

NEWS RELEASE

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Man convicted of killing his infant daughter

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Todd Eric Boderick was convicted today for the 2012 death of his 6-month-old daughter, Keyoni Boderick. Boderick's trial began February 4, 2019, in courtroom 5110 before The Honorable Carl R. Fox, Superior Court Judge.

The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Homicide Team tried Boderick, 31, for 1) first-degree murder, 2) child abuse inflicting serious bodily injury and 3) being a habitual felon. Today, the jury found him *guilty* of child abuse inflicting serious bodily injury. The jury was unable to reach a unanimous verdict on the murder charge. At the conclusion of the trial, Boderick pled guilty to voluntary manslaughter and being a habitual felon. He also admitted to four aggravating factors. Judge Fox sentenced Boderick to 138-178 months in prison.

Boderick was [originally tried and convicted](#) for Keyoni's murder in March 2016. During that trial, Boderick requested a bench trial before a Superior Court Judge rather than a jury trial. In December 2014, a state constitutional amendment went into effect that allowed defendants to waive a jury trial in Superior Court. Boderick had been arraigned on these charges months earlier, in February 2014. After his conviction, Boderick appealed.

In 2018, the N.C. Court of Appeals ruled that, because Boderick was arraigned before the constitutional amendment went into effect, he was not constitutionally permitted to waive his right to a trial by jury. The court ordered that Boderick receive a new trial.

On the evening of October 25, 2012, Keyoni's mother, Krishay Mouzon, left the infant alone for about 20 minutes with Boderick. For the next two days, Keyoni's body was limp, and she ate only a portion of her feedings. Yet neither Boderick nor Mouzon sought medical attention for their daughter. On the evening of October 27, 2012, Mouzon discovered Keyoni was not breathing and told Boderick, who also checked the child. Boderick told Mouzon to wait to call paramedics until the next day. But after 30 minutes, Mouzon called 911. Keyoni was unresponsive. She was soon pronounced deceased at an area hospital. An autopsy revealed Keyoni died from blunt force trauma due to child abuse. Her injuries were consistent with being shaken.

Mouzon pled guilty in 2016 to 1) involuntary manslaughter and 2) child abuse inflicting serious bodily injury. She was sentenced to 41-71 months in prison.

North Carolina law requires anyone who suspects child abuse or neglect to report their suspicions to authorities. Call Mecklenburg County's 24-hour hotline, 980-31-HELPS (980-

314-3577) to report child abuse or neglect. If you believe a child is in immediate danger, call 911.

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