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**Dayton Man Indicted for Shooting at Vehicle and Striking 2 Year Old**

*State v. Nikolai J. Gray, Jr. 2015-CR-3999*

**DAYTON, OH (01/07/2016)** – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **Nikolai J. Gray, Jr.**, 20, of Dayton, has been indicted for charges relating to the December 24, 2015 shooting of a firearm at a vehicle in which a 2 year old passenger was struck.

On December 24, 2015, the defendant fired a handgun at the rear of a vehicle that was on Blueberry Avenue, near N. Gettysburg Avenue. The round went through the rear of the vehicle and struck a 2-year-old child that was in a child car seat in the back seat of the vehicle. When the driver of the vehicle realized what had occurred, he sped away on N. Gettysburg Avenue, but crashed into a tree near the intersection at James H. McGee Boulevard.

Today, the defendant was indicted on:

- Three counts of Felonious Assault with a deadly weapon
- One count of Felonious Assault causing serious physical harm
- One count of Discharge of a Firearm On or Near Prohibited Premises
- One count of Having Weapons While Under Disability

All of the counts, except for the having weapons while under disability count, have a 3-year firearm specification, because the defendant used a firearm in the commission of his crimes.

The defendant is currently in custody, being held on a \$500,000 bond. He is scheduled to be arraigned on January 12, 2016 at 8:30 am.

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