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Tyler Pierce charged with manslaughter following June 19, 2019 homicide in southeast Portland

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that 30-year-old Tyler Pierce was charged with recklessly causing the death of another individual using a firearm.

Pierce is charged with one count of manslaughter in the first degree, one count of unlawful possession of a firearm and one count of being in possession of a loaded firearm in a public place.

The charging document alleges that on June 19, 2019, Pierce unlawfully and recklessly, under circumstances manifesting extreme indifference to the value of human life, caused the death of another person.

At this point in the investigation, the name of the individual who died is not being released.

Furthermore, it is alleged in court documents that Pierce unlawfully and knowingly carried a firearm concealed on his person contrary to Oregon law, and that he unlawfully and knowingly possessed a firearm in a public place and recklessly failed to remove all of the ammunition from the firearm.

This investigation started June 19, 2019 at approximately 2:30 a.m. when Portland Police officers were dispatched to the area of Northeast Sandy Boulevard and Northeast Prescott Street on reports of a shooting. Law enforcement arrived and located an adult male suffering from critical injuries.

According to information previously released by the Portland Police Bureau, the adult male was transported to the hospital where he died.

Pierce has waived his right to a probable cause hearing. As such, no probable cause affidavit has been filed in this case.

At his first appearance today, Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge Leslie M. Roberts ordered that Pierce be held on \$255,000 bail.

This remains an ongoing investigation and the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office is unable to release any additional details.

Pierce's next court date is scheduled for July 1, 2019 at the Multnomah County Justice Center.

A charging document is only an accusation of a crime. Pierce is innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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