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**DETROIT** — One convicted carjacker will serve 12 years **in** prison while another faces sentencing **in** December.

Shawnta Jones, 28 and of **Detroit** , was sentenced to 12 years **in** prison on a host of felony charges, including **carjacking** , robbery of government property and using a firearm to commit a crime.

Brandon Taylor, a 21-year-old Detroiter, plead **guilty to multiple carjackings** and will face sentencing Dec. 18. Their cases were heard **in** federal court on Tuesday.

An FBI investigation into the pair started after a U.S. Department of Justice employee was carjacked Jan. 4 while leaving a Chase Bank ATM on Grand River and Fenkell **in Detroit** , according to a U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan press release.

After solving the **carjacking** of the DOJ employee, investigators determined the suspects had committed about six other **carjackings in a two** -month span **in** December and January.

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