along with two other men - James McCormick, 39, and Joseph Gerard Emmanuel Fitzpatrick, 47 - he is also facing charges of affray.

All three defendants deny the charges.





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