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Attorneys React to Greensboro District Attorney's Failure to Pursue Charges Against Officer Who Killed Black Teenager

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Greensboro, NC - Attorneys for Wakita Doriety, whose 17-year-old son Nasanto Antonio Crenshaw was needlessly gunned down by an officer with the Greensboro Police Department while fleeing a traffic stop in August, released the following statement today following Guilford County District Attorney Avery Crump's failure to present the black teenager's killing to the grand jury for indictment.

Doriety is represented by renowned Civil Rights attorneys <u>Harry Daniels</u> and <u>John Burris</u> as well as <u>Chimeaka White</u>. Daniels and White also represented the family of Brandon Combs who was also unarmed and attempting to flee when he was shot and killed by a police officer in Concord, NC.

The statement reads as follows:

While Ms. Doriety and all of Nasanto's family are deeply disappointed by Ms. Crump's failure to seek justice for her son's killing, we've unfortunately become accustomed to the fact that District Attorneys in North Carolina are more simply unwilling to bring charges to the grand jury if the killer happened to be wearing a badge.

We saw the same thing in Concord, NC when former police officer Timothy Larson shot Brandon Combs five times, paused to call it in, and then fired again just to make sure he was dead even though the 29-year-old Combs was unarmed and posed no threat. We saw the same thing in Elizabeth City when law enforcement shot Andrew Brown Jr. in the back of the head proving that he was trying to flee and was never a danger. And we see it here now with District Attorney Crump refusing to let the grand jury do its job because they might choose to indict the officer who opened fire on an unarmed teenager and killed him.

As a result, we are fully prepared to request that the U.S. Department of Justice investigate and prosecute this brutal and needless killing. District Attorney Crump clearly isn't willing to do her job so we have to do it for her.

Attorneys filed a wrongful death lawsuit earlier this month against the officer who killed Crenshaw and the City of Greensboro.

Click HERE to view a copy of that lawsuit.

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