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**PRESS RELEASE**  
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**Greenville Man Sentenced on Voluntary Manslaughter and Attempted Murder**

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that DELAMONTA CHRISTOPHER DOBBS, age 17, pled guilty today to Voluntary Manslaughter and Attempted Murder. He was sentenced to fifteen years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by the Honorable Letitia Verdin. DELAMONTA CHRISTOPHER DOBBS will have to serve at least 85% of the 15 year sentence. He is not eligible for parole.

Evidence presented at the plea hearing by Assistant Solicitor Howard Steinberg established that on June 11, 2016, DELAMONTA CHRISTOPHER DOBBS was involved with an altercation with other young men near Jamison Street. He fired a pistol at Ty'meir Wharton who was killed and fired at William Smith who was wounded. The murder weapon was not recovered. Mr. Dobbs, who was 16 at the time of the shooting, avoided arrest for one month until being captured. The case was investigated by GCSO Investigator Chris Hammett. This was an Alford plea in which the suspect does not admit his guilt but agrees that the State has sufficient evidence to convict at trial.