

Wilmington Man Indicted for 2008 Murder

Work on "cold case" leads to charges

Attorney General Matt Denn announced today that a New Castle County Grand Jury has handed down an indictment against Rydell Mills, 23, of Wilmington on charges of first degree murder and other firearms charges. The indictment comes over seven years after the date of the alleged murder.

Mills is charged with the shooting death of 26-year-old Jerome "Boomer" Green on February 3, 2008. Green was walking along the 300 block of East 23rd Street with his 9-year-old daughter when he was shot and killed.

The indictment comes as a result of regular cold case reviews initiated by the Department of Justice's Homicide Unit, and the Wilmington Police Department. Detective Michael Gifford, Detective Robert Partlow, and Sergeant Gary Tabor of the Wilmington Police Department were the lead investigators in the case, and Deputy Attorneys General Mark Denney and Ipek Medford, and paralegal Jaime Prater headed the investigation for the Department of Justice.

"We do not give up on unsolved cases," said Attorney General Denn. "We will do anything in our power to bring some comfort and closure to the families of victims, and bring those responsible for crimes to justice. We appreciate the cooperation of the Wilmington Police in helping us bring these charges and our partnership in working together to solve cold cases."

Mills is currently serving a two year prison sentence for dealing heroin, violation of probation, and conspiracy to commit criminal racketeering. In addition to first degree murder, he was also indicted today on two counts of possession

of a firearm during the commission of a felony, possession of a firearm by a person prohibited, and reckless endangering, all arising from the February 3, 2008 incident.