# Media Information

**Columbus Division of Police** **Date: 9/22/26**

**Homicide Bureau / Homicide Unit**

Elaine R. Bryant, Chief of Police

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**Ext:**

**Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide** **Date: 9/21/26** **Time: 7:32 PM**

**Location of Offense/Incident: 200 block of N. Wheatland Av.** **Zone: 3** **Precinct: 19**

**Incident Report #: 260713031** **Cruiser District: 9191**

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| **Victim: Kenneth Skeens** | **Sex: Male** | **Race: White** | **Age: 62** |
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**Suspect: Zackary Burroughs** **Address:**

☒ **Arrested** ☐ **Warrant on File** **Sex: Male** **Race: White** **Age: 27**

**Charges: Murder**

**Suspect:** **Address:**

☐ **Arrested** ☐ **Warrant on File** **Sex:** **Race:** **Age:**

**Charges:**

**Incident Summary:**

***** UPDATE 09.22.26: The victim has been identified as KENNETH SKEENS, age 62, and next of kin notification has been made. *****

**On September 21, 2026, at 7:32 PM, Columbus Police officers were dispatched to the 200 block of N. Wheatland Ave. on a reported shooting. Upon arrival, officers located an unresponsive adult victim suffering from a gunshot wound. Columbus Fire medics transported the victim to a local hospital, where the victim was pronounced deceased on at 8:00 PM. The victim has been tentatively identified, which is being withheld pending next of kin notification.**

**The victim was involved in a physical assault with an adult male identified as ZACKARY BURROUGHS, age 27, prior to the shooting. Based upon the preliminary investigation, detectives charged Burroughs with Murder. The investigation continues.**

**Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call Columbus Police Detective Yoder at (614) 645-2040, the Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730, or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). Detective Yoder is the lead detective and is being assisted by Detective Pribe.**

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