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QUEENS MAN CHARGED WITH MURDER FOR DEADLY SHOOTING OF ELMONT MAN

*Victim Shot Multiple Times;
Defendant Faces Up to 25 Years-to-Life in Prison if Convicted*

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz announced today that Edson Giron Figueroa, 19, has been charged with murder, attempted robbery and other crimes in the July 24th shooting death of a 25-year-old Elmont man in Jamaica, Queens.

District Attorney Katz said, “What allegedly began as a robbery attempt quickly accelerated to a craven act of gun violence, with the most tragic of results – a young life lost. We will now seek to bring this defendant to justice for his alleged crimes.”

Giron Figueroa, of 108th Avenue in Jamaica, Queens, was arraigned last night before Queens Criminal Court Judge Jeffrey Gershuny on a six-count complaint charging him with murder in the second degree, attempted robbery in the first degree and criminal possession of a weapon in the second degree. The defendant was remanded. Judge Gershuny set the defendant’s return date for August 13, 2021. If convicted, the Giron Figueroa faces up to 25 years-to-life in prison.

According to the charges, at approximately 2:40 a.m. on Saturday, July 24, 2021, the defendant walked to a commercial building on 150th Street near 105th Avenue in Jamaica, Queens looking to rob someone at gunpoint. Giron Figueroa approached the victim Albert Serrato from behind and pointed the gun while demanding money. When Serrato turned around, the defendant allegedly fired the gun several times and then ran away. The defendant later asked a friend to dispose of the gun.

The investigation was conducted by Detective Joseph Tarlentino of the 103rd Detective Squad and Detective Nicholas Perez of the Queens South Homicide Squad.

Assistant District Attorneys Bryan Kotowski and Emily Collins, of the District Attorney’s Homicide Bureau, are prosecuting the case under the supervision of Assistant District Attorneys Peter McCormack III, Senior Deputy Bureau Chief, John Kosinski and Karen Ross, Deputy Bureau Chiefs, and under the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney for Major Crimes Daniel A. Saunders.

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