



COMMUNITY UPDATE

April 8, 2020, an officer with Columbia Police Department was involved in a shooting incident which led to the death of Joshua Ruffin. Per policy of Columbia Police Department, the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) was called upon to investigate this matter. The investigation has been concluded and the file turned over to the Fifth Circuit Solicitor's Office. I am now reviewing the file which includes incident reports, body-worn cameras, videos, and witness statements. Upon completion of my review, I will share information with the public.

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