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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Saturday, July 30, 2022.

The victim has been identified as:

**Bill Deran Brown Jr., (26), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.**

At approximately 9:00 PM, South Precinct officers were dispatched to 424 Commons Drive (In Town Suites) on report of shots fired. Officers arrived on the scene and learned a person was shot inside of a room.

Officers observed the victim lying unresponsive inside of a room suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

Birmingham Fire and Rescue personnel arrived on the scene and pronounced the victim deceased.

The preliminary investigation suggests the victim was involved in an argument which led to an unknown suspect(s) shooting into the victim's room from the outside.

Currently, there is no one in custody.

**If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ [205-254-1764](tel:205-254-1764) or Crime Stoppers @ [205-254-7777](tel:205-254-7777).**

**Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App on Android or IOS devices. Updates will be provided as information comes available.**

**This is Birmingham's 77<sup>th</sup> murder investigation of 2022 including 6 justifiable death investigations.**

**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\*\***

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