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Photograph #5: Photograph shows length dimension of the laundry room sink.

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1 CASE NUMBER 920731CCC1532 <i>A-230119</i>	2 INVESTIGATOR ID 8 2 5 1	3 OFFICE CODE 8 0 0	EPIDEMIOLOGIC INVESTIGATION REPORT
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6 SYNOPSIS OF ACCIDENT OR COMPLAINT

A 5 month old male infant sitting inside an infant seat designed for bathing, placed in a laundry room sink, drowned and suffered thermal burns over 85% of his body, after being left unattended in the seat, and gaining access to the water lever. The hot water overflowed the sink and completely submerged him for an unspecified period of time.

7 LOCATION Home	1 0	8 CITY West Palm Beach	9 STATE Florida
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10a FIRST PRODUCT Infant Seat	1 5 4 9	11a TRADE/BRAND NAME/MODEL "Safety 1st Swivel Bath Safety First Inc. Seat" Model #160P 210 Boylston St., Chestnut Hill, MA 02167
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10b SECOND PRODUCT Faucet	0 6 9 9	11b TRADE/BRAND NAME/MODEL Delta Delta Faucet Co. Greensburg, Indiana 47240
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12 AGE OF VICTIM 2 0 6	13 SEX 1	14 DISPOSITION Died in Emergency Room	8	15 INJURY DIAGNOSIS Submersion	6 9
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20 ATTACHMENTS Multi	9	21 CASE SOURCE Newspaper	0 5	22 REVIEWED BY 8 1 6 5 9 2 1 8 0 9
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23 PERMISSION TO DISCLOSE NAMES (NON-NEISS CASES ONLY)

CPSC may disclose my name  XXX CPSC may not disclose my name

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**PRE-ACCIDENT**

Information contained in this report was obtained from the babysitter (limited), Palm Beach County, Florida Sheriff's Office and Office of the Medical Examiner, Palm Beach County, Florida. The victim's mother, who is in possession of the infant seat, failed to return repeated telephone calls (answer phone and victim's brother).

On February 8, 1992, the five month old male infant (DOB 8/16/91, Height = 27", Weight = 21 lbs.), was brought to the home of his babysitter, a forty three year old female, to stay with her family while the parents went on a ski trip to Colorado. According to reports, the babysitter was operating an unlicensed day care service with children ranging in age from six months to three years of age.

Reportedly the babysitter had been caring for the subject infant since September 23, 1991. The infant was last seen by his pediatrician on January 23, 1992 and was found to be in good health.

On February 12, 1992, according to the babysitter, between 1400 and 1430 hours, she placed the baby seat, which belonged to the infants parents, inside the sink facing the faucets. She placed corn starch in approximately 4" deep luke warm water, due to the infant having diaper rash. She then placed the infant inside the seat and washed him.

During the washing process, the babysitter heard the telephone ring, and went into the kitchen in order to answer it (See Photograph #1). The water faucets were reportedly in the "off" position.

Reportedly, the infant had good muscle control and was able to sit up on his own. It was also reported that when the babysitter would give the infant a bath in the sink, he was fascinated by the water faucet.

The laundry room which contained the sink being used, was located in the center portion of the house, east of the master bedroom. The sink was situated to the west of the washer/dryer area, on the north wall of the room (See Photograph #2).

**ACCIDENT**

While the babysitter was in the kitchen area talking on the telephone for an undetermined period of time, the infant was left inside the sink, seated in the infants seat in hip depth water, with the laundry room door closed.

Reportedly, it was theorized that the infant reached up, grabbed the swivel type water faucet control, placing it in the "on" "hot" position.

After completing the telephone conversation, the babysitter returned to the laundry room, opened the door, and observed the infant slumped over in his seat, submerged in the water, which was overflowing the sink, onto the floor.

Reportedly, no screams or crying was heard from the victim, by the babysitter or her daughter, who were present at the time of the accident.

#### POST ACCIDENT

The babysitter shut the water, and picked up the infant out of the sink. Carrying the infant, she ran to her bedroom and placed him on the bed. She informed her daughter, who was lying on the bed watching television, that the infant wasn't breathing. The babysitter, assisted by her daughter, began chest compressions on the infant, which pushed water out of his mouth. The babysitter's daughter placed her mouth over the infants mouth, but was unable to provide air, as his airway appeared blocked by water. Chest compressions were continued as 911 was contacted.

Following instructions given, chest compressions were continued on the infant, who was purple in color, and additional water began to flow from his mouth. It was estimated that a period of approximately 20 minutes had transpired since he was found submerged.

Paramedics arrived on the scene at 1422 hours (notified at 1412 hours). Observed was that the infant contained 2nd and 3rd degree burns over approximately 90% of his body, and was in Cardiac Arrest, with fluid coming out of him. Advanced cardiac life procedures were utilized on the victim, who displayed consistency of a person not having any oxygen in his body. The infant was intubated and drugs were administered. He was transported via helicopter to St. Mary's Hospital, West Palm Beach, Florida, with arrival time listed as 1507 hours. At 1513 hours, the infant was pronounced dead in the emergency room.

An autopsy was conducted on February 13, 1992 which revealed the following findings:

- (1) Drowning.
- (2) Superficial partial thickness thermal burns, skin, approximately 85 percent of total body surface.

(3) Pulmonary congestion and edema.

(4) Congestion, organs.

The cause/manner of death was listed as accidental due to drowning involving thermal burns on 85% of his body surface.

The police investigation of the scene revealed that the laundry room, located down the hall from the kitchen of the one family dwelling, contained the subject sink. The sink measured 13" in height, 17.5" x 22" depth and width (See Photograph #3 - #5). From the bottom of the sink to the handle on the faucet measured 19" (Refer to Photograph #3). The hot water temperature tested at 147 degrees (See Photograph #6). A trigger pull gage used to measure the force used to move the faucet to the "hot" position (full force) measured 4 lbs.

The infant seat measured 8" in height, 11 1/2" width, 12" length. Three suction cups were contained on the bottom of the seat (See Supplied Police Department Photographs #7/#8).

#### PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

1. Infant Seat (See Photographs #9 - #16)
  - a. Model/Logo: "Safety 1st Swivel Bath Seat"
  - b. Model #: 160P
  - c. Manufacturer: Safety 1st Incorporated  
210 Boylston Street  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02167
  - d. Construction: Plastic Frame  
Rubber Suction Cups
  - e. Warning Labels: Product (Side Rail) "Warning: Prevent Drowning Never Leave Child Unattended".  
  
(Interior Rear-Sticker) "Warning: Prevent Drowning. Never leave child unattended in the tub.  
  
Box (Main Panels) "Warning: To prevent drowning never leave child unattended in tub! Not for use in tubs with non-skid surfaces".  
  
Main Panel: "For Ages 6 months and older"

- f. Date Coding: Clock type containing month/year (contained on bottom side of product adjacent to suction cups.
- g. Store of Purchase: Unknown
- h. Date of Purchase: Unknown
- i. Additional Labeling: "Made In U.S.A. @ 1989 Safety 1st, Inc. All Rights Reserved. U.S. Pat 5,010,606\*\*\*".
- j. Additional Information: Based on information obtained in the Police Report, the infant seat involved in the accident, shown in Police Department supplied 8" x 10" photographs contained the following markings: "1989 Safety-One" "Safety First, Inc., Made In The USA".

(Additional Information obtained and photographs were taken from product on sale at Service Merchandise, Boca Raton, Florida. Product involved in accident was unavailable).

2. Faucet

- a. Manufacturer: Delta Faucet Company, Greensburg, Indiana.
- b. Type: Lever type, Hot/Cold adjustable.

3. Sink

- a. Manufacturer: Florestone Product Company  
Union City, California
- b. Construction: Polystone PSI (I) B Material

**STANDARDS**

This investigation was conducted under the CPSA.

**EXHIBITS**

Exhibit 1 - Offense Report, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office.

Exhibit 2 - Investigation Report, Office of the Medical Examiner, Palm Beach County, Florida.

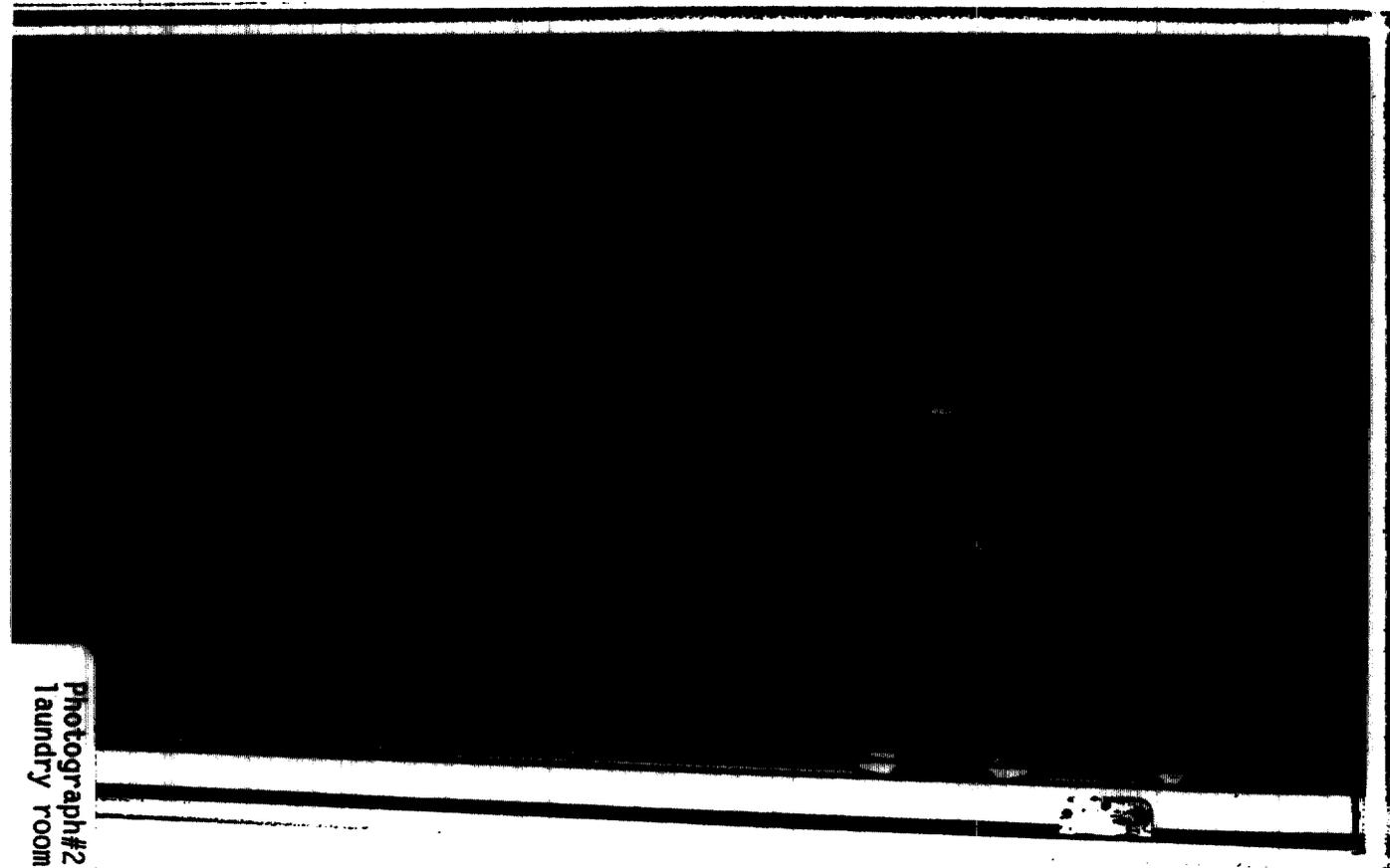
Exhibit 3 - Autopsy Report, Office of the Medical Examiner, Palm Beach County, Florida.

PHOTOGRAPHS

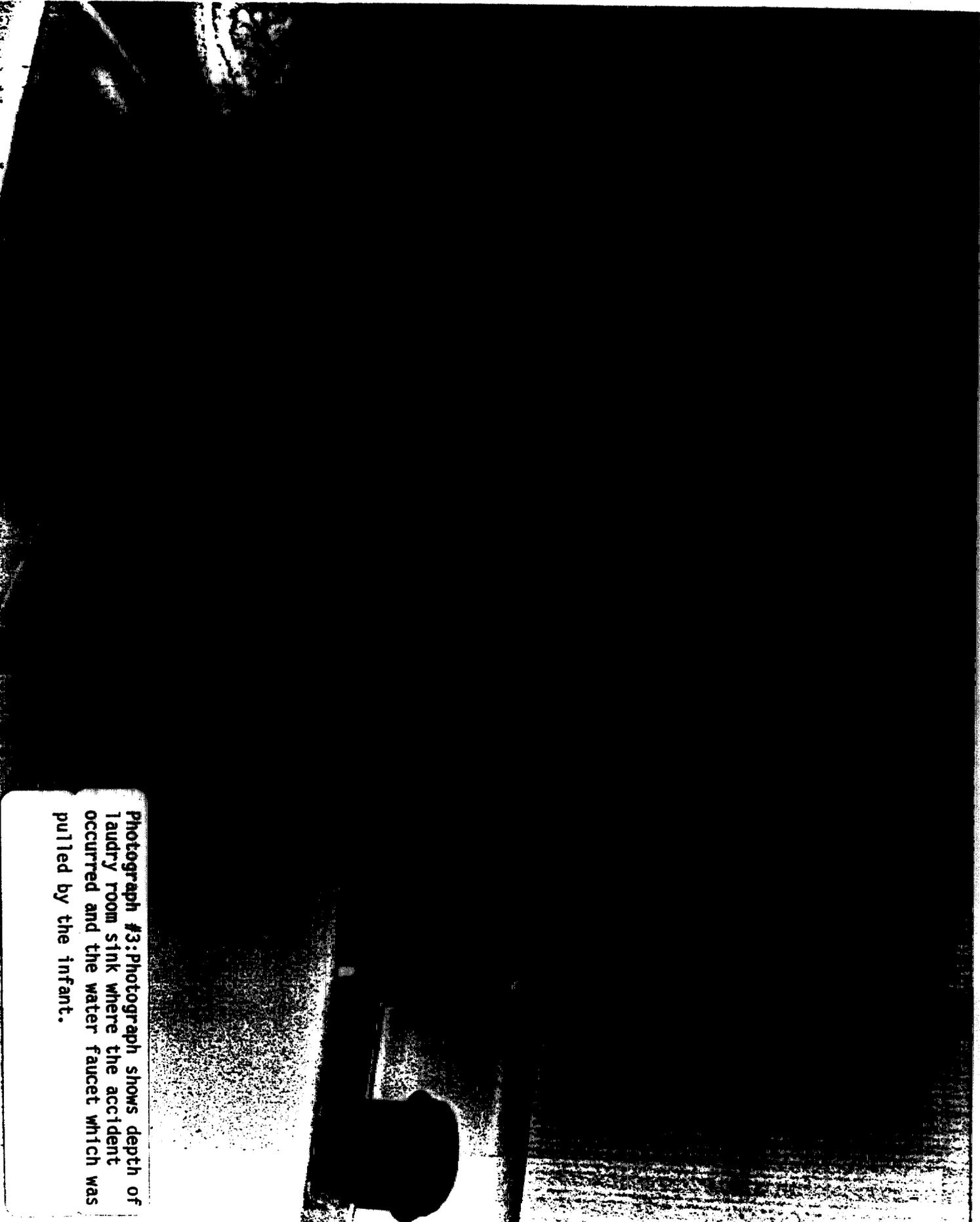
1. Photograph shows kitchen area of house where phone was located.
  2. Photograph shows view into laundry room.
  3. Photograph shows sink and faucet.
  4. Photograph shows width of sink.
  5. Photograph shows length of sink.
  6. Photograph shows temperature test performed on hot water.
  7. Photograph shows infant seat and sink.
  8. Photograph shows infant seat (measurement)
- (First 8 photographs supplied by sheriffs office - no negatives)
- 9 thru 10. Photographs show product packaging and warnings contained.
  11. Photograph shows ID printing contained on underside base of the infant seat.
  - 12 & 13. Photographs show warning labels contained on the product.
  14. Photograph shows underside suction cups contained on the infant seat.
  - 15 & 16. Photographs show warning/instruction sheet contained in product packing box.

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Photograph#2: Photograph shows view into laundry room where the accident occurred



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Photograph #3: Photograph shows depth of laundry room sink where the accident occurred and the water faucet which was pulled by the infant.

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Photograph #4: Photograph shows width dimension of the laundry room sink.

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Photograph #5: Photograph shows length dimension of the laundry room sink.

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Photograph #6: Photograph shows temper-  
ature test taken on hot water from  
faucet.

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Photograph #7: Photograph shows the infant bath seat in relation to the sink.

Photograph #8: Photograph shows height measurement of the infant bath seat which was involved in the accident.



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Photographs #9/#10: Photographs above and to the left show the cardboard packing box which the seat is contained in. Box contains warning about leaving child unattended.

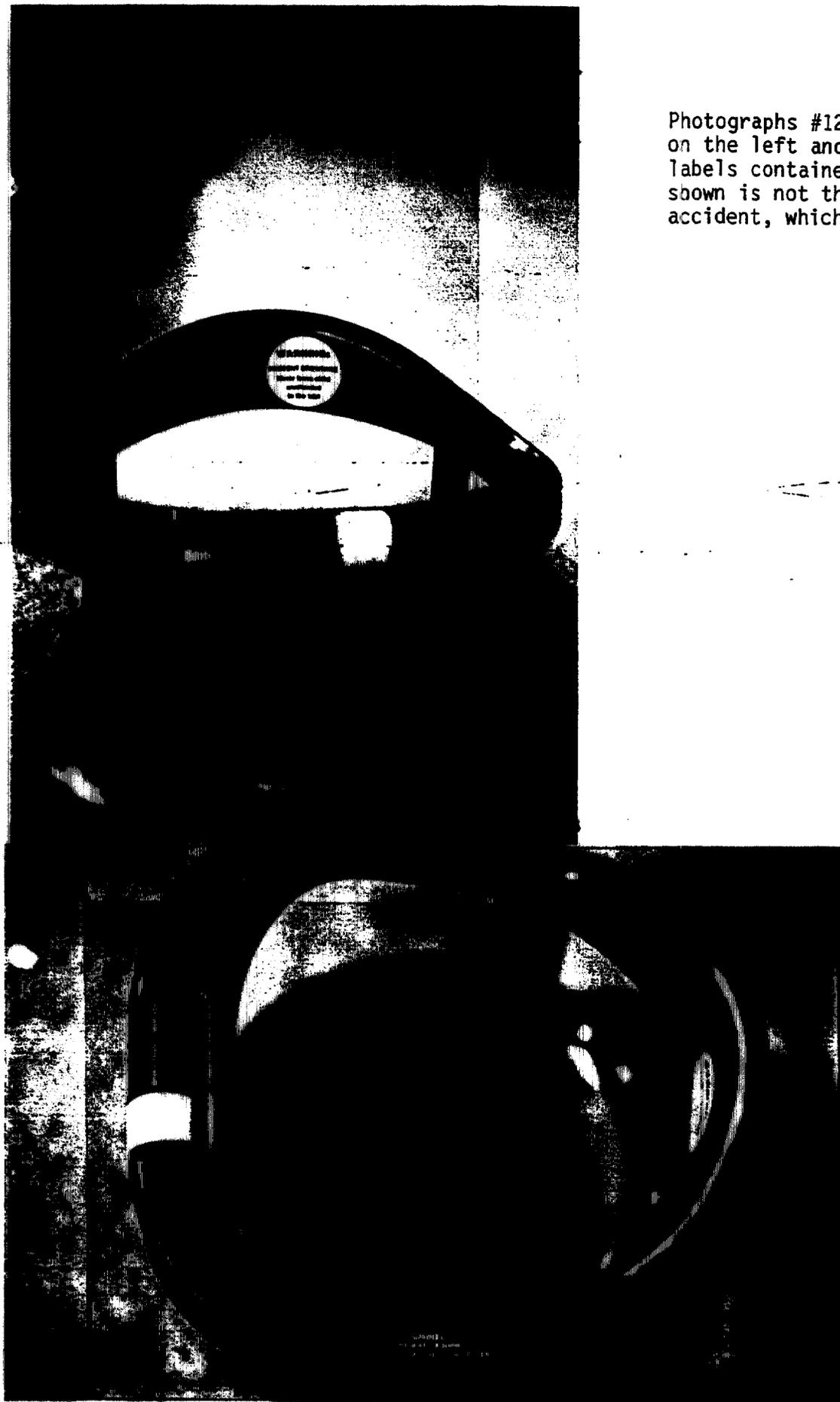
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Photograph #11: The above photograph shows ID printing contained on the underside base of the seat.

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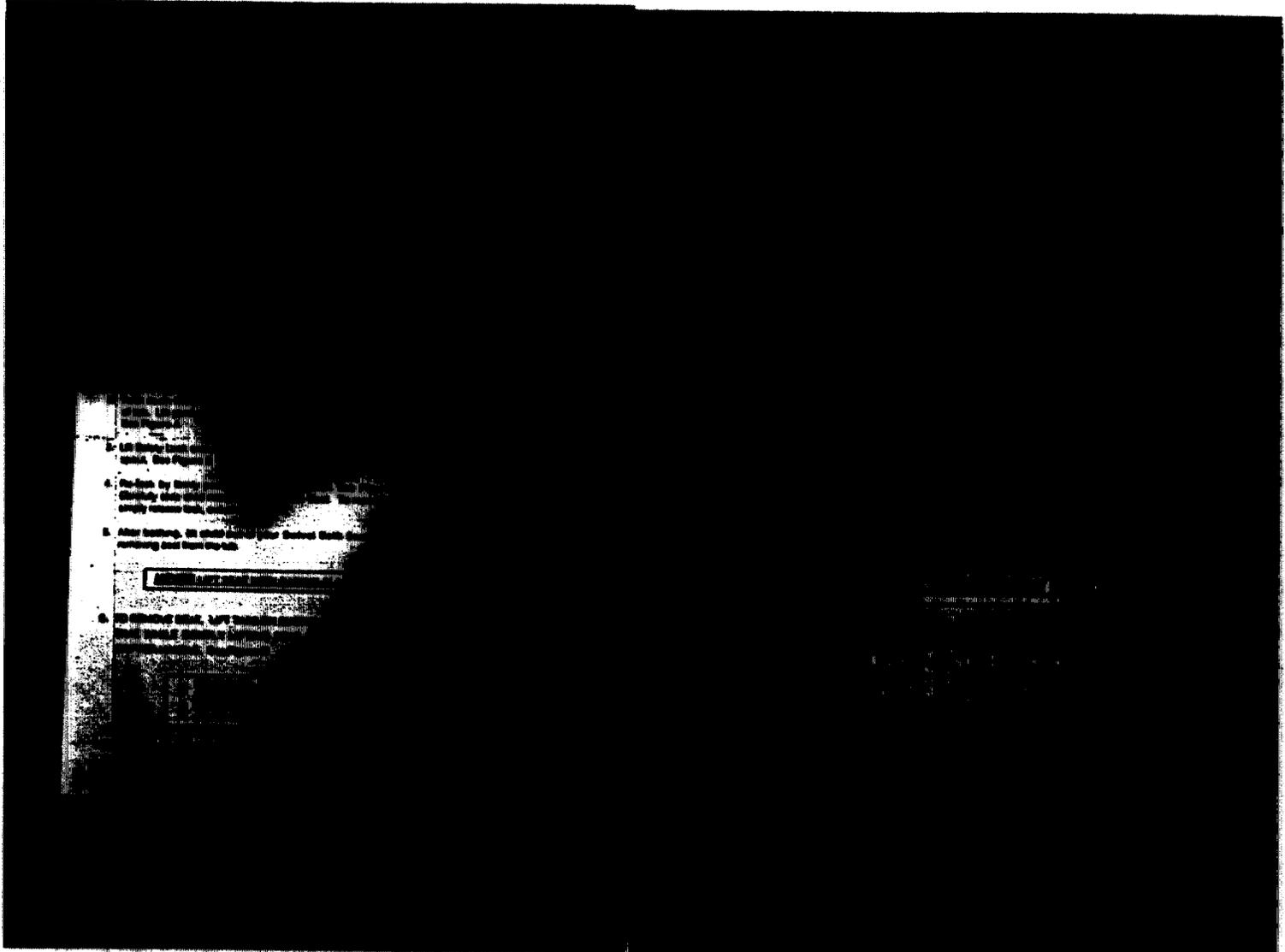
Photographs #12/#13: The photographs on the left and below show warning labels contained on product (Product shown is not the one involved in the accident, which was unavailable).





Photograph #14: The above photograph shows underside suction cups contained on the infant bath seat.

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Photographs #15/#16: The above photographs show warnings and instructions contained in product packing box.

MANSLAUGHTER  
ZONE: 802 GRID: 4A5 DEPUTY I.D.: 3167 NAME: CROUCHER GREGOR ASSIST: WEDNESDAY  
OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 02/12/92 , 1440 HOURS AND DATE: 02/12/92 , 1600 HOURS  
EXCEPTION TYPE: DIVISION: ROAD PATROL

INCIDENT LOCATION: 982 S PATRICK CR APT. NO.:  
CITY: WEST PALM BEACH STATE: FL ZIP: 33406  
NO. OFFENSES: 02 NO. OFFENDERS: 01 NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0  
LOCATION: RESIDENCE - SINGLE FAMILY  
NO. VICTIMS: 01 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0 WEAPON TYPE:  
OFFENSE NO. 1 FLORIDA STATE STATUTE: 782 07 CIS CODE 090C  
OFFENSE NO. 2 FLORIDA STATE STATUTE: 927 04 CIS CODE 130A

NAME LIST: DOB: 03/31/57  
ROLE: EYE: HAZEL

WITNESS SUE HARRINGTON  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 506 WT: 145 HR: BROWN EYE: HAZEL  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 3723 BELVEDERE RD FL 33409 PHONE: 407 000-0000  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: PB FIRE RESCUE 3723 BELVEDERE ROAD, WPB BUSINESS PHONE: 407 355-2683  
OTHER <sup>Maryly</sup> JAMES WILLIAMS DOB: 04/13/44 EYE: BLUE

RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD WEST PALM FL 33406 PHONE: 407 968-2795  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: 515 NO FLAGLER DRIVE, WPB, FL BUSINESS PHONE: 407 655-1990  
SUSPECT MARSHA S HERRINGTON DOB: 10/11/48 EYE: BLUE

COMPLAINANT MARSHA S HERRINGTON DOB: 10/11/48 EYE: BLUE  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 502 WT: 120 HR: BLOND EYE: BLUE  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 502 WT: 120 HR: BLOND EYE: BLUE  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 982 S PATRICK CR FL 33406 PHONE: 407 689-8459  
OTHER LAURA L HERRINGTON DOB: 12/26/73 EYE: BLUE

RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 982 S PATRICK CR IFL 33406 PHONE: 407 688-0803  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: RAINSOFT WATER SERVICES BUSINESS PHONE: 407 966-6290  
OTHER MARILYNN CRAWFORD DOB: 08/13/53 EYE: GREEN

RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD DOB: 08/16/91 EYE: UNKNOWN  
OTHER REESE E WILLIAMS DOB: 08/16/91 EYE: UNKNOWN  
SEX: M RACE: W HT: 300 WT: 25 HR: UNKNOWN EYE: UNKNOWN  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD, FL 33406 PHONE: 407 968-2795  
OTHER TERRY HERRINGTON DOB: 10/23/48 EYE: HAZEL

RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 982 S PATRICK CR DOB: 08/13/53 EYE: HAZEL  
SEX: M RACE: W HT: 600 WT: 160 HR: BROWN EYE: HAZEL  
PHONE: 407 689-8459

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DATE 8/26/92  
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**PAID**

OFFENSE INDICATOR: OFFENSE 1 AND 2 VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
VICTIM TYPE: JUVENILE  
RESIDENCE TYPE: COUNTY RESIDENCE STATUS: FULL YEAR  
EXTENT OF INJURY: FATAL  
INJURY TYPE(1): BURNS  
INJURY TYPE(2): OTHER  
VICTIM TREAT TAKEN: ST MARY'S HOSPITAL  
PHYSICIAN: DR. RICHARDSON  
VICTIM RELATION: SITTER / DAY CARE

VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
HOMICIDE CIRCUMSTANCES: OTHER NEGLIGENT KILLINGS  
JUSTIFIABLE CIRCUMSTANCES: NOT APPLICABLE  
JUSTIFIABLE CODE: NOT APPLICABLE  
AGENCY: PD50 OFFICER NAME: DET. MORRIS 2487  
SUPERVISOR ON SCENE: LT SERAFIN  
WHERE BODY FOUND: 982 SO PATRICK CR, WPB, FL  
OFFICER VIEWED BODY AT: 992 SO PATRICK CR, WPB, FL  
UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS: N  
BODY I.D. BY: GRANDMOTHER  
AMBULANCE: ATLANTIC FIRE RESCUE: STATION 33  
REMOVAL SERVICES: PROFESSIONAL  
PRONOUNCE BY: DR. RICHARDSON AT: ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL  
DOCTOR EXAMINING PRIOR DEATH: DR. ROBERT EDDLEMAN DATE: 920123  
DOCTOR'S ADDRESS: 2311 NO FLAGLER DR WPB DOCTOR'S PHONE: 832-7555  
CAUSE OF DEATH: PRIMARY: THERMAL INJURY SECONDARY: DROWNING  
DEATH'S CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY: DR. BENZ  
BODY RELEASED TO: MEDICAL EXAMINER DR BENZ DATE: 920212  
NEAREST RELATIVE: MARILYN CRAWFORD  
MEDICAL HISTORY: NO MEDICAL HISTORY - NO PERSONAL EFFECTS OR VALUABLES

REPORT NUMBER: 1  
FLORIDA VICTIM ? N  
WEATHER: CLEAR-- 70'S  
WITNESS TO CRIME KNOWN ? Y SUSPECT NAME KNOWN ?..... Y  
CAN VICTIM I.D. SUSPECT ? Y SUSPECT LOCATION KNOWN ?... Y  
WILL VICTIM PROSECUTE ?.. Y STOLEN PROPERTY TRACEABLE ? N  
IS M.O. SIGNIFICANT ?..... Y EVIDENCE LEFT AT SCENE ?... Y  
LATENTS LIFTED ?..... N SUSPECT'S VEHICLE KNOWN ?.. N  
TAG NUMBER KNOWN ?..... N PROPERTY DAMAGE ?..... N  
EVIDENCE TAKEN BY ..... DET. MORRIS 2487

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PARTY COMPLAINT

DISPOSITION: INACTIVE

ON THIS DATE, AT APPROXIMATELY 1350 HRS., I RECEIVED A DISPATCH TO 982 SOUTH PATRICK DRIVE IN REFERENCE TO A POSSIBLE DROWNING.

E.M.S. WAS ON THE SCENE STATING THAT IT WAS A SUSPICIOUS OCCURRENCE DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE CHILD THAT HAD SUPPOSEDLY DROWNED HAD LARGE BURNS OVER SEVERAL AREAS OF HIS BODY.

AT THIS TIME, I RESPONDED TO THE ADDRESS AND ARRIVED AT APPROXIMATELY 1453 HRS. UPON ARRIVAL, I MADE ENTRY INTO THE HOUSE AND WAS DIRECTED TO THE MASTER BEDROOM, WHICH IS IN THE NORTHWEST SECTION OF THE HOUSE WHERE E.M.S. AND AMBULANCE PERSONNEL WERE WORKING C.P.R. ON THE CHILD. ALSO UPON ARRIVAL, I MADE CONTACT WITH THE OWNER OF THE HOUSE AND THE BABYSITTER OF THE CHILD, MARSHA HERRINGTON.

AT THIS TIME, SHE STATED THAT THE BABY HAD DROWNED DURING BATHING AND THAT THE PARAMEDICS WERE WORKING ON HIM. SHE DIRECTED ME TO THE BACK MASTER BEDROOM AREA.

UPON ENTRY INTO THE BEDROOM AREA, I COULD SEE THAT THE CHILD WAS SOMEWHAT DISCOLORED AND C.P.R. WAS BEING DONE AT THIS TIME. I ALSO NOTED THAT THERE WERE AREAS AROUND HIS NECK, CHEEK AND FACE AREA THAT WERE RAW SKIN AREAS WITH WHAT APPEARED TO POSSIBLY BE SKALDING TYPE BLISTERS AND THE OUTER SKIN WAS REMOVED FROM THESE RAW SKIN AREAS. ALSO, THESE SAME BURN TYPE AREAS WERE ON HIS ARMS AND LEGS.

AT THIS TIME, I LEFT THE BEDROOM AREA WHILE THE E.M.S. PERSONNEL WORKED ON THE CHILD AND AWAITING THE ARRIVAL OF THE TRAUMA HAWK TO AIRLIFT THE CHILD TO THE TRAUMA CENTER AT ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL.

I THEN MADE CONTACT AGAIN WITH THE WHITE FEMALE PROPERTY OWNER WHO WAS THE BABYSITTER. AT THIS TIME, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THERE WERE SEVERAL OTHER INFANT CHILDREN IN THE HOUSEHOLD AT THIS TIME. ALL APPEARED TO BE APPROXIMATELY 3 YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER. THE MAJORITY OF THEM WERE INFANTS AND CRAWLING OR JUST STANDING IN CRIBS. AT THIS TIME, HERRINGTON STATED THAT SHE WAS JUST WATCHING THE VICTIM AND THAT HIS NAME WAS REESE WILLIAMS. SHE STATED THAT SHE WAS WATCHING REESE FOR HIS MOTHER WHO WAS ON A SKIING TRIP IN COLORADO AT THIS TIME. SHE THEN TOOK ME TO THE LAUNDRY ROOM AREA WHICH IS IN THE APPROXIMATE CENTER OF THE HOUSE, TO THE EAST OF THE MASTER BEDROOM. SHE SHOWED ME A LARGE DEEP ONE BASIN SINK IN THE LAUNDRY ROOM, JUST TO THE WEST OF THE WASHER/DRYER AREA. ON THE NORTH WALL OF THAT ROOM. SHE THEN SHOWED ME A SMALL BLUE BATHING TYPE SEAT THAT IS MADE FOR CHILDREN TO SIT IN WHILE BATHING. SHE STATED THAT THE CHILD HAD BEEN PLACED IN THE SEAT AND PLACED IN THE SINK WITH WATER UP TO APPROXIMATELY HIP LEVEL FOR BATHING. SHE STATED AT THIS TIME THAT THE PHONE RANG AND SHE THEN LEFT THE 6 MONTH OLD CHILD UNATTENDED WHILE SHE ANSWERED THE PHONE IN ANOTHER ROOM. HARRINGTON THEN STATED THAT, WHEN SHE ARRIVED BACK FROM THE PHONE CALL, THE WATER IN THE SINK WAS TURNED TO THE ON POSITION, WAS OVERFLOWING OUT OF THE SINK, THE CHILD WAS SLUMPED OVER IN THE SEAT AND SUBMERGED IN THE WATER. SHE STATED THAT SHE

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THEN WENT TO THE SINK AREA, TURNED THE WATER OFF, PULLED THE CHILD OUT OF THE WATER AREA AND TOOK HIM TO THE MASTER BEDROOM WHICH WAS ON THE NORTHWEST SECTION OF THE HOUSE. SHE STATED THAT, ONCE SHE GOT THE CHILD IN THE MASTER BEDROOM, SHE PLACED HIM ON THE BED AND THEN CALLED 911 IN REFERENCE TO THE DROWNING. SHE DID STATED THAT, AT THIS TIME, HE WAS BLUEISH IN COLOR AND NONRESPONSIVE.

UPON QUESTIONING, SHE ALSO STATED THAT, WHEN THE CHILD WAS TURNED TO THE SIDE, THERE WAS QUITE A BIT OF DRAINAGE OF WATER FROM HIS MOUTH AND POSSIBLY THROAT AREA. SHE STATED THAT, WHILE SHE WAS OUT ON THE PHONE, SHE FELT THAT THE CHILD HAD REACHED UP AND TURNED SWIVEL TYPE HANDLE OF THE WATER TO THE ON POSITION, PROBABLY THE HOT WATER, WHICH CAUSED THE SKALDING TYPE BURNS ON HIS BODY.

AT THIS TIME, E.M.S. THEN READIED THE CHILD FOR TRANSPORTATION VIA TRAUMA HAWK, REMOVED THE CHILD FROM THE HOUSE WHILE CONTINUING C.P.R. AND THEN AIRLIFTED THE CHILD TO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL.

AT THIS TIME, I THEN GATHERED ALL INFORMATION FROM HERRINGTON AND ALSO FROM HER DAUGHTER WHO WAS PRESENT DURING THE INCIDENT, LAURA HERRINGTON. MARSHA HERRINGTON AT THIS TIME SHOWED ME A PAPER GIVING HER LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY IN REFERENCE TO WATCHING THE CHILDREN FOR MARILYNN CRAWFORD WHO IS THE NATURAL MOTHER AND GUARDIAN OF REESE WILLIAMS. AT THIS TIME, SHE ALSO SHOWED ME A PIECE OF PAPER WITH TRAVEL INFORMATION ON IT STATING THAT THE MOTHER WAS IN BRECKENRIDGE, COLORADO, AND DID HAVE SEVERAL NUMBERS WHICH WERE EMERGENCY NUMBERS IN THE COLORADO AREA.

AT THIS TIME, DETECTIVE SHOEMAKER AND MORRIS ARRIVED ON THE SCENE AND THE INFORMATION WAS TURNED OVER TO THEM. THE LAUNDRY ROOM AT THIS TIME WAS SEALED FROM ANY OTHER TRAVEL IN REFERENCE TO CRIME SCENE AND ALSO THE NORTHWEST BEDROOM AREA WHERE THE CHILD HAD BEEN TAKEN FROM THE SINK AREA.

IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT, UPON MY FIRST INSPECTION OF THE LAUNDRY ROOM AREA WITH MARSHA HERRINGTON, SOMEONE HAD DRAINED THE SINK OF WATER, BUT AT THIS TIME IT IS UNKNOWN WHO HAD ACTUALLY DRAINED THE WATER BEFORE OUR ARRIVAL.

IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT THE SINK HAD OVERFLOWED ON TO THE FLOOR AREA CAUSING THE ENTIRE LAUNDRY ROOM HALLWAY TO THE KITCHEN DINING AREA TO FLOOD AND SOMEWHAT SINK INTO THE RUG AREA IN THE LIVING ROOM AREA, WHICH IS TO THE EAST OF THE KITCHEN/DINING AREA.

AT THIS TIME, ALL INFORMATION WAS GIVEN TO THE DETECTIVES ON THE SCENE AND I STOOD BY FOR PRESERVATION OF CRIME SCENE AREAS UNTIL THE ARRIVAL OF CRIME SCENE AND SUPERVISORS FROM THE JUVENILE DIVISION.

IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT I DID MAKE CONTACT WITH TWO AMBULANCE PERSONNEL FROM ATLANTIC AMBULANCE, ATTENDANT BRADLEY AND ATTENDANT KAJEEJIT, WHO STATED THAT THEY WERE FIRST ON THE SCENE, UPON BEING CALLED, AND ARRIVED BEFORE PARAMEDICS. THEY STATED THAT AT THIS TIME THEY WERE LED TO THE MASTER BEDROOM AREA WHERE THE CHILD WAS LYING BY ITSELF ON THE BED AREA AND

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IMMEDIATELY STARTED C.P.R. THEY CONTINUED C.P.R. ON THE CHILD UNTIL  
PARAMEDICS ARRIVED ON THE SCENE AND TURNED OVER THE MEDICAL CARE AND C.P.R. TO  
PARAMEDICS OF THE PALM BEACH COUNTY FIRE RESCUE.

WITH NO FURTHER INFORMATION, THIS CASE WAS TURNED OVER TO JUVENILE  
DETECTIVES. THIS CONCLUDES THIS REPORT.

D/S CROUCHER/ID 3167/TRANS 021292/ACS/1074

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FILE DATE INVESTIGATOR  
CONTAINS PRODUCT  
PROPERTY INFORMATION

BUSE/CHILD DEPUTY I.D.: 2487 NAME: MORRIS CODE: 130A DATE: 02/12/92 WEDNESDAY  
ONE: 802 GRID: OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 02/12/92, 1440 HOURS AND DATE: 02/12/92, 1600 HOURS ASSIST: TIME D 1450 A 1453 C 1603  
EXCEPTION TYPE: INCIDENT LOCATION: 982 S PATRICK CR APT. NO.:  
CITY: WEST PALM BEACH STATE: FL ZIP: 33406

0. OFFENSES: 01 NO. OFFENDERS: 01 NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0  
LOCATION: RESIDENCE - SINGLE FAMILY  
0. VICTIMS: 01 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0 WEAPON TYPE:  
OFFENSE NO. 1 FLORIDA STATE STATUTE: 827 04 CIS CODE 130A

NAME LIST:  
ROLE:  
WITNESS SUE HARRINGTON DOB: 03/31/57

SEX: F RACE: W HT: 506 WT: 145 HR: BROWN EYE: HAZEL  
ESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 3723 BELVEDERE RD FL 33409 PHONE: 407 000-0000  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: PB FIRE RESCUE 3723 BELVEDERE ROAD, WPB BUSINESS PHONE: 407 355-2683  
USPECT MARSHA S HERRINGTON DOB: 10/11/48

COMPLAINANT MARSHA S HERRINGTON DOB: 10/11/48  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 502 WT: 120 HR: BLOND EYE: BLUE  
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ESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 982 S PATRICK CR FL 33406 PHONE: 407 689-8459  
OTHER LAURA L HERRINGTON DOB: 12/26/73

SEX: F RACE: W HT: 503 WT: 116 HR: BLOND EYE: BLUE  
ESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 982 S PATRICK CR FL 33406 PHONE: 407 688-0803  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: RAINSOFT WATER SERVICES BUSINESS PHONE: 407 966-6290  
OTHER MARILYNN CRAWFORD DOB: 08/13/53

SEX: F RACE: W HT: 508 WT: 130 HR: BROWN EYE: GREEN  
ESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD WPB FL 33406 PHONE: 407 968-2795  
OTHER REESE E WILLIAMS DOB: 08/16/91

SEX: M RACE: W HT: 300 WT: 25 HR: UNKNOWN EYE: UNKNOWN  
ESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD WPB FL 33406 PHONE: 407 968-2795  
OTHER TERRY HERRINGTON DOB: 10/23/48

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OFFENSE INDICATOR: OFFENSE 1 VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
VICTIM TYPE: JUVENILE  
ESIDENCE TYPE: COUNTY RESIDENCE STATUS: FULL YEAR

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1-15-92 10:00 AM  
Sally HERRINGTON

EXTENT OF INJURY: SERIOUS  
INJURY TYPE(1): BURNS  
INJURY TYPE(2): OTHER  
VICTIM RELATION: ACQUAINTANCE

ON 02/12/92 AT 1506 HOURS, I BEGAN AN INVESTIGATION AT 982 SOUTH PATRICK CIRCLE, IN REFERENCE TO THE DROWNING OF A 6-MONTH-OLD CHILD. UPON ARRIVAL, I MADE CONTACT WITH D/S CROUCHER. IN SPEAKING WITH HIM, HE GAVE ME SOME QUICK INFORMATION THAT HE HAD LEARNED FROM THE BABYSITTER, MARSHA HERRINGTON, OF THE CHILD, REESE WILLIAMS. ACCORDING TO D/S CROUCHER, MARSHA WAS GIVING REESE A BATH IN A SINK LOCATED IN THE LAUNDRY ROOM. THE WATER WAS UP TO THE CHILD'S HIP AREA, WHEN THE TELEPHONE RANG. MARSHA TURNED THE WATER OFF AND LEFT THE ROOM IN ORDER TO ANSWER THE TELEPHONE. WHEN SHE FINISHED HER TELEPHONE CONVERSATION, SHE WENT BACK INTO THE LAUNDRY ROOM TO FIND THAT REESE WAS SUBMERGED IN WATER AND SLUMPED OVER FACEDOWN IN THE WATER. SHE PULLED THE CHILD OUT OF THE SINK AND TOOK HIM TO THE NORTHWEST BEDROOM WHERE SHE CALLED 911. ACCORDING TO D/S CROUCHER, REESE HAD BEEN AIR-LIFTED BY TRAUMA HAWK TO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL. D/S CROUCHER TOLD ME THAT FOR THE ENTIRE TIME HE HAD BEEN ON SCENE, ALL ATTEMPTS AT REVIVING REESE WERE FUTILE AND HE WAS UNRESPONSIVE.

I DETERMINED THAT THE MASTER BEDROOM WHERE REESE HAD BEEN TAKEN TO BY MARSHA, AS WELL AS THE LAUNDRY ROOM WHERE HE HAD BEEN FOUND, WERE AREAS IN WHICH I WANTED SECURED IN AN EFFORT TO PRESERVE THE SCENE. THEREFORE, D/S DALE FOX AND D/S GREG CROUCHER ACCOMPLISHED THIS FOR ME UNTIL PBSDO CRIME SCENE DETECTIVES COULD RESPOND.

DURING THIS TIME I ALSO NOTICED THAT THE LAUNDRY ROOM FLOOR WAS WET WITH WHAT APPEARED TO BE LARGE AMOUNTS OF WATER. ALSO THE KITCHEN AREA, WHICH IS ADJACENT TO THE LAUNDRY ROOM, WAS WET IN THE SAME MANNER AS WELL. I ALSO NOTICED THAT THERE WERE FIVE OR SIX CHILDREN IN THE HOUSE THAT MARSHA WAS APPARENTLY CARING FOR, THAT RANGED FROM APPROX. 6 MONTHS OF AGE TO 3 YEARS OLD. I ATTEMPTED TO CONSOLE MARSHA ABOUT WHAT HAD TAKEN PLACE, AND HELP HER TO UNDERSTAND WHY WE WERE PROCESSING THE SCENE. DURING THIS TIME, I LEARNED FROM LT. SERAFIN THAT REESE HAD DIED AT THE HOSPITAL.

AFTER THE SCENE WAS PROCESSED, THERE WERE SEVERAL CHILDREN STILL AT MARSHA'S RESIDENCE. HOWEVER, THEY WERE LEFT IN THE CUSTODY OF HER SISTER. SHE AND HER HUSBAND TERRY WERE TAKEN TO PBSDO HQ'S BY LT. SERAFIN IN ORDER THAT AN INTERVIEW COULD BE CONDUCTED.

AT PBSDO HQ'S, I BEGAN TO INTERVIEW MARSHA, AND DET. DAVE SHOEMAKER WAS PRESENT. THIS INTERVIEW BEGAN AT 1749 HOURS. I ORIGINALLY ASKED MARSHA TO TELL ME "WHAT HAPPENED". MARSHA SAID SHE PUT THE SEAT IN THE LAUNDRY TRAY 92073/CSC/1532 DURING 1 AND DUE TO REESE HAVING SOME DIAPER RASH, SHE SPRINKLED CORN STARCH IN THE WATER, SHE THEN PUT THE BABY IN IT AND WASHED HIM. THE TELEPHONE RANG AND SHE WENT TO ANSWER THE PHONE, AND STATED THAT SHE REALLY COULDN'T TELL ME WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THAT. AS FAR AS THE TIME FRAME, MARSHA STATED THAT SHE

WAS BLANK.

RECOGNIZING AN OVERSIGHT ON MY PART, IN THE FACT THAT I DIDN'T READ MARSHA HER CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS. I AT THIS POINT DID SO. AFTER READING MARSHA THE RIGHTS TO HER, AND MAKING SURE THAT SHE UNDERSTOOD THEM, MARSHA DECIDED NOT TO TALK TO ME AND SEEK THE ASSISTANCE OF AN ATTORNEY. WE CONCLUDED THE INTERVIEW AT 1754 HOURS. THIS INTERVIEW WAS AUDIO TAPED.

AFTER THE INTERVIEW, WHILE STILL IN THE DETECTIVE BUREAU INTERVIEW ROOM, MARSHA MADE UNSOLICITED STATEMENTS, "THIS WAS NOT INTENTIONAL", "THIS WAS AN ACCIDENT", AND "ACCIDENTS HAPPEN". I TOOK MARSHA AND TERRY BACK TO THEIR HOME AND ADVISED THEM TO GIVE THEIR ATTORNEY MY NAME AND HAVE HIM CALL ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. I CONTINUED BY TELLING THEM THAT I NEEDED TO TALK TO THEIR DAUGHTER, LAURA HERRINGTON, DUE TO THE FACT THAT SHE HAD BEEN IN THE HOUSE AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT. THEY TOLD ME THAT LAURA WAS AT WORK, HOWEVER, WHEN SHE RETURNED HOME THEY WOULD HAVE HER CALL ME.

AFTER GETTING BACK TO PBSO HO'S, I MADE CONTACT WITH D/S CROUCHER AND QUESTIONED HIM AS TO COMING INTO PBSO HO'S IN ORDER TO GIVE ME A STATEMENT AS TO WHAT HE HAD DONE EARLIER IN THE DAY IN REGARDS TO THIS CASE. D/S CROUCHER AGREED TO COME IN AND IT WAS AT 1950 HOURS WHEN WE WERE ABLE TO MAKE CONTACT AND BEGIN OUR INTERVIEW.

I BEGAN THE INTERVIEW BY ASKING D/S CROUCHER TO TELL ME WHAT HE DID AT THE SCENE AT 982 SOUTH PATRICK CIRCLE. D/S CROUCHER SAID THAT WHEN HE FIRST ARRIVED, HE LOCATED THE HOUSE AND AS HE WAS APPROACHING THE FRONT DOOR OF THE HOUSE, HE WAS MET BY A YOUNG W/F FITTING THE DESCRIPTION OF LAURA HERRINGTON, WHO HE LATER IDENTIFIED AS SAME. HE ASKED TO TALK TO THE MOTHER OF THE CHILD, REFERRING TO THE CHILD WHO HAD SUPPOSEDLY DROWN. LAURA TOLD HIM THAT HER MOTHER WAS INSIDE, AND HE PROCEEDED INSIDE AFTER BEING DIRECTED SO BY LAURA. HE MET WITH MARSHA HERRINGTON.

MARSHA TOLD HIM THAT THE PARAMEDICS WERE IN THE BACK ROOM, REFERRING TO THE BACK BEDROOM. D/S CROUCHER WAS ABLE TO DETERMINE THAT MARSHA WAS THE CARETAKER OF THE NUMEROUS CHILDREN LOCATED IN THE HOUSE THAT HE HAD SEEN. D/S CROUCHER PROCEEDED INTO THE BEDROOM, TELLING MARSHA THAT HE WOULD BE RIGHT OUT TO TALK WITH HER. UPON ENTERING THE BEDROOM, D/S CROUCHER SAW THAT THERE WERE SEVERAL MEDICAL PERSONNEL IN THE ROOM WHO WERE GIVING MEDICAL ATTENTION TO A W/M CHILD. HE DESCRIBED THE CHILD'S SKIN AS BEING RAW AS THOUGH A BLISTERED AREA HAD BEEN RUBBED OFF. HE NOTICED THIS "RAW" EFFECT ON SEVERAL PARTS OF THE CHILD'S BODY. D/S CROUCHER LEARNED FROM ONE OF THE AMBULANCE ATTENDANTS THAT THE CHILD'S PARENTS WERE IN BRECKENRIDGE, COLORADO. ALSO THE CHILD APPEARED TO BE SLIGHTLY DISCOLORED, A BLUISH/GRAY, AND HE WAS TOLD THAT THE BABY WAS UNRESPONSIVE. D/S CROUCHER LEFT THE ROOM TO GIVE THE PARAMEDICS MORE ROOM TO WORK. HE WENT BACK TO TALK TO MARSHA AND ASKED HER IF THE CHILD HAD BEEN LEFT IN THE TUB IN THE MASTER BEDROOM'S BATHROOM. SHE TOLD HIM NO. SHE WENT ON TO SAY THAT SHE ATTEMPTED TO BATHE THE CHILD IN THE LAUNDRY ROOM, AND PROCEEDED THROUGH THE HOUSE TO THE LAUNDRY ROOM TO SHOW

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HIM THE ROOM. UPON ENTERING THE AREA, D/S CROUCHER NOTICED THE KITCHEN/  
DINING AREA FLOOR WAS WET, AND THE HALLWAY TOWARD THE LAUNDRY ROOM INCLUDING  
THE LAUNDRY ROOM FLOOR WAS WET ALSO.

MARSHA CONTINUED BY SHOWING HIM A LARGE, DEEP, LAUNDRY TYPE SINK THAT WAS  
IN A COUNTER INSIDE THE LAUNDRY ROOM AND TOLD HIM THAT SHE HAD BEEN BATHING  
THE CHILD IN THIS SINK. SHE WENT ON TO SAY THAT SHE HAD LEFT THE CHILD IN  
THE SINK TO ANSWER THE TELEPHONE. D/S CROUCHER ASKED MARSHA IF THE CHILD WAS  
IN THE SINK BY HIMSELF AND SHE SHOWED HIM A BATHING RING AND TOLD HIM THAT  
THE CHILD HAD BEEN SITTING IN THE BATHING RING. SHE INDICATED THAT THE WATER  
WAS JUST DEEP ENOUGH IN THE SINK TO COVER THE SEAT. WHEN D/S CROUCHER ASKED  
MARSHA IF SHE HAD LEFT THE CHILD UNATTENDED, HER RESPONSE WAS YES. WHEN ASKED  
WHETHER OR NOT THE WATER HAD BEEN LEFT ON, SHE SAID SHE HAD TURNED IT OFF.  
MARSHA THEN TOLD D/S CROUCHER THAT WHEN SHE WAS GONE, THE CHILD MUST HAVE  
REACHED UP AND TURNED THE WATER ON. D/S CROUCHER ASKED MARSHA IF SHE HEARD  
THE CHILD SCREAMING OR MAKING ANY NOISE, OR JUST WHAT BROUGHT HE BACK INTO  
THE LAUNDRY ROOM. SHE TOLD HIM NO, AND THAT WHEN SHE COMPLETED THE TELEPHONE  
CONVERSATION, SHE RETURNED TO THE LAUNDRY ROOM TO FIND THE WATER LEVEL IN THE  
SINK HIGH AND THE CHILD SLUMPED OVER THE BATHING RING. HE ASKED IF THE  
CHILD'S FACE WAS IN THE WATER OR HIS HEAD, OR IF HE WAS TOTALLY SUBMERGED,  
AND SHE RESPONDED YES. D/S CROUCHER TOOK THIS TO MEAN AT LEAST THE FACE  
AREA OF THE CHILD HAD BEEN SUBMERGED TO CAUSE A DROWNING SITUATION. IN D/S  
CROUCHER'S OBSERVATIONS, HE FELT THAT DUE TO ALL THE WATER ON THE FLOOR, IT  
APPEARED THE SINK HAD OVERFLOWED. MARSHA WENT ON TO SAY THAT SHE HAD PICKED  
THE CHILD UP OUT OF THE SINK AND RAN INTO THE BEDROOM AND LAID HIM ON THE BED  
AND DIALED 911. WHEN ASKED ABOUT GETTING ANY KIND OF WATER FLOW FROM HIM,  
SHE STATED THAT SHE GOT QUITE A FLOW OF WATER OUT OF HIS MOUTH AREA WHEN SHE  
TURNED HIS HEAD. D/S CROUCHER TOLD ME THAT ORIGINALLY WHEN HE WAS IN THE  
BEDROOM WITH THE CHILD AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL, ONE OF THE AMBULANCE ATTENDANTS  
(BRADLEY) TOLD HIM THAT SHE AND HER PARTNER WERE THE FIRST TO ARRIVE, BEATING  
PBC FIRE RESCUE TO THE SCENE, AND FOUND THE CHILD LAYING ON THE BED BY HIM-  
SELF WITH NO ONE ATTENDING HIM. THEIR OBSERVATIONS WERE THAT THE BABY WAS  
BLUISH AND THEY IMMEDIATELY BEGAN CPR. ALTHOUGH D/S CROUCHER DIDN'T QUESTION  
LAURA, HE DID RECALL LAURA TELLING HIM THAT THEY (MEANING SHE AND HER MOTHER)  
ATTEMPTED CPR. D/S CROUCHER STATED THAT WHEN HE ARRIVED, LAURA AND MARSHA  
WERE THE ONLY PEOPLE THERE AT THE RESIDENCE BESIDES THE SMALL CHILDREN MARSHA  
WAS CARING FOR. THE INTERVIEW WAS CONCLUDED AT 2005 HOURS.

JUST PRIOR TO MY INTERVIEWING D/S CROUCHER, LAURA HERRINGTON'S AUNT  
TELEPHONED ME AND ADVISED ME THAT LAURA WAS WILLING TO TALK TO ME AT THIS  
TIME, HOWEVER, SHE WAS HOPING NOT TO HAVE TO COME TO P850 HO'S IN AN EFFORT  
TO STAY AT A MORE SERENE SURROUNDINGS AT HER OWN RESIDENCE. IF POSSIBLE, SHE  
WOULD LIKE TO CONDUCT THE INTERVIEW THERE. DUE TO THE FACT THAT SHE WASN'T  
WILLING TO COME IN, I WAS WILLING TO ACCEPT AND RECEIVE ANY INTERVIEW THAT  
I COULD GET WITH LAURA. THEREFORE, I ADVISED HER THAT THIS WOULD BE O.K.

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IT WAS AT 2050 HOURS THAT I HAD ARRIVED AT THE HERRINGTON'S RESIDENCE AND BEGAN MY INTERVIEW WITH LAURA. THAT INTERVIEW WAS CONDUCTED AT 982 SO. PATRICK CIRCLE, IN LAURA'S BEDROOM. I BEGAN THE INTERVIEW BY ASKING LAURA TO TELL ME WHAT SHE COULD REMEMBER ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO HER EARLIER IN THE DAY REGARDING THE INCIDENT WITH REESE WILLIAMS. SHE BEGAN BY TELLING ME THAT SHE WAS IN HER MOM'S BEDROOM WATCHING HER SOAP OPERA. WHILE SHE WAS WATCHING T.V., HER MOTHER CAME INTO THE ROOM WITH REESE AND TOLD HER NOT TO CRY AND NOT TO PANIC AND THAT REESE WASN'T BREATHING AND THAT WE NEED TO DO CPR ON HIM. LAURA BEGAN TO CRY AND "FREAK OUT", BUT WAS ABLE TO GATHER HER COMPOSURE AND HELP HER MOTHER. HER MOTHER LAID REESE ON THE BED AND SHE (LAURA) WENT INTO THE BATHROOM AND GOT A TOWEL BECAUSE REESE WAS ALL WET. HER MOTHER BEGAN CHEST COMPRESSIONS ON REESE, WHICH PUSHED WATER OUT OF HIS MOUTH. LAURA PUT HER MOUTH OVER HIS AND BEGAN TO BREATHE INTO HIS MOUTH, BUT SHE FOUND THAT HIS AIRWAY WAS BLOCKED WITH WATER. HER MOTHER CONTINUED TO DO CHEST COMPRESSIONS AND LAURA DECIDED TO DIAL 911, TELLING HER MOTHER THAT THEY COULDN'T DO IT ALONE. LAURA CALLED 911 AND MARSHA PICKED REESE UP AND HELD HIM. LAURA TOLD THE 911 OPERATOR THAT THIS WAS AN EMERGENCY AND HER MOTHER TOOK THE TELEPHONE FROM HER. LAURA TOLD ME THAT THE OPERATOR BEGAN TELLING HER MOTHER HOW TO DO CPR AND HER MOTHER PUT REESE ON THE FLOOR. SHE THEN BEGAN TO DO CHEST COMPRESSIONS AGAIN AND A LOT OF WATER BEGAN TO COME OUT OF HIS LUNGS AND HE WAS STILL PURPLE. LAURA STATED THAT HER MOTHER COULDN'T GET A PULSE FROM REESE. LAURA FELT THAT APPROXIMATELY 15 TO 20 MINUTES HAD TRANSPIRED, DUE TO HER LOOKING AT A CLOCK IN THE BEDROOM AT THE TIME OF THIS INCIDENT.

LAURA STATED THAT AT ONE POINT HER MOTHER TOLD HER TO GO OUTSIDE AND WAIT FOR THE PARAMEDICS TO ARRIVE. SHE WASN'T SURE IF THE OPERATOR HAD TOLD HER TO DO THIS, OR HER MOTHER HAD TAKEN THIS UPON HERSELF TO TELL HER. HOWEVER, LAURA DID GO OUTSIDE AS SHE WAS INSTRUCTED. LAURA STATED WHILE SHE WAS OUTSIDE SHE HEARD THE SIRENS, HOWEVER, SHE CONTINUED WAITING FOR THEM TO ARRIVE. WHEN THE AMBULANCE FINALLY ARRIVED, LAURA HAD TO EXPLAIN TO THEM WHAT HAD HAPPENED. APPARENTLY THEY WEREN'T FAMILIAR WITH WHAT HAD OCCURRED AT THE RESIDENCE. UPON ESCORTING THEM INTO THE HOUSE, THEY INSTRUCTED HER TO GO OUTSIDE AND WAIT FOR THE FIRE MEDICS. WHEN THE FIRE MEDICS ARRIVED, LAURA LED THEM INTO THE HOUSE ALSO. AT THIS POINT THEY SHUT THE BEDROOM DOOR WHERE THEY WERE WORKING ON REESE. AFTERWARDS SHE ASSISTED HER MOTHER IN TAKING CARE OF THE CHILDREN.

WHEN I QUESTIONED LAURA ABOUT THE SOAP OPERA SHE WAS WATCHING, SHE STATED THAT IT WAS "ANOTHER WORLD" WHICH COMES ON AT 2:00 P.M. I QUESTIONED LAURA AGAIN ABOUT THE TIME THAT SHE AND HER MOTHER ATTEMPTED CPR ON REESE, THAT BEING APPROX. 15-20 MINUTES, AND SHE STATED AT THIS POINT SHE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS THAT LONG, IT WAS MORE LIKE 5 OR 10 MINUTES. SHE SAID ONCE AGAIN WHEN SHE SAW THAT IT WASN'T WORKING, SHE DIALED 911. LAURA SAID THAT ORIGINALLY WHEN HER MOTHER BROUGHT REESE INTO THE BEDROOM SHE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM, SHE WAS ONLY TOLD THAT HE WASN'T BREATHING. LAURA ASSUMED

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THAT MAYBE HE WAS CRAWLING ON THE FLOOR AND HIS FACE FELL IN THE CAT WATER, EXPLAINING WHY HE HAD THE WATER ON HIM AND HOW HE MAY HAVE GOTTEN ALL THE WATER IN HIS LUNGS. WHEN I ASKED LAURA TO DESCRIBE REESE'S COLOR, SHE STATED THAT IT WAS "KIND OF FUNNY" "NOT NORMAL". LAURA ALSO SAID THAT IT WAS WHEN SHE FELT REESE'S PULSE THAT SHE DIALED 911. APPARENTLY THERE WAS NO PULSE. LAURA WAS ABLE TO RECALL THAT HER MOTHER HAD BEEN CARING FOR REESE AT LEAST SINCE CHRISTMAS. HOWEVER, WASN'T EXACTLY SURE HOW LONG SHE HAD BEEN.

SHE WENT ON TO SAY THAT HER MOTHER HAS BEEN CARING FOR REESE DURING THE NIGHT SINCE SATURDAY 02/08/92 DUE TO HIS PARENTS GOING OUT OF TOWN AND HE WAS STAYING FOR A WEEK. LAURA RECALLS OTHER CHILDREN STAYING OVERNIGHT IN THE PAST, SO THE ARRANGMENTS HER MOTHER HAD WITH REESE'S PARENTS WEREN'T UNUSUAL. LAURA SAID THAT SHE RECALLS THE LAUNDRY ROOM DOOR BEING CLOSED, BUT THERE WAS WATER ALL OVER THE FLOOR IN THE KITCHEN THAT HAD COME FROM THE LAUNDRY ROOM SINK. THESE WERE HER OBSERVATIONS. LAURA WENT ON TO SAY THAT HER MOTHER HAD FILLED THE SINK UP WITH WATER ABOUT HALF WAY WHEN THE TELEPHONE RANG. HER MOTHER LEFT TO ANSWER THE PHONE AND WHEN SHE HUNG THE PHONE UP, SHE RETURNED TO THE LAUNDRY ROOM TO FIND THAT REESE HAD TURNED ON THE FAUCET AND THE SINK HAD OVERFLOWED. HER MOTHER UNPLUGGED THE SINK AND TOOK REESE OUT AND BROUGHT HIM INTO HER AND ASKED FOR HER HELP. I ASKED LAURA IF SHE HEARD THE PHONE RING. SHE INDICATED THAT SHE HAD BY NODDING HER HEAD. LAURA COULDN'T RECALL HOW LONG IT WAS BETWEEN THE TIME THE PHONE RANG AND THE TIME HER MOTHER CAME IN AND ASKED FOR HELP, BUT SHE DID RECALL THE PHONE RING. LAURA ALSO RECALLS THAT AT APPROX. 2:00 P.M. WHEN THE SOAP OPERA THAT SHE WATCHES (ANOTHER WORLD) WAS COMING ON T.V. SHE WENT INTO THE KITCHEN TO GET SOMETHING TO DRINK. APPARENTLY THERE WAS NOTHING ODD AT THAT PARTICULAR TIME DUE TO THE FACT THAT LAURA DIDN'T MAKE ANY INDICATIONS THAT THERE WAS ANYTHING WRONG. OBVIOUSLY SHE WOULD HAVE SEEN THE WATER ON THE FLOOR AT THAT TIME. LAURA WAS AWARE WHO HER MOTHER WAS SPEAKING WITH ON THE TELEPHONE, BUT STATED THAT SHE WAS IN THE KITCHEN. THIS INFORMATION AS FAR AS THE SINK BEING FILLED UP AND HOW FULL IT WAS, WAS PROVIDED TO LAURA BY HER MOTHER. DURING THE TIME THAT THE PARAMEDICS WERE ATTEMPTING TO REVIVE REESE, LAURA TOLD ME THAT SHE COULD SEE THAT HER MOTHER WAS UPSET ABOUT WHAT HAD HAPPENED, BUT THOUGHT THAT SHE WAS IN SHOCK, AND THEREFORE WAS ABLE TO WORK HERSELF THROUGH WHAT WAS GOING ON. WHEN I ASKED LAURA ABOUT THERE BEING ANY OTHER ADULTS IN THE HOUSE AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT, SHE TOLD ME THAT SHE AND HER MOTHER WERE THE ONLY ONES.

I QUESTIONED LAURA ABOUT EVER SEEING REESE BEING BATHED, OR BATHING HIM HERSELF IN THE LAUNDRY SINK, SHE SAID THAT AS FAR AS SHE KNOWS, THIS WAS THE ONLY TIME THAT HER MOTHER BATHED REESE IN THAT SINK, AND THAT SHE HAS NEVER SEEN HIM IN THE SINK. SHE BELIEVES HER MOTHER BATHED REESE IN THE LAUNDRY ROOM IN ORDER TO KEEP ALL OF THE CHILDREN IN ONE AREA OF THE HOUSE, THAT BEING THE NORTHEAST AREA, AS WELL AS IT BEING EASIER ON HER BACK SO THAT SHE DIDN'T HAVE TO BEND OVER IN A BATHTUB TO BATHE REESE.

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WHEN I ASKED LAURA ABOUT THE NUMBER OF TELEPHONES IN THE RESIDENCE, SHE STATED TO ME THAT SHE HAS HER OWN IN HER BEDROOM WHICH IS A SEPARATE PHONE LINE FROM HER MOTHER'S PHONE. HOWEVER, ON HER MOTHER'S PHONE LINE, THERE IS THE ONE IN HER MOTHER'S ROOM, THE ONE IN THE KITCHEN, AND THERE IS ONE IN ONE OF HER BROTHER'S ROOM. RESPECTIVELY, ACCORDING TO LAURA, THE KITCHEN TELEPHONE WOULD HAVE BEEN THE PHONE THAT HER MOTHER WAS USING AT THE TIME THAT MARSHA WAS ON THE TELEPHONE AS REESE WAS GETTING HIS BATH. LAURA ALSO STATED THAT THIS IS THE ONLY TELEPHONE THAT HER MOTHER USES DURING THE DAY BECAUSE THAT IS WHERE ALL THE CHILDREN ARE. WHEN ASKED ABOUT HELPING HER MOTHER WITH THE CHILDREN, LAURA SAID THAT SOMETIMES SHE HELPS WITH THE OLDER ONES, HOWEVER, TODAY SHE WASN'T HELPING HER MOTHER WITH ANY OF THE CHILDREN. LAURA ALSO TOLD ME THAT THERE IS A TELEVISION IN THE KITCHEN AS WELL AS ONE BEING IN THE FAMILY ROOM, AND HER MOM'S BEDROOM, AND THAT MANY TIMES HER MOM WATCHES SOAP OPERAS ON THE T.V. IN THE KITCHEN. I ASKED LAURA TO GO OVER BRIEFLY WHAT HER ACTIVITIES WERE FROM THE TIME THAT SHE GOT HOME TODAY. SHE SAID THAT WHEN SHE GOT HOME FROM SCHOOL AROUND 1:00 P.M., SHE WENT TO HER ROOM AND SHE WAS TALKING ON THE TELEPHONE.

AT 2:00 P.M., THE SOAP OPERA THAT SHE WATCHES (ANOTHER WORLD) CAME ON T.V. AND SHE WENT INTO THE KITCHEN TO GET SOMETHING TO DRINK. THEN SHE WENT INTO HER MOTHER'S ROOM TO WATCH THE T.V. IT WAS AFTER THAT THAT HER MOTHER CAME INTO THE ROOM WITH REESE AND ASKED FOR HER HELP.

IN CONCLUSION, LAURA TOLD ME THAT SHE AND HER MOTHER TRIED EVERYTHING THEY COULD, REFERRING TO SAVING REESE. I CONCLUDED THE INTERVIEW AT 2120 HOURS, THE FIRST TIME. UPON GOING OFF TAPE, LAURA TOLD ME THAT SHE HAD SOMETHING FURTHER TO SAY. WE WENT BACK ON TAPE AND CONTINUED HER STATEMENT. HER STATEMENT WAS TO THE EFFECT OF WHAT HAPPENED WHEN THE PARAMEDICS ARRIVED AND ASSUMED CONTROL. THERE WAS NO FURTHER INFORMATION AS TO WHAT HAPPENED TO REESE.

ON 02/13/92 AT 0800 HOURS I CONTACTED PBSO COMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR, DONNA ROWMAN, AND ADVISED HER THAT I NEEDED THE REEL TAPE OF THE 911 CALL THAT CAME INTO PBSO CONCERNING THIS INCIDENT ON 02/12/92. SHE ADVISED ME THAT SHE WOULD HOLD THE TAPE UNTIL I CAME TO PICK IT UP.

AT 1200 HOURS I WENT TO PBC FIRE RESCUE ADMINISTRATIO AT 50 SOUTH MILITARY TRAIL, AND OBTAINED A COPY OF FIRE RESCUE'S REPORT OF THE INCIDENT. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, FIRE RESCUE WAS CALLED AT 1412 HOURS. STATION #33 WAS DISPATCHED AT 1413 HOURS AND STATION #33 ARRIVED AT THE SCENE AT 1422 HOURS. THE REPORT ALSO INDICATED THAT AT NO TIME DID REESE SHOW ANY RESPONSE TO CPR OR DRUG THERAPY.

AT 1230 HOURS I WENT TO PBC FIRE RESCUE COMMUNICATIONS AT 3723 BELVEDERE ROAD, IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE REEL TAPE OF THE 911 CALL THAT HAD BEEN PLACED INTO THEM FROM 982 SO. PATRICK CR. I MET WITH LT. JAMES ELLIS WHO MADE THE TAPE AVAILABLE TO ME. THE TAPE WAS TAKEN AND PLACED INTO PBSO EVIDENCE. THE CONTENT OF THE TAPE WAS A CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE 911 OPERATOR, SUE HARRING-

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TON, AND MARSHA HERRINGTON. DURING THIS CONVERSATION, SUE WAS COACHING MARSHA THROUGH CPR. SUE ALSO ASKED WHAT THE PROBLEM WAS AND MARSHA RESPONDED BY TELLING HER THAT SHE HAD A BABY THAT WASN'T BREATHING AND HAD NO HEART BEAT. MARSHA TOLD HER THAT THE BABY WAS FULL OF WATER AND THAT SHE WAS BATHING HIM AND LEFT HIM FOR A MINUTE TO ANSWER THE TELEPHONE. SHE CAME BACK, AND THERE WAS NOTHING FURTHER CLARIFIED AS TO WHAT SHE DID WHEN SHE CAME BACK. MARSHA DESCRIBED THE BABY AS BEING BLUE. DURING THE TELEPHONE CALL, IT APPEARED TO ME THAT MARSHA SOUNDED AS THOUGH SHE HAD GIVEN UP ON THE BABY'S SURVIVAL.

AT 1300 HOURS, I MET WITH DR. JAMES BENZ, PBC MEDICAL EXAMINER, AT THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE, TO ASCERTAIN WHAT THE FINDINGS OF THE AUTOPSY WOULD BE. AND ALSO TO HELP HIM IN ANY MANNER THAT I COULD. I EXPLAINED TO HIM WHAT I HAD DISCOVERED THUS FAR IN MY INVESTIGATION. UPON THE CONCLUSION OF THE AUTOPSY, DR. BENZ BELIEVES THAT THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF DEATH IS THERMAL INJURY AND SECONDARY CONTRIBUTION IS DROWNING. HOWEVER, AT THIS POINT A PRESS RELEASE WAS NOT RELEASED INDICATING AS SUCH, AND TO MY KNOWLEDGE THE DEATH CERTIFICATE HAD NOT BEEN SIGNED INDICATING THIS INFORMATION EITHER.

AT 1615 HOURS, DET. VANN AND I WENT BY MARILYN CRAWFORD'S RESIDENCE IN ORDER TO SPEAK WITH HER AND JAMES WILLIAMS, HER FIANCE, AT 2271 CARAMBOLA RD IN ORDER TO GIVE OUR CONDOLENCES AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS SHE MIGHT HAVE. WE WERE UNABLE TO MAKE CONTACT WITH HER THERE, THEREFORE WE WENT TO HER PARENTS' HOUSE AT 788 WEST PATRICK CIRCLE. THERE WE SPOKE TO REBECCA BAKER, WHO IS MARILYN'S SISTER, WHO STATED THAT SHE EXPECTED MARILYN HOME AT ANY TIME. AS WE WERE SPEAKING WITH REBECCA, MARILYN AND JAMES ARRIVED. AFTER SPEAKING WITH THEM FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR, I TOLD THEM THAT IF THERE WAS ANYTHING I COULD DO, FOR THEM TO PLEASE CALL, LEAVING THEM SEVERAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS TO CONTACT ME AT. I ALSO TOLD HER THAT IN A FEW DAYS, I WOULD CONTACT HER AGAIN TO TALK WITH HER FURTHER ABOUT THE CASE.

ON 02/14/92 AT 0830 HOURS, DET. KIDD AND I WENT BACK TO 982 SO. PATRICK CIRCLE TO SPEAK WITH TERRY AND MARSHA HERRINGTON ABOUT GETTING ACCESS TO THEIR HOME IN ORDER TO GET A FEW MEASUREMENTS AND ALSO TO OBTAIN SOME INFORMATION ON HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE TO FILL THE LAUNDRY SINK WITH WATER. UPON SPEAKING TO THEM, THEY REFERRED ME TO THEIR ATTORNEY, JACK GOLDBERGER, AND ADVISED ME THAT THEY WOULD LEAVE IT TO HIS DECISION AS TO WHETHER THE MEASUREMENTS AND THINGS COULD BE TAKEN. THIS WAS THE FIRST THAT I HAD LEARNED THAT MARSHA HAD RETAINED AN ATTORNEY.

UPON MY CONTACTING MR. GOLDBERGER, HE ADVISED ME THAT CONSENT WOULD NOT BE GIVEN, AND IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE INFORMATION THAT I WANTED, I WOULD NEED A SEARCH WARRANT TO GO BACK INTO THE HOUSE. IT WAS AT THIS TIME THAT DET. VANN AND I BEGAN TO WORK UP A SEARCH WARRANT FOR THIS PURPOSE. I ALSO MADE CONTACT WITH ASA DOUG FULTON AND ADVISED HIM OF SOME OF THE PARTICULARS IN THIS CASE. HE ADVISED ME THAT HE NEEDED TO TALK TO ASA PAUL MOYLE AND WOULD GET BACK WITH ME LATER IN THE DAY. LATER THAT EVENING AT APPROX. 1850 HOURS, DOUG MADE CONTACT WITH ME AND WE DISCUSSED THE CASE FURTHER. I ALSO

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TOLD HIM OF MY DESIRE FOR THE SEARCH WARRANT AND HE AGREED WITH ME FOR THE NECESSITY OF IT. WE ALSO AGREED THAT IT SHOULD BE EXECUTED DURING REGULAR HOURS, MEANING THAT WE WEREN'T WILLING TO EXECUTE A SEARCH WARRANT THIS LATE IN THE EVENING DUE TO THE EVIDENCE BEING SOUGHT NOT BEING PERISHABLE. ALTHOUGH A JUDGE WASN'T SOUGHT TO SIGN THE SEARCH WARRANT, THE WARRANT WAS COMPLETED. I ALSO MADE AN APPOINTMENT WITH DOUG FULTON ON 02/18/92 AT 1200 HOURS TO DISCUSS THE CASE WITH HIM FURTHER IN DETAIL.

AT 0927 HOURS I MADE CONTACT AGAIN WITH DONNA BOWMAN IN PBSO COMMUNICATIONS. AT THAT POINT I OBTAINED THE REEL TAPE FROM 02/12/92 CONTAINING THE 911 CALL MADE INTO PBSO. THIS TAPE WAS PLACED INTO EVIDENCE. THE CONTENT OF THE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WAS A MATTER OF THE PBSO OPERATOR LEARNING THAT THIS WAS A DROWNING, AND IMMEDIATELY TRANSFERRING THE CALL TO PBC FIRE RESCUE COMMUNICATIONS.

AT THIS TIME THERE IS NOTHING FURTHER. CASE IS LEFT OPEN.

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DISPOSITION: OPEN

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DISPOSITION: OPEN  
DIVISION: ROAD PATROL

ABUSE/CHILD  
ZONE: 802 GRID: DEPUTY I.D.: 3238 NAME: FOX  
OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 02/12/92, 1440 HOURS AND DATE: 02/12/92, 1600 HOURS  
EXCEPTION TYPE: ASSIST: TIME D 1450 A 1453 C 1603

INCIDENT LOCATION: 982 S PATRICK CR APT. NO.:  
CITY: WEST PALM BEACH STATE: FL ZIP: 33406  
NO. OFFENSES: 01 NO. OFFENDERS: 01 NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0  
LOCATION: RESIDENCE - SINGLE FAMILY  
NO. VICTIMS: 01 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0 WEAPON TYPE:  
OFFENSE NO. 1 FLORIDA STATE STATUTE: 827 04 CIS CODE 130A

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NAME LIST:  
ROLE:

- WITNESS  
SUE HARRINGTON DOB: 03/31/57  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 506 WT: 145 HR: BROWN EYE: HAZEL  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 3723 BELVEDERE RD FL 33409  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: PB FIRE RESCUE 3723 BELVEDERE ROAD, WPB BUSINESS PHONE: 407 000-0000  
OTHER JAMES WILLIAMS DOB: 04/13/44  
SEX: M RACE: W HT: 509 WT: 160 HR: BROWN EYE: BLUE  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD WEST PALM FL 33406 PHONE: 407 968-2795  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: 515 NO FLAGLER DRIVE, WPB, FL BUSINESS PHONE: 407 655-1990  
SUSPECT MARSHA S HERRINGTON DOB: 10/11/48  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 502 WT: 120 HR: BLOND EYE: BLUE  
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COMPLAINANT LAURA L HERRINGTON CR FL 33406  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 982 S PATRICK CR DOB: 12/26/73  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: RAINSOFT WATER SERVICES BUSINESS PHONE: 407 689-8459  
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RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD FL 33406  
OTHER TERRY HERRINGTON DOB: 10/23/48  
SEX: M RACE: W HT: 600 WT: 180 HR: BROWN EYE: HAZEL  
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OFFENSE INDICATOR: OFFENSE 1 VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
VICTIM TYPE: JUVENILE  
RESIDENCE TYPE: COUNTY RESIDENCE STATUS: FULL YEAR  
EXTENT OF INJURY: SERIOUS  
INJURY TYPE(1): BURNS  
INJURY TYPE(2): OTHER  
VICTIM RELATION: ACQUAINTANCE

ON THE ABOVE DATE AND TIME I RESPONDED TO 982 SO. PATRICK CR. IN REF. TO A SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT. UPON MY ARRIVAL I MET WITH 8308, D/S CROUCHER, I.D. 3167 ON THE SCENE. HE ADVISED ME THAT THERE WAS A SMALL CHILD THAT HAD BEEN SEVERLY BURNED WITH HOT WATER AND WHO WAS BEING READIED BY TRAUMA HAWK MEDICS FOR TRANSPORT TO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL.

WHILE ON THE SCENE I ASSISTED WITH THE SECURING OF THE CRIME SCENE OF THE RESIDENCE AND ALSO SPEAKING WITH THE BABYSITTER OF THE CHILD. WHILE ON THE SCENE SECURING THE AREA OF THE INCIDENT IN QUESTION AND ALSO ASSISTING WITH THE DETECTIVES ON THE SCENE. ALSO WHILE THERE, D/S CROUCHER SPOKE TO THE SITTER IN REFERENCE TO THE AREA OF WHERE THE CRIME SCENE OCCURRED AND ALSO WHAT HER ACTIONS WERE PRIOR TO PARAMEDICS ARRIVING. BASICALLY EVERYTHING STATED IN D/S CROUCHER'S REPORT IS ALSO IN REF. TO MY REPORT ALSO.

AT THIS TIME I HAVE NOTHING FURTHER.

D/S FOX#3238/PAULA/TRANS; 021992  
DICTATED: 021692 AT 1944HRS

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ABUSE/CHILD DEPUTY I.D.: 2487 NAME: MORRIS CODE: 130A DATE: 02/18/92 TUESDAY  
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OTHER

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BUSINESS ADDRESS: RAINSOFT WATER SERVICES MARYLYNN CRAWFORD DOB: 08/13/53  
OTHER

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VICTIM RELATION: ACQUAINTANCE

ON 02/17/92 AT 1130 HOURS, DET. ED VANN AND I WENT TO PBC COURTHOUSE  
LOCATED AT 3228 GUN CLUB ROAD, IN AN EFFORT TO HAVE A SEARCH WARRANT SIGNED  
FOR THE HERRINGTON RESIDENCE IN REGARDS TO TAKEN MEASUREMENTS OF THE CRIME  
SCENE AREA THAT HAD NOT BEEN TAKEN AS OF YET. UPON PRESENTING THE SEARCH WAR-  
RANT AND AFFIDAVIT TO ASA ELLEN ROBERTS, SHE PRESENTED THE WARRANT TO JUDGE  
HURLEY. AT THAT POINT JUDGE HURLEY DID SIGN THE SEARCH WARRANT. AT THIS  
PARTICULAR TIME IT IS MY PLAN TO EXECUTE THE SEARCH WARRANT ON TOMORROW,  
02/18/92, AT A CONVENIENT HOUR FOR THE HERRINGTON'S, AS WELL AS PBSO.

LATER IN THE EVENING AT 1750 HOURS, I WENT TO 2271 CARAMBOLA ROAD, WHICH  
IS MARILYN CRAWFORD AND JAMES WILLIAMS' HOME ADDRESS, IN AN EFFORT TO SPEAK  
WITH THEM FURTHER ABOUT THE CASE. UPON MEETING WITH THEM, WE DISCUSSED THE  
CASE AT LENGTH AT WHICH POINT I ALSO ASKED PERTINENT INFORMATION AS TO REESE'S  
MOTOR SKILLS. I WAS ABLE TO LEARN FROM MARILYN AND JAMES THAT REESE HAS GOOD  
MUSCLE CONTROL AND THAT HE COULD SIT UP ON HIS OWN. I WAS ALSO ADVISED THAT  
WHEN MARILYN WOULD GIVE REESE A BATH IN THE KITCHEN SINK, HE WAS FACINATED  
BY THE WATER FAUCET. I ALSO LEARNED THAT MARSHA HAD BEEN CARING FOR REESE  
SINCE APPROXIMATELY 09/23/91. I WAS ALSO GIVEN INFORMATION ON REESE'S PEDIA-  
TRICIAN, DR. ROBERT EDDLEMAN, OF 2311 NO. FLAGLER DRIVE, WPB, PH #832-7555  
HOME #683-0194. MARILYN AND JAMES RECALL DR. EDDLEMAN TELLING THEM ON SATUR-  
DAY, 02/15/92, AT THE FUNERAL, THAT DR. EDDLEMAN SPOKE WITH THEM AND MADE  
COMMENT THAT THE LAST TIME THAT HE SAW REESE WAS ON 01/23/92. WHEN I QUES-  
TIONED THEM ABOUT REESE'S CONDITION WHEN THEY TOOK HIM TO THE DOCTOR, THEY  
STATED THAT REESE WAS IN GOOD HEALTH. I WILL FOLLOW-UP LATER WITH DR. EDDLE-  
MAN.

AT ONE POINT DURING MY CONVERSATION WITH JAMES AND MARILYN, MARILYN'S  
SON DERRICK CRAWFORD CAME INTO THE ROOM AND TOLD ME THAT THE DAY OF THE IN-  
CIDENT HE WAS TALKING WITH LAURA HERRINGTON OUT IN THE FRONT YARD OF 982 SO.  
PATRICK CIRCLE. DURING THE CONVERSATION, LAURA TOLD HIM THAT THE EVENT THAT  
PROMPTED MARSHA TO GO BACK INTO THE LAUNDRY ROOM WAS THE FACT THAT SHE SAW  
WATER COMING OUT FROM UNDER THE DOOR. THIS WOULD INDICATE THAT THE LAUNDRY  
ROOM DOOR WAS CLOSED. DERRICK WASN'T ABLE TO ELABORATE ANY FURTHER AS TO  
WHAT LAURA TOLD HIM.

ON 02/18/92 AT APPROX. 1100 HOURS, DET. VANN AND I WENT TO 982 SO.  
PATRICK CIRCLE IN ORDER TO EXECUTE THE SEARCH WARRANT WHICH HAD BEEN SIGNED

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BY JUDGE HURLEY. DET. STEVE LANDRUM VIDEO TAPED THE EXECUTION OF THE WARRANT AND DET. KIDD ASSISTED WITH THE NECESSARY MEASUREMENTS REQUESTED IN THE WARRANT. DISPOSITION: OPEN

WHILE EXECUTING THE WARRANT, MARSHA HERRINGTON AND HER ATTORNEY JACK GOLDBERGER WERE PRESENT. IN ALL OF THE MEASUREMENTS WE OBTAINED, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE NOTE THAT THE TELEPHONE CORD IN THE KITCHEN, WHEN STRETCHED, WAS LONG ENOUGH TO REACH INTO THE LAUNDRY ROOM. ALSO WITH THE LAUNDRY SINK EMPTY AND THE HANDLE IN THE CENTER "ON" POSITION, IT TOOK 10 MINUTES TO FILL THE SINK TO THE TOP, JUST BEFORE IT OVERFLOWS. THIS DOESN'T, HOWEVER, TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION THE WATER DISPLACEMENT THAT REESE AND THE BATHING RING WOULD HAVE CREATED.

WHILE THE LAUNDRY SINK WAS FILLING UP WITH WATER, I HAD DET. VANN WALK INTO THE KITCHEN BY THE TELEPHONE IN ORDER TO LISTEN FOR THE RUNNING WATER. DET. VANN WAS ABLE TO HEAR THE WATER RUNNING. HOWEVER, WHEN HE CLOSED THE LAUNDRY ROOM DOOR, HE WASN'T ABLE TO HEAR THE WATER RUNNING.

AFTER COMPLETION OF THE EXECUTION OF THE SEARCH WARRANT, JACK GOLDBERGER GAVE ME A WHITE SUCTION CUP AND ADVISED ME THAT IT WAS PART OF THE BATHING RING TAKEN BY ME THE NIGHT OF THE INCIDENT. THIS WAS PLACED INTO PBSO EVIDENCE.

AT 1400 HOURS, DET. BOB FOHNHOLZ MET ME BACK AT PBSO HO'S AND ADVISED ME THAT HE HAD MADE CONTACT WITH SEVERAL PBC FIRE RESCUE PERSONNEL WHO WERE ON THE SCENE ON 02/12/92. THE INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED BY DET. HOHNHOLZ WERE AUDIO TAPED, AND THE FOLLOWING IS THE CONTENT OF THOSE INTERVIEWS.

THE FIRST INTERVIEW WAS WITH BERT HARDY, A PARAMEDIC WITH PBC FIRE RESCUE. BERT STATED THAT HE RESPONDED TO THE SCENE, RESPONDING TO A CARDIAC ARREST, WHICH WAS UPDATED TO A DROWNING. WHEN HE FIRST ARRIVED, THE AMBULANCE WAS ALREADY ON SCENE AND THESE PERSONS WERE ATTEMPTING TO DO CPR ON THE VICTIM, REESE WILLIAMS. BERT DESCRIBED THAT HE ORIGINALLY SPOKE WITH A LADY, UNKNOWN TO HIM WHO SHE WAS, BUT HE ASSUMED SHE WAS THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE HOUSE, WHO TOLD HIM THAT THE CHILD HAD BEEN IN THE BATHTUB. HE THOUGHT THIS IS WHAT SHE HAD TOLD HIM, AND HE GOT BUSY AND WAS UNABLE TO ASK HER ANYTHING FURTHER. BERT CONTINUED BY DESCRIBING THE SCENE TO ME, THAT THERE WAS A 6-MONTH-OLD W/M WITH APPROX. 90% OF HIS BODY COVERED WITH SECOND AND THIRD DEGREE BURNS. THIS SIX-MONTH-OLD WAS ALSO IN CARDIAC ARREST WITH A LOT OF FLUID COMING OUT OF HIM. HIS CREW WENT THROUGH ADVANCED CARDIAC LIFE SUPPORT PROCEDURES. REESE'S COLOR WAS CONSISTENT WITH NOT HAVING ANY OXYGEN IN HIS BODY AND AS TIME WENT ON, HE REALIZED THE EXTENT OF HIS BURNS. AS HE AND HIS CREW WERE TOUCHING REESE, HE NOTED THAT THE VICTIM'S SKIN HAD A TENDENCY TO SPLIT. REESE WAS INTUBATED (A TUBE WAS PLACED IN HIS TRACHEA) AND PROCEEDED WITH DRUG THERAPY. BERT DETERMINED THAT REESE SHOULD BE TRANSPORTED TO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL AND TRAUMA HAWK WAS SUMMONED. BERT ALSO STATED THAT HE FLEW TO ST. MARY'S WITH REESE. BERT WENT ON TO SAY THAT HE APPLIED AN INTRASOSSEOUS LINE. THIS IS A NEEDLE APPLIED INTO THE LEG BONE OF THE VICTIM

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WHICH DISPLACED THE ADMINISTERED DRUGS THROUGH THE BONE MARROW. BERT SAID THAT HE NEVER GOT A RESPONSE FROM REESE EITHER THROUGH THE CPR OR THE ADMINISTRATION OF DRUGS. REESE WAS CONNECTED TO A MONITOR. THIS IS WHERE HE OBSERVED THE LACK OF ANY RESPONSE. THE BURNS APPEARED TO BERT AS BEING CAUSED BY SCALDING FROM SOME TYPE OF A HOT FLUID. THE INTERVIEW WAS CONCLUDED.

THE SECOND INTERVIEW WAS WITH JAMES KAY, PBC FIRE RESCUE PARAMEDIC. JAMES SAID THAT WHEN HE FIRST ARRIVED ON THE SCENE, THE AMBULANCE CREW WAS ALREADY ON THE SCENE AND THEY WERE ADMINISTERING CPR. JAMES DID WHAT IS CALLED A QUICK LOOK WITH THE LIFE PACK. THIS IS PUTTING THE PADDLES ON THE VICTIM'S CHEST TO DETERMINE WHAT TYPE OF RHYTHM HIS HEART WAS AT. HE DISCOVERED THAT REESE'S HEART WASN'T MOVING AT ALL. FROM THIS DETERMINATION, REESE WAS TAKEN OFF OF THE BED AND PLACED ONTO THE GROUND AND THE "HARD LEADS" WERE ATTACHED TO REESE. HE CONTINUED TO SET UP OTHER MATERIALS THEY WOULD NEED. JAMES WAS ABLE TO INTUBATE REESE AND HE CONTINUED TO MONITOR HIS AIRWAY. THE ONLY OTHER INFORMATION JAMES RECALLS GETTING UPON FIRST ARRIVAL AT THE SCENE WAS THAT REESE HAD BEEN LEFT UNATTENDED IN A TUB. OTHER THAN HAVING NO HEART ACTIVITY AND NOT BREATHING, JAMES DESCRIBED REESE AS HAVING A REDDISH COLOR.

AFTER APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES OF WORKING ON HIM, HE NOTICED THAT REESE'S SKIN WAS COMING OFF. JAMES SAID THAT SOMEONE ELSE CAME INTO THE ROOM AND SAID THAT REESE MIGHT HAVE BEEN SCALDED WITH HOT WATER. HE HAD TURNED THE HOT WATER ON HIMSELF. THIS IS WHEN IT WAS REALIZED HOW BAD REESE WAS BURNED. IT APPEARED TO JAMES THAT APPROX. 90% OF REESE'S BODY HAD BEEN BURNED. IT WAS AT NO TIME DURING JAMES' OBSERVATIONS THAT REESE EVER RESPONDED TO THERAPY. THIS INTERVIEW WAS CONCLUDED.

THE THIRD INTERVIEW WAS WITH KEITH AUSTIN, WHO WAS DRIVER/OPERATOR AND ACTING LIEUTENANT ON THE DAY OF 02/12/92. WHEN THEY FIRST ARRIVED, KEITH STATED THAT THEY WERE FLAGGED DOWN AND THEY WENT INTO THE RESIDENCE. KEITH OBSERVED THE AMBULANCE CREW PERFORMING CPR ON THE BABY ON THE BED. IMMEDIATELY THE PBC FIRE RESCUE PARAMEDICS TOOK OVER AND PLACED THE BABY ON THE FLOOR AND CONTINUED CPR. KEITH SET UP THE SUCTION UNIT IN ORDER TO SUCTION THE BABY.

UPON BERT HARDY CALLING DISPATCH FOR TRAUMA HAWK, KEITH WENT OUTSIDE IN ORDER TO ASSIST THE TRAUMA HAWK PILOT IN LANDING. AT THIS POINT, ALL KEITH WAS TOLD WAS THAT THE CHILD HAD BEEN IN A WASH BASIN AND IT HAD BEEN FILLED TO JUST BELOW THE BUTT, THE TELEPHONE RANG AND SHE LEFT TO ANSWER THE TELEPHONE. KEITH DOESN'T RECALL WHO SAID THIS. KEITH DESCRIBED REESE AS VERY RED, VERY WARM TO THE TOUCH. HE WASN'T BREATHING, THE SKIN WAS CRACKING FROM THE WATER BURNS. IT APPEARED TO KEITH THAT THE CHILD WAS BURNED 80-85% OF HIS BODY. THE FRONT APPEARED TO BE WORSE THAN THE BACK. THIS INTERVIEW WAS CONCLUDED.

DURING THE FOURTH INTERVIEW WAS CONDUCTED WITH TONY RANDALL, A FIRE FIGHTER/EMT. TONY SAID HE FIRST OBSERVED THE CHILD LAYING IN THE BACK BEDROOM ON THE BED WITH BURNS, AND THE AMBULANCE PERSONNEL WERE PERFORMING CPR ON THE CHILD. FIRE RESCUE PUT THE CHILD ON THE FLOOR AND CONTINUED CPR.

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TONY SAID HIS JOB WAS WITH THE BAG VALVE MASK. THIS IS VENTILLATING THE CHILD. HE ALSO ASSISTED WITH COMPRESSIONS. TONY WENT ON BY SAYING THAT THE CHILD WAS UNCONSCIOUS AND IT APPEARED TO HIM THAT THE BABY HAD BURNS ON HIS BODY APPROX. 75%.

IT APPEARED TO HIM THAT THIS WAS A SCALDING TYPE BURN. TONY SAID THAT WHILE HE AND OTHER FIRE RESCUE PERSONNEL WERE WORKING ON THE BABY, THE LADY (REFERRING TO MARSHA HERRINGTON) CAME INTO THE ROOM AND BEGAN TO EXPLAIN TO THE MEDIC WHAT HAPPENED. TONY OVERHEARD THAT THE CHILD WAS IN A CHILD-LIKE TUB AND SHE WENT TO ANSWER THE TELEPHONE. WHEN SHE RETURNED, THE CHILD WAS SLUMPED OVER AND THAT IS WHEN SHE DIALED 911. THERE WERE NO OTHER INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED BY DET. HOMNHOLZ. CASE IS STILL OPEN.

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PUT REESE WILLIAMS IN THE TUB AND THEN THE PHONE RANG.

WHILE I WAS AT THE HEADQUARTERS WITH MR. AND MRS. HARRINGTON, MRS. HARRINGTON MADE THE COMMENT THAT THE INCIDENT WAS NOT INTENTIONAL AND, IN FACT, IT WAS ACCIDENTAL. SHE ALSO STATED THAT SHE TAKES GOOD CARE OF THE CHILDREN.

I HAD NO OTHER INVOLVEMENT IN THIS CASE.

DET. DAVE SHOEMAKER (1719)/JP

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ABUSE/CHILD CODE: 130A DATE: 02/22/92 THURSDAY  
ZONE: B02 GRID: DEPUTY I.D.: 1653 NAME: J. ROBERSON ASSIST: TIME D 1450 A 1453 C 1603  
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OFFENSE INDICATOR: OFFENSE 1 VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
VICTIM TYPE: JUVENILE  
RESIDENCE TYPE: COUNTY RESIDENCE STATUS: FULL YEAR  
EXTENT OF INJURY: SERIOUS  
INJURY TYPE(1): BURNS  
INJURY TYPE(2): OTHER  
VICTIM TREAT TAKEN: ST MARY'S HOSPITAL  
PHYSICIAN: DR. RICHARDSON  
VICTIM RELATION: SITTER / DAY CARE

VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
HOMICIDE CIRCUMSTANCES: OTHER NEGLIGENT KILLINGS  
JUSTIFIABLE CIRCUMSTANCES: NOT APPLICABLE  
JUSTIFIABLE CODE: NOT APPLICABLE  
AGENCY: PBSO OFFICER NAME: DET. MORRIS 2487  
SUPERVISOR ON SCENE: LT SERAFIN  
WHERE BODY FOUND: 982 SO PATRICK CR. WPB, FL  
OFFICER VIEWED BODY AT: 982 SO PATRICK CR, WPB, FL  
UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS: N  
BODY I.D. BY: GRANDMOTHER  
AMBULANCE: ATLANTIC FIRE RESCUE: STATION 33  
REMOVAL SERVICES: PROFESSIONAL  
PRONOUNCE BY: DR. RICHARDSON AT: ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL  
DOCTOR EXAMINING PRIOR DEATH: DR. ROBERT EDDLEMAN DATE: 920123  
DOCTOR'S ADDRESS: 2311 NO FLAGLER DR WPB DOCTOR'S PHONE: 832-7555  
CAUSE OF DEATH: PRIMARY: THERMAL INJURY SECONDARY: DROWNING  
DEATH'S CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY: DR. BENZ  
BODY RELEASED TO: MEDICAL EXAMINER DR BENZ DATE: 920212  
NEAREST RELATIVE: MARILYN CRAWFORD  
MEDICAL HISTORY: NO MEDICAL HISTORY - NO PERSONAL EFFECTS OR VALUABLES

ON WEDNESDAY, 2-12-92 AT 1528 HOURS, I WAS REQUESTED BY COMMUNICATIONS TO RESPOND 982 SOUTH PATRICK DRIVE, WPB, REFERENCE A DROWNING OF AN INFANT. UPON MY ARRIVAL AT 1540 HOURS, THE TEMPERATURE WAS APPROXIMATELY 82 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT, THE HUMIDITY WAS 47 PERCENT, AND IT WAS AFTERNOON. PRESENT ON THE CRIME SCENE UPON MY ARRIVAL WERE SGT. D. KIDD, LT. SARAFIN, SGT. P. GISH, DET. SHOEMAKER, DET. C. MORRIS, O/S LAPAGILA, #2712, O/S CROUCHER, #3167, AND O/S FOX, #3238. LATER, SGT. M. FREE WOULD RESPOND. SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA WERE PRESENT AS WELL. PALM BEACH COUNTY FIRE RESCUE STATION #33 HAD RESPONDED, AND TRAUMA HAWKED THE INFANT TO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL. SGT. GISH ADVISED ME OF THE SITUATION, PROVIDED ME WITH THE BASIC INFORMATION, AND ACCOMPANIED ME ON A WALK-THROUGH OF THE CRIME

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I BEGAN MY INVESTIGATION BY USING MY DEPARTMENTAL ISSUED, 35MM NIKON CAMERA, MODEL FM2, USING KODACOLOR 200 GOLD FILM, AND A SUNPAK STROBE FLASH, WITH VARIOUS "F" STOPS. I TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR OF THE RESIDENCE.

THE RESIDENCE FACES SOUTH ON SOUTH PATRICK DRIVE, AND HAS A REAR DOOR FACING NORTH WHICH IS ON THE LAKE. THE ENTIRE HOME WAS NOT GONE THROUGH, HOWEVER, I DID GO THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR DOWN THE HALLWAY. ON THE RIGHT WAS A LIVING ROOM, AND OTHER SMALL CHILDREN WERE IN IT, SOME OF WHICH WERE IN PLAYPENS. THE DINING AREA WAS NEXT. TO THE RIGHT OF THAT WAS THE KITCHEN. LEADING OFF OF IT WAS THE FAMILY ROOM. ALSO LEADING OFF THE KITCHEN WAS A HALLWAY WITH A CLOSET AND A LAUNDRY ROOM. PLEASE REFER TO THE PHOTOGRAPHS. WITHIN THE LAUNDRY ROOM WAS A SINK USED TO WASH CHILDREN. THE SINK WAS 13" IN HEIGHT, AND THE OTHER TWO DIMENSIONS WERE 17.5" X 22". FROM THE BOTTOM TO THE WATER HANDLE ON THE FAUCET WAS 19". THE WATER TEMPERATURE IN THAT SINK WAS 64 DEGREES C, OR 147 DEGREES F. THE TEMPERATURE IN THE KITCHEN SINK WAS 63 DEGREES C, OR 145 DEGREES F. THESE WERE MEASURED BY A THERMOMETER BROUGHT TO THE RESIDENCE BY SGT. FREE. WHEN THE CHILD WAS WASHED IN THE SINKS, THERE WAS A BLUE SAFETY CHAIR THAT WAS USED. LOOKING AT THIS CHAIR, IT WAS A 1989 SAFETY ONE, FROM THE SAFETY FIRST, INC., MADE IN THE USA. THE CHAIR IS 8" IN HEIGHT, 11 1/2" WIDE, AND 12" LONG. ON THE BOTTOM IT HAS THREE SUCTION CUPS THAT AID IN THE HOLDING OF IT TO THE SINK. THE WATER HEATER IS A RHEEM, SERIAL #1290247497, AND THE MODEL #81V-400 A, WHICH IS A 240 VOLT AC ONLY. THIS HEATER HAS TWO SETTINGS. THE TOP SETTING WAS SET AT 130 DEGREES, AND THE BOTTOM SETTING WAS SET AT 140 DEGREES. WATER HAD OVERFLOWED THE SINK IN THE UTILITY ROOM. THE FLOOR WAS WET AS WELL AS THE HALLWAY. PARTS OF THE KITCHEN HAD STANDING WATER ON THE FLOOR, AND WATER WAS STARTING TOWARDS THE CARPET IN THE FAMILY ROOM.

I ALSO TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE BEDROOM WHERE MRS. HERRINGTON TOOK THE CHILD TO CALL 911. THIS BEDROOM IS OFF THE DINING ROOM. NOTE, MRS. HERRINGTON DID GO PAST A PHONE IN THE KITCHEN TO GO TO THIS BEDROOM. PHOTOGRAPHS WERE TAKEN OF MRS. HERRINGTON AND HER HANDS. NO SIGNS OF BURNS WERE NOTICED OR SEEN.

AFTER LEAVING THE HOME, I RESPONDED TO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL. DET. E. VANN WAS PRESENT, AND HAD CONTACTED THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE. I TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE CHILD WHO WAS IDENTIFIED AS REESE E. WILLIAMS. REGISTERED NURSE DAWN ALLEN AIDED ME WHILE TAKING THESE PHOTOGRAPHS. DR. RICHARDSON HAD PRONOUNCED WILLIAMS DEAD AT 1613 HOURS. THE FILM WAS TURNED INTO THE PHOTO LAB FOR PROCESSING.

AT THIS TIME, THIS CONCLUDED MY INVOLVEMENT REFERENCE THIS CASE. ANY FURTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY DEVELOP WILL BE RECORDED IN AN ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENT REPORT.

DET. JACK ROBERSON, #1663, 5C

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MANSLAUGHTER CODE: 090C DATE: 02/25/92 TUESDAY  
ZONE: B02 GRID: DEPUTY I.O.: 2487 NAME: MORRIS ASSIST: TIME D 1450 A 1453 C 1603  
OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 02/12/92, 1440 HOURS AND DATE: 02/12/92, 1600 HOURS  
EXCEPTION TYPE:

INCIDENT LOCATION: 982 S PATRICK CR APT. NO.:  
CITY: WEST PALM BEACH STATE: FL ZIP: 33406  
NO. OFFENSES: 02 NO. OFFENDERS: 01 NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0  
LOCATION: RESIDENCE - SINGLE FAMILY  
NO. VICTIMS: 01 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0 WEAPON TYPE:  
OFFENSE NO. 1 FLORIDA STATE STATUTE: 782 07 CIS CODE 090C  
OFFENSE NO. 2 FLORIDA STATE STATUTE: 827 04 CIS CODE 130A

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NAME LIST: INVESTIGATOR  
ROLE: CONSUMER PRODUCT  
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- WITNESS SUE HARRINGTON DOB: 03/31/57  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 506 WT: 145 HR: BROWN EYE: HAZEL  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 3723 BELVEDERE RD FL 33409 PHONE: 407 000-0000  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: PB FIRE RESCUE 3723 BELVEDERE ROAD, WPB BUSINESS PHONE: 407 355-2683  
OTHER JAMES WILLIAMS DOB: 04/13/44  
SEX: M RACE: W HT: 509 WT: 160 HR: BROWN EYE: BLUE  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD WEST PALM FL 33406 PHONE: 407 968-2795  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: 515 NO FLAGLER DRIVE, WPB, FL BUSINESS PHONE: 407 655-1990  
SUSPECT MARSHA S HERRINGTON DOB: 10/11/48  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 502 WT: 120 HR: BLOND EYE: BLUE  
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SEX: F RACE: W HT: 502 WT: 120 HR: BLOND EYE: BLUE  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 982 S PATRICK CR FL 33406 PHONE: 407 689-8459  
OTHER LAURA L HERRINGTON DOB: 12/26/73  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 503 WT: 116 HR: BLOND EYE: BLUE  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 982 S PATRICK CR FL 33406 PHONE: 407 688-0803  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: RAINSOFT WATER SERVICES BUSINESS PHONE: 407 966-6290  
OTHER MARILYNN CRAWFORD DOB: 11/08/13/53  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 508 WT: 130 HR: BROWN EYE: GREEN  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD FL 33406 PHONE: 407 968-2795  
OTHER REESE E WILLIAMS DOB: 08/16/91  
SEX: M RACE: W HT: 300 WT: 25 HR: UNKNOWN EYE: UNKNOWN  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD FL 33406 PHONE: 407 968-2795  
OTHER TERRY HERRINGTON DOB: 10/23/48  
SEX: M RACE: W HT: 600 WT: 180 HR: BROWN EYE: HAZEL  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 982 S PATRICK CR FL 33406 PHONE: 407 689-8459

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==02/25/92=== DISPOSITION: OPEN  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: BARKER OSHA & ANDERSON ENGINEERING BUSINESS PHONE: 407 000-0000

OFFENSE INDICATOR: OFFENSE 1 AND 2 VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
VICTIM TYPE: JUVENILE  
RESIDENCE TYPE: COUNTY RESIDENCE STATUS: FULL YEAR  
EXTENT OF INJURY: SERIOUS  
INJURY TYPE(1): BURNS  
INJURY TYPE(2): OTHER  
VICTIM TREAT TAKEN: ST MARY'S HOSPITAL  
PHYSICIAN: DR. RICHARDSON  
VICTIM RELATION: SITTER / DAY CARE

VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
HOMICIDE CIRCUMSTANCES: OTHER NEGLIGENT KILLINGS  
JUSTIFIABLE CIRCUMSTANCES: NOT APPLICABLE  
JUSTIFIABLE CODE: NOT APPLICABLE  
AGENCY: PBSO OFFICER NAME: DET. MORRIS 2487  
SUPERVISOR ON SCENE: LT SERAFIN  
WHERE BODY FOUND: 982 SO PATRICK CR, WPB, FL  
OFFICER VIEWED BODY AT: 982 SO PATRICK CR, WPB, FL  
UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS: N  
BODY I.D. BY: GRANDMOTHER  
AMBULANCE: ATLANTIC FIRE RESCUE: STATION 33  
REMOVAL SERVICES: PROFESSIONAL  
PRONOUNCE BY: DR. RICHARDSON AT: ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL  
DOCTOR EXAMINING PRIOR DEATH: DR. ROBERT EDDLEMAN DATE: 920123  
DOCTOR'S ADDRESS: 2311 NO FLAGLER DR WPB DOCTOR'S PHONE: 832-7555  
CAUSE OF DEATH: PRIMARY: THERMAL INJURY SECONDARY: DROWNING  
DEATH'S CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY: DR. BENZ  
BODY RELEASED TO: MEDICAL EXAMINER DR BENZ DATE: 920212  
NEAREST RELATIVE: MARILYN CRAWFORD  
MEDICAL HISTORY: NO MEDICAL HISTORY - NO PERSONAL EFFECTS OR VALUABLES

ON 02/20/92, AT 1500 HOURS, DET. VANN AND I WBNT TO THE STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WHERE WE MET WITH ASSISTANT STATE ATTORNEY BETTY RESCH AND DOUG FULTON. AT THIS TIME I PRESENTED THE CASE TO THEM FOR FILING OF AGGRAVATED CHILD ABUSE CHARGES, AS WELL AS MANSLAUGHTER. AFTER PRESENTING THE CASE TO THEM, I WAS ADVISED THAT ON MONDAY, 02/24/92, AT 0800 HOURS, THEY HAD AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE PARENTS OF THE DECEASED'S CHILD, THAT BEING MARILYN CRAWFORD AND JAMES WILLIAMS. AT THIS PARTICULAR MEETING THEY WERE GOING TO DISCUSS THE PARENTS' PERSONAL FEELINGS AS TO HOW THIS CASE SHOULD BE CONCLUDED. I WAS ADVISED THAT A DECISION WOULD NOT BE MADE ON THE CASE UNTIL AFTER THE TOXICOLOGY REPORT CAME BACK FROM THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S

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DISPOSITION: OPEN  
OFFICE AS WELL AS A SIGNED DEATH CERTIFICATE STATING THE CAUSE OF DEATH.  
PENDING FURTHER INVESTIGATION, THIS CASE WILL BE LEFT OPEN.

DET. CHUCK MORRIS (2487)/JP  
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DIVISION: DETECTIVE

MANSLAUGHTER CODE: 090C DATE: 02/27/92 THURSDAY  
ZONE: B02 GRID: DEPUTY I.D.: 1631 NAME: SGT. D. KIDD ASSIST: TIME 0 1450 A 1453 C 1603  
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SEX: M RACE: W HT: 300 WT: 25 HR: UNKNOWN EYE: UNKNOWN

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CARAMBOLA RD  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD  
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TERRY HERRINGTON DOB: 10/23/48  
SEX: M RACE: W HT: 600 WT: 180 HR: BROWN EYE: HAZEL  
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BUSINESS ADDRESS: BARKER OSHA & ANDERSON ENGINEERING BUSINESS PHONE: 407 000-0000

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OFFENSE INDICATOR: OFFENSE 1 AND 2 VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
VICTIM TYPE: JUVENILE  
RESIDENCE STATUS: FULL YEAR  
EXTENT OF INJURY: FATAL  
INJURY TYPE(1): BURNS  
INJURY TYPE(2): OTHER  
VICTIM TREAT TAKEN: ST MARY'S HOSPITAL  
PHYSICIAN: DR. RICHARDSON  
VICTIM RELATION: SITTER / DAY CARE

VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
MOMICIDE CIRCUMSTANCES: OTHER NEGLIGENT KILLINGS  
JUSTIFIABLE CIRCUMSTANCES: NOT APPLICABLE  
JUSTIFIABLE CODE: NOT APPLICABLE  
AGENCY: PRSO OFFICER NAME: DET. MORRIS 2487  
SUPERVISOR ON SCENE: LT SERAFIN  
WHERE BODY FOUND: 982 SO PATRICK CR, WPB, FL  
OFFICER VIEWED BODY AT: 982 SO PATRICK CR, WPB, FL  
UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS: N  
BODY I.D. BY: GRANDMOTHER  
AMBULANCE: ATLANTIC FIRE RESCUE: STATION 33  
REMOVAL SERVICES: PROFESSIONAL  
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DEATH'S CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY: DR. GENZ  
BODY RELEASED TO: MEDICAL EXAMINER DR BENZ DATE: 920212  
NEAREST RELATIVE: MARILYN CRAWFORD

MEDICAL HISTORY: NO MEDICAL HISTORY - NO PERSONAL EFFECTS OR VALUABLES

ON 02-12-92, CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATOR, DET. JACK ROBERSON, ID 1653, WAS DISPATCHED TO 982 S. PATRICK CIRCLE, WPB WITH REFERENCE TO A DEATH INVESTIGATION OF A 6 MONTH OLD CHILD. I WAS PRESENT WITH DETECTIVE ROBERSON AT THE H.O.'S CRIME SCENE OFFICE WHEN THE ORIGINAL CALL WAS DISPATCHED TO HIM AND DECIDED TO RESPOND ALSO. WE ARRIVED ON THE SCENE AT APPROXIMATELY 1535 HRS AND IMMEDIATELY MADE CONTACT WITH LT. ED SERAFIN AND D/S CROUCHER WHO ADVISED US THAT WHILE THE BABYSITTER, WHO WAS I.O.'D AS W/F, MARSHA HERRINGTON WAS BATHING INFANT CHILD W/M REESE WILLIAMS IN THE LAUNDRY ROOM SINK, THE TELEPHONE RANG AND SHE LEFT THE ROOM TO ANSWER THE TELEPHONE. WHEN SHE RETURNED TO THE LAUNDRY ROOM, SHE DISCOVERED THAT THE WATER WAS RUNNING, OVERFLOWING THE SINK

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ONTO THE FLOOR AND THAT REESE WILLIAMS WAS SLUMPED FORWARD IN THE CHILD'S SEAT WITH HIS FACE IN THE WATER. HERRINGTON HAD STATED THAT SHE REMOVED THE CHILD FROM THE SINK, TURNED THE WATER OFF AND TOOK HIM INTO THE MASTER BEDROOM WHERE HER DAUGHTER WAS WATCHING TELEVISION TO ENLIST THE DAUGHTER'S ASSISTANCE CPR WAS ALLEGEDLY ADMINISTERED BY MARSHA HERRINGTON IN ATTEMPTS TO REVIVE THE CHILD PRIOR TO HER CALLING 911 EMERGENCY FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT. THE CHILD WAS SUBSEQUENTLY LATER TRANSPORTED TO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL VIA TRAUMA HAWK HELICOPTER PRIOR TO OUR ARRIVAL. BEING GIVEN THIS BRIEF INFORMATION, D/S CROUCHER THEN TOOK DET. ROBERSON AND MYSELF INTO THE RESIDENCE TO SHOW US THE AREAS PERTINENT TO THIS INCIDENT, THAT BEING THE MASTER BEDROOM, THE KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY ROOM AREAS. AFTER A BRIEF WALKTHROUGH EXAMINATION OF THESE AREAS, DET. ROBERSON BEGAN HIS INVESTIGATION. AS DET. ROBERSON WAS TAKING HIS PHOTOGRAPHS, I RETURNED TO MY PATROL VEHICLE AND NOTIFIED SGT. MIKE FREE OF THE PBSO CRIME SCENE UNIT TO ASCERTAIN FROM HIM IF HE WOULD RESPOND TO OUR LOCATION WITH A THERMOMETER, WHICH WOULD ENABLE US TO RECORD THE TEMPERATURE OF THE HOTWATER FROM BOTH THE LAUNDRY ROOM AND THE KITCHEN SINK FAUCETS. ON MY WAY BACK TO THE RESIDENCE, I OBSERVED A W/M STANDING IN THE DRIVEWAY AT THIS ADDRESS, AND NOT RECOGNIZING HIM TO BE A POLICE OFFICER OR A MEDICAL ATTENDANT, I INQUIRED AS TO HIS ID. TO WHICH HE STATED HIS NAME WAS DEREK CRAWFORD, DOB 11-29-75. I AT THAT TIME ALSO INQUIRED AS TO WHY HE WAS HERE AT THIS LOCATION TO WHICH HE REPLIED THAT HE WAS THE BROTHER OF REESE WILLIAMS AND THAT HIS 2 YEAR OLD COUSIN WHO HE NAMED AS BEING A W/F, KRISTA BAKER WAS ALSO INSIDE THE RESIDENCE BEING CARED FOR BY MARSHA HERRINGTON. D/S LAPAGLIA, ID 2712 CAME OVER TO MEET US AND BEGAN SPEAKING WITH MR. DEREK CRAWFORD, AT WHICH TIME I LEFT THE TWO OF THEM AND RESPONDED BACK INSIDE THE RESIDENCE TO JOIN DET. ROBERSON. DET. ROBERSON WAS FINISHING UP WITH THE PHOTOGRAPHS AND BEGAN DOING HIS NOTE TAKING AND ADDITIONAL FURTHER INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS SUCH AS THE INFORMATION ON THE HOT WATER HEATER; RECORDING BOTH THE TOP AND BOTTOM ELEMENT SETTINGS; WHICH WERE AS FOLLOWS: THE TOP ELEMENT WAS SET AT 130 DEGREES FARENHEIT AND THE BOTTOM ELEMENT WAS SET AT 140 DEGREES FARENHEIT. THIS HOT WATER HEATER IS A RHEEM HOT WATER HEATER. FOR SERIAL NUMBER INFORMATION, PLEASE REFER TO DET. ROBERSON'S REPORT.

DET. ROBERSON ALSO RECORDED MEASUREMENTS OF THE LAUNDRY ROOM SINK AND MEASUREMENTS OF THE BLUE CHILD SAFETY SEAT THAT REESE HAD BEEN ALLEGEDLY SITTING IN DURING HIS BATH TIME (SEE DET. ROBERSON'S REPORT FOR THIS INFORMATION.) WE INQUIRED AS TO WHO LET THE WATER DRAIN OUT OF THE LAUNDRY SINK AND WERE ADVISED BY D/S CROUCHER THAT MARSHA HERRINGTON HAD DONE THIS, BUT IT WAS UNCERTAIN AS TO THE EXACT TIME THAT THIS WAS DONE; BEFORE REMOVING THE CHILD FROM THE TUB, AFTER REMOVING THE CHILD FROM THE TUB OR WHEN MEDICAL ATTENDANTS ARRIVED ON THE SCENE AND WERE CARING FOR THE CHILD.

DET. MORRIS ASKED MARSHA HERRINGTON IF SHE HAD BURNED HERSELF WHEN SHE REMOVED THE CHILD FROM THE WATER AND/OR IF SHE HAD BURNED HERSELF WHEN SHE LET THE WATER DRAIN FROM THE SINK, TO WHICH SHE REPLIED, NO THAT SHE DID NOT BURN

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DISPOSITION: OPEN

HERSELF. DET. ROBERSON AT THAT TIME TOOK PHOTOGRAPHS OF MARSHA HERRINGTON'S HANDS AND ARMS AREA AND DID NOTICE THAT THE LOWER PORTION OF HER SHORT SLEEVE SHIRT WAS DAMP; POSSIBLY BEING WET AS A RESULT OF REMOVING THE CHILD FROM THE WATER OR HOLDING THE CHILD IN HER ARMS OR FROM REACHING DOWN TO UNPLUG THE STOPPER TO ALLOW THE WATER TO DRAIN FROM THE SINK.

UPON COMPLETION OF OUR INVESTIGATION AT 982 S. PATRICK CIRCLE, DET. ROBERSON AND I RESPONDED TO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL. WE WERE MET THERE BY DET. ED VAN, WHO WAS IN THE PROCESS OF NOTIFYING THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE. WE AT THAT TIME UNDERSTOOD THE CONDITION OF THE CHILD; WE THEN RESPONDED TO THE TRAUMA TREATMENT AREA IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM WHERE WE MET WITH ONDUTY NURSES WHO WERE STILL PRESENT WITH THE CHILD. THE CHILD WAS LYING ON AN EMERGENCY ROOM STRETCHER, COVERED WITH A HOSPITAL SHEET. THIS PORTION OF THE INVESTIGATION WAS HANDLED COMPLETELY BY DET. ROBERSON, THEREFORE, FOR ANY INFORMATION, PLEASE REFER TO HIS REPORT. I SECURED FROM THE HOSPITAL AT APPROXIMATELY 1839 HOURS.

ON 02-13-92, MYSELF, DET. VANAND DET. MORRIS RESPONDED TO THE PB COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE FOR ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS AND MEASUREMENTS OF THE DECEASED CHILD (DET. ROBERSON WAS ON HIS REGULAR TWO DAYS OFF, THEREFORE, I CONDUCTED THIS PORTION OF THE INVESTIGATION WITHOUT HIS ASSISTANCE.) THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S CASE NUMBER ASSIGNED IS 92-0182. ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE CHILD'S BURN INJURIES WERE TAKEN, USING MY PBSO ISSUED NIKON 35MM CAMERA AND 200 ISO KODAK COLOR FILM. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS GATHERED AS A RESULT OF MY INVESTIGATION AT THE PB COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE:

NAME OF DECEASED: REESE E. WILLIAMS, BEING A W/M, DOB 08-16-91.

WEIGHT: 21 LBS.

HEIGHT: 27"

MEASUREMENTS OF THE CHILD WERE TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:

THE LENGTH OF ARMS, FROM ARMPIT TO FINGERTIP: LEFT ARM: 10", RIGHT ARM: 9 1/2".

THE LENGTH OF THE CHILD'S LEGS, FROM INSEAM TO THE BOTTOM OF HIS FEET: LEFT: 9", RIGHT: 9"

THE TOTAL LENGTH FROM A SITTING POSITION MEASURED 17" FROM THE CHILD'S BUTTOCKS TO THE TOP CENTER PORTION OF HIS HEAD.

DR. BENZ WAS INFORMED OF ALL INFORMATION WE HAD GATHERED THUS FAR IN OUR INVESTIGATION BY MYSELF, DET. VAN AND DET. MORRIS. DR. BENZ INQUIRED ABOUT THE TEMPERATURE OF THE WATER IN THE SINK, TO WHICH WE TOLD HIM THAT THE WATER WAS ALREADY DRAINED FROM THE SINK AT THE TIME OF OUR ARRIVAL, THEREFORE, THIS INFORMATION COULD NOT BE PROVIDED. I DID PROVIDE HIM WITH THE HOTTEST DEGREE OF WATER TEMPERATURE FROM WHEN WE TOOK A THERMOMETER READER; THE LAUNDRY SINK HOT WATER TEMPERATURE REGISTERED AT 145.4 DEGREES FARENHEIT, THE KITCHEN SINK HOT WATER TEMPERATURE REGISTERED AT 147 DEGREES FARENHEIT. ALSO PROVIDED TO DR. BENZ WAS THE MEASUREMENT OF THE LAUNDRY ROOM SINK, WHICH MEASURED 22" WIDE BY 17" IN LENGTH, IT ALSO MEASURED 13" DEEP AND MEASURED 19" FROM THE

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ING REGISTERED 111 DEGREES FARENHEIT WITH A WATER LEVEL MEASURING 8 1/2" DEEP. I BRIEFLY PLACED MY LEFT HAND INTO THE WATER CONTAINED IN THE SINK WHICH CAUSED MY HAND AND FINGERS TO TURN A LIGHT REDDISH COLOR AND WHEN I REFER TO A BRIEF PERIOD OF TIME, I AM REFERRING TO A MATTER OF A FEW SECONDS. AT 11:39 A.M., THE SINK WAS FULL TO CAPACITY WITHOUT RUNNING OVER. TAKING A TOTAL OF 10 MINUTES TO COMPLETELY FILL THE SINK WITH THE WATER RUNNING AT FULL CAPACITY. AT 11:40 A.M., A WATER TEMPERATURE READING REGISTERED AT 114 DEGREES FARENHEIT (THIS TOTAL FILL TIME OF 10 MINUTES DOES NOT TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE VOID AMOUNT OF WATER THAT WOULD BE CAUSED BY A FLOATING OBJECT; SUCH AS THE CHILD HIMSELF AND/OR THE WATER SAFETY SEAT ALSO BEING IN THE SEAT.) DET. MORRIS AND DET. VAN USED A TRIGGER PULL GAUGE TO DETERMINE APPROXIMATELY THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF POUNDS IT TAKES TO TURN ON THE WATER FAUCET. THIS GAUGE REGISTERED 2 LBS PRESSURE TO OPEN THE FAUCET, A VERY SMALL AMOUNT. THE GAUGE ALSO REGISTERED APPROXIMATELY 4 LBS TO OPEN THE FAUCET FULL PRESSURE, AND 2 1/2 LBS TO OPEN THE FAUCET TO A MEDIUM PRESSURE SETTING; AT THE CENTER SETTING (BOTH HOT AND COLD WATER TOGETHER.)

TO OPEN THE HOT WATER (LEFT SIDE) AT A FULL PRESSURE, MEASURED 4 LBS PRESSURE AND TO OPEN THE COLD WATER (RIGHT SIDE) AT A FULL PRESSURE, MEASURED 2 1/2 LBS PRESSURE.

WE AGAIN RECORDED THE TEMPERATURE SETTINGS ON THE RHEEM HOT WATER HEATER ON THIS DATE WHICH REVEALED THAT THE TOP ELEMENT SETTING AT 120 DEGREES FARENHEIT, AND THE BOTTOM ELEMENT SETTING AT 120 DEGREES FARENHEIT. THIS INDICATED TO US THAT SINCE THE ORIGINAL DATE OF OUR INVESTIGATION ON 02-12-92, THE TOP ELEMENT SETTING WHICH WAS AT THAT TIME 130 DEGREES AND NOW REGISTERED AT 120 DEGREES; A DIFFERENCE OF 10 DEGREES COOLER; AND ON THE BOTTOM ELEMENT SETTING, WHICH WAS ORIGINALLY SET AT 140 DEGREES WAS NOW SET AT 120 DEGREES, WHICH EQUALS A 20 DEGREE DIFFERENCE. THE FOLLOWING MEASUREMENTS WERE ALSO RECORDED: THE LAUNDRY ROOM MEASURES 14'1" IN LENGTH FROM EAST TO WEST BY 7' 5 1/2" IN WIDTH FROM NORTH TO SOUTH WITH A FLOOR SPACE MEASUREMENT OF 5'3" IN WIDTH AT THE SINK AREA; THE DIFFERENCE BEING DUE TO THE ACTUAL WIDTH OF THE LAUNDRY COUNTER TAKING UP FLOOR SPACE. THE HALFWAY FROM THE LAUNDRY ROOM TO THE HOT WATER HEATER ROOM MEASURES 8' 2 1/2" IN LENGTH FROM EAST TO WEST BY 3' 1 1/2" IN WIDTH FROM NORTH TO SOUTH. THE HOT WATER HEATER ROOM MEASURES 5' 1 1/2" IN LENGTH, NORTH TO SOUTH BY 2' 11/2" IN WIDTH FROM EAST TO WEST. (THIS MEASUREMENT IS THE ACTUAL FLOOR SPACE MEASUREMENT ONLY.) THE KITCHEN AREA AT ITS WIDEST POINT MEASURES 10' 8 3/4" IN WIDTH FROM NORTH TO SOUTH BY 18' 1/2" IN LENGTH FROM EAST TO WEST. THE KITCHEN AREA DOES CONTAIN A CENTER FLOOR ISLAND TYPE COUNTER SPACE, WHICH MEASURES 4' 3 1/4" IN LENGTH FROM EAST TO WEST AND 1' 10" IN WIDTH FROM NORTH TO SOUTH. (THESE ABOVE MENTIONED MEASUREMENTS WERE TAKEN WITH A 50' TAPE MEASURE.) THE FOLLOWING MEASUREMENTS WERE TAKEN WITH A STANDARD TRAFFIC WHEEL MEASURING DEVICE, TO MEASURE THE TOTAL WALKING DISTANCE FROM ONE AREA TO ANOTHER AREA INSIDE THE RESIDENCE. FROM THE LAUNDRY ROOM SINK TO THE KITCHEN TELEPHONE MEASURED 24'

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11" IN WALKING DISTANCE. FROM THE LAUNDRY ROOM SINK TO THE WEST MASTER BEDROOM TELEPHONE MEASURED 58' 10" IN WALKING DISTANCE. FROM THE LAUNDRY ROOM SINK TO THE CORDLESS TELEPHONE IN THE DEN AREA MEASURED 38' 2" IN WALKING DISTANCE. IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT A KITCHEN TELEPHONE CORD CAN BE EXTENDED FROM THE TELEPHONE IN THE KITCHEN ITSELF ALL THE WAY INTO THE LAUNDRY ROOM SINK WITH NO PROBLEM WHATSOEVER. THE TELEPHONE CORD AND RECEIVER WILL EXTEND EVEN FURTHER PAST THE LAUNDRY ROOM SINK TOWARDS THE WASHER AND DRYER. THIS MEASUREMENT WAS RECORDED TO SHOW THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO BE TALKING ON THE TELEPHONE KITCHEN EXTENSION AND WALK INTO THE LAUNDRY ROOM WHICH IS A TOTAL WALKING DISTANCE OF 24' 11" AS STATED PREVIOUSLY ABOVE. PLEASE NOTE FOR THE RECORD THAT ATTORNEY GOLDBERGER WAS PRESENT DURING THE COURSE OF OUR ENTIRE INVESTIGATION AS IT RELATES TO THE SEARCH WARRANT INCIDENT OF 02-18-92. ALL 35MM FILM REFERRED TO IN THIS REPORT THUS FAR WILL BE SENT TO THE PHOTO LAB AT H.O.'S FOR PROCESSING WHERE THE NEGATIVES WILL BE RETAINED ON FILE.

I CONCLUDED MY INVESTIGATION AT APPROXIMATELY 1218 HRS ON THIS DATE. THE VIDEO TAPE RECORDING WAS OBTAINED AS EVIDENCE BY DET. MORRIS. ALL OF THE ABOVE FINDINGS WILL BE PROVIDED TO DET. MORRIS AND DET. ROBERSON FOR THEIR CASE FILE. THIS CONCLUDES MY ASSISTANCE WITH REFERENCE TO THIS CASE. ANY AND ALL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION LEARNED BY ME WITH REFERENCE TO THIS INCIDENT WILL BE RECORDED UNDER ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS.

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ID 1631

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MANSLAUGHTER CODE: 090C DATE: 03/02/92 THURSDAY  
PHONE: 002 GRID: DEPUTY I.D.: 1643 NAME: JACK ROBERSON ASSIST: TIME D 1450 A 1453 C 1603  
OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 02/12/92, 1440 HOURS AND DATE: 02/12/92, 1600 HOURS  
OFFENSE TYPE:

ACCIDENT LOCATION: 982 S PATRICK CR APT. NO.:  
CITY: WEST PALM BEACH STATE: FL ZIP: 33406  
NO. OFFENSES: 02 NO. OFFENDERS: 01 NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0  
LOCATION: RESIDENCE - SINGLE FAMILY  
NO. VICTIMS: 01 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0 WEAPON TYPE:  
OFFENSE NO. 1 FLORIDA STATE STATUTE: 782 07 CIS CODE 090C  
OFFENSE NO. 2 FLORIDA STATE STATUTE: 827 04 CIS CODE 130A

NAME LIST: WITNESS  
ROLE:  
INVESTIGATOR  
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- SUE HARRINGTON DOB: 03/31/57  
SEX: F RACE: W HT: 506 WT: 145 HR: BROWN EYE: HAZEL  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 3723 BELVEDERE RD WPB FL 33409 PHONE: 407 000-0000  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: PD FIRE RESCUE 3723 BELVEDERE ROAD, WPB BUSINESS PHONE: 407 355-2683  
THFR JAMES WILLIAMS DOB: 04/13/44
- SEX: M RACE: W HT: 509 WT: 160 HR: BROWN EYE: BLUE  
RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 2271 CARAMBOLA RD WEST PALM FL 33406 PHONE: 407 968-2795  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: 515 NO FLAGLER DRIVE, WPB, FL BUSINESS PHONE: 407 655-1990  
USPECT MARSHA S HERRINGTON DOB: 10/11/48
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RESIDENCIAL ADDRESS: 982 S PATRICK CR WPB FL 33406 PHONE: 407 688-0803  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: RAINSOFT WATER SERVICES BUSINESS PHONE: 407 966-6290  
THFR MARILYNN CRAWFORD DOB: 11/08/13/53
- SEX: F RACE: W HT: 503 WT: 130 HR: BROWN EYE: GREEN  
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==0J/02/92=== DISPOSITION: OPEN  
BUSINESS ADDRESS: DARKER OSHA & ANDERSON ENGINEERING BUSINESS PHONE: 407 000-0000

OFFENSE INDICATOR: OFFENSE 1 AND 2 VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
VICTIM TYPE: JUVENILE  
RESIDENCE TYPE: COUNTY RESIDENCE STATUS: FULL YEAR  
EXTENT OF INJURY: FATAL  
INJURY TYPE(1): BURNS  
INJURY TYPE(2): OTHER  
VICTIM TREAT TAKEN: ST MARY'S HOSPITAL  
PHYSICIAN: DR. RICHARDSON  
VICTIM RELATION: SITTER / DAY CARE

VICTIM NUMBER: 1  
HOMICIDE CIRCUMSTANCES: OTHER NEGLIGENT KILLINGS  
JUSTIFIABLE CIRCUMSTANCES: NOT APPLICABLE  
JUSTIFIABLE CODE: NOT APPLICABLE  
AGENCY: PRSO OFFICER NAME: DET. MORRIS 2487  
SUPERVISOR ON SCENE: LT SERAFIN  
WHERE BODY FOUND: 982 SO PATRICK CR, WPE, FL  
OFFICER VIEWED BODY AT: 982 SO PATRICK CR, WPR, FL  
UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS: N  
BODY I.D. BY: GRANDMOTHER  
AMBULANCE: ATLANTIC FIRE RESCUE: STATION 33  
REMOVAL SERVICES: PROFESSIONAL  
ANNOUNCE BY: DR. RICHARDSON AT: ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL  
DOCTOR EXAMINING PRIOR DEATH: DR. ROBERT EDDLEMAN DATE: 920123  
DOCTOR'S ADDRESS: 2311 NO FLAGLER DR WPR DOCTOR'S PHONE: 832-7555  
CAUSE OF DEATH: PRIMARY: THERMAL INJURY SECONDARY: DROWNING  
DEATH'S CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY: DR. BENZ  
BODY RELEASED TO: MEDICAL EXAMINER DR BENZ DATE: 920212  
NEAREST RELATIVE: MARILYN CRAWFORD  
MEDICAL HISTORY: NO MEDICAL HISTORY - NO PERSONAL EFFECTS OR VALUABLES

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IN THE ONGOING INVESTIGATION, I WAS REQUESTED INTO TAKE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS  
OF THE HOME AT 982 SOUTH PATRICK CIRCLE.  
ON SATURDAY, 2-29-92 AT APPROXIMATELY 0900 HOURS, I WAS AIRBORNE IN  
PRSO'S EAGLE ONE, PILOTED BY PILOT DAVE CLARK. HE FLEW ME OVER THE  
RESIDENCE, AND IT WAS PHOTOGRAPHED WITH THE AFOREMENTIONED CAMERA. THE ROLL  
OF FILM WAS TURNED INTO THE PHOTO LAB FOR PROCESSING.  
DET. JACK ROBERSON, #1653, SC  
TRANS. 3-2-92

MANSLAUGHTER  
ZONE: 002 GRID: DEPUTY I.D.: 2487 NAME: MORRIS CODE: 090C DATE: 02/28/92 FRIDAY  
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ON 02/27/92 AT 2000 HOURS, I WENT TO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL TO INTERVIEW NURSE DON ALLEN. I CONDUCTED A TAPED INTERVIEW WITH DON AND HE TOLD ME THAT UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH REESE WILLIAMS WAS BROUGHT INTO ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL ON 02/12/92, DCN SAID THAT THE INFORMATION HE HAD WAS THAT REESE WAS A DROWNING VICTIM, AND ALSO LEARNED THAT HE HAD VARIOUS DEGREES OF BURNS ON HIS BODY. DON'S PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS WERE THAT THESE BURNS WERE OVER 60-75% OF HIS BODY. DON WENT ON TO SAY THAT IT APPEARED TO HIM THAT REESE HAD BEEN DOWN LONGER THAN THE MEDICAL PERSONNEL WERE LED TO BELIEVE. THIS WAS DUE TO A TIGHTNESS IN REESE'S CHEST WHILE DOING CPR ALONG WITH WHAT APPEARED TO BE LIVIDITY IN HIS BACK.

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DISPOSITION: OPEN  
DON DID NOT RECALL EVER GETTING ANY RESPONSE FROM ANY OF THE THERAPY USED  
ON REESE. I CONCLUDED THE INTERVIEW AT APPROX. 2000 HOURS. NOTHING FURTHER.  
DET. MORRIS 2487/DLC

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