

**Bristol County District Attorney's Office  
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**Press Release  
November 29, 2010**

District Attorney Sam Sutter announced that charges against Tacoma Massie, 29, of Fall River, have been upgraded to murder in connection to the November 18th homicide of 31-year-old Edward Platts of Middletown, RI.

Mr. Massie, along with his co-defendant Charles Douglas Mendez, 28, of Fall River, will be arraigned on charges of murder and carrying an illegal firearm **this morning in Fall River District Court.**

District Attorney Sutter will be in court and will be available to the media following this morning's arraignment.

On the evening of November 18th, Fall River Police received a 911 call regarding shots fired outside of Building 11 in the Father Diaferio Village housing development, located at 220 Johnson St.

The homicide victim died as a result of a gun-shot wound, while sitting in his vehicle outside Building 11.

The two defendants were apprehended by state and local police shortly after the incident in the area of Kellogg and Osborn Streets.