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MAYS LANDING – An Atlantic City man was sentenced by Superior Court Judge Michael R. Connor to 20 years in prison Friday for killing Ibn Powell, also from Atlantic City, Atlantic County Prosecutor Ted Housel announced.

Antonio Winters, 21, must serve 85 percent of his prison term before parole eligibility, Assistant Prosecutor Scott Northridge, who handled the state's case, said.

At sentencing Winters apologized to the family of Powell, 20, who was a father of a 2-year-old son and a union steelworker. Powell was gunned down in a housing complex in 2006, Northridge said.

Many family and friends of the victim spoke about what a good man he was and the victim's son addressed the court and stated, "I love my daddy."

On Sept. 12, Winters pled guilty to aggravated manslaughter in connection with the killing.

At 10:25 p.m. on Nov. 24, 2006, Winters shot Powell once in the head outside of the Six Bedrooms housing complex on Caspian Avenue in Atlantic City. Following the shooting, Powell's friends drove him to the AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center, City Campus, where he was pronounced dead at 10:53 p.m., Northridge said.

Winters, who was charged with murder, aggravated assault and related weapons offenses, was arrested in Pennsylvania on a fugitive warrant on Sept. 22, 2007. He was extradited to New Jersey shortly thereafter to face his charges, Northridge said.

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