

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

February 20, 2019

On November 4th, 2018, at 8:59 AM, the Forsyth County 911 Center received a call of an unresponsive person in the 4000 block of Woodlet Ct in Cumming, Georgia.

First responders were dispatched and the Sheriff's Deputies arrived at 9:07 AM. Deputies discovered the clothed body of a deceased female lying in the backyard of the residence. The deceased female was later identified as 40-year-old Tamala Horsford of Cumming Georgia. Mrs. Horsford had been attending an overnight party at the residence.

Detectives from the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Unit, Crime Scene Investigation Unit and an Investigator from the Forsyth County Coroner's Office responded to the scene. After an initial crime scene investigation, the deceased was transported by the Coroner's Office to the Georgia Bureau of Investigations (GBI) Medical Examiner's Office for autopsy.

Major Crimes Detectives began a death investigation immediately following the discovery. Detectives reviewed the 911 call, interviewed all witnesses present on multiple occasions, conducted neighborhood canvasses, and interviewed certain family and friends during this investigation. Detectives were able to corroborate certain statements and view entry and exit logs from the home security system present at the residence. While the injuries sustained by Mrs. Horsford appeared to likely be received in a fall, Detectives awaited results from both the toxicology and the Medical Examiner reports to verify their findings.

On February 6th, 2019, the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office received the final Medical Examiner's report regarding Mrs. Horsford. The State of Georgia Medical Examiner has ruled the death accidental and consistent with a fall. Detectives have spent the following weeks reviewing the medical findings with those found at the scene by the Major Crimes Unit and the Crime Scene Investigation Unit. No evidence or injury patterns indicative of an assault or foul play were noted by Forsyth County Sheriff's Detectives or in the Forsyth County Coroner's Office or GBI Medical Examiner's reports.

During the course of this investigation, Detectives have conducted approximately 30 interviews, and spent well over 300-man hours conducting this investigation. With a finding of an accidental death resulting from a fall as recorded by the GBI Medical Examiner's Office, along with the extensive findings from the investigation of the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office, the Forsyth County Sheriff's office has closed this death investigation.

Again, the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office extends our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Mrs. Horsford during this tragic loss.

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Corporal Doug Rainwater
Public Information Officer
Office Number 678-513-5944

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Saturday 11/03/18 – Sunday 11/04/18

Victim: Tamla Horsford (Female, 40yoa)

Witness/People at the party

- Jeanne Meyers – Homeowner
- Jose Barrera – Boyfriend of Jeanne
- Nicole Lawson
- Marcy Hardin
- Bridget Fuller
- Michael Pallerino
- Jennifer Morrell
- Sarah Cocerham
- Paula Seals
- Thomas Smith
- Stacy Smith
- Madeline Lombardi – Jeanne’s aunt who lives at the house.

Victim’s Family

- Leander Horsford - Husband
- Kurt StJour - Father
- Terry Blanco - Sister
- Michelle Graves- Family Friend

Timeline

Saturday

- 2230hrs – Nicole Lawson/Sarah Cocerham left.

Sunday

- 0147hrs – Bridgett Fuller left. Last person to see vic alive. Alone downstairs. Time stamp Arlo.
- 0149hrs – Backdoor opened. Time stamp by Arlo.
- 0150hrs – Backdoor closed. Time stamp by Arlo.
- 0157hrs – Backdoor opened. Time stamp by Arlo.
- 0410hrs – Marcy Hardin left. Had to go to work. Time stamp by Arlo.
- 0745hrs – Paula Seals left.
- 0830hrs – Tom and Stacy Smith left.
- 0845hrs – Approximate time that vic was observed in the backyard by Madeline Lombardi.
Reports what she sees to Jeanne and Jose.
- 0859hrs – Call to 911 by Jeanne and Jose.
- 0907hrs – 1st to arrive on scene. Cpl. Miller.

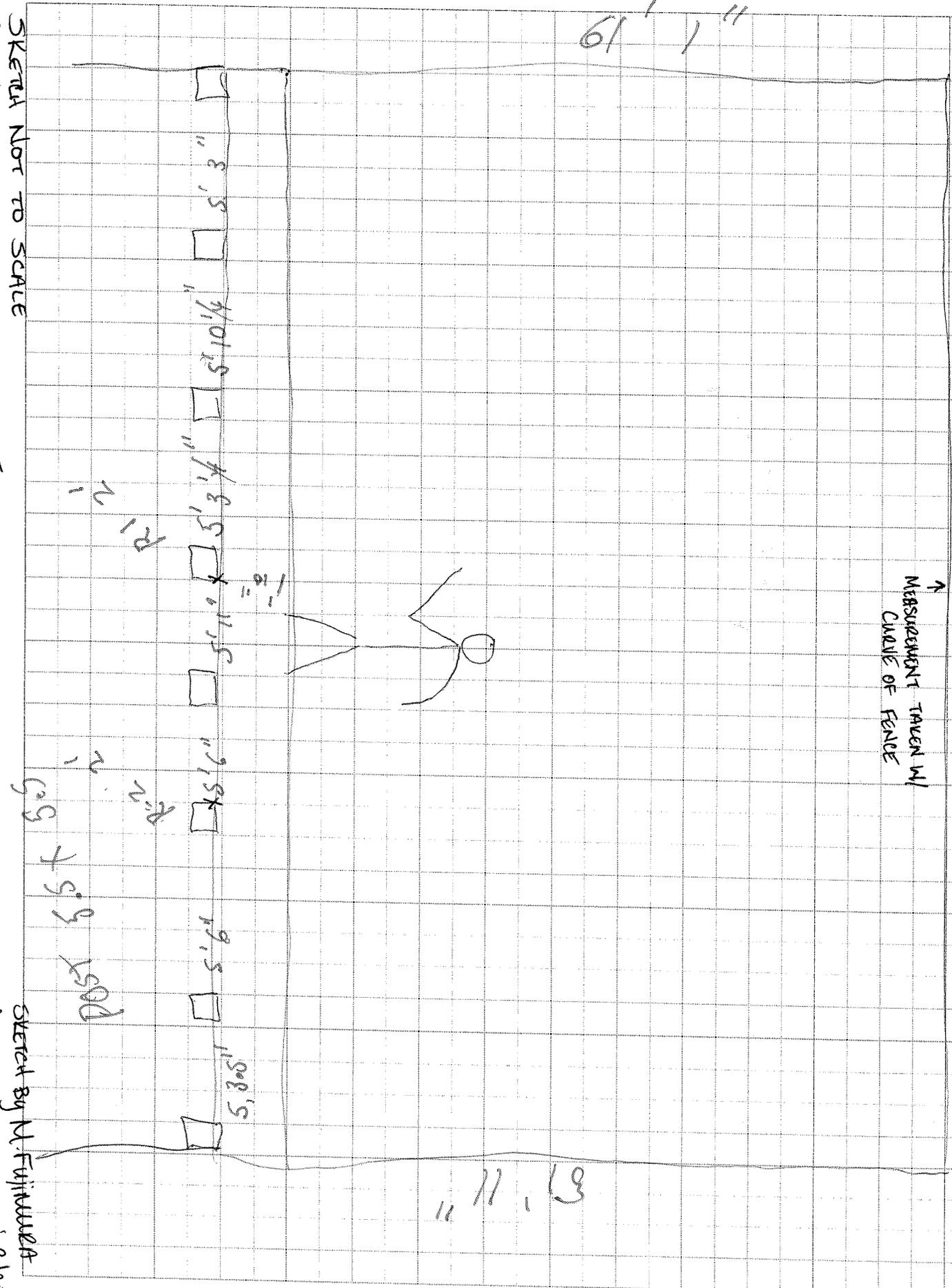
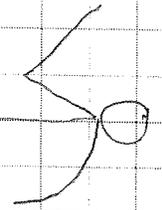
14" 10 1/2" TOP RAIL TO GROUND (2ND RAIL)
3" 1" TOP RAIL TO DECK
5" RAIL WIDTH

2018-110177 DEATH INV.
110418 @
V: TAMARA HORSFORD

28' 1"
↑
MEASUREMENT TAKEN W/
CURVE OF FENCE

1" 1" 19

1" 1" 19



SKETCH NOT TO SCALE
ALL MEASUREMENTS ARE APPROXIMATE

SKETCH BY M. FURNBERG
ASSISTED BY NEITH, & CHRISTIAN

CASE NUMBER 2018-110177

MEASUREMENTS

R1 HEIGHT 2'

R2 HEIGHT 2'

	R1	R2
HEAD	7' 6"	9' 11"
RIGHT SHOULDER	7' 6"	9'
LEFT SHOULDER	6' 10"	9' 10"
RIGHT ELBOW	7' 7"	8' 4"
LEFT ELBOW	5' 11"	9' 7.5"
RIGHT HAND	7' 1.5"	7' 7"
LEFT HAND	5' 10.5"	10' 7.5"
CENTER MASS	6' 4"	8' 10"
RIGHT HIP	6' 6"	8' 6"
LEFT HIP	5' 6"	9'
RIGHT KNEE	5' 11"	7' 9"
LEFT KNEE	4' 11.5"	8' 4"
RIGHT FOOT	5' 2"	6' 9.5"
LEFT FOOT	4' 4"	7' 11.5"
WEAPON		
HEIGHT		

Forsyth County Sheriff's Office

Crime Scene Unit

Crime Scene Report

Crime Scene Specialist: M. Fujimura

Case Investigator: Christian Case Number: 2018-110177

Type of Incident: Death Investigation Date Duties Performed: 11/04/2018

Location Duties Performed: [REDACTED]

Brief description of duties performed:

On November 04, 2018 I responded to [REDACTED] in reference to a death investigation per the request of Detective Christian. Upon arrival at approximately 1014 hours I met with Deputy Miller who informed me that a party was held at the aforementioned address the night previous. The decedent was discovered in the backyard of the residence on this morning when the residents awoke and began the cleanup process.

Overall photographs of the residence exterior were taken. The residence was a multi-level building with attached garage and fenced in backyard. A covered wooden deck was observed off of the upper-level at the rear of the residence. I made entry to the residence via the front door.

My path of travel through the residence to the back upper-level deck was photographically documented. The front door opened to a foyer with a hall ahead. At the carpet line at the end of the hall a pink in color back and black jacket were observed. To the right at the end of the hall was access to the kitchen and dinette. The door to the exterior upper-level deck was observed off of the dinette. Overall photographs of the Upper-level deck were taken. A stair way to the lower-level patio was observed at the far left end of the deck. The decedent was observed just within the grass line of the yard approximately midway off of the patio.

The decedent was clad in a white in color one-piece pajama set with gray in color paw prints, and black and red socks with multi-colored star pattern. The decedent was in the prone position with legs extended straight. The left arm was along the side of the body and bent at an obtuse angle at the elbow placing the hand away from the body. The right arm was extended down the side of the body.

A rough field sketch was generated and measurements were taken.

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The decedent was examined for post mortem changes at approximately 1105 hours. Rigor was present, loose in the small joints and appropriate for current position. Lividity was present, blanched with pressure and was appropriate for current position. The body was cold to the touch.

A red in color substance, visually similar to that of blood, was observed on the cuff of the right sleeve as well as on the shin area of the right pant leg. The stains were photographically documented with a scale. A protrusion within the right wrist on the ulnar side was observed and photographically documented. A break of the skin, also on the ulnar side of the right wrist, was observed and photographically documented with a scale. A laceration was observed on the right shin and was photographed with a scale. A linear contusion on the left shin was observed and photographed with a scale. A small abrasion was observed on the interior of the left wrist and was photographed with a scale. A small abrasion on the exterior of digit #6, the left thumb, as well as on the tip of digit #7, the left index finger, were observed and photographed with a scale. A defect on the right temple of the head was photographed with a scale. A transparent fluid was observed to originate from the mouth and nose.

Measurements of the upper deck railing were taken. From the top of the rail to the ground level measured approximately fourteen feet ten and a half inches (14' 10.5"). The measurement from the top of the rail to the deck was approximately three feet one inch (3' 1"). The rail width measured approximately five inches (5") across. A plastic divider on the ground level between the gravel off of the patio and the mulch at the grass line was measured to protrude approximately one (1) inch above the gravel level.

Within in the pink bag at the carpet line of the living room, previously mentioned, was observed to contain clothing a black in color wallet as well as an additional purple in color bag. The purple in color bag was observed to contain miscellaneous contents including a clear plastic bag containing green leafy material (item #2) which was collected for destruction. Within the black wallet a Florida driver's license, a bank statement and one dollar of US currency were observed and photographically documented.

In the bar area located in the dinette area of the residence a blue in color bottle labeled to contain tequila. It was stated by the residents that the bottle was brought to the residence by the decedent and that the decedent was the only individual known to have consumed the liquid within. The bottle was observed to be approximately one eighth (1/8) full. The bottle was taken into the possession of the coroner to be transported with the body to the GBI.

The scene was departed at approximately 1142 hours.

No further action was taken at this time.

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*Note: the internal camera time had not been adjusted for daylight savings at the time of photography and will be one hour ahead.

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Crime Scene Unit

Crime Scene Report

Crime Scene Specialist: M. Fujimura

Case Investigator: Christian Case Number: 2018-110177

Type of Incident: Death Investigation Date Duties Performed: 11/07/2018

Location Duties Performed: [REDACTED]

Brief description of duties performed:

On November 07, 2018 I responded to [REDACTED] in follow up of a death investigation per the request of Detective Christian. Approximate arrival time was 1619 hours.

In the back yard of the residence evidence markers (EM) #1 and #2 were placed at divots in the earth. EM #3 was placed at the approximate location of the head of the decedent. EM #4 was placed at an unknown substance located within the grass of the back yard. Overall photographs were taken at ground level as well as from above, the second level deck, for spatial relation. The divots, head location and unknown substance were photographically documented with a scale. A propane tank observed at the rail line of the upper deck was photographically documented in place. It was observed that the top of the tank appeared to have had the buildup of dirt removed.

The scene was departed at approximately 1655 hours.

No further action was taken at this time.

Official Report



Division of Forensic Sciences
Georgia Bureau of Investigation
State of Georgia

Headquarters
DOFS Case #: 2018-1029773
Report Date: 02/05/2019

Kathryn P. Lee * NAME Accredited *
Deputy Director



Requested Service: Autopsy

Agency: Forsyth Co. Coroner
Agency Ref#: 2018110379
Requested by: K. Bowen

Case Individuals:

Victim: TAMLA HORSFORD

Evidence:

2018-1029773-001 DECEDENT

Results and Conclusions:

Evidence Submission: 001

Under the provisions of the Georgia Death Investigation Act, a complete autopsy was performed on the body of Tamla Horsford in the morgue of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Division of Forensic Sciences in Decatur, Georgia, on November 6, 2018, at 1300 hours.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The body is received in a body bag labeled "Tamia Horsford" and "Forsyth Co." There is a tag bearing the same identification attached to the left great toe.

The body is that of a well-developed well-nourished black female appearing consistent with the offered age of 40 years. The body measures 66 inches in length and weighs 156 pounds. The body is received clad in a white jumpsuit, brown shirt, black shorts, bra, and two multicolor socks. Personal effects include two earrings, one hair tie, and two rings.

The unembalmed body is well preserved and cool to touch due to refrigeration. Rigor mortis is fully developed in the major muscle groups. Livor mortis is fixed in the upper chest and posteriorly, except over pressure points.

The scalp hair is black and medium length. The irides are brown and the pupils are equal. The corneae are clear and the sclerae and conjunctivae have no petechiae or other abnormalities. The ears are normally formed. The external ears have no injuries. The nasal bones are intact by palpation. The nares are patent and contain no foreign matter. The natural teeth are in good repair. The frenulum is intact. The mucosa and tongue are free of injuries. There is no foreign material in the mouth. There are no palpable fractures of the bones of the face.

The symmetrical neck has no masses. The trachea is in the midline. The shoulders are symmetrical and are free of trauma. The chest is symmetrical and has no scars or injuries. The flat abdomen is soft and has no injuries. The back is symmetrical and has no injuries. The external genitalia are those of a normally developed adult woman. There is no evidence of injury. The anus is unremarkable. The upper extremities are symmetrical and have no distinctive type scars of intravenous drug use. The fingernails are short and clean. The lower extremities are symmetrical. The toenails are short and clean. There is no edema of the legs or ankles. Passive motion of the shoulders, elbows, fingers, hips and ankles fails to elicit any bony crepitus or abnormal motion.

EVIDENCE OF ACUTE INJURY:

Blunt Force Injuries of the Head and Neck

There is a faint ½ x ½ inch superficial abrasion of the right side of the forehead. There is a 1/2 x 1/4 inch abrasion of the left upper eyelid. There is a ½ x ½ inch abrasion of the bridge of the nose. There is a ½ x ¼ inch superficial abrasion of the right temple. There is a ¼ x ¼ inch abrasion of the chin. There is focal subgaleal hemorrhage of the right temporal scalp. There is focal hemorrhage of the right temporalis muscle. There is subarachnoid hemorrhage of the right cerebral hemisphere. There is subdural hemorrhage of the right cerebral hemisphere overlying the cerebral convexity and the anterior temporal lobe (approximately 150 milliliters of clotted blood is present). There is excess mobility of the atlanto-occipital joint, with the anterior portion of the skull remaining firmly attached to the 1st cervical vertebra and the posterior portion detached (note: finding is suggestive of a partial atlanto-occipital dislocation; there is no apparent damage to the underlying brain stem). There is a non-displaced linear fracture of the 2nd cervical vertebra, with minimal associated hemorrhage.

Blunt Force Injuries of the Torso and Extremities

There is a ¾ inch linear laceration of the right ventricle of the heart, with associated hemorrhage of approximately 100 milliliters into the pericardium. There right wrist is dislocated. There is a 1 inch laceration of the anterior right wrist. There is a 1/4 x 1/8 inch superficial abrasion of the anterior left forearm. There is a 1/8 x 1/8 inch abrasion of the tip of the left index finger. There is a ½ inch laceration of the proximal anterior right lower leg. There is a ½ inch abrasion of the proximal anterior left lower leg.

EVIDENCE OF RECENT MEDICAL TREATMENT:

None.

EVIDENCE OF ORGAN AND/OR TISSUE PROCUREMENT:

None.

SCARS, TATTOOS, AND OTHER IDENTIFYING FEATURES:

Tattoos consist of a symbol and text on the top of the left foot.

Scars consist of a 6-inch midline linear scar of the lower abdomen.

There are no other distinguishing features.

INTERNAL EXAMINATION

Body Cavities

The muscles of the chest and abdominal wall are normal in color and consistency. The ribs, sternum and spine exhibit no fractures. The right and left pleural cavities have no free fluid or adhesions. The mediastinum is in the midline. The diaphragm has no abnormality. The abdominal cavity is lined with glistening serosa and has no collections of free fluid. The organs are normally situated and congested. The mesentery and omentum are unremarkable.

Cardiovascular System

The heart weighs 320 grams. The epicardial surface has a normal amount of glistening, yellow adipose tissue. The heart is of the usual configuration. The circumferences of the valves are within normal range. The endocardium is tan. The valvular tissues are thin, pliable, and without vegetation or calcification. The mural and valvular endocardia have no vegetations or thrombi. The papillary muscles and projecting myocardial muscle bundles are of normal prominence. The chordae tendineae have no abnormalities. The coronary ostia are in their usual location and give rise to normally distributed arteries. The coronary circulation is right dominant with the posterior descending arising from the right coronary artery. The major coronary arteries are free of atherosclerosis. The cut surfaces of the red-brown myocardium

have no hemorrhage, necrosis or scars. The right and left ventricles are of normal thickness.

The pulmonary trunk and arteries have no thromboemboli. The intimal surface of the aorta is free of atherosclerosis. The aorta and its major branches arise normally and are widely patent. The inferior vena cava and tributaries have no antemortem clots.

Respiratory System

The lungs weigh 560 grams and 480 grams, right and left, respectively. The upper and lower airways are free of foreign material. The pleural surfaces are thin and free of exudates. The trachea and bronchi are lined by smooth tan epithelium. The cut surfaces of the lungs are variegated pink-red and have mild edema. The lung parenchyma is of the usual consistency. There is no bronchopneumonia, neoplasm, consolidation, fibrosis or calcification.

Hemolymphatic System

The spleen weighs 120 grams. The capsule is smooth, shiny and intact. The cut surfaces are dark red, firm and congested. The lymphoid tissue in the spleen is within a normal range. The lymph nodes throughout the body are not enlarged.

Liver and Biliary System

The liver weighs 1760 grams. The liver edge is sharp. The capsule is intact. The cut surfaces are red-brown and of normal consistency. There are no focal lesions and no evidence of fatty change or cirrhosis. The gallbladder contains dark green bile. There are no stones. The mucosa is unremarkable. The large bile ducts are patent and non-dilated.

Gastrointestinal System

The esophagus is empty and the mucosa is unremarkable. The gastric mucosa is arranged in the usual rugal folds and has no inflammation or ulceration. The lumen of the stomach contains 300 milliliters of partially digested food. The duodenum contains bile-stained fluid. The remaining gastrointestinal tract has no major alterations to external inspection and palpation. The appendix is present.

Genitourinary System

The kidneys are of similar size and shape and weigh 140 grams and 160 grams, right and left, respectively. The capsules are intact and strip with ease. The cortical surfaces are smooth and red-brown. The cut surfaces reveal a well-defined corticomedullary junction. The pelves and ureters are unremarkable without evidence of distention. The urinary bladder contains approximately 50 milliliters of clear yellow urine. The mucosa is unremarkable. The uterus is absent. The right ovary is unremarkable. The left ovary is not identified.

Endocrine System

The adrenal glands have a normal configuration with the golden yellow cortices well demarcated from the underlying medullae. The maroon, gelatinous thyroid gland has no gross alterations. The tan, lobulated pancreas has no neoplasia, calcification or hemorrhage.

Musculoskeletal System

The ribs, sternum, clavicles, and pelvis have no recent fractures. The muscles are normally formed.

Neck and Tongue

The soft tissues and the strap muscles of the neck have no hemorrhage. The hyoid bone and the cartilages of the larynx and thyroid are intact and show no evidence of injury. The larynx and trachea are lined by smooth pink-tan mucosa, are patent and contain no foreign matter.

The epiglottis and vocal cords are unremarkable. The carotid arteries and jugular veins are unremarkable. The tongue is unremarkable.

Central Nervous System

The calvarium is intact. The dura mater and falx cerebri are intact. The brain is of a normal convoluted pattern and weighs 1260 grams. The meninges show no evidence of purulent infection. There is no uncus or tonsillar herniation. The structures of the base of the brain, including cranial nerves and blood vessels, are intact and unremarkable. The cerebral arteries are free of atherosclerosis and patent. The cut surfaces of the brain have normal relations of grey and white matter. There is no evidence of neoplasm. The cerebral ventricles are of normal size and are filled with clear cerebrospinal fluid. There are no fractures of the base of the skull. The dura mater is free of stains and discolorations.

OTHER PROCEDURES

1. Documentary and identification photographs are obtained.
2. Specimens retained for toxicological analysis: blood, urine, and vitreous fluid.
3. A bloodstain card is obtained.
4. Clothing is submitted as evidence.
5. Postmortem fingerprints are obtained.
6. Samples of the decedent's plucked scalp hair are retained and submitted as evidence.
7. Personal effects are released with the body.
8. Scene photographs are reviewed.
9. A report received from the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office is reviewed.
10. A single anterior-posterior radiograph is obtained.

PATHOLOGICAL DIAGNOSES

A. Blunt Force Injuries of the Head and Neck

1. Abrasions of the face
2. Subgaleal hemorrhage
3. Soft tissue hemorrhage of the right temporalis muscle
4. Subarachnoid hemorrhage
5. Subdural hemorrhage (approximately 150 milliliters)
6. Fracture of the 2nd cervical vertebra

B. Blunt Force Injuries of the Torso and Extremities

1. Laceration of the right ventricle of the heart
 - i. Hemopericardium, 100 milliliters
2. Dislocation of the right wrist
3. Laceration of the right wrist and right lower leg
4. Abrasion of the left arm, left hand, and left leg

C. Postmortem Toxicology

1. THC, 2.0 ng/mL
2. THC-COOH (metabolite of THC), 6.3 ng/mL
3. Ethyl alcohol, 0.238 grams per 100 mL
4. Alprazolam, lower than the lowest calibrator of 25 micrograms/liter

SUMMARY AND OPINION

The decedent is a 40 year old woman. Per report, she was last known to be alive shortly after midnight on November 4, 2018. At that time she was drinking heavily at a party in a residence. The next morning she was discovered unresponsive in the back yard under a deck that is approximately 10 - 15 feet from the ground. It appeared as though she may have fallen from the deck. She was pronounced dead without attempted resuscitation.

Autopsy revealed severe injuries of the head, neck, and torso, including subarachnoid hemorrhage, subdural hemorrhage, fracture of the 2nd cervical vertebra, and a laceration of

the heart. Other injuries included abrasions of the face, left arm, left hand, and left leg, lacerations of the right wrist and right leg, and a dislocation of the right wrist. Postmortem toxicology was positive for THC and a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.238 grams/dL.

The observed injuries are consistent with those received in a fall.

In light of the autopsy findings and investigative information, the cause of death is Multiple Blunt Force Injuries and the manner of death is Accident.

Only those items discussed in the results above were analyzed for this report. The above represents the interpretations/opinions of the undersigned analyst. Evidence analyzed in this report will be returned to the submitting agency. Biological evidence (body fluids and tissues) will be destroyed after one year. This report may not be reproduced except in full without written permission of the laboratory.

Technical notes and data supporting the conclusions and findings in this report are maintained within the laboratory case records.

This case may contain evidence that must be preserved in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 17-5-56.



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Related Agencies:

Forsyth Co. Sheriff's Office
GBI-Medical Examiner-HQ DOFS
Bell-Forsyth Judicial Circuit
Forsyth Co. District Attorney

ACN: 2018110177
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Official Report



Division of Forensic Sciences
Georgia Bureau of Investigation
State of Georgia

Headquarters
DOFS Case #: 2018-1029773
Report Date: 01/04/2019

Kathryn P. Lee
Deputy Director
ASCLD/LAB-International
Accredited Testing Laboratory



Requested Service: Toxicology - Postmortem
Agency: Forsyth Co. Sheriff's Office
Agency Ref#: 2018110177
Requested by: Michael Christian

Case Individuals:
Victim: TAMLA HORSFORD

Evidence:
On 11/07/2018, the laboratory received the following evidence from the GBI-Medical Examiner-HQ DOFS via Lockbox.
2018-1029773-003 Sealed plastic bag(s) containing the following items labeled "Tamia Horsford"
2018-1029773-003A Five tubes containing heart blood
2018-1029773-003B One tube(s) containing urine
2018-1029773-003C Two tube(s) containing vitreous fluid

Results and Conclusions:

Drug Screen Results by: Immunoassay

Table with 3 columns: Subm#, Drug Screen Classification, Result. Rows include 003A blood-barbiturates (Negative), blood-cocaine/cocaine metabolites (Negative), and blood-common opioids (Negative).

Drug Confirmation Results

Submission 003A

- 1) Positive, alprazolam {LC/MS/MS} lower than the lowest calibrator of 25 micrograms/liter
2) Negative for: {GC/MS, LC/MS/MS} certain basic drugs, such as methadone and zolpidem

Abbreviations:

GC/MS = Gas chromatography/Mass Spectrometry
LC/MS/MS = Liquid Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry/Mass Spectrometry

Measurement Uncertainty:

Estimations of measurement uncertainty for all toxicology quantitations are reported at a coverage probability of 95.45%.

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GBI-Medical Examiner-HQ DOFS
Bell-Forsyth Judicial Circuit
Forsyth Co. District Attorney

ACN: 2018110379
ACN: KOOPMEINERS

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Forsyth County Sheriff's Office

OCA: 2018110177

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Case Status: UNFOUNDED

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Occurred: 11/04/2018

Offense: DECEASED PERSON

Investigator: KALIN, A. H. (B2637)

Date / Time: 02/20/2019 09:26:13, Wednesday

Supervisor: KALIN, A. H. (B2637)

Supervisor Review Date / Time: 02/20/2019 09:26:39, Wednesday

Contact:

Reference: Supplemental Follow-up

On Wednesday February 20, 2019 @ 0910 I placed a call to Dr. Koppenmeier of the GBI medical examiner's office in regards to his autopsy report in the Horsford case. I explained to the doctor that we, Forsyth County Sheriff's Office are closing this case today. I asked Dr. Koppenmeier if he was comfortable with the following statement, " the deceased injuries along with the investigative findings from the scene, conclude that this death was an accident as a result from a fall consistent with the height of the deck and railing to the ground below". Dr. Koppenmeier said this was an accurate and appropriate statement in this case. that he was in full agreement with.

That was the end of the conversation and we hung up. [02/20/2019 09:52, AHKALIN, 2140, FCSO]

Investigator Signature

Supervisor Signature

Forsyth County Sheriff's Office

OCA: 2018110177

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Occurred: 11/04/2018

Offense: DECEASED PERSON

Investigator: SEXTON, T. R. (B2683)

Date / Time: 02/19/2019 12:25:51, Tuesday

Supervisor: KALIN, A. H. (B2637)

Supervisor Review Date / Time: 02/19/2019 12:34:44, Tuesday

Contact:

Reference: Close Case Status

Based upon the completed investigation as set forth in this case file, this case is reclassified from an Open/Active Investigation to a Closed status. The manner of death was determined to be an accidental death by fall and the cause of death was determined to be multiple blunt force injuries.

The Medical Examiner's final autopsy report was received by the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office on February 6, 2019. Such delivery date is within the typical delay of receiving such autopsy reports from the Georgia Bureau of Investigations Medical Examiner's Office. The injuries sustained to Mrs. Horsford were deemed to be consistent with those received in a fall. No evidence or injury patterns indicative of any assault or foul play were noted by Sheriff's Detectives or in the Coroner's or State of Georgia Medical Examiners reports. The severity of injuries sustained were indeed fatal and consistent with injuries sustained in a fall from an elevated position. Both the fractured wrist, head and torso trauma were found by the Medical Examiner's Office to be consistent with injuries sustainable in such a fall. Crime scene findings by the Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Unit and Crime Scene Investigation Unit support the injuries being sustained in a fall from the rear deck of the residence. Blood alcohol and toxicology results received from the GBI Medical Examiner's Office indicated a high level of intoxication and complete reports are included in this case file. Exhaustive interviews with multiple witnesses, family and neighborhood canvasses were conducted by Sheriff's Detectives throughout this investigation.

Sheriff's Detectives have met with family members on multiple occasions to share case status, hear any concerns and offer opportunities to present any known evidence. At conclusion, no evidence of criminal activity has been discovered in this investigation. Reviews of complaints of a delayed 911 call have been made by friends of the deceased, and random social media and internet sources. Detectives have confirmed that the initial 911 call for assistance was made within minutes of the initial discovery of the deceased, and multiple witnesses observed the deceased from initial discovery until the arrival of Sheriff's Deputies. No evidence of tampering or alteration of any evidence has been found.

This case was investigated in conjunction with the Forsyth County Coroner's Office as well as the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Medical Examiner's Office. If at any time in the future new credible information comes to light this case may be re-opened.

[02/20/2019 08:46, TRSEXTON, 122, FCSO]

Investigator Signature

Supervisor Signature

GEORGIA DEATH CERTIFICATE

State File Number **2018GA000084825**

1. DECEDENT'S LEGAL FULL NAME (First, Middle, Last) TAMLA IANA HORSFORD		1a. IF FEMALE, ENTER LAST NAME AT BIRTH ST JOUR		2. SEX FEMALE	2a. DATE OF DEATH (Mo., Day, Year) ACTUAL DATE OF DEATH 11/04/2018
3. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	4a. AGE (Years) 40	4b. UNDER 1 YEAR Mos. Days	4c. UNDER 1 DAY Hours Mins.	5. DATE OF BIRTH (Mo., Day, Year) 1978	
6. BIRTHPLACE SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	7a. RESIDENCE - STATE GEORGIA	7b. COUNTY FORSYTH		7c. CITY, TOWN CUMMING	
7d. STREET AND NUMBER		7e. ZIP CODE	7f. INSIDE CITY LIMITS? NO		8. ARMED FORCES? NO
8a. USUAL OCCUPATION HOMEMAKER		8b. KIND OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS DOMESTIC			
9. MARITAL STATUS MARRIED		10. SPOUSE NAME LEANDER LAMOT HORSFORD		11. FATHER'S FULL NAME (First, Middle, Last) KURLAND DELANRDO ST JOUR	
12. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME (First, Middle, Last) JANICE ELIZABETH PROVIDENCE POTTS		13a. INFORMANT'S NAME (First, Middle, Last) LEANDER LAMOT HORSFOR		13b. RELATIONSHIP TO DECEDENT HUSBAND	
13c. MAILING ADDRESS			14. DECEDENT'S EDUCATION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE OR GED COMPLETED		
15. ORIGIN OF DECEDENT (Italian, Mex., French, English, etc.) NO, NOT SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO		16. DECEDENT'S RACE (White, Black, American Indian, etc.) (Specify) BLACK OR AFRICAN-AMERICAN			
17a. IF DEATH OCCURRED IN HOSPITAL		17b. IF DEATH OCCURRED OTHER THAN HOSPITAL (Specify) PLACE OF DEATH			
18. HOSPITAL OR OTHER INSTITUTION NAME (If not in either give street and no.)		19. CITY, TOWN or LOCATION OF DEATH CUMMING		20. COUNTY OF DEATH FORSYTH	
21. METHOD OF DISPOSITION (specify) CREMATION		22. PLACE OF DISPOSITION CREMATORY OF FORSYTH 160 SAWNEE DRIVE CUMMING GEORGIA 30040		23. DISPOSITION DATE (Mo., Day, Year) 11/21/2018	
24a. EMBALMER'S NAME BRIAN S TODACK		24b. EMBALMER LICENSE NO. 4604	25. FUNERAL HOME NAME MCDONALD AND SON FUNL HOME		
25a. FUNERAL HOME ADDRESS 150 SAWNEE DRIVE CUMMING GEORGIA 30040					
26a. SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR PAUL HOLBROOK.			26b. FUN. DIR. LICENSE NO. 5287	AMENDMENTS	
27. DATE PRONOUNCED DEAD (Mo., Day, Year) 11/04/2018		28. HOUR PRONOUNCED DEAD 10:47 AM			
29a. PRONOUNCER'S NAME KEITH M BOWEN		29b. LICENSE NUMBER 9082713		29c. DATE SIGNED 11/04/2018	
30. TIME OF DEATH 10:47 AM		31. WAS CASE REFERRED TO MEDICAL EXAMINER YES			
32. Part I. Enter the chain of events-diseases, injuries, or complications that directly caused the death, DO NOT enter terminal events such as cardiac arrest, respiratory arrest, or ventricular fibrillation without showing the etiology. DO NOT ABBREVIATE.					Approximate interval between onset and death
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (Final disease or condition resulting in death) A. MULTIPLE BLUNT FORCE INJURIES Due to, or as a consequence of					MINUTES
B. Due to, or as a consequence of					
C. Due to, or as a consequence of					
D.					
Part II. Enter significant conditions contributing to death but not related to cause given in Part I. <i>If female, indicate if pregnant or birth occurred within 90 days of death.</i> ACUTE ETHANOL INTOXICATION			33. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES	34. WERE AUTOPSY FINDINGS AVAILABLE TO COMPLETE THE CAUSE OF DEATH? YES	
35. TOBACCO USE CONTRIBUTED TO DEATH NO		36. IF FEMALE (range 10-54) PREGNANT NOT PREGNANT WITHIN THE PAST YEAR		37. ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, HOMICIDE, UNDETERMINED (Specify) ACCIDENT	
38. DATE OF INJURY (Mo., Day, Year) 11/04/2018	39. TIME OF INJURY 01:30 AM	40. PLACE OF INJURY (Home, Farm, Street, Factory, Office, Etc.) (Specify) RESIDENTIAL HOME		41. INJURY AT WORK? (Yes or No) NO	
42. LOCATION OF INJURY (Street, Apartment Number, City or Town, State, Zip, County)					
43. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED DECEASED FELL FROM A RESIDENTIAL DECK				44. IF TRANSPORTATION INJURY NO	
45. To the best of my knowledge death occurred at the time, date and place and due to the cause(s) stated. Medical Certifier (Name, Title, License No.) /S/ KEITH M BOWEN CORONER 9082713			46. On the basis of examination and/or investigation, in my opinion death occurred at the time, date and place and due to the cause(s) stated. Medical Examiner/Coroner (Name, Title, License No.)		
45a. DATE SIGNED (Mo., Day, Year)		45b. HOUR OF DEATH		46b. HOUR OF DEATH	
		02/06/2019		10:47 AM	
47. NAME, ADDRESS, AND ZIP CODE OF PERSON COMPLETING CAUSE OF DEATH KEITH M BOWEN 110 E MAIN STREET CUMMING GEORGIA 30040					
48. REGISTRAR (Signature) /S/ GWENDOLYN DUFFIN				49. DATE FILED - REGISTRAR (Mo., Day, Year) 02/06/2019	

From:
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:59 PM
To: Christian, Michael E.
Subject: Fwd: Your Arlo Battery is Tired

Mike,

This is the last one I have. I must have deleted the others. I will see if I can somehow recover them. I am not tech savvy. If you would like to have an IT person or detective research it. The website is <https://arlo.netgear.com> and my email for the account _____ and password is _____

Let me know if I can do anything else.

Jeanne

----- Forwarded message -----

From: <alerts@arlo.com>
Date: Sat, Aug 18, 2018 at 8:57 AM
Subject: Your Arlo Battery is Tired
To: < _____ >

Uh-Oh Jeanne!

Your Arlo _____ is running low on battery. You've still got about 15% of juice left, but in order to maintain uninterrupted peace of mind, we recommend charging up the device as soon as you can.

In the meantime, thanks for being a member of the Arlo family!

The Arlo Team

<https://arlo.netgear.com>

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