Independent medical examiner rules George Floyd died due to asphyxia



Minneapolis, June 1 (RHC)-- Lawyers representing Floyd's family said that independent medical examiners who conducted an autopsy of Floyd determined that asphyxiation from sustained pressure was the cause of death.

"World renowned medical examiner Dr. Michael Baden and Dr. Allecia Wilson found the manner of Mr Floyd's death was homicide caused by asphyxia due to neck and back compression that led to a lack of blood flow to the brain. Sustained pressure on the right side of Mr. Floyd's carotid artery impeded blood flow to the brain, and weight on his back impeded his ability to breathe," a statement from the lawyers read.

"The independent examiners found that weight on the back, handcuffs and positioning were contributory factors because they impaired the ability of Mr. Floyd's diaphragm to function. From all the evidence, the doctors said it now appears Mr Floyd died at the scene."

Baden said that what they found was "consistent with what people say. There was no other health issue that could cause or contribute to the death."

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