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CALDWELL-MITCHELL FOUND GUILTY OF ATTEMPTED MURDER

State Attorney Melissa Nelson announces that a Duval County jury found Brian Caldwell-Mitchell guilty of Attempted Second-Degree Murder and Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon. With the verdict, Caldwell-Mitchell faces up to 30 years in Florida State Prison. The Honorable London Kite will sentence Caldwell-Mitchell at a later date.

On Aug. 15, 2024, patrol officers with the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office were notified about a patient at a local hospital who was shot six times. The victim was driven there by a friend and neighbor, both of whom were questioned by law enforcement. Both told police the shooting took place in the Sherwood Forest neighborhood, where police found shell casings and blood in the roadway.

The witness was sitting in the passenger seat of the victim's car when he stopped in a Sherwood Forest neighborhood. The victim got out of the car to talk to someone, and he returned to the window when a black car stopped ahead of them. Caldwell-Mitchell got out of the black car and walked toward the victim. Caldwell-Mitchell pushed the victim and pulled out a gun, and the victim pulled out a gun in return. Caldwell-Mitchell fired 12 shots at the victim, who took cover behind his car and collapsed. As a previously convicted felon, Caldwell-Mitchell is not legally allowed to possess a firearm. Caldwell-Mitchell's firearm was recovered at his ex-girlfriend's house two days later; the shell casings from the scene matched the gun.

The case was investigated by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office and prosecuted by Assistant State Attorneys Katherina Brown and Crystal Ganpath-Freed.