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Six Individuals Indicted on Additional Charges for Torturing and Killing 21-Year-Old Female in East Cleveland

CLEVELAND - Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced today that a Cuyahoga County grand jury has returned an indictment charging Portria Williams, 31, Destiny Henderson, 18, Nathaniel Poke, 23, Anthony Bryant, 19, Hakeem-Ali Shomo, 31, and Brittany Smith, 33, for torturing and killing a 21-year-old female (A.P.) in East Cleveland.

On November 4, 2021, Portria Williams, Destiny Henderson, Nathaniel Poke, and Hakeem-Ali Shomo drove to a residence near Glenmont Road and Superior Road in East Cleveland. Henderson and Shomo, who was armed with a gun, forced two female victims, 25 and 21, to get inside their vehicle and take them to the 21-year-old female (A.P.) victim's location.

Williams, Henderson, Poke, and Shomo drove the two female victims to the 21-year-old (A.P.) victim's location. They then lured the 21-year-old victim (A.P.) out of that residence and took her to another location at gunpoint.

Portria Williams, Destiny Henderson, Nathaniel Poke, and Hakeem-Ali Shomo, ultimately released the first two victims and transported the 21-year-old victim (A.P.) to Portria Williams's residence and held her into the next day. While there, Brittany Smith and Anthony Bryant arrived at Williams's residence and Poke left. Then Shomo, Smith, and Bryant physically assaulted the victim (A.P.) in order to gain information related to their friend's death. Afterward, Shomo left Williams's residence.

Henderson, Smith, Williams, and Bryant then forced the victim (A.P.) inside their vehicle and drove her to an abandoned residence near Savannah Avenue and Manhattan Avenue in East Cleveland. After forcing her (A.P.) inside, Williams and Bryant fired several shots at the victim. After, Henderson, Williams, Bryant, and Smith left the scene and went to Shomo's residence.

On November 9, the East Cleveland Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation located the victim (A.P.) in the abandoned house and she was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Portria Williams and Hakeem-Ali Shomo have been indicted on the following charges:

- **Two counts of Aggravated Murder**
- **Three counts of Murder**
- **Two counts of Felonious Assault**
- **Five counts of Kidnapping**
- **One count of Conspiracy**
- **One count of Having Weapons While Under Disability**



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You can view the indictment [here](#).