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Dayton Teen Indicted for Murder of Woman

State v. Brandon Leigh, 2018-CR-3087

DAYTON, OH (08/31/2018) – Montgomery County Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **BRANDON WILLIAM LEIGH**, 17, of Dayton, has been indicted for the fatal shooting of Keyona Murray on February 16, 2018.

On Friday, February 16, 2018, Dayton Police and medics were dispatched to a home in the 100 block of Lorenz Avenue on a report of a shooting. Inside the home, they located the victim, 22-year-old Keyona Deshawn Murray. The victim had been shot in the head. She was transported to the hospital, but died from her injuries. The victim was pregnant at the time, and her fetus also died.

Investigators determined that the shot had been fired towards the home from an alley behind the residence. Further investigation identified the defendant as the shooter.

Because of the serious nature of the charges, the age of the defendant, and the defendant's lengthy juvenile criminal record, on April 3, 2018, a motion was filed in the Juvenile Court to have the defendant transferred and tried as an adult.

On August 8, 2018, Judge Anthony Capizzi found that there was probable cause, and ordered that the defendant be transferred to the General Division of the Common Pleas Court to be tried as an adult.

Today, the defendant was indicted on:

- One count of Murder
- One count of Involuntary Manslaughter
- One count of Improperly Discharging a Firearm At or Into a Habitation
- One count of Having Weapons While Under Disability – prior offense of violence

The defendant is currently being held in the Juvenile Justice Center. He will be arraigned on September 4, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.

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