

2024 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FATALITY REVIEW REPORT

An Examination of

Domestic Violence Homicides

in Duval County, Florida

January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024



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in Duval County, Florida
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INTRODUCTION

Achieving a day where there are no homicides relating to domestic violence may feel like a challenging goal, but it is with big goals that big dreams can be realized.

So, with this goal, the Duval County Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team (DVFRT) convened for its 28th year to review and analyze the domestic violence homicides in Duval County, reviewing cases from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024. This Report is submitted to the Domestic Violence Intervention Project (DVIP) task force to inform their work within the criminal justice system promoting supportive responses for survivors of domestic violence and accountability of batterers.



A fatality review is a long-standing, respected practice of working to note trends in perpetrator actions, identify opportunities to enhance systemic response, and make recommendations on coordinated community prevention and intervention efforts, in order to prevent future domestic violence-related deaths.¹

The Duval County DVFRT is a multidisciplinary body consisting of representatives from social services, criminal justice entities, law enforcement, advocacy organizations, and other agencies involved in domestic violence prevention and intervention. The diversity of DVFRT membership is crucial for examining opportunities to enhance the societal response to victims.

^{1 &}quot;Frequently Asked Questions," National Domestic Violence Fatality Review Initiative, accessed August 20, 2025, https://www.scribbr.com/citing-sources/cite-a-website/

Members are committed to a full review of each case, including the responses within their own sectors.

"Most people participating in the process find the subject sufficiently sobering to create a commitment to truth-seeking and honest improvement."²

- Alana Bowman, "Establishing Domestic Violence Review Teams"

The process recognizes that whether a victim chooses or is able to seek criminal justice intervention or social service support does not indicate fault or blame for the homicide. As such, a fatality review is not intended to assign blame to a victim. Nor does the process

place blame for the homicide on the actions of social services and related supports. Rather, when a person chooses to take the life of another person, the responsibility is with the perpetrator alone. A fatality review process is not intended to shift blame away from the perpetrator, but to improve opportunities for victims to seek and receive potentially life-saving intervention.

Acopy of this report is available online and distributed widely for public access.

Any comments or questions about this Report or the DVFRT's work can be directed to Assistant State Attorney Khary Gaynor at 904-255-2730 or Gaynor@coj.net.



Alana Bowman, "Establishing Domestic Violence Review Teams," Domestic Violence Report Volume 02, Number 06 (August/September 1997): 3, 93-94. https://civicresearchinstitute.com/online/article_abstract. php?pid=18&iid=1032&aid=6772

SCOPE

This DVFRT convenes under the authority of 741.316 F.S. which outlines the purpose of this fatality review as "learning how to prevent domestic violence by intervening early and improving the response of an individual and the system to domestic violence."

The DVFRT reviews cases identified by either the State Attorney's Office (SAO) or Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) as having stemmed from domestic violence. Under Section 741.28, F.S., a "domestic" relationship includes "spouses, former spouses, persons related by blood or marriage, persons who are presently residing together as if a family or who have resided together in the past as if a family, and persons who are parents of a child in common regardless of whether they have been married."

The DVFRT also includes cases of dating violence as defined under 784.046, F.S., in order to support a complete examination of intimate partner violence-related homicides.

Additionally, the DVFRT reviews the deaths of third parties connected to domestic violence,



(for example, a third party who is fatally shot when a perpetrator attacks their intimate partner, whether or not the primary parties in the relationship died). These cases can be difficult to identify, because they may not be classified as "domestic" homicides in official records. Concerted efforts are made by the SAO and JSO to identify and include all relevant cases in this review.

The DVFRT excludes child deaths resulting from domestic violence, unless the child was killed as part of an attack on an adult that fits statutory definition. There is a separate child death review process that takes place locally.

To provide findings and recommendations in the most timely and relevant manner possible, the DVFRT includes in its review any domestic violence homicides that occurred in the defined year in Duval County, regardless of the case status within the criminal justice system. To preserve any ongoing investigations and legal cases, this Report does not include the names of suspects or victims, and instead uses case numbers established for the Report.

The "Suspect Status" noted in each Case summary reflects the case standing as of the publication of this Report.

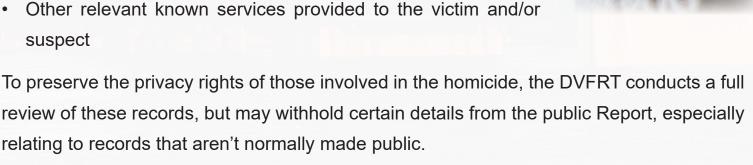


METHODOLOGY

The DVFRT convenes in the beginning of each calendar year and assigns cases to DVFRT members for full reviews. The DVFRT member who conducts the review presents to the full DVFRT, which collaboratively determines any additional information needed to complete the case presentation. The DVFRT meets over the course of several months to hear case presentations, discuss trends, and reach a consensus on findings and recommendations.

Case reviews cover available documentation relating to each homicide, which may include

- Police reports involving the victim and/or suspect
- Autopsy reports and other Medical Examiner's information
- Department of Children and Families (DCF) referrals involving victim and/or suspect
- Civil proceedings including Marchman and Baker Acts, Dissolutions of Marriage, Paternity actions, and Injunctions for Protection involving victim and/or suspect
- Adult criminal records of victim and/or suspect
- State's Attorney files involving victim and/or suspect
- Batterers' Intervention Program (BIP) participation, including performance, completion, violations, and victim contact (when available)
- suspect





Information from the case review is organized into a uniform template that defines key categories relevant to this process, including prior arrests for domestic violence or Injunctions for Protection. These case profiles should not be understood as the complete histories of the suspect and victim, but rather histories relevant to this fatality review.



At the conclusion of case reviews, the DVFRT discusses trends and factors of note, in order to compile findings and recommendations. These findings and recommendations focus on anything that could be reasonably done to prevent similar fatalities in the future. Focus areas traditionally include considerations like the presence of warning signs or

lethality indicators, access to and provision of supportive services, and legal accountability of the batterer to intervention programming. It is worth restating that these findings and recommendations are compiled with the hope of eliminating future domestic violence homicides, but not to put the blame for such homicides on anyone other than the perpetrator.

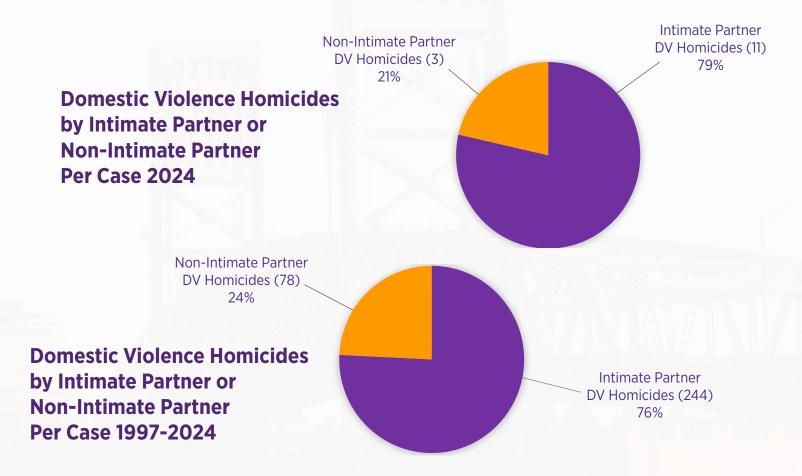
Data collected since the founding of the DVFRT in 1997 is also incorporated, to identify long-term trends. Due to rounding, percentages included in data analysis may not add to 100%.

The case reviews, findings, and recommendations are incorporated herein.

FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS

In Duval County in 2024, there were 14 domestic violence-related homicide cases, involving 19 deaths. Among the 19 deaths, three are perpetrators who died as the result of a homicide-suicide. Additionally, four cases- accounting for four homicide victims- were determined to be justifiable homicides.

The DVFRT reviews all domestic violence homicides, but additionally distinguishes between intimate partner violence (IPV) homicides and non-intimate partner homicides (DV). In 2024, 11 of the 14 homicide cases (79%) involved intimate partners.

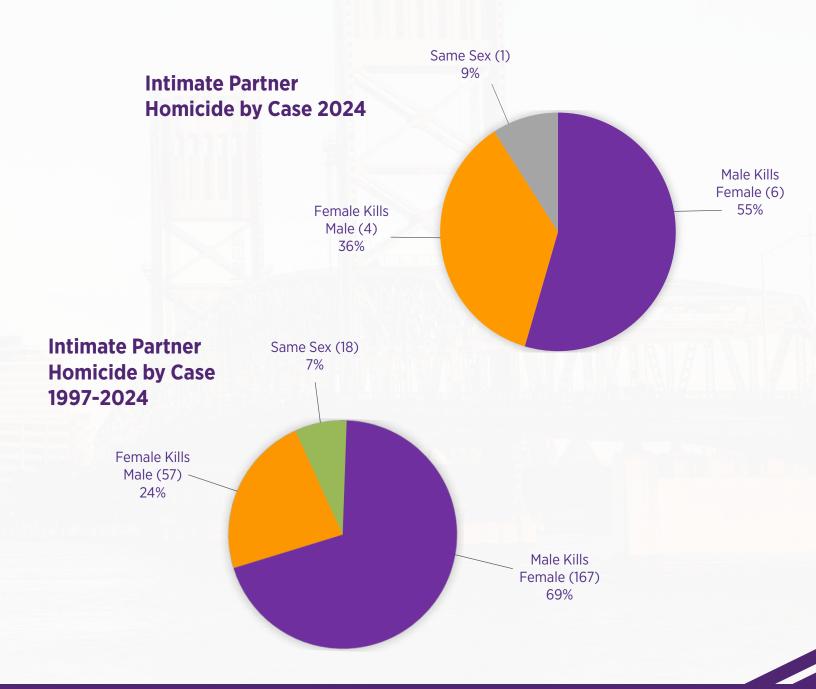


IPV homicides continue to be primarily perpetrated by men against women, including six of the 11 cases in 2024 (55%), with an additional case perpetrated by a man against another man. While the remaining four cases were perpetrated by women against men, three of those cases were ruled to be justifiable homicides.

Since 1997, 79% of the domestic violence homicide cases in Jacksonville involved or related to intimate partners, and 68% of IPV homicides were perpetrated by men against women.

It should be noted that, for this 2024 Report, the DVFRT is withholding the detailed case review of one case, as the disclosure of such details could compromise the ongoing investigation. The data associated with the case has been included in aggregate numbers.

Following this year's comprehensive review, the DVFRT puts forward the following findings and recommendations.



Finding and Recommendation #1: Prior Domestic Violence

In seven of the 11 cases (64%) of intimate partner violence homicides, there was a history of domestic violence between the suspect and victim. In an additional two cases, domestic violence was documented in a prior relationship involving one of the parties in the homicide. This means, in nine of the eleven cases (82%) of IPV homicides, there was a history of domestic violence, either by one person against a prior partner or within the current relationship.

Additionally, in three of the 11 (27%) cases of intimate partner violence homicide (among four of the 14 overall domestic violence homicide cases), the suspect was found to have been justified in their use of deadly force. In all three of these cases,



there was a history of violence and indicators of the potential for lethal violence.

Prior incidents of domestic violence must always be viewed as risk factors for lethality, not only when there is prior domestic violence within the relationship, but also by a person against a previous partner.

The courts, when allowed by law, are encouraged to consider prior incidents of domestic violence by a suspect in proceedings dealing with injunctions for protection, child custody, and similar matters. Law enforcement should recognize the risks of prior domestic violence while conducting lethality assessments and clearly communicate any lethality risk.

While domestic violence organizations and law enforcement have successfully partnered to reduce lethal violence in high-risk cases of domestic violence, parties are encouraged to consider efforts to enhance outreach to victims of domestic violence in situations that aren't considered to be as high risk, as well.

Finding and Recommendation #2: Systemic Intervention and Support

Within the nine cases of IPV homicide where a party in the homicide was involved in prior domestic violence, there are only two instances where it is documented that Batterers' Intervention Programming was ordered, but no record of whether that Program was completed. In only one case where there was violence within the current relationship was an Injunction for Protection sought.

When examining all domestic violence homicides in 2024 in Duval County, there were mental health challenges in three cases (2 IPV, 1 DV), and substance use challenges in eight cases (7 IPV, 1 DV). Additionally, in two cases, one or more parties in the relationship were experiencing homelessness.



These records underscore the many opportunities for systemic support present in the lives of the parties in these homicides. Available records show that, largely, such systemic supports were either not offered or were underutilized.

Criminal justice and social support systems are encouraged to enhance

referral procedures and care coordination to streamline the opportunity for a person to receive holistic support addressing their various needs. It is additionally recommended to engage in cross-training between systems, in order to promote systems-based interventions like Injunctions for Protection and develop procedures for collaboration. In tandem to this enhanced awareness, the courts are urged to consider a no contact bond condition for domestic violence arrests, to afford some protection to victims who have not obtained an Injunction for Protection.

Additionally, procedures for tracking Batterers' Intervention Program progress and completion should be improved, in order to enhance perpetrator accountability.

Finding and Recommendation #3: Personal Intervention and Support

In five of the IPV homicide cases, the available reports and information show that prior violence within the relationship was known to friends, family, neighbors, or other people within the personal life of at least one of the parties, even though it had not been reported to police. Despite that, there are few records showing anyone with knowledge of the violence offered to support the victim and help connect them to resources.



There are many reasons a person may choose not to reach out to offer support to someone they suspect or know is a victim of domestic violence, including they don't want to interfere with the couple's privacy, they feel like intervening is not their responsibility, or they aren't sure how to safely offer help. The reality is, however, that each opportunity that presents where support can be offered to a victim of violence needs to be seized.

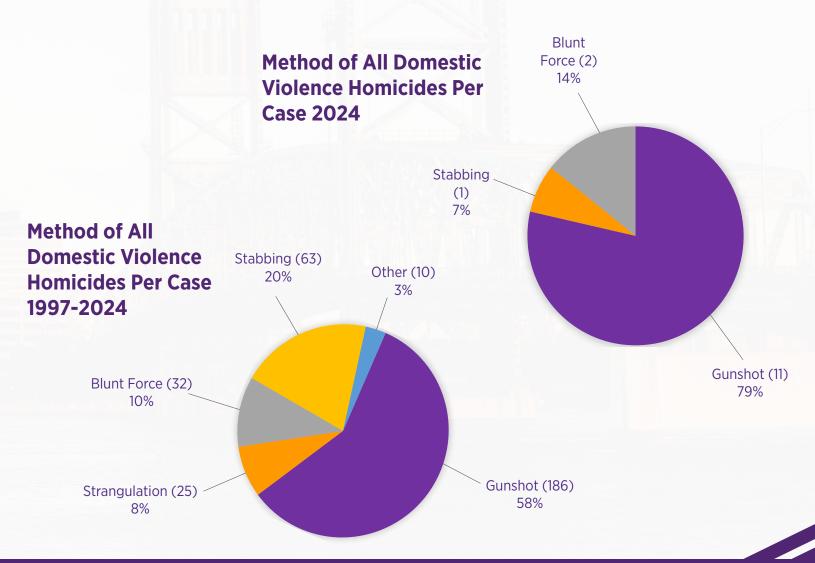
Public awareness efforts should be enhanced to not only let victims of domestic violence know about the resources available to them, but to also promote the role of a community member in helping victims of violence. Such awareness efforts should include methods for safely offering support to victims of violence, up to and including calling 911 if they hear or see potentially life-threatening violence.

Additionally, community-based organizations are encouraged to enhance neighborhood-level outreach, in order to promote a sense of connection and compassion among neighbors. Such outreach can also help build trust between community members and organizations, to further enhance the ability and willingness of victims to seek support.

Finding and Recommendation #4: Firearms

Firearms continue to be the primary weapon used in domestic violence homicides. In 2024, firearms were used in 11 of the 14 domestic violence homicide cases (79%). Firearms were the method of homicide in 8 of the IPV homicide cases (73%).

Since 1997, firearms have been the weapon used in 60% of all domestic violence homicides in Duval County.

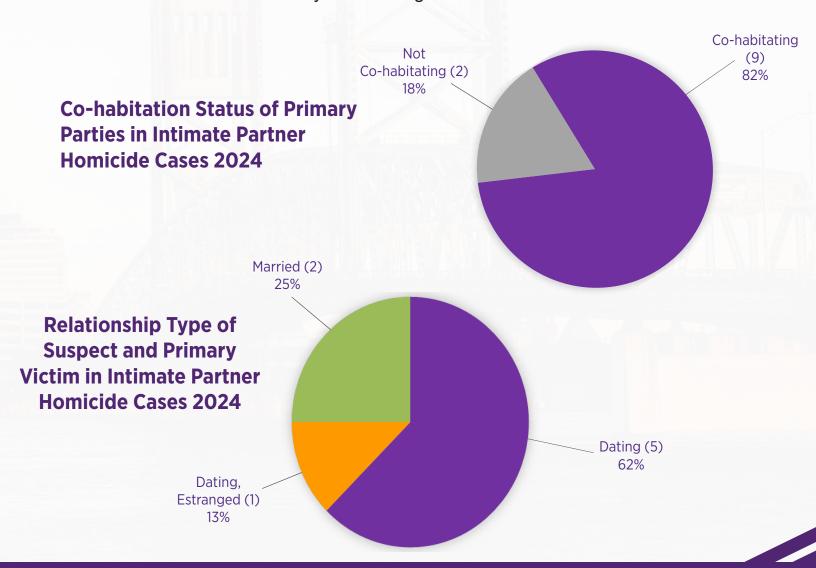


Because of this continued trend, it is critical that law enforcement and related agencies ask victims about access to a firearm when responding to cases of domestic violence. Law enforcement is also encouraged to assess the possibility of restricting firearms access through Risk Protection Orders, in such cases.

In interactions with victims, advocates and social service providers should be clear on discussing the lethality risk associated with firearms and should actively safety plan with victims specifically relating to the presence of firearms.

Finding and Recommendation #5: Co-habitation

In nine of the 11 intimate partner homicide cases (82%), the suspect and victim in the homicide were actively co-habitating at the time of the homicide. In three cases the parties were married and in six cases they were dating.



Co-habitation provides a perpetrator of violence a higher degree of access to a victim. It is a significant risk factor that must be accounted for in safety planning with victims. Advocates and social service providers are urged to explain the lethality risk to victims and share resources that can support limiting a batterer's access to a shared home, including an Injunction for Protection. Courts should give considerable weight to these requests, with the understanding that they could help reduce the lethality risk in these cases.

Advocates and social service providers should additionally advise victims of alternative housing solutions, which may include shelters for victims of domestic violence and their children (e.g. Hubbard House, Quigley House, Betty Griffin Center, Micah's Place). Local governments and developers are encouraged to consider domestic violence centers as beneficiaries and prospective partners in any affordable housing projects and opportunities, to support a victim's long-term independent housing needs.

2024 CASES

2024 - 1

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 1/8/2024

VICTIM: Black, Male, Age 23

SUSPECT: Hispanic, Female, Age 23

CATEGORY: Intimate **METHOD:** Gunshot

SUSPECT STATUS: Cleared as Justifiable

I. CRIME

A. **RELATIONSHIP**: Dating (cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

Suspect stated that she and Victim had been dating for nearly four months. Victim picked Suspect up from work and then went to pick up Suspect's 3-year-old son from daycare. While getting fast food at a drive through, Victim and Suspect began to argue about the order because they did not have enough money. Suspect stated that Victim threw the food and drink at Suspect and her son - an officer noted that the child was wet with an unknown substance in the aftermath of this incident and a search of the Suspect's vehicle confirmed fast food strewn about the passenger compartment. When they arrived at Suspect's apartment, Victim began destroying Suspect's belongings. Victim grabbed and threw a wall mirror that landed on Suspect's 3-year-old son. Suspect then grabbed her pistol and fired three (3) shots at Victim. Victim fled the apartment and collapsed on the ground outside. Suspect attempted to render aid to Victim and asked two witnesses for

assistance in loading Victim into the car. One of the witnesses, a neighbor, stated it was not uncommon to see Suspect and Victim arguing. Suspect also stated Victim had previously threatened to kill her and had been physically violent. A search of Suspect's apartment revealed an otherwise orderly home, with the exception of her bedroom, which had toppled over and broken furniture, including the bed and bedframe, a mirror, and shards of glass throughout the room. Suspect further consented to a search of her cellphone which revealed photographs of injuries to her neck and text messages between Suspect and Victim that demonstrated a "volatile relationship," consistent with Suspect's claims. Victim suffered three (3) gunshot wounds - two (2) with exit wounds - one of which fatally perforated his heart.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: Yes, 1 (3 years old)

D. LOCATION: 32211 (District 2)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

A. FATALITIES: No

B. INJURED PARTIES: No

C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim:

- a) 4/20/2022 Temporary Injunction for Protection Against Domestic Violence
- Dismissed (Victim as Respondent, not by Suspect)

B. Suspect:

- **a)** 11/07/2023 Petition for Temporary Injunction for Protection Against Stalking Dismissed (Suspect as Respondent, not by Victim)
- **b)** 2/17/2022 Final Judgement of Injunction for Protection Against Domestic Violence (Suspect as Petitioner, not against Victim)
- c) 9/08/2020 Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Domestic Violence
- Dismissed (Suspect as Respondent, not by Victim)
- **d)** 5/07/2019 Final Judgement of Injunction for Protection Against Stalking (Suspect as Respondent, not by Victim)

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

Suspect stated that she got the firearm from a friend. Firearm was reported stolen in 2023 from Georgia.

2024 - 2

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 1/9/2024

VICTIM: White, Male, Age 54

SUSPECT: White, Male, Age 41

CATEGORY: Not Married-Cohabitating

METHOD: Blunt Force Trauma

SUSPECT STATUS: Convicted of Lesser Offense

I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Non-Familial (Roommates) (cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

During the late evening hours, Witness heard loud arguing coming from the three males that lived across the street from him. Victim #2 (boyfriend of Suspect) went to his across-the-street neighbor, Witness, to request he call 911, stating that his boyfriend, Suspect, had attacked him. Witness observed Victim #2 to be bleeding from the head and appeared to be in a state of shock. Victim #2 stated that he did not recall what happened, that he woke up on the floor covered in blood, and that Suspect had "assaulted" him. Victim #2 confirmed that only he, Suspect, and Victim #1 were present in the home.

Law enforcement entered the home and found Victim #1 deceased on a sofa, also from blunt force trauma to the head. A gray metal pipe was next to Victim #1's body. Victim #2 stated that he, Suspect, and Victim #1 had all been drinking vodka earlier in the evening, but provided no further explanation for the attack. Suspect contacted law enforcement later the next day to turn himself in. During interview, Suspect admitted to attacking Victim #1 with his fists and then Victim #2. Suspect admitted both victims were unarmed.

Suspect stated that he beat Victim #2 to the point of unconsciousness then returned his attention to Victim #1. Suspect stated he got a metal pipe and struck Victim #1 twice in the head and knew he had killed him. Suspect had no obvious injuries at the time of his interview.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: None Present

D. LOCATION: 32224 (District 2)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

A. FATALITIES: No

B. INJURED PARTIES: Yes, 1 additional, Domestic

C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect:

- **a)** 5/12/2012 Aggravated Battery (2 counts) Pled Guilty, Adjudication of Guilt 6 years Prison
- b) 1/12/1995 Simple Battery Pled No Contest Adjudication Unknown- Sentence Unknown

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim:

a) 2/22/23 - Driving Under the Influence - Pled Guilty, Adjudicated Guilty

- 12 months Probation

2. Suspect:

a) 4/30/2018 - Delivery of Cannabis - Pled to Lesser Misdemeanor Charge - Adjudicated Guilty - Time Served

b) 12/07/2018 - Possession less than 20 grams of Cannabis - Not Prosecuted

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

The 2012 Aggravated Battery involved alcohol and Suspect attacked three separate victims with a broken beer bottle.

In the case referenced here, Suspect pled to Attempted Manslaughter regarding Victim #2. Victim #2 advised that Suspect had a drug and alcohol problem and needed treatment.

2024 - 3

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 3/31/2024

VICTIM: White, Male, Age 45

SUSPECT: Black, Male, Age 22

CATEGORY: Non-Intimate

METHOD: Gunshot

SUSPECT STATUS: Deceased

I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Parent/Child (cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

On March 31, 2024, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) responded to a residence in reference to a person shot. Upon arrival, officers made contact with Victim #2 who was outside of her house and suffering from gunshot wounds. Officers entered the house and found a 12-year-old (Victim #3) deceased in the living room and a 45-year-old (Victim) deceased in Suspect's bedroom. Both Victim and Victim #3 had died of gunshot wounds. Officers also found two other minor children hiding in an upstairs closet. Suspect was found dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound in the threshold of the back door of the house. Suspect was dressed in military fatigues and had a rifle between his legs. Officers also found a small white dog that had been shot and killed inside the residence.

Investigation revealed Suspect had gotten into an argument with his parents earlier in the day regarding the Suspect using racial slurs towards his mother, Victim #2, and Suspect stealing money from his sister. Following the argument, Suspect went into his room, changed into camouflage fatigues

with a tactical vest, and confronted his father (Victim) shooting and killing him. Suspect then shot his mother, Victim #2, before looking for his siblings. Suspect ultimately shot and killed his younger brother, Victim #3, and their family dog, before killing himself.

- C. CHILDREN PRESENT: Yes, 3 (12, 14, and 16 years old)
- D. LOCATION: 32244 (District 4)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

- A. FATALITIES: Yes, 1 additional, Domestic
- B. INJURED PARTIES: Yes, 1 additional, Domestic
- C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- 1. Victim: No Record
- 2. Suspect: No Record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

- 1. Victim: No Record
- 2. Suspect: No Record

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

- 1. Victim: No Record
- 2. Suspect: No Record

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

Suspect's surviving brother reported Suspect spent time in a mental heath institution.

2024 - 4

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 5/4/2024

VICTIM: Black, Female, Age 32

SUSPECT: Black, Male, Age 33

CATEGORY: Intimate **METHOD**: Gunshot

SUSPECT STATUS: Arrested

I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Dating (cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

Before dawn on May 4, 2024, gas station employees reported Victim unconcious to emergency services, with apparent gunshot wounds. Patrol officers arrived, as well as Jacksonville Fire and Rescue. Victim was pronounced dead at the scene.

Witnesses reported to law enforcement that they saw Victim exit her car and go into the gas station's store. Victim then returned to the driver's side of the car, where she stood next to the car while reaching in. Witnesses stated that Victim appeared to have a discussion with someone inside the vehicle, followed by a brief scuffle, based on the witnesses' description of the shaking of the vehicle. Victim then fell to the ground. Suspect climbed out of the driver's side of the vehicle, stepped over Victim's body, appeared to say something to Victim, and then walked away from the scene.

Due to the ambient noise from a passing train opposite the shooting scene, some witnesses reported they could not hear what was said. One Witness reported hearing Suspect yell, "stupid bitch" before walking away.

Investigation by Jacksonville Sheriff's Office determined that Victim and Suspect had been involved in an intimate relationship for about nine months at the time of Victim's death. The parties had no fixed abode, living primarily at a motel. Victim's family reported that Victim regularly came to their home to stay for brief periods of time, telling them that she and Suspect had a fight.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: None Present

D. LOCATION: 32210 (District 4)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

A. FATALITIES: No

B. INJURED PARTIES: No

C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect:

a) 2/25/2022 - Domestic Battery - Case dropped (Not Victim)

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect:

a) 11/25/2021 - Simple Assault - Pled No Contest (Not Victim)

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect:

- **a)** 7/30/2012 Possession of Drug Paraphernalia Pled Withhold of Adjudication
- b) 10/21/2021 Driving Under the Influence Not Prosecuted

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

N/A

2024 - 5

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 6/17/2024

VICTIM: Black, Female, Age 26

SUSPECT: Black, Male, Age 35

CATEGORY: Intimate METHOD: Gunshot

SUSPECT STATUS: Convicted as Charged

I. CRIME

A. **RELATIONSHIP:** Dating (not cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

Victim was reported missing on June 16, 2024, after family and friends of Victim reported not having seen or heard from Victim in over two weeks. At that time, police responded to Suspect's residence for a wellbeing check, because a friend of Victim stated that she stayed there. Suspect allowed officers to search the home. Police did not find anything suspicious at that time and generated a Missing Person's report.

On June 17, police responded to Suspect's residence for the second time to conduct a wellbeing check, after a friend of Victim reported going by Suspect's home and noticing a foul odor coming from residence. Suspect allowed police to search the house again. Upon further investigation, Victim's body, in an advanced state of decomposition, was found in a trash can on the side yard of the residence. Police also found a hole in the ground full of trash, which included a bag with blood-stained women's clothing and a bloody knife. The Medical Examiner later determined Victim died of a gunshot wound to the head. Suspect was arrested and charged with murder, abuse of a dead

human body, and tampering with evidence.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: None Present

D. LOCATION: 32206 (District 1)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

A. FATALITIES: No

B. INJURED PARTIES: No.

C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect:

a) 01/17/2015 - Aggravated Battery with a Deadly Weapon (Guilty), Pled guilty, Adjudicated Guilty; sentenced 3 years in prison (Not this Victim).

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

Acquaintances and friends mentioned previous incidents of violence, where Suspect was the alleged perpetrator. Witness indicated that a couple of weeks before the murder she had seen Victim naked from the waist down running out of Suspect's home yelling for help. Witness heard Suspect order Victim back in the house. As Witness was driving away, Witness heard what sounded like someone getting hit. Witness reversed to the front of the house and yelled at male figure to stop. Victim started walking away from the house. Witness asked if Victim needed anything, Victim said no and continued to walk away. There is no documentation that this incident was reported to police.

A friend of Victim, who directed law enforcement to Suspect's home, also indicated that Victim had broken ribs as a result of a previous incident with Suspect. The friend also indicated that Victim was 2 months pregnant. Due to Victim's state of decomposition, the Medical Examiner could not determine if Victim was pregnant.

There is an earlier police report where Victim claimed her cousin, who Victim lived with at the time of the incident, tried to run her over with a car. Victim alleged this cousin was also stealing her social security checks. Victim moved out of that residence as a result of the alleged theft and was listed as homeless in every police report since this incident.

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DATE OF HOMICIDE: 7/15/2024

VICTIM: Black, Male, Age 24

SUSPECT: Black, Male, Age 22

CATEGORY: Non-Intimate

METHOD: Gunshot

SUSPECT STATUS: Cleared as Justifiable

I. CRIME

A. **RELATIONSHIP:** Siblings (not cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

On July 15, 2024, officers responded to a person shot.

Upon arrival, it was discovered that earlier in the night, Victim and his mother were in an argument. During the argument, Victim punched his mother in the mouth, knocking out several of her teeth. Victim's two brothers, Witness #1 and Suspect, stepped in to separate Victim from his mother. Victim then got a large knife from the kitchen and brandished it, while threatening his brother, Suspect. Suspect then shot Victim in self-defense.

Victim was transported to the hospital, where he ultimately died.

The mother was also sent to the hospital due to her teeth being knocked out.

Officers recovered both Victim's knife and the firearm used by Suspect.

Victim's younger sister (Witness #2), the mother, Witness #1, and Suspect, were all interviewed. They all confirmed that Suspect acted in self-defense and that Victim was the primary aggressor.

- C. CHILDREN PRESENT: Yes, 1 (16 years old)
- D. LOCATION: 32218 (District 6)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

- A. FATALITIES: No
- B. INJURED PARTIES: Yes, 1 additional, Domestic
- C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

- A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
 - 1. Victim: No Record
 - 2. Suspect: No Record
- B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES
 - 1. Victim: No Record
 - 2. Suspect: No Record
- C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES
 - 1. Victim: No Record
 - 2. Suspect: No Record
- D. WEAPON OFFENSES
 - 1. Victim: No Record
 - 2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

N/A

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 8/6/2024

VICTIM: White, Male, Age 26

SUSPECT: White, Female, Age 25

CATEGORY: Married-Cohabitating

METHOD: Gunshot

SUSPECT STATUS: Cleared as Justifiable

I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Spousal (cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

On August 6, 2024, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office was dispatched to a person shot inside a vehicle. Victim's wife, Suspect, was in the front seat and Victim's two children were in the back seat. Victim was transported to Orange Park hospital for gunshot wounds and Suspect was transported to UF Heath for a panic attack. During the transport, she made excited utterances of "the gun just went off."

Witness #1 was driving home when he saw Victim laying on the ground next to the vehicle. Suspect was standing over him. When Witness #1 asked what happened, Suspect said, "he shot himself." Witness #1 saw two children in the backseat and asked where the gun was, took it, and unloaded it. He kept the gun until police arrived on scene.

Witness #2 was also driving by when he saw Suspect standing over Victim yelling, "come on, get up!" Witness #2 then gave CPR to Victim.

A detective was able to get surveillance video of the incident. The video

depicted Suspect trying to get out of the vehicle, but it appeared as if she was being pulled back in. The vehicle then stops in the road and Suspect is able to jump out. A few seconds later she runs back to the car.

Suspect was interviewed and indicated that she was in a relationship with Victim since 2019, and they were just married in 2024. She detailed an extensive history of domestic violence, including from the prior night into the next morning. She indicated that over the past 24 hours, Victim strangled her, took her phone, took her car, slapped her, and comitted multiple other instances of violence. Victim finally returned to the home with her car and slept at the house. The next morning they had to take one of the children to the child's chemotherapy treatment, so all four of them got into the car. During the car ride, Suspect asked for her phone back which angered Victim. Suspect finally told Victim that she was done and was going to call Department of Children and Families. Victim then stopped the car in the middle of the road and slapped Suspect across the face. She got out of the car and started walking. She finally got back into the car because of the kids. He continued to hit her and he then took the wrong road to the cancer treatment. Victim told Suspect that he was going to kill her and put her in a "blue barrel." She tried to get out of the car, but he pulled her back in and tried to strangle her. Victim had a gun in his lap and they started struggling over the gun. Suspect said, during the struggle, the gun went off and shot Victim. The gun fell and, as Suspect was reaching for that gun, Victim reached for his other gun. Suspect then shot Victim an unknown amount of times, to protect herself. As soon as she did, she jumped out of the car. She came back to the car because of the kids in the back seat. Victim fell out of the car and onto the pavement. Suspect applied pressure to Victim's injuries and asked one witness to call 911.

The medical examiner found that there was a gunshot wound through Victim's upper chest that penetrated his liver and lung. There were also superficial marks on his left chest, left wrist, and leg.

- **C. CHILDREN PRESENT:** Yes, 2 (5 and 7 years old)
- D. LOCATION: 32210 (District 4)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

- **A. FATALITIES**: No
- B. INJURED PARTIES: No
- C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- 1. Victim:
 - a) 05/24/2024 Domestic Battery (this Suspect) Nol Pros
 - **b)** 05/24/2024 Aggravated Assault (this Suspect) Arrest Warrant Not Issued
 - c) 01/18/2024 Domestic Battery (this Suspect) Arrest Warrant Not Issued
 - **d)** 06/23/2016 Aggravated Battery Deadly Weapon (not Suspect) Not Filed
- 2. Suspect: No Record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

- 1. Victim:
 - a) 06/26/2020 Armed Robbery Not Filed
 - b) 08/03/2014 Simple Batt (not Suspect) Arrest Warrant Not Issued
- 2. Suspect: No Record

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim:

a) 09/26/2019 - Possession less than 20 grams Marijuana - Pled No Contest Adjudication Withheld

2. Suspect: No Record

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

Victim, in his late teenage years, was the documented victim of family violence. Suspect was the documented victim of domestic violence in a prior relationship between 2016 and 2019. In 2024, Suspect was a victim of battery involving her cousins.

In the pending domestic incident between Victim and Suspect in 2024, a bond condition included a no contact order, which barred Victim from living with Suspect at the time of the homicide. Suspect, the children's stepmother, maintained custody of the children. Suspect agreed to have contact with Victim on the day of the incident because he wanted to see the kids.

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 8/18/2024

VICTIM: Black, Male, Age 33

SUSPECT: Black, Female, Age 26

CATEGORY: Not Married-Cohabitating

METHOD: Stabbing

SUSPECT STATUS: Arrested

I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Dating (cohabitating)

(with children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

On August 18, 2024, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office responded to a well-being check. Victim was seen through a window of the residence, lying in a pool of blood. A knife was also located near Victim's body.

Complainant stated he received a call from his friend, Witness, earlier in the evening. She asked Complainant to go by the house to check on Victim because Victim's girlfriend, Suspect, stated to Witness that she stabbed Victim earlier in the day.

Witness is a family friend of Victim and Suspect. She knew Suspect and Victim to fight a lot. She stated Suspect is known to have a history of mental health issues and suffered from schizophrenia. Suspect told Witness that she stabbed and killed Victim. Witness did not think much about the statement due to Suspect's mental health history. Witness offered to take Suspect to Mental Health Resource Center (MHRC) to get her medications. Suspect willingly agreed. Suspect did not remain at MHRC, so Witness then left her at UF Health. Witness called Complainant when she arrived back home and

asked Complainant to check on Victim.

Once officers located Victim in the residence, officers at UF Health were alerted to look for Suspect. She was found across the street at a gas station where she was taken into custody. Per Witnesses at the gas station, Suspect was also making suicidal comments. A knife, with what appeared to be blood on it, was found on Suspect's person.

Suspect was interviewed by detectives. She initially denied knowledge of Victim's death but later confessed to stabbing Victim in the chest with a black knife with a silver blade, which fit the description of the knife located near Victim's body. She stated she killed Victim because he killed her father seven years ago.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: None Present

D. LOCATION: 32208 (District 6)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

A. FATALITIES: No

B. INJURED PARTIES: No

C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim:

a) 07/26/2022 - Aggravated Battery Pregnant Female (Suspect) - Adjudication of Guilt - BIP

b) 01/23/2018 - Domestic Battery - Adjudication of Guilt - BIP (not Suspect)

2. Suspect:

a) 07/06/2020 - Child Abuse- Dropped

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim:

- a) 02/21/2017-Battery- Adjudication of Guilt
- b) 06/10/2010- Burglary Dwelling- Adjudication of Guilt

2. Suspect:

- **a)** 10/04/2023- Simple Battery- Adjudication of Guilt Probation to complete Mental Health treatment
- b) 05/27/2021- Simple Battery- Dropped
- c) 07/14/2020- Simple Battery- Adjudication of Guilt Withheld
- d) 08/05/2018- Simple Battery- Dropped

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim:

- a) 09/11/2015- DUI- Adjudication of Guilt
- 2. Suspect: No Record

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect:

- **a)** 07/13/2021- Petition for Injunction Against Repeat Violence (Suspect Petitioner, Victim Respondent)- Filed
- **b)** 10/17/2011- Petition for Injunction Against Repeat Violence (Suspect Petitioner, Victim Respondent)- denied
- **c)** 12/09/2011-Petition for Injunction Against Repeat Violence (Suspect Petitioner, Victim Respondent)- granted

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

Suspect was pregnant with Victim's child during the 2022 incident. It is unknown if Suspect carried the child to term. Suspect's mother primarily cooperated with prosecution in that case.

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 8/28/2024 **VICTIM:** Hispanic, Female, Age 32 **SUSPECT:** Hispanic, Male, Age 32 **CATEGORY:** Married-Cohabitating

METHOD: Gunshot

SUSPECT STATUS: Deceased

I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Spousal (cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

On August 28, 2024, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) was called after two people were found dead inside of a home. JSO determined the deaths were the result of a murder-suicide.

JSO first responded to the home the evening prior for a welfare check on a potentially armed suicidal person. Suspect had called his mother (Witness #1) to say he believed Victim was cheating on him and using him to get citizenship. Witness #1 described Suspect as "irate" during the call and said he stated "she deserves to be dead." Witness #1 advised Suspect not to do anything that would get him in trouble with law enforcement. Witness #1 said Suspect said he couldn't leave Victim because he loved her too much, and he ended the call saying "I'm sorry and I love you." Witness #1 tried calling Suspect and Victim, but neither answered. Soon after, Witness #1 received a call from a friend of Suspect, who had received several concerning text messages from Suspect, and Suspect hadn't answered when the friend called him.

Witness #1, who lives in New York, called a family member in Jacksonville to have her check on Suspect and Victim. That family member (Witness #2) went to the home and, when nobody answered, called JSO. JSO responded, but were unable to make contact with Suspect or Victim. After speaking with multiple people connected to Suspect and Victim, JSO determined they did not have authority to enter the home. Witness #2 officially reported Victim as a missing person.

The morning of August 28th, Witness #2 and her son went back to the home to try to make contact. They entered the home through an unlocked back door and found both Suspect and Victim deceased.

Victim was found in bed, dead from a gunshot to the head. Suspect was found on the ground near the bed with a firearm in his hand, dead of an apparent self-inflicted gunshot to the head. JSO also located a typed letter on the bed, near Victim's feet. In the letter, Suspect wrote how devastated he was about the alleged infidelity.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: None Present

D. LOCATION: 32217 (District 3)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

A. FATALITIES: No

B. INJURED PARTIES: No

C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

JSO later determined Suspect made several other calls on the evening of August 27th. Victim's father told JSO he had received several calls from Suspect, but missed them, and Suspect didn't answer when he called back. Victim's brother reported speaking with Suspect, who was "distraught" because Suspect believed Victim was going to divorce him.

Family and friends of Suspect and Victim told JSO they had no knowledge of any problems within the marriage prior to the calls they received from

Suspect.

Witness #2 told JSO that Suspect has previously dealt with depression.

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 9/7/2024

VICTIM: Hispanic, Female, Age 27 **SUSPECT:** Hispanic, Male, Age 28

CATEGORY: Married-Cohabitating

METHOD: Gunshot

SUSPECT STATUS: Deceased

I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Spousal (cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) Gun Crime Intelligence Center (CGIC) was investigating an Attempted Murder, in which Victim and Suspect were suspects. CGIC had arrest warrants for both.

On March 4, 2024, at 6:30 pm, CGIC and other officers arrived at the scene and began talking with Victim via cellphone. Victim told officers she would not go to jail and that she would "shoot it out with police" instead. JSO Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) and Hostage Negotiators were then called out. During one phone call with the police, Victim asked Suspect for the guns and asked if they were loaded. After hours of negotiations, while on the phone with Victim, she said to Suspect, "Just shoot me—do it—in the back". Officers then heard a single gunshot, and then a moment later, a second gunshot. SWAT officers made entry into the apartment and found both individuals deceased.

No one else was in the apartment with the individuals during the phone calls or when SWAT cleared the house.

Investigation revealed this was a "Murder-Suicide". Suspect shot Victim and then himself. Victim had a single gunshot wound to the back of her head. Suspect had a single gunshot wound (with stippling) to the right front side of his head. Three (3) 9mm firearms were collected; one (1) of which was in Suspect's hand.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: None Present

D. LOCATION: 32256 (District 3)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

A. FATALITIES: No

B. INJURED PARTIES: No

C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect:

a) US Army in HI (#00102-2021-CID 103 battery and sexual assualt)

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim:

a) 9/10/2024 - Attempted Murder - Warrant Withdrawn

2. Suspect:

a) 9/10/2024 - Attempted Murder - Warrant Withdrawn

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

N/A

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 10/3/2024 **VICTIM:** White, Female, Age 61 **SUSPECT:** White, Male, Age 46

CATEGORY: Intimate

METHOD: Blunt Force Trauma

SUSPECT STATUS: Convicted as Charged

I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Dating (cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

On On October 3, 2024, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) responded to assist the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department (JFRD). Upon arrival, first responders located Victim outside the trailer, lying at the foot of the steps, partially naked, with bruising to her face and body. While conducting preliminary scene preservation measures, officers noted the residence's front door was opened. Suspect approached and told officers Victim was his girlfriend and claimed that he was the person who called for help. Officers accompanied Suspect inside. Upon entering the trailer, officers noticed a trail of blood inside the trailer. Suspect was escorted back outside the trailer and detained.

Suspect explained to responding officers that last night, Victim began using drugs while sitting on the porch. He said he went outside to check on her this morning and realized she was cold. Suspect said he left in Victim's vehicle to seek help because they did not have a working phone. He said the car he was driving ran out of gas while doing so. He said he knocked on a stranger's

door to call for help. Suspect did not explain how he returned to the residence and could not provide consistent information for a basic timeline of events.

Detectives were granted a search warrant for the residence and recovered several items of evidentiary value. The Medical Examiner Investigator performed a preliminary examination of Victim's body and noted several injuries consistent with a battery. Victim was naked from the waist down, with her shorts pulled down to her ankles and her underwear was pulled down past her knees. Victim also had defensive wounds on her hands, consistent with a struggle. Her left pinky finger was cut and saturated with blood. Her right arm has several bruises resembling hand marks. Most notably, Victim had two large, fresh bruises on her face; one on the right side, nearly covering the entire side of her face; and the other on her left eye, consistent with being punched.

Once inside the residence, detectives observed several blood trails and apparent signs of a struggle throughout the trailer and in the bedroom. There were several areas where furniture was broken, broken glass, and various cutting instruments were laid around the home. Additionally, there were several areas where blood evidence was found on walls where there were indentations consistent with someone's head impacting the wall.

The Medical Examiner's Office performed an autopsy, and the death was ruled a homicide by blunt force trauma. The medical examiner explained to detectives that Victim sustained several traumatic injuries, which were estimated to have happened within minutes to hours of the time of discovery and death. Victim suffered several broken ribs, severe brain trauma, severe bruising to the face and body, and pooling of blood in the chest and abdomen cavity.

Suspect admitted to smoking crack cocaine and drinking heavily with Victim moments before her death. Suspect could not recount critical events before

Victim's death but explained he was the only person at home with Victim, and there were no other visitors or persons at their house. During the interview with Suspect, Officer observed injuries to both of his hands; his right hand was severely swollen and red, which he said caused him a great deal of pain; his left hand was also severely swollen around his index finger. Suspect also indicated that his left hand caused him pain.

A DNA warrant was submitted and approved by the Judge. During the service of the warrant, additional injuries were observed on Suspect's body. Suspect's right foot was severely swollen, and he had scratches on his arms, chest, and back. Because Suspect was adamant about his lapse in memory due to intoxication, detectives requested a blood draw warrant to determine Suspect's level of intoxication. Because of the totality of the injuries Victim sustained and Suspect admitting to being the only person with Victim when the injuries occurred, he was arrested and charged with second-degree murder.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: None Present

D. LOCATION: 32220 (District 5)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

A. FATALITIES: No

B. INJURED PARTIES: No

C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect:

a) 06/20/2012 - Battery - Cause bodily harm - Domestic - 12 month probation, 24 week BIP Program (not Victim), 05/07/2013 - Violation of Probation (VOP), 06/01/2021 - Violation of Probation (VOP)

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect:

a) 12/07/2000 - Sale or Delivery or Purchase or Manufacture of Marijuana, Possession of controlled substance paraphernalia

b) 06/01/2021 - DUI - Under influence of alcohol or chemical substance; faculties impaired - 9 months probation, 50 hours of community service, victim impact panel, DUI school ordered

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

Suspect has been the subject of battery in two prior incidents. In one incident, the suspect punched a former girlfriend in the face after an argument over finances that resulted in a broken jaw.

A neighbor overheard the incident leading up to the homicide, and attempted to audio record it, but she did not contact law enforcement stating that violent incidents between Suspect and Victim happened often.

A few hours prior to the homicide, Victim told Witness that Suspect had hit her and Witness felt an injury on Victim's head. Witness offered to let Victim stay with him due to violence being common place between Victim and Suspect.

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 11/20/2024

VICTIM: White, Male, Age 69

SUSPECT: White, Male, Age 27

CATEGORY: Non-Intimate

METHOD: Gunshot

SUSPECT STATUS: Arrested

I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Parent/Child (cohabitating)

(no children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

On November 20, 2024, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) responded to the listed location after Suspect contacted law enforcement and advised he shot his father. Suspect informed dispatchers that Victim was already deceased and remained on the phone until police arrived at the residence.

Officers detained Suspect in the front yard upon their arrival and located a 9mm casing and a 9mm live round in Suspect's pants pocket. Officers then located Victim unresponsive on the living room floor and determined he appeared to suffer from multiple gun shot wounds. Victim was pronounced deceased at the scene by the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department (JFRD).

A search of the residence revealed twelve 9mm casings in the living room and a loaded firearm on the bed in the back bedroom, which was observed to be jammed.

Suspect stated he shot his father because he was angry, even though he had

"other options available." Suspect reported his father sexually assaulted him when he was 5-10 years old. On November 19, 2024, Victim said something disparaging to Suspect about sexually assaulting him if he slept last night. Suspect went into another room, drank alcohol, thought about the statement for 6-8 hours, retrieved his firearm, and entered the living room where Victim was located to kill him. Suspect shot his father several times, paused, shot him again, and shot him in the back of the head after his father continued to breathe. Suspect then went to sleep for 6-8 hours before calling police.

Victim's manner of death was ruled a homicide by the Medical Examiner. Victim's cause of death was multiple gunshot wounds.

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: None Present

D. LOCATION: 32256 (District 3)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

A. FATALITIES: No

B. INJURED PARTIES: No

C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim:

a) 02/28/1998 - Domestic Battery - Adjudication of Guilt Withheld

2. Suspect: No Record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

a) 06/20/2006 - Injunction Order for Protection Against Domestic Violence

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

JFRD reported they responded to the listed address a few days prior to the incident and transported Suspect to the hospital for detox.

A neighbor advised Suspect moved in with Victim in September 2024 after his mother passed away. Suspect reportedly drinks heavily, smokes cigarettes, and uses marijuana.

Another neighbor stated he observed Suspect and Victim in a verbal argument outside their residence on November 19, 2024, around 4:00 PM. Victim told neighbor about Suspect's "alcohol problem." Suspect then joined the conversation and advised he was upset because he wanted Victim to pay for his "rehab" but Victim refused. Victim told neighbor he got into a verbal

argument with Suspect two to three weeks prior to the incident. During the argument, Suspect retrieved a shotgun and began to raise it. Victim grabbed the shotgun and took it away from Suspect. Suspect then pushed Victim down, took the shotgun, and walked away with the shotgun in his possession. The neighbor later observed Suspect outside alone. Suspect told neighbor his doctors informed him he has 5 years to live due to cancer. Suspect stated he hated Victim.

DATE OF HOMICIDE: 12/31/2024

VICTIM: Black, Male, Age 39

SUSPECT: Black, Female, Age 32

CATEGORY: Not Married-Cohabitating

METHOD: Gunshot

SUSPECT STATUS: Cleared as Justifiable

I. CRIME

A. RELATIONSHIP: Dating (cohabitating)

(with children in common)

B. CASE SUMMARY:

On On December 31, 2024, an incident occurred involving Suspect and Victim, who had been in an intimate relationship for approximately eight years and were living together at the time. They share two children together, alongside three children from Victim's previous relationship.

Suspect reported that, on December 30, 2024, at approximately 4:00 PM, Suspect and Victim had gone out to a local eatery to celebrate his birthday. After the celebration, they returned to Suspect's grandmother's house. Later in the evening, Victim left the house to meet his sister at a bar located in downtown Jacksonville.

At approximately 1:00 AM, the morning of December 31st, after Victim had not returned home, Suspect drove to a "trap house," identified as a location operated by Victim. Upon arriving, Suspect noticed two vehicles parked outside; one she recognized as the rental car Victim had been using and another that was unfamiliar to her.

Upon entering the residence, Suspect confronted Victim and noticed a woman outside during their confrontation, Witness. When Suspect left the residence, Victim followed her out and confronted Suspect and began yelling at her. While Suspect was seated in her vehicle, the conflict turned physical when Victim slapped Suspect. In response, Suspect retrieved a handgun from her purse, warning Victim to stop hitting her. However, the altercation escalated further when Victim struck Suspect in the face twice. Witness, reported hearing Suspect state "I will shoot you" followed by a gunshot. Suspect claimed that during the altercation as she was being struck, the handgun discharged, hitting Victim in the chest.

Following the shooting, Suspect called 911 to seek assistance, while attempting to render aid to Victim. In her statement to officers, Suspect claimed that she shot Victim in self-defense after he had punched her. Both Suspect and two witnesses to the event were taken to the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office for questioning. While both witnesses heard the gunshot, they did not witness the shooting itself.

At the scene, officers observed that Suspect had sustained visible injuries, including a black eye, which were later photographed by the Crime Scene Unit. Crime Scene Detectives processed the area further and recovered a handgun from the vehicle that Suspect had driven. Additionally, they found marijuana, fentanyl pills, and another handgun within the "trap house."

C. CHILDREN PRESENT: None Present

D. LOCATION: 32209 (District 6)

II. ADDITIONAL INVOLVED

A. FATALITIES: No

B. INJURED PARTIES: No

C. SUSPECTS: No

III. CRIMINAL HISTORY

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Victim:

- a) 09/21/2014 Battery Cause Bodily Harm Domestic (not Suspect) Arrest Warrant not Issued
- **b)** 02/19/2004 Battery / Domestic (Not Suspect) Arrest Warrant not Issued
- 2. Suspect: No Record

B. NON-DOMESTIC VIOLENT CRIMES

1. Victim:

- a) 01/11/2006 Battery (not Suspect), Possession of less than 20 grams of Cannabis Pled No Contest Adjudicated Guilty County Jail 30 days, 12 months Probation; 06/19/2007 Violation of Probation, Adjudicated Guilty County Jail 12 Months suspended, extend Probation 7 months; 09/05/2012 Violation of Probation, Adjudicated Guilty County Jail 12 Months, Extend Probation 6 months; 09/04/2013 Violation of Probation, Adjudicated Guilty County Jail 9 Months
- 2. Suspect: No Record

C. DRUG OR ALCOHOL RELATED OFFENSES

1. Victim:

- a) 10/11/2019 Possession of Heroin with Intent to Sell/Mfg/Deliver,
 Possession of Cocaine, Possession of less than 20 grams of Marijuana
 Dropped/Abandoned
- **b)** 09/28/2018 Possession of Controlled Substance Dropped/ Abandoned

c) 08/13/2018 - Possession of less than 20 grams of Marijuana - Adjudication Withheld

d) 01/04/2015 - Possession of Controlled Substance, Possession of Cocaine - Adjudicated Guilty - County Jail 9 Months

e) 03/02/2013 - Tampering with Evidence, Possession of Cocaine,
Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Sell/Mfg/Deliver Within 1000'
Of Specified Area, Use, or Possession with Intent to Use, Drug
Paraphernalia - Pled Guilty to Tampering with Evidence - Adjudication
Guilty - County Jail 8 months, Placed in an In-patient Drug Treatment
Program

f) 08/11/2005 - Possession of Cocaine, Possession of less than 20 grams of Cannabis, Possession of Controlled Substance Paraphernalia
 - Pled Guilty to Possession of Cocaine - Adjudicated Guilty - County Jail
 30 Days

g) 11/30/2004 - Possession of Controlled Substance - Diversionary Program - PTI - Dropped/Abandoned

2. Suspect: No Record

D. WEAPON OFFENSES

1. Victim: No Record

2. Suspect: No Record

IV. CIVIL RECORDS AND REPORTS

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

V. SERVICES

A. Victim: None Found

B. Suspect: None Found

VI. OTHER CONCERNS

Victim and Suspect have extensive histories of domestic violence in their households, prior to their relationship, involving other family and paramours. During their relationship, Victim and Suspect had a documented history of domestic violence with Victim as the alleged perpetrator - including an incident where Victim snatched Suspect's phone out of her hand due to accusations of infidelity. Additionally, there were disputes between the Suspect and the mother of Victim's other children.





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