

The Peale, Baltimore

Out of the Blocks Storytelling Series

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Abdulla Rahim (00:01):

My name is Abdulla Rahim. We on the 2100 block of Miami and College. At the age of like 16 for my murder charge, right? My sentence was when I got the time ... First, they offered me 80. Got it down to 25. Gave the 25 back. But 10, right? I did seven years of the 10 and came home.

Speaker 2 (00:23):

You got put away on a murder charge at age 16?

Abdulla Rahim (00:26):

Yeah, I shot somebody in his head, right? He disrespected my mother. He called her a B, and he spit on her. So what I did was, went to go buy me a pistol and walked up on him, tapped him on his shoulder,

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and when he turned around, I shot him in his head. And then walked off. So I asked the Lord for forgiveness for all the bad sins I committed, but now it's time for me to change because I'm 36. I'm home free now. I been home 14 months.