

STATE OF MAINE
KNOX, ss.

SUPERIOR COURT
CRIMINAL ACTION
DOCKET NO. CR-24- 413

STATE OF MAINE

INDICTMENT FOR:

V.

AZIAYH SCOTT
DOB: 02/06/2001

COUNT I
17-A M.R.S. § 203(1)(A)
MANSLAUGHTER
(CLASS A)

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

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ATN: 521784B
CTN: 001
Sequence No.: 004248
Class A

On or about May 29, 2024, in Knox County, State of Maine, AZIAYH SCOTT (dob: 02/06/2001), did recklessly or with criminal negligence cause the death of a minor child with the date of birth of 07/26/2022, all in violation of 17-A M.R.S. § 203(1)(A).

DATED: October 8, 2024

A TRUE BILL



10/8/24

**AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF ARREST WARRANT
(M.R.Crim.P. 4(a)) AND INITIAL DETERMINATION
OF PROBABLE CAUSE (M.R.Crim.P. 5(d))**

To: Any Judge of the District Court or Justice of the Superior Court

I, Maine State Police Detective Nicholas Gleeson, being duly sworn and deposed, state the following:

I am currently a Detective with the Maine State Police Major Crimes Unit. As a member of the State Police since 2013; I have investigated numerous crimes against people to include murder, manslaughter, child deaths, sexual assaults, and aggravated assaults. I have been a member of the Maine State Police Evidence Response Team since 2016. I am certified through the International Association of Identification as a Senior Crime Scene Analyst, and as such I have received additional extensive training on blood pattern analysis, shooting reconstruction, drone operation and forensic mapping.

The following facts and circumstances lead this affiant to believe that **Aziayh Scott (D.O.B. 2/6/2001)** committed the crime of Manslaughter 17-A M.R.S. §203(1)(A), in the town of Owls Head on or about May 29th 2024.

On the basis of the following sworn statement:

1. On Wednesday May 29th 2024, at approximately 1926 hours, Thomaston Police received a 911 call and dispatched Officer Mark Tibbetts to the Walmart in Thomaston, Maine. Officer Tibbetts relayed to your affiant that the original call was for an unresponsive male inside the Walmart store. Officer Tibbetts stated to your affiant that when he responded to Walmart he observed several subjects around a young child in the parking lot. Officer Tibbetts took over CPR on the apparent 1-2 year old male from a civilian nurse named Katie Hanson. Ms. Hanson was actively conducting CPR, utilizing a finger style form of CPR in the chest area. Officer Tibbetts stated he then performed CPR for several minutes on the child in the chest area with the palm of his hand. Officer Tibbetts described the adults with the child as visibly distraught, especially the mother. The adult male with the child was identified as a Aziayh Scott (2/6/2001), the adult female as the child's mother, Shaneka Washington (8/29/1999), and the child as Quayshawn Wilson (7/26/2022). Officer Tibbetts described not obtaining a pulse nor any response from Quayshawn.
2. State Police Major Crimes was notified of the apparent child death, and MCU Detective Sergeant Jason Andrews responded to the Pen Bay Medical Center in Rockport with Detectives Hugh Landry and James Leonard. Det Sgt Andrews described to your affiant that he observed the now deceased child, Quayshawn Wilson, with some apparent bruising and a visibly distended stomach area.
3. Det Sgt Andrews interviewed the adult male Aziayh Scott, boyfriend of Shaneka, and reported that Aziayh provided overall non-committal responses. Aziayh Scott did state that

he, Shaneka and Quayshawn, had just driven back from Louisiana, arriving in Maine in the early hours on the 28th of May. Aziayh advised on the 29th he was left at their home located at 142 Ingraham Drive in Owls Head, with Quayshawn, while Shaneka went to work at a nursing home, (later found she clocked into work at 6:36am). Aziayh advised after his day alone with Quayshawn, he and the child drove to the nursing home to pick up Shaneka from work at 7:00pm. The three of them then drove to Walmart in Thomaston. He stated Shaneka went inside the store while he waited in the Hyundai Santa Fe with Quayshawn. He stated he began texting Shaneka while she was in the store that he was concerned about the way Quayshawn was sleeping in his car seat and he thought something was wrong with him. Once Shaneka came out of the store, he helped her load groceries into the trunk of the vehicle and then she checked on the child. She quickly pulled Quayshawn out of the vehicle, and they found someone to help them, due to the child's unresponsiveness.

4. Aziayh Scott stated that no injuries, accidental or otherwise occurred to Quayshawn while he was with him alone, for the day on the 29th or anytime previously.
5. MSP Detective James Leonard briefed your affiant on his interview with Shaneka Washington (Quayshawn's mother). She confirmed that she, Aziayh and Quayshawn and just driven back from Louisiana. She stated they arrived in the early hours of the 28th and then the following day she drove to work at a nursing home, leaving her son with Aziayh on the 29th. She stated while at work, she texted with Aziayh, checking up on her son, and he sent her texts, pictures, and a video of Quayshawn. She described that around 10:30am she went back to 142 Ingraham Drive and gave Quayshawn lunch, describing Quayshawn as normal and uninjured. Shaneka stated Quayshawn ate lunch that she prepared for him without any concerns or issues. Following lunch Aziayh gave her a ride back to work so that he could have the vehicle, enabling Aziayh to take her son to the playground.
6. Shaneka advised she was later picked up at work at approximately 7:00pm on the 29th by Aziayh and Quayshawn. When she got in the vehicle Quayshawn was in his car seat in the rear seat, and appeared asleep. They then all drove to Walmart in Thomaston, and she went inside to go shopping. She relayed to Det Leonard that she did not receive any of Aziayh's texts about Quayshawn that he had described, but that he was able to call her and ask if Quayshawn slept with his mouth open. When Shaneka left the store (without paying according to Officer Tibbetts) she returned to the Hyundai Santa Fe.
7. Shaneka went on to describe walking back to the Hyundai and when she got close to the vehicle, Aziayh got out of the driver's seat, and vomited in the parking lot¹. He then helped her load groceries in the trunk of the vehicle. Aziayh then reportedly told her she should check on her child, as Quayshawn was acting oddly. She reportedly then got into the front passenger seat of the vehicle, and they prepared to leave the parking spot. Shaneka then discovered Quayshawn was not breathing and unresponsive, she exited the vehicle and picked him up out of the vehicle and sought help.
8. Det Leonard then described to your affiant the autopsy he attended of Quayshawn Wilson on 5/30/2024. It was relayed that State Medical Examiner Dr. Liam Funte determined that

¹ Shaneka explained that Aziayh has "acid reflux" and it is not unusual for him to vomit on occasion.

Quayshawn suffered a lacerated liver with some smaller bruises. Dr. Funte described the death of Quayshawn as caused from a result of non-accidental inflicted trauma and the death producing injury would have likely occurred in the 24 hours preceding Quayshawn's death.


9. Your affiant was briefed on follow up interviews conducted by Det Erin James and Det Hugh Landry with Shaneka, these interviews occurred on 5/30 and 5/31. It was relayed that Shaneka stated while they were driving back from Louisiana, their vehicle hydroplaned in water on the highway in Maine, and that the movement of the vehicle made her phone fall which resulted in it automatically calling 911. She explained they had not crashed, but the vehicle shook and slowed down. Shaneka talked about how they were contacted by Police and met with an Officer soon after, to confirm they did not need Police and there was no emergency. Det Landry confirmed there was no visible damage to the Hyundai Santa Fe parked in the driveway of 142 Ingraham Drive.
10. Your affiant spoke with MSP Sgt John Darcy who was working at the time the 911 call came in that Shaneka described, around 2:45am on the 28th of May. Sgt Darcy described that his section, which covers calls for service on I295 in Maine was given a 911 hang up call. The call described someone called 911, loud adult voices were heard, then the phone hung up. He stated that due to loud voices that sounded like a male and female, he had the phone "pinged" to locate the caller and ensure their safety. He explained that the caller was eventually contacted, Shaneka Washington, and she advised there was no emergency, the phone had accidentally called 911. Shaneka agreed to meet Police at a parking lot on Route 1 in Wiscasset. Your affiant reviewed body cam footage of an Officer with Wiscasset PD walking up to the Hyundai Santa Fe at approximately 3:30am on May 28th and speaking with Shaneka, as she is sitting in the driver's seat. Shaneka is seen and heard restating there was nothing wrong, and her phone accidentally called 911.
11. Shaneka also confirmed in follow up interviews with Det Landry that she had left for work on the 29th while Quayshawn was still asleep. She communicated with Aziayh by phone throughout the morning and he sent her a video of Quayshawn dancing inside the apartment. Shaneka returned home around 10:30am, fed Quayshawn lunch and said he was normal and uninjured. She was dropped off back at work around 11:00am, leaving Aziayh with the vehicle and Quayshawn. Aziayh described to her by phone later in the day, that the playground plan wasn't going to work as Quayshawn was not in a good mood and now just wanted to sleep. She described the same events of being picked up at work around 7:00pm and seeing Quayshawn asleep in the vehicle and then going to Walmart. Shaneka described no previous injuries or concerns about Quayshawn.
12. Follow-up interviews were also conducted with Aziayh Scott on 5/30 and 5/31. Your affiant learned Aziayh confirmed Quayshawn received no injuries and nothing happened accidently nor intentionally to Quayshawn during the day. Aziayh described Quayshawn as acting normal and that when he went to get Shaneka at the end of the day Quayshawn had walked from the apartment to the vehicle normally.

13. An upstairs neighbor at the same multi-unit building at 142 Ingraham Drive was interviewed by Det Erin James. The neighbor stated she doesn't know the downstairs neighbors but described them as returning in the past few days with a child that she hadn't seen before. The neighbor stated on 5/29 at some time around 6:00pm to 8:00pm, she saw the adult male (Aziayh) carrying the child to a vehicle. She said the adult male waved to her up on her deck that overlooks the driveway, and that the child seemed "out of it" as he was being carried. She described that the child's head was tilted back, so his face was pointing up, as he was being carried. She described it as looking odd, and regretted not calling the authorities about it as she works as a nurse in Portland.
14. On 6/3/24 your affiant was made aware of videos and photos Shaneka had put on Facebook of Quayshawn. The videos are available for anyone in the public to view. I observed several videos that were described as the last videos Shaneka had of Quayshawn. It showed him apparently healthy, smiling, dancing, playing basketball, and walking around. The videos appeared recent as it was apparent that they were taken in the same 142 Ingraham Drive apartment and in green grass near the ocean beside the residence. As Quayshawn had only been back in Maine from May 28th and deceased on the 29th, it provided his condition following the drive from Louisiana to Maine. One video that appears to be consistent with videos Shaneka described in her interviews, shows Quayshawn dancing on what is believed to be the 29th with an adult male taking the video. Quayshawn appears healthy.
15. Your affiant spoke with Det Mattson who had conducted walk throughs of the apartment and documented the interior. He confirmed the videos of Quayshawn on Facebook were taken inside the same 142 Ingraham Drive apartment, based on the background of the videos and what he had observed. These videos would appear to be taken during the day on the 28th and in the morning of the 29th.
16. On 6/3/24 your affiant attended a meeting with Medical Examiner Dr. Fuente in Augusta. Dr. Fuente had requested to review any videos, to include body camera footage of CPR that had been conducted on Quayshawn in the Walmart parking lot. Dr. Fuente was shown the video of CPR as well as the videos of Quayshawn on what appears to be the 28th and morning of the 29th of May. Dr. Fuente advised with the injuries the child had, he would not be walking around, dancing, appear happy or eating normally, he would instead be very lethargic and upset. Dr. Fuente stated nothing in the body camera footage that showed life saving measures, would have caused the injuries discovered during autopsy. Dr. Fuente also stated that the injury Quayshawn sustained, a lacerated liver, would not have been caused by a hydroplane incident where no crash occurred, and the child was properly restrained in a child safety seat as Shaneka reported. After reviewing the videos, Dr. Fuente advised he would be ruling the death of Quayshawn Wilson a homicide.

In light of the above facts and circumstances, your affiant has probable cause to believe that; **Aziayh Scott (2/6/2001)** has committed the crime of Manslaughter 17-A M.R.S. §203(1)(A).

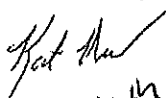
Wherefore, your affiant prays that a warrant of arrest issue for Aziayh Scott (2/6/2001) for one count of Manslaughter 17-A M.R.S. §203(1)(A).

I, Nicholas Gleeson, depose and swear, upon information and belief that all of the information contained within this Probable Cause Affidavit is both truthful and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

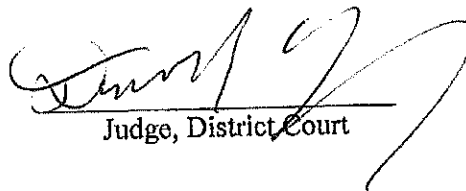


Nicholas Gleeson
Detective, Maine State Police

6/11/24 asst. clerk



Subscribed and sworn to by Det Nicholas Gleeson before me this 4th day of June 2024.



Judge, District Court