



# NEWS RELEASE

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## **ARREST MADE IN CONNECTION TO THE MARCH 3, 2021 HOMICIDE IN THE AREA OF NORTH 6<sup>TH</sup> AND CLINTON STREETS IN PATERSON**

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PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

July 2, 2021

Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes, Paterson Police Chief Ibrahim Baycora, and Old Bridge Police Chief Peter LoPresti announce that based upon an investigation by the Paterson Police Department, in conjunction with the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office, the Passaic County Sheriff's Department, and the United States Marshalls, Naszhere M. Jones, 22-years old from South Hackensack, New Jersey, was arrested on July 2, 2021, in relation to the homicide that took place March 3, 2021 in the area of North 6<sup>th</sup> and Clinton Streets in Paterson, New Jersey. In connection to the homicide from March 3, 2021, Mr. Jones is charged with Murder, first degree; Unlawful Possession of a Handgun, second degree; and Possession of a Handgun for an Unlawful Purpose, second degree. In connection with his July 2, 2021 arrest, Mr. Jones is additionally charged with Possession of a Handgun for Unlawful Purpose, second degree; Possession of a Handgun During a Controlled Dangerous Substance Offense, second degree; Unlawful Possession of a Handgun, second degree; Unlawful Possession of a High-Capacity Magazine, fourth degree; two counts of Unlawful Possession of Heroin and Crack Cocaine with Intent to Distribute, second and third degree, respectively; and two counts of Unlawful Possession of Heroin and Crack Cocaine, third degree.

On March 3, 2021 at approximately 1:37 p.m., members of the Paterson Police Department were dispatched to the area of North 6th and Clinton Streets in Paterson, New Jersey on a report of a shooting. Upon arrival members of the Paterson Police Department located 35-year-old Jaquan Harrison from Paterson, who sustained a gunshot wound, lying inside a building in the area of North 6th and Clinton Streets. The victim was immediately transported to Saint Joseph's University Medical Center in Paterson, New Jersey for treatment and succumbed to his injuries a few days later on March 7, 2021. A potential crime scene was located outside the building where Mr. Harrison was found.

The subsequent investigation revealed that Mr. Jones was the individual responsible for the murder of Mr. Harrison. Mr. Jones was arrested on July 2, 2021, at approximately 7:30 a.m., by members of the United States Marshall's Fugitive Task Force, the Passaic County Sheriff's Department, the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office and the Old Bridge Police Department. The arrest took place in the area of 901 Westminster Boulevard in Old Bridge, New Jersey. Mr. Jones was observed attempting to enter his vehicle and ran on foot when he observed members

of law enforcement. He was apprehended subsequently without incident. A firearm with a high-capacity magazine, crack cocaine, and heroin, were located inside the vehicle.

The State has filed a motion for pretrial detention 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](mailto:tips@passaiccountynj.org) or contact the Paterson Police Detective Bureau at 973-321-1120.

For media inquiries concerning this case, contact Senior Assistant Prosecutor In-Charge Jorge E. Morales of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office at [jmorales@passaiccountynj.org](mailto:jmorales@passaiccountynj.org) or at (973) 837-7706.



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