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Motion Filed To Prosecute Two Dayton Teens as Adults

State v. Shamika Woods JC-2015-5361 and Javon Reid JC-2015-5511

DAYTON, OH (9/11/2015) – Montgomery County Prosecuting Attorney Mat Hack, Jr. announced today the filing of motions to have two defendants, 15-year-old **Shamika Mariee Woods**, and 15-year-old **Javon Lahawn Reid**, both of Dayton, held responsible and tried as adults for the August carjacking of a 60 year old victim.

On August 22, 2015, the victim, a 60 year old Dayton woman, was driving on Oakridge Drive, in the area of Westwood Elementary School, when she was asked by the defendants to give them a ride home. The victim agreed and when she stopped to let them out, defendant Woods grabbed the keys from the car's ignition. The victim was then attacked by the defendants. The defendants dragged the victim out of her car, and continued attacking her.

The defendants drove off in the victim's car, but turned around and came back down the street, threatening to run over the victim. The victim was able to get out of the way, and the defendants sped away from the scene.

Both defendants have been charged with second-degree felony Robbery. Defendant Woods was on probation for a prior burglary until June 2015, just two months before this incident. She has been convicted for theft, obstructing official business and disorderly conduct in prior incidents. Defendant Reid is currently on probation for felony burglary, and has been convicted for burglary, theft, receiving stolen property and attempted trespassing. He was sentenced to the Nicholas Residential Treatment Center, but absconded from the center prior to this incident.

Montgomery County Prosecutor Mat Heck, Jr. said, "These juveniles took advantage of a caring citizen, who only wanted to safely give them a ride home. They attacked her, causing injuries, and stole her car. Despite the many chances given to them by the Juvenile Court, these defendants continue to commit felony crimes. They should both be transferred and prosecuted as adults."

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