



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
Homicide Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: 7/9/2026

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide

Date: 7/7/2026

Time: 7:21 PM

Location of Offense/Incident: E. 18th & Dora Ave.

Zone: 4

Precinct: 4

Incident Report #: 260496694

Cruiser District: 9041

Victim: Kevin Laurin (deceased)

Sex: M

Race: B

Age: 16

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect: Mi'Sean Rakim Griffin

Address:

☒ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex: M

Race: B

Age: 25

Charges:

Suspect:

Address:

☐ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Charges:

Incident Summary: On July 7, 2026, at 7:21 PM, officers from the Columbus Division of Police were dispatched to the intersection of E. 18th Ave. & Dora Ave. following reports of a shooting. Upon their arrival, they found the victim, Kevin Laurin, aged 16, who had sustained a gunshot wound. Columbus Fire medics subsequently transported Mr. Laurin to a nearby hospital, where he was pronounced dead at 7:57 PM. Notification of next of kin has been completed.

Detectives from the Homicide Unit initiated a preliminary investigation and established that the suspect, Mi'Sean Rakim Griffin, confronted Laurin during a possible drug transaction. Detectives have charged Griffin with murder, and he has turned himself into the Franklin County Jail.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call Columbus Police Homicide Bureau at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). Detective Brammer is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Radich.

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