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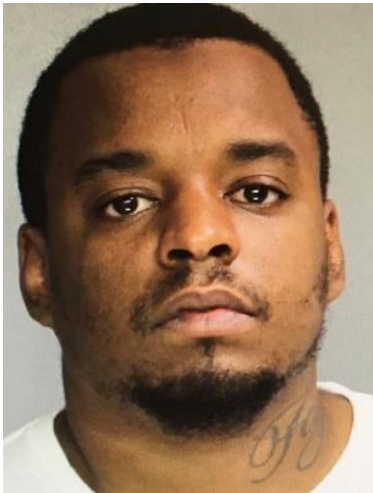
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### **GERARD GETHERS ARRESTED FOR FIRST-DEGREE MURDER OF JERRY WHITE IN NORRISTOWN**



**GERARD GETHERS**

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (Dec. 2, 2020) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele and Norristown Police Chief Mark E. Talbot announce the arrest of Gerard Gethers, 29, of Philadelphia, for the murder of 34-year-old Jerry White in Norristown. Gethers was arrested without incident by the United States Marshall's Fugitive Task Force at his residence on West Wellens Avenue in Philadelphia.

White was murdered on Nov. 3, 2020. Norristown Police heard multiple gunshots while on patrol at 3:36 p.m., and immediately located White in the 500 block of West Marshall Street. The victim was transported to Suburban Hospital, where he was later pronounced dead. An autopsy was conducted on Nov. 4, 2020, by Dr. Ian Hood, a forensic pathologist with the Montgomery County Coroner's Office, who opined that White died of multiple gunshot wounds and the manner of death was homicide.

Norristown Police and Montgomery County Detectives launched a joint investigation into the homicide, which found the killing was captured on surveillance video. The video showed a single man approach White, clearly targeting him as he fired a black semi-automatic pistol several times. Detectives noted that the suspect was wearing a black hooded Nike jacket, had a prominent and distinctive tattoo on his left hand

and walked with an unusual gait. The investigation found that Gethers had previously threatened to “get even” with the victim. Further, Gethers’ tattoo on his left hand matches the tattoo observed on the shooter’s hand seen in the surveillance video of the homicide.

Gethers is charged with First-Degree Murder, Third-Degree Murder, Person Not to Possess a Firearm, Possessing an Instrument of Crime and Recklessly Endangering Another Person. He was arraigned on Dec. 1, 2020 before Magisterial District Judge Francis J. Lawrence. There is no bail available for First-Degree Murder, and the defendant was remanded to the Montgomery County Correctional Facility. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 9 a.m., Dec. 10, 2020 before Judge Lawrence.

Approved for release:

Kevin R. Steele

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