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Paulding Teens Charged with Murder

(Paulding County, GA) At approximately 2:51 pm on December 31, 2014 Paulding County Deputies responded to the area of the water tank on Bryan Miller Road in western Paulding County in reference to a deceased person. Upon arrival, Deputies discovered 18 year old victim Gage McGee deceased inside his vehicle with a gunshot wound to the chest. Once Detectives began speaking with the victim’s friends and some witnesses, they began to piece together what had occurred.

As a result of a thorough investigation by the Criminal Investigation Division of the Sheriff’s Office and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI), Detectives and Agents were able to determine that Randy DeForrest Frederick (W/M, 16 YOA) and Trent Lee Jacobs (W/M, 15 YOA) had arranged to meet with McGee in order to buy some marijuana. The trio had arranged to meet at the water tank on Bryan Miller Road for the transaction. McGee drove to the scene in his vehicle and Frederick and Jacobs walked to the location on foot. When McGee showed up, he met with Frederick and Jacobs who produced a gun with the intent of robbing McGee. During the robbery, there was some type of altercation which led to McGee getting shot. Once McGee got shot, he got back inside his vehicle and tried to flee the scene for help. McGee did not make it very far before he succumbed to his injuries and crashed the vehicle.

Frederick and Jacobs came to the Sheriff’s Office on January 1, 2015 and spoke to Detectives regarding the incident. As a result of their conversation with Detectives, Frederick and Jacobs were arrested and charged with the following offenses:

- Murder (F)
- Aggravated Assault (F)
- Armed Robbery (F)
Even though Frederick and Jacobs are teenagers and considered juveniles by the State of Georgia, they are being charged as adults in this particular case and will be tried in Paulding County Superior Court. Both teens are being held without bond in this case. One individual is being held in the Marietta Regional Youth Detention Center and the other is being held in the Bob Richards Regional Youth Detention Center (Rome, GA).