

Fairhaven man indicted for murder in August 6th New Bedford homicide of homeless man

A Bristol County Grand Jury has indicted a 39-year-old Fairhaven man in connection with the August 6th New Bedford homicide of 41-year-old Robert Jones III, Bristol County District Attorney Thomas M. Quinn III announced.

Matthew Lariviere has been indicted by the grand jury on charges of murder, armed carjacking, two counts of armed robbery and one count of negligent operation of a motor vehicle. He will be arraigned on the indictments in Fall River Superior Court on December 20th.

The victim had been living in a homeless encampment in the woods of off Nauset Street.

Investigators were led to his body, which was located in a heavily wooded adjacent to 47 Nauset Street by two other homeless men who reported the death to police. The deceased was the victim of a stabbing.

With the assistance of the New Bedford Fire Department, the deceased's body was removed from the heavily vegetated area between 8 and 9 pm on August 8th.

The defendant has been held in custody since his arrest shortly after the homicide on charges connected to the armed carjacking and armed robbery incidents, which also occurred on August 6th in New Bedford. In that case, the defendant stands accused of holding a knife to an 18-year-old New Bedford woman and demanding money from her at about 8 p.m. in the area of First Citizens Federal Credit Union at 570 N. Front St. The

defendant then stole the woman's car and robbed a clerk at knife-point at the Shop 'n Save at 807 Ashley Blvd.

The case will be prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Matthew Sylvia.