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ARREST MADE IN CONNECTION WITH JANUARY 24, 2019 SHOOTING INVESTIGATION

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

JANUARY 31, 2019

Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Paterson Police Chief Troy Oswald announce that based upon an investigation by the Paterson Police Department, in conjunction with the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office, Shadrach C. McCurdie, 21 years old, from Paterson, New Jersey, was arrested on January 30, 2019, in relation to a shooting investigation that took place January 24, 2019 in the area of Park Avenue and East 22nd Street. Mr. McCurdie is charged with Aggravated Assault, Second Degree; Unlawful Possession of a Handgun, Second Degree; Possession of a Handgun for an Unlawful Purpose, Second Degree; and Aggravated Assault, Fourth Degree.

On January 24, 2019, members of the Paterson Police Department responded to the area of Park Avenue and East 22nd Street Paterson, NJ on a report of a shooting. Upon arrival the police located a potential crime scene, but were unable to locate a victim. A short time later members of the Paterson Police Department were advised that a 24-year-old male Haledon resident arrived at Saint Joseph's Regional Medical Center in Paterson for treatment of non-fatal gunshot wounds. Mr. McCurdie turned himself in to authorities on January 30, 2019.

The sentencing exposure for Mr. McCurdie on Second Degree Aggravated Assault is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with 85% of those terms to be served before parole pursuant to the No Early Release Act and 3 years parole supervision; on Second Degree, Unlawful Possession of a Handgun it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with a minimum of 42 months before parole eligibility pursuant to the Graves Act; on Second Degree Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with 42 months of parole ineligibility pursuant to the Graves Act; and on Fourth Degree Aggravated Assault it is 18 months New Jersey State Prison with 18 months to be served before parole ineligibility

The State intends to file a motion for pretrial detention in this matter that will be heard by a Superior Court Judge.

A criminal complaint is merely an accusation. Despite this accusation, defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

The Passaic County Prosecutor's Office asks anyone with additional information about this incident to contact us on our tips line at 1-877-370-PCPO or tips@passaiccountynj.org or contact the Paterson Police Ceasefire Unit at 973-321-1342.

For media inquiries concerning this case, contact Chief Assistant Prosecutor Seth Galkin of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office at sgalkin@passaiccountynj.org or at (973) 881-4849.



(Photo: Shadrach C. McCurdie)