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Suspect charged with murder in the second degree following July 2nd assault

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announces that 36-year-old Damian Rauf-Malik Lucas is charged with murder in the second degree for allegedly causing the death of 67-year-old Jeffrey Lloyd Sloan.

This investigation started on July 2, 2020 when Portland Police responded to Legacy Emanuel Medical Center after receiving information about a severely injured person in critical condition being prepared for surgery.

Police identified the patient as Jeffrey Lloyd Sloan. He died on Friday July 10, 2020.

During the investigation, law enforcement learned that a person named “Damian Lucas” struck Sloan in the head using a pistol, according to court documents. The alleged assault happened at a residence in the 300 block of Northeast Dekum Street in Portland, Oregon.

Police learned the assault happened “without warning,” according to court documents and that Rauf-Malik Lucas struck Sloan a single time in the head using a handgun. The Oregon State Medical Examiner’s Office determined Sloan died of blunt force trauma and ruled the manner of death to be homicidal violence.

A witness to the alleged assault told law enforcement that Rauf-Malik Lucas used a brown and black 1911 semi-automatic handgun and that Rauf-Malik Lucas had previously displayed and “showed off” the firearm days prior, according to court documents.

On July 13, 2020, law enforcement responded to a 9-1-1 call about Rauf-Malik Lucas brandishing a handgun in the 5400 block of Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. Court documents state that officers located and attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a vehicle driven by Rauf-Malik Lucas but he briefly eluded officers. Law enforcement located and arrested Rauf-Malik Lucas near the intersection of North Commercial Avenue and North Jessup Street in Portland, Oregon.

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During the arrest, police located a 1911-style handgun on Rauf-Malik Lucas' person, according to court documents.

Like in all criminal and civil matters, electronic copies of court documents, which are not subject to a protective order, are available to the public through the Oregon eCourt Information (OECI) system.

No additional information can be released by the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office at this time pursuant to the Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct.

A charging document is only an accusation of a crime. Rauf-Malik Lucas is innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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