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### **RAYMIR JOHNSON CHARGED WITH HINDERING APPREHENSION RELATED TO THE EAST NORRITON BOWLING LANES**



**RAYMIR JOHNSON**

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (Feb. 26, 2021) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele announces the arrest of Raymir Johnson, 20, of Lansdowne, on two felony counts of Hindering Apprehension/Prosecution related to the Feb. 20, 2021 fatal shooting that occurred inside Our Town Alley in East Norriton Township. Johnson was one of the two men who entered the bowling alley with Jamel Barnwell, who is now charged with First-Degree Murder and multiple other charges related to killing 29-year-old Wade and shooting four other men.

On Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021, at 6:43 p.m., East Norriton Police responded to Our Town Alley at 2912 Swede Street, where they found Wade deceased and four other men who had been shot. Montgomery County Detectives and East Norriton Police conducted a joint homicide investigation. Through video surveillance and witness interviews, the investigation found that three men—identified as Johnson, Barnwell and another man—entered the bowling alley at 6:39 p.m. At 6:42 p.m., a physical altercation involving the victims and the three suspects ensued. Barnwell pulled a firearm with an extended magazine from inside his jacket and begins shooting. Then the three men fled the bowling alley in a vehicle driven by Johnson, effectuating Barnwell's escape after the murder.

Johnson was arrested and charged with two counts of Hindering Apprehension/Prosecution. He was arraigned before Magisterial District Judge William Maruscak, who set bail at \$250,000 cash. The defendant was unable to make bail and was remanded to the Montgomery County Correctional Facility. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for 10 a.m. on March 8, 2021 before Magisterial District Judge Marc A. Alfarano.

Approved for release:

Kevin R. Steele

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