

## **North Carolina Public Records Act Request**

The following information was received in response to a public records request submitted under the North Carolina Public Records Law (G.S. §132-1) by Lives Cut Short. Records were provided by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner on January 27, 2025.

CANDID ID: NC\_22\_13

Decedent's Name: Trinity Milbourne

Victim Age: 2 years

Sex: Female

Ethnicity: Not Hispanic or Latino

Race: Black

Date of Death: 08/27/2022

Death County: Wake

Cause of Death: Hyperthermia due to environmental heat exposure

Manner of Death: Accident

Preliminary Circumstances: On August 27, 2022, 3-year-old Amora Milbourne and 2-year-old Trinity Milbourne were left inside a parked vehicle for approximately six hours in 95-degree heat in Raleigh, North Carolina. Their mother, Launice Battle, was inside a sweepstakes parlor during that time. The children were later transported to the Duke Raleigh Emergency Department, where resuscitation efforts were unsuccessful. The medical examiner determined that both children died from hyperthermia. Public records revealed that Child Protective Services (CPS) had a history with the family dating back to 2019, including a neglect investigation just 19 days prior to the children's deaths. CPS had previously noted missed medical appointments and a lack of appropriate care for Amora, who had serious health conditions and required daily nursing support. Battle has been charged with two counts of murder and is awaiting trial.