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**PRESS RELEASE**

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(Okaloosa County) State Attorney Ginger Bowden Madden announced today that a direct information has been filed charging former Okaloosa County Deputy Sheriff Eddie Lee Duran, Jr., with one count of Manslaughter with a Firearm. This charge arises from an incident on May 3, 2024, that resulted in the shooting death of Roger Fortson. A copy of the information is attached to this press release.

A warrant for Duran's arrest is outstanding at this time. If convicted as charged, Duran faces a maximum sentence of thirty years in state prison.

For further information, please contact Assistant State Attorney Greg Marcille at 850-595-4200, or [gmarcille@osa1.org](mailto:gmarcille@osa1.org).

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