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Ellicott City Man Pleads Guilty to Fatal Shooting of Friend

Howard County, MD (December 17, 2019) – Rane Dellinger, age 21, of Ellicott City, pleaded guilty today to second-degree murder and use of a firearm in a crime of violence in the shooting death of his friend, Jacob Mauer, age 20, of Ellicott City.

The shooting occurred on June 1, 2019, in the 4200 block of Montgomery Road in Ellicott City just before 10pm. After a thorough investigation, detectives from Howard County Police Department determined that Dellinger, Mauer and a third person were sitting in a car parked behind a building. Dellinger and the third person were using drugs and playing with a gun. Police say Dellinger fired a single shot which struck Mauer, and then fled. Mauer was pronounced dead at the scene from a single gunshot wound to the head.

Dellinger was apprehended on June 3, 2019 in North Carolina and extradited back to Howard County. He will be sentenced on March 6, 2020.

Assistant State's Attorneys Michael A. McAllister and Elizabeth M. Rosen prosecuted the case.

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