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PRESS RELEASE

Hinds County Jury finds Defendant: La'Darrian McCray Guilty of 1st Degree Murder and Aggravated Assault

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For Immediate Release

(Jackson, Miss) Hinds County District Attorney Robert Shuler Smith announced today that Jackson resident, La'Darrian McCray (20) was found guilty of First Degree Murder and Aggravated Assault by a Hinds County jury. The case was tried in the First Judicial District of Hinds County by Assistant District Attorneys Kevin White, Randy Harris and Gwen Agho. This verdict followed a three day trial.

On October 17, 2014, JPD responded to 5425 Clinton Blvd regarding an unresponsive black male lying at the bottom staircase on the ground in a pool of blood with his newborn baby lying next to him covered in blood. Upon arrival, JPD officers' determined the victim, Glentez Brown suffered four gunshot wounds to the right side of his body. An eyewitness observed a black male wearing a gray hoodie and a gun in his hand running from the scene. This black male was later identified as La'Darrian McCray.

Assistant District Attorneys Kevin White and Randy Harris stated, "To all of the citizens of Jackson who have been terrorized by La'Darrian "DJ" McCray and to all of the prior victims whose cases could not be prosecuted because witnesses were too afraid to come forward and especially to the victim, Glentez Brown, you may finally rest in peace". "Our hope is that this conviction will bring peace and closure to the Brown's family".

La'Darrian McCray will be sentenced by Judge William "Bill" Gowan on October 7, 2016. Hinds County District Attorney's Office expects this defendant to get life in prison.

La'Darrian McCray's conviction is another example of Hinds County District Attorney Robert Smith's commitment to keep the city Jackson safe.