



MEDIA RELEASE

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INCIDENT INVOLVING DAVID BATTS

I have represented this family for years, naturally they contacted me regarding this incident. We have little information at this juncture; however, we are going to pursue all the information available to get to the bottom of this and find out what happened to David.

The information we have now is that at some point on January 7 David was tased and struck multiple times by Knox County officers at the Rodger D. Wilson Detention Facility. We do not know what else occurred that would have resulted in his injuries that caused David's death. We do not know the identity of any of the officers that were involved or what, if any, other weapons were used.

We believe the autopsy is going to answer a lot of questions. My hope is that the County will be more cooperative than they have in other cases in the past.

Sincerely,

Lance K. Baker