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MAYS LANDING— Two Atlantic City men are each facing more than 20 years in prison after they were convicted today on multiple charges, including armed robbery, robbery, aggravated assault, possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose, unlawful possession of a weapon, criminal restraint, terroristic threats and conspiracy, Atlantic County Prosecutor Ted Housel announced.

In addition, Tyshiem Murphy, 28, also was convicted of possession of a weapon by a convicted person, while his co-conspirator, Raheem Hayes, 21, was convicted of possession of cocaine, according to Chief Assistant Prosecutor Cary Shill, who represented the prosecution.

On Feb. 4, 2007, Nyjua Kemp went to a rooming house in Atlantic City with a female acquaintance identified as Amy Scott. Upon entering a room, Murphy and Hayes exited the bathroom armed with a .25-caliber handgun. While Murphy pointed the gun at Kemp, Hayes took Kemp's cell phone, car keys and \$75. Atlantic City Police arrested Murphy and Hayes the night of the incident. They were indicted in April of 2007, Shill said.

Superior Court Judge Bernard E. DeLury presided over the five-day trial and will sentence the defendants on Oct. 22, Shill stated.

First-degree armed robbery, the most serious charge in the indictment, carries a maximum prison term of 20 years and \$200,000 in fines.

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