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MATTAPAN MAN ARRAIGNED ON GUN, VIOLATION OF ABUSE PREVENTION ORDER CHARGES

BROCKTON – A Mattapan man pleaded not guilty to violation of a protective order and numerous firearms charges before he was transported to Suffolk County to face a charge of Murder, Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz has announced.

Today, Akil Jackson, 41, pleaded not guilty in Brockton District Court to two counts of Possession of a Large Capacity Firearm, and one count each of Firearm Violation with Two Prior Violent/Drug Crimes, Carrying a Firearm Without A License, Carrying a Firearm Without a License, Second Offense, Carrying a Loaded Firearm Without a License, Possession of Ammunition Without an FID Card, Receiving Stolen Property, and Violation of an Abuse Prevention Order. The Commonwealth requested that Jackson be held on \$1 million cash bail. Judge Jeffrey Clifford set bail at \$100,000 cash.

Yesterday at approximately 1:30 p.m., West Bridgewater Police received a call from a victim witness advocate for a victim in distress and in need of immediate aid at 750 West Center Street. The victim reported to the advocate that there was a restraining order violation and the victim used an emergency phrase with the advocate to alert that she was in immediate danger.

Upon arrival, West Bridgewater Police encountered a male individual, later identified as Jackson, in the rear of the building at 750 West Center Street. As officers approached in their cruisers, Jackson began to quickly walk away from the police vehicles. A West Bridgewater officer observed Jackson enter a blue Toyota Camry, and approached the vehicle on foot. As the officer approached, he observed Jackson sitting upright in the drivers seat, attempting to reach for his something in his waistband. The officer identified the object as a semi-automatic handgun, and made numerous commands of Jackson to drop the gun. Jackson refused and then turned the gun toward himself. At this point, West Bridgewater officers were able to intervene and place Jackson under arrest.

The firearm seized by police had a large capacity magazine inserted into the magazine well of the weapon with ammunition inside. The magazine was designed to carry 17 rounds of ammunition and contained nine rounds of 9 mm ammunition.

After today's arraignment in Brockton District Court, Jackson was scheduled to be transported to Boston Municipal Court in West Roxbury for arraignment on charges in Suffolk County.

Jackson is next scheduled to appear in Brockton District Court on September 10.

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