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APPEALS COURT AFFIRMS CONVICTIONS AGAINST BROCKTON MAN

BROCKTON – The Massachusetts Appeals Court has affirmed the convictions of a man who shot a man in the leg in Brockton, Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz has announced.

In December, 2019, a jury found Kelby Correia, now 30, guilty of one count each of Armed Assault with Intent to Murder, Aggravated Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm and Carrying a Loaded Firearm. He was sentenced to serve 8-12 years in State Prison on the charges with three years of probation to follow.

On June 13, 2015 at 6:15 p.m., Massachusetts State Police and Brockton Police responded to a report of shots fired and a person with a gunshot injury outside the Oak Street Convenience Store. Arriving at the scene, police observed a male victim with a gunshot wound to his right leg. The victim was transported to Boston Medical Center where he was treated and released. Police reviewed video surveillance from a nearby pizzeria, which showed Correia and three other men in the moments leading up to the shooting.

Correia appealed from his convictions. In an unpublished decision today, the Massachusetts Appeals Court rejected all of the defendant's claims on appeal and upheld the convictions.

“In 2015, there was a spate of gun violence in the City of Brockton, with nine murders being committed, five of which involved firearms,” DA Cruz said. “I commend the Appeals Court on their thoughtful decision. Prosecutions like this one against Kelby Correia go a long way in sending a strong message that we are all working together toward a common goal of trying to keep our communities safe.”

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney David Cutshall and was investigated by Massachusetts State Police Detectives assigned to the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office and Brockton Police.