



Office of Chief Medical Examiner
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Investigative Report
 CASE #: 16-01259 A



DECEDENT	DECEDENT: Hunter M. Bragg		DOB: 03/31/2009	AGE: 7 Years	SEX: Male
	RESIDENCE: 64 Moosehead Boulevard Bangor, ME.				
CALL INFO	REPORTED BY Det. Sgt. Andrew Whit		DATE / TIME: 6/4/2016 6:38 PM		
	AGENCY: Penobscot County Sheriff's Dept		TELEPHONE: 570-0150		
	POLICE INVESTIGATOR Det. Rick Canarr		AGENCY: Penobscot County Sheriff's Dept		
DEATH	DATE / TIME DEATH: 6/4/2016 5:33 PM		HOW DETERMINED Known Date & Time		
	LOCATION DEATH: Other		ADDRESS: 207 Moody Mills Road Corinna, ME		
MEDICAL EXAMINER	MEDICAL EXAMINER: Clare Bryce, MD		SCENE VISIT DATE / TIME:		
	ME INVESTIGATOR:		PLACE BODY EXAMINED: Office of Chief ME		
	IF EXAM IN FH, WHICH ONE?:			DATE / TIME:	
	AUTOPSY PERFORMED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		DATE AUTOPSY: 6/6/2016	PATHOLOGIST: Clare Bryce, MD	
	CAUSE OF DEATH:	Blunt and sharp force injuries of head and neck			
	DUE TO				
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	OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS:				
	MANNER: Accident		DATE / TIME INJURY: 6/4/2016 05:13 PM		AT WORK: <input type="checkbox"/>
PLACE INJURY: Yard					
LOCATION: 207 Moody Mills Road, Corinna, ME.					
HOW INJURY OCCURRED: Attacked by dog.					
OFFICE REVIEW BY: Clare Bryce, MD		TITLE Deputy Chief Medical Examiner			
SIGNATURE <i>Clare Bryce</i>		DATE 08/17/2016			

MEDICAL INFORMATION				
ATTENDING PHYSICIAN:				
PRIMARY ILLNESS:				
RISK FACTORS	DRUG ABUSE <input type="checkbox"/>	ALCOHOL ABUSE <input type="checkbox"/>	SMOKING <input type="checkbox"/>	PRIOR SUICIDE ATTEMPT <input type="checkbox"/>
	HYPERTENSION <input type="checkbox"/>	DIABETES <input type="checkbox"/>	SEIZURE DISORDER <input type="checkbox"/>	
MEDICAL HISTORY:				
REPORTED CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH:				
Per initial notifications:				
<p>Sgt. Whitehouse, Penobscot SO, reports the death. He reports he is at the scene of a 7 year old boy, Hunter Bragg, who was mauled to death by a pit bull. The child was visiting his father, Jason Bragg. Jason was living in a camper on the property of his friend, Gary Merchant. Gary is the owner of the pit bull. According to the father they were all outside when the pit bull attacked the child, biting his throat and face. The father carried Hunter inside, called 911 and started CPR.</p> <p>When Sgt. Whitehouse arrived on scene, CPR was in progress.</p> <p>The dog will be euthanized and evidence will be obtained.</p>				

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CASE SUMMARY FOR: 2016-1259-A

Decedent's name: Hunter Bragg

Date of autopsy: June 06, 2016

Studies performed: autopsy (x), toxicology (x), histology (), neuropathology (), other studies ().

MAJOR FINDINGS

- I. Complex, combined sharp and blunt force wounds of the neck, with:
 - A. Perforations of the larynx and trachea.
 - B. Fractures of thyroid cartilage including left thyroid horn.
 - C. Sharp force defects of anterior esophageal wall.
 - D. Partial transection of thyroid gland.
 - E. Hemorrhage within soft tissue of lateral and anterior neck, base of tongue.
- II. Multiple blunt and sharp force injuries of head, with:
 - A. Sharp force wounds of scalp.
 - B. Multiple sharp and blunt force wounds of face.
- III. Multiple sharp and blunt force wounds of left shoulder and armpit, with:
 - A. Soft tissue hemorrhage.
 - B. Small defect of axillary vein branch.
- IV. Generalized organ pallor.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Blunt and sharp force injuries of head and neck.

MANNER OF DEATH: Accident (attacked by dog).



Clare Bryce, M.D.
Deputy Chief Medical Examiner
Draft: June 06, 2016
Final: August 9, 2016