



**STATE OF KANSAS
Tenth Judicial District
Steve Howe, District Attorney**

Date: November 2, 2022

On November 2, 2022, Jean Pierre Morales pleaded guilty to Distribution of Drugs resulting in death, for the death of JLM, in case number 21CR0879. On November 14, 2020 police were called to a residence in Merriam where they found a two year old child (JLM) unresponsive and who died shortly thereafter. The Medical examiner determined the cause of death was fentanyl intoxication. This case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Samantha Shannon and Marissa Bell, with the assistance of the Merriam Police Department and the Johnson County Crime Lab. This case is set for sentencing on March 8, 2023.

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