



NORTH DAKOTA BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

Supplement Report BCI20-00536/8

Report Date: 10/14/2020

Primary Information

Description: Autopsy
Occurrence From: 09/14/2020 00:00
Occurrence To: 09/14/2020 00:00
Reporting LEO: VOELTZ, SCOTT (FARGO / NORTH DAKOTA BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION)
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Synopsis

On September 14, 2020, Special Agent (S/A) Scott Voeltz attended the autopsy of Joseph Boever at the Ramsey County Medical Examiner's Office in St. Paul, Minnesota.

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Address #1 - ACTIVITY LOCATION #1 - 300 UNIVERSITY AVE E

Primary Information

Address: 300 UNIVERSITY AVE E, SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA 55130 UNITED STATES

Subject #1 - VICTIM - DECEASED #1 - BOEVER, JOSEPH PAUL

Primary Information

Subject Name: BOEVER, JOSEPH PAUL
Record Type: PERSON
Bio: 56 yr. old, WHITE, MALE
Birth Date: [REDACTED]
Juvenile: NO

Addresses

Relationship Address
HOME ADDRESS [REDACTED] MINNESOTA 55130 UNITED STATES

Narrative begins on the following page.

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**Details:**

(ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE)

1. On September 13, 2020, Special Agent (S/A) Scott Voeltz was assigned to attend the autopsy of Joseph Boever at the Ramsey County Medical Examiner's Office at 300 University Avenue East, St. Paul, Minnesota.
2. On September 14, 2020, the autopsy began at 11:55 a.m. Ramsey County Chief Medical Examiner Doctor (Dr.) Kelly Mills performed the autopsy.
3. The body bag containing the body of Joseph Boever was already opened upon S/A Voeltz's arrival. The clothing from Joseph Boever had already been removed and laid out on a separate table where S/A Voeltz observed Dr. Mills photograph the clothing.
4. The body bag still contained the body of Joseph Boever and was lying on a metal table. S/A Voeltz observed Dr. Mills remove the body bag from beneath Joseph Boever prior to beginning the autopsy. S/A Voeltz noted that the lower right leg of Joseph Boever was detached from the body. The lower right leg was removed from the body bag separately.
5. Dr. Mills cleaned the body of Joseph Boever and then conducted an external examination of the body.
6. During the autopsy, Dr. Mills advised that she observed a [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]
7. Dr. Mills pointed out a large contusion on the back of the head of Joseph Boever.
8. The autopsy concluded at 1:40 p.m., on September 14, 2020.
9. S/A Voeltz did not receive any evidence during or after the autopsy.
10. On September 14, 2020, S/A Voeltz received an email from Tiffany Krob from the Ramsey County Medical Examiner's Office with the provisional autopsy report of Joseph Boever attached. On September 15, 2020, S/A Voeltz viewed the report and noted the following findings:
  - A. Multiple traumatic injuries due to pedestrian vs motor vehicle.
    - 1) External injuries to include:
      - a. Contusions of the hands, left arm, legs, and back
      - b. Abrasions of the head, face, chest, abdomen, arms, left hand, legs, and back

- c. Lacerations of the head, face, arms, legs, and left inguinal region
  - d. Palpable fractures of the nose, right upper arm, left upper arm, chest, right lower leg, and left thigh
  - e. Traumatic amputation of the right lower leg
- 2) Internal injuries to include:
- a. Subgaleal hemorrhage
  - b. Scanty subdural hemorrhage
  - c. Subarachnoid hemorrhage
  - d. Lacerations and softening of the pontomedullary junction of the brainstem
  - e. Atlantooccipital fracture/dislocation
  - f. Fractures of the ribs, right clavicle, and cervical spine (C3 and C7)
  - g. Transection of the aorta, thoracic spine (T1 '1) and spinal cord
  - h. Intraparenchymal laceration of the left lower lobe of the lung
  - i. Lacerations of the liver, spleen, right kidney, bladder, and mesentery of the bowel
  - j. Rupture of the right adrenal gland
11. The cause of death was listed as "multiple traumatic injuries due to pedestrian v. motor vehicle." The manner of death was listed as "pending investigation."
12. On September 22, 2020, S/A Voeltz traveled to the Ramsey County Medical Examiner's Office in St. Paul, Minnesota, and received the clothing worn by Joseph Boever and DNA and swabs collected from Joseph Boever at the time of the autopsy. S/A Voeltz also received 122 photographs taken during the autopsy by Dr. Mills, which were turned over to S/A Arenz.
13. On September 23, 2020, S/A Voeltz turned over all of the aforementioned items to S/A Kelly Wimer, who transported the items to Bismarck, North Dakota, and turned the items over to S/A Joe Arenz.

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**Description and Custody of Evidence:**

1. All evidence mentioned in this report is maintained by S/A Joe Arenz.
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**Attachments:**

1. Provisional Autopsy Report from the Ramsey County (Minnesota) Medical Examiner's Office (2 Pgs), 09-14-2020
2. Evidence Inventory and Receipt (3 Pgs), 09-22-2020.