



## NEWS RELEASE

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## U.S. MARSHALS ARREST MURDER SUSPECT

**Charlotte, NC** – The hunt for the person accused of taking the life of one man and an attempted murder of another came to a close Tuesday afternoon in Greensboro, NC when the U.S. Marshals Joint Fugitive Task Force came calling.

On November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017, Mint Hill Police responded to a reported shooting in the area of Brigadier Lane. The victim, a 41 year old male was transported to the hospital with life threatening injuries thus leading to an arrest warrant issued for Vincent Ramon Sowell Jr.

After the shooting, the Mint Hill Police Department asked the U.S. Marshals Violent Offender Task Force (VOTF) to assist in locating and apprehending Sowell Jr. During the investigation, the U.S. Marshals learned Sowell Jr. had been charged with First Degree Murder out of Burlington, NC while on the run from the Mint Hill shooting. The U.S. Marshals developed information that Sowell Jr. was in Greensboro, NC staying at the Oaks Motel, where he was arrested without incident.

The United States Marshals Violent Offender Task Force is comprised of the U.S. Marshals Service, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department, Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office and the N.C. Department of Public Safety.

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