Atlantic City Woman Charged with Aggravated Manslaughter

MAYS LANDING, NJ – On the evening of October 15, 2025, Ceani Barnes, 22, of Atlantic City, NJ, was charged with first-degree Aggravated Manslaughter in connection with the death of Christina Burdette, 34, also from Atlantic City.

On Saturday, October 11, 2025, at approximately 10:08 a.m., the Atlantic City Police Department responded to a residence on the 2000 block of Sheridan Avenue for a report of an unresponsive female. Officers arrived and located the unresponsive victim, identified as Burdette, inside the residence. Medical personnel arrived and pronounced Burdette deceased on scene. The Southern Regional Medical Examiner's Office performed an autopsy on Burdette. The manner of death was determined to be a homicide. The cause of death was complications of multiple blunt force trauma injuries with chronic abuse.

These charges are merely an accusation and not proof of guilt. In all criminal cases, a charged defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

This case is currently being investigated by the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office and the Atlantic City Police Department. The Federal Bureau of Investigations, Galloway Police Department and the NJDOL Cyber Fraud Unit were instrumental in assisting with investigation.

Anyone with information about this incident or other serious crimes are asked to call the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office Major Crime Unit at 609-909-7666 or go to the Prosecutor's Office Website at ACPO. Tips and provide information by filling out the form anonymously on the Submit a Tip page.

Crime Stoppers: People can also call Crime Stoppers at 609-652-1234 or 1-800-658-8477 (TIPS) or visit the Crime Stoppers Website at http://www.crimestoppersatlantic.com/. Crime Stoppers offers cash rewards for information leading to the arrest and indictment of those who commit crimes in Atlantic County.



Ceani Barnes

