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Two Men Arrested for Fatal Willingboro Shooting

WILLINGBORO - Burlington County Prosecutor Scott Coffina and Willingboro Township Public Safety Director Kinamo Lomon announced today that two men have been charged with murder for fatally shooting a 26-year-old Willingboro woman last week inside a parked car on Baldwin Lane in the Buckingham Park section of the township.

Sam T. Gore, 25, of the first block of Bloomfield Lane in Willingboro, and Devon Woods, 25, of the first block of Vine Street in Trenton, were charged with Murder (First Degree), Robbery (First Degree), Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose (Second Degree) and Certain Persons Not to Have Weapons (Second Degree).

Gore and Woods are accused of shooting Deasia Ayres in the earlier morning hours of September 18. Her body was discovered that day at 10:30 a.m. inside of her Dodge Durango.

She had been shot in the back of the neck and the head, according to an autopsy performed by Burlington County Medical Examiner Dr. Ian Hood. The motive is believed to have been robbery. Woods is accused of pulling the trigger.

Gore was taken into custody this morning at his residence by the Willingboro Township Police Department Special Weapons and Tactics Team. Woods was arrested this afternoon at his residence by the U.S. Marshals Service New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force. They are being detained in the Burlington County Jail in Mount Holly pending a first appearance in Superior Court.

They are being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecutor Bob Van Gilst, supervisor of the BCPO Major Crimes Unit – Violent Crimes Section.

The investigation is being conducted by detectives from the Prosecutor's Office and the Willingboro Township Police Department, with assistance from the Burlington County Sheriff's Department, the Mercer County Sheriff's Department, and the Trenton Police Department. The lead investigators are BCPO Detective Tony Luyber and WTPD Detective Jason Galiazzi.

All persons are considered innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.

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