



# **WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

Case #15-504241

### **Aloha Man Shoots His Wife's Friend Following Dispute**

March 15, 2015—Sheriff's Deputies investigate an Aloha man after he shot another man during an ongoing dispute. There was only minor injury inflicted from the gunshot.

On March 15, 2015, at 12:57 p.m., Washington County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a disturbance at a residence located in the 15600 block of SW Jaylee Street in the community of Aloha. It was reported that Richard Zillmer Jr, 51, who lives at the residence, shot Travis Harrison, 36, from Aloha, during a dispute. It was reported that Mr. Harrison was across the street at a neighbor's house waiting for medical assistance.

Sheriff's Deputies arrived and found Mr. Harrison in the street in front of Mr. Zillmer's house shot once in the abdomen. It was believed that Mr. Zillmer was still inside the house and had access to several firearms. Sheriff's Deputies were able to move a patrol vehicle into the area and safely transport Mr. Harrison to an ambulance that was waiting a few blocks away. Once Mr. Harrison was moved to safety, Sheriff's Deputies contacted Mr. Zillmer by phone and convinced him to exit the house.

Sheriff's Deputies had prior knowledge of the ongoing dispute and were at this same house on March 14, 2015 investigating Mr. Harrison when he barged into the house and attempted to fight Mr. Zillmer. Mr. Harrison received numerous injuries during that altercation and was transported to the hospital where he was treated and released. Mr. Zillmer's wife lives with Mr. Harrison which is believed to be the catalyst of the dispute.

The investigation revealed that there were several telephonic communications today between the two men and Mr. Harrison returned to the house to continue the dispute in person. It was reported that when Mr. Harrison was on the front porch, Mr. Zillmer discharged one round from a handgun through the door striking Mr. Harrison in the abdomen. The hospital reported that Mr. Harrison sustained only minor injuries.

The Washington County Violent Crimes Unit Detectives and the Forensic Science Unit were called to assist with the investigation. After a thorough examination of the evidence and information gathered, detectives decided that this incident will be sent to the District Attorney for review and possible grand jury consideration.

Travis Harrison faces possible criminal charges as the investigation continues.