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PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, April 12, 2024, at approximately 10:15 P.M., members of the Phillipsburg Police Department responded to the 200 block of Stockton Street after receiving a report that someone had been shot. Upon patrols arrival, officers were informed that no one had been shot but that an individual had discharged a gun. During the course of the investigation, Javon Singletary was identified as a suspect, but was unable to be located. On Tuesday, April 30, 2024, Javon Singletary was located and arrested in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

The below listed individual was charged as a result of the investigation and is currently being held in the Lehigh County Jail in Allentown, Pennsylvania pending his extradition to New Jersey.

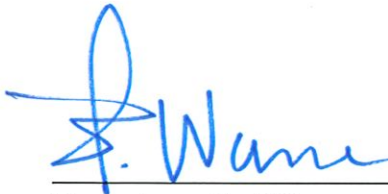
**JAVON E. SINGLETARY
PHILLIPSBURG, NEW JERSEY
AGE: 18**

- 1) Unlawful Possession of a Weapon, specifically a handgun, without first obtaining a permit, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:39-5b(1), a crime of the second degree.
- 2) Possession of a Firearm for an Unlawful Purpose, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:39-4a(1), a crime of the second degree.
- 3) Commit Aggravated Assault by attempting to cause bodily injury to a person with a deadly weapon, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:12-1b(2), a crime of the third degree.

Second degree crimes carry a maximum sentence of 10 years in the New Jersey State Prison and third degree crimes carry a maximum sentence of five (5) years in the New Jersey State Prison.

The charges are merely accusations. The defendant is presumed innocent **until and unless** proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

The Warren County Prosecutor's Office, Warren County Regional Crime Scene Team, and Warren County Tactical Response Team assisted the Phillipsburg Police Department with the investigation.



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