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LCSO Makes Arrest in Wolf Creek Murders

On Thursday, January 27, 2011 at approximately 10:25 a.m. the Leon County Sheriff's Office responded to 1740 Corey Wood Circle in reference to a death investigation. Upon their arrival, deputies discovered Laqecia Herring, 20, and Sterling Conner, Jr. 17, dead inside the residence. Detectives from the Leon County Sheriff's Office searched the crime scene, canvassed the neighborhood and conducted interviews.

Autopsies performed on Friday, January 28, 2011 confirmed that Conner and Herring both died from gun shot wounds. Herring's autopsy also confirmed that she was approximately 21 weeks pregnant. Violent Crimes detectives have continued pursuing leads, conducting interviews, serving search warrants and collecting physical evidence since the bodies were discovered.

During this investigation, detectives learned that Deshon Thomas, 17, had been in a relationship with Herring and she was pregnant. Witnesses also told detectives that Herring had discussed having an abortion, but had changed her mind. Detectives learned that Thomas was seen with a firearm before he arrived at the Corey Wood Circle address in the early morning hours of January 27, 2011. Detectives believe Thomas went to Herring and Conner's residence to discuss their relationship and ultimately shot both Herring and Conner before leaving.

ARRESTED

Deshon R. Thomas
DOB: 7-11-1993



Charges: First Degree Murder (2 counts)

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