

# Animal Cruelty Charge Royal Palm Beach Case

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Animal cruelty is a charge that umbrellas several different definitions of crimes within the state of Florida. Animal cruelty charges can include animal neglect, felony or misdemeanor animal cruelty, and even animal fighting.

Authorities charged a Royal Palm Beach man with animal cruelty on Wednesday after a necropsy concluded that his girlfriend's dog died of severe trauma. The man accused, Benson Thelismont, 24, was released from the Palm Beach County Jail on Thursday, [reported by Cynthia Roldan](#). Read the story below:

According to a probable cause affidavit, Thelismont's girlfriend, Kimberly Jans, told Animal Care and Control on Sept. 27 that her 3-year-old Pomeranian mix dog died after her boyfriend slammed the dog on the floor. She said that Thelismont told her that the dog, named Brody, bit him.

A necropsy revealed that Brody had sustained seven broken ribs on his right chest and his lungs had evidence of severe hemorrhaging, in addition to other internal injuries, the affidavit stated. The doctor told investigators that the dog's injuries were consistent with severe forceful trauma to the chest.

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When interviewed, Thelismont told the investigating deputy that he grabbed Brody by the collar in an effort to bring him in from outside on the night of Sept. 21. Brody didn't want to come in and bit Thelismont several times, which caused him to throw Brody in the air 3 to 4 feet, according to Thelismont's account. He then grabbed Brody and put him in his cage.

Brody died about three hours later.

The doctor told investigators, however, that in her professional opinion Brody could have not sustained the internal injuries he received by being thrown in the air.

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While most people feel anger when they hear or see about cases of Animal Cruelty remember there is still a right to a dedicated and knowledgeable attorney who can help stand between the accused and the anger. Pre-Trial motion practice is the most successful tool in the arsenal of an experienced criminal defense

attorney. [Experienced criminal attorney defense attorney, Andrew D. Stine](#), of West Palm Beach, FL has this arsenal of tools at his disposal.

Motions to Suppress and Motions to Dismiss are just headings without the qualified experienced attorney handling your criminal Animal Cruelty or Neglect Cases. Was the search warrant properly issued is not where the work begins, because in [Animal Cruelty Cases](#) the search of real property is very sweeping and broad. Experienced Animal Cruelty Defense Attorneys' realize that broad and sweeping distinction, and instead apply other legal principles to get animal cruelty cases reduced or dismissed. Motions to Dismiss in Animal Cruelty Cases are not ground in the argument that the State will not be able to carry their burden, like in most garden variety criminal cases. Instead in Animal Cruelty Cases, the Motion to Dismiss is grounded in "legal principles" and not factual issues.

Defending Animal Cruelty Cases is not for the inexperienced Attorney, who dabbles in garden variety criminal matters because with the wrong Attorney those accused of animal cruelty in the State of Florida end up behind bars.

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