



Milwaukee County

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SUPERVISOR BOWEN JOINS IN CALL FOR ANSWERS, REFORM AFTER DEATH OF DEREK WILLIAMS

Bowen joins colleagues in meeting with Milwaukee County Medical Examiner

Milwaukee – Milwaukee County Supervisor David Bowen, District 10, has issued the following statement regarding the death of Derek Williams:

“Milwaukee Community, Your County Board is active seeking answers on the Police in custody Death of Derek Williams.

“I would like to thank Chief Medical Examiner Brian Peterson for meeting with me and several of my colleagues today to give us information and insight on the death of a young man in the back of a police car July of 2012.

“We look forward bringing forth legislation to reconfirm changes our Department is making to prevent the problems that caused the change of the ‘Final Manner of Death Ruling’ a year later. In every police involved death our Medical Examiner must have the police report and video in the ruling their opinion. Also our Chief Medical Examiner must review all reports on police involved deaths before it is made final.

“Our action does not stop here. We look forward to meeting with the Milwaukee County District Attorney on Tuesday and receiving more information and answers on this case to assure our community that those who work for it are doing so with care and integrity.”

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