

NEW APPEAL FOR BAIL 1/22/04

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JACKSON, Miss. - A 14-year-old capital murder suspect is asking a federal court to set bail for him.

Tyler Edmonds, from West Point, is charged along with his half-sister, Kristi Fulgham, in the 2003 shooting death and robbery of Fulgham's husband, 28-year-old Joey Fulgham.

Edmonds claims he was tricked by his sister into falsely confessing he was involved in the killing.

Edmonds' latest request for bail was filed recently with the U.S District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi.

Two weeks ago, the Mississippi Supreme Court upheld a trial court's ruling that Edmonds was being lawfully held without bond.

Edmonds has been jailed in Oktibbeha County since his arrest on May 12. He has been denied bond three times.

Edmonds' trial, originally scheduled to begin Jan. 5, was delayed to allow both prosecution and defense attorneys a chance to prepare and respond to expert testimony, court officials said.

Kristi Fulgham is also being held without bond in the Oktibbeha County Jail on a capital murder charge. Authorities said she and Joseph Fulgham were divorced, but were living together at the time of the shooting.