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Hudgens: Fatal Clayton Co. Fire Ruled Accidental

Atlanta, Ga. – Fire Investigators with Insurance Commissioner Ralph Hudgens office have ruled an overnight fatal apartment fire in Clayton County accidental.

Killed in the 2:40 a.m. fire was Detravious Siemons, 29. The two-story duplex, located at 439 Green Willow Way in Conley, Ga., was heavily damaged.

The body of the victim was discovered in a bedroom of the apartment, an adult female and three children were able to escape the blaze unharmed.

"My Investigators determined that the fire originated on a stove in the kitchen of the duplex," Hudgens said. "The fire was the result of unattended cooking."

Fire investigators found no evidence of a working smoke alarm inside of the apartment. In 2017, 91 Georgians have died in 70 residential fires, with only three of the homes having a working smoke alarm.