

## POLICE DEPARTMENT CITY OF BURLINGTON

#### **MEDIA RELEASE**

INCIDENT TYPE:	DATE/1	DATE/TIME REPORTED:	
Shooting/Aggravated Assault	02/26/	02/26/2018 @ 0211hours	
INCIDENT NUMBER:	LOCAT	LOCATION:	
18BU004156	Main S	Main St, Burlington, VT	
INVESTIGATOR:	INVEST	INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:	
Det. Beliveau	802-54	802-540-2329	
AUTHOR:	APPRO	APPROVED BY:	
Det. Sgt. James Trieb			
VICTIM:	AGE:	VICTIM ADDRESS:	
Female	27	Burlington, VT	
SUSPECT(s):	AGE:	SUSPECT ADDRESS:	
Rashad Nashid	37	Burlington, VT	
Carl Martin	33	Colchester, VT	
SUSPECT DISPOSITION:			
Arrested and Lodged			

### **NARRATIVE:**

On February 26, 2018, Burlington Police Officers responded to a shooting that occurred on Main St between South Winooski Ave and Church St., just after bar closing. Initial responding Officers located an innocent bystander who had been critically wounded after being shot in the chest. The innocent victim was identified as a 27-year-old Burlington resident. The victim received immediate medical attention and was transported to the University of Vermont Medical Center.

It was determined that two individuals were the primary combatants involved in a mutual affray that spurred on the shooting. One of the suspects was taken into custody a short distance away and was found in possession of a handgun. This subject was identified as Rashad Nashid of Burlington. Nashid is a convicted felon and was prohibited from possessing a firearm. The investigation revealed that Nashid was the person who recklessly fired his handgun along the crowded sidewalk, resulting in the innocent victim being shot. Detectives were able to identify the other combatant two days later; he was identified as Carl Martin of Colchester.

It was later determined that the altercation began at Nectar's sometime around 1130 pm between Rashad Nashid and Carl Martin's brother. According to Rashad Nashid, the argument was about a girlfriend and the dispute began 6 months prior. It is believed that Rashad Nashid



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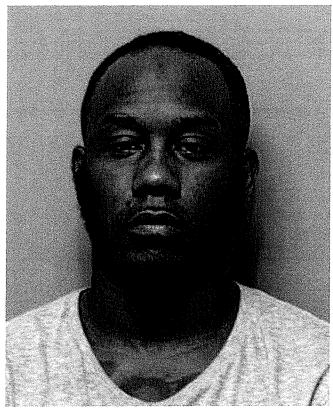
was armed with a handgun and as was one of the Martin brothers. Rashad Nashid left Nectar's between 1215 and 1230 am and went to Esox, a neighboring bar. The arguing continued throughout the early morning hours with verbal comments by both Carl Martin and Rashad Nashid while they were outside their respective bars smoking. Carl Martin and Rashad Nashid, both of them armed with handguns by this time, chose to resolve their conflict with what can only be described as a "wild west" shootout at bar closing. A punch by Martin to the face of Nashid resulted in the mutual drawing of handguns and shots fired by Nashid. Neither of them chose an option to avoid this behavior. They did not call police nor did they attempt to leave and as a result, an innocent bystander was shot in the chest and nearly killed. Rashad Nashid and Carl Martin were therefore both charged criminally. The breakdown of those charges are listed below.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact Burlington Police Detective Michael Beliveau at 802-540-2329



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Rashad Nashid is currently in Federal custody and has been charged with 2 counts of Felon in Possession of a Firearm. While in Federal custody, he has been charged with additional state related charges: He is scheduled to be arraigned in Chittenden Superior Court on September 20, 2018 @ 0830, for the following charges: Aggravated Assault, Negligent Use of Gun, Aggravated Disorderly Conduct, and Reckless Endangerment.



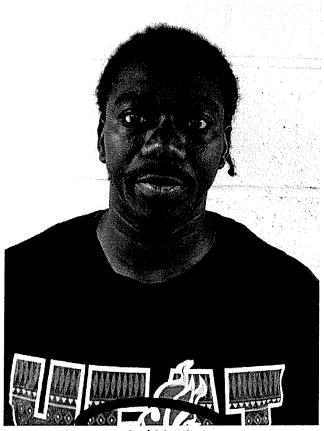
Rashad Nashid

Nashid has 8 prior felony convictions and 5 misdemeanor convictions (NJ & FL). He currently has a felony possession of cocaine charge pending in Vermont



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**Carl Martin** is also being charged for his role in this incident. He is scheduled to be arraigned in Chittenden Superior Court on August 21, 2018 @ 0830, to answer to the following charges: **Aggravated Assault, Aggravated Disorderly Conduct, and Reckless Endangerment**.



**Carl Martin** 

Carl Martin has 10 misdemeanor convictions (VT), 9 of which are listed as assaultive charges. He also has 22 violation of probation charges.

#### § 1024. Aggravated assault

- (a) A person is guilty of aggravated assault if the person:
- (5) Is armed with a deadly weapon and threatens to use the deadly weapon on another person.
- (c) A person found guilty of violating a provision of subdivision (a)(3), (4), or (5) of this section shall be imprisoned for not more than five years or fined not more than \$5,000.00, or both.

### § 4009. Negligent use of gun

A person who carelessly or negligently wounds another person by gunshot shall be imprisoned not more than five years or fined not more than \$1,000.00, or both.

### § 1025. Recklessly endangering another person

A person who recklessly engages in conduct which places or may place another person in danger of death or serious bodily injury shall be imprisoned for not more than one year or fined not more than \$1,000.00 or both. Recklessness and danger shall be presumed where a person knowingly points a firearm at or in the direction of another, whether or not the actor believed the firearm to be loaded, and whether or not the firearm actually was loaded.

#### § 1026a. Aggravated disorderly conduct

- (a) A person is guilty of aggravated disorderly conduct if he or she engages in a course of conduct directed at a specific person with the intent to cause the person inconvenience or annoyance, or to disturb the person's peace, quiet, or right of privacy and:
- (4) Threatens bodily injury or serious bodily injury, or threatens to commit a felony crime of violence as defined in section 11a of this title.
- (b) A person who is convicted of aggravated disorderly conduct shall be imprisoned not more than 180 days or fined not more than \$2,000.00, or both.