WXPostNOV 191974 Convicted Slayer Of Mrs. King Asks New Trial

ATLANTA, Nov. 18 (AP) — A Superior Court judge took under advisement today Marcus Wayne Chenault's plea for Mrs. Martin Luther King Sr. a new trial in the slayings of and an Ebernezer Baptist Church deacon.

Chenault, 23, of Dayton, Ohio, who was convicted of of Mrs. King and deacon Edmurder Sept. 12 in the deaths ward Boykin and sentenced to die in the electric chair did not make a courtroom appearance during a hearing on his motion for a new trial.

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His attorney, Randy Bacote, argued that Judge Luthe Alverson erred by not ordering a special jury to determine Chenault's sanity. The defendant pleaded innocent by reason of insanity during his September trial. Alverson commented that such a plea does not require a sanity hearing.