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News Release

Drug dealer charged with murder in overdose death

Seminole County(February 6, 2018) Seminole County investigators have charged an Altamonte Springs man with Murder by Controlled Substance, in connection with a fatal Fentanyl overdose.

On January 13, 2018, investigators were called to an apartment on Summit Ridge Place in unincorporated Longwood in reference to an overdose death. 46-year-old Jon H. Wiggins was discovered by a friend unresponsive on the living room floor and later pronounced dead. Subsequent testing by the medical examiner determined the substance Norris ingested was Fentanyl.

According to witness statements and information on a phone belonging to the deceased, investigators were able to trace the source of the drugs to a home on Alma Drive where the suspect Austin Garrett Smiley was living with a girlfriend. Smiley cooperated with the investigation. Based on his statements, evidence gathered at the scene and witness statements, investigators were able to obtain probable cause against the suspect. Once autopsy results confirmed the victim's cause of death, Smiley was charged with Murder by Controlled Substance.

Smiley was arrested in Volusia County, then later transferred the John E. Polk Correctional Facility.

Sheriff Lemma will be available for comment on this case at 3:00 in the community room at the Seminole County Sheriff's Office Headquarters, 100 Eslinger Way in Sanford. Wiggins was a veteran of the Marines and National Guard. His mother is also expected to attend.

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