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## *Press Release*

### Quincy man guilty in 2012 shooting

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A Norfolk Superior Court jury has found 20-year old Quincy man guilty of Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon in Norfolk Superior Court today (Aug. 5, 2013) in a June 2012 shooting, according to Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey.

"Judge Robert C. Cosgrove sentenced Johnell Monteiro to 3 to 5 years in State Prison for this shooting," District Attorney Morrissey said. "He was immediately led away to begin serving his sentence."

The Quincy Police Department was called to the apartment building at 127 Federal Avenue on three separate occasions on June 17, 2012 because of an ongoing feud between the residents of two apartments there before the call for the shooting. At some point, the feuding parties agreed to settle the matter by way of a fistfight in the back yard. When that fight did not progress as Johnell Monteiro, a friend of one of the warring parties, wanted it to, he produced a gun and shot the victim.

"The Quincy Police Department's investigation into the shooting was swift and successful in establishing probable cause for these charges," District Attorney Morrissey said. "I extend my thanks to the QPD, Assistant District Attorney Jason Mohan and Victim Advocate Lynne Cipullo for the professional prosecution of this case."

Mohan had requested an 8 to 10 year sentence after the verdict. The trial opened last Tuesday.

Monteiro, of Copeland Street, was also convicted of carrying a firearm without an FID card and discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a dwelling. He was acquitted of attempted murder – possibly based on the level of injury to the victim, who was treated and released from a local hospital the same day.

Prosecutors found no evidence that the June 17, 2012 shooting had any link to the February 2010 incident in which Monteiro was shot during an altercation at North Quincy High School.