

NARRATIVE CONTINUATION

Agency ORI: FL 0372600

Agency Case No: TL-01-0186

On September 25, 2016 the Liberty County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) responded to the above incident location in reference to a shooting that occurred. LCSO notified paramedics who responded and pronounced a W/ M deceased. Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) was notified to assist in the investigation and subsequently responded to the incident location.

On September 25, 2016 at approximately 2350hrs Liberty County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) received a call from a neighboring law enforcement agency stating that a male had been shot and was not breathing. LCSO responding Deputies arrived on scene and made contact with a W/F () in the front yard who pointed to the defendant (Floyd Parrish) and exclaimed that he (Parrish) did it. When Deputies approached Parrish he (Parrish) stated "I did it, I shot him, take me to jail". Deputies secured Parrish and read Parrish his Miranda rights. Parrish declined to make any further statements.

Deputies then entered the residence and observed the victim (James Lester Nesmith) unconscious and bleeding heavily from his upper body.

Deputies checked pulse and breathing and found none. Liberty County EMS Unit Med 28 responded to the scene and determined that the victim was deceased.

Present inside the residence and a witness to the shooting was () stated that Parrish was seated on the bed and Nesmith was standing near the bed when a brief verbal altercation occurred between Parrish and Nesmith. Parrish pulled out what appeared to be a black handgun and fired two (2) rounds striking Nesmith. Nesmith immediately fell onto the floor near the bed. () attempted to assist Nesmith but realized his injuries were severe.

The fourth person present inside the residence and witness to the shooting is () who is the live in girlfriend of Parrish. () stated that Parrish was seated on the bed and Nesmith was standing near the bed when a brief verbal altercation occurred between Parrish and Nesmith. () advised Nesmith acted aggressive toward Parrish and Parrish pulled out a pistol and shot Nesmith. Nesmith did not have anything in his hands when the shooting occurred.

Parrish was transported to the Liberty County Sheriff's Office. The scene was secured at that time pending crime scene processing. FDLE agents responded to the scene and interviewed witnesses while preparing a search warrant for the premises.

Judge Hosford signed a search warrant for the premises that was processed by FDLE Crime Scene Unit. During a search of the crime scene a Ruger .22 LR revolver serial # 264-100 was located on the bed as described by witnesses. The revolver contained two spent casings upon examination. The victim had a visible gunshot wound to the left side of his neck with an apparent exit wound on his upper back. The weapon and several others were seized from the scene. The scene was processed and the victim was transported to TMH for autopsy.

Parrish was booked into the Liberty County Jail on Second Degree Murder Charges.