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Attorney Ben Crump Releases Statement on Preliminary Autopsy of Glenn Foster Jr., who Died in Police Custody

Independent Autopsy Finds Some Evidence of Neck Compression Strangulation

REFORM, Ala. — Nationally renowned civil rights and personal injury attorney Ben Crump of Ben Crump Law and co-counsel Diandra “Fu” Debrosse Zimmermann and Robert F. “Bobby” DiCello of DiCello Levitt Gutzler released a statement on the preliminary findings of the independent autopsy of Glenn Foster Jr. The autopsy was conducted by renowned medical examiner Dr. Michael Baden with the initial findings indicating that Foster Jr. did not die of natural causes.

Foster Jr., was taken into police custody on December 4, after a speeding violation. Foster Jr. died two days later after being found unresponsive in the back of a police cruiser upon arrival at a medical facility.

The legal team has released the following statement:

"Glenn Foster Jr.'s death, while in the Pickens County Sheriff's custody and care, was not from natural causes as the independent autopsy suggests there was some evidence of neck compressions and strangulation. As we continue to investigate the case, we are learning that Mr. Foster's death in Pickens County appears to be part of a disturbing trend of Black men dying while in the custody of the Pickens County Sheriff's Office. Keeping people in your custody alive is literally the lowest bar we can set for a law enforcement agency, and is something that the Pickens County Sheriff's Office failed to do. Pickens County owes the family the truth relating to Mr. Foster's tragic death. These findings are deeply concerning and demand a full and transparent investigation into what happened to Glenn Foster Jr. and how he lost his life. We will not stop until we get answers and justice for Glenn, his family, and the community."

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