

all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt under the United States Constitution.

## Murder defendant returned to Massachusetts

Arraignment 2 p.m. Tuesday

The last at-large co-defendant in the <u>February 15, 2022</u> shooting homicide of 17-year-old Weymouth High Student Nathan Paul in Quincy has been returned to Massachusetts and will be arraigned early this week, according to Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey.

Quincy Police and State Police traveled to Puerto Rico to take custody of Keniel Diaz-Romero, formerly of Quincy, last week, and he is due to be arraigned on a <u>murder indictment</u> in Norfolk Superior Court at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, District Attorney Morrissey said.

"State Police assigned to the Norfolk District Attorney's office and Quincy Police have been working with the US Marshals Service and the the Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section of the Massachusetts State Police to first locate, then return this defendant to Massachusetts since this indictment issued sixteen months ago," District Attorney Morrissey said. "I thank Quincy Police Chief Mark Kennedy, the US Marshals Boston Office and VFAS for their coordination and cooperation here."

Mr. Diaz-Romero is represented by Boston Attorney Liam Scully. The matter is being handled for the Commonwealth by Assistant District Attorney Aubrey Burr.

In addition to murder, the Norfolk County Grand Jury also issued indictments against Mr. Dias Romero for: larceny from a person; possession of a counterfeit bill; uttering a counterfeit bill; and conspiracy to commit larceny; and unlawfully carrying a firearm.

A July 2022 press release concerning juvenile co-defendants can be found here.

Mr. Diaz-Romero is being held pending arraignment at the Norfolk County Jail in Dedham, Mass.

07-19-22 Four juveniles charged in connection with Quincy shooting (nfkda.com)

05-23-22 Two indicted in Quincy murder, one at-large (nfkda.com)