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Suspect Arrested in Hazelwood Drive Murder Investigation

(Charleston, SC) On July 13, 2015, members of the Charleston County Sheriff’s Office arrested and charged Thomas DeAngelo Ancrum, Jr., of San Miguel Road in Charleston, for Murder and Possession of a firearm during the commission of a violent crime. Ancrum was identified through various tips as being involved in the death of the victim. Ancrum will be lodged in the Sheriff Cannon Detention Center. His bond hearing is scheduled to take place on July 14, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

On July 7, at around 12:17 a.m., Charleston Police Department Officers responded to the area of Hazelwood Drive to investigate a report of gunshots being heard in the area. A short while later, the victim, a black male, arrived at St. Francis Hospital, and according to initial reports, with two gunshot wounds. The victim was later pronounced dead at the hospital.

Charleston County Sheriff’s Office deputies were summoned to the scene to assist in the investigation. According to witnesses, the male victim was accompanied by another male and female in a car that was parked on Hazelwood Drive in Charleston. The two male victims exited their vehicle to meet with unknown subjects behind the residence located at 1927 Hazelwood Drive in Charleston. It was at this time that gunshots were fired striking the victim. The victim was transported to St. Francis Hospital by his two friends who accompanied him to Hazelwood Drive.

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