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UPDATE

Arrest - 1st Degree Murder - Waterside Shooting from September 6, 2020

On the evening of Friday, September 11, 2020, Frederick County Sheriff’s Office
detectives arrested Jordan Hooks, 27, of Frederick and charged him with 1st Degree Murder
for the homicide of Mr. Jaemari Anderson that occurred on September 6, 2020.

Through a series of interviews, invaluable assistance from the Frederick City Police,
Maryland State Police and Montgomery County Police Department, and a search warrant
obtained and served at Hooks’ residence on Waterview Court, detectives were able to
determine that Anderson and Hooks were described as close friends and were both at
Hooks’ house smoking marijuana throughout the day and evening of September 6th.
Detectives located Anderson’s cell phone and other personal property in Hooks’ basement,
and videos from Hooks’ cell phone, believed to have been recorded on September 5th, that
depict Hooks and several others in his basement smoking suspected marijuana and holding
and waving objects that clearly appear to be handguns. At one point, Hooks is seen holding
and pointing a silver-colored handgun at the camera.

During the course of the investigation, detectives learned that on September 6th
there had been a confrontational argument between Anderson and several others in Hooks’
basement, during which Anderson was confronted and verbally challenged. This led to
Hooks and Anderson agreeing to a physical fight. Detectives determined that when
Anderson left the room, Hooks pulled a handgun from the couch, believed to be the same
one from the video, and put it in his waistband.

The group then left the basement and headed toward the walking path in Waterside.
Witnesses and neighbors describe hearing a single gunshot and people fleeing the area. A
single shell casing was found within a few feet of the victim.

When interviewed, Hooks confirmed that he and Anderson had been together during
the day, but said that Anderson had left earlier in the afternoon to meet his girlfriend. He
also did not know why Anderson would leave his cell phone or other personal property at his
house.

Detectives are still considering this an active homicide investigation.
UPDATE 9/9/20

Waterside Shooting from September 6, 2020

The Frederick County Sheriff’s Office is identifying the victim in this case as Jaemari Anderson, 19, of Frederick. Mr. Anderson succumbed to his injuries earlier today at Shock Trauma, and this incident is now being handled as a homicide investigation.

Detectives are awaiting the results of the autopsy to be performed by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, and are asking anyone with information to please contact Detective Jason Brady at 301 600-7134 or jbrady@frederickcountymd.gov.

Tips and information may also be sent to FCSOtips@frederickcountyMD.gov, or callers may remain anonymous by calling the Sheriff’s Office tip line at 301-600-4131.

Original Release

On September 6, 2020 at approximately 8:49 PM, deputies were dispatched to the walking path behind Waterview Ct. in the Waterside community for an injured person. Upon arrival, deputies and EMS providers were led to an adult male who was found along the path with obvious signs of injury. EMS transported the male to Shock Trauma in Baltimore. Criminal Investigators responded to the scene and are still actively investigating the incident. It has been determined that the victim did sustain a gunshot wound during the incident and remains in serious condition in Baltimore.

Anyone with information related to this incident is asked to contact Detective Jason Brady at 301-600-7134 or jbrady@frederickcountymd.gov.

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