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QUEENS MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO ATTEMPTED MURDER IN SHOOTING OF DELIVERY DRIVER WHO BLOCKED TRAFFIC WITH TRUCK

Faces 17 Years in Prison at Sentencing

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz announced today that Jahsheen Osbourne, 21, has pleaded guilty to attempted murder for the January 2020 unprovoked shooting of a UPS delivery driver in Woodside, Queens. The 15-year-veteran UPS worker was attempting to parallel park the vehicle as the defendant waited while in the passenger seat of a stolen Mercedes. Enraged by the wait, the defendant lured the victim out of the truck and then shot him once in the stomach.

District Attorney Katz said, "The prevalence of using illegal guns to resolve disputes has led to myriad senseless shootings, including this one that could have easily taken the life of the victim. The driver was merely doing his job when he was severely injured because of the defendant's impatience. This defendant now faces a lengthy prison term when the Court sentences him in the coming weeks for his actions."

Osbourne, of 148th Street in South Jamaica, Queens, pleaded guilty yesterday during jury selection in advance of the defendant's trial before Queens Supreme Court Justice Ira Margulis. Osbourne pleaded guilty to attempted murder in the second degree, grand larceny in the fourth degree and criminal possession of a weapon in the second degree. Justice Margulis, who set sentencing for May 19, 2022, indicated that he will sentence the defendant to a determinate term of 17 years in prison, to be followed by five years' post release supervision.

According to the charges in the indictment related to the January 14, 2020, shooting, the victim was in the process of dropping off packages around 3:30 in the afternoon. The worker was attempting to reverse and park the UPS truck when a driver in a white Mercedes began honking the car horn objecting to the truck preventing traffic from going forward. The defendant, who was a passenger in the Mercedes, began to yell at the delivery worker and a verbal dispute ensued. As the Mercedes maneuvered pass the UPS truck, the defendant pulled out a black gun and shot the victim in the stomach.

Continuing, the DA said, the victim began to bleed from his stomach and lost consciousness. The man was taken to an area hospital and underwent surgery to repair extensive internal damage.

Furthermore, after a thorough investigation, the defendant, in a separate indictment, was charged with grand larceny for stealing the Mercedes Benz E-Class sedan just hours before the shooting. Yesterday's plea agreement is in satisfaction of both indictments.

Assistant District Attorney Eric Weinstein, of the District Attorney's Career Criminal Major Crimes Bureau is prosecuting the case, under the supervision of Assistant District Attorneys Shawn Clark, Bureau Chief, Michael Whitney, Deputy Bureau Chief, and under the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney of Major Crimes Daniel Saunders.

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