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PAROLEE INDICTED FOR FATALLY SHOOTING MAN AND TEEN IN ALLERTON AREA OF BRONX IN SUMMER 2019 Defendant Was on the Run for Months

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a man has been indicted for Murder and additional charges in the August 2019 shooting deaths of a young man and a teenager outside the Parkside Houses.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant allegedly shot and killed a 21-year-old man and a 17-year-old youth on a Bronx street last summer. He then went on the run for eight months and was finally arrested in Ohio. This goes to show that no matter how much time has passed, we will always seek justice for victims."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Harry Behlin, 47, last of 515 West 143rd Street, Manhattan, was arraigned today on two charges of second-degree Murder, two charges of second-degree Manslaughter and two charges of second-degree Criminal Possession of a Weapon before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Ralph Fabrizio via video. The defendant was remanded and is due back in court on July 13, 2020.

According to the investigation, on August 11, 2019 outside the Parkside Houses at Adee Avenue and White Plains Road, the defendant allegedly argued with Kevin Dillard, 21, and Arnelle Branch, 17. The defendant allegedly shot Dillard in the neck, and then shot Branch as he ran into the Parkside Houses. The victims were taken to Jacobi Medical Center where they were pronounced dead shortly after arrival.

The defendant, who was on parole for a 2014 drug sale conviction, fled after the incident and was apprehended on April 17, 2020 in Ohio. He had been indicted on September 30, 2019.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Timothy Collins of the Homicide Bureau, under the supervision of Christine Scaccia, Chief of the Homicide Bureau, and under the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division, and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division.

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District Attorney Clark thanked NYPD Detective Robinson Martinez of the 49th Precinct, Detective Patrick Sullivan of the Bronx Homicide Task Force and Detective Pedro Gomez of the Violent Felony Squad.

An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.