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DEFENDANTS SENTENCED FOR SLAYINGS
IN SOUTH RICHMOND HILL, OZONE PARK

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz announced that Richard Davenport and Neville Brown were sentenced on manslaughter charges in connection with four fatal shootings that took place in South Richmond Hill and Ozone Park between 2015 and 2018. Davenport was sentenced a combined total of 29 years in prison, consisting of consecutive 14.5-year sentences, and Brown to 15 years.

District Attorney Katz said: “Two very dangerous men are going to prison for a long time and the streets of Queens will be safer as a result. My number one priority will continue to be getting illegal guns, and those who use them, off our streets.”

Davenport, 46, of 139th Street in Jamaica, Queens, and Brown, 42, of 197th Street in Hollis, Queens, each pleaded guilty in November to two counts of manslaughter in the first degree before Queens Supreme Court Justice Michael B. Aloise. Davenport and Brown each pleaded guilty to manslaughter in a third fatal shooting, while Davenport also pled guilty to manslaughter in a fourth fatal shooting.

According to the charges, security camera video footage from January 16, 2018, shows a Mercedes Benz stopped on 105th Street near 135th Avenue in South Richmond Hill at roughly 9:30 pm. Davenport is observed exiting the vehicle, approaching Omaree Morrison, 19, as he walked along 135th Avenue, and fatally shooting Morrison.

A few weeks earlier, according to the charges, on December 19, 2017, at approximately 3:00 am, Brown, driving the same Mercedes Benz, with Davenport in the front passenger seat, rides several times past a Cadillac Escalade parked on 125th Street and Atlantic Avenue in South Richmond Hill. Security camera video footage shows the Mercedes parking and later Davenport and Brown getting out and approaching the Cadillac from opposite sides. Davenport is then observed firing several times into the vehicle, striking Dail Ramessar, 21. Both defendants are seen fleeing the scene in the Mercedes. Ramessar later died at a nearby hospital.

On July 15, 2016, at approximately 12:10 am, according to the charges, Raaid Ali, 22, was seated in the driver’s seat of his car parked in front of his residence at 107-60 114th Street, South Richmond Hill, when Davenport approached the vehicle and shot him multiple times in the torso, fatally wounding him. Davenport fled in a vehicle driven by Brown.

In a similar shooting, on October 4, 2015, defendant Richard Davenport shot the victim, Vickiram Ramlogan, 27, multiple times while he was seated in his car parked in front of his residence at 111-21 120th Street, Ozone Park, at approximately 8:15 pm.

Assistant District Attorney Christine McCoy, Deputy Chief of the District Attorney’s Felony Trials Bureau III, prosecuted the case with the assistance of Assistant District Attorney Bryan Kotowski, under the supervision of Rachel Buchter, Bureau Chief, as well as Assistant District Attorneys Peter J. McCormack III and John W. Kosinski, Homicide Senior Deputy Bureau Chiefs, under the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney for the Supreme Court Trial Division Pishoy B. Yacoub and then-Executive Assistant District Attorney for the Major Crimes Division Daniel A. Saunders.

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