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DEFENDANTS PLEADED GUILTY TO AGGRAVATED MANSLAUGHTER AND WEAPONS OFFENSES IN 2014 PATERSON SHOOTING

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Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes announces the entry of a guilty pleas in the matters of State of New Jersey v. Tremaine Adams and Neil Morrison.

On February 8, 2017, Adams pled guilty to Aggravated Manslaughter, a 1st degree crime, before the Honorable Joseph A. Portelli, J.S.C. Defendant faces a term of sixteen (16) years New Jersey State Prison, and must serve at least 85% of the entire term before being eligible for parole. Following his release, he will also be subject to an additional five (5) year term of parole supervision.

Morrison pled guilty to Certain Persons not to Possess a Firearm, a 2nd degree crime. Defendant faces a term of twelve (12) years New Jersey State Prison, and must serve at least six (6) years before being eligible for parole as a persistent offender.

Adams admitted under oath that he shot and killed Ismail Walker, at the B & B Tire & Auto Repair located at 448 10th Avenue in Paterson, during the afternoon of April 15, 2014. He added that during an argument with Mr. Walker, he pulled out a .38 caliber gun and shot Mr. Walker, causing his death. Mr. Walker was later pronounced dead by members of the Office of the State Medical Examiner as a result of the gunshot wounds. After the shooting, both Defendants returned to the home of Adams located at 200 Godwin Avenue, where surveillance footage captured Mr. Morrison in possession of the .38 caliber gun. Mr. Walker was 24 years old at the time of his death.

A March 10, 2017 sentence date before the Honorable Joseph A. Portelli, J.S.C., has been set.

The State was represented by Assistant Prosecutor Nubar C. Kasaryan. Adams was represented by Kenyatta Stewart, from the Office of Hunt Hamlin & Ridley, and Morrison was represented by Assistant Deputy Public Defender Susan McCoy.

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Tremaine Adams



Neil Morrison