



State of Connecticut  
 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
 Division of State Police



**CRIMINAL INFORMATION SUMMARY**

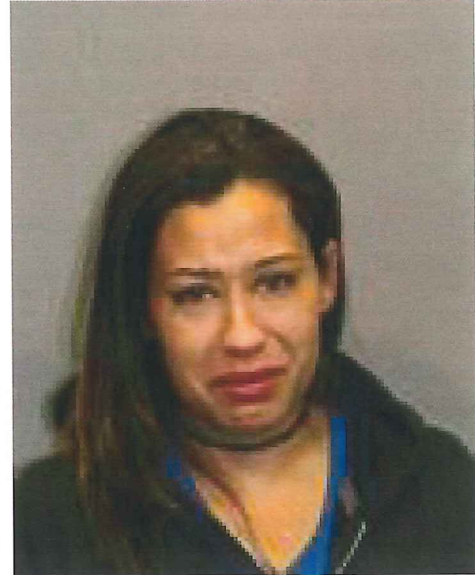
DATE 07/06/2020	TIME 13:57	INVESTIGATING TROOPER DETECTIVE JARED BARBERO	BADGE # 0434	CFS NO. 2000294896	TROOP TROOP A
LOCATION OF INCIDENT (STREET NAME AND CITY/TOWN ONLY): Blue Ridge Ter Oxford 06478					

Other Agency Involved:  Record of Arrest:  Under Investigation:  Arrest Warrant Attached:

**ARRESTEE SECTION**

(DO NOT IDENTIFY ANY JUVENILE/CHILD BY NAME OR ADDRESS- IF JUVENILE/CHILD, WRITE "JUVENILE/CHILD" IN THE NAME FIELD & "AGE" IN DOB FIELD)

NAME	Dixon, Rebecca J
D.O.B.	5/24/1985
SEX	F
RACE	B
ADDRESS	7 Blue Ridge Ter Oxford CT 06478
AGE ARREST	35
AGE INCIDENT	35
ARREST DATE	10/13/2020
COURT	MILFORD (22)
COURT ADDR	14 West River St, Milford, CT 06460
COURT DATE	10/14/2020
INJURED	NO
AMBULANCE	NO
HOSPITAL	



CHARGES	CNTS	BOND TYPE	BOND AMOUNT
1 53a-48/ 53a-56 Conspiracy To Commit/ Manslaughter 2nd Deg	1	Surety	\$100,000

**BOND WILL BE:**

**TOTAL: \$100,000**

**SUMMARY OF INCIDENT:** An arrest warrant shall be attached when applicable excluding Juvenile/Child warrants.

On 10/13/2020, Rebecca Dixon was taken into custody on a warrant issued by GA22 in Milford, for Manslaughter 2nd Degree. Dixon was processed at Troop A, and was unable to post the 100,000 court set bond, and will be presented at court on the same day in Milford.

SUPERVISOR'S APPROVAL REQUIRED: INITIALS:

ID #:

DATE:

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<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Police Case number <b>CFS-20-00294896</b>	Agency name <b>Connecticut State Police Troop A (WDMC) Southbury</b>	Agency number <b>A600</b>
Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) <b>Dixon, Rebecca</b>	Residence (Town) of accused <b>Oxford</b>	Court to be held at (Town) <b>Milford</b>
		Geographical Area number <b>5</b>

**Application For Arrest Warrant**

To: A Judge of the Superior Court

The undersigned hereby applies for a warrant for the arrest of the above-named accused on the basis of the facts set forth in the:  Affidavit Below.  Affidavit(s) Attached.

Date <b>10/05/2020</b>	Signed (Prosecuting authority) <i>Margaret E. Kelley</i>	Type/print name of prosecuting authority <b>Margaret E. Kelley</b>
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**Affidavit**

The undersigned affiant, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. That the undersigned affiant, Detective Jared Barbero #434 is a sworn member of the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of State Police, presently assigned to the Western District Major Crime Squad, under the command of Lieutenant Michael O'Donnell #060, and has law enforcement experience of approximately seven years. The affiant has conducted numerous investigations of criminal activity including, but not limited to; murder, robberies, sexual assaults, burglaries, narcotics violations, and has received specialized training in the processing of crime scenes and the investigations of complex criminal cases. At all times mentioned herein, the undersigned was acting in an official capacity as a member of the aforementioned agency. The following facts and circumstances are related from personal knowledge and/or observations and include information related to the affiant by fellow police officers and persons with knowledge of the facts and/or circumstances contained herein.
2. That the deceased juvenile male victim (DOB 07/29/2019) was identified as a victim of domestic violence, and hereinafter will be referred to as the victim, refer to confidentiality statutes C.G.S. 54-86d and 54-86e.
3. That on July 6, 2020 at approximately 1358 hours, State Police Dispatch received a 911 call, where a female called from 7 Blue Ridge Terrace, Oxford, and reported a baby was not breathing. Upon police arrival, a woman (later identified as Rebecca Dixon, and hereinafter to be referred to as Becky) was holding a baby who appeared limp (the victim). EMS arrived shortly after police, and the victim was transported by ambulance to Griffin Hospital in Derby.
4. That I responded to Griffin hospital in order to speak with the family of the victim. After arriving to Griffin hospital, I met with Emergency Department staff, and was informed that the victim was pronounced upon his arrival to the hospital by Dr. Navid Behrooz, who stated the victim had no signs of life for approximately 70 minutes.
5. That due to Becky's emotional distress, I spoke with her mother, Barbara Dixon, in the Emergency Department. Barbara stated verbally, that her daughter Becky had called out of work as a veterinary technician that morning (07/06/2020) because she had stayed up late the night before, and because Becky had told her

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Date <b>10/5/20</b>	Signed (Affiant) <i>Jared Barbero</i>
Jurat Subscribed and sworn to before me on (Date) <b>10/5/20</b>	Signed (Judge/Clerk, Commissioner of Superior Court, Notary Public) <i>Sgt J. Barbero #252</i>

**Finding**

The foregoing Application for an arrest warrant, and affidavit(s) attached to said Application, having been submitted to and considered by the undersigned, the undersigned finds from said affidavit(s) that there is probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed and that the accused committed it and, therefore, that probable cause exists for the issuance of a warrant for the arrest of the above-named accused.

Date and Signature <i>Milford</i>	Signed at (City or town)	On (Date) <b>10/5/20</b>	Signed (Judge/Judge Trial Referee) <i>DeWitt</i>	Name of Judge/Judge Trial Referee <b>DEWITT</b>
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mother that the victim was acting fussy and cranky when he woke up. Barbara stated that Becky, her husband, and the victim live with her. Barbara added that Becky and her husband Eric have one bedroom, and the victim sleeps in a separate bedroom. However, when the victim woke up in the morning, Becky took him into her room with her, where they remained for the entire morning and afternoon as far as Barbara could recall. Barbara stated because Becky was 35, she did not like to barge in or hover. Barbara stated she thought Becky and the victim were napping and watching TV in Becky's room, and also added that between 1230 pm and 330 pm the victim usually naps. Barbara stated that around 1 pm, she heard Becky call out from her upstairs bedroom, Barbara ran upstairs and observed the victim laying face up on the bed with no signs of life. Barbara and Becky both began CPR and called 911. Barbara informed me that she was not aware of any alcohol or drug abuse, however Becky did have a prescription for Xanax for anxiety.

6. That I then spoke with Becky in her treatment room. Becky stated she called out from work the morning of 07/06/2020 because the victim was being fussy. Becky stated she let the victim stay with her in her bedroom that morning, but was not sleeping, and continued to be fussy. Becky stated at around 1230pm, the victim finally fell asleep, face down in the crook of her elbow. Becky stated she fell asleep as well. Becky then stated when she woke up, the victim was not moving and felt limp. Becky stated she called out to her mother and began CPR. I asked Becky if she had taken Xanax that day, and she replied she took one .5 mg pill at 830 am. I then obtained written consent from Becky for her DNA, and had hospital staff draw her blood for analysis by the Division of Scientific Services.

7. That during scene processing, the Van unit discovered evidence of recent narcotics usage. In the bedroom which Becky stated was hers and Eric's, the Van unit found paraphernalia and empty packaging in various locations. Specifically, on the night stand along the South wall next to the bed, a zippered black leather pouch was discovered in the partially opened top drawer. Located inside the pouch was a homemade glass smoking pipe with burnt residue and small pieces of apparently used plastic baggies, consistent with cocaine base (crack) usage. In the partially opened bottom drawer of the same nightstand, another zippered leather pouch was found, located inside was a black plastic bag containing empty plastic baggies or pieces of plastic baggies consistent with narcotics packaging. A clear plastic baggie that contained, amongst other items, torn pieces of approximately six empty glassine envelopes stamped "Skittles" was found in the northeast bedroom trash can. The envelopes were consistent with illicit opiate use, and a hollow tube from disposable ink pen was found on the nightstand. One of the ends of this tube was roughly cut on a bevel and was consistent with similarly seen instruments used to insufflate narcotics.

8. That on 06/25/2020, North Haven Police Department released a bulletin to law enforcement entities concerning an overdose where a victim was administered Narcan. Seized from the incident were four bags of confirmed heroin stamped with "Skittles." North Haven PD stated in the bulletin that the bags may have been cut with fentanyl and or other harmful products.

9. That on 08/07/2020, an interview was conducted with both Becky and Eric at Troop A in Southbury. Becky

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Reviewed (Prosecutorial Official) <i>Margaret Kelley</i>	Date <b>10/5/2020</b>	Reviewed (Judge/Judge Trial Referee) <i>[Signature]</i>	Date <b>10/5/20</b>

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recalled the night before his death, the victim was not feeling well, and subsequently she remained home from work the next morning to care for him. Becky again stated that she and the victim relaxed on her bed for most of the morning, and that prior to his death, the victim crawled over to lay on her right arm, however Becky altered her previous statement to me by stating the victim had his face up and visible. Becky stated that she would occasionally give the victim generic medication for teething and restlessness such as calming tabs, Tylenol, ibuprofen, and Benadryl (which is contraindicated in children under the age of 2).

Becky was asked what prescriptions she and Eric were currently taking, and she replied both of them were prescribed Xanax and Valium, for pain and anxiety due to injuries they had both sustained separately.

When asked about the paraphernalia found in the bedroom, consistent with heroin usage, Becky stated both she and Eric use heroin. When asked how she ingests the heroin, Becky stated they both snort it. Becky stated she did not use any heroin the morning of the victim's death, however, she stated she did snort it the night before. Becky was asked if there was a chance the victim had come into contact with any heroin, she replied that she did not think so, as they were both careful about their use.

10. That on 09/09/2020, the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, Dr. Gill, contacted Det. Reilly to relay that he would be labeling the manner of death as a homicide, the cause being acute intoxication due to the combined effects of fentanyl and morphine, with recent cocaine exposure.

11. That on the 09/10/2020, I spoke with Mark Anderson, the supervisory analyst for toxicology at the Division of Scientific Services, who informed me that the blood obtained from Becky via consent contained over 6 different controlled substances, including fentanyl, morphine, cocaine, benzodiazepines, and others. Anderson stated the official report with the complete list would take time to produce.

12. That on 09/21/2020, I examined 75 pages of the victim's medical records provided by Children's Medical Associates via search warrant. I noted in the records, that upon birth, the victim was born with neonatal abstinence syndrome (which occurs in a newborn who was exposed to opioid drugs for a length of time while in the mother's womb), with withdrawal symptoms. Records also indicated that maternal substance abuse was affecting the newborn. I also noted that admission history stated mother endorsed Valium use early in the pregnancy, however she stated to medical staff she discontinued use. Further examination revealed that Becky again changed her statement to medical staff, by admitting to taking multiple psychiatric medications during pregnancy.

13. That on 10/01/2020, at approximately 1930hrs, Becky and Eric Depalma arrived to Troop A in order to speak with investigators. Detective VanNess and I spoke with Becky, who disclosed the following; the night preceding the victim's death, she, Eric, and the victim were at her sister's for a birthday party for Becky's niece. They left

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Margaret Kelly	10/5/2020	VanNess	10/5/20

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the party and returned home to Blue Ridge Terrace in Oxford in the early evening. Becky stated she put the victim to bed, then drove Eric to East Haven for work. Upon her return home, Becky stated she checked on the victim, used heroin (she could not recall where she used), checked on the victim again, and then went to sleep. I asked Becky where she used heroin mostly, and she stated she was very careful, and snorted it off of her phone in the bathroom, which she would then lick to clean. She also stated she would sometimes use in the bedroom, specifically on the nightstand. I then asked Becky on the morning of the victim's death if she had used heroin, and she again denied she had, but she did state she took Valium. Valium is a benzodiazapine that has sedative properties. I asked Becky if there was a chance she could have dozed or fallen asleep while the victim was on her bed with her, and she replied she could have. I then asked how ambulatory and mobile the victim was, and she stated he was able to shimmy off of the bed and use objects, like the nightstand to lower himself and hold on to. I asked if this could have happened, and she replied it was possible. I asked Becky if she used cocaine. At first she denied it, but then stated the last time she used cocaine was some time ago. I also asked Becky if she was breastfeeding the victim, she stated she was not, and had not been since attempting to after his birth.

14. Detective Flynn and Detective Vayan interviewed Depalma who disclosed the following; Becky had brought him to East Haven the night before the victim's death, and had last used heroin together that morning when they woke up around 8 or 9 am. He did not know when Becky had used that night, because she had brought him to East haven. Vayan asked Depalma if he used cocaine as well as heroin, and he replied both he and Becky use cocaine, but rarely, and the last time was the week before the victim's death. Depalma stated he always used narcotics in the bathroom. He stated he was careful about it, and used on the window sill. He stated he would then use Clorox wipes to clean up after. Depalma stated Becky used mostly in the bedroom on the night stand, and would store the heroin in her bra. Depalma stated that Becky would use her cell phone, and use the "end table next to the bed," which Depalma stated he had witnessed on several occasions. Detective Vayan asked Depalma if Becky was breastfeeding the victim, and he stated she had not breastfed since her doctors had told her to switch to formula early on.

15. That based upon the aforementioned facts and circumstances, I believe probable cause exists and respectfully request that an arrest warrant be issued charging **Rebecca Dixon, DOB 05/24/1985 of 7 Blue Ridge Terrace, Oxford, Connecticut** with one count of **Manslaughter in the second degree** in violation of CGS 53a-56, for the death of the victim in the Town of Oxford on **July 6, 2020**

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Date <b>10/5/20</b>	Signed (Affiant) <i>[Signature]</i> #474		
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