

**Bristol County District Attorney's Office  
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**Press Release  
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Murder defendant Nelson Melo, 32, of 584 Bay St., Taunton, was ordered held without bail during his arraignment in Taunton District Court this morning.

Mr. Melo is charged with one count of murder and one count of witness intimidation. He is due back in court December 11th for a pretrial hearing.

Mr. Melo is the second man to be charged with the November 3rd murder of Chad Fleming.

Aaron Morin, 26, of 125 South Main St., Assonet, was ordered held without bail during his murder arraignment in Taunton District Court on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Morin is due back in court for a pretrial hearing on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

As the investigation into the murder of Mr. Fleming remains active and ongoing, no further information regarding the facts of the case will be disclosed at this time.

Taunton Police received a call from staff members at Morton Hospital in Taunton around 11:15 p.m. on November 3rd to report that a deceased man had been driven to the hospital. Doctors at the hospital said the victim was dead on arrival.

The victim was identified as Chad Fleming, 31, of Deerfield Beach, Fla.

Preliminary investigation has revealed Mr. Fleming was apparently beaten to death in or around 584 Bay St. in Taunton.

The investigation is being coordinated by Co-First Assistant District Attorney William McCauley. The investigation is being led by Massachusetts State Police Detectives assigned to District Attorney Sam Sutter's office and Taunton Police.

Both arraignments were handled by Assistant District Attorney Jack Stapleton of District Attorney Sutter's Homicide Unit.