



# *For Immediate Release*

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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Friday, May 17, 2024.

The victim has been identified as:

**Jalen Darrel Bonner, (25), B/M, of Center Point, Alabama.**

At approximately 4:45 p.m., North Precinct officers responded to a call of a Decomposed Body at Vanderbilt Road and 15th Avenue N.

When officers arrived on the scene, they observed the victim, who appeared to be a male lying off the roadway in a wooded area deceased.

Jefferson County Coroner's Office arrived on the scene and took possession of the victim's remains.

The cause of death could not be determined.

On Monday, May 20, 2024, the Jefferson County Coroner's Office ruled this Unclassified Death Investigation a **Homicide**.

The victim was fatally wounded by gunfire.

It is unknown when and where the shooting occurred.

Further details in this investigation are limited.

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 or Crime Stoppers @ 205-254-7777.**

**This is Birmingham's 47th murder investigation of 2024 with 5 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 in 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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