

Maricopa County (Arizona) Public Records Act Request

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Case Number: 2023-01190

Decedent's Name: Giovanni Roman Contreras

Victim Age: 1 years

Sex: Male

Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino

Race: White

Date of Death: 2/2/2023

Cause of Death: COMPLICATIONS OF BLUNT FORCE TRAUMA OF HEAD AND NECK:::

Manner of Death: Homicide

Submanner: Assault - Blunt force NOS

Preliminary Circumstances: ***This 1 year 7 month old Caucasian male with history of asthma was found unresponsive in bed by his mother. It is noted that the decedent had been under the care of his mother's boyfriend while she was at work. He was transported to a local hospital where he was found to have multiple contusions that were of various stage of healing to his body, in addition to a hematoma to the posterior scalp, and right sided subdural hematoma with midline shift. The decedent underwent an emergent craniectomy, however during the surgery he went into cardiac arrest. The decedent was transitioned into the PICU unit where he was diagnosed with a non-survivable brain injury and was pronounced deceased several hours later. This case is being treated as a homicide and the suspect is currently in police custody.