## HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## \*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\* For Immediate Release

On Thursday, June 26, 2025, Harrison County Sheriff Matt Haley announced the arrest of two individuals on a felony charge of Fentanyl Death (*Parker's Law*) stemming from a drug overdose investigation by the Harrison County Narcotics Task Force. The investigation was led by a Task Force Investigator from the D'Iberville Police Department resulting in the arrest of two Saucier residents, Cameron Michael Coffman, 28 years old, and Christopher Devonte Bunch, 31 years old.

On June 7, 2025, Harrison County Narcotics Task Force Investigators responded to the 22000 block of Saucier-Lizana Road in Saucier to investigate a fentanyl related overdose of a 35-year-old male. During the investigation, the victim was found in possession of fentanyl and paraphernalia used in the inhalation of the substance. Investigators forensically exploited data which was coupled with witness statements identifying the source of the fentanyl as Cameron Coffman and Christopher Bunch. The investigation revealed that both subjects knowingly distributed fentanyl and were aware of the dangers of the drug.

Based on the findings, Investigators obtained arrest and search warrants for Coffman and Bunch that were executed at two locations in Saucier where each were apprehended. Coffman and Bunch were subsequently transported to the Harrison County Jail and were each held in lieu of a \$500,000.00 bond set by Harrison County Justice Court Judge Albert J. Fountain. The investigation is ongoing and more arrest are anticipated.

The investigation demonstrates the aggressive stance to prosecute individuals involved in the distribution of fentanyl and to hold these individuals more accountable for delivering fentanyl resulting in death. This aggressive stance by law enforcement agencies in Harrison County and by the Harrison County District Attorney's Office hold these individuals to stricter penalties, where a conviction under this statute carries a term of not less than (20) years to life.

The D'Iberville Police Department, the Department of Homeland Security (HSI) and US Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) assisted in the investigation.

Approved for Release:

Matt Haley, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi