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Press Release

To: Area media outlets

From: Hampton Police Department

Re: Update on Criminal Charges on Leo Witham

The Hampton Police Department along with the Rockingham County Attorney's office announce the Indictment of Leo Witham on charges of Manslaughter.

On October 5th 2016 the Hampton Police Department began investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of a 19 month old child at 86 Ashworth Ave. #6. During the course of the investigation the child's step-father, Leo Witham, 31 years of age from Hampton, NH was arrested for Endangering the Welfare of a Child for purposely violating a duty to care. Charges also included Possession of a Controlled Drug and Falsifying Physical Evidence.

Witham was arrested on October 7, 2016. He is currently being held on \$50,000 cash surety.

On March 8th 2017 Witham was indicted on Manslaughter charges for recklessly causing the death of a 19 month old child.

All press inquiries are to be directed to the Rockingham County Attorney's office.

Anyone with information on incidents occurring in the Town of Hampton is urged to contact the Hampton Police Department at 603-929-4444. Anonymous tips can be made through the Crimeline for the Hamptons at <https://www.tipsubmit.com> and selecting **Hamptons** as the region or by texting to the word CRIMES (274637) with the keyword **Hamptons**.

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