

A photograph of the Montgomery County Court House at sunset. The building is a large, classical-style structure with a prominent dome and a portico supported by tall columns. The warm light of the setting sun illuminates the building's facade, creating a golden glow. The sky is a clear, deep blue. In the foreground, there is a green lawn and some bare trees and shrubs.

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
KEVIN R. STEELE

Our Oath

“I do solemnly swear that I will support, obey, and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will enforce the laws of the Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity. I do further swear that I will uphold, obey, and enforce the law without consideration to a person’s race, color, sex, religious creed, sexual orientation, age, national origin, ancestry, handicap or disability.”

All prosecutors and detectives in the District Attorney’s Office and the Montgomery County Detective Bureau live this oath and take great pride in upholding this promise to the community. We seek justice and are committed to serving and protecting ALL residents and treating each person with the fairness and respect they deserve.



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LETTER FROM THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Dear Montgomery County Residents,

In recent years, smoke shops have proliferated across Montgomery County—seemingly popping up everywhere — since the passage of the federal Farm Bill in 2018, which legalized hemp on the federal level. In fact, Montgomery County has more smoke shops than schools! While the bill was aimed at supporting farmers and opening new markets, retailers and distributors exploited the law to sell a variety of intoxicating hemp products, often disregarding legality and safety.

As issues related to smoke shops began to rise, the Montgomery County Grand Jury undertook a 10-month investigation into smoke shops, hearing testimony from dozens of witnesses including physicians, psychiatrists and toxicologists; smoke shop owners and employees; numerous narcotics enforcement officers from Montgomery, Bucks and Chester Counties; and a school safety officer.

The resulting Grand Jury report: “Unregulated, Unsafe, and Illegal — The Reality of Smoke Shops in Pennsylvania,” starkly revealed the pressing public safety issues presented by unregulated smoke shops in Pennsylvania. (See story page 10 and 11). Key findings included that many smoke shops were selling illegal marijuana disguised as hemp. Testing on products purchased by undercover detectives found that more than 93 percent were straight up marijuana. Another key finding was that there was no regulation regarding age to purchase products in smoke shops and subsequently, smoke shops were selling edibles, loose flower and other intoxicating products to children, endangering their welfare.

There were other significant findings as well as recommendations for reform and oversight. The full report can be found on the DA Office’s website. Rest assured that we have been urging legislators to pass needed reform, while our detectives continue to monitor smoke shop products to make sure they are legal. Since the Grand Jury Report was issued, the federal government passed a law closing the unintended intoxicating hemp loophole.

In other initiatives, we continue our efforts regarding gun violence. From sounding the alarm about machine gun conversion devices that turn a handgun into a fully automatic machine gun (see page 14) to investigating and prosecuting gun traffickers, we are working to keep illegal and dangerous firearms off the streets and out of the hands of criminals.

These are just a couple of the many initiatives being undertaken by the Montgomery County District Attorney’s Office, Montgomery County Detective Bureau and the entire law enforcement community. There are many others, which you can read about in the pages of this annual report.

I am proud of my team of detectives, prosecutors and staff who work with our entire law enforcement community to keep Montgomery County safe. Thank you for your continued support of our office and our efforts. I remain honored to serve as your district attorney.



LEADERSHIP

District Attorney Kevin R. Steele

Kevin Steele has served as the District Attorney of Montgomery County since 2016 and is responsible for public safety in the county. As the county's chief law enforcement officer, he oversees a team of more than 175 prosecutors, detectives and staff, who work together with Montgomery County's 50 police departments and other local, state and federal partners to investigate crime and promote public safety.

A true prosecutor, Steele thrives on seeking justice by trying cases. In addition to his many responsibilities as District Attorney, he continues to personally prosecute cases. In the last several years, Steele has prosecuted a number of domestic violence/relationship violence homicides, including Michael Dutkiewicz, who murdered his girlfriend, Alyssa Wiest; Julie Jean, a spurned woman, who hired Zakkee Alhakim to kill her former paramour's girlfriend, Rachel King; and Rafiq Thompson, who shot his former girlfriend to death in a King of Prussia gas station; and others. Steele also prosecuted serious cases where police and firefighters were victims: William Cicolli Jr. (2025), who shot and seriously injured a Pottstown Police Officer; and Jacquelyn Walker, a Third-Degree Murder/Aggravated Assault where a firefighter was killed and first responders were injured. These are just a handful of the thousands of cases Steele has successfully prosecuted in his more than 30 years as a prosecutor. Steele was recognized

in 2019 for his trial advocacy skills by being inducted into the prestigious American College of Trial Lawyers.

Steele is also committed to community service. He is a past president of the Pennsylvania District Attorneys Association (PDAA) and currently serves as Legislative Chair. He served as the President of the Pennsylvania District Attorney's Institute; is on the executive board of the National District Attorneys Association, serves on the Legislative Committee and chairs the Communications Committee; is a member of the Association of Prosecuting Attorneys' Major County Council; and serves on the Prosecutors' Center for Excellence's National Best Practices Committee.

Closer to home, Steele is a board member of the Mission Kids Child Advocacy Center, a board member of the Montgomery County Child Advocacy Project and Vice President of Penn Wynne—Overbrook Hills Fire Company. He has served as the Executive Board Chair of the Liberty Mid-Atlantic High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) and continues as a HIDTA board member. A longtime Penn State alumni volunteer, Steele served on the Penn State Board of Trustees (2017–2019) and as Penn State Alumni Association President (2015–2017).

Additionally, Steele is committed to teaching young prosecutors through the Pennsylvania District Attorneys Institute and is a strong and vocal advocate for victims.

First Assistant District Attorney Edward F. McCann Jr.

Ed McCann has served as the First Assistant District Attorney since 2016, supervising the legal staff, overseeing all homicide investigations and personally prosecuting some of the toughest cases.

In 2025, McCann prosecuted the home invasion homicide case that left 25-year-old Andrew Gaudio dead and paralyzed his mother when burglars mistakenly broke into their home in Lower Merion Township. He obtained First-Degree Murder convictions of Charles Fulforth and Kelvin Roberts Jr., as well as a conviction for Second-Degree Murder for their co-defendant Jeremy Fuentes.

Other murder prosecutions by McCann include the First-Degree Murder case of *Commonwealth v. Blair Watts*—a case that riveted the county when victim Jennifer Brown, Watts' business partner, went missing in January 2023.



McCann also prosecuted the case of *Commonwealth v. Everett Clayton and Patrick Doran*, both of whom were responsible for the tragic death of beloved teacher Kellie Adams and her unborn baby, Emersyn Grace. Other notable cases McCann prosecuted have often involved murders of children, including cases against defendants Austin Stevens, Marquis Thomas, Lisa Smith and Kief King. McCann also handled the prosecution of MCCF prison guards, who assaulted a prisoner and covered it up, as well as the prosecution of numerous rival gang members in 2016, who were terrorizing Pottstown.

Previously, McCann spent 26 years in the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, serving as the First Assistant from 2011–2015. He prosecuted many noteworthy cases in Philadelphia, none more so than the Grand Jury

Investigation into the death of Danieal Kelly, a 14-year-old girl who died horribly neglected at home while supposedly being monitored by the City's Department of Human Services. McCann obtained convictions of all nine defendants.

McCann was named Montgomery Bar Association's 2025 Trial Lawyer of the Year (with Deputy District Attorney Brianna Ringwood) and was honored with the National District Attorneys Association's Distinguished Prosecutor Award in 2024.

McCann is active in community service and supports children's causes. He sits on the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Legal Advisory Board on Child Abuse, which reviews cases of child abuse and neglect, and is on the Mission Kids Management Team.

DETECTIVE BUREAU LEADERSHIP

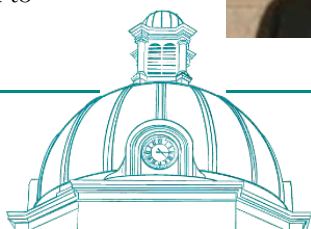


Chief Mark A. Bernstiel

Mark A. Bernstiel has been the Chief County Detective since 2021, commanding a staff of 48 detectives, 16 investigators and analysts and three support staff. Bernstiel's appointment as Chief was the culmination of a 40-year career with the Montgomery County Detective Bureau. He joined the Detective Bureau in 1985 as a Crime Scene Investigator, then graduated from the police academy and was made county detective in 1987. In 2000, he was promoted to Lieutenant of the bureau's Special Investigations Unit, investigating public corruption, fraud and gang violence. In 2014, Bernstiel became Deputy Chief, serving as the commanding officer of the Detective Bureau's operational activities and its Chief of Staff, until his appointment as Chief.

Deputy Chief Thomas Nolan

Thomas Nolan was appointed as Deputy Chief Detective on Sept. 19, 2025. Nolan joined the Montgomery County Detective Bureau on Aug. 12, 2024, after retiring from the Upper Merion Township Police Department, where he spent 39 years—the last 12 as Chief of Police—and serving as the Director of Public Safety since 2018. He also served as the Montgomery County Central SWAT Commander since 2001. With County Detectives, Nolan established the newly created Threat Assessment Management Unit, tasked with investigating threats against schools, places of worship, public officials and other potential targets, before being promoted to Deputy Chief.



LEGAL TEAMS

District Attorney Kevin R. Steele
First Assistant District Attorney Edward F. McCann Jr.
Chief of Staff Adrienne D. Jappe



DIVERSION & PRETRIALS DIVISION

Deputy District Attorney Kelly S. Lloyd

The Diversion & PreTrials Division handles arraignments, preliminary hearings, probation violations and other miscellaneous matters. The Division also includes diversionary programs, including ARD and Treatment Courts.

APPELLATE DIVISION

Deputy District Attorney Tonya Lupinacci

The Appellate Division oversees all criminal appeals in both state and federal courts. Attorneys prepare briefs as well as present oral arguments.

JUVENILE DIVISION

Deputy District Attorney Yasmine Rosario Finnegan

The Juvenile Division prosecutes crimes committed by juveniles in Montgomery County. The Division also encompasses the diversionary program, the Youth Aid Panel (YAP) Program.

TRIALS DIVISION

Deputy District Attorney Thomas W. McGoldrick

The Trials Division handles all adult criminal cases, typically between 6,500 to 8,500 less those cases handled through diversionary programs. Assistant District Attorneys are responsible for their cases from preliminary hearings through trial and sentencing.

TRIALS DIVISION UNITS

Economic Crimes Unit: works with detectives to investigate, then prosecute financial crimes, including fraud, embezzlement, elder financial exploitation and cybercrimes.

Environmental Crimes Team: handles all criminal offenses that have dire impacts on our environment.

Family Protection Unit: works with detectives to investigate, then prosecute crimes of child abuse, domestic violence, sexual assault, online exploitation of children and other crimes, while supporting victims throughout the process.

Firearms Unit: focuses on large-scale gun trafficking prosecutions involving the illegal purchase/sale of firearms, ghost guns and suppressors, as well as the illegal possession and use of firearms.

HIDTA Unit: handles significant drug trafficking and drug-related prosecutions.

Investigating Grand Jury: The Investigating GJ compels testimony and evidence in criminal matters, as well as hears testimony in complex criminal investigations.

Major Crimes Unit: focuses on prosecutions of violent non-fatal crimes, burglaries, robberies, organized retail crime and other serious crimes.

Narcotics Unit: prosecutes cases involving illegal controlled substances, including sophisticated drug-trafficking organizations, drug delivery and drug possession-related offenses.

Norristown Community Justice Unit: prosecutes criminal cases occurring in Norristown, working with Norristown Police and community partners, with an eye toward reducing crime.

Pottstown Community Justice Unit: prosecutes criminal cases occurring in Pottstown, working with Pottstown Police and community stakeholders to prevent crime and improve quality of life.





DETECTIVE UNITS

Chief Detective Mark A. Bernstiel

Deputy Chief Detective Thomas Nolan

FORENSIC SERVICES UNIT provides comprehensive forensic and investigative support to county investigations and prosecutions including processing major crime scenes, ballistics analysis, tool mark examinations, forensic cellphone examinations, DNA and fingerprint analysis and other areas.

HOMICIDE UNIT investigates all homicides, fatal vehicle crashes and other death investigations in the county. Since 2016, the Montgomery County Homicide Unit has solved 169 of 178 homicides, for a homicide clearance rate of 96.6%, far above the national average of approx. 62%.

MAJOR CRIMES UNIT investigates all types of serious crimes: Organized Retail Theft, fraud/theft, assaults, burglaries and fugitive cases. The unit made a significant impact in 2025 in disrupting Organized Retail Theft activities and investigating and arresting a Columbian burglary ring.

NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT TEAM (NET) works to rid Montgomery County of illegal drugs by investigating large-scale drug trafficking operations, drug overdose deaths and other illegal activities related to narcotics. NET was instrumental in the Grand Jury investigation into Smoke Shops.

SPECIAL SERVICES UNIT provides specialized services to investigations and crime prevention such as analyzing electronic data, surveillance, audio and video forensics, intelligence data, and the like. Also processes and stores all evidence while awaiting trial.

SPECIAL VICTIMS UNIT investigates cases of sexual and physical child abuse and neglect, domestic violence, sex crimes, internet crimes against children and cases involving child sexual abuse materials.

THREAT ASSESSMENT MANAGEMENT UNIT (TAMU) identifies, investigates and works to prevent targeted violence especially against public officials, schools and places of worship.

TECHNOLOGY, RESEARCH AND ANALYTICAL CENTER (TRAC) efficiently gathers, analyzes and synthesizes raw data and information in order to provide useful, appropriate and timely information and analysis in support of county investigations and prosecutions.

VIOLENT CRIME UNIT works proactively to identify, disrupt and arrest the most violent offenders in Montgomery County, investigating gun trafficking organizations, firearms violations, aggravated assaults, gang activities and other violent crimes.





OUR COUNTY, OUR MISSION

One of the most beautiful, vibrant and liveable places in the Commonwealth, Montgomery County is the third largest county in Pennsylvania, with nearly 900,000 residents. The District Attorney's Office and the Montgomery County Detective Bureau, partnered with the county's 50 police departments and state and federal agencies, work hard to make sure that Montgomery County remains a vibrant place to live, work and enjoy.

The mission of the District Attorney's Office, led by District Attorney Kevin R. Steele, is to keep our communities safe, while seeking justice for crime victims. We are dedicated to:

- fairly and thoroughly investigating crime, following the evidence where it leads and to whomever it leads, and charging accordingly, without consideration of a person's race, color, sex, religious creed, sexual orientation, age, national origin, ancestry, handicap or disability;

- achieving justice for victims, while protecting their rights and the rights of defendants;
- providing second chances for non-violent juveniles and deserving adults charged with non-violent crimes;
- updating and educating residents, community leaders and others on public safety and criminal activity.

As District Attorney, DA Steele has taken a smart-on-crime, smart-on-reform approach, which balances prosecuting criminals and offering deserving non-violent offenders a second chance.

Now in his third term in office, DA Steele has continued to work to make smart improvements to the criminal justice system from within the system while maintaining the high level of performance that has made the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office an exemplar in the Commonwealth and beyond.



2025 BY THE NUMBERS

2025 Criminal Cases Docketed: **6,676**

Historical Five-Year Total Dispositions: **34,851**

2025: 6,535

2024: 7,636

2023: 8,020

2022: 8,211

***2021: 4,449**

Trials Division Dispositions: **6,535**

Trials to Verdict: **99**

****Overall Conviction Rate: 97.8%**

ARD Dispositions: **1,009**

ARD Community Service Hours: **30,489**

Probation/Parole Violations: **2,722**

Summary Appeals: **674**

Miscellaneous Court Matters Docketed: **4,214**

Indirect Criminal Contempt Hearings: **281**

Appeals Dispositions: **166 in favor of Commonwealth/1 for defendant**

PCRA Dispositions: **89 denied/4 granted by agreement**

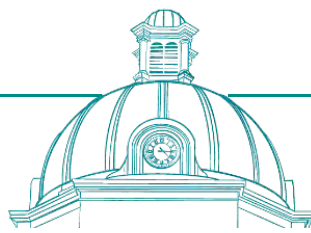
Federal Habeas Corpus Dispositions: **8 denied/1 granted**

Juvenile Adjudications: **465**

Total Juvenile Court Hearings: **2,757**

**COVID emergency order by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court closed the courts for part of the year.*

***The overall conviction rate consists of trial convictions, guilty pleas and Section 17s as a percentage of total dispositions less Rule 586/587 dismissals, ARD cases and cases Nol Prossed due to the defendant's death or due to the transfer of the prosecution and or due to diversion.*



INITIATIVES



Montgomery County Investigating Grand Jury Report: “Unregulated, Unsafe, and Illegal—The Reality of Smoke Shops in Pennsylvania”

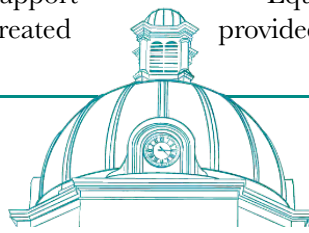
During 2025, a Montgomery County Investigating Grand Jury conducted a 10-month investigation into a rapidly growing and largely unregulated industry operating in communities across Pennsylvania: smoke shops. What the Grand Jury uncovered was not a series of isolated violations, but a widespread public safety crisis fueled by gaps in state and federal law, a lack of regulatory oversight of the shops and the products they sell, as well as the unregulated sale of dangerous products to children. The evidence uncovered by the Grand Jury investigation exposed a public health crisis that is unfolding in plain sight across Pennsylvania.

The proliferation of smoke shops began in earnest after passage of the 2018 Federal Farm Bill, which legalized hemp by removing cannabis containing less than 0.3 percent Delta-9 THC from the federal definition of marijuana. While these changes were intended to support farmers and expand legitimate markets, they also created

loopholes that bad actors quickly exploited. Retailers and distributors began selling products labeled as “hemp” that in reality bore little resemblance to what lawmakers intended to legalize at best and at worst, were straight up marijuana.

The Grand Jury’s investigation revealed how pervasive and dangerous this exploitation has become. Undercover narcotics detectives from Montgomery, Bucks, and Chester Counties, along with a Pennsylvania state trooper, testified about purchases made at smoke shops throughout Southeastern Pennsylvania. Of 144 products tested—primarily loose flower and THC vape products—135 were found to be full-strength marijuana, with THC levels of five percent or higher. In other words, more than 93 percent of the tested products were illegal under both Federal and Pennsylvania law.

Equally troubling was evidence that suppliers routinely provided falsified or “doctored” lab reports to give the





Law Enforcement photographs from the Montgomery County Investigating Grand Jury Report: “Unregulated, Unsafe, and Illegal—The Reality of Smoke Shops in Pennsylvania” show marketing efforts to appeal to young people. The Grand Jury concluded that everyone in the supply chain—from distributors to store owners to many employees—was aware they were selling illegal marijuana, despite labeling it as hemp. These products were being sold openly in smoke shops, gas stations and convenience stores across the county.

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Beyond illegality, the investigation exposed serious public health risks. Physicians, psychiatrists and toxicologists testified about the oftentimes severe psychological and physical effects associated with these products, including psychosis and symptoms that mirror serious mental illness. The danger was especially acute for children. The Grand Jury heard multiple accounts of minors requiring emergency medical care after consuming THC edibles or vape products. In one case, a 16-year-old student in Lower Providence Township suffered a severe reaction after ingesting a marijuana gummy and was transported to Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. In another incident, a 12-year-old student in Abington Township lost consciousness after unknowingly eating a marijuana-infused candy offered by a classmate. There were other case stories recounted to the Grand Jury where children—and even babies—ingested what looked like regular candy or snack treats but were really edibles containing high amounts of THC.

Adults, too, were harmed. Without accurate labeling or dosage information, consumers unknowingly ingested excessive amounts, leading to medical emergencies. The current lack of regulation has left individuals of all ages vulnerable.

After reviewing all testimony and evidence the Grand

Jury concluded that flaws in the law, combined with the absence of any real regulation, created a “Wild West” environment. There are no enforceable age restrictions. There are no consistent testing requirements. And labeling standards are virtually nonexistent.

The Grand Jury called for urgent legislative action to close these gaps: updating Pennsylvania law, establishing a minimum purchase age of 21, establishing an oversight board to regulate smoke shops (like what the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board does with alcohol) and requiring accredited laboratory testing with honest, transparent labeling, that includes reliable dosage information. Every day without reform leaves Pennsylvanians—especially children—at risk. This investigation made one thing unmistakably clear: unregulated smoke shops are a growing public health threat that require decisive action to protect our communities. After the Grand Jury Report was issued, the federal government passed a law that will effectively make “intoxicating hemp” illegal in November of 2026.

The full Grand Jury Report can be read here:



2025 Trial Lawyers of the Year

First Assistant Edward F. McCann Jr. and Deputy District Attorney Brianna Ringwood were honored as the 2025 James P. Fox Trial Lawyers of the Year, the highest honor awarded annually by the Montgomery Bar Association. The award, presented in December 2025, was not only for the body of work by these two experienced and successful prosecutors, but also for their prosecution of the home invasion homicide in Lower Merion Township that left 25-year-old Andrew Gaudio dead and his mother, Bernadette Gaudio paralyzed.

Defendants Charles Fulforth and Kelvin Roberts Jr., both tried for First-Degree Murder, and co-defendant Jeremy Fuentes, charged with Second-Degree Murder, had plotted to enter a home to steal firearms for their illegal gun trafficking business but confused the location and tragically entered the wrong home. Each defendant was found guilty of murder and other charges and sentenced to life in prison plus additional time for charges beyond murder. (See page 16 for the full story.)

“Brianna and Ed have prosecuted some of the most difficult, high-profile cases during their careers,” said DA Steele. “They are both great trial attorneys, and Montgomery County is fortunate to have them.”



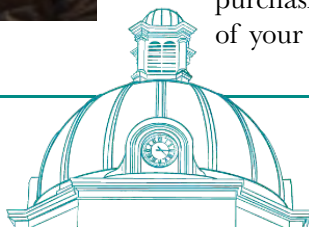
Buying a Gun for Someone Equals Time in Jail



Is a few hundred dollars worth years in jail? That’s the tradeoff someone makes when they buy a gun for someone who can’t walk into a gun store and buy that same weapon. It’s called straw purchasing, and it’s illegal and highly dangerous since it arms criminals and youths.

If someone makes multiple straw purchases, he or she will be facing very significant jail time under the Brad Fox Law, named for Plymouth Township Police Officer Brad Fox, who was killed when he chased a suspect onto the Schuylkill River Trail and was shot with a straw purchased firearm. The Brad Fox Law established a five-year mandatory jail sentence for each straw-purchased firearm after the first one.

“We take straw purchasing seriously. These straw purchases put firearms in the hands of criminals and youths, which is dangerous for the safety of our communities,” said DA Steele. “We have recovered straw purchased firearms after they’ve been used in all sorts of violent crimes, from murder to gang-related shootings to robberies. The danger is real, and so are the consequences. Making that little bit of money for straw purchasing a gun is not worth spending five or more years of your life behind bars.”





Deserving Second Chances: ARD & YAP

The Montgomery County District Attorney's Office believes that most individuals who commit non-violent, low-level crimes deserve a second chance, as long as they take accountability and work toward a better path forward. Two of the longest-running diversionary programs are the Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD) program for adults and the Youth Aid Panel (YAP) program for juveniles.

ARD is the oldest and largest diversionary program, which gives first-time, non-violent offenders the opportunity to earn a dismissal of their charges and avoid a permanent criminal record. Participants who successfully complete the program may later seek an expungement of the original offense, allowing them to move forward without the lasting impact of a criminal conviction.

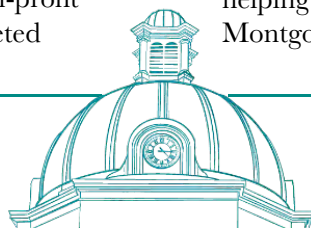
Individuals accepted into ARD are typically placed on probation, ordered to pay court costs, complete treatment/counseling (when appropriate) and perform community service. The most visible part of the program is the trash crews comprised of ARD participants earning community service hours, who perform weekly clean-ups throughout Montgomery County, particularly in Norristown and Pottstown. Participants also assist with special projects throughout the year that help non-profit organizations. In 2025, ARD participants completed

30,489 hours of community service with hundreds of pounds of trash collected.

For juvenile offenders, the Youth Aid Panel (YAP) program provides a similar second-chance opportunity. YAP is designed for juveniles who commit non-violent, low-level offenses such as retail theft, vandalism, trespassing, disorderly conduct and low-level drug possession. Instead of appearing before a juvenile court judge, eligible youths ages 10 to 18 meet with Youth Aid Panels, comprised of trained adult volunteers from their community, who help them understand the consequences of their actions. Participants are given educational and training assignments, assigned community service and sometimes ordered to pay restitution, all of which is designed to help juvenile offenders understand the impact of their behavior while giving them the opportunity to move forward without a juvenile record.

In 2025, 774 juveniles were enrolled in the program. Since the program began in 2000, more than 12,800 juveniles have successfully completed YAP and avoided records that could have affected their future employment opportunities, college admission or military service.

Together, ARD and YAP demonstrate that accountability and second chances can go hand in hand, helping individuals rebuild their futures while making Montgomery County's communities stronger.





Dangers of “The New Machine Guns”

Real machine guns like the ones seen in mobster movies have gotten a high-tech makeover and are back on the streets in 2025. Only now they are smaller, easier to carry and able to shoot faster thanks to a quarter-sized device, officially called a machine gun conversion device but known as a “switch.” A switch is easily installed on a semi-automatic firearm and it instantly transforms the handgun into a fully-automatic weapon that is faster and more deadly than the Tommy Gun of old. Switches are both cheap and easily accessible, either purchased online or increasingly, they are manufactured by gun traffickers using a 3D printer.

The machine gun conversion device is highly dangerous. With one pull of the trigger, the shooter can unleash an entire magazine of bullets in seconds—30 bullets in 2.0 seconds, faster than a Tommy Gun, which in a side-by-side comparison conducted by Montgomery County Detectives, only shot 20 bullets in the same time.

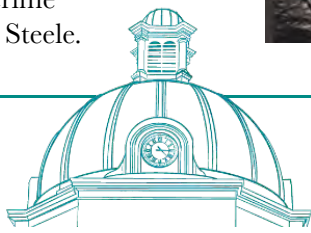
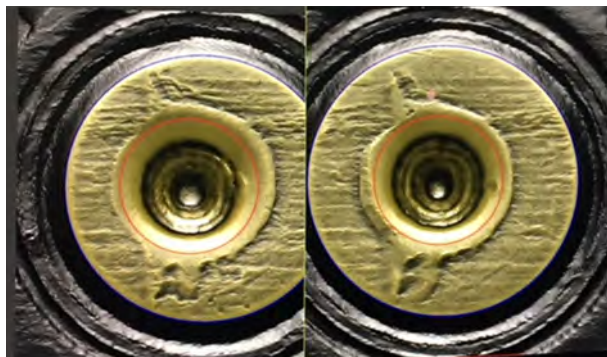
Worse, the rapid rate of fire causes the weapon to veer off target, putting bystanders at extreme risk.

Currently, possessing machine gun conversion devices that are not attached to a gun is legal in Pennsylvania, although they are illegal federally and in more than half of the states. Since the vast majority of gun crime prosecutions are done by district attorneys’ offices under state law, one of the Pennsylvania District Attorneys Association’s top priorities is to work with state legislators to ban the possession of machine gun conversion devices, giving prosecutors the tools they need to bring charges against the criminals using these dangerous devices.

“A law making machine gun conversion devices illegal is a tool prosecutors desperately need to keep our communities safe,” said District Attorney Steele. “No law-abiding gun owner needs or wants a switch on their firearm. It’s a device for criminals, and it needs to be outlawed in Pa.”

Discarded Evidence: Fired Cartridge Casings

It’s almost like leaving a fingerprint at the crime scene as the part of the bullet. For the last couple of years, our Detective Bureau has been comparing fired cartridge casings (FCCs) from gun crimes and seized guns to the National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN) database to see if the gun has been used in other violent crimes. This machine was touted as a “game changer” and it has been, aiding detectives in violent crimes cases, gun trafficking cases and in murder cases. “This is one more tool that we are using to fight crime and get violent criminals off the streets,” said DA Steele.



“Operation Clean Sweep”



Philadelphia has been at the epicenter for supplying dangerous drugs to drug dealers and to those who suffer from substance use disorder for far too long. The rise of fentanyl 10 years ago and xylazine more recently has made the problem worse. But this drug trafficking problem is not just a “Philadelphia problem,” but a problem for everyone in Southeastern Pennsylvania.

In the fall of 2025, law enforcement from across Southeastern Pennsylvania came together for “Operation

Clean Sweep.” The operation’s strategic objective was to bring together law enforcement resources from the Pennsylvania Attorney General’s Office; Bucks, Delaware and Montgomery county detective bureaus and local police departments; Pennsylvania State Police and Philadelphia Police to target the flow of illegal controlled substances from known drug trafficking areas in Philadelphia to the three collar counties by stopping and arresting individuals who were transporting drugs and engaged in criminal behavior. The Montgomery County Overdose Response Team also worked to encourage addicted individuals who were not trafficking quantities of drugs to get help.

During the operation, law enforcement conducted 327 traffic stops, seized illegal drugs with a street value of more than \$365,000, seized 12 illegal firearms (including one that was stolen), recovered a stolen vehicle out of Cheltenham Township and arrested more than 102 individuals, including several who were arrested on outstanding warrants. The majority of the arrests were for drug-related charges.

“Drug traffickers and addicted individuals don’t recognize geographic, county boundaries when they get fentanyl, cocaine and other illegal drugs and then transport them into the counties to sell or use,” said District Attorney Steele. “Law enforcement worked as one team on this operation to interrupt that flow of illegal drugs and hold those accountable for criminal behavior.”

The Fight to Reduce Overdose Deaths Goes On

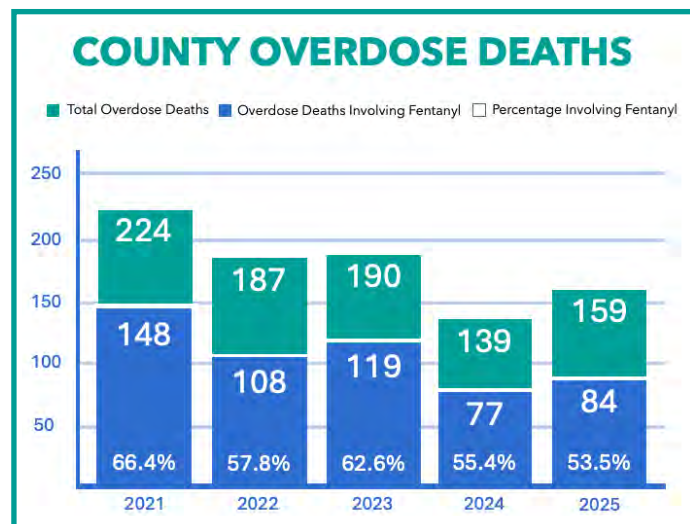
Sadly, more families lost loved ones to overdose death in 2025. After seeing a significant drop in overdose deaths in Montgomery County in 2024 when overdose deaths fell from 190 in 2023 to 139, 2025 saw a rebound of people dying from illegal drugs. One hundred and fifty-nine people died by overdose, leaving more families facing the tragedy of losing their loved one to substance use disorder.

“We will never let up on fighting illegal drugs that are killing our residents,” said DA Steele. “It’s about saving lives and keeping families whole.”

The illegal drug landscape is always changing. The Montgomery County Narcotics Enforcement Team reports that inexpensive fentanyl has overtaken the drug market, almost completely shutting down the availability of heroin. During 2025, 84 of the 159 overdose deaths involved fentanyl (53.5%).

Fentanyl has been joined in recent years by animal tranquilizers xylazine (since 2023) and medetomidine, more recently. Both are not opioids and do not respond to the lifesaving drug Narcan. Montgomery County is also

seeing a rise in cocaine and methamphetamine. The turn to meth by drug users might be driven by the desire to avoid the far-more-deadly fentanyl, but it is also due to the cheap meth coming from synthetic drug labs in Mexico.



HOMICIDE PROSECUTIONS



From left: Charles Fulforth, Kelvin Roberts Jr. and Jeremy Fuentes were all found guilty and sentenced to life in prison plus additional time for the Lower Merion home invasion murder of Andrew Gaudio and the shooting of his mother, Bernadette Gaudio.

Charles Fulforth, Kelvin Roberts Jr. & Jeremy Fuentes

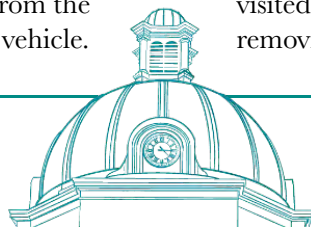
The trial of Charles Fulforth and Kelvin Roberts Jr., charged with murder, attempted murder and related crimes for the brutal Dec. 8, 2024, home invasion in the Wynnewood section of Lower Merion Township, began on July 21, 2025, by playing the 911 call by Bernadette Gaudio using the “Hey Siri” function on her phone. She told the operator “I’ve been shot” and that she couldn’t move. Bernadette also told them the location, that it was a home invasion and her son had also been shot. At times, Bernadette can be heard not answering the dispatcher’s questions, saying during her testimony that she thought the intruders were nearby and didn’t want them to know she was still alive.

Within seven minutes of that call, Lower Merion Township Police were in her bedroom. While en route, Police Ofc. Cory Wasson attempted to block a white Hyundai that was speeding away from the house. His vehicle’s dashcam captured a photo of the vehicle and image of Roberts driving—which was key in identifying Fulforth. Ofc. Wasson saw a Jeep speeding away from the house, which was Fulforth fleeing in the Gaudio’s vehicle.

Once inside the house, police found 25-year-old Andrew Gaudio dead on the bedroom floor and Bernadette in bed, bleeding heavily and losing consciousness. Officers realized Bernadette didn’t have time to wait for an ambulance, so they scooped her up and sped to nearby Lankenau Medical Center. Thanks to the officers’ quick response and the medical team at Lankenau, Bernadette survived the shooting.

It was a dramatic opening to the trial before the Honorable Risa Vetri Ferman. Four days later, the jury found Fulforth and Roberts guilty of First-Degree Murder, Attempted Murder, Burglary, Robbery and Conspiracy.

The investigation into the home invasion homicide by Montgomery County Detectives and Lower Merion Police found that the men arrived at the Gaudio’s home that night to steal a cache of firearms. They were sent to the home by Jeremy Fuentes, an employee of Junkluggers junk removal business with Fulforth and Roberts. But the three men also worked together trafficking illegal firearms. Fuentes had visited a Bucks County home to provide a quote for removing furniture and other items when he saw and took





The defendants entered the Gaudio residence through the kitchen window, leaving a hammer and zip ties on the counter. Right: the large gun safe Fuentes spotted in a Bucks County residence while conducting a Junkluggers' estimate.

photos of a 1,000-pound gun safe, a second gun safe, additional guns boxes and gun paraphernalia.

After seeing all of the firearms in the home of an elderly couple, cellphone evidence presented at both trials showed that Fuentes had texted a photo of the large gun safe seen inside the house at 9 Meredith Drive in Holland, Pa., in Bucks County to Fulforth. After the two men met in person to exchange information, Fulforth asked Fuentes in a text: "Bro, that house is right off City Line" and Fuentes texted back "yea." Instead of the Bucks County home, Fulforth and Roberts arrived at 9 Meredith Road, the Gaudio's home. They broke in through a kitchen window around 2 a.m., carrying zip ties, burglary tools and handguns and, in Fulforth's case, wearing a ballistic vest. On the second floor, the two men found Bernadette asleep in her bed, and one of them shot her in the neck.

Hearing the gunshot, Andrew ran to his mother's bedroom. Ballistic and autopsy evidence showed that Andrew was shot twice in the hallway with an 9mm firearm that was never recovered, then shot three times with a .25-caliber firearm, with the final shot to his head while he was lying face down on the carpet in his mother's bedroom. Evidence proved Fuentes provided Fulforth with the firearm used to execute Andrew.

In September, Fuentes went to trial on charges of Second-Degree Murder for his role in setting up the home invasion turned murder. Under the law, Fuentes was responsible for what happened in the Gaudio's house, even though he was not present. First Assistant District

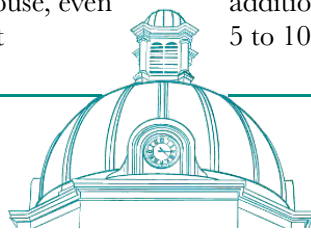
Attorney Ed McCann Jr., who prosecuted the murders with Deputy District Attorney Brianna Ringwood, told the jury, "He doesn't get to wash the blood off his hands." The jury took just 90 minutes to find Fuentes guilty of Second-Degree Murder and other charges.

A week later on Sept. 25, 2025, all three defendants were back in the courtroom for their sentencing. Bernadette Gaudio, her oldest son Robert Gaudio and his fiancé Valerie testified about Andrew's kind and caring nature and the impact that night had on their family—a night that began celebrating Robert's 30th birthday. Bernadette also talked about her active life before—she had recently hiked the Appalachian Trail—the shooting left her a quadriplegic. "They say I will never feel a hug again or hold my future grandchildren."

Before issuing the sentences, Judge Ferman noted that Fulforth and Roberts could have left after breaking into the wrong address that held no guns, saying: "You attempted to kill a woman sleeping in her bed. She was no threat...it was cold-blooded and evil. And still you could have stopped there, but you didn't. You killed an unarmed man who ran to help his mother."

Judge Ferman sentenced Fulforth to life, plus 60 to 120 years in prison; Roberts to life in prison plus 55½ to 110 years; and Fuentes to life in prison plus 4 to 20 years.

A few months later, each defendant pled guilty to charges related to gun trafficking and were sentenced to additional time in prison: Fulforth, 15 to 30 years; Roberts, 5 to 10 years; and Fuentes, 6 to 14 years.





Ring camera video showed Dutkiewicz chase the victim from her townhouse, and the audio captured the fatal gunshots.

Michael Dutkiewicz

Just before midnight on Friday, May 17, 2025, Alyssa Wiest and boyfriend, Michael Dutkiewicz, returned to her home in West Conshohocken, after meeting friends in Ambler. Less than 25 minutes later, 25-year-old Wiest is seen on her ring camera walking out the front door, rolling Dutkiewicz's suitcase as he follows her, asking if he could get the rest of his stuff from inside her house.

Instead of gathering his belongings and accepting that their relationship was over, Dutkiewicz retrieved Wiest's revolver from the TV stand in the living room and Googled, "how to load and shoot a revolver," then watched a YouTube video to learn "How to use a revolver." Minutes later, Dutkiewicz marched into Wiest's bedroom with the gun. She fled, and he fired the gun at her. The first shot missed, but he fired again, hitting Wiest in the shoulder as she ran down the stairs.

Wiest's ring camera captured her running out the front door, screaming a blood-curdling scream. Dutkiewicz is seen bursting out the front door, cutting across the lawn and shooting Wiest twice in the back—one of those bullets entered her spinal cord and her heart and paralyzed Wiest, who dropped to the sidewalk. Dutkiewicz stood over her and fired again.

Neighbors heard Wiest's scream and the gunshots. One neighbor called 911, while another saw Dutkiewicz flee in his Ford F-150 truck. West Conshohocken Police arrived within a minute and found Wiest deceased.

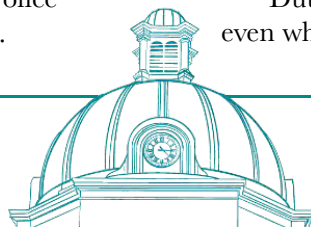
At 12:25 a.m., Dutkiewicz's truck was captured by a license plate reader at Front and Fayette Streets in Conshohocken, then at multiple locations as he drove across Montgomery County and ultimately to his parents' vacation home in North Wildwood, N.J., where the porch video surveillance showed him calmly waiting after ringing the doorbell at 2:17 a.m.

Ten hours later, Dutkiewicz turned himself in to West Conshohocken Police. Montgomery County Detectives recovered the .38 caliber revolver—with all five fired cartridge casings inside—hidden in a toolbox inside the North Wildwood garage.

A jury trial began on Oct. 14, 2025. During 2½ days of testimony, District Attorney Kevin Steele and Assistant District Attorney Yasmine Finnegan presented evidence that showed that Dutkiewicz planned and carried out the murder of Wiest without hesitation or emotion. At every step during the 25 minutes between arriving at her home and firing the final shot, Dutkiewicz could have stopped, but he did not. As Steele said in his closing, "He hunted her as she screamed and ran for her life."

It took the jury 30 minutes to find Dutkiewicz guilty of First-Degree Murder and Possessing an Instrument of Crime. The Honorable Wendy G. Rothstein sentenced Dutkiewicz to life in prison.

Dutkiewicz showed no emotion throughout the trial, even while watching the video of him killing Wiest.





Defendant Aaron Deshong, photographed by law enforcement after his arrest; police recovered the murder weapon, a six-shot revolver which Deshong had fired multiple times, killing his brother and his mother.

Aaron Deshong

A call came into the FBI Threat Assessment Center at approximately 5 p.m. on Sept. 24, 2023, from a man, who identified himself as Aaron Deshong, and said he had hurt his family members. He told the FBI operator that he had been living on the edge since his father's death in 2021. The operator asked the caller if his mother and brother were still alive, to which Aaron kept answering, "That's a good question." The FBI relayed this information to Pennsylvania State Police Skippack Barracks, and troopers were dispatched to the Deshong home in Perkiomen Township.

Before going inside, troopers tried to call the home's owner Wanda Deshong as well as her grown son Adam Deshong, but neither call was answered. Then troopers instructed Aaron Deshong, who was still on the phone with the FBI, to come outside, where they handcuffed him for safety. Inside, troopers found 74-year-old Wanda Deshong and 53-year-old Adam Deshong obviously deceased and lying in large pools of blood in the kitchen. Troopers swabbed the defendant's hands, which revealed the presence of gunshot residue.

Troopers conducted a search of the house and found a projectile in the kitchen and a door with a skeleton key lock that led to Aaron Deshong's living area in the basement. Troopers used the skeleton key to unlock the basement door where they found multiple firearms: a Smith & Wesson .38 caliber revolver, a Remington 1100 12 Gauge, a Remington 700 Bolt Action Rifle, a Topper Model 48

and a Carl Gustaf Stads 1918 Rifle. The revolver, which was used to kill both Aaron Deshong's mother and brother, had four spent rounds and two live rounds in the chamber. The firearms were found to have been legally purchased by Aaron Deshong.

Autopsies determined that Wanda Deshong had sustained a gunshot wound to her right hand and died of a gunshot wound to the head, indicating that she had put her hand up to shield herself as she was being shot. Adam Deshong died of multiple gunshot wounds, including a gunshot wound to the back of the head, and the coroner found stippling on Adam Deshong's skin, indicating that he was shot at close range.

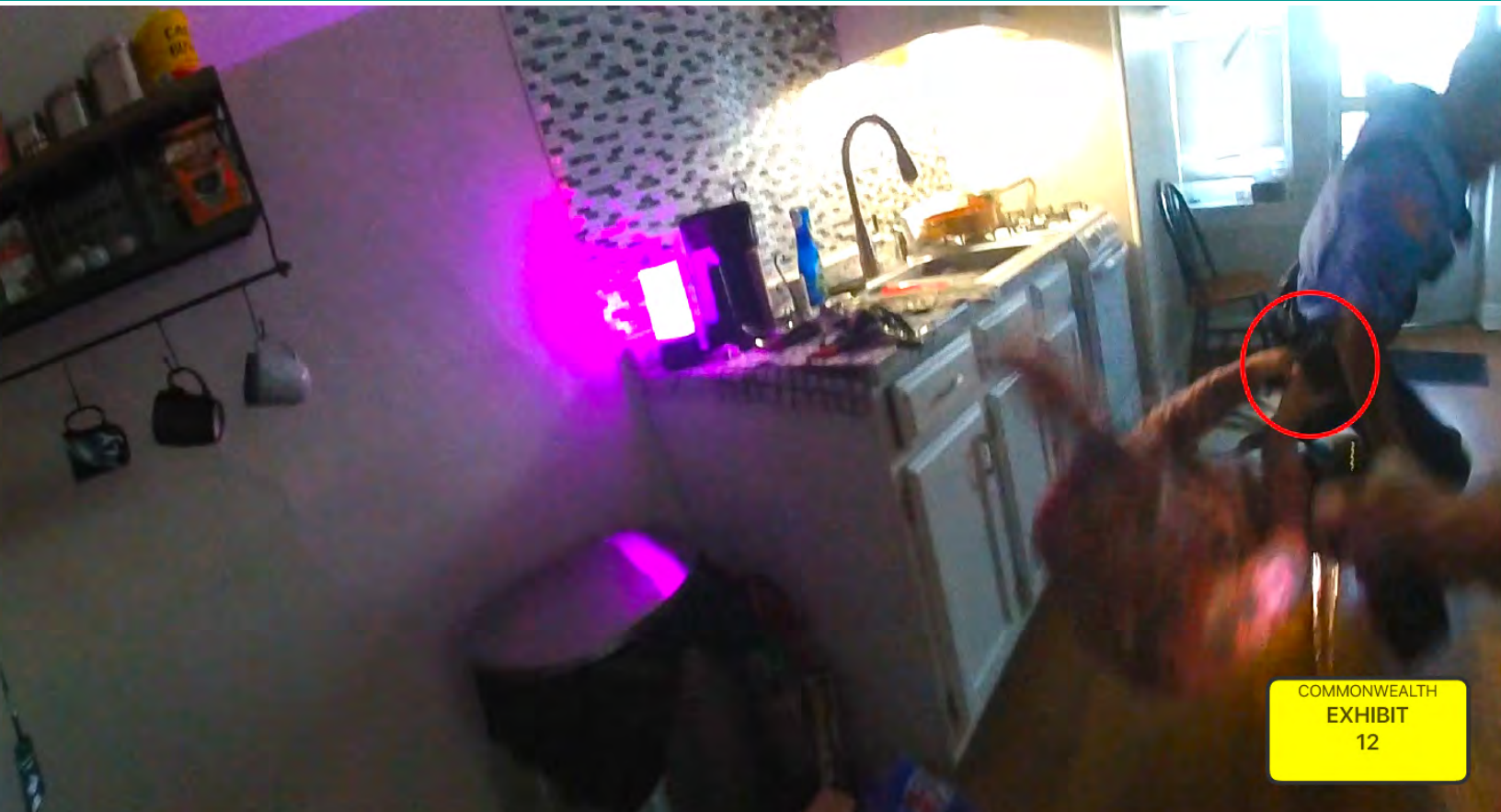
Aaron Deshong was arrested and charged with two counts of First-Degree Murder, two counts of Third-Degree Murder and Possessing an Instrument of Crime. A jury trial began on Dec. 15, 2024, before the Honorable William R. Carpenter.

During Deshong's three-day trial, the jury heard the defendant's 911 call: "It's not a good scene here. I've been trapped in this house with people who have not been polite to me. I do need you to send investigators here...because there's an issue here," Deshong calmly told the FBI agent.

It took the jury just two hours to find Aaron Deshong guilty of two counts of First-Degree Murder and Possessing an Instrument of Crime. Judge Carpenter immediately sentenced Deshong to the mandatory life in prison without the possibility of parole.



OTHER NOTABLE PROSECUTIONS



Bodycam video from responding law enforcement officers show Ciccoli reaching for Cpl. Fischer's holstered firearm.

William Ciccoli Jr.

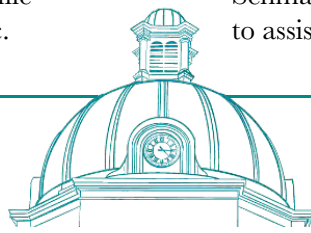
It began as a 911 call for a domestic dispute in progress. Pottstown Police Ofc. John Schmalbach and Cpl. Anthony Fischer responded at approximately 2:20 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 15, 2024, to a third-floor apartment in the 200 block of Chestnut Street. The two officers arrived and spoke with the 911 caller, William Ciccoli Jr., and his girlfriend separately. Ciccoli said he was hit by a golf club by his girlfriend, who also lived in the apartment, and he wanted her evicted and removed from the apartment.

The woman told a completely different story, saying Ciccoli had pushed her into a wall, injured her arm and broke her phone so it was inoperable. In the apartment, police observed broken glass and items that had fallen. Ofc. Schmalbach provided the woman with domestic violence information and advised the pair to separate.

Two hours later, another 911 call came in from Ciccoli. The two officers again arrived at the residence. While standing in the kitchen, Ciccoli repeatedly told Ofc.

Schmalbach that he wanted the woman out of the apartment, then said she attacked him, pointing to a scratch on his neck. Inside the apartment, Cpl. Fischer saw new damage since their first visit. Most notable was the bedroom door was now off its hinge. Cpl. Fischer spoke to the crying woman in the bedroom, who said Ciccoli threw her on the bed and strangled her as well as dragged her through the apartment, causing her to bump the side of her face on a kitchen cabinet. Cpl. Fischer observed red marks on her neck and an injury to the side of her face. The corporal returned to the kitchen and verbally reported the strangulation to Ofc. Schmalbach, who was still speaking with Ciccoli.

Ofc. Schmalbach also spoke to the female victim, then returned to the kitchen and began to put handcuffs on the defendant. Ciccoli fought him and took a swing at Ofc. Schmalbach, knocking off his glasses. Cpl. Fischer moved in to assist, and the defendant pushed him up against a kitchen





The jury found Ciccoli guilty of Assault of a Law Enforcement Officer-Firearm Discharged, which carries a mandatory sentence of 20-to-40 years in prison, as well as Aggravated Assault-Causing SBI with Extreme Indifference and other related charges.

wall. As the struggle continued, Cpl. Fischer called out, “he’s trying to get my gun.” The defendant managed to get his hand into Cpl. Fischer’s holster and pulled the trigger, sending a bullet into the corporal’s femoral artery. Ofc. Schmalbach radioed, “shots fired, shots fired.”

Both officers activated their body worn cameras when responding to the domestic calls, which captured the struggle with the defendant and the shooting. On June 23, 2025, the first day of the trial before the Honorable Thomas M. DelRicci, the body cam videos of the Pottstown officers in the residence were shown numerous times—and the videos were slowed down to show Ciccoli reaching for Cpl. Fischer’s duty belt, dislodging his handcuffs and ultimately getting his hand on Cpl. Fischer’s police-issued firearm, then pulling the trigger.

Due to swift action by Cpl. Fischer, who managed to apply a tourniquet on his thigh, quick response by Pottstown Police and exceptional medical intervention at Reading Trauma Center, Cpl. Fischer survived and surgeons were able to save his leg.

Ciccoli was charged with multiple felonies related to Cpl. Fischer: Attempted Murder of a Law Enforcement Officer, Assault of a Law Enforcement Officer-Firearm Discharged, Aggravated Assault-Causing SBI to Designated Individuals, Aggravated Assault-Causing SBI with Extreme Indifference and Disarming a Law Enforcement Officer, as well as misdemeanor REAP. He was also charged with Strangulation and Simple Assault of the female victim.

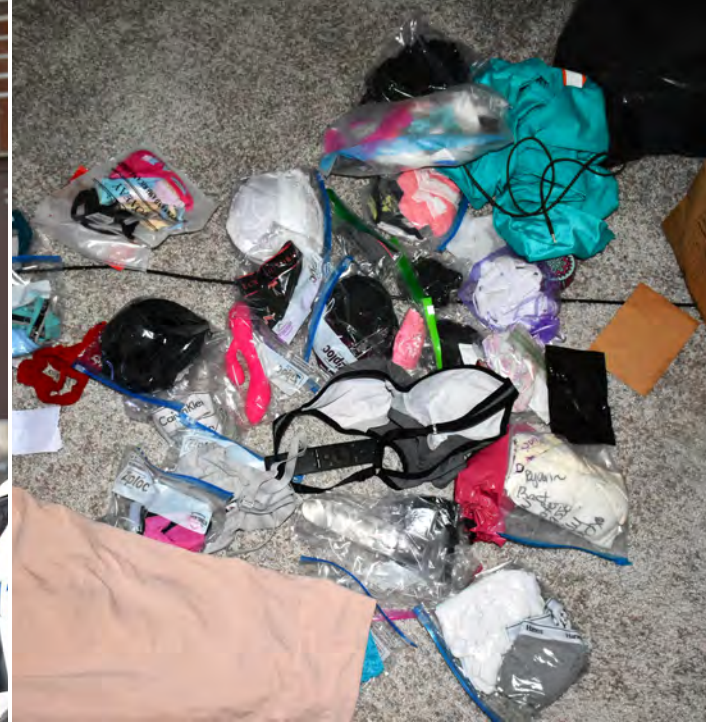
After two days of testimony in front of the Honorable Thomas M. DelRicci, the jury found Ciccoli guilty of Assault of a Law Enforcement Officer-Firearm Discharged (which carries a 20- to 40-year mandatory

prison sentence), Aggravated Assault-Causing SBI to Designated Individuals, Aggravated Assault-Causing SBI with Extreme Indifference, Disarming a Law Enforcement Officer and REAP, as well as Simple Assault for his actions against the female victim.

The sentencing hearing on Dec. 2, 2025, began with Cpl. Fischer testifying how grateful he was that “a lot of people got me to that hospital to help save my life. It’s a miracle I’m even able to walk today.” But Cpl. Fischer continued to say that he now lived in constant pain, can’t play basketball or run with his children and how his wife almost lost her husband. He ended by saying that he had to retire from being a police officer, a job that he loved. District Attorney Kevin Steele and Assistant District Attorney Gabrielle Hughes argued for a sentence beyond the mandatory 20 to 40 years to reflect the impact on Cpl. Fischer’s life and family, the impact on the Pottstown Police Department and the injuries to the woman Ciccoli had lived with.

Before sentencing Ciccoli, Judge DelRicci praised police. “We ask police officers every day to go out and keep us safe. I’ve had to sit through too many trials involving police officers doing nothing more than we asked them to do,” said the Judge. “Cpl. Fischer, you are a hero.... I wish you peace and hope your pain gets better. There is another path for someone who is so great.” Judge DelRicci then addressed the defendant. “I am shocked at your lack of remorse and the lack of accountability. We all saw the video. We saw what happened. And yet, you present it as ‘the gun went off.’... you have to be held accountable. Today is the day of that accountability.” Then Judge DelRicci sentenced the defendant to 22½ to 45 years in prison.





Upper Merion detectives take the defendant, Ryan Selleny, from the district court after the his preliminary hearing. This evidence photo shows stolen items Selleny collected from the victims' apartments, including underwear and sex toys.

Ryan Selleny

A woman returned to her Kingswood Apartment in King of Prussia on March 24, 2024, and noticed a USB charger plugged into an outlet in her bedroom. The charger did not belong to her or her girlfriend, and she immediately called 911. Upper Merion Township Police responded, and she told officers she believed the charger was a hidden camera.

Detectives forensically examined the USB-looking device and discovered it was a covert recording device. It contained video footage of the victim inside her apartment in various stages of undress, all captured without her knowledge. Another video showed the defendant inside the victim's apartment, lying on her bed and masturbating into a juice bottle, which he left behind in the apartment.

The victim told Upper Merion detectives that one of her neighbors, who introduced himself as "Ryan," had showed up at her apartment a few days prior to the victim discovering the recording device. He asked her out on a date, which she declined, and he stepped closer and pressed her for her phone number. She gave it to him to end the conversation, then immediately blocked his phone number.

Upper Merion detectives identified the man in the video as Ryan Selleny, who lived in the apartment complex. When detectives searched Selleny's apartment, they found other recording devices, digital storage devices and a camera identical to the charger/covert camera found in the victim's bedroom. A forensic review of the digital devices found numerous videos showing that Selleny repeatedly entered the victims' apartment between October 2023 and March 2024, burglarizing the residence while secretly

recording the victim. Additional videos showed that Selleny also targeted another apartment in the complex over several months, stealing personal items while filming himself there as well.

Many of the victims' personal items were found in Selleny's apartment, including underwear and sex toys, as well as a copied key to the victim's apartment. The two female residents of the reporting apartment told detectives they noticed underwear and other belongings disappearing every couple of weeks during February 2024.

One external hard drive seized by detectives held hundreds of recordings dating back to Selleny's college years in 2018–2019. Those files were voyeuristic videos of women taken in public and videos of Selleny masturbating in public.

On Nov. 22, 2024, Selleny pled guilty to numerous charges including Burglary, Indecent Assault of an Unaware Person, Invasion of Privacy, Interception of Communications, Theft by Unlawful Taking and Receiving Stolen Property.

On June 2, 2025, Selley was found to be a Sexually Violent Predator. At the following sentencing hearing, multiple victims described the lasting trauma they experienced. One victim said, "I had a right to feel safe in my own home. To this day, I still struggle with paranoia." Another victim shared that he "stole my peace of mind."

The Honorable Wendy G. Rothstein sentenced Selleny to 10 to 60 years in state prison. Selleny will be required to report to state police for life under Megan's Law.





Tylim Hatchett (left), a 21-year-old care dependent person who had cerebral palsy, was blind and non-verbal, weighed 59 pounds at the time of his death. His mother, Sherrilynn Hawkins pled guilty to Third -Degree Murder, Neglect of a Care Dependent Person and Theft By Deception and was sentenced to 25 to 50 years in state prison.

Sherrilynn Hawkins

On Sept. 18, 2024, Tylim Hatchett was found dead, severely emaciated, lying on the floor of his mother's apartment in the Residences at the Promenade in Upper Dublin. The 21-year-old was completely dependent on others for his daily care; Tylim had cerebral palsy and was blind, non-verbal and could not walk, eat, drink or take his needed medications without assistance. At the time of his death, the autopsy found that Tylim weighed just 59 pounds—31 pounds less than seven months prior at a doctor's visit—and concluded that neglect and malnutrition were direct factors in his death.

Tylim was found deceased after Upper Dublin Police responded to a 911 call placed by Tylim's father, Vernon Hatchett, who said he discovered his son at the apartment at around 6 p.m. Officers requested Tylim's mother, Sherrilynn Hawkins, to come back to the apartment so they could speak with her. More than two hours later she finally returned to speak with police.

Montgomery County Detectives and Upper Dublin Police launched a joint investigation into Tylim's death. The investigation found text messages between Hawkins and Hatchett that revealed a pattern of communication about their son's declining health. Despite repeated messages acknowledging his deterioration, they continued to leave him alone for long periods without food, water or necessary medication.

Cellphone data and timekeeping records revealed that during the 18 days leading up to his death—between Sept. 1 and Sept. 18, 2024—Tylim was left alone without

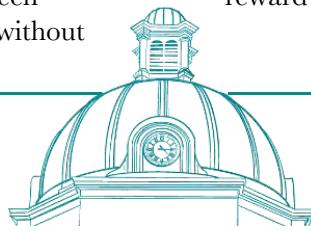
supervision for 356 of 425 total hours, or approximately 82% of that time. In some instances, he was unattended for up to 24 hours at a time.

Further investigation uncovered that Hawkins had arranged for a friend of hers to be added to the Aveanna payroll so both could profit. The two had agreed that the friend would receive a small portion of the paycheck, while Hawkins would keep the remainder. From February through September 2024, they submitted falsified time sheets and were compensated roughly \$49,000 for hours they did not work.

Due to the overwhelming evidence, Hawkins pled guilty on Oct. 20, 2025, to Third-Degree Murder, Neglect of a Care-Dependent Person, Theft by Deception and Conspiracy to Commit Theft by Deception. Hawkins was sentenced to a negotiated 25 to 50 years in state prison.

Following the sentencing hearing, First Assistant Edward F. McCann Jr., who prosecuted the case with Assistant District Attorney Allison Ruth, spoke to the media, saying, "Essentially, Tylim was left alone in that apartment to die. It's horrific," said McCann. "I think the defendant failed in the fundamentals of being a human being by allowing this to happen."

Tylim's father, Vernon Hatchett, was also charged with multiple felony counts in the death of his son. An arrest warrant was issued for him on Dec. 31, 2024, and as of press time, he has yet to be found by police. A \$7,500 reward is being offered by the District Attorney's Office.





Brian Groo was sentenced to 100 to 200 years in prison—one of the longest sentences in Montgomery County history—for sexually assaulting a 10-month-old baby. Groo filmed the assault and shared the CSAM online.

Brian Groo

The Honorable Wendy G. Rothstein handed down one of the longest sentences in Montgomery County history in October 2025 when she sentenced then-25-year-old Brian Groo to 100 to 200 years in state prison, plus three years probation. Groo had pled guilty to charges related to sexually assaulting a 10-month-old baby and filming the assault to create Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM), previously known as Child Pornography, which he then shared online in exchange for other CSAM. At the time of the offense, between September and October 2024, Groo was on probation for a 2021 conviction of possessing child pornography and, under a previous safety plan, was prohibited from having unsupervised contact with children.

In handing down the sentence, Judge Rothstein had harsh words for Groo. “Having served jail time did not stop you. Sex offender treatment did not stop you,” she said. “You escalated your conduct. You stepped up your game and started creating your own child pornography... additionally, you became a rapist.” The judge added that no conditions she could impose other than the 100-year sentence could ensure the public’s safety since children would be in danger if Groo were free with the potential to commit a third offense.

At the sentencing hearing, the mother of the infant that Groo had sexually abused confronted him in court. “As a mother, I am very angry. It’s like a hot knife going through my heart,” said the woman as she cried, adding that she trusted Groo.

The investigation began on Oct. 30, 2024, when Montgomery County Detectives received a cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

that CSAM videos had been uploaded and shared by an online user through a messaging platform. One of the videos depicted sexual abuse of a baby boy that appeared to be recently produced. Detectives feared there was an imminent risk of additional sexual abuse of the boy and quickly launched a full-scale investigation that involved Montgomery County detectives and Horsham Township Police, along with Horsham’s electronics dog K9 Mac.

Within hours, detectives linked online materials and email accounts to Groo and his Maple Avenue address in Horsham Township. Detectives served a search warrant at Groo’s residence, where Groo showed detectives what he called his “secret phone” hidden under a couch. Detectives found the application was installed on the cellphone as was an email address associated with the uploaded videos identified in the cybertip.

The investigation found that the sexual abuse in the CSAM video created by Groo involved an infant boy Groo had access to. Groo admitted that he made the video of his own accord, and that he sent the video to a female he met online in exchange for other CSAM.

“This was phenomenal police work. Numerous law enforcement officers worked to identify the child, to identify the perpetrator and to arrest this perpetrator that night...and the baby has been safe ever since,” said Assistant Chief of Trials Lauren Marvel.

Groo pled guilty on July 18, 2025, to dozens of charges including Rape of a Child, Involuntary Deviate Sexual Intercourse with a Child, Trafficking of Minors, Possession and Dissemination of Child Pornography, Endangering the Welfare of a Child and Corruption of a Minor.





While driving under the influence, Jabrial Terry caused this fatal head-on collision that resulted in the death of his girlfriend, Nya Janae Stokes, who was pregnant at the time of the crash. An emergency cesarian was performed, but the baby died five days later. The driver of the other vehicle sustained serious internal injuries as well as injuries to her legs.

Jabrial Terry

On May 4, 2024, at approximately 6 p.m., Whitemarsh Township Police were dispatched to a two-car crash on Skippack Pike with one person trapped in a vehicle. Officers arrived to find a gray 2009 Toyota Corolla and gold 2000 Buick LeSabre, both with severe front-end damage from a head-on collision. Inside the Buick, driven by Jabrial Terry, was 24-year-old Nya Janae Stokes, entrapped and seriously injured in the front passenger seat. She was nine months pregnant with Terry's baby.

Two good Samaritans stopped at the crash scene—one a physician and the other a physician assistant—and were taking turns performing CPR on Stokes to keep her baby alive. Stokes was extracted by the Whitemarsh Fire Department and transported to Abington Hospital, where an emergency cesarian was performed and her baby boy, named Selah, was delivered alive. Stokes was pronounced dead at 6:49 p.m. Sadly, the baby died five days later. The driver of the Toyota sustained serious internal injuries and injuries to her legs, and Terry had leg and facial injuries.

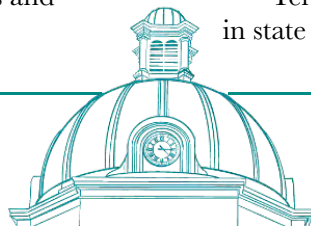
Inside the Buick, Whitemarsh Township Police found a clear sandwich bag and a medication bottle containing marijuana, as well as \$1,235 cash on the Buick's floorboard and \$1,709 cash on Terry's person. At the hospital, medical personnel discovered that Terry had hidden numerous pills in his groin area, including 39 Oxycodone, 45 Xanax and eight buprenorphine/naloxone pills. Testing on Terry's blood found fentanyl, oxycodone, Benzodiazepines and cannabinoids.

Through video and witness statements, the investigation by Whitemarsh Police and Montgomery County Detectives found that Terry's Buick was traveling eastbound on Skippack Pike at 50 mph in a 45-mph zone when his vehicle drove off the right side of the roadway into a concrete culvert drainage ditch, then overcorrected and abruptly swerved into the westbound lane, hitting the Toyota head on.

Terry was charged less than three weeks later with Homicide by Vehicle While DUI, HBV, Aggravated Assault by Vehicle, Aggravated Assault by Vehicle—DUI, REAP, DUI, Accidents Involving Death or Injury While Not Licensed, Fraudulent Title and Registration, and numerous other charges. By then Terry had fled. On June 25, 2024, U.S. Marshals arrested Terry in Philadelphia.

On the eve of his trial, on Feb. 3, 2025, Terry took responsibility for causing the fatal crash that took the life of Stokes and her baby by pleading guilty to charges of Homicide by Vehicle While DUI (oxycodone and marijuana), Aggravated Assault by Vehicle While DUI and DUI. Stokes' grief-stricken relatives tearfully confronted Terry in court, including Stoke's mother, Stacey Pinkney, who said: "I'm broken. I'm a broken woman who lost a child. My whole life has been turned upside down because of your careless actions. My soul aches every single day. You made me live this awful nightmare."

Terry was sentenced to the agreed upon 6 to 12 years in state prison.





Joseph Ford pled guilty to 74 counts of Deceptive Business Practices and one charge of bad checks, admitting that he defrauded 74 homeowners and one business in Montgomery, Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware and Philadelphia counties between 2020 and 2023. He was sentenced to 15 to 30 years in state prison and ordered to pay \$407,207 in restitution to the victims.

Joseph Ford

In August 2022, two residents reported Lower Providence Township Police that they were victims of a home improvement fraud involving Joseph Ford and his company, 1st Call Electric LLC. They told police that they provided deposits to Ford for contracted electrical work, but the work was never performed.

Lower Providence detectives quickly determined that there were numerous victims beyond their own township and that Ford's fraud and deceptive business practices dated back to December 2020. Beyond electrical work never performed, Ford took numerous full-amount deposits for backup home generators that were never delivered to homeowners, many of whom were elderly or in need of generators due to medical reasons.

The ensuing joint investigation by Montgomery County Detectives and Lower Providence Police found that a total of 74 homeowners and one business across 40 jurisdictions had been swindled by Ford. In January 2023, criminal charges were filed against Ford involving 64 victims but once the media covered his arrest, additional victims came forward and additional charges were filed. After his arrest, the courts released Ford on bail, and he fled to State College, Pa., where he became a partner in a successful cheesesteak shop.

In January 2025, the 55-year-old defendant pled guilty

to 74 counts of Deceptive Business Practices and one charge of bad checks, admitting that he defrauded the 74 homeowners and one business in six counties—Montgomery, Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware and Philadelphia—between 2020 and 2023. The amounts of the individual thefts ranged from \$1,419 to \$16,450; the total of Ford's economic scam was more than \$500,000.

In April 2025, Ford arrived at the sentencing hearing with a \$100,000 check—his first attempt to repay victims in over two years. At the hearing, numerous victims confronted Ford, recounting how they suffered emotional and financial distress due to his conduct and characterized him as a “dishonorable man.” One man told the Honorable Wendy G. Rothstein, “He’s a scourge on the community, and he ain’t going to change.” One woman told the judge she never got the \$7,500 generator she ordered and that she lived with constant fear for her safety in the event of a power outage. “The anxiety of knowing at any time we could have a storm...I just had constant fear,” the woman said. Another homeowner said, “Joe Ford had damaged my ability to trust. Joe Ford is a threat to society.”

Following victim impact testimony, Judge Rothstein sentenced Ford to 15 to 30 years in state prison and ordered him to pay a total of \$407,207 in restitution to the victims, many of whom were over 60 years old.





Seven Colombian nationals operating a sophisticated burglary ring that targeted Asian families that owned businesses in the Philadelphia area, pled guilty to felony corrupt organization charges. The group used tools and hidden cellphone cameras to surveil victims' residences.

Columbian Burglary Ring

Between July and December 2024, a group of Colombian nationals were operating a corrupt organization that targeted and burglarized homes of Asian-American business owners in Montgomery County and other counties in southeastern Pennsylvania. The investigation by the Montgomery County Detective Bureau and the Abington Township Police Department found that 10 defendants worked together to meticulously research their targets, then conducted surveillance of the targeted homes using sophisticated equipment for days in advance of the break-ins, like cellphone cameras used as makeshift surveillance cameras, hiding them in shrubbery or grass.

The investigation found that the burglars worked in teams of up to five men, each with specific assignments texted to them from the “Boss,” Rodger Pinilla Pardo, who coordinated from afar. During the robberies, the group would send in phony food delivery drivers to determine if the home was occupied. They used stolen license plates on their vehicles to avoid police detection and illegal Wi-Fi jammers. All totaled, the burglars netted more than \$300,000 in stolen cash, jewelry and luxury items, such as designer handbags. Stolen items were sold outright or were fenced in the NYC area, with all sales approved by Pardo.

In Montgomery County, the burglary groups targeted homes in Abington, Horsham Township, Lower Merion Township, and Towamencin Township as well as two homes in Chester County and individual homes in Berks, Lancaster, Cambria and Northampton counties.

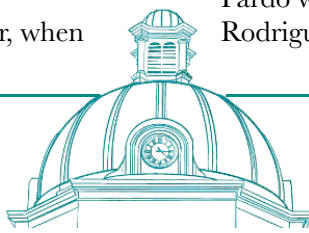
A break in the investigation came in December, when

a member of the burglary ring, Randall Aldana Cruz, was pulled over in Delaware County. Inside the BMW he was driving, detectives found two radios, a Wi-Fi jammer and burglary tools. Data from Aldana Cruz's cellphone showed he was on his way to target a home in Media, Pa., when he was taken into custody.

The group targeted Asian families that owned businesses in the region under the belief that they stockpiled cash in their homes. The group chose victims using publicly available tax-assessment data, identifying families that owned businesses in the Philadelphia area and would then track the families to their personal residences.

In addition to Pardo and Aldana Cruz, five other members of the 10 member group were arrested on burglary-related charges as well as felony corrupt organization charges. Arrested were: Juan Meneses-Munoz, Misael Angel Sanchez, Juan Manuel Guerrero Acosta, Nicolas Vargas Duran and Jibsam Gonzalez Rodriguez. Two defendants are believed to have returned to their home country, and the last defendant was arrested in another jurisdiction for similar crimes. The investigation also tied the group to burglaries in other states, including Kentucky and northern New Jersey.

Seven defendants pled guilty in Montgomery County court to corrupt organization charges, theft and related crimes, and were sentenced to prison, with five defendants receiving 4 to 10 years in state prison for the burglaries. Pardo was sentenced to 3.5 to 10 years and Gonzalez Rodriguez was sentenced to 2 to 4 years in prison.





Co-defendants Needling, Chaney and Bennett operated a gun trafficking organization in eight counties including Montgomery County. The organization manufactured ghost guns using a 3D printer and parts purchased online and also enhanced purchased firearms with 3D printed switches and silencers. Of the 31 store-manufactured guns illegally sold by the group, 17 were recovered by law enforcement.

Michael Needling, Keith Chaney, Desmond Bennett, et al

Pottstown Police were dispatched to Pottstown Hospital on Feb. 1, 2024, for a reported stabbing victim. The victim, James Hiller, told police that after an argument over a small amount of marijuana, he was stabbed in the area of North Charlotte Street and Walnut Street in Pottstown. However, through further conversation with Hiller, detectives learned that he was lying, and the stabbing actually occurred in Birdsboro in Berks County.

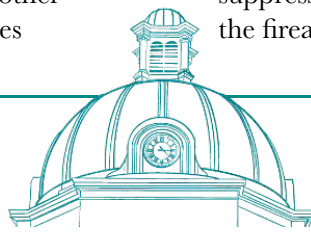
Law enforcement conducted a search of Hiller's phone and found conversations between Hiller and the unknown buyer discussing a firearms transfer, not a marijuana sale as Hiller previously told police. The phone download also placed another man, Keith Chaney, at the scene when Hiller was stabbed. This discovery led detectives to uncover a large, complex gun trafficking organization operating in eight counties: Montgomery, Berks, Bucks, Chester, Columbia, Lehigh, Wayne and Westmoreland.

Through cellphone downloads, reviewing firearms record of sales, surveillance videos, interviews and other investigative means, Montgomery County Detectives

determined that beyond Chaney and Hiller, the other members of this organization were Michael Needling, Desmond Bennett, Maleec Borders, Ryan Stoudt, Horace Keiffer, Nathaniel Arroyo and Lucas Groff. In total, the gun trafficking organization purchased 31 firearms, keeping some guns in their possession and selling the rest of the guns to individuals that could not legally possess firearms under the law, oftentimes due to prior convictions.

Using video surveillance, detectives also learned that the group utilized a storage unit out of Pottstown to house some of their illegal paraphernalia. Members of the group frequently visited and made gun transfers at the facility.

The organization also manufactured firearms, commonly called "ghost guns," using a 3D printer owned by Groff to print firearm "lowers" to which the defendants would add internet-purchased receivers and other parts needed to build the firearm. Groff also 3D-printed machine gun conversion devices, known as "switches" and suppressors, commonly called silencers, in order to enhance the firearms and sell them for a higher profit.



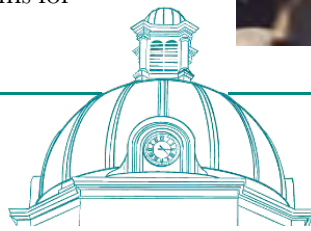
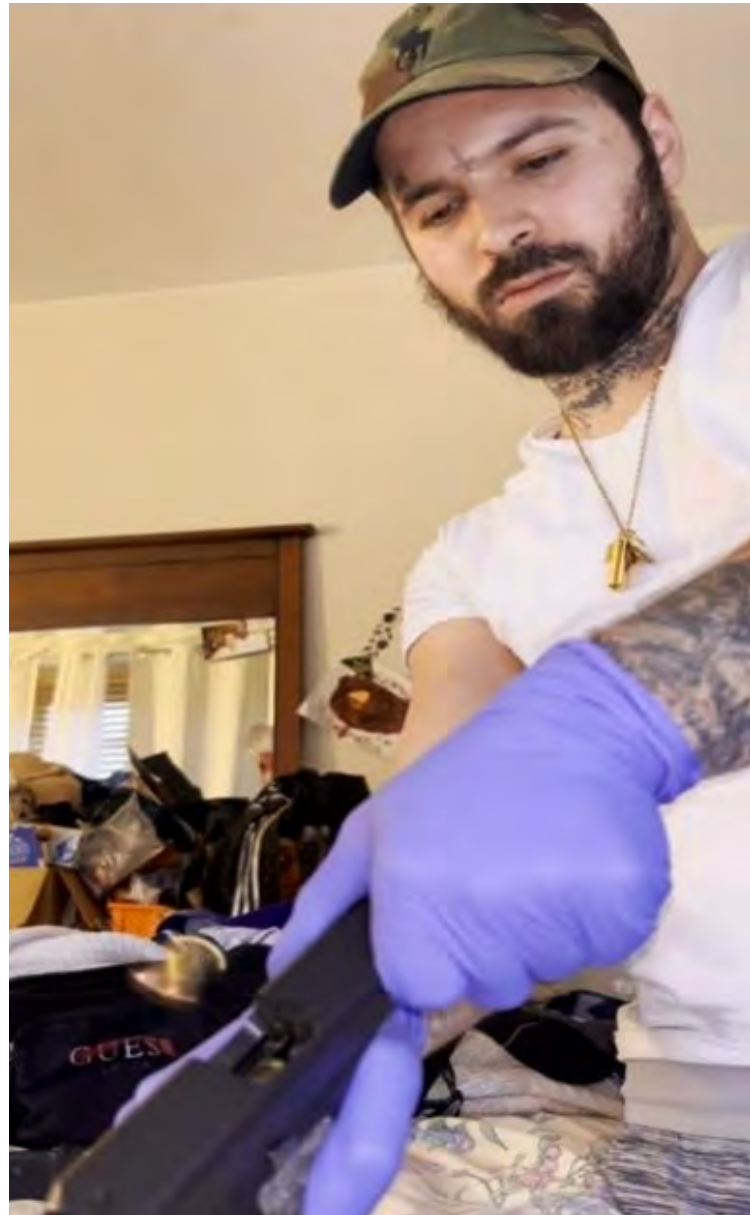
“By illegally buying and selling store-bought firearms, this gun trafficking organization was arming criminals. That criminal activity alone threatens the safety of our communities. But this group went much further extending their criminal activities by selling switches to transform the semi-automatic firearms into fully automatic machine guns making them exponentially more deadly,” Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin Steele said.

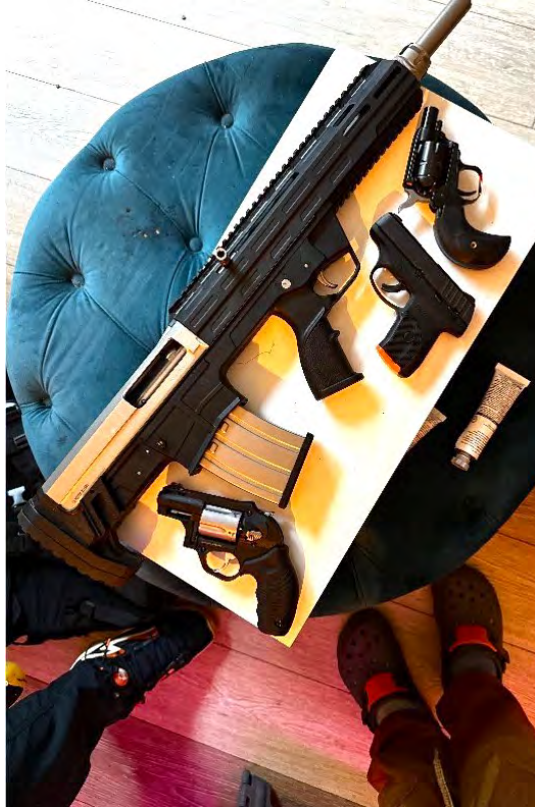
Through cellphone searches, law enforcement found multiple images and videos of the defendants holding and manipulating firearms, occasionally showing guns with obliterated serial numbers. They also found multiple conversations where the defendants would discuss illegal firearm transfers and enhancements.

Of the 31 store-manufactured firearms illegally sold by this group, 17 were recovered, with many recovered in criminal incidents. One firearm purchased by Arroyo with its serial number obliterated was recovered in the hands of a felon who was not allowed to possess a firearm on Dec. 6, 2019, by West Goshen Police. One was recovered by the Pennsylvania State Police on Dec. 5, 2022, during arrests for a road rage incident where shots were fired. Through a search of the firearm’s serial number, law enforcement learned that the firearm was registered to Arroyo and had not been reported stolen or missing. Another firearm was recovered on May 29, 2024, by New Hanover Township Police after being used by Chaney in a road rage incident, where he shot at a vehicle while riding a motorcycle. The firearm was later recovered when Groff was arrested. Fourteen of the firearms are still unaccounted for and still on the streets, and there is no accounting for the damage and criminal activity that has been done using those guns.

All of the defendants were arrested and charged with numerous felonies in July 2024, including first-degree felony charges of Corrupt Organizations. Multiple defendants pled guilty or no contest to various felony charges and were subsequently sentenced, while two defendants—Chaney and Bennett—opted for a jury trial before the Honorable Risa Vetri Ferman. Following the four-day jury trial in September 2025, where the jury heard testimony from experts, detectives and other defendants in the gun trafficking organization, the jury found both men guilty of Illegal Sales of Firearms, Conspiracy to Commit Illegal Sales of Firearms, Criminal Use of a Communication Facility and related charges.

Due to the dangerousness of gun trafficking, each of the leaders of the gun trafficking organization were sentenced to lengthy prison terms: Chaney, 20 to 42 years in prison; Bennett, 18 to 37 years; Needling, 18 to 37 years; Keiffer, 15 to 30 years; Borders, 8 to 20 years; and Arroyo, 7 to 14 years. The sentences by Judge Ferman included several consecutive mandatory five-year prison terms for their unlawful gun transfers.





Grondin and Kenna were sentenced to 20 to 40 years in prison for leading a multi-county gun and drug trafficking organization responsible for illegally purchasing and selling 17 firearms, obliterating serial numbers and selling methamphetamine, fentanyl, cocaine and marijuana.

Scott Grondin & Bella Kenna

The investigation into a large-scale gun trafficking organization began in December 2023 at a gun show at the Greater Philadelphia Expo Center in Oaks, Pa., where members of the group purchased multiple firearms and were acting suspiciously. From there, county detectives and state troopers reviewed the gun purchases of several of the co-conspirators and found indicators of straw purchasing behavior, which launched a full-scale investigation.

Bella Kenna, one of the leaders of the organization, was responsible for the purchase of 17 guns between Jan. 19, 2023, and Feb. 26, 2024. Scott Grondin, another leader who could not legally purchase or possess firearms due to a previous burglary conviction, then illegally sold the firearms in Montgomery, Delaware, Chester and Philadelphia counties. Kenna and Grondin also obliterated the serial numbers of seven of the 17 firearms they illegally obtained in order to thwart law enforcement efforts to trace the guns. To date, eight firearms have been recovered, leaving nine firearms unaccounted for.

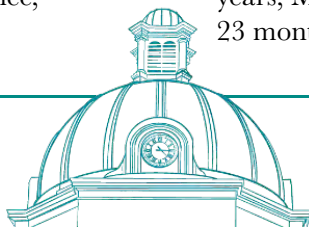
The investigation also found that Grondin and Kenna's corrupt organization was trafficking drugs—including methamphetamine, fentanyl, cocaine and marijuana—in Montgomery County and Philadelphia. The center of the group's operations was in the 2300 block of North 9th Street in Philadelphia, where Grondin and Kenna lived with their young child. While surveilling the residence, numerous short-term visitors consistent with drug

trafficking and illegal activity were seen. During the investigation, detectives conducted several controlled buys of about 900 grams of methamphetamine from Grondin and Kenna.

Grondin, Kenna and members of their gun trafficking group—Asad Sayed, Christopher McNelly, Anthony Figueroa-Marko and Felicia McKinnell—were arrested and charged with numerous felonies related to gun and drug trafficking. This investigation involved the Montgomery County Detective Bureau, Pennsylvania State Police, the Pennsylvania Office of the Attorney General's Gun Violence Task Force, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF).

On Jan. 24, 2025, Grondin pled guilty to Corrupt Organizations, Illegal Sale or Transfer of Firearms to Ineligible Persons, Unsworn Falsification to Authorities, Altering or Obliterating Serial Numbers of Firearms, Dealing in Proceeds of Unlawful Activities and related charges. Kenna also pled guilty to similar charges.

In April and May 2025, Grondin and Kenna were sentenced to 20 to 40 years in state prison. At both sentencing hearings, the Honorable Wendy Rothstein stressed the seriousness of arming criminals and the danger that the pair had caused. Sentences for their co-defendants varied based on their level of involvement: Sayed, 7½ to 15 years; McNelly, 11½ to 23 months; Figueroa-Marko, 11½ to 23 months and McKinnell, 9 to 23 months.





Surveillance video from Five Below shows defendant Truman Parks stabbing a security guard four times. The blade of the knife broke off and lodged inside the victim. Responding Cheltenham Police Officers Sean McGuire and Stewart Coyle rushed the victim to Jefferson Einstein Philadelphia Hospital, where he underwent life-saving emergency surgery.

Truman Parks & Sydney Swain-Parks

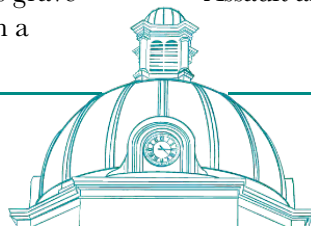
On Dec. 6, 2024, at approximately 4:45 p.m., defendant Truman Parks stole about \$160 worth of merchandise from the Five Below Store in the Greenleaf Shopping Center in Cheltenham Township. Just 30-minutes later, the 52-year-old Parks returned and threw an empty shopping basket back into the store, narrowly missing the store's security guard. The two had a heated argument, but Parks ultimately left the store. The defendant's daughter, Sydney Swain-Parks, was with him. Approximately an hour later, Parks and Swain-Parks returned to the store. Parks came armed with a knife and can be seen on store video looking for the security guard from the earlier incident. After spotting him, Parks came up to the employee from behind and stabbed him multiple times. The victim attempted to get away but Parks pursued him through the store, stabbing him so forcefully that four inches of the knife blade broke off and lodged in his back. The pair fled the store.

Cheltenham Police arrived to find the victim lying in a pool of blood, barely conscious. Due to the victim's grave condition, the officers decided to drive the victim in a

patrol car to Jefferson Einstein Philadelphia Hospital, ensuring swift emergency surgery. Medical records showed that helped save the victim's life.

Through surveillance videos (including one from Home Depot, where Parks was minutes before the first visit to Five Below), license plate reader data and police records, Cheltenham officers determined that it was Parks who assaulted the victim, with help from Swain-Parks. The victim picked out Parks from a photo array. A search warrant was executed on a home in Philadelphia, where Parks and Swain-Parks lived. Police found the clothing that Parks was wearing in the surveillance videos.

During a September bench trial, the victim testified that the knife blade tip remains lodged in his lung and still causes him pain. Following the trial, Senior Judge Thomas Branca convicted Parks of Attempted Murder, Aggravated Assault, Possessing an Instrument of Crime and related offenses, and sentenced him to 20 to 40 years in prison. Swain-Parks pled guilty to Conspiracy to Aggravated Assault and was sentenced to 11½ to 23 months in prison.





Commitment to Serving Victims

The Montgomery County District Attorney's Office is committed to supporting victims of crime and the witnesses who play a critical role in the criminal justice process. For many, navigating the legal system can feel overwhelming, but the District Attorney's Victim/Witness Unit works closely with individuals every step of the way. The caring staff works with victims and their families in a number of ways: providing notification of court dates and prisoner release dates, explaining court proceedings, helping victims with their impact statements for sentencing hearings, assisting with accessing available restitution and other services for victims. The staff provides not only information, but also a calm, comforting presence during what is often a difficult and emotional time.

This team collaborates with law enforcement, probation and parole officers, social workers, medical and insurance professionals, and others to ensure that victims and witnesses are not facing the process alone. Through this coordinated approach, individuals receive extensive support that extends beyond the courtroom. In 2025 alone, the Victim/Witness Unit assisted more than 4,500 victims and witnesses as they navigated the criminal justice system, underscoring the office's deep commitment to care, guidance and advocacy.

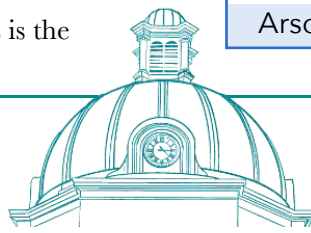
Some of the District Attorney's Office's key partners are Mission Kids Child Advocacy Center, Laurel House, Victim Services Center of Montgomery County, The Women's Center and Montgomery Child Advocacy Project.

An additional service for victims and witnesses is the

help and support of the District Attorney's Courthouse Comfort Dog Barney, a 4-year-old Lab/Golden Retriever who helps, supports and comforts victims and witnesses. Barney supports victims during in-court testimony, sometimes lying at their feet on the witness stand. Barney also offers victims and witnesses support on court days, while they are waiting for their court appearance.

VICTIMS SERVED (Sample by Crime Type)

DUI/Vehicular Crime	777
Theft	763
Property Crime	763
Physical Assault	736
Financial Crimes	535
REAP	298
Robbery/Burglary	226
Stalking/Harassment	128
Terroristic Threats	114
Sexual Assault	52
Child Abuse (physical and sexual)	35
Homicide (families of victims)	30
Domestic Violence	22
Arson	17





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