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### **CORTEZ L. TURNER, MURPHYSBORO, FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER**

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today that Cortez L. Turner, age 29, Murphysboro, Illinois, was found guilty of two counts of First Degree Murder and related charges following a four-day bench trial which concluded this morning. Turner was also found guilty of Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm, Conspiracy to Commit Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm, and two counts of Perjury in connection with a shooting incident which resulted in the death of Detrick Rogers in Murphysboro during the early morning hours of October 24, 2016.

A sentencing hearing will be held in approximately 60 days. Turner faces 20 to 60 years in prison. Turner is being held in the Jackson County Jail without bond.

The investigation was conducted by the Murphysboro Police Department, the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, and the Illinois State Police. Assistant State's Attorney Casey E.A. Bloodworth is handling the prosecution.