# **Preliminary Death Report**

Name of Decedent: John Doe

Autopsy Number: FA-19-184

Date of Autopsy: April 5, 2019

County of Death: Lillington

### 1. Cause of Death

Unknown – Pending toxicology

## 2. Manner of Death

- Natural
- Homicide
- Accident
- Pending Investigation
- Suicide
- Could not be determined

## 2. Date of Injury

Unknown at this time

3. Time of Injury

Unknown at this time

## 4. Physical Location of Injury

Unknown at this time

5. Describe How Injury Occurred

Decedent was shot by another; however, the wounds were sustained postmortem.

### 6. Related Case Information

Per case agent, on April 3, 2019, the decedent was found in a barrel in a shallow river running perpendicular to Rose Water Lane in Lillington County. The decedent was observed wearing jeans and a red T-shirt and wrapped in a white blanket. No identification was found on his person. Cinderblocks were found in the barrel. The decedent had two suspected bullet wounds to his right hip and right shoulder. However, no cartridge cases were found at the scene. At this time, the decedent's identity has yet to be determined and the weapon used has not been recovered.

## 7. Items Collected from Decedent for Laboratory Analysis

- One (1) gray topped tube of blood
- One (1) lavender topped tube of blood
- One (1) fired projectile collected from right hip
- One (1) fired projectile collected from right shoulder
- Tissue samples for microscopic exam to include two excised bullet wounds

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**April 5, 2019** 

Forensic Pathologist

Date