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**Superior Court- Commonwealth vs. Amanda Kelly, Christopher Bratlie and Kevin Shdeed**

**BROCKTON, MA-** Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz announced that three defendants were convicted today of civil rights violations for the June 2008 beating and stabbing of a young African American man in Marshfield. The victim, Tizaya Robinson (DOB: 5-28-90) of Boston was 17 at the time of the incident. The Plymouth County Superior Court jury returned the guilty verdicts after deliberating over 2 days.

The jury returned guilty verdicts for the following crimes:

**Amanda Kelly (DOB: 7-21-88) of Marshfield; convictions:**

- Civil Rights Violation with Bodily Injury
- Assault & Battery for the purpose of intimidation based on race, resulting in bodily injury
- Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon (knife)
- Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon (stick)
- Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon (shod foot)
- Assault and Battery

**Christopher Bratlie (DOB: 4-25-86) of Marshfield; convictions:**

- Civil Rights Violation
- Assault and Battery for purpose of intimidation based on race
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**Kevin Shdeed (DOB: 7-28-90) of Marshfield; convictions:**

- Civil Rights Violation
- A&B for purpose of intimidation based on race

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Defendants Kelly and Shdeed were taken into custody by Judge Troy at the request of the Commonwealth pending the sentencing hearing at 10:00 AM tomorrow. Bratlie is already in custody serving a sentence on an unrelated conviction.

The four other co-defendants pleaded guilty to all charges prior to trial:

- **Jay Rains (DOB: 6-4-89)**
- **Paul Berchtold (DOB: 9-29-89)**
- **Jeffrey Capello (DOB: 4-27-88) of Norwell**
- **Michael Anderson (DOB: 7-3-88) of Quincy**

The case was prosecuted by Deputy 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant District Attorney Thomas Flanagan and Assistant District Attorney Peter Maguire.

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