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## **Canaan Drive Shooting Investigation**

### **\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\***

**On November 29, 2024, the second victim in the Canaan Drive shooting, Daijohn Ross, 18, succumbed to his injuries. He was pronounced deceased at 8:19 p.m.**

**Skylar Jones, 16, was developed as a suspect in the case. On January 2, 2025, Jones was arrested on unrelated charges in Fairburn, GA. He was subsequently extradited to Columbus and detained at the Regional Youth Detention Center.**

**On January 7, 2025, arrest warrants were obtained and served for Jones in connection with the shooting incident. He is facing multiple charges, including:**

- **Murder (Malice) – Senate Bill 440**
- **Murder (Felony) – Senate Bill 440**
- **Armed Robbery - Senate Bill 440**
- **Aggravated Assault x3**
- **Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Crime**
- **Unlawful Possession of Firearms or Weapons**
- **Possession of Pistol/Revolver Under Age 18 Years**

**Jones is scheduled to appear in Recorder's Court on January 9, 2025 at 8 a.m.**

### **\*\*\*ORIGINAL RELEASE 11/27/2024\*\*\***

**On Wednesday, November 27, 2024 around 12:35am, Columbus Police Officers responded to the 8300 block of Canaan Drive concerning a shooting. Upon arrival, they discovered two people with gunshot wounds. EMS arrived and determined that one of the victims (later identified as J'Mauri Taylor, 18) was deceased. Deputy Coroner Ben Saxon responded to the scene and pronounced Taylor deceased at 1:38am. The other male victim was transported to Piedmont Columbus Regional in critical condition.**

**The Violent Crimes Unit responded to the scene to take lead on the investigation.**

**Anyone with information is urged to contact Sgt. Michael Dahnke at 706-326-3556 or MDahnke@columbusga.org. All information and tips can be shared anonymously.**

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