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PRESS RELEASE

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## **HOMICIDE**

### **Update (7/20/2012):**

After an extensive investigation, detectives from the Fort Lauderdale Police Department Homicide Squad have charged Devonte Martin, B/M, 12/10/94, in connection to the murder of Lawrence Conaway Jr. Martin is a resident of Fort Lauderdale.

Martin is currently in the custody of the Broward Sheriff's Office and has been charged with one count of First Degree Murder.

Anyone with further information regarding the homicide is encouraged to contact Detective James Jagers at 954-828-5970 or Detective Mark Shotwell at 954-828-5517.

### **Original (7/13/2012):**

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a homicide that occurred on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012, at approximately 7:30 P.M. The homicide took place in the 500 block of Northeast 11<sup>th</sup> Street in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

On July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012, Fort Lauderdale Police Officers responded to a call regarding shots being fired in the 500 block of Northeast 11<sup>th</sup> Street. As officers arrived on scene, they located a deceased male in the middle of the street.

Immediately, a perimeter was established and apprehension K-9 officers were summoned to the scene. Officers also utilized the assistance of the Broward Sheriff's Office Aviation Unit to conduct a search of the area. The suspect(s) had fled the immediate area prior to police arrival.

The victim has been identified as Lawrence Conaway Jr., B/M, 9/13/84, a Fort Lauderdale resident.

Based upon a preliminary investigation, Fort Lauderdale Homicide Detectives believe that Conaway was walking in the area when two unknown black male subjects approached him. Some sort of confrontation ensued, and Conaway

was shot to death. Detectives are working on possible suspect information as well as a motive behind the homicide.

Investigators are urging anyone with information regarding the murder to contact Detective Mark Shotwell at 954-828-5517, Detective James Jagers 954-828-5970 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.



Lawrence Conaway Jr.

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