NORTH DAKOTA BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

Supplement Report BCI20-00536/39

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Primary Information

Description:	**JASON RAVNSBORG 2nd Interview**
Occurrence From:	**09/30/2020 00:00**
Occurrence To:	**09/30/2020 00:00**
Reporting LEO:	**ARENZ, JOE (BISMARCK / NORTH DAKOTA BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION)**
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Synopsis

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Address #1 - ACTIVITY LOCATION #1 - 3200 SOUTH DAKOTA 34

Primary Information

Address: **3200 SOUTH DAKOTA 34 SUITE #13, PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA 57501 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]

Subject #2 - SUSPECT #1 - RAVNSBORG, JASON RICHARD

Primary Information

Subject Name:	**RAVNSBORG, JASON RICHARD**
Record Type:	**PERSON**
Bio:	**44 yr. old, WHITE, MALE**
Birth Date:	[redacted]
Juvenile:	**NO**

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Subject #2 - SUSPECT #1 - RAVNSBORG, JASON RICHARD - Continued

Personal Information

Ethnicity:	**NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO**
Height:	**602**
Weight:	**225**
Eye Color:	**BLUE**
Hair Color:	**GREY**

Addresses

Relationship	Address
HOME ADDRESS	[redacted]

Telephones / E-Addresses

Relationship	Number/E-Address
CELLULAR PHONE	[redacted] **CELLULAR)**
BUSINESS WORK PH#	**(605) 295-0802 (BUSINESS)**

Subject #3 - WITNESS #1 - VOLEK, MIKE

Primary Information

Exempt From Disclosure:	**YES**
Subject Name:	**VOLEK, MIKE**
Record Type:	**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL**
Juvenile:	**NO**

Subject #4 - MENTIONED #1 - GROMER, BRENT

Primary Information

Exempt From Disclosure:	**YES**
Subject Name:	**GROMER, BRENT**
Record Type:	**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL**
Rank/Position:	**SPECIAL AGENT**
Juvenile:	**NO**

Addresses

Relationship	Address
BUSINESS LOCATION	**EAST HIGHWAY 34, PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA 57501-5070 UNITED STATES**

Subject #5 - MENTIONED #2 - NEUHARTH, TYLER

Primary Information

Exempt From Disclosure:	**YES**
Subject Name:	**NEUHARTH, TYLER**
Record Type:	**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL**
Juvenile:	**NO**

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Subject #6 - MENTIONED #3 - BORMANN, TIM

Primary Information

Subject Name: **BORMANN, TIM**

Record Type: **PERSON**

Bio: **54 yr. old, WHITE, MALE**

Birth Date: [redacted]

Juvenile: **NO**

Personal Information

Ethnicity: **NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO**

Telephones / E-Addresses

Relationship	Number/E-Address
CELLULAR PHONE	[redacted] **(CELLULAR)**

Subject #7 - MENTIONED #4 - NATVIG, DAVE

Primary Information

Subject Name: **NATVIG, DAVE**

Record Type: **PERSON**

Bio: **55 yr. old, WHITE, MALE**

Birth Date: [redacted]

Juvenile: **NO**

Personal Information

Ethnicity: **NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO**

Addresses

Relationship	Address
BUSINESS LOCATION	**1302 E HIGHWAY 14 SUITE #5, PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA 57501 UNITED STATES**

Telephones / E-Addresses

Relationship	Number/E-Address
BUSINESS WORK PH#	**(605) 773-3331 (BUSINESS)**

Subject #8 - MENTIONED #5 - RAVNSBORG, RICHARD BCI20-00536

Primary Information

Subject Name: **RAVNSBORG, RICHARD BCI20-00536**

Record Type: **PERSON**

Bio: **UNKNOWN, MALE**

Juvenile: **NO**

Narrative begins on the following page.

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CASE/REPORT #: BCI20-00536/38

Report Title: JASON RAVNSBORG 2nd Interview

Details:

(ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE)

1. On September 30, 2020, at approximately 2:00 p.m., Special Agent (S/A) Joe Arenz and Supervisory Special Agent (SS/A) Arnie Rummel met with JASON RAVNSBORG in a recorded interview room at the Pierre Police Department in Pierre, South Dakota.

2. S/A Arenz explained that no criminal charges have been filed against JASON RAVNSBORG and JASON RAVNSBORG was free to leave at any time. JASON RAVNSBORG did not have to answer any questions and the interview was completely voluntary. JASON RAVNSBORG had tried to think of everything he could.

3. S/A Arenz recapped that JASON RAVNSBORG attended the Lincoln Day Dinner in Redfield, South Dakota, on September 12, 2020. JASON RAVNSBORG stated the following regarding attending the Lincoln Day Dinner:

   A. JASON RAVNSBORG had gotten a lot of sleep leading up to September 12, 2020.

   B. Media reports were that JASON RAVNSBORG went from Pierre to Rapid City, South Dakota, which was not JASON RAVNSBORG's schedule. Actually, JASON RAVNSBORG had flown into Rapid City on September 11, 2020, from Louisiana.

   C. JASON RAVNSBORG attended a Lincoln Day Dinner in Pennington County, South Dakota, on September 11, 2020.

   D. JASON RAVNSBORG got back to Pierre at approximately 1:30 a.m., on September 12, 2020, but then slept in to approximately 9:30 a.m.

   E. JASON RAVNSBORG stayed at his residence until around 3:30 p.m.

   F. JASON RAVNSBORG usually got around seven to eight hours of sleep per day.

   G. JASON RAVNSBORG attended the Lincoln Day Dinner in Redfield on the evening of September 12, 2020.

   H. JASON RAVNSBORG did not have any alcoholic beverages while at the dinner. JASON RAVNSBORG drank a Coca Cola and ate a steak and baked potato.

   I. JASON RAVNSBORG left the dinner between 9:00 p.m., and 9:15 p.m.

4. S/A Arenz then asked JASON RAVNSBORG about the drive home from Redfield. JASON RAVNSBORG stated the following:

A. JASON RAVNSBORG's route when leaving Redfield was as follows:

1) JASON RAVNSBORG left Redfield and proceeded west to the "Miller corner," which is a T-intersection.

2) Once JASON RAVNSBORG reached the Miller corner, JASON RAVNSBORG travelled south to Miller, South Dakota.

3) From Miller JASON RAVNSBORG travelled west on Highway 14.

B. When JASON RAVNSBORG left Redfield, JASON RAVNSBORG called his father, Richard Ravnsborg, and had the Los Angeles Laker's basketball game on the radio. JASON RAVNSBORG remembered turning the volume down on the basketball game while speaking with Richard Ravnsborg.

C. JASON RAVNSBORG was still talking to Richard Ravnsborg when JASON RAVNSBORG reached the "Miller corner" and the call dropped.

D. Around Miller JASON RAVNSBORG called Richard Ravnsborg back to let Richard Ravnsborg know that JASON RAVNSBORG did not hang up on Richard Ravnsborg. JASON RAVNSBORG stated the second call was not a long call.

E. JASON RAVNSBORG's next phone call was to 911 after the crash.

5. JASON RAVNSBORG remembered the following about the drive home as JASON RAVNSBORG got near Highmore, South Dakota:

A. JASON RAVNSBORG shut off the radio closer to Highmore after the Minnesota Twins baseball game.

B. When JASON RAVNSBORG reached Highmore, JASON RAVNSBORG had thought about getting gas.

C. As JASON RAVNSBORG reached the gas stations in Highmore, JASON RAVNSBORG looked to his left at the gas station (if travelling westbound through Highmore, the left would be the Shell gas station) and observed a male, whose vehicle was facing east, at the gas pumps filling gas. JASON RAVNSBORG thought the gas station looked closed, so JASON RAVNSBORG looked to the right (DK Outpost) and there were three or four high school kids and the gas station looked closed too, so JASON RAVNSBORG decided to keep going.

D. Around that time JASON RAVNSBORG shut the radio off. JASON RAVNSBORG was to have some quiet time to think about a few big cases his office had.

E. JASON RAVNSBORG looked at the speed signs outside of Highmore and the sign with the distance to Pierre.

F. JASON RAVNSBORG thought JASON RAVNSBORG looked down at the speedometer because JASON RAVNSBORG generally turned the cruise control on, but JASON RAVNSBORG had turned off the cruise prior to entering Highmore.

G. JASON RAVNSBORG knew JASON RAVNSBORG did not get going very fast because JASON RAVNSBORG did not turn the cruise control back on. JASON RAVNSBORG believed JASON RAVNSBORG used the cruise control prior to Highmore.

1) JASON RAVNSBORG would have his cruise control set somewhere between 65 miles per hour (mph) to 67 mph. JASON RAVNSBORG said JASON RAVNSBORG never went over 4 miles over the speed limit anymore.

H. JASON RAVNSBORG had used JASON RAVNSBORG's high beams, but after going through Highmore, JASON RAVNSBORG had not turned them back on after leaving Highmore. JASON RAVNSBORG had turned the high beams off upon going through Highmore.

6. S/A Arenz and SS/A Rummel spoke to JASON RAVNSBORG about when the collision took place. JASON RAVNSBORG stated the following:

A. It was a dark night and JASON RAVNSBORG remembered seeing the people at the gas station. The next thing JASON RAVNSBORG remembered was the "hit."

B. Once JASON RAVNSBORG hit Joseph Boever, JASON RAVNSBORG did not "punch the brakes" and just tapped the brakes three or four times trying to control the vehicle. The vehicle was shaking as JASON RAVNSBORG brought the vehicle to the side of the road.

C. Once on the side of the road, JASON RAVNSBORG said some expletives and wondered what just happened.

D. JASON RAVNSBORG put the car in park and activated the flashers. JASON RAVNSBORG got out and looked at the damage and looked around.

E. JASON RAVNSBORG called 911 and JASON RAVNSBORG thought JASON RAVNSBORG was near Highmore, but was not sure, so JASON RAVNSBORG walked back towards Highmore while on the phone with the dispatcher.

F. JASON RAVNSBORG believed JASON RAVNSBORG struck a deer due to the time of year.

G. JASON RAVNSBORG walked back until JASON RAVNSBORG could see the green Highmore sign.

1) While JASON RAVNSBORG was on the phone with the dispatcher, JASON RAVNSBORG was walking back eastbound towards Highmore.

2) JASON RAVNSBORG walked eastbound past the one larger piece of JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle that JASON RAVNSBORG saw was on the shoulder of the road.

3) JASON RAVNSBORG thought JASON RAVNSBORG only took approximately five steps past the piece of debris before JASON RAVNSBORG could see the Highmore sign.

H. The dispatcher told JASON RAVNSBORG the sheriff was on duty and would respond to the scene shortly.

I. Once JASON RAVNSBORG saw the Highmore sign, JASON RAVNSBORG turned the flashlight on JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone and walked back towards JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle, looking in the ditch for a deer.

J. Once JASON RAVNSBORG got back to JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle, JASON RAVNSBORG took a photograph of JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle. JASON RAVNSBORG previously sent the photograph to S/A Arenz and the photograph was attached to a previous report from the first interview with JASON RAVNSBORG.

K. JASON RAVNSBORG clarified that JASON RAVNSBORG turned the flashlight on soon after ending the call with the dispatcher.

L. When Hyde County Sheriff Mike Volek arrived, Sheriff Volek asked what happened and JASON RAVNSBORG said JASON RAVNSBORG may have hit a deer. Sheriff Volek walked up beside JASON RAVNSBORG as JASON RAVNSBORG was taking a photograph and said at least it did not break the side window. JASON RAVNSBORG told Sheriff Volek that JASON RAVNSBORG tried to brake and get the vehicle over as far as JASON RAVNSBORG could.

M. Sheriff Volek looked the car and "wreckage" over and told JASON RAVNSBORG to get the registration and insurance and meet back at Sheriff Volek's patrol vehicle. JASON RAVNSBORG had to get into JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle to retrieve the requested documents.

N. JASON RAVNSBORG said the glove compartment was open from the collision. The insurance card was in the glove compartment and the registration was in the visor.

O. Sheriff Volek completed the red tag and asked JASON RAVNSBORG where JASON RAVNSBORG had been. JASON RAVNSBORG explained that JASON RAVNSBORG had been at a dinner in Redfield.

P. JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle airbags did not deploy from the crash.

Q. Sheriff Volek offered to take JASON RAVNSBORG to Pierre or JASON RAVNSBORG could drive since it would be an hour for a tow truck, which confused JASON RAVNSBORG. Sheriff Volek and JASON RAVNSBORG had already talked about the car being towed, so initially JASON RAVNSBORG did not understand that Sheriff Volek was offering to provide JASON RAVNSBORG a car to drive back to Pierre.

R. JASON RAVNSBORG felt the car was drivable.

S. JASON RAVNSBORG was asked if Sheriff Volek looked around the area. JASON RAVNSBORG stated neither JASON RAVNSBORG nor Sheriff Volek went west of where the car came to a stop.

T. When Sheriff Volek arrived, Sheriff Volek parked Sheriff Volek's patrol vehicle behind JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle.

U. JASON RAVNSBORG did not remember if Sheriff Volek used a flashlight to check the area.

V. JASON RAVNSBORG did not move any debris from the crash site.

W. JASON RAVNSBORG was gone from the scene prior to the tow truck arriving.

7. Sheriff Volek took JASON RAVNSBORG back to Sheriff Volek's residence and provided JASON RAVNSBORG with one of Sheriff Volek's personally owned vehicles for JASON RAVNSBORG to drive to Pierre. Regarding the drive back to Pierre, JASON RAVNSBORG stated the following:

A. Sheriff Volek did a traffic stop on JASON RAVNSBORG after JASON RAVNSBORG left the scene, so Sheriff Volek could get the keys to JASON RAVNSBORG's car.

B. When JASON RAVNSBORG was driving back to Pierre, JASON RAVNSBORG called his father, Richard Ravnsborg; Tim Bormann; and Dave Natvig. JASON RAVNSBORG said that as the attorney general, JASON RAVNSBORG tried to keep Tim Bormann and Dave Natvig aware of JASON RAVNSBORG's whereabouts.

C. When JASON RAVNSBORG spoke to Tim Bormann, JASON RAVNSBORG asked Tim Bormann to accompany JASON RAVNSBORG back to Highmore in the morning to return Sheriff Volek's vehicle. Once those arrangements were made, JASON RAVNSBORG called Sheriff Volek to let Sheriff Volek know that JASON RAVNSBORG would bring Sheriff Volek's vehicle back in the morning. Sheriff Volek told JASON RAVNSBORG that the tow truck driver still had not arrived at the scene.

8. JASON RAVNSBORG then went over the events of September 13, 2020, and stated the following:

A. Tim Bormann arrived at JASON RAVNSBORG's residence and Tim Bormann followed JASON RAVNSBORG to Highmore. Tim Bormann and JASON RAVNSBORG left around 8:00 a.m.

B. Once arriving in Highmore, JASON RAVNSBORG went to the gas station and filled up Sheriff Volek's car with gas. JASON RAVNSBORG noticed that there was still debris from the crash along the highway. JASON RAVNSBORG thought the debris could be a problem for other travelers and JASON RAVNSBORG had not checked the south side of Highway 14.

C. JASON RAVNSBORG and Tim Bormann parked along Highway 14 and JASON RAVNSBORG went west and Tim Bormann went east. JASON RAVNSBORG found Joseph Boever's body in the ditch. JASON RAVNSBORG and Tim Bormann left the scene and drove to Sheriff Volek's residence.

D. Once at Sheriff Volek's residence, JASON RAVNSBORG told Sheriff Volek that JASON RAVNSBORG found a body. Sheriff Volek said, "You're shitting me." JASON RAVNSBORG took this as a genuine surprise on Sheriff Volek's part.

E. JASON RAVNSBORG and Tim Bormann drove back to the site and Sheriff Volek followed them to the scene.

F. Sheriff Volek told JASON RAVNSBORG and Tim Bormann to go back to Pierre.

G. When JASON RAVNSBORG arrived at Sheriff Volek's residence, Sheriff Volek was dressed in standard clothing.

H. After leaving Highmore and finding Joseph Boever, Tim Bormann and JASON RAVNSBORG went to the attorney general's office and waited to hear something regarding the investigation.

9. During the day on September 13, 2020, JASON RAVNSBORG went to the Pierre Police Department for a blood draw at the request of the South Dakota Highway Patrol (SDHP).

10. S/A Arenz asked JASON RAVNSBORG what the last thing JASON RAVNSBORG remembered prior to the crash. JASON RAVNSBORG stated the following:

A. JASON RAVNSBORG said that JASON RAVNSBORG remembered shutting off the radio and looking down at the speedometer.

B. JASON RAVNSBORG remembered seeing the speed limit sign and looking down, but JASON RAVNSBORG did not engage the cruise control. JASON RAVNSBORG did not feel fatigued, but felt normal during the drive from Redfield on September 12, 2020.

11. S/A Arenz asked JASON RAVNSBORG if JASON RAVNSBORG had been using JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone. JASON RAVNSBORG stated that JASON RAVNSBORG was not using JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone. JASON RAVNSBORG said the only call JASON RAVNSBORG made was to Richard Ravnsborg

A. JASON RAVNSBORG had two cell phones and one was on the passenger seat and the other was in the center console. JASON RAVNSBORG did not have a cell phone in his hand. Both of JASON RAVNSBORG's hands were on the steering wheel and JASON RAVNSBORG was looking at the speedometer.

B. JASON RAVNSBORG's work cell phone needed to be unlocked using a four digit code and the personal cell phone did not have any securities.

C. JASON RAVNSBORG did not remember using JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone for anything but the phone call to JASON RAVNSBORG's father.

12. JASON RAVNSBORG did not have any vision problems. JASON RAVNSBORG was in the military and had a vision test a year ago and came out fine. JASON RAVNSBORG did not wear glasses nor did JASON RAVNSBORG have any problems with vision at night.

13. JASON RAVNSBORG had not had any contact with Sheriff Volek since finding Joseph Boever, but Tim Bormann may have contacted Sheriff Volek about finding out about Joseph Boever's family to offer sympathy.

14. JASON RAVNSBORG had JASON RAVNSBORG's email accounts on JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone. JASON RAVNSBORG had a work email account, a campaign email, a personal email, and a military email account on JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone. The campaign and personal email accounts were Yahoo email accounts. The campaign email account was jasonforsouthdakota@yahoo.com. The personal account was jravnsbo@yahoo.com. Another campaign email account was jravnsbo@gmail.com.

15. JASON RAVNSBORG did not use the Gmail account very often and the other campaign email was accessed through going on the internet Yahoo site and signing in. The military account required a VPN and JASON RAVNSBORG did not go on that account on JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone.

16. JASON RAVNSBORG did not remember going on any of JASON RAVNSBORG's email accounts while driving home.

17. JASON RAVNSBORG looked at Fox, CNN, and MSNBC for political news often. JASON RAVNSBORG did not regularly go on the local news sites.

18. S/A Arenz explained to JASON RAVNSBORG that during the cell phone extractions, activity was shown on JASON RAVNSBORG's work cell phone. JASON RAVNSBORG said that it was not that he did not use his cell phone, but JASON RAVNSBORG was not using JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone at the time of the crash. S/A Arenz asked if JASON RAVNSBORG was using his cell phone up to the time of the crash and JASON RAVNSBORG said not that he was aware of.

19. JASON RAVNSBORG stated JASON RAVNSBORG's personal cell phone was on the passenger seat and slammed into the wheel well at the time of the crash. JASON RAVNSBORG set JASON RAVNSBORG's work cell phone in the center console when JASON RAVNSBORG got to Highmore. Both cell phones were charging.

20. Prior to getting to Highmore, JASON RAVNSBORG would glance at the cell phone to see what time it was.

21. JASON RAVNSBORG sometimes listened to podcasts but was not that night. JASON RAVNSBORG was able to Bluetooth his phone in, but it did not work well, so JASON RAVNSBORG usually listened to the podcasts through the speaker on the phone.

22. JASON RAVNSBORG did not send any text messages that night on the drive home nor did JASON RAVNSBORG do any work emails. JASON RAVNSBORG stated it was possible that JASON RAVNSBORG went into JASON RAVNSBORG's Yahoo email accounts. JASON RAVNSBORG stated to sign into the Yahoo email accounts the

username and password auto populate, so JASON RAVNSBORG did not have to manually enter in the username or password.

23. S/A Arenz asked JASON RAVNSBORG if JASON RAVNSBORG went onto the Dakota Free Press website, which was a political blog. JASON RAVNSBORG acknowledged that JASON RAVNSBORG did go on that site. JASON RAVNSBORG also acknowledged that JASON RAVNSBORG went on Real Clear Politics blog, which was a national political blog. JASON RAVNSBORG did not recognize the Just the News website nor the article "Riding the Dragon."

24. JASON RAVNSBORG stated that JASON RAVNSBORG set JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone down in the center console, turned the radio off, and looked at the speedometer as best JASON RAVNSBORG could remember.

25. SS/A Arenz showed JASON RAVNSBORG a spreadsheet that had been created by State and Local Intelligence Center (SLIC) Analyst Aaron Soland of the information obtained from JASON RAVNSBORG's work cell phone. S/A Arenz explained the following cell phone activity from September 12, 2020:

    A. At 10:20 p.m., JASON RAVNSBORG unlocked the phone and signed into the Yahoo email account and then signed back out.

    B. At 10:20:49 p.m., JASON RAVNSBORG was on the Dakota Free Press website.

    C. One minute later JASON RAVNSBORG was on the Real Clear Politics website.

    D. A minute later, the article "Riding the Dragon" was pulled up using Just the New website. (This would have been at 10:21:45 pm)

26. JASON RAVNSBORG stated JASON RAVNSBORG remembered the phone activity, but then JASON RAVNSBORG set JASON RAVNSBORG's phone down prior to the crash.

27. S/A Arenz and JASON RAVNSBORG agreed if JASON RAVNSBORG called 911 to report the accident at 10:24 p.m. (10:24:22 p.m.), most likely the accident happened at least one minute before JASON RAVNSBORG called 911.

28. S/A Arenz stated it appeared that JASON RAVNSBORG was on JASON RAVNSBORG's phone up until the time of the crash. JASON RAVNSBORG said JASON RAVNSBORG was not on JASON RAVNSBORG's phone at the time of the crash because JASON RAVNSBORG had set the phone down prior to the crash.

29. JASON RAVNSBORG said that JASON RAVNSBORG set the phone down in the center console, shut off the radio, and was looking at the speedometer prior to the crash to the best JASON RAVNSBORG could recall. JASON RAVNSBORG stated when JASON RAVNSBORG set the phone down, JASON RAVNSBORG may not have closed the web browser.

30. JASON RAVNSBORG remembered setting the phone down because JASON RAVNSBORG wanted to eliminate distractions so JASON RAVNSBORG could think about some cases the attorney general's office was handling.

31. JASON RAVNSBORG did not remember reading the article "Riding the Dragon." JASON RAVNSBORG glanced at headlines a lot but did not read the articles. JASON RAVNSBORG explained Real Clear Politics was a site that showed headlines. If the reader were to click on a headline, it would take the user to the article on whatever website the article was posted on. S/A Arenz explained JASON RAVNSBORG was on the website with the "Riding the Dragon" article, so JASON RAVNSBORG may have seen the headline on Real Clear Politics, but JASON RAVNSBORG clicked on the article and was taken to Just the News website.

32. JASON RAVNSBORG did not remember what JASON RAVNSBORG was doing on JASON RAVNSBORG's phone on the way to the Lincoln Day Dinner in Redfield, but JASON RAVNSBORG stated JASON RAVNSBORG may have been looking at articles.

33. JASON RAVNSBORG stated when JASON RAVNSBORG drove, he sometimes listened to audio books, but the audio books JASON RAVNSBORG had in JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle did not peak JASON RAVNSBORG's interest.

34. SS/A Rummel asked JASON RAVNSBORG about JASON RAVNSBORG retrieving JASON RAVNSBORG's registration and insurance information at the request of Sheriff Volek. JASON RAVNSBORG stated the following:

    A. To retrieve JASON RAVNSBORG's insurance and registration, JASON RAVNSBORG reached over from the driver side of the vehicle into the glove compartment.

    B. The glove compartment had opened during the collision.

    C. JASON RAVNSBORG did not notice Joseph Boever's eyeglasses on the passenger's side floorboard.

    D. JASON RAVNSBORG did not see the eyeglasses until S/A Arenz showed JASON RAVNSBORG a photograph of the eyeglasses found in JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle.

35. SS/A Rummel told JASON RAVNSBORG that Joseph Boever's face had to come through the windshield in order for the eyeglasses to be in JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle. JASON RAVNSBORG stated JASON RAVNSBORG did not see that it was a person JASON RAVNSBORG hit.

36. SS/A Rummel told JASON RAVNSBORG the evidence was showing JASON RAVNSBORG was not in the middle of the road and JASON RAVNSBORG was on the shoulder of the road at the time of the collision. JASON RAVNSBORG remembered being in the middle of the road.

37. JASON RAVNSBORG could not understand how Joseph Boever ended up so far from where impact occurred.

38. SS/A Rummel explained JASON RAVNSBORG struck Joseph Boever, which resulted in Joseph Boever's face striking the windshield. The vehicle had damage on the hood, which was most likely the result of Joseph Boever's body riding on the hood of the car

and then rolling off, striking the passenger side mirror and then Joseph Boever's body rolling into the ditch.

39. SS/A Rummel asked if JASON RAVNSBORG saw the flashlight Joseph Boever was carrying at the time of the collision. SS/A Rummel stated JASON RAVNSBORG should have seen the flashlight, especially considering how dark it would have been the night of the collision. It was explained that the flashlight would have been very noticeable when JASON RAVNSBORG was walking east on Highway 14 trying to read the green Highmore sign. JASON RAVNSBORG maintained that JASON RAVNSBORG did not see the flashlight and JASON RAVNSBORG did not realize JASON RAVNSBORG hit a person.

40. JASON RAVNSBORG said JASON RAVNSBORG believed JASON RAVNSBORG hit a deer and even though JASON RAVNSBORG said on the 911 call that JASON RAVNSBORG hit something, JASON RAVNSBORG was assuming JASON RAVNSBORG hit a deer.

41. SS/A Rummel advised JASON RAVNSBORG of an application on JASON RAVNSBORG's phone that counts JASON RAVNSBORG's steps, so the phone data extraction showed JASON RAVNSBORG took over 400 steps after the collision.

42. JASON RAVNSBORG said when JASON RAVNSBORG was walking east towards Highmore, JASON RAVNSBORG was looking to the right since the sign was on the south side of the road trying to see the Highmore sign. JASON RAVNSBORG said the following regarding turning around after seeing the Highmore sign:

    A "Then I turn around and I am looking into the ditch. So I don't know exactly where I turned around and saw him, I didn't see him, I did not see him."

43. SS/A Rummel explained to JASON RAVNSBORG that JASON RAVNSBORG had to walk past Joseph Boever's body and past the illuminating flashlight to see the Highmore sign. SS/A Rummel explained to get to a location where the Highmore sign would be readable, JASON RAVNSBORG would need to walk past the body and flashlight.

44. JASON RAVNSBORG stated JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone flashlight was turned on and JASON RAVNSBORG was scanning the area for whatever JASON RAVNSBORG hit.

45. JASON RAVNSBORG stated the next morning when JASON RAVNSBORG found Joseph Boever's body, it was 9:30 a.m., and nobody else had seen Joseph Boever's body prior to JASON RAVNSBORG.

46. JASON RAVNSBORG did not recall any vehicles going by between the times JASON RAVNSBORG got into the crash until the time Sheriff Volek arrived at the scene.

47. The photograph JASON RAVNSBORG took of JASON RAVNSBORG's damaged vehicle was taken prior to Sheriff Volek arriving, but JASON RAVNSBORG did not send the photograph until on the way home in Sheriff Volek's personal vehicle nor did JASON RAVNSBORG call anyone until on the way home after the crash.

48. JASON RAVNSBORG did not see Joseph Boever's body until coming back to the scene with Tim Bormann nor did JASON RAVNSBORG see Joseph Boever's eyeglasses in JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle.

49. JASON RAVNSBORG did not know what JASON RAVNSBORG could have done differently. JASON RAVNSBORG believed JASON RAVNSBORG was in the roadway, had set his phone down, shut the radio off, and was looking to set the cruise control.

50. JASON RAVNSBORG did not look over to where the impact had occurred on JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle as JASON RAVNSBORG was trying to stay alive himself and JASON RAVNSBORG did not see Joseph Boever's face go through JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle windshield.

51. JASON RAVNSBORG did not see any blood on either the inside or the outside of the vehicle. SS/A Rummel pointed out that the car was red in color.

52. JASON RAVNSBORG did not expect a person to be walking down the road at that time of night and it only made sense what JASON RAVNSBORG hit was a deer.

53. SS/Rummel asked JASON RAVNSBORG about JASON RAVNSBORG going back the next day, September 13, 2020, and looking again for what JASON RAVNSBORG hit. JASON RAVNSBORG stated the following:

    A. JASON RAVNSBORG did not think JASON RAVNSBORG hit a man.

    B. JASON RAVNSBORG stopped where JASON RAVNSBORG did because the debris was still there

    C. JASON RAVNSBORG put gas in Sheriff Volek's personally owned vehicle prior to going back to the scene.

    D. JASON RAVNSBORG wanted to go back because JASON RAVNSBORG was curious as to how the collision played out.

    E. JASON RAVNSBORG described the collision as feeling like a thunderbolt hit his car.

    F. JASON RAVNSBORG wanted to know where the deer went after the collision.

    G. JASON RAVNSBORG was trying to put JASON RAVNSBORG's mind at ease as to how the collision happened.

    H. Sheriff Volek was on scene twice and Sheriff Volek did not feel there was anything suspicious.

    I. Both JASON RAVNSBORG and Tim Bormann looked around the north side of Highway 14 and if they had not found anything they would have looked on the south side.

54. JASON RAVNSBORG understood the incident was more scrutinized because of who JASON RAVNSBORG was.

55. JASON RAVNSBORG was asked how far JASON RAVNSBORG estimated JASON RAVNSBORG walked from where JASON RAVNSBORG's vehicle came to a stop to where JASON RAVNSBORG could read the green Highmore sign. JASON RAVNSBORG did not know how far JASON RAVNSBORG walked to see the Highmore sign.

56. SS/A Rummel asked JASON RAVNSBORG if JASON RAVNSBORG remembered driving on the rumble strips. JASON RAVNSBORG stated after impact, JASON RAVNSBORG was pumping the brakes on the vehicle while trying to steer over to the side of the road. JASON RAVNSBORG was always told if he hit the brakes during an accident, he could skid and lose control.

57. JASON RAVNSBORG remembered hearing the rumble strips when JASON RAVNSBORG applied the vehicle brakes, but not prior to applying the brakes.

58. JASON RAVNSBORG had "tunnel vision" after impact and JASON RAVNSBORG was focused on getting the car to the side of the road.

59. SS/A Rummel told JASON RAVNSBORG that during the first interview, JASON RAVNSBORG stated JASON RAVNSBORG did not know what JASON RAVNSBORG hit until impact. SS/A Rummel stated that statement made by JASON RAVNSBORG would indicate JASON RAVNSBORG knew what JASON RAVNSBORG hit. JASON RAVNSBORG explained JASON RAVNSBORG was in the military and with the military training, JASON RAVNSBORG would never leave a man lying on the side of the road. JASON RAVNSBORG stated JASON RAVNSBORG did not know it was a man until the next day, and JASON RAVNSBORG would have never left someone out there.

60. SS/A Rummel told JASON RAVNSBORG a test was done where SS/A Rummel carried the flashlight as SS/A Rummel walked down Highway 14 and with the flashlight illuminated, SS/A Rummel was not difficult to see.

61. JASON RAVNSBORG was asked if JASON RAVNSBORG usually reset the cruise control or used the resume function. JASON RAVNSBORG sometimes reset the cruise control and sometimes did the "resume" function, which put the vehicle at the last speed set on cruise control.

62. JASON RAVNSBORG remembered looking at the speed limit sign and the sign stating the distance to Pierre. JASON RAVNSBORG did not even feel like JASON RAVNSBORG had even got going yet when the collision occurred.

63. JASON RAVNSBORG wanted to get rid of distractions when JASON RAVNSBORG was driving so JASON RAVNSBORG could think about some major cases the attorney general's office was handling.

64. JASON RAVNSBORG did not remember sending any text messages prior to the crash. JASON RAVNSBORG stated JASON RAVNSBORG looked at things on JASON RAVNSBORG's phone, but JASON RAVNSBORG had set the phone down to get rid of distractions.

65. JASON RAVNSBORG said JASON RAVNSBORG often looked at article headlines but did not read the articles.

66. SS/A Arenz addressed the possibility of taking a polygraph examination. JASON RAVNSBORG stated JASON RAVNSBORG spoke to Tim Bormann, who then spoke to South Dakota Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) SS/A Tyler Neuharth regarding the polygraph. SS/A Neuharth discussed potential problems with the suitability of a polygraph examination in this particular case. It should be noted S/A Arenz spoke with SS/A Neuharth regarding the conversation about polygraphs. SS/A Neuharth said the conversation was with Director Dave Natvig regarding the possibility of a polygraph and the potential concerns with a polygraph in this case. It should be noted also that S/A Arenz agreed with SS/A Neuharth's concerns.

67. JASON RAVNSBORG acknowledged speaking to South Dakota DCI SS/A Brent Gromer about the data that could be obtained from cell phones.

68. Please refer to the attached video recording and audio recording of the interview with JASON RAVNSBORG for further details.

Description and Custody of Evidence:

1. None as a result of this report.

Attachments:

1. CD (JASON RAVNSBORG 2nd Interview Folder) Containing the following:
   A. Audio/Video Recorded Interview with JASON RAVNSBORG
   B. Spreadsheet of Phone Activity