The Medical Examiner determines the cause and manner of death for the death certificates.

With major advancements in forensic medicine and forensic pathology in the past decade, the Department of the Medical Examiner has become even more integral in the process of investigating crime.

In fact, every investigation where fatalities are involved starts in the Medical Examiner's Department. After initial evaluation by the Medical Examiner's Investigators, the office will determine what course of action to take and how to interact with law enforcement agencies in order to move the investigation forward.

Summit County is proud that Dr. Lisa Kohler is Ohio's first female Medical Examiner.
How to Obtain a Copy of a Death Certificate