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Hunter Biden, son of U.S. President Joe Biden, leaves court on Tuesday. ANNA MONEYMAKER/GETTY

Hunter Biden guilty on all 3 counts

Delaware jury convicts the president's son of gun-linked felonies

By Randall Chase, Claudia Lauer and Michael Kunzelman
Associated Press

WILMINGTON, Del. — Hunter Biden on Tuesday was convicted of all three felony charges related to the purchase of a revolver in 2018 when, prosecutors argued, the president's son lied on a mandatory gun-purchase form by saying he was not illegally using or addicted to drugs.

Hunter Biden, 54, stared straight ahead and showed little emotion as the verdict was read after jury deliberations that lasted only three hours over two days in Wilmington, Delaware. He hugged his attorneys, smiled wanly and kissed his wife, Melissa, before leaving the courtroom with her.

President Joe Biden said in a statement issued shortly after the verdict that he would accept the outcome and “continue to respect the judicial process as Hunter considers an appeal.”

Now Hunter Biden and

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‘I was terrified,’ accuser testifies

Second day of Illini basketball star's rape trial gets emotional

By Jonathan Bullington
Chicago Tribune

Editor's note: This story includes graphic language.

LAWRENCE, Kan. — It was an emotional second day in Terrence Shannon Jr.'s rape trial as his accuser took the witness stand and described for a Douglas County jury the night she said the Chicago native and University of Illinois men's basketball stand-out penetrated her vagina with his finger while at a crowded bar near the University of Kansas campus.

“I was terrified,” the woman, now 19, told jurors Tuesday, tears welling in her eyes. “I was scared and I was shocked.”

Shannon faces one count of rape or an alternative count of aggravated sexual battery, also a felony.

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Feds say Burke followed ‘dark path of corruption’

Seek 10 years in prison for ex-alderman, who abused office, they say

By Jason Meisner, Ray Long and Megan Crepeau
Chicago Tribune

Federal prosecutors are asking for 10 years in prison for former Chicago Ald. Edward Burke, arguing in a lengthy filing late Monday that the 80-year-old Democratic machine stalwart was “steeped in corruption” and highly adept at abusing his office for personal gain.

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“Again and again, Burke used his significant political power to solicit and receive bribes from entities with business before the city of Chicago—all so he could obtain legal business for his private law firm and financially benefit his close personal associates,” prosecutors wrote in their 51-page filing. “To this day, Burke has expressed no remorse for his crimes; indeed, he continues to deny he did a single thing wrong.”

The sentence requested by the U.S. attorney's office would mean that Burke could very well die in prison. But a lengthy term behind bars is warranted, prosecutors say, given the “mountain” of evidence in the case — including hundreds of undercover recordings — that captured Burke in his own words and make it “obvious that Burke was no novice when it came to corruption.”

“Burke operated as a seasoned professional when it came to identifying new potential clients for his law firm and exploiting his

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Ex-Ald. Ed Burke on June 5, after a post-trial motions hearing in Chicago. VINCENT ALBAN/CHICAGO TRIBUNE



Atushi Kono, nominee for Best Chef New York, right, dances with Timmy Pyles, of Moon Rabbit DC, at the James Beard Foundation Awards afterparty at Union Station on Monday. EILEEN T. MESLAR/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

‘Hospitality is love’

Lula Cafe is Chicago's sole James Beard Restaurant and Chef award winner for 2024



Jason Hammel of Lula Cafe after winning Outstanding Hospitality at the James Beard Foundation Awards at the Lyric Opera House on Monday.

By Ahmed Ali Akbar, Kayla Samoy and Lauryn Azu
Chicago Tribune

Lula Cafe was announced as the only winner from Chicago at the 2024 James Beard Restaurant and Chef Awards ceremony held at the Lyric Opera House Monday. The awards are widely considered one of the highest culinary honors in the United States. For almost a decade, Chicago has been the award show's home and a major winner.

Lula Cafe won in the Outstanding Hospitality category.

Other local nominated chefs included Sujjan Sarkar of Indienne, Jenner Tomaska of Esmé and Anna Posey of Elske.

The ceremony was livestreamed on Eater.com and hosted by a group of chefs including Nyeshia Arrington, Richard Blais, Amanda Freitag and Marcus Samuelsson, as well as CBS host and correspondent Michelle Miller.

Lula chef and owner Jason Hammel, 2019's Jean Banchet Chef of the Year and three-time Best Chef: Great Lakes category nominee, took the stage with family and staff after

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Music that buzzes and whines

There's no beat, no lyrics. You can't dance to it. But cicada music that crackles and pulses, rustles and hums like an industrial fan set too high is the coolest music you know. Arts & Living

Bumpy road for White Sox

The White Sox became the first team in the majors to lose 50 games this year and are on pace to lose 120 games. A look back at the “milestones” so far this season. Chicago Sports

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