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Press Release

York County Investigating Grand Jury Recommends Charges in Death of Eight-Month-Old Child

York, PA – District Attorney Dave Sunday announced that charges surrounding the February 7, 2023, death of eight-month-old J.D. have been filed. These charges and arrest follow an investigation by the York City Police Department, York County District Attorney's Office, and a recommendation by the York County Investigating Grand Jury.

Sean Michael Deibert, Jr., 20, of York City has been charged with Criminal Homicide and Endangering the Welfare of a Child. These charges were reviewed and approved by Grand Jury Supervising Judge Maria Musti Cook.

"The presentment, which resulted from a lengthy investigation, is a testament to the value of the grand jury and the police who never stopped working to provide justice in this case," York County District Attorney Dave Sunday said.

The Grand jury presentment concluded that on February 2, 2023, Sean Deibert caused devastating and pervasive injuries throughout J.D.'s brain, skull, scalp, face, brainstem, neck, cervical cord, spinal cord, and back, by means of forceful, repeated, and severe shaking, impact, compression, and loading, and that the cumulative effect of these was the death of J.D.

"The Grand Jury, who are citizens just like you, provide prosecutors added tools and ability to solve complex cases that may otherwise go unsolved," said Sunday.

First Assistant District Attorneys Tim Barker and Chief Deputy Prosecutor Taylor Katherman will be prosecuting the case for the York County District Attorney's Office.

Deibert is currently being held without bail at the York County Prison.

Criminal charges, and any discussion thereof, are merely allegations and all defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.