

2025-3187
De [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Tanneke (CME)

From: [REDACTED] Tanneke (CME)
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 1:44 PM
To: [REDACTED] Janice (CME)
Subject: RE: Request for Homicide Investigation - [REDACTED] Case

Of course!

From: [REDACTED], Janice (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 1:28 PM
To: [REDACTED], Tanneke (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; CME Communications (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: RE: Request for Homicide Investigation - [REDACTED] Case

Hello,
Can you please put this email correspondence into CMTS?
Thank you,
-Janice

From: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 1:17 PM
To: [REDACTED] Janice (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Cc: [REDACTED], Tanneke (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; CME Communications (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: Fw: Request for Homicide Investigation - [REDACTED] Case

Please see the below email.

From: Shirley [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 11:28 AM
To: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@gmail.com> <[REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Subject: Request for Homicide Investigation - [REDACTED] Case

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Trooper [REDACTED],

Thank you for meeting with me regarding [REDACTED]'s death. After our conversation and further reflection, I would like to formally request that [REDACTED]'s case be classified as a homicide investigation.

As you know, the circumstances surrounding [REDACTED]'s death are deeply troubling: Dukens threatened [REDACTED], telling her she would "regret betraying her father" but "by then it would be too late." These words now haunt me. Despite [REDACTED] repeatedly telling me she didn't want to visit her father and our ongoing custody dispute, visitation continued because she wasn't considered in "imminent danger."

The Guardian ad Litem reached out to the Chief Justice's office after [REDACTED]'s death, which shows how serious this situation is. [REDACTED]'s therapist as well as the GAL had documented concerns about his paranoia and anger before her death.

As I mentioned when we spoke, Dukens has a history of hiding money to avoid child support. During his parenting time, [REDACTED] was often left with people I didn't know, rather than being cared for by her father. [REDACTED] herself didn't know the names of the adults whose care she was in - she only knew the names of two of the children in the home. The court denied my requests for contact information of anyone caring for my daughter when Dukens wasn't present. Complete strangers were transporting [REDACTED] to and from his house, and I was denied access to their information as well.

His behavior after her death - texting me only after she was taken to the hospital, leaving before I arrived, and refusing to answer basic questions about her final hours - only deepens my concerns.

I keep thinking about things that don't make sense. The Randolph Fire Department noted in their report that [REDACTED]'s extremities were cooling. When she arrived at the hospital, it was clear she had been deceased for some time based on her body temperature. I don't understand why someone would be doing CPR if she had been gone for a while. And I can't understand why her father, who is a nurse, would just leave our daughter's body at the hospital before I could even get there. What kind of parent does that? As her mother, I wasn't even given the chance to say goodbye. These things make me question the whole timeline of when she actually died versus when he called for help. Something feels very wrong about all of this.

Even more disturbing is what hospital records reveal happened after [REDACTED]'s death. According to medical documentation, after Dukens and his family left the hospital, the nursing staff discovered they had removed [REDACTED]'s medical equipment including a cricothyrotomy tube and IV line.

This was done despite medical staff specifically instructing them not to remove anything because the Medical Examiner needed to examine her body. The tampering was so serious that hospital staff had to file a formal incident report and notify the Medical Examiner about the unauthorized removal of medical equipment. They specifically noted that Massachusetts State Police photos should be reviewed to document what was present before the family's interference. This deliberate tampering after [REDACTED]'s death is extremely concerning and suggests an attempt to interfere with the investigation.

The scene at his house wasn't secured, and I've received minimal information about the investigation. I believe that these factors, combined with the history of threats and concerning behavior, warrant the full resources of a homicide investigation.

I appreciate your attention to my daughter's case and look forward to hearing that this will be handled with the thoroughness it deserves.

I have cc'd Renisha [REDACTED]. You and the team have my full permission to speak with her on my behalf.

Sincerely, Shirley [REDACTED]

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

██████████, Tanneke (CME)

From: ██████████ Janice (CME)
Sent: Monday, April 21, 2025 11:45 AM
To: ██████████ Tanneke (CME)
Subject: RE: OCME 2025-3197 (I P-L, 10 y.o. female)

Hello!

Just seeing if any additional material is being sent to us following your call with Trooper ██████████?

Thank you,
-Janice

From: ██████████, Tanneke (CME) <██████████@mass.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 12:06 PM
To: ██████████, Janice (CME) <██████████@mass.gov>
Subject: FW: OCME 2025-3197 (I P-L, 10 y.o. female)

Hi,

Trooper ██████████ contacted me. He asked what specifically you would like him to send because they have gathered a lot that might be too cumbersome to send over. For instance, they have video of her buying the gum at the store as well as the receipt, etc.
They also have interviews that have been transcribed. I told him that would definitely would be helpful.

From: ██████████, Matthew (POL) <██████████@pol.state.ma.us>
Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 10:25 AM
To: ██████████, Janice (CME) <██████████@mass.gov>
Cc: ██████████, Tanneke (CME) <██████████@mass.gov>
Subject: Re: OCME 2025-3197 (I P-L, 10 y.o. female)

Hi Doctor, I will get in touch with MLI ██████████ today.

Thank you.

From: ██████████, Janice (CME) <██████████@mass.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 14, 2025 1:53 PM
To: ██████████, Matthew (POL) <██████████@pol.state.ma.us>
Cc: ██████████, Tanneke (CME) <██████████@mass.gov>
Subject: OCME 2025-3197 (I P-L, 10 y.o. female)

Hello Trooper ██████████,

I am writing to see if there are any further reports/new information you have since last we discussed this case?

If there are new reports, can you please send them to MLI Tanneke ██████████. If there is no new information, can you please let me know that too?

Thank you,
-Janice

[REDACTED], Tanneke (CME)

From: [REDACTED] Janice (CME)
Sent: Thursday, May 1, 2025 11:17 AM
To: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL); [REDACTED] Jeannine (CME)
Cc: [REDACTED] Mindy (CME); [REDACTED] Tanneke (CME)
Subject: RE: Expanded Toxicology - TTX

Trooper [REDACTED],

I have heard back from the toxicology lab, and they do not test for Tetrodotoxin.

We have the samples I took at the time of autopsy available if you decide to pursue a specialized lab for testing. If you would like to have a discussion with the DA about this testing, please let me know and we can arrange a time to speak.

Thank you,
-Janice

From: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>
Sent: Thursday, May 1, 2025 10:11 AM
To: [REDACTED] Janice (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED] Jeannine (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: Fw: Expanded Toxicology - TTX

This is the email I received from the mother of [REDACTED].

From: Shirley [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 27, 2025 6:59 PM
To: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>
Subject: Expanded Toxicology - TTX

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Hello Trooper [REDACTED],

Can I request that the medical examiner test for Tetrodotoxin (TTX) please? TTX is a deadly nerve toxin found in fish such as pufferfish which can lead to death if injected. This substance can be purchased as a tablet and in liquid form.

Dukens practices voodoo and TTX is used to create a powder substance and known to cause harm. The powder consists of animal parts, herbs and sometimes human remains in addition to TTX.

Jan 27, 2025 [REDACTED] returned home to me from a weekend visit (Fri after school thru Sun 6pm) with her dad and I saw in her overnight bag a powder substance that covered her clothes in the overnight bag. Two weeks later (roughly two weeks before her death) I found the same powder substance inside of her school bag and when I asked [REDACTED] what it was she said she didn't know. The substance covered all of her school folders, pencil case, lunch bag. I had to wash the bag and get her new folders for school.

The substance stained her pajamas that I packed for her.

Dukens would never allow her to bring her overnight bag and backpack inside. He was the only one to bring them inside after inspection. She would find her bags in the room she stayed in at his house later after she'd already gone inside. I've attached the pictures that I took of her clothes that day.

Can we please ask the ME to test for Tetrodotoxin (TTX)?

Thank you,
Shirley

[REDACTED], Tanneke (CME)

From: [REDACTED] Janice (CME)
Sent: Tuesday, May 20, 2025 12:16 PM
To: [REDACTED] Tanneke (CME)
Subject: RE: OCME Case 2025-3197

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Thank you!

From: [REDACTED], Tanneke (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 20, 2025 12:15 PM
To: [REDACTED] Janice (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: RE: OCME Case 2025-3197

Hi,

The files are uploaded [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] Mindy (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 20, 2025 10:45 AM
To: [REDACTED] Janice (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Jacqueline (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Cc: [REDACTED], Leslie (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Sonjii (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Tanneke (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: RE: OCME Case 2025-3197

Sounds good, thanks Janice

From: [REDACTED] Janice (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 20, 2025 10:19 AM
To: [REDACTED] Mindy (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Jacqueline (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Cc: [REDACTED], Leslie (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Sonjii (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Tanneke (CME) [REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: RE: OCME Case 2025-3197

Hi Dr. [REDACTED]

I just wanted to let you know that I might go over 90 days on this case (10 y.o. female) (90 day deadline is May 24th), as I am waiting for information from the DA's office. Once everything is reviewed, I will present this case at afternoon conference.

Thank you,
-Janice

From: [REDACTED] Janice (CME)
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2025 11:25 AM
To: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>

Cc: [REDACTED], Tanneke (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED] Mindy (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Jeannine (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: RE: OCME Case 2025-3197

Hello,

The state Toxicology lab told me that the lab they utilize (NMS) does not test for tetrodotoxin and I am not aware of another specific lab that tests for this. You may have to contact the Tox lab or call various labs to inquire who does this?

Thank you for sending the reports -if you can email them to Tanneke that would be great, then she can upload them to the electronic chart.

Thank you,
-Janice

From: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2025 11:15 AM
To: [REDACTED], Janice (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: Re: OCME Case 2025-3197

Hi Doctor, I will get the MSP and Randolph PD reports to you this week. I spoke with Tanneke about the tetrodotoxin testing and she was going to let me know if there was a specific lab the OCME is aware of that would conduct that testing, as well as what the cost may be. The ADA is considering that testing and just wanted to know if the OCME knew of a lab and had an idea on potential cost.

From: [REDACTED], Janice (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Sent: Sunday, May 11, 2025 3:55 PM
To: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>; [REDACTED], Jeannine (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Cc: [REDACTED] Mindy (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED] Tanneke (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: RE: OCME Case 2025-3197

Hello,

I am following up from our phone conversation on May 1st regarding additional reports that you have for my review. Will you be able to send those this week -or provide an estimated time interval that they will be available?

Has the ADA made a final determination about the tetrodotoxin testing?

Thank you,
-Janice

From: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 10:28 AM
To: [REDACTED], Janice (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Jeannine (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Cc: [REDACTED], Mindy (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Tanneke (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: Re: OCME Case 2025-3197

Hi Doctor, I have spoken with the ADA assigned to the case and it's being considered right now. I'll check in again today and get back to you with an answer as soon as possible. Thanks again.

From: [REDACTED], Janice (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 6, 2025 8:49 AM
To: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>; [REDACTED], Jeannine (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Cc: [REDACTED], Mindy (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Tanneke (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: OCME Case 2025-3197

Hello,

I am following up to see if the DA's office will be pursuing additional specialized testing?

Thank you,

-Janice

From: [REDACTED], Janice (CME)
Sent: Thursday, May 1, 2025 11:17 AM
To: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>; [REDACTED], Jeannine (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Cc: [REDACTED], Mindy (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED], Tanneke (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: RE: Expanded Toxicology - TTX

Trooper [REDACTED],

I have heard back from the toxicology lab, and they do not test for Tetrodotoxin.

[REDACTED], Tanneke (CME)

From: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL)
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2025 12:18 PM
To: [REDACTED] Janice (CME)
Cc: [REDACTED] Tanneke (CME)
Subject: OCME case: 2025-3197 / [REDACTED]

Hi Dr. [REDACTED]

I have an interview to do this afternoon and then I was planning to drop off a thumb drive at the OCME with the MSP reports, Randolph Police reports, and interview transcripts we have to date.

Thanks,
Matt

Tpr. Matthew [REDACTED] #3943
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[REDACTED], Tanneke (CME)

From: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL)
Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2025 9:47 AM
To: [REDACTED] Janice (CME); [REDACTED] Tanneke (CME)
Cc: [REDACTED] Greg (NFK)
Subject: Re: CDC-INFO:[Laboratories for Tetrodotoxin testing]
Attachments: NFK-CAN-SP-MFPC (4).pdf

Dr. [REDACTED] this is the last report as of today. The transcript of the interview is attached.

From: [REDACTED], Janice (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2025 8:08 PM
To: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>; [REDACTED], Tanneke (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Cc: [REDACTED] Greg (NFK) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: RE: CDC-INFO:[Laboratories for Tetrodotoxin testing]

Hello,

Thank you for this update- Do I now have all the updates/reports/interviews that you have, for my review?
Or are there other reports you have to send to the OCME?

The father called Tanneke for an update today- We will inform him the case is still currently pending.

Thank you,
-Janice

From: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2025 10:31 AM
To: [REDACTED] Janice (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>; [REDACTED] Tanneke (CME) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Cc: [REDACTED] Greg (NFK) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: Fw: CDC-INFO: Topic [Laboratories for Tetrodotoxin testing]; [CDC-3412619-M5Z1C4] CRM:00059297

Re: Tetrodotoxin testing

ADA [REDACTED] had reached out to the CDC regarding testing for tetrodotoxin and they confirmed they do not have a test for that. I had previously spoken with Robert [REDACTED] at the state lab who also confirmed there is no avenue to test for that. Please let me know if there is anything further you need. Thanks again.

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From: [REDACTED], Greg (NFK) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Sent: Monday, June 9, 2025 4:22 PM
To: [REDACTED], Matthew (POL) <[REDACTED]@pol.state.ma.us>
Subject: FW: CDC-INFO: Topic [Laboratories for Tetrodotoxin testing]; [CDC-3412619-M5Z1C4] CRM:00059297

IF you read the whole email, it states it does not have a test.

From: CDCInfo [REDACTED]@cdcinqury.onmicrosoft.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 27, 2025 9:25 AM
To: [REDACTED], Greg (NFK) <[REDACTED]@mass.gov>
Subject: CDC-INFO: Topic [Laboratories for Tetrodotoxin testing]; [CDC-3412619-M5Z1C4] CRM:00059297
Importance: High

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Greetings,

Thank you for your inquiry to CDC-INFO, which we replied to on May 23, 2025.

We received additional information from CDC's Division of Laboratory Sciences in response to your inquiry and hope you find this helpful:

We recommend checking with your state health department.

Accredited Health Departments

<https://www.cdc.gov/public-health-gateway/php/communications-resources/accredited-health-departments.html>

Sincerely,

Mary

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From: CDCInfo <[REDACTED]@cdcinqury.onmicrosoft.com>
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2025 10:18 AM
To: [REDACTED]@mass.gov
Subject: CDC-INFO: Topic [Laboratories for Tetrodotoxin testing]; [CDC-3412619-M5Z1C4] CRM:00059297
Importance: High

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Greetings,

Thank you for your inquiry to CDC-INFO.

Your request for information was forwarded to CDC's Division of Laboratory Sciences. We hope you find their reply helpful.

The Division of Laboratory Sciences, National Center on Environmental Health does not have a method for that particular assay.

Sincerely,
Mary
CDC-INFO Correspondence Team

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----- Original Message-----

Sent: 5/12/2025

From: Clinician

Email Address: [REDACTED]@mass.gov

Question: Good day,

I am a prosecutor in the Norfolk District Attorney's Office in Massachusetts. I am investigating a matter where there is an allegation of fatal tetrodotoxin poisoning. We have blood samples from the deceased. Does the CDC have access or know of a lab that can test for tetrodotoxin? Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you very much,

Greg [REDACTED]

Chief of the Homicide Unit

Norfolk District Attorney's Office

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