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Arrest made in infant death investigation

Salem, Ore. — A 25-year-old Salem man was arrested yesterday, May 10, as part of an investigation into the death of an infant in the spring of last year.

At approximately 7:30 a.m. on April 12, 2022, Salem Police officers and paramedics responded to the call of a six-month-old baby who was unconscious and not breathing normally. Resuscitative efforts by emergency responders were unsuccessful, and the child was pronounced deceased at the scene.

A Salem Police Criminal Division investigation resulted in the arrest of the child's father, Edward William Casian, for the murder of the infant.

<u>Casian</u> was lodged at the <u>Marion County Jail</u> on the charge of murder in the first degree. He is due to be arraigned today at 2:30 p.m. at the <u>Marion County Criminal Court Annex</u>.

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