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## **PRESS CONFERENCE TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF FAYETTEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT MISCONDUCT AND IMPROPER HANDLING OF THE RESHOD EVERETT CASE**

FAYETTEVILLE, NC (02 October, 2019) – Reshod Everett and his legal counsel will release details of Fayetteville Police Department misconduct in a press conference to be held directly in front of the Fayetteville Police Station at 11AM on Thursday October 3rd. Among the allegations Mr. Everett and his legal team will make are that:

- The FPD brought illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia into the Everett residence and later released pictures to the public to create the perception that these items were found in the house
- FPD fabricated circumstances in order to create grounds for a search warrant
- FPD released initial allegations of gang involvement to the press in an effort to sway public opinion in the case prior to conviction
- FPD has not released full details of officer resignations and disciplinary actions regarding this case, instead operating in silence and hiding behind a veil of secrecy that has spawned suspicions of illegality and the perception of impropriety

A video released to the public on August 2nd of 2019 ( <https://youtu.be/6DjTIXjKFww>) raised a new round of speculation within the community and has led to a myriad of unanswered questions. Video footage captured on a RING doorbell setup shows FPD officers bringing what appears to be “evidence” INTO the Everett home. Chief Gina Hawkins has neglected to publicly comment on whether bringing evidence into the home was legal or procedurally correct. On September 9th, local activists publicly notified the Fayetteville City Council of these allegations against the FPD. Since that council meeting there have been no public statements or calls for transparency made by any of these elected officials. A shroud of mystery still hangs over the city regarding the resignations of four FPD officers and reprimand of several others linked to the case.

Mr. Everett has called for immediate response from Mayor Colvin and Chief Hawkins and has long maintained that transparency in this investigation has been severely lacking. He is expected to call for an external investigation to be conducted by various members of the County and State Judicial and Legislative system.

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