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Indictment unsealed in October 21, 2011 homicide that occurred near Jefferson High School

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that a two count secret indictment was unsealed after 26-year-old Shawn Degail Crawford Jr. appeared in Multnomah County Circuit Court.

The indictment charges Crawford with murder with a firearm and manslaughter in the first degree with a firearm.

It is alleged that on October 21, 2011, the defendant unlawfully and intentionally caused the death of 25-year-old Deondrae Clark.

The defendant was booked into the Multnomah County Detention Center at approximately 2:30 p.m. on December 19, 2018 after being transported from the Washington State Department of Corrections.

According to information previously released by the Portland Police Bureau, on October 21, 2011, at approximately 10 p.m., officers were in the area of North Haight Avenue and North Emerson Street when they heard multiple shots. Officers located Mr. Clark suffering from a gunshot injury. He was transported by ambulance to a hospital, but died on October 24, 2011.

Officers established a large perimeter around the crime scene and requested a police K-9 unit respond to assist with a search of the area. The Portland Police Bureau's Forensic Evidence Division responded and collected multiple pieces of evidence.

The indictment in this case was filed on February 26, 2018.

On December 20, 2018, the defendant appeared by video before Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge Leslie G. Bottomly, where the indictment was read onto the record at the Multnomah County Justice Center. His next court date is scheduled for January 14, 2019.

This remains an on-going criminal investigation and as such, no additional information can be released by the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office.

A copy of the indictment can be obtained using case number 18CR13485 in the Oregon eCourt Information (OECI) system.

An indictment is only an accusation of a crime, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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