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U.S. MARSHALS ARREST MAN WANTED FOR MURDER

Memphis, TN – A 72 hour fugitive manhunt is finally over. At 9:30pm Sunday night, the U.S. Marshals Mid-South Fugitive Task Force arrested Marquette Jones (22) as he was walking to a vending machine at the Budget Inn located at 4030 Lamar Avenue. Jones was wanted for First Degree Murder of a Hyde Park man which occurred on March 6, 2010. It is alleged that Jones shot Jermaine Blake multiple times, killing him. The manhunt spanned across two West Tennessee counties and required an exhaustive amount of man hours. Fayette County Sheriff’s Deputies also assisted in the manhunt. Jones was transported to the Shelby County Jail where he awaits his day in court.

Due to the severity of the crime and danger to the community this individual posed while at large, the U.S. Marshals adopted the fugitive investigation into their Major Case Program.

The U.S. Marshals Mid-South Fugitive Task Force is a multi-agency task force based in Memphis and Jackson, TN. The Task Force membership is primarily comprised of Deputy U.S.
Marshals, Shelby County Sheriff's Deputies, Madison County Sheriff’s Deputies, Jackson Police
Officers, West Memphis Police Officers and Tennessee State Probation and Parole. The Primary
mission of the Task Force is to arrest violent offenders and sexual predators. For more information
about the U.S. Marshals Service, visit www.usmarshals.gov.