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NEWS UPDATES

Sunday, November 2, 2014

Detroit Man Charged in Sexual Assault

Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy has charged Andre Haynes, 33 (DOB: 10/8/81), of Detroit in connection with a sexual assault that occurred on Detroit's east side. On September 29, 2014 at 5:45 a.m., a 21-year-old woman was walking to work at the location of Gratiot and Conner when it is alleged that the defendant approached her and physically forced her into his car at gunpoint and sexually assaulted.

The defendant has been charged with Criminal Sexual Conduct First Degree, Criminal Sexual Conduct Second Degree, Armed Robbery, Kidnapping, Felony Firearm Second Degree and Felon in Possession of a Firearm. He is expected to be arraigned today in 34th District Court; confirm the time with the court. Please contact the Detroit Police Department for a photograph.

Monday, November 3, 2014

Teen Charged in Allen Academy Beating

Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy has charged a 15-year-old male, as a juvenile respondent, with Assault with Intent to Do Great Bodily Harm. On October 29, 2014, it is alleged that the juvenile severely beat a 16-year old juvenile male at Allen Academy. Both teens are students at the Detroit Charter school. The victim of the beating was taken to a local hospital where he continues to be treated for his injuries.

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The juvenile respondent was arraigned today and has a preliminary hearing scheduled for November 14, 2014 before Referee Woods at the Juvenile Detention Center. Bond was set at \$200,000 cash; if bond is posted, he must wear a tether and his parents must enroll him in substance abuse and anger management.

Wednesday, November 5, 2014

Erin Justice - Defendant charged with the homicide of Alicia Marie Fox. His competency hearing scheduled for tomorrow before Judge Ruth Carter has been adjourned; no new date has been given by the court at this time. He was referred for a competency evaluation by the court, however the Forensic Center claims they did not receive a court order so the evaluation was never performed.

Thursday, November 6, 2014

Detroit Woman Charged in Murder of Infant Daughter

Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy has charged Sierra Nichole Tankersley, 19 (DOB: 1/10/95), of Detroit, with felony murder and child abuse first degree in connection with the death of her one-year-old daughter, Malayh Tankersley. It is alleged that the defendant called 911 to her home located in the 9600 block of Brace on November 2, 2014 at noon. When police responded to the location, the child was on the floor unresponsive. The child was transported to a local hospital where she died of multiple blunt force traumas on the same day. The defendant has another daughter who is approximately two years old, who was removed from the home on Sunday, November 2, 2014.

Tankersley has been charged with Felony Murder and Child Abuse First Degree. She was arraigned before Magistrate Renee McDuffie and remanded. The preliminary examination is scheduled for November 18, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. Please contact the Detroit Police Department for a photograph of the defendant.

Bassel Saad - Defendant charged in connection with a fatal assault on a soccer referee at an adult soccer game in Livonia. Today Judge Cynthia Gray Hathaway recused herself because she stated that attorney Cyril Hall represented her in an unspecified matter in the past, that she has a background in sports and had recused herself in the past in cases involving sports figures, and that she viewed a sports event over the weekend and that impacted her ability to hear the present case. She did so because she wants to be sure the defendant has an unbiased judge presiding over the case.

Judge Thomas Cameron is now assigned to the case and the next action date for motions is on November 21, 2014, but the exact time will be given by the court tomorrow. The trial is now scheduled for February 19, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

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