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Chicago Police Department

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Offender Charged with July 2024 Murder of 53-Year-Old Male and Attempt Murder of a 39-Year-Old Male



Offender: Johnell Smith, 41
7300 block of Franklin St.
Forest Park, Illinois

Charge: One (1) felony count – Murder - First Degree
One (1) felony count – Attempt - Murder - First Degree

Court: Detention Hearing – 2600 S. California – March 27, 2025

Narrative: The above offender was arrested by members of the Chicago Police Department and the U.S. Marshals Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force on March 25, 2025, in the 400 block of N. Hillside Ave. in Hillside, Illinois. He was identified as the offender who fatally shot a 53-year-old male and shot a 39-year-old male on July 27, 2024, in the 4900 block of W. Madison (15th District). The offender was placed into custody and charged accordingly. No additional information is available at this time.

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