

Judge allows Twitter in Conn. home invasion trial

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(AP) -- A judge has rejected a request by a Connecticut man charged in a deadly home invasion to ban the use of Twitter during his trial.

New Haven Superior Court [Judge](#) Jon Blue denied the motion Tuesday by attorneys for Joshua Komisarjevsky (koh-mih-sar-JEF'-skee).

Authorities say Komisarjevsky and Steven Hayes killed Jennifer Hawke-Petit and her daughters, 11-year-old Michaela and 17-year-old Hayley, in a 2007 home invasion. Hayes was sentenced to death last year.

Komisarjevsky's attorneys say that during Hayes' trial, sudden typing of [tweets](#) by reporters and spectators signaled to the jury what evidence observers believed was significant.

Blue rejected a defense claim that a broadcasting ban in the case applies to Twitter. Blue said he still can ban [Twitter](#) if it becomes disruptive.

Jury selection for Komisarjevsky's trial starts March 14.

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