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Sheriff's Office Arrests Murder Suspect & Most Wanted Fugitive

Mays Landing: Atlantic County Sheriff Frank X. Balles announced today the arrest of Octavian Robinson, charged in the September 5th murder of Diante Broughton in Millville, as well as the arrest of Maurice Ragland, an ACSO Most Wanted Fugitive wanted on a NJ Superior Court sentencing warrant for 2nd degree narcotics distribution, both within a 24 hour period. "The arrest of these wanted persons was admirably executed by the detectives and the officers of this agency by using basic policing skills and a common sense approach," stated Balles. "I am extremely proud of their investigative efforts as well as the safe apprehension of the suspects without incident."

Robinson, 33 of Millville, was the passenger in a vehicle that was initially stopped due to a non-functioning tail light at 11:30 pm on Monday, September 28th by Officer James Torres. When neither driver nor passenger could provide identification and proceeded to give false information as to their identities, dispatch was able to assist via physical description and confirm Robinson's identity, that he was wanted on a murder charge out of Millville, and the existence of additional outstanding warrants.

Robinson is currently in custody at Cumberland County Jail on \$1 million cash bail after being arrested by Sergeant William Ade on charges alleging murder, aggravated assault, and weapons offences. He was turned over to the Millville Police Department and is scheduled to be arraigned Friday at 1:30 pm before Cumberland County Superior Court Judge Robert G Malestein.

Ragland, 47 of Hamilton, was arrested via an anonymous tip providing his approximate location in Mays Landing. ACSO Detectives Matthew Poupard, Jacob Feinberg, Sergeant Jeffery Newman and K9 Officer Michael Gilmore assisted by his K9 partner Billie, arrived at the location and made visual confirmation. Ragland attempted to resist arrest when the officers arrived. K9 Officer Gilmore made the standard K9 announcement, after which Ragland surrendered without incident. He is currently lodged in the Atlantic County Justice Facility.

If you have any information regarding any of the Atlantic County Sheriff's most wanted, please call us at 609-909-7200 or visit our website at www.acsheriff.org. Tips can also be reported anonymously to Crime Stoppers of Atlantic County at 609-652-1234.

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Octavian Robinson