

# Bryan White charged, remanded to Luzira Prison

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A city socialite, Brian Kirumira, a.k.a Bryan White, has been charged with attempted murder and remanded to Luzira Prison.

Yesterday, at the Makindye Chief Magistrate's Court, Kirumira was charged alongside his bodyguard Thomas Okoth attached to the Police Crime Intelligence headquarters.

The Chief Magistrate, Erias Kakooza, read out the charges to the accused who denied committing the offence.

The offence carries a maximum sentence of death on conviction.

Prosecution alleges that on the night of December 13, Kirumira and Okoth shot and injured businessman Victor Bitwire, 28, in Buziga, Wakiso district. Bitwire is Kirumira's neighbour.

Kirumira appeared crestfallen before the court. He has spent close to a week at Nalufenya Police Station in Jinja district.

State prosecutor Happiness Ayinebyona notified court that investigation into the matter is still ongoing because the victim (Bitwire), who is currently admitted at

International Hospital Kampala (IHK), is still unconscious and unable to record a statement.

Meanwhile, lawyer John Bulungu presented in court four city traders to stand surety for Kirumira to get bail.

He also submitted that Kirumira is a law-abiding citizen with fixed places of abode in the city suburbs of Buziga and Kawempe.

But, the chief magistrate granted prosecution more time to study the documents before making his ruling. He adjourned the case to January 8 next year.