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Primary Information

Description: TERESA MARIE HALBACH: Contact With Charles and Allan Avery 11/29/2005
 Occurrence From: 11/29/2005 10:20
 Occurrence To: 11/29/2005 11:45
 Dissemination Code: Agency
 Reporting LEO: Skorlinski, Kim J (Appleton Special Assignments DCI)
 Backup LEO: Heimerl, Kevin L (Arson DCI / Wisconsin Department of Justice DCI)
 Approval Status: Approved
 Approved Date: 12/13/2005
 Approved By: Kelly, Carolyn S (Madison Arson DCI)

Related Addresses

Address	Relationship
12930 Avery Rd, Two Rivers, Wisconsin 54241 , United States of America	Location of Event

Related Subjects

Name	Type	Sex	Race	DOB	Relationship
Avery's Auto Salvage	Business	---	---	---	Subject of Records
Avery, Allan K	Person	Male	White	05/03/1937	Mentioned
Avery, Charles Earl	Person	Male	White	07/13/1954	Mentioned
Avery, Earl Kevin	Person	Male	White	06/10/1970	Mentioned
Avery, Shirley D	Person	Unk	Unknown	---	Mentioned
Avery, Steven Allen Sr	Person	Male	White	07/09/1962	Mentioned
Depies, Laurie J	Person	Female	White	09/17/1971	Mentioned
Halbach, Teresa Marie	Person	Female	White	03/22/1980	Victim

Record Status Information

Record Origination Operator: Knutson, Andrea L (DCI Appleton Field Office / Wisconsin Department of Justice DCI)
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 Last Update Operator: Kelly, Carolyn S (Wisconsin Statewide Intelligence Center DCI)
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Reporting LEO	Date	Supervisor	Date
Skorlinski, Kim J (Appleton Special Assignments DCI)		Kelly, Carolyn S (Madison Arson DCI)	9/12/2016

Narrative begins on the following page.

On Tuesday, November 29, 2005, at approximately 10:20 a.m., S/A Kim J. Skorlinski and S/A Kevin L. Heimerl contacted Charles (Chuck) E. Avery and his father, Allan A. Avery, at their place of business, Avery's Auto Salvage, 12930 Avery Road, Two Rivers, regarding this investigation. Previously, S/A Skorlinski received from S/A Thomas J. Fassbender photocopies of original records from Avery's Auto Salvage and S/A Fassbender wanted S/A Skorlinski to provide copies of these records to the Averys so they could continue operating their business. These were copies of records listed under DCI Property Receipts #D-2599, D-2600 and D-2601.

Upon arriving at the shop at Avery's Auto Salvage, S/A Skorlinski first spoke with Chuck regarding rumors relating to Teresa Halbach's homicide. S/A Skorlinski advised Chuck that he is hearing rumors that someone else was involved, possibly one of the brothers of Steven Avery, which would be either Chuck or Earl Avery. Chuck said he has not heard that rumor, but he has heard a rumor that Teresa went to a Halloween party after leaving Avery's Auto Salvage and was gang raped and killed by three or four Mexicans. He said that rumor came from the Two Rivers Police Department after some 14 year old girl was interviewed. Chuck also said that someone by the name of Hauschultz was involved. S/A Skorlinski advised Chuck that he has heard something to that effect and the investigators are following up on it.

S/A Skorlinski also asked Chuck if there is anyone in their family with the name of Shirley Avery, and he said no. Chuck said he has no relative by that name and never heard of anyone by that name. S/A Skorlinski said according to Lieutenant Mike Krueger of the Town of Menasha Police Department, the CCAP report on Steven Avery, lists a Shirley Avery for a Department of Revenue judgment. The report indicates Shirley was residing on Royal Court, Appleton. Chuck again said he has never heard of Shirley. S/A Skorlinski told Chuck that Royal Court is close to where Laurie Depies disappeared in August 1992.

S/A Skorlinski asked Chuck if he was familiar with the Depies case, and he said no. When S/A Skorlinski briefly told Chuck about Depies, he said he never heard about it. S/A Skorlinski also told Chuck that according to Lt. Krueger, CCAP is a public record and the media is picking up on the fact that Shirley is listed on Steven's CCAP report and Royal Court is close to where Depies disappeared. S/A Skorlinski just wanted Chuck to know that in case his family is asked about the connection. Chuck said he appreciated that.

By this time, Allan walked over to where S/A Skorlinski, S/A Heimerl and Chuck were talking. S/A Skorlinski then tried to give Chuck the copies of the records that were provided by S/A Fassbender. Chuck said S/A Skorlinski had to give them to Allan, which S/A Skorlinski tried to do, but Allan refused to take them. Allan instead walked into his office complaining and swearing about the investigation and he had something to show S/A Skorlinski.

S/A Skorlinski, S/A Heimerl and Chuck followed Allan into his office, and he continued to complain and swear as he was retrieving a hardcover book containing information on the vehicles in the salvage yard. S/A Skorlinski told Allan that if he did not control his temper and stop swearing, then S/A Skorlinski and S/A Heimerl would be leaving. S/A Skorlinski told Allan that he was not going to talk to him in his agitated state. Allan calmed down and said he had records of all vehicles in the yard dating back to the mid 1960s, and he wanted his original

books back that were seized during the search warrant. Allan said he did not want the copies. S/A Skorlinski and S/A Heimerl explained to Allan that the copies represent the pages of those books and S/A Fassbender even photocopied a few blank pages so Allan could continue recording the vehicles. Allan was not happy about that and said he wanted his original books back. S/A Skorlinski placed the copies of the business records on the counter in the office.

S/A Skorlinski said that S/A Fassbender will ask the Calumet County District Attorney when it would be appropriate to have the original records returned to Allan, but neither S/A Skorlinski nor S/A Fassbender could make that decision. Allan then said he was worried that the state auditors might come in and question him as to why he did not have an original book, but instead was using copies. S/A Skorlinski told Allan if that happened, he should have the auditors contact either S/A Skorlinski or S/A Fassbender.

Allan then asked why is everyone picking on his son, "Stevie." S/A Skorlinski explained that no one is picking on Steven, but the evidence analyzed so far indicates that Steven is the person responsible for killing Teresa Halbach. Allan said he did not believe that, and this was all a set up. S/A Skorlinski asked Allan to explain how Teresa's car key got in Steven's bedroom. Allan asked why didn't the cops find that the first time they went into Steven's house. S/A Skorlinski and S/A Heimerl explained that Manitowoc County Sheriff's Department deputies were looking for Teresa, not for a personal item like a car key.

S/A Skorlinski asked Allan that if he did not think Steven was responsible, then how did Teresa's bones end up in Steven's fire pit. Allan did not answer, but Chuck said from what he has heard, the bones have not been positively identified as Teresa's. S/A Skorlinski said the bones would be tested soon. S/A Skorlinski asked Allan to explain how Steven's blood got in Teresa's car. Allan did not answer.

Allan stated if Steven did this, then how/ was he going to get rid of Teresa's car. S/A Skorlinski said Steven's plan was to crush it in the car crusher. S/A Skorlinski said that Steven hid Teresa's car from Chuck and Earl, and was planning on driving the car to the shop at a later date and stripping it down to prepare it for crushing. But, for whatever reason, Steven did not get an opportunity to do that. Allan said how could that be, when the car crusher should not have been there.

Allan said the owner of the car crusher was supposed to come and get it weeks ago. Allan did not know the last time Steven was operating the car crusher. S/A Skorlinski told Allan that according to Earl, Steven was operating the car crusher on November 4, 2005, the day before Teresa's car was found in the back of the auto salvage yard. Allan did not say anything, and S/A Skorlinski said if he did not believe him, then he should ask his son, Earl.

S/A Skorlinski, S/A Heimerl and Chuck then left the office and went back into the shop. S/A Skorlinski told Chuck at a later date, he and Lt. Krueger, may be recontacting him to take a statement regarding Depies. Chuck said that would be fine and S/A Skorlinski could call him at any time. Chuck also said that his family will continue to cooperate with this investigation. The contact was terminated at approximately 11:45 a.m.