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## **Trial begins for man charged in fatal stabbing**

44-year old Bobby Costic of East Farmingdale is on trial in Suffolk County court in Riverhead for stabbing his childhood friend to death during a fight in July of 2010.

A grand jury indicted Costic on one count of first degree manslaughter. Costic stabbed William Scott, 39, in the left side of the abdomen with a kitchen knife during a confrontation in front of Costic's home at 36 Jefferson Street.

Manslaughter in the first degree is a class B violent felony punishable by up to 25 years in prison.

Judge Martin Efman (third floor of the courthouse) is presiding at trial.



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