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Beverly City Man Found Guilty of 2016 Murder in Burlington City

MOUNT HOLLY - Burlington County Prosecutor Scott Coffina announced that a Beverly City man was found guilty today in Superior Court for fatally shooting a 22-year-old Burlington Township resident in November 2016.

In addition to being found guilty of Murder (First Degree), the jury also convicted Darius Bridges, 28, of one count of Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose (Second Degree) and one count of Certain Persons Not to Have Weapons (Second Degree).

The Hon. Charles A. Delehey, J.S.C., set sentencing for March 1. Bridges will continue to be detained in the Burlington County Jail.

The investigation revealed that during the early evening of November 25, 2016, Bridges fired several shots along the 100 block of East Federal Street near the intersection with York Street in Burlington City, fatally striking Howard G. Young Jr., 22, of Burlington Township.

Mr. Young was taken to Capital Health Regional Medical Center in Trenton, where he was pronounced dead. An autopsy performed by Burlington County Medical Examiner Dr. Ian Hood determined the manner of death to be homicide and the cause to be a gunshot to the back.

The case was tried by Assistant Prosecutor Bob VanGilst, supervisor of the BCPO Major Crimes Unit. The investigation was conducted by detectives from the City of Burlington Police Department and the Prosecutor's Office. The lead investigators were BCPO Detective Michael Reagan and City of Burlington Police Det. Jamie Lambing.

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