





## Township of Medford Division of Police

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**Units. At first blush, the victim appeared to have been violently assaulted with extensive head and neck injuries.**

**The Burlington County Medical Examiner's Office assisted through autopsy, was able to determine the cause of death as being directly related to injuries sustained consistent with a mauling by a dog. The cause of death was reported by Dr. Dante Ragasa, Chief Medical Examiner for Burlington County, as : (1) Exsanguination (Massive Blood Loss), secondary to multiple injuries to head and neck and secondary to mauling by a dog.**

**The investigation revealed that the dog was only recently obtained by the victim through an internet search (www.petfinder.com). The dog, a Doberman Pinscher, was adopted by the victim from "The Associated Humane Societies, Evergreen Avenue, Newark, NJ 10 days prior to this incident.**

**The dog is currently being quarantined through Medford Township's Animal Control services, until such time as legal determination for disposition of the animal is made through the Township solicitor's office, so as to be consistent with State Law under Chapter 4 and Medford Township's Vicious Dog Ordinance.**

**REQUEST A HOLD - STATE PURPOSE/REASON:**