



## King County

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The Honorable Patrick Oishi  
Presiding Judge, King County Superior Court  
King County Courthouse, East 942  
516 Third Ave.  
Seattle, WA 98104

Re: Order of Inquest into the death of Daylae Thomas, No. 19IQ44056

Dear Judge Oishi:

Under the authority of RCW 36.24.020, I hereby order an inquest into the death of Daylae Thomas. I respectfully request that Superior Court provide a courtroom for the inquest and persons to serve as a jury of inquest.

This letter is sent to you today to initiate this inquest consistent with the requirements found in *BNSF Railway Company v. Thomas Clark, et. al., 192 Wn.2d 832 (2019)*.

Please coordinate the scheduling of this matter with the Inquest Program Manager, Dee Sylve.

Sincerely,

Dow Constantine  
King County Executive

cc: Leesa Manion, King County Prosecuting Attorney (KCPAO)  
Dan Clark, Chief Deputy, Criminal Division (KCPAO)  
Dee Sylve, Inquest Program Manager, King County Department of Executive Services  
Chase Gallagher, Communications Director, King County Executive's Office  
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Pascal Herzer, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, King County  
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