



# Media Information

Columbus Division of Police  
CAP Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: October 10, 2018 \*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\*

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide

Date: Oct. 8, 2018

Time: 11:19 PM

Location of Offense/Incident: 5004 Labelle Drive

Zone: 2

Precinct: 20

Incident Report #: 180854148

Cruiser District: 202

Victim: Jwan N. Porter

Sex: F

Race: B

Age: 40

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect: Eric Lamar Smith-Ross

Address: 5044 Albany Dr.

Groveport, OH 43232

☒ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex: M

Race: B

Age: 19

Charges: W.U.D. (Weapons Under Disability) F-3

Suspect:

Address:

☐ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Charges:

**Incident Summary:** On October 8, 2018, at approximately 11:19 p.m., Columbus Police officers were called to 5004 Labelle Drive on the report of a shooting. Upon arrival, officers located an unresponsive female, inside the residence, suffering from a gunshot wound. CFD Medic 32 responded to the scene and transported the victim, later identified as Jwan N. Porter, to Mt. Carmel East Hospital where she was pronounced deceased at 12:12 a.m. by attending physicians.

**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\*** Investigation revealed that a visitor inside the residence, later identified as Eric Lamar Smith-Ross, discharged a firearm which struck Ms. Porter in the chest, fatally wounding her. The circumstances of the shooting are still under investigation however, Mr. Smith-Ross has been arrested and charged at this time with a separate offense in connection with the death of Ms. Porter. Additional charges are currently pending.

The investigation continues.

This is the 82nd Homicide in Columbus, Ohio in Calendar Year 2018. Incident #180854148.

Detective Matthew Smith is the lead detective, assisted by Detective Jeff Brandt.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call the Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS.

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