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<u>Media Release</u>

From:	Michael Terry Deputy PIO, 352-797-3608
Re:	Weeki Wachee Man Charged in Drug-Related Death 2024-00123460
Date:	December 26, 2024

On 03-31-2024 at approximately 6 a.m., Hernando County Sheriff's deputies along with Hernando County Fire Rescue responded to a residence on Bob Cat Drive in Weeki Wachee in reference to a possible overdose.

Upon arrival, deputies located Robert Bolduc lying unresponsive on the front porch of the residence. Bolduc was pronounced dead at the scene.

A relative advised Bolduc was known to use illegal drugs such as methamphetamine and fentanyl.

Family members further advised detectives that they located text messages between Bolduc and his neighbor, **Brian Palmer DOB/09-11-1965**. In the texts, Bolduc asks Palmer for drugs.

The Chief Medical Examiner determined Bolduc's cause of death to be combined drug toxicity from ingesting methamphetamine, cocaine, and fentanyl.

On 05-30-2024, detectives interviewed Palmer who initially denied providing Bolduc with cocaine. Palmer later admitted to supplying the narcotics Bolduc's ingested prior to his death.

On 12-23-2024, a Grand Jury indicted Palmer on a charge of **Death Caused by Unlawful Distribution of Cocaine.** Later that day detectives responded to Palmer's residence where he was taken into custody without incident.

While taking Palmer into custody detectives located a white-powdery substance and drug paraphernalia in his bedroom.

Post Miranda, Palmer admitted the substance located in his room was cocaine.

A search warrant was obtained for Palmer's residence where detectives located 16.2 grams of cocaine, 10.7 grams of methamphetamine, 20.5 grams of marijuana, 18 Oxycodone pills, various drug paraphernalia, five firearms, and more than 1,800 rounds of ammunition.

Palmer was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center where he is currently being held without bond.



Brian Palmer

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If you have information on this case, please contact Hernando County Crime Stoppers. You will remain anonymous!

Hernando County Crime Stoppers can be reached by phone at 1-866-990-TIPS (8477) or **TIPS from a cell phone.

You may also submit your tip via the internet at <u>http://www.hernandocountycrimestoppers.com</u>.

You will remain anonymous and also be eligible for a reward up to \$5,000 cash!