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Burlington City Man Charged with Attempted Murder in Shooting

The victim was also charged; faces multiple firearms violations

Burlington County Prosecutor LaChia L. Bradshaw and City of Burlington Police Chief John Fine announced that a 36-year-old city resident was arrested on attempted murder and weapons charges after shooting a man last month on a street in the city's New Yorkshire neighborhood.

Shaun M. Causey was charged with Attempted Murder (First Degree), Unlawful Possession of a Weapon (Second Degree), Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose (Second Degree) and Certain Persons Not to Possess Weapons (Second Degree).

The shooting occurred July 18 just before 6 p.m. in the 200 block of Barclay Street. The investigation revealed that Causey had been involved in a dispute earlier that day with Joseph Morris, 33, of West Union Street in the city.

Police officers responding to the scene after the shooting found Morris on the ground with gunshot wounds to his chest and arm. Causey was taken into custody two days later by the U.S. Marshals Service New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force. He remains lodged in the Burlington County Jail in Mount Holly.

Morris was charged with Unlawful Possession of a Weapon (Second Degree), Possession of Hollow Point Bullets (Fourth Degree) and Possession of a Large-Capacity Ammunition Magazine (Fourth Degree). He was taken into custody by the Task Force on August 9 at his residence and released following an appearance in Superior Court.

The case will now be prepared for presentation to a grand jury for possible indictment.

The investigation was conducted by the City of Burlington Police Department and the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office. The lead investigators are BCPO Detective Jennifer Marchese and City of Burlington Police Department Detective Dave Edwardson.

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

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