

DAILY STAR 9TH FEB 2012

# SHOT MAN'S FAMILY DESPAIR AT SENTENCE

## 20 months for getaway car thief



**DEVASTATED:**  
Gun victim  
Robert Delany's  
dad Terry and  
mum Noleen  
leaving court  
yesterday

**THE family of a man shot twice in 2008 has hit out at the sentence imposed on a man who stole a vehicle later used as the getaway car in the attack.**

Robert Delany was shot twice at 6.30am on October 22, 2008, as he looked out the window of his apartment.

He had been looking out the window at Russell Rise in Tallaght, Dublin, to see who was pressing the doorbell. He is still in a vegetative condition in hospital.

### Guilty

The car Robert Gaynor (23) stole, a white Honda Integra, was discovered on the morning of the shooting abandoned in the driveway of a house in Montpelier View, Tallaght.

The driver's window was smashed and the ignition was damaged.

**Gaynor, of Berryfield Drive, Finglas, Dublin, was linked to the car through forensic analysis of items that had been left behind in the vehicle.**

Gaynor pleaded guilty at Dublin Circuit

Criminal Court to unlawfully taking possession of a vehicle from Francis McCann Car Sales at Naas Road, Dublin, on October 21, 2008.

**Judge Martin Nolan jailed Gaynor for 20 months.**

He said: "I am happy to accept that he [Gaynor] did not know it [the car] was going to be used in a shooting but knew it was going to be used in illegal activity."

Speaking outside the court afterwards, Mr Delany's father Terry expressed his frustration over the sentence imposed.

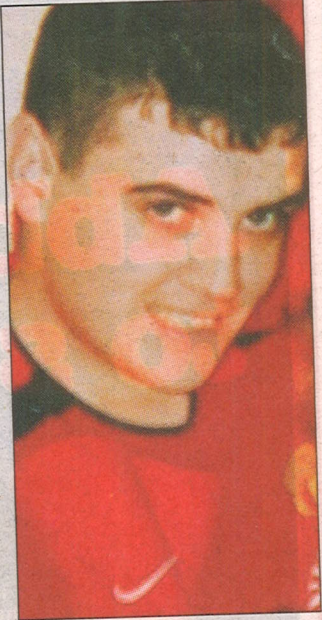
### Efforts

He said: "In the circumstances I think the sentence was remarkably lenient."

Terry also said he wanted to "thank the Gardai for their efforts".

**He said: "They have been fantastic in pursuing justice for Robert and as far as we are concerned this case is not over."**

"There are others who organised the attack, financed the attack and people know who they are and we are determined that they see the inside of the court."



**SHOT: Robert Delany is in a vegetative condition**