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HOMICIDE CHARGE FILED IN DEATH INVESTIGATION

June 23, 2015—After a thorough investigation and substantial evidence work, the Beloit Police Department provided ample material for the Rock County District Attorney to file a 1st-Degree Intentional Homicide charge Tuesday against Percy. L. Oliver in the death of David A. Banks of Beloit. Banks was found unresponsive early Saturday morning in a parking lot on the 500 block of East Grand Avenue.

Beloit Police had 69-year old Oliver in custody Sunday for substantial battery but additional charges were pending the outcome of evidentiary analysis by the crime laboratory and witness interviews. Oliver has an extensive arrest record with the FBI and is a convicted felon.

The medical examiner determined Banks died of a stab wound.

Oliver will next appear in court July 22, 2015, 9 a.m. for a competency hearing.

It is believed Oliver knew Banks at the time of the incident.

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Anyone with information in regards to this crime is encouraged to call the Beloit Police Department, 608-364-6801, or Beloit Area Crime Stoppers, 608-362-7463. Individuals may also text information to 274637 then type BACS + your message. Information leading to an arrest may be eligible for a cash reward up to \$1000.00.

Contact the Victim/Witness Assistance Program at 608-757-5569 if you are in need of support, referrals, services or general information as a victim/witness of a crime.

Pursuant to the directive of the Wisconsin Supreme Court, as found in Supreme Court Rule 20:3:6 Trial Publicity, you are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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