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Press Release

Two indicted in fatal South Shore Plaza shooting

A Norfolk County Grand Jury today (April 25, 2022) indicted Julius Hammond-Desir for murder and weapons charges in the January 22, 2022 fatal shooting at the South Shore Plaza in Braintree, and also indicted Samantha Schwartz for accessory after the fact of the murder and carrying a firearm, according to Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey.

“State Police homicide detectives assigned to the district attorney’s office and Braintree police have been working closely with Assistant District Attorney Anne Yas as evidence was developed and presented to the Grand Jury,” District Attorney Morrissey said. “We are thankful to the grand jurors and detectives for their work. These indictments move the prosecution of the murder of Dijoun Beasley to the Norfolk Superior Court.”

Morrissey said that the Superior Court arraignment date should be finalized in the coming week.

Hammond-Desir, 19, of Maynard, was taken into custody in Boston in February and entered a plea of not guilty at his Quincy District Court arraignment on Feb. 16, 2022. He has been held without bail since that time.

Schwartz, 27, of Attleboro, entered a plea of not guilty at her January 28, 2022 Quincy District Court arraignment and was ordered held on \$20,000 cash bail.

Hammond-Desir was indicted for murder, carrying a loaded firearm and carrying a firearm. Schwartz was indicted for accessory after the fact and carrying a firearm.