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MEDIA RELEASE

DATE: June 9, 2022 RE: Sheron Garrett Sentencing

(**Bel Air, Maryland**) - Albert J. Peisinger, Jr., State's Attorney for Harford County, has announced the sentencing of Sheron Garrett, from Baltimore, Maryland, for murder in the first degree, conspiracy to commit murder in the first degree, and possession of a regulated firearm by a person with a felony conviction.

On September 29, 2019, Harford County Sheriff's Deputies responded to 1931 Edgewater Drive for a reported shooting. Upon arrival, deputies located Deandre Sellers, who was suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. Despite immediate life-saving efforts by deputies and emergency services personnel, Mr. Sellers succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased. Detectives responded to the scene and began an investigation. Witnesses at the scene revealed to investigators that Mr. Sellers was involved in a verbal altercation earlier that day which ended with a threat of violence against him. A further argument was reported at approximately 6:55 that evening just before three gunshots rang out.

Investigators located and collected three shell casings from the scene of the murder, as well as a cleaning rod to an SKS assault rifle. Seven days later, the SKS assault rifle itself was found by a concerned citizen and reported to law enforcement. Investigators were able to recover a fingerprint from tape around the gun and matched that fingerprint to Sheron Garrett. Further forensic testing by the Maryland State Police Forensic Sciences Division confirmed this weapon fired the casings at the murder scene. Mr. Garrett denied having been in Harford County on September 29 or for months prior, but cell data analysis provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigation demonstrated that he traveled from his home in Baltimore City to scene of the murder at the time of the shooting.

Following a multi-day jury trial in front of the Honorable Kevin J. Mahoney that began on March 23, 2022, the jury ultimately found him guilty of murder in the first degree, conspiracy to commit murder in the first degree, and possession of a regulated firearm by a person with a felony conviction. At today's sentencing, after considering impact statements provided by Deandre Sellers' mother and father, Judge Mahoney sentenced Sheron Garrett to an aggregate 92 years of incarceration to be served at the Division of Corrections. Should he be released, Mr. Garrett will be subject to five years of supervised probation and an additional two life sentence should he be found in violation of that probation.

"Sheron Garrett deserved and received a significant sentence for this senseless and violent act that terrorized this neighborhood," said Harford County State's Attorney Albert Peisinger, Jr. "This should serve as a message to all, that violence will not be tolerated in Harford County and I will continue to pursue the most significant sentences available for those individuals who harm our citizens."

Mr. Peisinger praised the Harford County Sheriff's Office, the Maryland State Police Forensic Sciences Division, the Federal Bureau of Investigation as well as all other first responders for their efforts in rendering aid at the scene and for the extensive investigation that resulted in the conviction of Mr. Garrett. Additionally, he commended Assistant State's Attorneys Jason Allen and Charles Fitzpatrick for their exceptional advocacy.