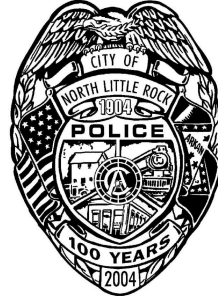


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For Immediate Release

Second Suspect Identified in Shooting Death of Salvation Army Major

North Little Rock, Ar (March 29, 2010) – The North Little Rock Police Department announces that a second suspect has been identified in the Christmas Eve murder of Salvation Army Major Philip Wise. Detectives have developed sufficient information to support a Capital Murder charge against Brandon Leavy, 20 (12-5-1989) of North Little Rock. Leavy, however, was killed two weeks after the murder of Major Wise during an attempted aggravated robbery.

On January 7, 2010 just before 10:30 PM, Leavy was one of two men who entered the Dodge Store located at 2010 East Broadway, displayed a handgun, and demanded money from the clerk. During the incident, a licensed and armed security guard, who was hired by the Dodge Store, intervened in the robbery and shot Leavy. Leavy fled the business, however, he collapsed just outside the front door where he was pronounced dead.

Leavy and Laquan Fitzpatrick, who has been previously charged in this case, are believed to be the only two participants in the murder, however the possibility exists for additional arrests of other persons for actions taken after the crime was committed.

This investigation is still ongoing and no further details will be released at this time.

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