

**Detroit man is charged in slaying of girl - The child, 7, was killed when a pistol was fired at her home in a dispute over a missing video game.**

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**DETROIT** -- A 42-year-old **Detroit man** has been arraigned **in** a six-count warrant that charges him with first-degree murder **in** the **slaying of** a 7-year-old **girl** who was shot dead while sitting on the couch **in** her family's east side home.

Ronald Brown hung his head and stood motionless during his arraignment Wednesday **in** **Detroit** 's 36th District Court. Magistrate Robert K. Costello ordered Brown held without bond **in** the Wayne County Jail pending a preliminary hearing Dec. 8 on the charges.

"I'm surprised that the prosecutor even signed this warrant," said Brown's attorney, Randall P. Upshaw. "There **is** no physical evidence or eyewitnesses linking Mr. Brown to his offense. All the investigators have **is** he said, she said, about my client."

Investigators said the shooting **of** Deva White stemmed from a weeklong dispute between two neighborhood families over a misplaced video game.

Deva was shot Monday night when four bullets were fired at her family's home. One **of** the bullets crashed through the living room window, striking her **in** the chest. Also **in** the home at the time were Deva's 8-year-old brother, her grandmother and a family friend.

"Her young life was taken as a result **of** an argument **of** no consequence," said Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy.

Investigators said the little **girl** was doing her homework when the drive-by shooting occurred shortly after 5 p.m.

Hours later, Brown was arrested while sitting **in** his car, and police say they recovered a 9 mm pistol they suspect was used **in** the shooting. Brown has two convictions for drugs and assault, police said.

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