



## Office of Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton

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### **16-year-old Charged in New Years Day Homicide**

**FLINT --** Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton has charged a Flint teenager as an adult in the New Years Day shooting that left another Flint teenager dead.

According to police reports, 15-year-old Gianni Herron was shot and killed in the basement of a home on N. Chevrolet Avenue in the early morning hours of New Years Day.

On January 3<sup>rd</sup>, Shukur Terome Brown, 16 (d.o.b. 12-17-96), was taken into custody by Flint Police after he participated in a news conference at a local church with his attorney, a local pastor and others and made a public statement about his involvement in Herron's death. Prosecutor Leyton then filed a juvenile petition against Brown and he was lodged at the Genesee Valley Regional Detention Center.

This morning, after further review of the evidence presented by police, Prosecutor Leyton filed a criminal complaint against Brown charging him as an adult with four felonies including:

- Second Degree Murder, punishable by up to life in prison
- Possession of a short-barreled shotgun, punishable by up to five years in prison
- Possession of marijuana with the intent to deliver, punishable by up to four years in prison
- Felony Firearm, mandatory two years in prison consecutive to sentence for underlying felony

"Shukur Brown illegally possessed a short-barreled shotgun and wantonly and willfully disregarded the life and general safety of the victim when the gun was fired," said Prosecutor Leyton.

Brown will be arraigned in 68<sup>th</sup> District Court today and a pre-trial and preliminary examination will be scheduled.

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