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TERESA MARIE HALBACH: Attempts to Obtain DNA Standard for Teresa Halbach

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Reporting LEO:

Fassbender, Thomas J (Appleton Special Assignments / Wisconsin DOJ Division of Criminal

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Kelly, Carolyn S (Madison Arson / Wisconsin DOJ Division of Criminal Investigation)

Related Subjects					
Name	Type	Sex	Race	DOB	Relationship
Halbach, Teresa Marie	Person	Female	White	3/22/1980	Victim

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Status	Quantity	Description
Crime Laboratory	3	Three Pap smear slides for Teresa Halbach.
Crime Laboratory	3	Three reports pertaining to the analysis of the Pap smear slides for Teresa Halbach.

Record Status Information

Record Origination Operator:

Price, Denise (Criminal Investigation / Wisconsin DOJ Division of Criminal Investigation)

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On Wednesday, November 16, 2005, in response to a request from Sherry Culhane, with the Wisconsin State Crime Laboratory, S/A Thomas J. Fassbender had telephone contact with Karen Halbach and asked her about doctors, medical clinics or hospitals that her daughter, Teresa M. Halbach, may have been to in the recent past. S/A Fassbender also asked if Teresa may have donated blood recently. S/A Fassbender explained that the crime laboratory was interested in possibly obtaining something from one of those entities that would contain Teresa's DNA in order to establish a standard for her. Karen advised that Teresa has not seen a regular doctor recently. Karen advised that Teresa did visit a dermatologist, but did not have a name. Karen also advised that Teresa donated plasma in Green Bay.

S/A Fassbender then telephoned Ryan Kilgus at cellular telephone 920-810-2400. Kilgus was a very close friend of Teresa's. S/A Fassbender asked Kilgus if he knew where Teresa donated plasma and he informed S/A Fassbender at BioLife Plasma Resources, in Green Bay, WI. Kilgus also agreed to look through some of her paperwork at her apartment to see if she had seen any doctors or been to any clinics. Kilgus provided the address for BioLife Plasma Services as 2321 San Luis Place, Green Bay, WI 54304, 920-499-0299.

Kilgus recontacted S/A Fassbender and advised that he found some paperwork that indicated Teresa had been to Bellin Health, in Green Bay and had been seen by Dr. Sabecha Bedi, 920-433-3500, and a cardiologist by the name of Dr. Meyer, with the same phone number. Kilgus also advised that Teresa had been to Women's Health Care, OBGYN, and Dr. Nicky Plementosh, 1537 Park Place, Suite 200, Green Bay, WI. Kilgus also advised that there was some paperwork for a dermatologist by the name of Dr. K. Zimmerman. Kilgus advised that he did not have an address or phone number for Dr. Zimmerman. Kilgus advised that Teresa also had apparently visited the pharmacy at Walgreens, 920-498-3794.

S/A Fassbender spoke with Tori Weber, the Manager at BioLife Plasma Services, in Green Bay, WI, 920-499-2086. Weber confirmed that Teresa had given plasma at her facility but was unsure if they still had her plasma. Weber advised if so, it would be frozen in storage. Weber also advised that she did not believe there was any DNA components in plasma. S/A Fassbender subsequently checked with personnel at the Wisconsin State Crime Laboratory, in Madison, and they advised that there is no DNA in plasma.

On Thursday, November 17, 2005, S/A Fassbender spoke with Wendy, the Office Manager at Dr. Nicky Plementosh's office. Wendy advised that Teresa had been at that office almost two years ago. Wendy advised that she would check with their lab, which is the Bellin Health lab. Wendy ultimately provided the name of Jan Harrig, as the head of the lab, 920-433-7848.

Also, on November 17, 2005, S/A Fassbender spoke with Dr. Colleen Zimmerman, the Dermatologist that Teresa had seen. Dr. Zimmerman checked her files and advised that there had been no lab work or any other work, such as skin biopsies that could possibly provide a DNA

standard on Teresa.

Also, on November 17, 2005, S/A Fassbender spoke with Dr. Sabecha Bedi, who advised that she last saw Teresa last year, in September and she stated that there was lab work done at that time. Dr. Bedi put S/A Fassbender in contact with the Bellin lab. S/A Fassbender ultimately, learned that the Bellin lab had four pap smear slides that were done in the last five years. The lab informed S/A Fassbender that they hold the slides for five years. The lab advised that there was no blood for the last year and that they only keep blood for seven days.

S/A Fassbender ultimately, dealt with Debbie and Chris Waleski, from the Bellin lab, 920-433-7840, who provided S/A Fassbender with a Health Information Disclosure Authorization, which they said that Teresa's mother could sign authorizing the release of the Pap smear slides to S/A Fassbender. S/A Fassbender then dealt with Harrig to obtain the slides.

On Friday, November 18, 2005, at 2:46 p.m., S/A Fassbender and Investigator Mark Wiegart, of the Calumet County Sheriff's Department met with Karen Halbach at her residence for the purpose of having her sign the Health Information Disclosure Authorization. S/A Fassbender had previously contacted Karen Halbach to inform her of the authorization and she agreed to sign it. Karen Halbach signed the form and S/A Fassbender and Investigator Wiegart also signed as witnesses.

On Monday, November 21, 2005, S/A Fassbender presented the Health Information Disclosure Authorization to Harrig at the Bellin Health laboratory, 744 S. Webster, Green Bay, WI. Harrig had previously packaged and sealed the Pap smear slides from Teresa and she presented S/A Fassbender with the package she advised contained those slides. Harrig also advised that she enclosed laboratory reports corresponding and identifying each slide with the date they were taken or processed.

S/A Fassbender assigned Property Receipt No. D-2604-1 and 2 to the pap smear slides and reports. Harrig advised that she was providing three Pap smear slides for Teresa. S/A Fassbender had Harrig sign the property receipt as the party from whom the articles were obtained and S/A Fassbender provided her with a copy of the property receipt.

S/A Fassbender then placed the package in a large paper envelope and sealed the envelope with evidence tape. S/A Fassbender marked the envelope with the case number, property receipt number, date and his initials.

Also, on November 21, 2005, S/A Fassbender transferred the evidence to S/A James C. Holmes for his subsequent transfer to the Wisconsin State Crime Laboratory, in Madison, WI. S/A Fassbender signed the property receipt showing that he relinquished the items and S/A Holmes signed the property receipt showing that he received the items. S/A Holmes maintained the white property receipt to be maintained with the evidentiary items.