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**Teen Sentenced to 2 Years' Probation in Brother's Shooting Death**

Jalecc Calanzo Taylor was sentenced to two years of juvenile intensive supervised probation Monday for negligent child abuse resulting in the shooting death of his 10-year-old brother Jaliel "Anthony" Hemmings last June.

Anthony Hemmings was shot in the family's residence in the 1500 block of Galena Street in Aurora on June 4 after he and Taylor began handling a loaded handgun in the home.

Taylor (DOB 06/16/98) was charged as a juvenile. He pleaded guilty in November to negligent child abuse resulting in death (F3) and a misdemeanor charge of juvenile in possession of a handgun.

Adams County District Judge John Popovich, Jr., ordered that Taylor attend school or be employed full time in addition to having intensive supervision while he is on probation,

"This is the right outcome for this case," said District Attorney Dave Young. "This was an accidental shooting, and as a result, Jalecc Taylor's little brother lost his life. This tragedy is the result of a juvenile in possession of a handgun. The purpose of a juvenile sentence is to rehabilitate the juvenile so that he will never enter the criminal justice system again. Mr. Taylor received a life sentence today because every day for the rest of his life he will be thinking about his brother."

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