

Robocop Screenwriter to Make Film on Boston Marathon Bombing

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A still image from surveillance video taken shortly after the second bomb exploded near the finish line of the Boston Marathon on April 15, 2013.

U.S. filmmakers have enlisted the help of former Robocop screenwriter Joshua Zetumer for a movie adaption of the Boston Marathon bombing, for which Dzhokar Tsarnaev faces the death penalty.

Zetumer, who last year worked on a remake of the 1987 film Robocop, has been asked by studio 20th Century Fox to adapt the nonfiction book Boston Strong for screenplay, The Hollywood Reporter said Tuesday.

Johnson and Tamasy will help produce the film along with Dorothy Aufiero and Hutch Parker. Swedish film director Daniel Espinosa will also work on the movie, The Hollywood Reporter said.

The original book, penned by authors Casey Sherman and Dave Wedge, details the aftermath of the Boston bombings, carried out in April 2013 by brothers Dzhokhar and Tamerlan

Tsarnaev.

Three people died and 264 more were injured in the 2013 attacks, which saw two pressure cooker bombs detonated near the finish line of the Boston Marathon, according to a U.S. Department of Homeland Security report.

While Tamerlan was later killed in a shootout with police, Dzhokar Tsarnaev was apprehended. His trial is ongoing in the United States, where he faces death penalty if convicted of playing a major role in the bombings.

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