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**Conviction overturned, man charged in bar fight death returns to court Monday
for Bail Hearing**

Anthony Oddone, 31, whose first degree manslaughter conviction was overturned by the state Court of Appeals last week, will appear in court in Riverhead this Monday, December 23 at 11:00 AM for a bail hearing.

Oddone was convicted by a jury in 2009 of first degree manslaughter for causing the death of off-duty Suffolk County Corrections Officer Andrew Reister during a confrontation at the Southampton Publick House early on the morning of August 7, 2008.

Reister, 40, died two days later at Stony Brook University Medical Center. Southampton Village Police arrested Oddone, who fled the scene, about one mile away from the bar. According to police, Oddone held Reister in a choke hold for a significant period of time after the victim was unconscious.

The Court of Appeals reversed the jury's verdict because of a judge's ruling that blocked the defense from showing a defense witness a statement she had made to an insurance investigator estimating how long she saw Oddone hold Reister in a chokehold.



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Defendants are entitled to a fair trial with the burden on the government to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.