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Defendants Sentenced in Deadly Home Invasion Case

Khalil Madden and Aaron Butler will serve decades in prison for their involvement in the events that led to the death of community leader Jordan Taylor

Baltimore, Md. (September 7, 2023) - Today, a Baltimore City judge sentenced Khalil Madden to 40 years in prison for conspiracy to commit burglary and conspiracy to commit armed robbery. Aaron Butler, Madden's co-defendant, was sentenced to Life, suspending all but 35 years, for first degree murder, in addition to a concurrent maximum sentence for use of firearm in the commission of a crime of violence, conspiracy to commit burglary, and conspiracy to commit armed robbery. Assistant State's Attorney Elizabeth Stock prosecuted these cases.

"Everyone should feel safe in their own home. The horrific actions of these defendants that took Mr. Taylor's life and surely traumatized his wife are absolutely devastating to imagine," **said State's Attorney Ivan J. Bates.** "No sentence could compensate for the tragic loss of this valued community leader and dedicated family man. But I hope today's outcome begins the healing process for everyone who knows the Taylor family. I sincerely thank our local and federal partners in law enforcement who were essential in ensuring justice was delivered in this case."

"Jordan Taylor's life was one that focused on caring for others and this city. He truly embodied the best things a person can be—compassionate, helpful, selfless, and courageous, even in the very last moments of his life. It is our sincere hope that the sentences handed down today can bring some sense of peace to the Taylor family and his loved ones who still feel his absence every day," **said ATF Baltimore Field Division Special Agent in Charge Toni M. Crosby.** "Where there is safety, communities can thrive. ATF and our partners continue to work relentlessly to ensure that violent criminals like those responsible for Mr. Taylor's murder are removed from Baltimore's streets so citizens can live secure, healthy, and successful lives."

"With this sentencing, justice has been served. Violent criminals such as Khalil Madden and Aaron Butler will not be permitted to wreak havoc on the lives of innocent bystanders and continue to cause trauma to our residents," **said Acting Commissioner Richard Worley.** "The Baltimore Police Department is committed to making sure law-abiding citizens feel safe in their own homes, on their own streets and in their own neighborhoods. I hope that this can bring some peace to the family and friends of Jordan Taylor. The members of this Department will continue to see to it that criminals are caught, arrested and go to jail."

On November 5, 2019, at approximately 9:42 p.m., Baltimore Police officers responded to a shooting at a home in the 4800 block of Clifton Avenue. Upon arrival, officers located 31-year-old Jordan Taylor, who was suffering from gunshot wounds to his body. Taylor was transported to the University of Maryland's Shock Trauma, where he succumbed to his injuries a short time later.

According to court documents, Khalil Madden, Aaron Butler, and two other suspects shot through the door of the victim's residence while he and his wife were at home. The victim was shot several times when trying to prevent the intruders from breaking in. The victim's wife called 9-1-1 while the intruders were in the home searching for a safe that they had never found. After the suspects fled the scene, the victim's wife attempted to render aid to her husband until police and EMS arrived. During the investigation, Khalil Madden and Aaron Butler were identified as two of the individuals who were involved.