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 22 947

Decedent's Name: Unnamed child

Victim Age: 7 days

Sex: Male

Ethnicity: Not Hispanic or Latino

Race: Black

Date of Death: 01/23/2022

Death County: Lenoir

Cause of Death: Blunt force trauma

Manner of Death: Homicide

Preliminary Circumstances: On January 23, 2022, Lenoir County Sheriff's deputies responded to a call in La Grange for an unresponsive 6-day-old infant. The child was later pronounced dead at UNC Lenoir Health Care in Kinston. An autopsy conducted by the Medical Examiner's Office determined the cause of death was blunt force trauma. The infant's mother, Ta'Meishia Monique Williams, 26, has been charged with murder and is being held in the Lenoir County Jail without bond.