

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_1330

Decedent's Name: Unnamed Boy

Victim Age: 10 months

Sex: Male

Ethnicity: Not Hispanic or Latino

Race: Black

Date of Death: 02/03/2022

Death County: Cumberland

Cause of Death: Blunt force injuries

Manner of Death: Homicide

Preliminary Circumstances: Police responded on a Thursday afternoon to a report of a 10-month-old infant found unresponsive along the 1800 block of Gola Drive in Fayetteville, North Carolina. The child, whose name was withheld due to age protections, was transported to Cape Fear Valley Medical Center, where he later died from his injuries. Following an investigation, officers obtained warrants and arrested the father, 23-year-old Trenton Terrell Powell, charging him with first-degree murder and felony child abuse, inflicting serious physical injury. Powell is being held without bond at the Cumberland County Detention Center.