



City of Columbia Police Department



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Columbia Police Investigating Overnight Stabbing Leaving One Dead

Columbia Police Department is investigating a stabbing that has left the victim dead and a suspect in custody.

The Columbia Police responded to 315 Glenn Avenue @ 11:30 PM on Sunday, April 20, 2008 to a fight in progress. Richard Wendell Walker (DOB: 12/29/56) of Columbia, SC and the victim, John L. Delaney, were in a verbal altercation. The incident turned physical when Walker used a knife and the victim used a crescent wrench to assault each other.

At this time Walker has not been charged with murder. This incident is being reviewed by the Fifth Circuit Solicitor's Office to determine if probable cause exists to support charges being brought.

Walker is currently being held at Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center for an unrelated bench warrant.

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Richard Wendell Walker

B/M/51

DOB: 12/29/56

HT: 5' 10", WT: 155