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Man Sentenced to 23 Years For Role in Murder of Emile Brin, Who Was Found Dead in a Burnt Vehicle in Hams Bluff

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Mugshot of Akeem Stanley. By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

ST. CROIX — The V.I. Dept. of Justice announced Friday that Akeem Stanley was sentenced for his role in the 2018 murder of Emile Brin.

V.I. Superior Court Judge Harold Willocks sentenced Stanley on Wednesday to 23 years imprisonment for second-degree murder, according to the D.O.J.

The D.O.J. said that on July 16, 2018, officers received a report from the mother of Emile Brin stating that her 22-year-old son was missing. After that report, officers discovered a [burnt four-](#)

[door vehicle on Hams Bluff Northside's beach](#) area that held a burnt body inside of the vehicle trunk. DNA testing and an autopsy investigation revealed that the unidentified burnt body known as a John Doe was later identified as Emile Brin. Department of Justice's Medical Examiners determined the cause of death were multiple injuries, and the manner of death was homicide.

Stanley [was arrested](#) for murder along with Amead Williams and another man, Josiah Sharplis who investigators say helped in disposing of the body, according to the D.O.J. Stanley has been detained since September 2019 and was extradited on Nov. 26 from West Virginia after serving a federal prison sentence there.

Williams was also charged with Brin's murder in December. Sharplis was arrested in 2019 and is still awaiting trial with his next court appearance scheduled for Feb. 25.