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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department reports detectives conducted a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Sunday, November 22, 2020.

**The victim has been identified as Richard Vaughn, b/m, (39), of Birmingham, Alabama.**

At approximately 10:33 p.m., officers from East Precinct responded to the Captain D's restaurant located at 9973 Parkway East on a call of a person shot. Officers arrived and found the victim, Richard Vaughn lying on the ground in the parking lot suffering from a gunshot wound. Birmingham Fire and Rescue responded to the location and Vaughn was transported to UAB Hospital where he succumb to his injuries.

The preliminary investigation indicates the incident stemmed from a physical altercation that occurred amongst employees. Other subjects came to the location to intervene which lead to shots being fired fatally wounding Richard Vaughn. Vaughn was not an employee of Captain D's restaurant. An arrest has been made.

The suspect has been identified as:

**Donovin Allen, (31) b/m, of McCalla, Alabama 35111.**

Detectives presented the case to the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office for review. After an assessment of the case, detectives obtained a **Murder warrant (\$150,000 bond)** and a warrant for **Discharging a Firearm into an Unoccupied Vehicle (15,000 bond)**. **The suspect will be held in the Jefferson County Jail.**

**This is Birmingham's 94<sup>th</sup> homicide investigation of 2020 with 13 justifiable death investigations and 1 non-criminal homicide (accidental shooting). The Birmingham Police Department adheres to FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines set for all law enforcement agencies across the United States. FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines do not require law enforcement agencies to include justifiable death investigations into the total homicide investigations counts.**

*\*\*The information is based on a preliminary and ongoing investigation, which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed\*\**

**See Attached mugshot.**

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