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CHARGES FILED IN 2005 HOMICIDE

Mercer County Prosecutor Joseph L. Bocchini Jr. and Trenton Police Director Ernest Parrey reported that charges have been filed in the August 2005 shooting death of 30-year-old Omar Murphy.

Mayleek McInnis (DOB 9.25.86), of Trenton, NJ, is charged with first-degree murder, second-degree possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose and second-degree unlawful possession of a weapon.

On August 30, 2005, at approximately 9:24 p.m., Trenton police responded to the area of Stuyvesant and Ellsworth avenues on a report of a man shot. Upon arrival, officers located the victim, later identified as Omar Murphy, suffering from apparent gunshot wounds to his left arm and chest. Murphy was transported to Capital Health Regional Medical Center where he was pronounced dead a short time later.

The charges are the result of a Mercer County Homicide Task Force investigation. During recent months, additional witnesses came forward with information identifying McInnis as the shooter. Complaints were signed on August 18, 2014, charging McInnis with Murphy's murder. McInnis was served his complaints on August 22, 2014, at Northern State Prison in Newark, NJ, where he is serving an 18-year sentence for aggravated manslaughter. Bail on the homicide was set at \$1 million cash or bond.

Despite having been charged, every defendant is presumed innocent until found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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