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Samuel Mason receives 70 month prison sentence for shooting man in Southeast Portland

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that 41-year-old Samuel Mason received a 70 month prison sentence after being convicted of shooting a man in southeast Portland.

This investigation started on May 18, 2018 when Portland Police responded to Rachel's Bar and Grill, located at 12510 Southeast Division Street on reports of a shooting. Officers arrived at the restaurant and contacted the manager who reported that the shooting resulted after an argument ensued inside the establishment. Police collected video from the bar and identified Mason as the shooter.

Law enforcement later learned that a man arrived at Portland Adventist Medical Center with a single gunshot wound. The man with the injury told police that he had been shot at Rachel's Bar and Grill. The weapon used in this shooting was a .38 revolver. After the shooting, Mason fled to Arkansas but was later arrested.

"This is very concerning behavior when you consider all of the facts in this particular matter. During the investigation, law enforcement learned that some of individuals involved in the fight had gang affiliations and that was a contributing factor to the shooting itself," said Multnomah County Deputy District Attorney Eric Collins, who prosecuted this case. "This shooting occurred in a public place where several other people had gathered. The outcome could have been much different."

On July 30, 2019, Mason appeared in court and was convicted of one count of assault in the second degree. By pleading guilty, Mason admits that he unlawfully and knowingly caused physical injury to another person by using a deadly weapon.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office works closely with the City of Portland's Office of Youth Violence Prevention and attends the bi-weekly Community Peace Collaborative meeting, which is a coalition of law enforcement, service providers and community members who are focused on encouraging people to take a stand against gun violence.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office recognizes the efforts of the Portland Police Bureau patrol officers for their dedicated efforts responding to this crime scene and to the members of the PPB Gun Violence Reduction Team for continuing to investigate this matter for nearly a year and a half.

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