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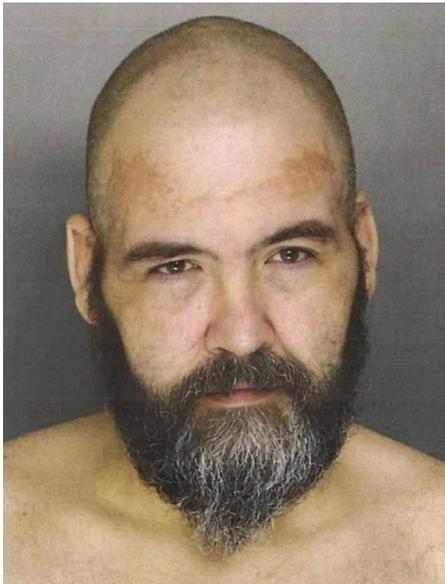
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KEVIN STILLMAN OF ASTON, PA ARRESTED FOR ILLEGAL FIREARMS SALES OUTSIDE OF A GUN SHOW AT THE EXPO CENTER IN OAKS



NORRISTOWN, Pa. (Feb. 20, 2018) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele and Upper Providence Township Police Chief Mark A. Toomey announce the arrest of Kevin L. Stillman, 48, of Aston, Pa., on felony counts of Firearm Sale to an Unqualified or Ineligible Person and Recklessly Endangering Another Person.

The charges stem from Stillman's activities on Feb. 10, 2018. On that date, members of the Montgomery County Detective Bureau's Violent Crimes Unit arrived at the Greater Expo Center of Philadelphia in Oaks during the Eagle Arms Gun Show. Expo Center staff advised detectives that a man was in the parking lot selling firearms from his car. Detectives immediately organized surveillance and initiated an undercover operation. A detective, posing as an interested buyer who could not legally possess a firearm, was able to purchase two firearms from the defendant, who said he would report the guns to authorities as stolen.

Upon completion of the illegal sale of the two firearms, law enforcement officers from the Montgomery County Detective Bureau, Upper Providence Police Department and the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Gun Violence Task Force attempted to arrest Stillman, at which time the defendant pointed a Glock 40-caliber handgun to his chin and threatened to kill himself. Detectives were able to talk to Stillman, convince him to surrender peacefully and eventually took him into custody without incident.

In addition to the two firearms purchased by the undercover detective, search warrants for Stillman's vehicle and home found multiple weapons. In his vehicle were three rifles, six handguns, approximately 1,000 rounds of ammunition and multiple cardboard signs advertising firearms for sale. Found at his residence were 10 long guns, two handguns and thousands of rounds of ammunition.

"Know this: If you come to Montgomery County to buy and sell guns illegally, beware. We are vigilant about keeping guns out of the hands of criminals, and we are partnering with the state's Attorney General's Office and federal ATF agents to stop those sales, arrest the individuals involved and seek long, mandatory sentences," said Steele. "I want to commend these law enforcement officers for taking quick and decisive action that morning in preventing multiple weapons from potentially being sold into the hands of people not allowed to possess a firearm. Their actions may have kept a lot of guns and ammunition from being out there in the hands of criminals," said Steele.

Due to the defendant's actions at the scene that morning, Stillman has been in a secure facility until he was able to be formally charged. He was arraigned today before Magisterial District Judge Cathleen Kelly Rebar, who set bail at \$500,000 cash. Stillman was unable to make bail and was remanded to the Montgomery County Correctional Facility. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 10 a.m., March 6, 2018 before Judge Rebar.

Approved for release:

Kevin R. Steele

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