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### **Two suspects convicted for their roles in murder in Eastside home**

*Jeremiah Walker found guilty by jury of Murder, Jessica Figueiredo pleaded to Attempted Robbery*

(Indianapolis, Ind.) Marion County Prosecutor Terry Curry announced today that Jeremiah Walker was convicted by a jury on Wednesday of the May 31, 2016, murder of Erbie Thompson. After a two-day trial, the jury returned guilty verdicts on the charges of Felony Murder, Robbery (Level 3 Felony), Carrying a Handgun without a License (A Misdemeanor), and Criminal Confinement while armed with a deadly weapon (Level 3 Felony). A sentencing hearing has been set for Nov. 17 at 10:00 a.m. in Criminal Court 6.

Walker shot and killed Thompson while attempting to rob the victim and his girlfriend at gunpoint in the couple's home in the 6100 block of E. 11<sup>th</sup> Street. During the attempted robbery, one of the suspects used zip ties to confine the female victim.

After Thompson was shot, the suspects fled in a vehicle. The female victim was able to see the license plate of the vehicle and memorized it to report to the responding officers. That license plate was registered to a vehicle by the same description registered to Jessica Figueiredo. Detectives were able to locate the vehicle with Walker and Figueiredo the day after the murder.

A receipt for the purchase of zip ties was located in the suspects' vehicle. When detectives reviewed the corresponding store's security video from May 31, 2016, showed two individuals matching two of the suspects' descriptions making a purchase of a package of zip ties.

Jessica Figueiredo was also charged in the crime and pleaded guilty in August to Attempted Armed Robbery (Level 3 Felony). Pursuit to the plea agreement, Figueiredo agreed to cooperate in the prosecution of Walker and testified in the trial this week. A sentencing hearing for Figueiredo's case is scheduled for Nov. 20 at 2:00 p.m. in Criminal Court 6.