

Today's Lead: Justice Dept. To Probe Bronx Police Shooting

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The U.S. Justice Department will [probe](#) whether the civil rights of a black teen were violated when he was shot and killed by a police officer last year. A Bronx grand jury declined to charge the cop with manslaughter on Wednesday. The boy's family was unable to obtain a [special prosecutor](#) for the case. The officer had previously been indicted by another jury. That decision was overturned by a judge who said the jury should take into account that another officer said the teen was armed. The cop gave an [emotional and precise](#) testimony this time, as opposed to the last one where he appeared nervous. The teen was shot in his own home and no gun was found, only a small bag of marijuana. The officer also still faces a [disciplinary review](#) by the Police Department.

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