



COUNTY OF FRESNO

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MURDER CHARGE FILED AGAINST KENNETH JOHNSON FOR 2016 KILLING OF CHILD

Kenneth Johnson (31, of Fresno) has been charged in a Felony Complaint for the November 2016 death of a fourteen-month-old child, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office has announced.

The Complaint contains a sole count, and alleges that Mr. Johnson committed the crime of Murder [P.C. § 187(a)] on November 19, 2016.

Mr. Johnson was originally arrested for this crime in 2016. At that time, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office declined to file charges based on the need for additional information from medical examinations that were being conducted.

If convicted of this charge, Mr. Johnson faces a sentence of up to Life in Prison.

Mr. Johnson has been re-arrested on this charge and is currently in custody at the Fresno County Jail. He is scheduled to be arraigned in Department 34 of the Fresno County Superior Court on Monday, January 8, 2018, at 8:30 a.m.

The Fresno County District Attorney's Office remains committed to identifying and prosecuting those individuals who commit crimes on the young and vulnerable in our county.

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