



OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY

KEVIN R. STEELE

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

EDWARD F. McCANN, JR.

FIRST ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

COURTHOUSE

P.O. BOX 311

NORRISTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

19404-0311

MARK A. BERNSTIEL

CHIEF COUNTY DETECTIVE

ADRIENNE D. JAPPE

CHIEF OF STAFF

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S FAX

COUNTY DETECTIVE BUREAU

(610) 278-3090

(610) 278-3095

(610) 278-3368

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CODY REED AND MARQUISE JOHNSON FOUND AND ARRESTED BY U.S. MARSHALS IN ATLANTIC CITY

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (April 7, 2023) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele and West Norriton Police Chief Michael Kelly announce the arrest of Cody Reed, 23, of Norristown, and Marquise Johnson, 23, of Philadelphia, who were being sought on charges of First-Degree Murder in the killing of Daquan Tucker on March 3, 2023.

U.S. Marshals, with assistance from Atlantic City Police and the Atlantic City Police SWAT, arrested Reed and Johnson last night at an Airbnb on North Rhode Island Avenue in Atlantic City. Reed was arrested without incident at approximately 5:15 p.m., but Johnson was not in the apartment at the time. Johnson returned to the Airbnb at approximately 7:30 p.m. and barricaded himself inside the rental unit. The standoff ended at 11:14 p.m., when the Atlantic City SWAT entered the apartment and arrested Johnson after finding him hiding inside a washing machine.

On March 3, 2023, Tucker's body was found at approximately 9 a.m., when a bicyclist reported to 911 what looked like a body about 100 feet off the Schuylkill River Trail. The ensuing investigation by West Norriton Police and Montgomery County Detectives found that Tucker arrived at Reed's residence at approximately 7 p.m. the night before, and the three men walked toward the Schuylkill River Trail, close to where Tucker's body was found. Tucker, Reed and Johnson, all of whom knew each other, then went on the trail where Tucker was shot multiple times.

Reed and Johnson are charged with First-Degree Murder, Second-Degree Murder, Third-Degree Murder, Robbery, Conspiracy to Commit Murder, Conspiracy to Commit Robbery, Person Not to Possess a Firearm and related charges. The defendants will be extradited back to Montgomery County and then will be arraigned. There is no bail available for First-Degree Murder charges.

The case will be prosecuted by Assistant Chief of Trials Kathleen McLaughlin and Assistant District Attorney Caitlin O'Malley.

Approved for release:

Kevin R. Steele

CRIMINAL CHARGES, AND ANY DISCUSSION THEREOF, ARE MERELY ALLEGATIONS AND ALL DEFENDANTS ARE PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL AND UNLESS PROVEN GUILTY.