



Inquest Procedure

Justice of the Peace is notified of a body or body part requiring an inquest.

Inquest is conducted immediately or as soon as practicable.

Where death occurred.

At other reasonable place as determined by judge.

Law enforcement agency is notified of death and has conducted or has had a reasonable amount of time to conduct an investigation.

Justice of the Peace may direct the removal of the body or body part from the scene of death and may remove part of the physical surroundings of the body.

The Justice of the Peace may act on information received from any credible person or on facts within the judge's personal knowledge.

The Justice of the Peace may direct disinterment if no authorized inquest was conducted before interment.

Direct a physician to perform an autopsy.

Certify that no autopsy is necessary.