



Genesee County Prosecutor's Office

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Elias Abuelazam Ordered to Stand Trial on Assault Cases Preliminary Exam for Fatal Stabbing to be Held Tomorrow

FLINT – Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton said that serial stabbing suspect Elias Abuelezam has been bound over to Circuit Court to stand trial on four assault with intent to murder cases after separate preliminary examinations were held today in 68th District Court.

68th District Court Judge Nathaniel Perry heard testimony today related to four separate assaults that occurred this past summer. The victims in these stabbing cases and the dates of their assaults, all of which occurred in the City of Flint, are:

- Bill Fisher, assaulted on June 26th
- Antoine Marshall, assaulted on July 27th
- Devon Rawls, assaulted on July 28th
- E'twan Wilson, assaulted on August 1st

Abuelazam is to be arraigned on these four cases in Genesee County Circuit Court on January 3, 2011.

TOMORROW'S PROCEEDINGS:

Tomorrow, Friday, December 10th, Judge Perry will hear preliminary examination testimony in the August 2nd homicide of Arnold Minor. This exam is scheduled to begin at 9:30am in the Circuit Courthouse. The exact courtroom is unknown at this time but it is expected to be held in the Probate Courtroom of Probate Judge Barkey, which is different from the originally scheduled courtroom of Judge Neithercut.

OVERALL SUMMARY:

Abuelazam is suspected of a series of knife stabbings in Flint and surrounding communities this past summer that left a total of five men dead and nine others seriously injured. He is also a suspect in similar stabbings in Virginia and Ohio that left four others wounded.

Abuelazam is being held in the Genesee County jail with no bond. In total, Prosecutor Leyton has charged him with three murders and six assault with intent to murder charges, one count of malicious destruction of property, and two counts of resisting and obstructing an officer causing injury and three counts of resisting and obstructing an officer.

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