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ARREST MADE IN CONNECTION WITH FEBRUARY 21, 2018 SHOOTING INVESTIGATION

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

FEBRUARY 27, 2018

Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Paterson Police Chief Troy Oswald announce that based upon an investigation by the Paterson Police Department, in conjunction with the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office, Tyheem T. Jones, 35-years-old of Paterson, New Jersey, was arrested on February 26, 2018 in relation to a shooting incident that took place February 21, 2018 in the area of Godwin Avenue Paterson, NJ.

Mr. Jones is charged with Attempted Murder, First Degree, Unlawful Possession of a Handgun, Second Degree; Possession of a Handgun for an Unlawful Purpose, Second Degree, and Certain Persons Not to Have Weapons, Second Degree.

On February 21, 2018 members of the Paterson Police Department responded to the area of Godwin Avenue on a report of a shooting. Upon arrive the police located a 29-year-old male from Paterson, NJ who sustained non-fatal gunshot wounds. The 29-year-old male was immediately transported to Saint Joseph's Regional Medical Center in Paterson for treatment. Based on the investigation Tyheem T. Jones was identified as the suspect from the shooting incident. Mr. Jones turned himself in to authorities on February 26, 2018.

The sentencing exposure for Mr. Jones on First Degree Attempted Murder is 10-20 years New Jersey State Prison with 85% of those terms to be served before parole pursuant to the No Early Release Act and 5 years parole supervision; on Second Degree, Unlawful Possession of a Handgun is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with a minimum of 42 months before parole eligibility pursuant to the Graves Act; on Second Degree Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with 42 months of parole ineligibility pursuant to the Graves Act; and on Second Degree Certain Persons not to Possess a Firearm it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with 5 years of parole ineligibility pursuant to the Graves Act.

Tyheem T. Jones is scheduled to appear at Central Judicial Processing on February 27, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. The State has filed a motion for pretrial detention in this matter that will be heard by a Superior Court Judge.

A criminal complaint is merely an accusation. Despite this accusation, defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

The Passaic County Prosecutor's Office asks anyone with additional information about this incident to contact us on our tips line at 1-877-370-PCPO or tips@passaiccountynj.org or contact the Paterson Police Ceasefire Unit at 973-321-1342.

For media inquiries concerning this case, contact Senior Assistant Prosecutor Seth Galkin of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office at sgalkin@passaiccountynj.org or at (973) 881-4849.



(Photo: Tyheem T. Jones)