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**BEY SENTENCED TO 25 YEARS FOR ATTEMPTED SECOND-DEGREE MURDER**

State Attorney Melissa Nelson announces that Curtis Bey, of Jacksonville, was found guilty by a jury of Attempted Second-Degree Murder. On Feb. 4, 2019, he was sentenced by the Honorable Mark Borello to 25 years in Florida State Prison.

On Nov. 12, 2016, Bey approached the victim while he was sitting on the steps of First Baptist Church. Bey started arguing with the victim for an unknown reason — the two did not know each other. Bey then walked away and returned shortly thereafter with a firearm. The victim was shot as he ran and sought cover. A month later, the victim saw Bey at an area shelter and called the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, which responded and detained him. Officers located a firearm in Bey's pocket that matched shell casings left at the scene of the crime.

The case was investigated by Jacksonville Sheriff's Office and is being prosecuted by Assistant State Attorneys Trey Atkinson and Tom Mangan.