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MAYS LANDING – A Mercer County man entered a guilty plea today to manslaughter and aggravated assault for the stabbing death of one man and injuring another during an altercation at a party in 2006, Atlantic County Prosecutor Ted Housel announced.

Aaron Adams, 27, of Trenton, faces six years in prison for the death of Ulysses Adams III (no relation), 21, Sicklerville, Camden County. He must serve 85 percent of his prison term before he is eligible for parole. In addition, Adams will be sentenced to 18 months in prison to run concurrent for the reckless stabbing of Joseph Levi. In an unrelated matter, the defendant also pled guilty to terroristic threats. That sentence will be in the discretion of the court. The State will argue for a three-year consecutive sentence and the defense will argue for a concurrent sentence, according to Assistant Prosecutor Pamela K. D'Arcy.

On July 1, 2006 Adams and the victims were at a party in a residence on Maine Avenue in Atlantic City when shortly after 10 p.m. Adams had a disagreement with some of the partygoers. He pulled a knife and stabbed Ulysses Adams and Levi.

Atlantic City Police received a 911 call about the incident at 10:24 p.m. When police arrived at the scene they found Ulysses Adams lying face up on the ground bleeding from the chest. He was rushed to the AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center Trauma Unit where he was pronounced dead at 11:15 p.m. Adams was indicted in February 2007.

Ulysses Adams died of a single stab wound to the chest that pierced the heart. Levi suffered a knife wound to the upper right arm.

The defendant fled the scene on foot with several of the partygoers in pursuit. He was subsequently taken to the hospital for injuries he sustained and was arrested the following day by members the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Major Crimes Unit and charged with the crimes.

Superior Court Judge Bernard E. DeLury will sentence the defendant on Jan. 15.

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site at <http://www.acpo.org/tips.html> and provide information by filling out the form anonymously on the Submit a Tip page. People can also call Crime Stoppers at 609-652-1234 or 1-800-658-8477 (TIPS). Crime Stoppers offers cash rewards for information leading to the arrest and indictment of those who commit crimes in Atlantic County.