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PRESS RELEASE

Three Charged in Coatesville Homicide

Chester County District Attorney Tom Hogan announced the filing of charges against three defendants for a June of 2012 homicide in Coatesville. The three defendants are Marquis Rayner, Dominique Lee, and Camren Horne. The three defendants are accused of participating in the murder of Dominique Williams of Coatesville.

Rayner is 23 years old. Horne is 20 years old. Lee is 20 years old. All three defendants are from Coatesville. Defendants Lee and Rayner are brothers.

Rayner and Horne were arrested this morning in pre-dawn raids. Lee is wanted and at-large. Anybody with information about Lee's location should contact the Chester County Detectives at 610-344-5100 or the Coatesville Police Department at 610-384-2300.

District Attorney Hogan stated, "This was a complex, grind-it-out investigation. We used state-of-the-art technology and old-fashioned police work to bring charges against these three defendants. And we are not done yet."

The facts alleged in the criminal complaints are as follows:¹

On June 29, 2012, three male suspects entered a residence at 744 Merchant Street, Coatesville, Pennsylvania. The three males were wearing black tee-shirts or other black wrapping around their heads. Two of the men were carrying guns.

The first male through the door immediately shot the victim, who was sitting on a chair playing a video game. The male was yelling, "Where's it at?" The second armed male suspect confronted one of the people in the residence, striking the witness with the gun. The third suspect acted as a lookout at the door.

The first two men then entered a back bedroom. They grabbed a jar containing marijuana and other items. All three suspects then fled.

Police recovered the stolen jar and one of the black tee-shirts together a short distance from the scene of the robbery. The victim was pronounced dead at Paoli Hospital from the gunshot wound.

Defendant Rayner was linked to the homicide based on DNA located on the recovered black tee-shirt. Defendant Lee was linked to the homicide when his fingerprint was discovered on the jar that was stolen. Defendant Horne was tied to the homicide when he made statements about his involvement to another witness. Those statements were uncovered as a result of the District Attorney's ongoing Operation Silent Night in Coatesville.

The three defendants have been charged with homicide, robbery, conspiracy, and related offenses. Because of the nature of the charges, bail was denied to Rayner and Horne. Both defendants were remanded to Chester County Prison. The maximum penalty in this case is life imprisonment.

District Attorney Hogan stated, "This was an outstanding investigation by the Chester County Detectives and Coatesville Police Department. We are continuing to bring unrelenting pressure to bear on the criminals in Coatesville. We will keep it up to make sure that the good citizens of Coatesville and the rest of Chester County remain safe."

This case has been assigned to Assistant District Attorney Carlos Barraza. The following agencies assisted in the investigation and apprehension of the

¹ A criminal defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in court.

defendants: Chester County Detectives, Coatesville Police Department, Chester County Sheriff's Department, Pennsylvania State Police/United States Marshall's Fugitive Task Force, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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Approved for release:

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