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Jaylon Jennings Sentenced to 16 to 21 Years in Prison for the West 6th Street Mass Shooting in Cleveland's Warehouse District

CLEVELAND - Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced Jaylon Jennings, 26, was sentenced to 16 to 21 years in prison for the mass shooting that occurred on West 6th Street in Cleveland's Warehouse District on July 9, 2023.

"Jaylon Jennings is the poster child for what we see going on in our community — a coward who recklessly shoots into a crowd to demonstrate what a tough guy he is," said Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley. "He will now have 16 to 21 years in prison to back it up."

On July 9, 2023, around 2 a.m., Jaylon Jennings and Kevin Del Valle-Salaman, 26, left the Rumor Bar and Lounge located on West 6th Street in Cleveland. Jennings and Del Valle-Salaman walked to Del Valle-Salaman's vehicle parked nearby. Jennings then retrieved a firearm and walked back to West 6th Street. He waited for some of the victims to exit Rumor Bar and Lounge and then fired multiple shots in their direction.

Nine victims were shot including seven male victims (one 23-year-old male, one 24-year-old male, two 26-year-old males, one 27-year-old male, one 29-year-old male, and one 38-year-old male) and two female victims (one 23-year-old female, and one 24-year-old female). Four of the male victims were shot in the right leg, one male victim was shot in the lower back, one male victim was shot in the right forearm, and one male victim was hit several times including in the thighs, right wrist, left hand, and groin. The two female victims were shot in the legs. Eight of the victims appeared to be part of a targeted group of friends and an additional victim standing nearby was also struck.

Immediately after the shooting, both Jennings and Del Valle-Salaman ran back to Del Valle-Salaman's vehicle. Del Valle-Salaman, the driver of the vehicle, and Jennings then fled the scene. The Cleveland Division of Police (CDP) and the Cleveland Division of Emergency Medical Service responded to the scene and the victims were transferred to a nearby hospital and treated for their injuries.

The investigation was conducted by CDP and revealed that the shooting was targeted and not random. On July 1, 2023, Jennings was arrested and on July 15, 2023, Del Valle-Salaman was arrested.

On July 17, 2024, Jaylon Jennings pleaded no contest and was found guilty by a judge on the following charges:

- Nine counts of Attempted Murder
- 18 counts of Felonious Assault
- Two counts of Having a Weapon Under Disability



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- One count of Grand Theft
- One count of Receiving Stolen Property

Jennings was sentenced to 16 to 21 years in prison.

On January 9, 2024, Kevin Del Valle-Salaman pleaded guilty to the following charges:

- One count of Tampering with Evidence
- One count of Obstructing Justice

Del Valle-Salaman was sentenced to 1.5 years of community control.