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OFFICER INVOLVED
SHOOTING

Update: 09.10.15

The victim shot in this incident has been identified as Ralph Bouzi, B/M, 09/08/1989, a resident of the City of Plantation.

Original: 09.06.15

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating an officer involved shooting that occurred at approximately 10:00 PM on Saturday, September 5th. The incident took place in the 500 block of Northwest 1st Avenue in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that an adult male victim was working as a uniformed security officer at a venue located at 516 Northwest 1st Avenue, where a social event was being held. The victim and the suspect became involved in a dispute, during which the suspect became angered and pushed the victim.

A short time later the suspect returned to the venue armed with a handgun, firing several shots and striking the victim multiple times. Fort Lauderdale Police Department Officers responded and were directed to the fleeing suspect by witnesses at the location. Officers pursued the suspect on foot and encountered the suspect in the 400 Block of North Andrews Avenue.

During this encounter, an officer fired their weapon at the armed suspect- striking him a single time. The suspect was subsequently taken into custody and officers recovered a handgun from the suspect's possession.

Both the victim and the suspect were transported to Broward Health Medical Center with non-life threatening injuries. No officers were injured during the incident.

The suspect has been identified as James Eric McFadden, B/M, 02/09/89, a resident of the City of Sunrise. McFadden has been charged with one (1) count of Pre-meditated Attempted Murder.

The investigation into this incident is ongoing. Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact Detective Jason Wood at 954-828-5344.

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