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Men Arraigned for Murder and Weapons Charges

ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares today announced that JALLAH DRAKE, 21, KAREEM COLLIER, 26, JAHMEEK CROLEY, 25, and RASHAD MAYE, 25, all of Albany, were arraigned this morning in Albany County Court before Judge Stephen W. Herrick.

JALLAH DRAKE was arraigned on (1) Count of Murder in the Second Degree, a Class A-I Felony, in addition to (2) Counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, both Class C Armed Violent Felonies, and (1) Count of Tampering with Physical Evidence, a Class E Felony. The indictment alleges that on November 29, 2011 DRAKE did cause the death of Richard Gibbs by shooting him with a pistol, in addition to possessing two illegal firearms. The indictment also alleges that on December 2, 2011 DRAKE did tamper with evidence.

KAREEM COLLIER was arraigned on (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a Class C Armed Violent Felony, and (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree, a Class D Felony, for possessing a .32 caliber pistol on November 29, 2011.

JAHMEEK CROLEY was arraigned on (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a Class C Armed Violent Felony, and (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree, a Class D Felony, for possessing a pistol on November 29, 2011 and December 2, 2011.

RASHAD MAYE was arraigned on (2) Counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, both Class C Armed Violent Felonies, and (2) Counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree, both Class D Felonies, for possessing a pistol on November 29, 2011 and December 2, 2011.

The Albany Police led this investigation after Richard Gibbs was found shot and killed in a vehicle in the area of Fourth Avenue in the City of Albany at approximately 1:00 am on November 29, 2011.

Chief Assistant District Attorney David Rossi is handling the prosecution of this case.

For more information, please contact Cecilia Logue.

All charged individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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