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U.S. Marshals Task Force Nab Murder Suspect Who Allegedly Killed Victim with a Hammer

Fort Walton Beach, FL – The U.S. Marshals Florida Regional Fugitive Task Force along with Okaloosa County Deputies captured Coty Keith Holmes at a motel in Fort Walton Beach earlier today. The Task Force, working with information provided by the U.S. Marshals Smokey Mountain Fugitive Task Force from Chattanooga, TN, determined that Coty was in the Fort Walton Beach area last night. Early this morning, task force members pinned down Holmes' and that he was about to check out of the motel that sits at the corners of Miracle Strip and Beal Parkways.

The 25 year-old Homes, considered a Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) Top Ten Wanted Fugitive, is wanted by the and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office for his alleged involvement in beating a man to death with a ballpeen hammer and who was found in a cornfield in Cowan, Tennessee in March. Holmes is the third suspect arrested in connection with this murder and is being charged with First Degree Homicide and Felony Murder. There is still one suspect at large, David Gordan Jenkins who is also being sought on the same charges.

Anyone with information of the whereabouts of Jenkins is asked to call 1-800-TBI-FIND or the Franklin County Sheriff's Office at (931) 962-0623 or your local law enforcement agency.

Coty was transported to Okaloosa County Jail and booked in as a fugitive from justice.



Coty Keith Holmes



David Gordon Jenkins