Fayette County Sheriff's Office Sheriff Barry H. Babb

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Local Drug Dealer Faces Felony Murder Charge

Fayette County man arrested in connection to overdose death

On February 2, 2024, the Fayette County Sheriff's Office announced the arrest and charging of Levi McElwaney, 23 of Fayetteville, for murder in connection with the sale of illegal drugs.

This arrest comes after Fayette County Deputies and Investigators responded to a drug overdose on January 26, 2024. Upon arrival, they learned that a man was deceased and found suspected Oxycotin at the scene.

After thorough investigation, Investigators were able to track the source of the pills and charge McElwaney with Felony Murder and Use of a Telecommunication Facility to Facilitate a Drug Transaction.

Sheriff Babb has made it a priority to pursue drug dealers that have known or should have known that the illicit drug they traffic may result in an overdose. "I believe this case meets all the elements of murder and we're not backing down. I hope this case will encourage others to take the same route" said Sheriff Babb.

The Fayette County Sheriff's Office is committed to ensuring the well-being of our community. Our agency will continue efforts to combat drug trades and drug use in our county in order to create a safe environment for everyone.