

CONCEALMENT OF DEATH. G.S. §14-401.22. FELONY.

The defendant has been charged with concealment of the death of a person.

For you to find the defendant guilty of this offense, the State must prove two things beyond a reasonable doubt:

First, that the defendant [failed to notify a law enforcement authority of a death of a person] [secretly buried a dead human body] [secretly disposed of a dead human body].¹

And Second, the defendant intended to conceal the death of a person.

If you find from the evidence beyond a reasonable doubt that on or about the alleged date, the defendant intended to conceal the death of a person, and that the defendant [failed to notify a law enforcement authority of the death of a person] [secretly buried a dead human body] [secretly disposed of a dead human body], it would be your duty to return a verdict of guilty. If you do not so find or have a reasonable doubt as to one or both of these things, it would be your duty to return a verdict of not guilty.

¹The statute makes aiding, counseling or abetting any other person of concealing the death is guilty of a Class A1 misdemeanor.

