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MAYS LANDING— A man and woman charged with the May 21 carjacking and kidnapping of a Hudson County man who disappeared from the Trump Taj Mahal casino parking garage just minutes after arriving, entered not guilty pleas today, Atlantic County Prosecutor Ted Housel announced.

Jessica Kisby, 24, of Egg Harbor Township, and Craig Arno, 44, of Atlantic City, who are charged with the crimes against Martin Caballero, 47, of North Bergen Township, entered their pleas at separate hearings before Superior Court Judge Michael A. Donio today.

Kisby appeared first and stated through her attorney that she waived the reading of the charges against her.

When Judge Donio asked Prosecutor Housel, who represented the state today, if there were any amendments to the charges, Prosecutor Housel stated, "Not at this time Judge, but in the near future we anticipate new charges."

Kisby's bail remains at \$400,000 full cash.

In addition to kidnapping and carjacking, Arno was also charged with robbery, aggravated assault and unlawful possession of a weapon, for a May 24 incident at the K-Mart shopping plaza in Pleasantville. Bail was set in that matter at \$100,000 full cash. Judge Donio set Arno's bail at \$500,000 full cash to cover all of the charges.

A bail hearing will be scheduled for both Kisby and Arno sometime next week. Judge Donio said should additional charges be filed before then, another bail will be set.

After the hearings, Prosecutor Housel answered media inquiries outside the courtroom. He stated that although there has not been a positive identification of the man whose body was found in a farmer's field off of Leipzig Avenue in Atlantic County on Sunday morning, based on evidence he has seen, he is still "highly confident" it is Mr. Caballero. He further stated that he is awaiting a confirmation of the identification through the use of a military database. He declined to comment on the autopsy results at this time.

*****These charges are merely an accusation and not proof of guilt. In all criminal cases, a charged defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.**

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