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Two sentenced in shooting of drug dealer

DEFENDANTS PLANNED ROBBERY UNDER THE RUDE OF A DRUG DEAL IN THE CITY

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Two men who orchestrated an incident in which a suspected drug dealer was shot earlier this year have both been ordered to serve well over a decade in prison.

The shooting occurred the afternoon of May 3 in a parking lot at Eagle Village near the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg.

D'Andre V. Caleb–Hill, 20, and Trevor J. Stevick, 19, had gone to the shopping center that day for a drug transaction that Stevick had arranged.

But according to the evidence presented by prosecutor Travis Bird, the pair never intended to buy drugs but instead planned to rob the drug dealer.

The plan went astray when William R. Angley, 49, the suspected dealer, resisted the robbery effort.

Angley was shot in the chest after he got out of his van with a knife and sliced a tire on Caleb–Hill's vehicle.

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Angley, who is currently a fugitive himself, survived the shooting but still has a bullet lodged in his chest.

Caleb–Hill, the shooter, was ordered by Judge Gordon Willis Friday to serve 15 years in prison with the remainder of a 33-year sentence suspended.

In a separate hearing, Stevick was given 12 years to serve with the remainder of a 23-year sentence suspended.

Both men previously pleaded guilty to charges of malicious wounding, attempted robbery and multiple firearms charges.

Bird said Stevick arranged a drug deal through an associate, Austin Baxter. The drug deal was a guise for a planned robbery, he said.

Baxter, 19, was with Angley in Eagle Village when Caleb–Hill walked up to the van, displayed a gun and demanded money and drugs.

Angley refused and was shot after he got out of his vehicle and sliced the tire, according to the evidence.

After shooting Angley, Caleb–Hill sped out of the parking lot on a flat tire, striking another vehicle as he left, and ended up in the Taco Bell lot just north on U.S. 1.

Stevick took the gun and buried it in Olde Forge in Stafford. He later took police to the gun.

Angley told Detective Betsy Mason he was at the shopping center to discuss the sale of a vehicle when two robbers showed up unannounced and demanded money.

Mason said Friday that was one of many lies she had to sort through before learning what had really happened.

Angley has been on the run for months and is wanted on drug and other charges in Spotsylvania and Stafford.

He still managed to send a letter to the city commonwealth's attorney's office in which he requested restitution for his medical bills.

Bird declined to make a request on his behalf.

A number of family members and friends appeared in court to support Stevick. All of them described him as loving and caring and said they were shocked by his involvement in the crime.

His attorney, Emily Gold, asked for leniency, noting that he had no violent history.

Stuart Sullivan, Caleb– Hill's attorney, also sought mercy from Judge Willis. He said his client is sorry for what happened.

Bird agreed that Angley is not the most sympathetic of victims, but said that doesn't make it OK to shoot him.

“Nowhere in the code do I find a drug dealer exception,” Bird said.

Bird also scoffed at Sullivan’s attempt to have Caleb–Hill’s sentences for his two firearms convictions run concurrently.

“There is no multi-crime discount,” he said.

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