

216-RICR-10-10-1.23 Responsibility for Filing

A.

Responsibility for filing of the fetal death certificate shall reside with one (1) of the following: 1. The funeral director, his/her duly authorized agent or person acting as such, who first assumes custody of a fetus for the purpose of final disposition or removal from the State; or 2. The person in charge of the institution where the fetal death occurred, when the institution disposes of the fetus; or 3. The physician or other person in attendance at or after the delivery, when the fetal death does not occur in a hospital or other institution and no funeral director assumes custody of the fetus.

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B.

Prior to filing the fetal death certificate, the person responsible for its filing shall obtain the personal information required on the certificate from the best source available and the medical certification, including cause of death, from the person responsible therefor.