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## DC Robbery Murder Suspect to be Held until Hearing

Despite the arguments of his [Washington DC Criminal Defense Attorney](#), a man accused of slaying two store clerks during a botched robbery attempt was ordered held until his preliminary hearing on August 3. While his public defender argued that Christian Taylor, 25, should be released because he has no prior record of violent offenses, a DC Superior Court judge disagreed after noting that the suspect tested positive for cocaine after his arrest.

Taylor's arrest came after he was identified on surveillance video as the man who shot and killed a men's clothing store owner and his son while attempting to rob the store. The video shows a man entering the store and brandishing a handgun, ordering the clerk, Li-Jen Chih, to place money into a bag. After the suspect placed the gun in the bag, Chih attempted to wrestle it away from the suspect. The suspect then stood and fired the gun at the clerk, whose father rushed in upon hearing the gunshots. After Ming-Kun Chih attempted to knock the gun out of the suspect's hands, the shooter fired at him before tucking the gun into the waistband of his pants and fleeing the store.

Witnesses identified the car in which the suspect fled, and one recorded the vehicle's tag number. The car was traced to Taylor's mother, and he was subsequently identified as the shooter on the surveillance video.

Christian Taylor has been charged with two counts of first degree felony murder.

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