Austin Eis Arraigned for Ventura County Crime Spree, Additional Charges Added

VENTURA, Calif. – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced that Austin Allen Eis (DOB 05/29/98), of Camarillo, pled not guilty today to 24 counts, including murder for the death of 15-year-old Wesley W. of Thousand Oaks. Prior to today's arraignment, 12 additional counts were added to the charges filed against Eis.

On April 18, 2023, a series of criminal acts were allegedly carried out by Eis in Ventura County. Eis is alleged to have entered a Simi Valley Walmart, where he used pepper spray and stabbed one employee, physically assaulted and attempted to drag a second employee, and lunged at two additional employees with a knife. After leaving Walmart, Eis is alleged to have fled to a residence in Camarillo and forced his way inside the home. Eis left Camarillo and is accused of driving his vehicle to Thousand Oaks where he intentionally targeted and struck high school students outside of Westlake High School. Wesley W. and three other students were hit. Several other students were narrowly missed by the car.

Senior Deputy District Attorney Amber Lee, a member of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Major Crimes Homicide Unit, is the prosecutor assigned to the case.

Eis is scheduled to appear in court July 19, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. in courtroom 12 of the Ventura County Superior Court. He is being held in custody without bail.

Case: 2023009480
Defendant Information:
Austin Allen Eis (DOB 05/29/98)
Camarillo

Charges filed (amended complaint):
- PC 187(a) - Murder
- PC 22810(g)(1) - Use of tear gas
- (14 counts) PC 245(a)(1) - Assault with a deadly weapon
  - + 4 special allegations of inflicting great bodily injury
- PC 459 - First-degree burglary
- PC 459 - Second-degree burglary
- PC 236 - False imprisonment
- (5 counts) PC 417 - Exhibiting a deadly weapon