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Man sentenced to life for killing sex offenders; judge chastises supporters

By Isolde Raftery, NBC News

A Washington state man convicted of fatally shooting two men “because they were sex offenders” was sentenced Tuesday to life in prison without possibility of parole, KOMOnews.com reported.

On June 2, Patrick Boyd Drum fatally shot his new roommate, Gary Lee Blanton Jr., 28, at their home in Sequim, Wash. Then, around 9 p.m., Drum drove to the home of Jerry Wayne Ray, 55, also a convicted sex offender, and shot and killed him.

At 9:26 p.m., police received a cell phone call from man who said, “Help, 911, I’m being shot,” according to court records obtained by NBC News. Police were not able to trace the call.

At 6:30 a.m. the next morning, deputies responded to neighbors complaining about a suspicious man sitting on their porch. The man had identified himself as Patrick, told the neighbors they had nothing to worry about and then walked away.



Clallam County Sheriff's Office

Patrick Drum, 34, was sentenced to life without parole Tuesday for fatally shooting two convicted sex offenders in Washington state in early June.



[Read the police report \(.pdf\)](#)

Nearby, the deputies found an ab... bullets and a note apologizing for

About an hour later, at 7:40 a.m.

As police investigated the crime s... husband but that she had receive... When police arrived at Blanton's... Blanton dead.

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At 2:30 p.m., after a three-hour manhunt, police found Drum, who told a detective that he shot Ray and Blanton several times "because they were sex offenders," according to the court documents. He told the detective that he had intended to drive to another

county and kill a third sex offender, according to the records.

Drum, who pleaded guilty to the double murder, told Judge Ken Williams in July that he wanted to represent himself because "he stood up for a belief and the attorneys don't have the same belief," [the Sequim Gazette reported](#).

In court Tuesday, chastised Drum's supporters, KOMO reported. The wife of one of the two men killed said that people who consider Drum a hero have stalked her home, spat on her family and thrown things at her car.

Blanton, 28, was [convicted in 2001](#) as a teenager of [third-degree rape](#), according to the National Sex Offender Registry. Ray was [convicted in 2002 of first-degree rape of a child](#).

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Agreed....love your idea of parole & heavier arms.



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Why is there just a "Sex Offenders Register"?

How about a "Murderer Register", an "Armed Robbery Register", a "Drug Dealer Register", a "White Collar Criminal Register", a "Felony Register"?

Seriously!!! Wouldn't you like to know who you're REALLY living next to?

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So you are advocating that the very systems in place to protect the rights and lives of all citizens should not only turn a blind eye to, but actively sanction lone individuals going out and murdering people without any due process? What is next? If someone is acquitted of a heinous crime that others think they are guilty of, should they be allowed to murder them to make up for the courts' "failure"? Does due process and the basic protections of a fair trial before punishment mean so little to people?

