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Birmingham Police Department Reports the Arrest of a BPD Officer

The Birmingham Police Department reports the arrest of a BPD officer. Officer Brandon A. Smith turned himself in to the custody of the Jefferson County Jail on Sunday, December 4, 2022.

On November 19, 2022, Birmingham Police Department was made aware of a domestic assault involving one of our officers. The Birmingham Police Department took immediate action and relieved Smith of his duties as a patrol officer pending an internal investigation. Detectives with the Special Victim's Section presented the case to the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office for review. After an assessment, detectives obtained a warrant for **Domestic Violence Strangulation** (\$5,000 Bond).

Officer Brandon A. Smith has been with the Birmingham Police Department since April 2016. Smith was assigned to the Patrol Division prior to the launch of this investigation.

The Birmingham Police Department will hold all officers accountable and continue to implement high moral and ethical standards for all who serve the City of Birmingham.

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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