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### **SLED INVESTIGATING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN SUMTER COUNTY**

Agents from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) are investigating an officer involved shooting Sunday morning in Sumter County. The SLED Arson Unit is also investigating a fire at the home where the shooting occurred.

Deputies from the Sumter County Sheriff's Office responded to a home in Sumter County for a domestic disturbance. A man, later identified as Leroy Quick Jr., 71, fired a shotgun at a responding Sumter County deputy. The deputy was hit and returned fire. Quick was found by responding deputies in the backyard with an apparent gunshot wound. Quick was taken to the hospital, where he later died from his injury. The deputy was taken to the hospital, treated, and is recovering.

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 Sumter County was the 25<sup>th</sup> officer involved shooting in South Carolina in 2022. This is the first officer involved shooting for the Sumter County Sheriff's Office this year.

In 2021, there were 40 officer involved shootings in South Carolina. The Sumter County Sheriff's Office had one officer involved shooting last year.

A copy of this news release is also on SLED's website: [www.sled.sc.gov](http://www.sled.sc.gov)

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