



# Office of Commissioner of Insurance

**Ralph Hudgens**  
*Commissioner of Insurance  
Safety Fire Commissioner  
Industrial Loan Commissioner*

## NEWS RELEASE

*James "Sloppy" Floyd Building  
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Suite  
704 West Tower  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334*

**October 24, 2016  
For Immediate Release**

**Contact: Glenn Allen  
Phone: 404-463-0729**

### **SIX PERISH IN CHATTOOGA COUNTY FIRE; CAUSE RULED ACCIDENTAL**

**Atlanta** -- Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner Ralph Hudgens said today that a Sunday night mobile home fire that killed six people in Chattooga County has been ruled accidental.

Killed in the fire were Miron Bradley Jones, 29, his wife Demi Josephine Jones, 22, and their children Olivia Josephina Jones, 3 months; Lola Rosanna Jones, 3; and Clair McKenzie Jones, 5. A cousin, Jada Marie Kendrick, 5, also perished in the blaze. The home at 1120 Airport Road, in Trion, Georgia, was destroyed. Hudgens said the fire call came in about 10:30 p.m.; when firefighters arrived at the scene, the mobile home was engulfed in flames.

Commissioner Hudgens said the investigation revealed the fire was caused by the improper installation of a wood stove heater. State Fire Investigators learned that earlier in the day, Miron Jones had installed the wooden stove to heat the mobile home. Because of the extensive damage to the structure, fire investigators were unable to determine if the home had a working smoke alarm.