



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MEDIA CONTACT: mcw@wukelacom.com

Attorneys to Call Out DA for Failing to Prosecute Cop Who Gunned Down Black Man
Attorneys say the Cobb County DA took incomplete evidence to grand jury months before GBI investigation was complete

February 2, 2024

ATLANTA - Attorneys for the family of Devonte Dawayne Brown, the 28-year-old Black man gunned down by a Cobb County Police officer Ian McConnell in August 2021, will hold a news conference on Tuesday, February 6, at 10:00 AM in front of the Cobb County Courthouse (70 Haynes Street, Marietta, GA) to call out District Attorney Flynn D. Broady Jr. for failing to present the full evidence gathered by the Georgia Bureau Investigation (GBI) to a grand jury.

Tuesday's news conference will feature remarks from attorneys representing Brown's family including Bernarda Villalona of [Villalona Law, PLLC](#) as well as Chantel Cherry-Lassiter and Crystal Carey with [The Law Offices of Harry M. Daniels](#).

Body camera video released last year shows that Brown had been boxed in by police with McConnell shouting to "Get your f***ing hands up!" Brown's airbags are clearly deployed and he is trapped in the vehicle when Officer McConnell, under no immediate threat, fires twelve rounds into the car striking and killing Brown. McConnell can be heard on the video admitting after the shooting that Brown was trapped inside the car when he requested Fire and Rescue to extricate his body from the vehicle.

Unfortunately, McConnell was never indicted since the evidence the Cobb County District Attorney's Office presented to the grand jury in December 2022 did not include the full GBI investigation. In fact, GBI wouldn't finish its investigation until September 2023, a full nine months later.

The details for Tuesday's news conference are as follows:

Tuesday, February 6

10:00 AM Devonte Brown News Conference

In front of the Cobb County Courthouse 70 Haynes Street, Marietta, GA

Information for the media: Tuesday's news conference will feature remarks from attorneys for Brown's family including Bernarda Villalona of Villalona Law, Chantel Cherry-Lassiter and Crystal Carey.

Media are asked to arrive no later than 9:45 AM and to [RSVP HERE](#).

#####