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SLED INVESTIGATING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN DARLINGTON COUNTY

Agents from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) are investigating an officer involved shooting in Darlington County Thursday afternoon where an armed man was shot during an encounter with multiple deputies from the Darlington County Sheriff's Office. The subject, Kenneth Brian Turner, 37, died as a result of his injuries.

SLED was requested Thursday afternoon by Darlington County Sheriff James Hudson Jr.

SLED conducts law enforcement officer involved shooting (OIS) investigations at the request of the agency involved in the incident or the agency with jurisdiction. When requested to investigate an OIS, SLED's goal is to conduct a thorough, independent criminal investigation as timely as is possible under the circumstances. SLED agents will conduct interviews with all potential witnesses in this matter. Further, SLED will collect all relevant evidence and will forensically test such evidence as needed.

Information gathered in the SLED investigation of the incident will be summarized in a case file report to be submitted to prosecutors. This is an ongoing investigation. As such, no other information about the case will be disclosed by SLED at this time.

The incident in Darlington County was the 10th officer involved shooting in South Carolina in 2022. In 2021, there were 40 officer involved shootings in South Carolina; there were no (0) officer involved shootings involving Darlington County Sheriff's Office last year.

A copy of this news release is also on SLED's website: www.sled.sc.gov

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