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QUEENS MAN INDICTED ON ATTEMPTED MURDER CHARGES
IN GANG-RELATED SHOOTING

If Convicted Defendant Faces Up to Life in Prison as a Mandatory Persistent Felon

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz today announced that Otis Moore, 32, a reputed member of the Redfern Rowdy Gang, has been arraigned on an indictment charging the defendant with attempted murder and other crimes for a gang-related May 17, 2020 shooting in the Dix McBride Apartments, also referred to as Pinkfern in Far Rockaway, Queens.

District Attorney Katz said, “Shots fired from an illegal firearm on a residential street endangers everyone in the neighborhood. Those who choose to settle disputes by callously firing away without regard for human life will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. The alleged shooter in this case is in custody and will be held accountable.”

Moore, of Central Avenue in Far Rockaway, was arraigned earlier today on a 5-count indictment before Queens Supreme Court Justice John Zoll. The defendant is charged with attempted murder in the second degree, assault in the first degree and criminal possession of a weapon in the second and third degree. Justice Zoll ordered the defendant held without bail and to return to court on October 26, 2020. If convicted, the defendant faces up to life in prison, as a mandatory persistent felon.

According to the charges, on May 17, 2020, between 11:40 pm and 11:45 p.m., the 20-year-old victim was leaving a residence at 22-37 Dix Ave., when Moore was observed standing partially inside the neighboring building with a silver firearm. As the victim began to exit the building, he heard gunshots and was struck by gunfire.

Continuing, said DA Katz, video surveillance from the location allegedly depicts defendant Moore with a silver firearm, pointing it in the direction of the victim and firing multiple shots striking him in the leg.

The investigation was conducted by Detective Joseph Zappia and Detective Andrew Solomon of the New York City Police Department’s 101st Precinct Detective Squad, under the supervision of Sergeant Cortney Cummings.

Assistant District Attorney Barry Frankenstein, Section Chief of the District Attorney’s Violent Criminal Enterprise Bureau is prosecuting the case under the supervision of Assistant District Attorneys Jonathan Sennett, Bureau Chief, and Michelle Goldstein, Senior Deputy Chief and Philip Anderson and Mark Katz, Deputy Chiefs and under the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney for Investigations Gerard Brave.

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