NORTH DAKOTA BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

Supplement Report BCI20-00536/52

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Synopsis

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Address #1 - ACTIVITY LOCATION #1 - NDBCI

Primary Information

Address: **NDBCI, BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA UNITED STATES**

Subject #1 - 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**

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)**

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Subject #2 - MENTIONED #1 - FIEGEN, KRISTIE

Primary Information

Subject Name: **FIEGEN, KRISTIE**

Record Type: **PERSON**

Bio: **58 yr. old, UNKNOWN, FEMALE**

Birth Date: [redacted]

Juvenile: **NO**

Personal Information

Ethnicity: **NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO**

Addresses

Relationship	Address
HOME ADDRESS	[redacted]

Telephones / E-Addresses

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

Subject #3 - MENTIONED #2 - KOZOL, STEPHANIE

Primary Information

Subject Name: **KOZOL, STEPHANIE**

Record Type: **PERSON**

Bio: **36 yr. old, WHITE, FEMALE**

Birth Date: [redacted]

Juvenile: **NO**

Personal Information

Ethnicity: **NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO**

Addresses

Relationship	Address
HOME ADDRESS	[redacted]

Telephones / E-Addresses

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

Subject #4 - MENTIONED #3 - ODENBACH, SCOTT

Primary Information

Subject Name: **ODENBACH, SCOTT**

Record Type: **PERSON**

Bio: **48 yr. old, WHITE, MALE**

Birth Date: [redacted]

Juvenile: **NO**

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Subject #4 - MENTIONED #3 - ODENBACH, SCOTT - Continued

Personal Information

Ethnicity: **NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO**

Addresses

Relationship	Address
HOME ADDRESS	[redacted]

Telephones / E-Addresses

Relationship	Number/E-Address
CELLULAR PHONE	[redacted] **CELLULAR)**
BUSINESS WORK PH#	**(605) 642-2622 (BUSINESS)**

Subject #5 - MENTIONED #4 - SAMP, MATTHEW

Primary Information

Subject Name: **SAMP, MATTHEW**

Record Type: **PERSON**

Bio: **47 yr. old, WHITE, MALE**

Birth Date: [redacted]

Juvenile: **NO**

Personal Information

Ethnicity: **NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO**

Addresses

Relationship	Address
HOME ADDRESS	[redacted]

Telephones / E-Addresses

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

Subject #6 - MENTIONED #5 - WOLLMAN, THOMAS

Primary Information

Subject Name: **WOLLMAN, THOMAS**

Record Type: **PERSON**

Bio: **49 yr. old, WHITE, MALE**

Birth Date: [redacted]

Juvenile: **NO**

Addresses

Relationship	Address
HOME ADDRESS	[redacted]

Telephones / E-Addresses

Relationship	Number/E-Address
BUSINESS WORK PH#	**(605) 764-5732 (BUSINESS)**

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CASE/REPORT #: BCI20-00536/52

Report Title: Miscellaneous Interviews

Details:

(ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE)

1. On December 1, 2020, at approximately 4:42 p.m., Special Agent (S/A) Joe Arenz spoke to Lincoln County, South Dakota, State's Attorney Thomas Wollman over the phone. S/A Arenz had previously been provided information that Thomas Wollman had spoken to JASON RAVNSBORG about the crash. During the phone conversation between Thomas Wollman and S/A Joe Arenz, Thomas Wollman stated the following:

    A. Thomas Wollman met with JASON RAVNSBORG on September 29, 2020, in JASON RAVNSBORG's office in Pierre, South Dakota, after a meeting. Thomas Wollman may have also spoken to JASON RAVNSBORG over the phone, but Thomas Wollman could not be certain.

    B. The conversation with JASON RAVNSBORG regarding the crash was "generic."

    C. Thomas Wollman was concerned for JASON RAVNSBORG.

    D. Thomas Wollman asked JASON RAVNSBORG if JASON RAVNSBORG was eating and sleeping and encouraged JASON RAVNSBORG to seek professional help if JASON RAVNSBORG needed.

    E. Thomas Wollman and JASON RAVNSBORG spoke about other vehicular manslaughter cases and how JASON RAVNSBORG's investigation did not involve alcoholic beverage use.

    F. The conversation between Thomas Wollman and JASON RAVNSBORG tracked along with what Thomas Wollman already knew.

    G. Thomas Wollman felt it was not uncommon that JASON RAVNSBORG struck a deer but did not find the deer at the time of the crash.

    H. Thomas Wollman did not walk away from the meeting with JASON RAVNSBORG thinking that Thomas Wollman was given any information that Thomas Wollman did not already know.

    I. Thomas Wollman and JASON RAVNSBORG spoke about if JASON RAVNSBORG had retained an attorney. Thomas Wollman did not believe JASON RAVNSBORG had retained an attorney at that time.

    J. Thomas Wollman and JASON RAVNSBORG spoke about the media coverage this investigation was receiving. They discussed the frustration JASON RAVNSBORG had about the true information not getting out to the media and just theories and speculation.

2. Please see the attached audio recording of the phone interview with Thomas Wollman for details.

3. On December 2, 2020, at 9:49 a.m., S/A Arenz spoke to Matthew Samp regarding the crash. Matthew Samp was the campaign advisor for JASON RAVNSBORG in 2017 during the South Dakota Attorney General election. Matthew Samp stated the following regarding Matthew Samp's relationship and conversations with JASON RAVNSBORG:

   A. JASON RAVNSBORG contacted Matthew Samp to inform Matthew Samp of the crash.

   B. Matthew Samp did not believe JASON RAVNSBORG would hurt anyone and Matthew Samp felt that JASON RAVNSBORG was an honest person.

   C. Matthew Samp sent text messages to JASON RAVNSBORG checking on the wellbeing of JASON RAVNSBORG.

   D. S/A Arenz asked Matthew Samp about sending a text message along the lines of saying, "At least you hit a democrat," to JASON RAVNSBORG.

   E. Matthew Samp did not admit to sending the text message, but also acknowledged that Matthew Samp may have sent that text message. Matthew Samp advised S/A Arenz that someone must have observed that text message on JASON RAVNSBORG's phone since S/A Arenz was asking Matthew Samp about the message.

   F. S/A Arenz asked Matthew Samp about JASON RAVNSBORG's response to Matthew Samp's text message about hitting a democrat. Matthew Samp did not remember if JASON RAVNSBORG replied, but again stated S/A Arenz could look at the phone data rather than ask Matthew Samp.

   G. Matthew Samp would be willing to answer questions, but Matthew Samp felt that S/A Arenz was on a "fishing expedition" insinuating that S/A Arenz was just attempting to find any information unfavorable to JASON RAVNSBORG regardless of what occurred at the time of the crash.

   H. S/A Arenz advised Matthew Samp that S/A Arenz would contact Matthew Samp if S/A Arenz had any further questions.

4. It should be noted that the audio recorder malfunctioned and did not record the majority of the interview with Matthew Samp. Two small parts of the interview were recorded and attached to this report.

5. On December 7, 2020, at 11:23 a.m., S/A Arenz spoke to Scott Odenbach over the phone. S/A Arenz explained to Scott Odenbach that when data from JASON RAVNSBORG's phone was reviewed, it appeared that Scott Odenbach may have taken part in writing JASON RAVNSBORG's press release. Scott Odenbach stated the following:

A. Scott Odenbach and JASON RAVNSBORG went to law school together and have known each other for several years.

B. JASON RAVNSBORG spoke to Scott Odenbach in the capacity of Scott Odenbach being JASON RAVNSBORG's attorney.

C. Scott Odenbach did not feel that Scott Odenbach could speak to S/A Arenz regarding the investigation.

D. Scott Odenbach described JASON RAVNSBORG as a nice kind patriot that loved his country.

6. Please see the attached audio recording of the phone interview with Scott Odenbach for further details.

7. On December 8, 2020, at 3:38 p.m., S/A Arenz spoke to Stephanie Kozol over the phone. S/A Arenz explained to Stephanie Kozol that JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone data was reviewed and it appeared that JASON RAVNSBORG may have had conversations with Stephanie Kozol after the crash. Stephanie Kozol stated the following:

A. Stephanie Kozol had known JASON RAVNSBORG either since JASON RAVNSBORG was running for election as the South Dakota Attorney General or shortly after being elected.

B. Stephanie Kozol worked for Aaron's Incorporated (Inc.) as the Government Relations Director.

C. Stephanie Kozol met JASON RAVNSBORG through their involvement on the Attorney General's circuit.

D. JASON RAVNSBORG contacted Stephanie Kozol before the South Dakota Governor made her initial press conference regarding the crash. Stephanie Kozol would not speak on why JASON RAVNSBORG contacted Stephanie Kozol, but did state that JASON RAVNSBORG and Stephanie Kozol previously had a close relationship and JASON RAVNSBORG was just wanting Stephanie Kozol to know about the crash prior to it getting out in the news.

E. JASON RAVNSBORG did not give Stephanie Kozol any specifics about the crash other than to say that someone died in the crash.

F. Stephanie Kozol did not ask for any specifics regarding the crash.

G. Stephanie Kozol had not spoken to JASON RAVNSBORG in approximately two months.

8. Please see the attached audio recording of the phone interview with Stephanie Kozol for further details.

9. On December 8, 2020, at 4:35 p.m., S/A Joe Arenz spoke over the phone to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commissioner Kristie Fiegen. S/A Arenz explained that through

reviewing JASON RAVNSBORG's phone data, it appeared that Kristie Fiegen and JASON RAVNSBORG have a close relationship and there were conversations between Kristie Fiegen and JASON RAVNSBORG in the time after the accident. Kristie Fiegen stated the following:

A. Kristie Fiegen and JASON RAVNSBORG had known each other for many years but the relationship between JASON RAVNSBORG and Kristie Fiegen and Kristie Fiegen's family grew during the 2018 election.

B. Kristie Fiegen and JASON RAVNSBORG were on the campaign trail together in 2018.

C. Kristie Fiegen was told about the crash by an employee of the Public Utilities Commission, who called Kristie Fiegen and told Kristie Fiegen that JASON RAVNSBORG was deceased.

D. Kristie Fiegen called JASON RAVNSBORG's cell phone after receiving this news and did speak to JASON RAVNSBORG.

E. Kristie Fiegen and Kristie Fiegen's family put JASON RAVNSBORG on speaker phone and prayed over the phone.

F. Kristie Fiegen spoke to JASON RAVNSBORG on another occasion about the crash. Kristie Fiegen felt Kristie Fiegen needed to keep what JASON RAVNSBORG said confidential at the time because Kristie Fiegen's husband did not keep things to himself and had he known any details about the crash, he would have told others.

G. All the information Kristie Fiegen knew after talking to JASON RAVNSBORG was given out at JASON RAVNSBORG's press release.

10. Please see the attached audio recording of the phone interview with Kristie Fiegen for further details.

Description and Custody of Evidence:

1. None as a result of this report.

Attachments:

1. CD (Miscellaneous Interview Folder) Containing the Following:
   A. Audio Recording of Part of Matthew Samp Interview
   B. Audio Recording of Thomas Wollman Interview
   C. Audio Recording of Scott Odenbach Interview
   D. Audio Recording of Stephanie Kozol Interview
   E. Audio Recording of Kristie Fiegen Interview