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Knowlton Death Investigation

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Sworn Investigative Summary

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August 9, 2016

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SUBJECT

Lee Coel, Punta Gorda Police Department Officer

VICTIM

Mary Knowlton

INCIDENT LOCATION

Punta Gorda Police Department

1410 Tamiami Trail

Punta Gorda, FL 33950

Investigation

This investigation is predicated upon the death of Mary Knowlton, which occurred on August 9, 2016 in the back parking lot of the Punta Gorda Police Department (PGPD), located at 1410 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, Florida. Mary Knowlton was a participant in a "citizen's academy" hosted by the PGPD. During a role play scenario, Mrs. Knowlton was shot and mortally wounded by PGPD Officer Lee Coel. The findings in the following summary are based upon witness testimony, review of PGPD surveillance video, and forensic analysis.

On the evening of August 9, 2016 the PGPD hosted a citizen's academy for members of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce. The PGPD has hosted several of these events over the past year for the local residents of Punta Gorda. The purpose of the citizen's academy was to familiarize the attendees with the PGPD's operation, facilities, equipment, and provide them with some personal insight about what the average police officer in their community encounters.

The training event was scheduled to last approximately 2 ½ hours and commenced in the PGPD training room at 5:30 PM with a meet and greet between the 31 attendees and the PGPD Chief and the majority of his command staff. After Chief Tom Lewis provided a power point presentation on the operations of the PGPD, the attendees were divided into several small groups and provided a tour of the facility and a chance to view some of the PGPD equipment and police vehicles that were parked outside. There was no prescribed lesson plan for the citizen's academy, only an outline of the program's activities in agenda format.

As in previous citizen academies, the remainder of the evening was dedicated to four role play exercises involving some of the attendees, who were randomly selected to participate. The role play scenarios were designed to allow the attendees to experience what it was like for a police officer to contend with adversarial or violent people. The attendees who were not selected to participate in the role plays were allowed to observe the scenarios from approximately 20-30 feet away. Several PGPD Officers were also in attendance, some of whom were assisting with the coordination of the role plays and other activities scheduled that evening. All of the scenarios were set to take place in the rear parking lot of the public safety complex parking lot.

Mary Knowlton participated in the first exercise and played the role of a police officer in a "shoot/don't shoot" scenario. PGPD Officer (Ofc.) Lee Coel played the role of a suspicious person who was possibly breaking into a parked car. Prior to the scenario beginning, Ofc. Coel placed his personally owned .38 caliber Smith and Wesson (S&W) revolver on the front bumper of a police vehicle that was being used as a prop for the scenario. Ofc. Coel had previously loaded what he thought were four blank firing cartridges in the revolver; however, unbeknownst to him, he actually loaded four cartridges of lethal ammunition. Mrs. Knowlton was given a loaded simunition training handgun and provided a quick tutorial on how to use the weapon and instructions about her role in the scenario. Mrs. Knowlton was then tasked with confronting Ofc. Coel, who was already in character as a suspicious person.

This role play scenario was captured on the PGPD surveillance video by way of a security camera located behind the building. The following times were taken from that video.

At approximately 6:39 PM, Mrs. Knowlton walked up to Ofc. Coel, who was wearing a gray hoody sweatshirt and safety mask to protect his face from simunition rounds, was peering into a parked vehicle and acting as though he was talking on a cell phone. Holding the simunition training gun in her hand, Mrs. Knowlton confronted Ofc. Coel and engaged him in a brief conversation.

At approximately 6:39 PM, Ofc. Coel walked to the front bumper of the parked vehicle and grabbed the aforementioned revolver. He pointed the revolver in the direction of Mary Knowlton and fired several times as he moved around the vehicle to the opposite side. Mary Knowlton remained standing where she initially confronted Ofc. Coel.

Mrs. Knowlton was struck by two of the four bullets that were fired. One bullet ricocheted off the engine hood of the parked car and struck Mrs. Knowlton in the abdomen, where it remained. Another bullet ricocheted off the engine hood and struck her in the inside of her left elbow, where it remained. A third bullet ricocheted off the engine hood and came to rest at an unknown location. The fourth bullet entered and lodged in the driver's side door of the parked vehicle.

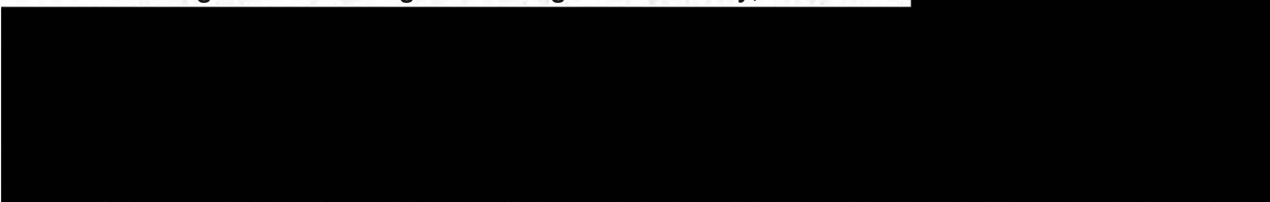
Upon being struck by two of the bullets, Mrs. Knowlton bent over at the waist, spun around, and fell to the ground, striking her head on the pavement. At first, many of the attendees, including some of the police officers, thought Mrs. Knowlton was going along with the scenario when she bent over. However, when she spun around and fell to the ground, they thought she was having a medical episode, such as a heart attack. It was not until Chief Lewis, Ofc. Coel, and other officers rushed to Mrs. Knowlton's aid, did they realize she had been shot.

At approximately 6:49 PM, Paramedics and EMS from the Punta Gorda Fire Department responded to the scene of the shooting and transported Mrs. Knowlton to the Lee Memorial Hospital Trauma Center, where she succumbed to her injuries and died after life-saving efforts failed to revive her. Mrs. Knowlton was pronounced deceased by the trauma center medical doctors at approximately 7:25 PM.

Dr. Robert Pflazgraf, of the District 21 Medical Examiner's Office, conducted the autopsy on Mrs. Knowlton and concluded the manner of death was accidental and the cause of death was a gunshot wound to her torso with perforation of the abdominal aorta.

It was determined the ammunition used by Ofc. Coel was .38 caliber Blazer, hollow based wad cutters (HBWC) manufactured by Speer-CCI. Ofc. Coel stored two boxes of the Blazer HBWC ammunition in the back of his assigned K-9 patrol vehicle, along with three boxes of Winchester .38 blank firing cartridges, and one box of FIOCCHI .380 blank firing cartridges.

Communicating with FDLE Agents through his attorney, Ofc. Coel



According to Speer-CCI, the company does not manufacture blanks under the Blazer name.

During an interview with FDLE Agents, Lt. Heck acknowledged that she "probably" gave Ofc. Coel the two boxes of CCI Blazer HBWC .38 caliber ammunition. Lt. Heck believed the cartridges in the Blazer boxes were blanks; not lethal ammunition. Lt. Heck stated that she obtained the Blazer ammunition from her husband, John Heck, who had the ammunition stored at their residence. It should be noted that Lt. Katie Heck's fingerprint was identified on one of the boxes of CCI Blazer HBWC .38 caliber ammunition that was collected from Ofc. Coel's K-9 patrol vehicle.

Sometime during the end of July, 2016, Ofc. Coel tested the Blazer ammunition at the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) gun range with CCSO K-9 Supervisor Corporal (Cpl.) Leonard Prevatte before participating in a K-9 demonstration at the CCSO gun range for a group of citizens. According to Ofc. Coel and Cpl. Prevatte, Ofc. Coel showed the CCI Blazer HBWC's to Cpl. Prevatte. After Cpl. Prevatte inspected one of the CCI Blazer HBWC cartridges, a test fire of a single cartridge was performed while pointing the .38 revolver at the ground. It can be reasonably submitted that neither Coel nor Prevatte noticed the projectile striking the ground (grass) next to them, because they assumed they were firing blanks. The only purpose of this test was to determine if the report (sound) of the Blazer ammunition would be loud enough for the K-9 demonstration.


The .38 caliber CCI Blazer HBWC and the Winchester blank firing cartridges are similar in shape and size. Neither of these cartridges were similar to Ofc. Coel's .40 caliber duty ammunition used in his service weapon, which was stored in the front passenger area of his patrol vehicle, separate from the Blazer HBWC and the Winchester blanks.

Conclusion

There is no evidence that Officer Coel intended to use lethal ammunition while participating in the role play scenario with Mary Knowlton on August 9, 2016. Furthermore, it is apparent that Ofc. Coel's, and others', inability to differentiate between blank firing cartridges and .38 caliber HBWC ammunition resulted in Mary Knowlton's death.

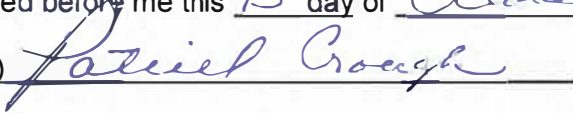
Notarization

I swear the foregoing is true and correct.

Special Agent: 

Gary Negrinelli
Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of October, 2016

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Evidence

The following items were collected as evidence:

- Projectile from drive side front door of scenario patrol car
- S&W .38 Special revolver, SN CFU574, unloaded, from trunk top of scenario car
- Four (4) .38 Special casings from blacktop
- Samsung flip cell phone from trunk top of scenario car
- Two (2) training helmets from blacktop
- Glock 17T 9MM FX training handgun with 18 FX rounds, from scenario car roof
- Eye glasses from hood top of scenario car
- Empty S&W gun box tagged with SN CFU5742 from K9 vehicle
- S&W .38 Special revolver, SN R211817, without cylinder, from K9 vehicle
- Two (2) boxes of 50 round capacity "Blazer" .38 Special wadcutter ammo, one containing 35 rounds and one containing 40 rounds, from K9 vehicle
- Box of 50 round capacity "Fiocchi" .380 blank ammunition containing 15 rounds, from K9 vehicle
- Digital disc containing digital images of scene and evidence
- Projectile fragment from victim's left pleural cavity
- Projectile fragment from victim's left arm
- Digital disc containing digital video of incident
- Digital disc containing digital images of incident captured by Susan Paquin
- Digital disc containing digital images of incident captured by PGPD Lieutenant Lipker

The S&W .38 Special revolver, SN CFU574 and ten rounds of the "Blazer" .38 Special wadcutter ammunition were sent to the FDLE laboratory in Tampa for analysis.



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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

On August 9th, 2016, the Punta Gorda Police Department (PGPD) requested the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) conduct an investigation of a shooting that involved PGPD Officer Lee Coel, which resulted in the death of Mary Knowlton. The incident occurred at the PGPD, located at 1410 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, Florida.

In response to this request, Special Agents and Crime Scene Personnel from FDLE's Fort Myers Regional Operations Center (FMROC) responded to the PGPD. Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli was assigned as the case agent.

Upon their arrival at approximately 8:45 PM, the agents met with PGPD Captain (Capt.) Jason Ciaschini, who provided them with a brief description of what occurred. Capt. Ciaschini stated in sum and substance that the PGPD was hosting a citizens' training event for approximately thirty members of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce. The scheduled 2 ½ hour event involved a short power point presentation, a tour of the facility, and role play scenarios that involved the participation of some of the citizen attendees acting as police officers and PGPD Officers acting as suspects. It was during the first role play scenario that the shooting occurred. PGPD Officer Lee Coel, who was acting as a suspicious person, shot seventy-three year old Mary Knowlton, who was acting as a police officer.

The incident occurred in the rear parking lot area of the public safety complex and was witnessed by the other citizen attendees and PGPD officers assisting with the event. Capt. Ciaschini further advised that the citizen attendees were escorted back into the police department's large training room and instructed to not talk about the incident with each other. PGPD Officers were assigned to the training room to make sure those instructions were followed. Agents also learned that Mary Knowlton had been pronounced deceased at Lee Memorial Hospital Trauma Center shortly after her arrival and Officer Coel was sitting in one of the PGPD offices with another officer.

After the briefing, agents commenced interviewing the 48 witnesses, which consisted of eleven sworn members of the PGPD, and one non-sworn member, five Punta Gorda City Fire/EMS Personnel, and 31 citizen attendees.

At approximately 9:29 PM, SA Negrinelli, Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough, Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC) Shane Pollard, and Special Agent in Charge (SAC) John Burke were able to view the scene of the incident, which was located in the southeast

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| Author: Negrinelli, Gary | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/09/2016 | Activity End Date: |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Initial Response

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corner of the back parking lot. FDLE Senior Crime Laboratory Analyst (SCLA) Lee Dewey had also responded and was present during the agents' walkthrough of the scene. SCLA Dewey took photographs of the scene and collected evidence. PGPD personnel placed a canopy over the incident scene due to the rain. It was still raining as agents observed the scene. The scene involved two police vehicles (Ford Crown Victorias) as scenario props. A Smith & Wesson (S&W) five-shot revolver was located on the engine hood of one of the vehicles. The revolver's cylinder was open and unloaded. A pair of eyeglasses was located next to the revolver. A flip cell phone was located on the trunk of one of the police vehicles. A Glock simunition training handgun was located on the roof of one of the police vehicles. Four spent casings were located on the ground in the vicinity of the same vehicle. There was a small amount of blood located on the ground, in between the two police vehicles. There were two, black in color, safety training helmets on the ground in the vicinity of the police vehicles. A bullet hole was observed in the driver side door of one of the vehicles.

SA Negrinelli was able to view the digital video footage of the incident, which was taken from a surveillance camera located behind the PGPD. The following is what SA Negrinelli observed in the video: Several civilians were in the back parking lot, watching the scenario. Officer Coel was walking back and forth in the parking lot, prior to the scenario. Officer Coel was wearing black utility pants, a gray hooded sweatshirt, and a black protective training helmet with a clear face shield. Officer Coel went inside the front passenger side of his K9 Patrol Unit, prior to the start of the scenario. Officer Coel then went to one of the two police vehicles that were being used in the scenario and reached down toward the front bumper of one of the vehicles. The scenario began as Mary Knowlton walked over to the two police vehicles where Officer Coel was. When Mary Knowlton made contact with Officer Coel, there was a brief exchange (no audio available) and Officer Coel then walked to the front of one of the patrol vehicles, retrieved a handgun from the front bumper, and fired the gun in the direction of Mary Knowlton as he moved around the front of the vehicle to the other side of the vehicle. Mary Knowlton bent over at the waist and then fell to the ground. Officer Coel was the first to approach Mary Knowlton. Officer Coel removed his training helmet and got down on the ground where Mary Knowlton was lying. Other PGPD personnel came over to where Officer Coel and Mary Knowlton were. Punta Gorda Firefighters and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT's) responded quickly and began to treat Mary Knowlton.

It was learned through the interviews of the firefighters and EMT's that Mary Knowlton sustained two gunshot wounds, one to the torso and one to the left arm.

SA Negrinelli made contact with Sue Paquin, who is a freelance photographer from "Sun Newspapers" in Port Charlotte. Paquin had already been interviewed by SA Jennifer O'Connell. Paquin was taking pictures that night and had captured photos of the actual incident. Copies of the photos were downloaded to a CD-R and placed in evidence.

SA Negrinelli secured Officer Coel's K9 Patrol Unit by placing evidence tape over the four doors and back hatch. Coel's patrol unit was in the back parking lot near the rear entrance of the PGPD and under video surveillance.

SA Negrinelli was present during the collection of evidence by SCLA Dewey. The following items were collected:

- One (1) S&W .38 Special, Model 637 Airweight, five shot revolver, serial number

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- Four (4) CCI NR (not reloadable) .38 Special casings.
- One (1) Glock 17T 9MM simunition training handgun, loaded with eighteen (18) simunition rounds.
- Two (2) black in color, safety training helmets.
- One (1) Samsung flip cellular phone.
- One (1) pair of eyeglasses.

SA Negrinelli received a digital camera from SA Christopher Tissot. SA Tissot received the camera from PGPD Lieutenant David Lipker. Lieutenant Lipker had taken photos of the incident scene after the shooting. These photos were downloaded and placed in evidence.

The following have been placed into Related Items:

Disc containing video of shooting incident. INV-59.

Disc containing images captured by Susan Paquin on her camera. INV-60.

Disc containing images captured by Lieutenant Lipker on his camera. INV-61.

Disc containing images captured by SCLA Lee Dewey. INV-75.

Copy of Chamber Police Night PGPD outline. INV-76.



**CHAMBER POLICE NIGHT
PUNTA GORDA POLICE DEPARTMENT OUTLINE
AUGUST 9, 2016 – 5:30 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M.**

- I. Chief's Welcome **30 Minutes** –**LEWIS**
 - a. Welcome all participants to the police department
 - b. Power point overview of the department

- II. Police Department Tour **15 Minutes** –**LEWIS, SALSMAN, CIASCHINI**
 - a. Criminal Investigations Section/ Evidence/Property **(5 Minutes)**
 - i. Overview of CIS function
 - b. Road Patrol Section **(5 Minutes)**
 - i. Overview of road function
 - c. Records Section **(5 Minutes)**
 - i. Overview of Records Functions

- III. Static Display **15 MINUTES**
 - a. Marine Unit **(5 Minutes)** – **Kennedy**
 - i. Large boat display
 - ii. Overview of uses
 - iii. Overview of equipment
 - b. Road Patrol **(5 Minutes)** – **Brandon Angelini**
 - i. Vehicle display
 - ii. Overview of equipment
 - c. Bike Unit **(5 Minutes)** – **Shane Chodakowsky**
 - i. Display
 - ii. Overview of uses

- IV. Shoot/Don't Shoot Scenarios **25 MINUTES** – **Lewis, Salsman, Chodakowsky, Coel**

The whole class will participate in this after viewing the static display.

V. Classroom Teachings **35 Minutes** – Lewis, Salsman

a. Taser **(20 Minutes)**

- i. Overview of weapon
- ii. Overview of uses
- iii. Demo

b. Weapon Systems (Patrol Rifles, Glock, OC,& Ballistic Shield **(15 Minutes)**

- i. Overview of weapon
- ii. Overview of uses

VI. Q&A period **10 Minutes**

VII. Evaluation of class

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At approximately 2120 hrs., FDLE Special Agent (SA) Daniel Mehler conducted a recorded sworn interview of Nanette Leonard at the PGPD. The following information outlines the sum and substance of the interview. For further details please refer to the digital audio recording.

Leonard arrived at the Punta Gorda Police Department conference room for a short power point presentation put on by Chief Tom Lewis. After the presentation everyone broke off into groups lead by Chief Lewis, Captain (Capt.) Jason Ciaschini, and one other unknown person. The groups were given a tour of the police department's facilities. After a tour of the inside of the facility, all of the groups met outside for static displays consisting of a patrol car and a marine boat. After seeing the static displays, everyone was moved towards the rear of the building where a demonstration was going to take place.

Leonard stated that "Mary" (Mary Knowlton) had been given a gun and showed how to use it. Leonard stated that Lee Coel was to play a perpetrator within a scenario that Knowlton was participating in. Leonard continued that Knowlton and Coel had some interaction between each other in the scenario and then Leonard heard three (3) shots. Leonard described Knowlton falling to the ground, knees first, than to her hands, and then her head. Leonard believed that Knowlton falling to the ground was part of the scenario until she heard Coel scream to get a medic. Leonard stated that multiple officers ran to Knowlton to assist. Leonard stated that the entire group was brought inside and "that was it."

Leonard explained that all of the persons within the group are part of the Chamber of Commerce. Leonard stated that Coel had put on a prior demonstration in the past where shots were fired and Coel's K-9 was released from a vehicle to apprehend a portrayed perpetrator.

Leonard stated that the weapon utilized by Knowlton was a hand gun described to the group as one that could fire rounds with colored detergent. Leonard stated that no mention was made of Coel having a gun during the demonstration.

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When asked, Leonard did not think anything was suspicious about the demonstration. The interview was concluded at 2135 hrs.

Photographs taken on Leonard's cell phone were emailed to SA Mehler. The following have been placed into Related Items:

Disc containing audio recording of the interview. INV-1

Disc containing images captured by Leonard on her cell phone. INV-2

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On August 09, 2016, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Jerrick Pittman received a cell phone call from FDLE Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough regarding the officer involved shooting on Mary Knowlton. SAS Crough advised SA Pittman to respond to the Lee Memorial Hospital Trauma Center where Knowlton was being transported to. While SA Pittman was en route to the trauma center, SAS Crough called SA Pittman and informed him that Knowlton was pronounced dead at the hospital.

At approximately 8:35 PM, SA Pittman arrived at the Lee Memorial Hospital. Hospital security directed SA Pittman towards the trauma center. Upon arrival to the trauma center, SA Pittman took control of the trauma room in which Knowlton's body was housed. Two PGPD Officers were already in the trauma room. Detective (Det.) Martin Meddaugh and Corporal (Cpl.) Anthony Pribble, of the PGPD, greeted SA Pittman in the trauma room.

SA Pittman observed Knowlton's body on a hospital bed in the trauma room. Knowlton's body was covered with a hospital blanket and was not in view. SA Pittman took photographs of Knowlton's body while it was covered with the blanket. Knowlton's head and face were in view and were not covered.

At approximately 9:40 PM, SA Pittman spoke with Knowlton's husband, Mr. Gary Knowlton. Mr. Knowlton wanted to know when he would be able to observe his wife's body. SA Pittman explained to Mr. Knowlton that he would be able to observe his wife's remains after the Lee County Medical Examiner examined the body.

At approximately 10:05 PM, Cpl. Pribble left the hospital with Mr. Knowlton and transported him home.

SA Pittman spoke with Forensic Investigator Shawn Martin of the District 21 Medical Examiner's Office. At approximately 11:30PM, the Medical Examiner's transport unit arrived at the hospital. SA Pittman released Mary Knowlton's body to the Medical Examiner. SA Pittman observed

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Description:Response to the Lee Memorial Hospital regarding Mary Knowlton.

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Knowlton's body being loaded into the Medical Examiner's transport unit van and leaving the Lee Memorial Hospital.

SA Pittman left the hospital at approximately 11:40 PM with Knowlton's clothing and shoes that were collected by the hospital staff. The clothes were stored in a brown paper evidence bag. The evidence bag contained a blouse, bra, and blue shorts. Knowlton's shoes (sandals) were stored in a plastic hospital bag.

At approximately 12:04 AM, SA Pittman arrived at the FDLE Fort Myers Regional Operations Center (FMROC). SA Pittman sealed and signed the evidence bag containing Knowlton clothes and placed the clothes in the temporary evidence locker located in the Squad K area. They were subsequently dried in the evidence lab and placed in the FMROC evidence vault.

The photographs taken at the hospital were memorialized onto a compact disc and will be maintained in the related items section of this case file as INV-13.

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On August 10, 2016, at approximately 12:00 AM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Officer Brandon Angelini with the Punta Gorda Police Department at the above mentioned location. Officer Angelini was advised he was not the subject of the investigation and that his statement was voluntary.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement Officer Angelini provided SA Tissot:

Officer Angelini was working dayshift road patrol on the day the shooting occurred. Officer Angelini arrived at the Punta Gorda Police Department at approximately 6:15 PM to participate in the static display that was being demonstrated for the citizen's police academy. During the static display, Officer Angelini demonstrated the different functions of his patrol car for the citizens.

After the static display was finished, Officer Angelini decided to stay and observe the first scenario that followed the static display. Officer Angelini did not participate in the scenario, he was only a spectator. The scenario took place behind the Punta Gorda Police Department. Officer Angelini observed the scenario from a sidewalk area a short distance away from the location where the actual scenario took place.

Officer Angelini observed Officer Coel dress up in a "perpetrator" outfit before the scenario began. While on the sidewalk area, Officer Angelini observed Chief Tom Lewis conduct a briefing with the citizens who were going to observe the scenario.

After the briefing concluded, Officer Angelini observed Captain Jeffrey Woodward come down from the squad room with a blue gun (training gun). Officer Angelini didn't see Captain Woodward give Knowlton the blue gun; however he later observed Knowlton holding the blue gun during the scenario.

When the scenario began, Officer Angelini observed Knowlton approach Officer Coel who was

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Description: Interview of PGPD Off. Brandon Angelini on 8/10/2016

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standing in between the two police vehicles that were setup for the scenario. Officer Coel was on a cell phone. Officer Coel put the cell phone down, turned, and walked away from Knowlton. Officer Coel then turned around and fired a "few" rounds. After the shots were fired Knowlton took a step backwards and went down to her knees. Officer Angelini thought Knowlton was having a medical incident. Officer Angelini called for EMS to assist.

Officer Angelini didn't observe any other police officers participate in the scenario besides Officer Coel. Officer Angelini doesn't know who was in charge of the scenario. Officer Angelini doesn't know if there was a safety officer present. Officer Angelini didn't see anyone check Officer Coel's firearm prior to the start of the scenario. Officer Angelini has seen Officer Coel participate in other demos where Officer Coel used a revolver that fired blank ammunition. Officer Angelini is unaware if Officer Coel had the silver revolver that was used in the shooting prior to the scenario, or if someone else gave it to him.

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On August 10, 2016, at approximately 12:41 AM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Officer Shane Chodakowsky with the Punta Gorda Police Department at the above mentioned location. Officer Chodakowsky was advised he was not the subject of the investigation and that his statement was voluntary.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement Officer Chodakowsky provided SA Tissot:

Officer Chodakowsky was at the Punta Gorda Police Department the evening of the shooting in order to participate in the static display for the citizen's police academy. Officer Chodakowsky conducted a static display of his issued police bicycle.

After the static display concluded, Officer Chodakowsky proceeded over to where the first scenario was to take place. Officer Chodakowsky was supposed to participate in the second scenario; however that scenario never took place. Officer Chodakowsky observed the scenario from the sidewalk area along with several other officers. During this time, Officer Chodakowsky observed Chief Tom Lewis hold a briefing with the civilians in reference to what was going to happen during the scenario.

When the scenario began, Officer Chodakowsky observed Officer Coel look into the windows of the marked patrol vehicle that was part of the scenario. Officer Coel made his way to the middle of the two patrol vehicles that were part of the scenario. Knowlton confronted Officer Coel as she was supposed to. Officer Coel then grabbed a silver pistol from the front bumper of one of the patrol cars and fired towards Knowlton. Knowlton then slumped over after she was shot; Officer Chodakowsky thought she may have had a heart attack.

Officer Chodakowsky recalls hearing Officer Coel's firearm misfire. Officer Chodakowsky stated it sounded as if Officer Coel pulled the trigger several times and the firearm misfired.

Officer Chodakowsky said Officer Coel uses a firearm similar to the one used in the shooting for K9 training. Officer Chodakowsky doesn't know if it's the same firearm Officer Coel used during

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Description: Interview of PGPD Off. Shane Chodakowsky on 8/10/2016

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the scenario where the shooting occurred.

Officer Chodakowsky doesn't recall anyone checking Officer Coel's firearm and doesn't know if safety checks were conducted before the scenario began. Officer Chodakowsky observed Lieutenant (LT) Chris Salsman retrieve Officer Coel's firearm after the shooting occurred and place the firearm on the hood of the marked vehicle that was used in the scenario. Officer Chodakowsky believes Lt. Salsman was in charge of the scenario

A CD recording of Officer Chodakowsky's sworn statement will be maintained in the related items section of this case.

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On August 10, 2016, at approximately 1:15 AM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Lieutenant (LT) David Lipker with the Punta Gorda Police Department at the above mentioned location. LT Lipker was advised he was not the subject of the investigation and that his statement was voluntary.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement LT Lipker provided SA Tissot:

LT Lipker did not participate in the static display or the scenario. LT Lipker was working the 6PM to 6AM road patrol shift as the Watch Commander the evening the shooting occurred. LT Lipker was inside of the Punta Gorda Police Department building when the scenario was taking place.

LT Lipker heard one or multiple shots while he was inside the building and thought the shots didn't sound like simunition rounds. After hearing the shots, LT Lipker went outside and saw a large crowd gathered. LT Lipker saw Office Coel in civilian attire and realized someone had been shot. Captain Jason Ciaschini directed LT Lipker to get his camera. LT Lipker went to his patrol vehicle, obtained his department issued digital camera, and returned to the scene. LT Lipker took photographs of Knowlton.

LT Lipker saw the silver revolver on the hood of the marked vehicle; however he didn't recognize the firearm. LT Lipker went to photograph the silver revolver; however Lieutenant Chris Salsman told LT Lipker that he had already cleared and subsequently touched the firearm.

LT Lipker doesn't know if any safety checks were performed before the scenario began. LT Lipker doesn't know who was in charge of, or responsible for the scenario.

After the interview concluded, LT Lipker voluntarily turned over his department issued digital camera to SA Tissot. SA Tissot then turned over the digital camera to Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli.

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 9:21 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Karen Lyons, who was present during the shooting involving PGPD Officer Lee Coel and Mary Knowlton. Lyons is a member of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement Lyons provided SA Tissot:

Lyons was at the Punta Gorda Police Department as a part of the Punta Gorda Chamber Police Night to participate in citizens training. Lyons arrived at the Punta Gorda Police Department at approximately 5:00 PM.

When the evening's activities began, the members of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce were inside of the Punta Gorda Police Department. Chief Tom Lewis and other officers explained and demonstrated different aspects of the police department to the civilian participants.

Later, the civilian group went outside and participated in a static display. The civilian group was given a demonstration of a patrol car as well as a marine patrol vessel.

After the demonstration, the civilian group was brought over to where the first scenario was to take place, behind the police department. When the scenario began, Lyons was approximately 20-25 feet away from the actual scenario standing with other civilians. Knowlton was playing the role of the police officer and Officer Coel was playing the role of the bad guy.

During the scenario, Officer Coel was near the rear of one of the patrol cars in the scenario and Knowlton was near the side of the patrol car. Both Knowlton and Officer Coel had their firearms drawn. Lyons couldn't hear anything either Knowlton or Officer Coel was saying. As the scenario progressed Lyons heard what sounded like gunshots. Knowlton grabbed herself, went down to her knees, and then fell face down.

After the shooting occurred, the civilian group was escorted back inside the police department.

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 9:37 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Jennifer Evans, who was present during the shooting involving PGPD Officer Lee Coel and Mary Knowlton. Evans is a member of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement Evans provided SA Tissot:

Evans works for the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce and arrived at the Punta Gorda Police Department at approximately 5:20 PM. When the civilian attendees arrived at the police department, they were brought into a conference room. Once in the conference room the civilian attendees were given an overview of the police department that included the different aspects of the police department as well as the police department's statistics. The civilian attendees then went outside and were given a demonstration of the marine patrol boat, a police bicycle, and a police truck.

After the demonstration concluded, the civilian attendees were escorted to an area behind the police department where the shooting scenario was to take place. The scenario took place around an unmarked patrol car. Knowlton was near the middle of the passenger side of the patrol car and Officer Coel was near the front of the driver's side of the patrol car. During the scenario, Evans stopped paying attention and didn't actually see the shooting; she only heard the shots. Evans stated the civilian attendees were told that blank ammunition would be used during the scenario; however she thought the gunshots sounded very loud. After hearing the shots Evans observed Knowlton fall to the ground. After the shooting occurred Evans and the other civilian attendees were escorted back inside the police department.

A CD recording of Jennifer Evan's sworn statement will be maintained in the related items section of this case.

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 9:53 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Peggy Andrews, who was present during the shooting involving PGPD Officer Lee Coel and Mary Knowlton. Andrews is a member of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement Andrews provided SA Tissot:

Andrews is a member of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce. Andrews was present at the Punta Gorda Police Department along with the other members of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce the evening the shooting occurred. Andrews arrived at the police department at approximately 5:30 PM. When Andrews and the other civilian attendees arrived they were brought in to a conference room inside the police department. Each civilian attendee was given a passport type book. Chief Tom Lewis explained to the attendees that several of them would have a business card inside of their passport book. The business card would indicate that they were selected to take part in a shooting scenario, or a Taser scenario.

The civilian attendees then went outside and were given a demonstration of a police car as well as a marine patrol boat. After the demonstration the civilian attendees were escorted to an area where the shooting scenario was to take place. Andrews observed the scenario from a berm area near where the scenario took place. Chief Lewis explained to the attendees that Knowlton, who was selected to be a part of the shooting scenario, was going to reenact what police have to go through every day. Chief Lewis told the civilian attendees that Officer Coel would be using blank ammunition during the scenario. Knowlton showed the group the fake Glock with detergent rounds she was given.

When the scenario began, Knowlton was near a patrol car that she pretended she just got out of, as if she was an officer. Knowlton walked over to Officer Coel who was near two police cars. Officer Coel was wearing plastic equipment on his head, goggles, a sweatshirt, and jeans. As Knowlton approached Officer Coel, he threw something on top of one of the cars. Officer Coel then spun around the back of one of the cars, and Andrews heard gunshots. Andrews didn't actually see the shooting, she only heard the shots. Knowlton then

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spun around, started falling in slow motion, and went down to her knees. When Knowlton didn't get up, officers went over to check on her. Andrews and the other civilian attendees were then escorted inside the police department.

A CD recording of Peggy Andrew's sworn statement will be maintained in the related items section of this case.

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 10:13 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Robert Carl Peterson, who was present during the shooting involving PGPD Officer Lee Coel and Mary Knowlton. Peterson is a member of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement Peterson provided SA Tissot:

Peterson arrived late to the evening's event; he arrived at approximately 6:00 PM. When Peterson arrived at the Punta Gorda Police Department, they were in the middle of giving tours of the police department to the civilian attendees. Peterson joined Chief Tom Lewis's group and they were escorted outside of the building. Once outside Peterson and the other civilian attendees were given a demonstration of a police cruiser, the marine unit, and the crime scene unit. After the demonstration concluded, Peterson and the rest of the civilian attendees went over to where the scenario was to be performed.

Peterson is part of leadership Charlotte and observed the shooting scenario this past spring in a separate event. Peterson was aware as to what was supposed to happen. When the scenario began, Knowlton approached Officer Coel who was looking into the windows, and opening the doors of one of the police cars that was part of the scenario. Knowlton approached Officer Coel and started talking to him. Officer Coel was wearing dark pants, a grey hoodie, and a helmet with a plastic shield. As the scenario progressed, Peterson was looking at the faces of the other civilian attendees to observe their reactions to the scenario. At first, Peterson stated that he did not observe the actual shooting; he heard two guns shots, followed by a third. After hearing the gunshots Peterson observed Knowlton fall to the ground. Peterson later stated that he did in fact observe the actual shooting. When Knowlton fell to the ground Peterson thought she may have had a heart attack. Peterson ran towards the fire department and yelled for an EMT to assist.

Peterson was approximately 30-40 yards away from where the actual scenario occurred. Before the scenario began, a police officer showed the civilian attendees the firearm Knowlton

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would be using. Peterson stated it was a blue Glock that used detergent rounds. The civilian attendees were told Officer Coel would be using blank ammunition. When Peterson observed the same scenario this past spring, the officers didn't wear vests, hoods, and shields as they did for this scenario.

A CD recording of Robert Peterson's sworn statement will be maintained in the related items section of this case.

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At approximately 2145 hrs., FDLE Special Agent (SA) Daniel Mehler conducted a recorded sworn interview of Marjorie Benson at the PGPD. The following information outlines the sum and substance of the interview. For further details please refer to the digital audio recording.

Benson stated that she attended a "meet your local police" type function that was put on for the members of the Chamber of Commerce at the PGPD. Benson continued that she attended a power point presentation and then a tour of the facility and equipment used by the PGPD. Benson stated that the group was able to see a patrol vehicle and marine patrol boat outside of the building and then it was time for a "shoot/don't shoot segment." Benson stated that two people were randomly chosen to participate in the shoot/don't shoot scenario. Benson explained that everyone who had attended the power point presentation received a notepad. Two of the notepads randomly had some sort of insert within. The two persons who received the notepads with the inserts were chosen to participate in the scenario. Mary Knowlton and Deb Malinoski were the two randomly selected participants.

Benson stated that the group was told that the participants were going to be playing the role of police officers and engage in a scenario where they would have to determine if they should shoot or not shoot. The participants would be using a firearm that utilized rounds that contained some sort of soap product. Benson stated she didn't remember hearing anything about the perpetrator role player carrying a gun. The perpetrator role player was a PGPD Police Officer.

Benson stated Knowlton made contact with the perpetrator role player, who exchanged words with her. He then walked around a parked vehicle, grabbed a gun, and began shooting. Benson stated she thought they were blanks and remembered hearing approximately four (4) shots. Knowlton fell to the ground after the shots were fired. Benson stated she thought it was part of the scenario until she saw officers run to Knowlton's aide and heard someone say "stay with me."

Benson stated she heard another officer walking past her towards Knowlton say "live bullet, not a blank." Benson also heard, who she thought to be Ofc. Coel, yell for medics. At that time,

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Description: Interview of Marjorie Benson on 08/09/2016

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Benson and the rest of the group were ushered back into the PGPD building. When asked, Benson stated she thought Coel was the person playing the role in the scenario.

When asked if Benson thought the incident was anything other than a tragedy she replied "oh god no." When asked if she had seen anything suspicious, Benson answered, "not at all." Benson stated she was approximately three (3) to four (4) car lengths away from the scenario but had a pretty clear view.

The interview was concluded at 2155 hrs.

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Disc containing audio recording of interview. INV-10.

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At approximately 9:31 pm, FDLE SA Ortiz obtained an audio recorded sworn interview from Susan Maher. The interview took place in the Accreditation Manager's Office located inside the police department. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim.

Maher explained that she was at the PGPD for a "citizen's training/citizens police academy" as part of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce. Maher stated that she arrived at 5:30 pm. Maher explained that the police academy would show what police do. Maher said it was her first night at the citizen's police academy.

Maher explained that at 5:30 pm, Chief Lewis talked about Punta Gorda and Punta Gorda Police statistics. Maher stated that after Chief Lewis was done, the group toured the department. Maher explained that during the tour, they were to go outside where they would be given a demonstration. Maher explained that during the 1st half hour, 4 people received a card in their booklet which told them what role they would play for the demonstration. Maher stated that she knew 2 of the 4 people who received a card, Mary and Debbie (Malinowski). Maher stated she didn't know Mary's last name but described her as a tall older lady with gray hair. Maher stated that Mary selected a card with the gun. Mary was going to play the role of the police. Maher said Mary and Debbie were going to be the police person. The other 2 people with cards were going to have a Taser.

Maher explained that the roles were given in the classroom and that the chamber class

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Description: Interview of Susan Maher on 08/09/2016

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consisted of about 30 people. The group then went outside to the back of the police station and the group viewed police vehicles.

Maher stated the group was then lead to the "scene." Maher estimated the time as being about 6:00 pm and it was still light outside. Maher stated that it wasn't raining however thunder could be heard.

Maher described the area where the demonstration was to take place. Maher stated that there was a police car and a random car in the corner. Maher explained there was going to be a "pretend burglar" who was going to be looking into the car. Mary was going to approach and see how she would handle the situation. Maher said Mary was coached before on how to walk up to the vehicle.

Maher "believed" that "Sgt. Woodward" was the facilitator for the demonstration (Woodward is actually Captain Jeffrey Woodard). Maher explained that Woodard was showing Mary the gun she would be using and how the bullets were not real. Maher stated she (Maher) isn't familiar with firearms. Maher said that Knowlton's gun was loaded with blanks filled with liquid detergent or paint.

Maher said Cpt. Woodard didn't cover any further safety aspects or instruction. Maher stated that she didn't see any other firearms.

Maher explained that Debbie (who obtained the other gun card) remained in the building as Mary was going to go through the scenario first to see how she (Mary) would handle the situation. After Mary was finished with her scenario, Debbie would come outside and do the scenario. After Debbie was done with the scenario, the 2 people who drew the Taser cards would do their separate scenarios. At the conclusion of the scenarios, the group would go back into the building and discuss the scenarios.

Maher summarized that there was going to be 4 scenarios. 2 separate scenarios involving firearms and 2 separate scenarios involving Tasers. Maher explained Mary was the first person to perform in the demonstration. Prior to the scenario, Cpt. Woodard gave a safety demonstration that Mary's gun was a training gun. Maher said that perhaps Cpt. Woodard also told Mary inside the building that the gun she would be using was a training gun.

Maher was unsure if Mary was provided a holster, gun belt or safety goggles. Maher believed Mary may have had a vest on that was provided.

Maher next described the actual scenario involving Mary. Mary was supposed to approach the burglar who was looking into the car. Maher described the role playing burglar as being a "Police person" who was tall and wearing a mask and hoodie. Maher stated she didn't see the role player's weapon. Maher stated that she (Maher) was not wearing her glasses. Maher stated that there were 2 people in the scenario, Mary and the role player. The area of the scenario was by the passenger side of the unmarked car towards the front of the car.

Maher stated that Mary was getting closer to the role player who was looking in the car window. Maher believes the role player shouted to Mary asking why she was pointing her gun at him. Maher stated that she heard thunder and looked behind. Maher stated she then heard 3 or 5

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gunshots.

Maher explained that everyone was joking and then she saw Mary collapse. Maher thought Mary collapsing was part of the scenario. Maher stated that she did not see the role player fire a gun because she was looking in a different direction towards the sound of thunder. Maher judged her distance from the scenario as being about 100 feet.

Maher said after Mary collapsed, everyone thought it was part of the scenario and that Mary was acting, until the role playing officer realized Mary was on the ground and then the other officers ran over to Mary. Maher stated that the role playing officer and Chief Lewis attempted resuscitation. Maher stated that Mary didn't make any statements and that she was unresponsive. Maher stated that the role playing officer didn't make any statements.

Maher said the group was told to leave the area after about 2 to 5 minutes later. Maher stated that the group was then escorted back into the building as the ambulance was on its way.

Maher's audio recorded statement was downloaded onto a CD and will be maintained as a related item, INV-12.

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At approximately 2200 hrs., FDLE Special Agent (SA) Daniel Mehler conducted a recorded sworn interview of Catherine Peterson at the PGPD. The following information outlines the sum and substance of the interview. For further details please refer to the digital audio recording.

Peterson stated that she and her husband attended an event at the PGPD to show their support to the department. Peterson stated they arrived late, catching part of the facilities tour, outdoor equipment displays, and then brought over to observe an outdoor demonstration. Peterson stated that she knew how the demonstration was going to go because her husband had been through it with Charlotte County during a leadership class.

Peterson stated that during the demonstration shots were fired, the female participant immediately grabbed her stomach, swayed for a moment, and then collapsed to the ground. Peterson stated that as soon as everyone realized that something was wrong, everyone was moved into the building. Peterson stated she only knew the first name of the female participant, "Mary."

Peterson stated that the scenario was explained to the group prior to starting, which included speaking about the firearm that was going to be used by the participant (Mary) and the soap type rounds utilized with the firearm. Peterson stated that no one had made mention as to whether or not the perpetrator role player had a firearm.

Peterson stated she heard three (3) shots fired during the scenario. Peterson thought at first that Mary was hit with the soap rounds discussed prior to the scenario. When Mary collapsed, Peterson knew something was wrong. Peterson said she heard one of the officers say that they were real bullets.

When asked if she thought there was anything suspicious about the incident, Peterson answered no and that she felt badly for both the officer and Mary.

The interview was concluded at 2210 hrs.

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Description: Interview of Catherine Peterson on 08/09/2016

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At approximately 9:52 pm, FDLE SA Ortiz obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from Della Booth. The interview took place in the Accreditation Manager's Office located inside the police department. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim.

Booth stated that she is a member of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce and it was the Punta Gorda Chamber who took part in the evening's event at the police department. Booth said approximately 25 chamber members took part and that it was a 1 day presentation.

Booth explained that she was late for the event and arrived by herself. Booth stated that the event started at 5:30 pm and that she arrived at 5:45 pm. Booth said the event was supposed to be over at 6:30 pm or 7:00 pm. Booth stated she didn't know what activities were going to take place prior to arrival.

Booth stated that upon her arrival, she was lead to the back of the building where Chief Lewis was giving a presentation. Booth said that after Chief Lewis spoke, the group was advised that they would be going outside to see the vehicles, boats, and bicycles used by the police department.

Booth explained that after the tour of the vehicles, there was going to be a demonstration outside using participants from the group.

The demonstration would simulate what a police officer encounters during a shift. Booth stated that she didn't know what type of scenarios were going to take place.

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Description: Interview of Della Booth on 08/09/2016

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Booth thought that the scenarios were covered and explained before she arrived to the event.

Booth stated Chief Lewis explained how the scenario would work. Chief Lewis explained that the participants from the group would be given a gun loaded with "laundry detergent" so they would know that they shot the person.

Booth stated that Mary Knowlton was supposed to be impersonating the police officer. Booth explained that Chief Lewis showed Knowlton how to hold her gun. Booth stated that Chief Lewis showed Knowlton how to put the "clip" in and how to "index" the gun. Booth stated that Chief Lewis provided Knowlton with her gun and told the group that Knowlton's gun was just like the gun carried on the force. Booth said that Chief Lewis showed the group the "clip" and that she (Booth) could see that the end of the bullets were blue in color. Chief Lewis told the group that the blue tips contained "laundry detergent."

Booth stated that she did not know the identity of the officer playing the burglar. Booth described the officer as wearing protective clothing and a "hoodie." Booth stated that she couldn't tell if Knowlton was wearing protective gear.

Booth next explained how the scenario unfolded. Booth described the scenario as "awkward." The group was standing at the front of the driveway where the curbing ends. The "cars" were against the fence or wall but she wasn't sure. Booth explained that Knowlton walked toward the role player (burglar) from the passenger side of the vehicle. Booth couldn't hear any verbal commands because she has a hearing issue. The officer, who was dressed up in protective gear, was looking into the car window as if he was going to steal the car. Booth stated that as Knowlton approached the role player, she (Booth) was taking pictures with her cell phone. Booth stated many people were taking pictures with their phones. Booth stated she wasn't really looking at Knowlton but was taking pictures of the role player.

Booth stated that the role player started backing up and Booth believes Knowlton went in between the 2 cars and then, all of a sudden, fell down. Booth didn't know if Knowlton falling was staged. Booth heard two shots and felt the "repercussions" in her ear drums. After Knowlton fell, Booth thought it was a "sick prank." Booth didn't believe Knowlton fired her gun.

Booth stated that after Knowlton was struck, "everyone" ran over to Knowlton including people from the chamber and the police department. Booth initially thought Knowlton had a heart attack until Knowlton was turned over and blood could be seen on the front of her shirt. Booth's view of the situation was clear until people responded to Knowlton. Booth could not see if Knowlton was responsive. However, Booth did hear people calling for EMT's (Emergency Medical Technicians).

Booth stated that she didn't hear any statements from the role player or other police officers involved. The group was told to go back into the building shortly after the shooting occurred.

At the conclusion of the interview, SA Ortiz asked if there was any safety aspects covered with

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the role playing burglar. Booth replied that "they said it had blanks in it." Booth was asked if the role player's gun was shown to have blue cartridges. Booth said, "No."

Booth opened her picture file on her cell phone showing SA Ortiz the following pictures that she had taken. Booth also emailed SA Ortiz the photographs from her email address, djbooth@time-realty.com.

The photos consisted of the following:

- 1) Chief Lewis in front of the group at the power point presentation
- 2) A rabbit
- 3) Group viewing Punta Gorda Squad Car #104
- 4) Group viewing a police bicycle and a Punta Gorda police officer
- 5) Group viewing a police boat with a Punta Gorda police officer
- 6) Group viewing the Punta Gorda Police Department crime scene van
- 7) Chief Lewis holding a pistol magazine with a blue tipped cartridge visible. The magazine is held in Chief Lewis's right hand
- 8) Photo of the role player (Officer Lee Coel) wearing a gray "hoodie" and face mask
- 9) Photo of the role player (wearing hoodie and face mask) with Knowlton standing in front of him. The role player is holding what appears to be a cell phone in his left hand and being held to his left ear. Knowlton is holding a blue pistol in her left hand. The pistol is at Knowlton's left side and the muzzle is pointed at the ground.

The audio recorded interview with Booth was downloaded onto a CD and will be maintained as a related item, INV-14.

The photographs emailed by Booth were downloaded onto a DVD and will be maintained as a related item, INV-15.

A copy of the email and photographs emailed by Booth were also printed and along with an electronic copy will be maintained as a related item, INV-16.



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RELATED ITEM

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Description (1 CD^(DVD) CONTAINING
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On Wed, Aug 10, 2016 at 12:49 PM, Ortiz, Michael <MichaelOrtiz@fdle.state.fl.us> wrote:

Thank you Mrs. Booth, the email with attachments just came through and all photos accounted for.



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Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 12:42 PM
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That's strange, they are attached

Please let me know that you received them

On Wednesday, August 10, 2016, Ortiz, Michael <MichaelOrtiz@fdle.state.fl.us> wrote:

Good Morning Mrs. Booth,

Again, thank you for the email containing the photos. The only photos that came through were the rabbit photo, the classroom photo with Chief Lewis in front and the photo of the viewing of squad car #104. The rest of the photos you showed me did not come through. Can you send the remaining photos please.

When I receive the photos I will send you a confirmation that I received them.

Thank you again,



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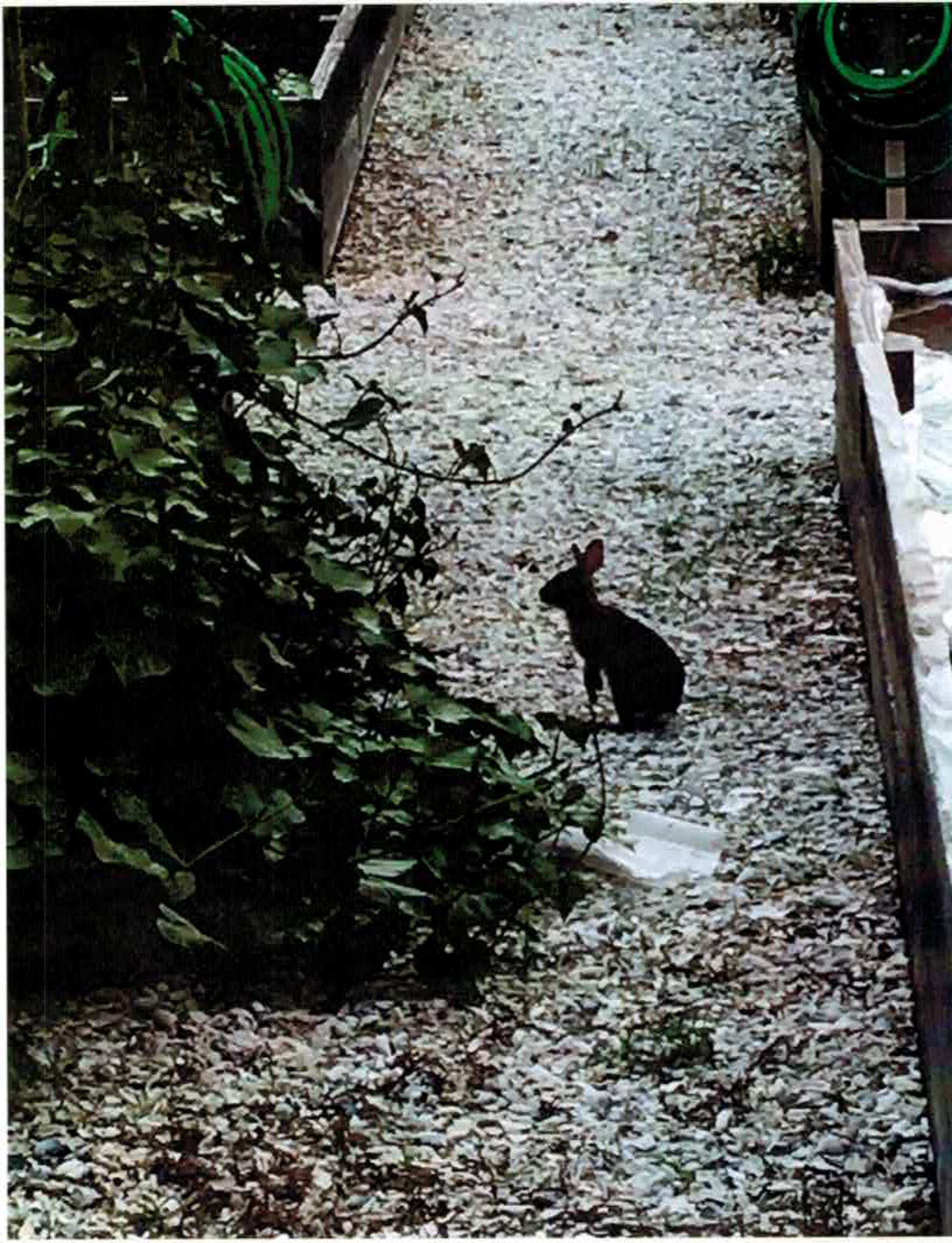
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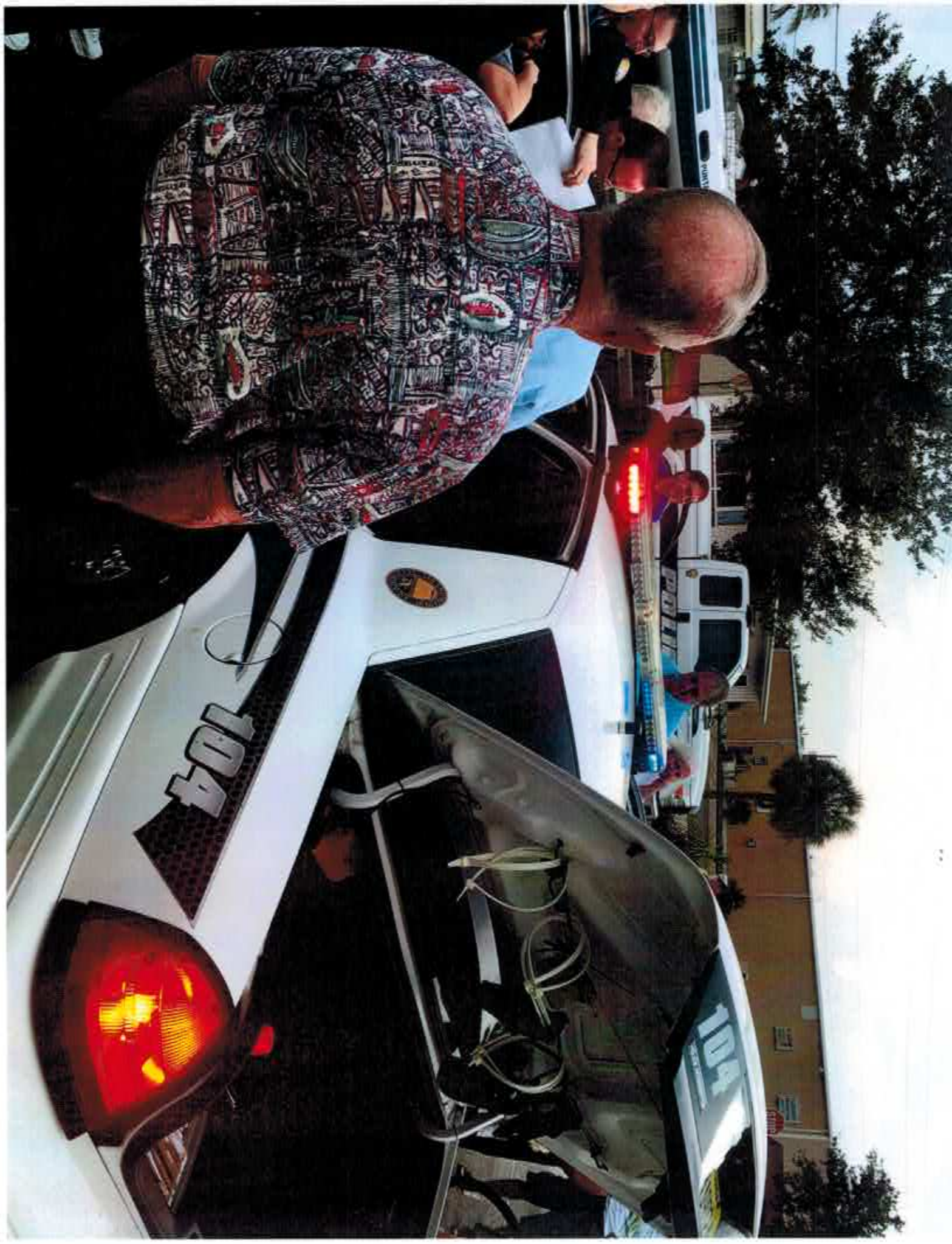
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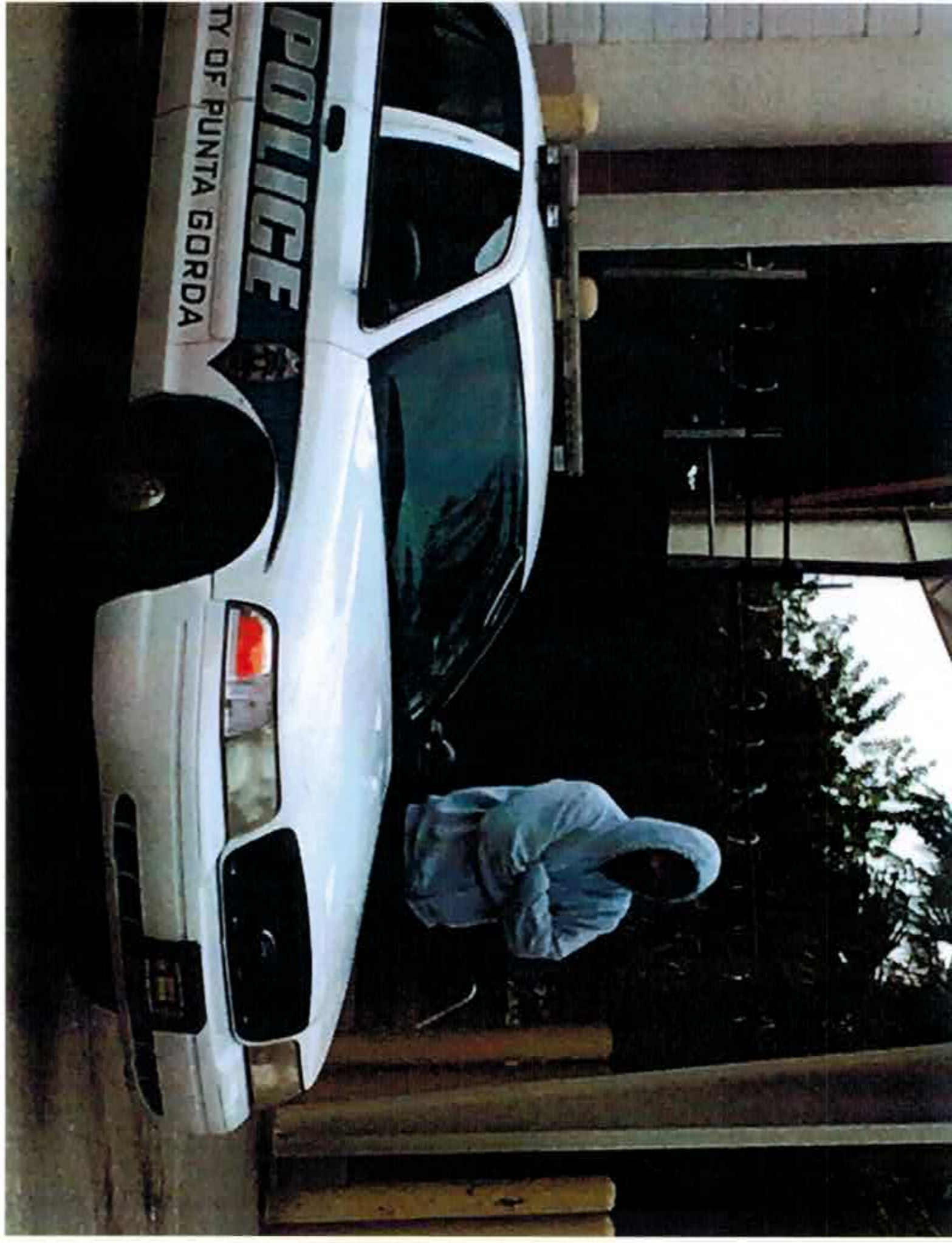














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At approximately 10:25 pm, SA Ortiz obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from Susan Hunter. The interview took place in the Accreditation Manager's Office located inside the police department. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim.

Hunter stated that she came to the PGPD for a Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce event. Hunter was accompanied by her boyfriend Logan Davis. Hunter said she arrived at the police department at 5:15 pm and expected the event to last from 5:30 pm until 8:00 pm. Hunter stated that prior to arriving at the police department she didn't know what activities were going to take place.

Hunter stated about 30 people were in attendance and the first activity was a power point presentation by PGPD Chief Lewis. The power point was an overview of the PGPD. Hunter stated that the group was told they would be given a tour of the department and then would be going outside. Hunter explained that four random business cards from Chief Lewis were located inside the handouts that each member of the group received. Two cards indicated a "Taser" was going to be used and the two other cards indicated that the people were going to do a "live action take down" exercise.

Hunter said the group went outside between 6:00 pm and 6:30 pm. Hunter said it was not dark and it was "barely" raining. While outside, Hunter explained that the group viewed the various police department vehicles.

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Description: Interview of Susan Hunter 08/09/2016

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After viewing the PGPD vehicles, the group went over to do the "live action thing." Hunter described the area as being in the back lot, in front of the community garden. Hunter described the scenario set up: There were two cars parked against the back wall. There was a police car parked diagonally and on the other side an "ammo truck" was parked. Hunter described the "ammo" truck as a red truck that said "ammunition."

Hunter described the first scenario. Hunter said an officer put a face mask and a "hoodie" on. The officer was going to play a suspect. Knowlton was going to play the role of the police officer. Hunter stated that Chief Lewis explained to Knowlton a few things about the "play gun" she was going to use and how things worked. Chief Lewis also explained how the "soap bullets" are made. Hunter stated that Knowlton was provided with a badge, gun, and holster. Knowlton was left handed and the holster was for a right handed person, therefore she didn't use it. Hunter stated that Knowlton was not wearing any safety equipment.

SA Ortiz asked Hunter how many people were taking part in the scenario. Hunter stated the Chief, Knowlton, Captain Ciaschini, who was by the back door speaking to Officer Grimm and another police officer who Hunter couldn't identify. That officer brought out the gun for Knowlton to use. (The unidentified officer is believed to be Captain J. Woodard, who in a later interview with SA Ortiz, acknowledged being Knowlton's gun handler. Captain Woodard was in full police uniform during this event).

Hunter stated that she was within four feet of the scenario and clarified that the only role players in the scenario were Knowlton and the officer wearing the mask and hoodie. SA Ortiz asked Hunter if the role player's weapon was displayed in any way, or if safety of the ammunition was covered, to which Hunter replied, "no."

Hunter described the scenario as it unfolded. Hunter said the officer, who was playing the role of the suspect, was behind the car to the left and then walked between the two cars and he put something on the roof of the car on the left. Hunter thought the object was small, possibly a cell phone battery. Hunter said the suspect role player went back to the front of the car on the passenger side and someone said, "ok." Hunter stated that Knowlton then began to walk in between the two cars and the suspect role player came around the car and Hunter heard, "pop, pop." Hunter stated she saw fire coming from the (role player) suspect's gun. Hunter stated she saw Knowlton "stumble" and "go down." Hunter confirmed she heard two shots that originated from the (role player) suspect. Hunter described Knowlton after being shot as either gasping or screaming then falling to her knees; then face down on the ground. Hunter stated that she observed blood on Knowlton's arm. Hunter estimated the distance between the suspect role player and Knowlton at the time of the shooting as being five to six feet.

Hunter stated that after Knowlton went down, she was unresponsive. Hunter said the group thought Knowlton falling was part of the scenario (at first) although she (Hunter) thought it was real. Hunter stated that people ran towards Knowlton after she went down.

Hunter was asked if she heard the role playing officer make any statements. Hunter stated somebody said, "don't leave me now" as Knowlton was being administered first aid. Hunter believed the role playing officer attempted to aid Knowlton.

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Shortly after the incident, the group was ordered back into the building. Once they were back in the classroom, Chief Lewis appeared and told the group [REDACTED]

Hunter stated that neither she or her boyfriend Logan Davis took photos or videos of the event.

Hunter's audio recorded sworn statement was downloaded onto a CD and will be maintained as a related item, INV-17.

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On August 9th, 2016, at 9:00 pm, Special Agent (SA) Michael Ortiz of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement responded to the Punta Gorda Police Department in reference to this case. SA Ortiz was directed by Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough to conduct interviews of witnesses who were located in the classroom at the Punta Gorda Police Department.

At approximately 10:45pm, FDLE SA Ortiz obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from Michele Olsen. The interview took place in the Accreditation Manager's Office located inside the police department. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim.

Olsen stated that she arrived at the police department at 5:25 pm on August 9th, 2016 to attend a one evening session of the Citizens Police Academy with the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce. Olsen was accompanied by her husband Ron Olsen. Olsen stated that the academy was scheduled from 5:30 to 8:00 pm.

Olsen stated that upon arrival to the police department, she was directed to the classroom and that there were about 30 chamber members in attendance. Olsen stated that Chief Lewis gave a half hour briefing of what the group was going to be doing as well as an overview of the various police department functions.

After the presentation by Chief Lewis, Olsen explained that the chamber members were divided into three groups. Each group would tour different areas in the police department. Olsen stated that she was a part of Chief Lewis's group. After the tour of the inside of the police department, Olsen stated that Chief Lewis lead the group outside and the group viewed the different police vehicles, bike, car and boat.

Olsen stated that after viewing the police department vehicles, the group prepared to view a

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| Author: Ortiz, Michael Andrew | Office: Ft. Myers |
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| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of Michele Olsen on 08/09/2016

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"demonstration." Olsen stated the time was after 6:00 pm and it was still light out. Olsen identified Mary Knowlton as having been assigned as a role playing officer. Olsen stated that Knowlton had picked a card that had been placed in her (Knowlton's) brochure. The card indicated what role the person would play. Olsen described the demonstration as a "shoot/don't shoot exercise."

Olsen stated that she (Olsen) was standing about 100 feet behind Chief Lewis and that Chief Lewis explained to Knowlton that she would be using a "Glock." Chief Lewis and another officer explained to Knowlton the safe handling of the gun that she would be using. Olsen stated that the Chief and other officer explained that Knowlton's gun contained different colored little pellets which contained dish soap. Olsen couldn't recall if Knowlton was issued any safety gear, goggles, head gear or chest protection.

Olsen described who was going to play the suspect as being tall and wearing a face mask and hoodie. Olsen stated she wasn't aware of the officer (dressed in mask and hoodie) as having a weapon. Olsen stated that she did not hear any safety presentation regarding "any type of weapon" that the officer would be using.

Olsen stated that she did not see the officer's weapon or had seen whether the officer's gun contained the same type of bullets or pellets as Olsen had described as being in Knowlton's gun. Olsen stated that the scenario was going to be a suspicious person looking in a car.

Olsen described the scenario as it began. Olsen stated that the suspect was looking in the car and opened the car door. Olsen stated that Knowlton held her gun in her left hand and walked towards the suspect who was between two cars. Olsen stated that Knowlton asked the suspect what he was doing and the suspect told Knowlton that he was looking for his dog. Olsen stated that there was a verbal exchange between Knowlton and the suspect about a dog and that the suspect had asked about Knowlton's gun. Olsen stated that the suspect placed a cell phone on the "top of the hood of the car." Olsen stated that the suspect said something that she (Olsen) couldn't hear and then walked behind the car. Olsen stated that she saw the suspect's gun and then heard two to three shots and that Knowlton bent over, turned around and fell. Olsen initially thought that Knowlton was acting. Olsen stated that she saw no further response from Knowlton. Olsen stated that she didn't observe any injuries to Knowlton, but Olsen's husband Ron later told her that he saw blood when Knowlton was rolled over.

Olsen stated that Chief Lewis ran to Knowlton and Olsen could hear Chief Lewis yell, "stay with us, stay with us, get paramedics." Olsen stated that she did not hear the officer who role played as the suspect make any statement after the weapon discharge.

Olsen stated that the chamber group was told to go back inside the building.

Olsen stated that she did not take any photos or video during the event.

Olsen's recorded sworn statement was downloaded onto a CD and will be maintained as a related item, INV-18.

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At approximately 2215 hrs., FDLE Special Agent (SA) Daniel Mehler conducted a recorded sworn interview of Denise Henry at the PGPD. The following information outlines the sum and substance of the interview. For further details please refer to the digital audio recording.

Henry stated she attended an event put on by the PGPD, specifically for members of the Chamber of Commerce, as a way to see the inner workings of the PGPD. Henry stated that Chief Lewis and his staff greeted the group and presented a slide show. During the greeting, everyone was given a "passport book," asked to look through them, and see if there was a business card from Chief Lewis inside. The groups were broken down into smaller groups and given a tour of the facilities. After the tours, the groups met back outside, observed static displays consisting of bike patrol, a marine unit, and a marked patrol car.

Henry stated that while outside Chief Lewis was advising of a scenario that was going to take place and another officer was showing "Mary" a training gun that fired soap type rounds and instructing her how to use it. Henry stated that Mary was given the training gun and approached another police officer who was portraying a bad guy looking through car windows. Henry stated that during the encounter, the police officer portraying the bad guy had moved to the front of a car and began firing what she thought to be three (3) or four (4) shots.

Henry stated that Mary doubled over after the shots. She then fell down and hit her head on the ground. At first Henry thought that it was all part of the scenario until Mary fell to the ground and officers started running to her side. Henry stated she then thought Mary may have had a heart attack. Henry stated she heard someone yell for medics. Henry said the group was then ushered back inside the building.

Henry stated she didn't run up to assist but did see blood on Mary's sleeve. She thought it may have been from her head injury.

Henry stated that she thought the incident was nothing more than a "tragic accident."

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| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of Denise Henry on 08/09/2016

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Henry did take photographs throughout the evening on her cell phone. Henry emailed them to SA Mehler during the interview. While showing SA Mehler the pictures taken, Henry described the shots being fired from across the hood of a parked car in the direction of Mary, who was standing in between two cars. SA Mehler downloaded the photos onto a CD.

The interview was concluded at 2225 hrs.

The following items have been placed into Related Items:

Disc containing audio recording of interview. INV-19

Disc containing images taken by Denise Henry on her phone. INV-20

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At approximately 2230 hrs., FDLE Special Agent (SA) Daniel Mehler conducted a recorded sworn interview of Sharon Huck at the PGPD. The following information outlines the sum and substance of the interview. For further details please refer to the digital audio recording.

Huck stated she arrived at the PGPD late, was placed into a group with other attendees, took a tour inside the facility, and was then led outside to see a marked patrol vehicle and a marine patrol boat. Huck stated that a scenario had been setup for the groups to watch and volunteers had been picked before she had arrived.

Huck stated she was chatting with others in the group while an officer was discussing the scenario and giving Mary instructions about the gun to be used. Huck stated that Mary participated in the scenario and approached a perpetrator role player who shot at Mary during the scenario. Huck stated she heard four (4) shots fired and then observed Mary fall to the ground.

Huck initially made mention that she observed a black and blue gun given to the officer playing the perpetrator in the scenario. However, Huck was not sure which officer had the black and blue gun, but it looked like the same one that was given to Mary.

Huck said someone in the group had stated they thought real bullets were used because they had seen blood on Mary's clothes. Huck stated that while the group was waiting inside the building, an officer came inside and advised that the bullets in the gun were not blanks and may have been real bullets.

When asked what she thought happened, Huck answered that she thought the incident was nothing more than an unintentional accident and her heart went out to the officer who fired the shots.

The interview was concluded at 2245 hrs.

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| Author: Mehler, Daniel John | Office: Ft. Myers |
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Description: Interview of Sharon Huck on 08/09/2016

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The following item has been placed into Related Items:

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The interview was concluded at 2245 hrs.

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Description: Interview of Sharon Huck on 08/09/2016

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At approximately 2245 hrs., FDLE Special Agent (SA) Daniel Mehler conducted a recorded sworn interview of Ronald Olsen at the PGPD. The following information outlines the sum and substance of the interview. For further details please refer to the digital audio recording.

Olsen stated he attended a Chamber of Commerce event at the PGPD, where Chief Lewis gave a presentation. Olsen stated that Chief Lewis reminded people to check their booklet for his card, which would mean that you get to participate in a scenario. Olsen stated the group was broken down into smaller groups and given a tour of the facility. The groups were then taken outside to see the marine patrol boat and squad cars.

Olsen stated that the groups were brought back together outside and "Mary" was taken away from the group while Chief Lewis discussed the scenario that she would participate in. Mary was brought back out and shown the gun which looked like a toy gun, according to Olsen. Olsen continued that a scenario ensued where a perpetrator role player was looking through car windows acting suspicious and Mary, acting as an officer, would make contact with the role player. Olsen stated that the perpetrator role player began to walk away from Mary and fired three (3) shots in her direction from a handgun.

After the shots were fired, Mary just stood there for a brief moment, bent over, and then fell down. Olsen stated that Chief Lewis immediately ran to Mary, opened her shirt, and yelled for paramedics. Olsen also stated that when he saw Mary's shirt open, he could also see red spots on the shirt. Olsen heard Chief Lewis say [REDACTED]

Olsen stated that he and others in the group were ushered back into the building just as paramedics arrived. While waiting inside of the building, Chief Lewis came in and announced to the group, [REDACTED]

When asked what he thought about the incident, Olsen didn't believe anything suspicious occurred, but knew something "went wrong."

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| Author: Mehler, Daniel John | Office: Ft. Myers |
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Description: Interview of Ronald Olsen on 08/09/2016

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The interview was concluded at 2255 hrs.

The following item has been placed into Related Items:

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 9:19 p.m. Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed Deborah Malinoski at the Punta Gorda Police Department. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to compact disc. The following is a summary of Malinoski's statement and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

On August 9th, 2016 at approximately 5:30 p.m., Malinoski arrived to the Punta Gorda Police Department in order to attend the "Citizen's Academy." Malinoski stated the evening began with a presentation about the Police Department, followed by a tour of the Police Department. Malinoski stated four individuals were chosen to participate in live exercises, and she was one of the four. Malinoski stated both herself and Knowlton were chosen for the "shoot, don't shoot" exercise. Malinoski stated she told Knowlton that Knowlton could go first. Since Knowlton was the first to participate in the exercise, Malinoski was instructed to remain in the classroom while the exercise was hosted outside in the parking lot. Malinoski was sitting in the classroom when she heard three gunshots. A few minutes later, people came running into the classroom and were visibly upset. At the time, Malinoski thought the individuals were joking because she was supposed to go through the next scenario. Malinoski quickly realized her classmates were genuinely upset because something serious happened. Initially, her classmates thought that Knowlton may have suffered a heart attack from the shock of the gunshots. However, Chief Thomas Lewis came into the classroom and explained that apparently live rounds were used in the scenario. Malinoski never viewed the crime scene and did not exit the classroom until she was asked to speak with SA O'Connell.

Malinoski stated she knew Officer Lee Coel and Chief Lewis from being a business owner in Punta Gorda. Malinoski did not observe the Police Department conduct any safety checks or discuss safety precautions with the "Citizen's Academy."

Malinoski's interview concluded at approximately 9:24 p.m. The audio recording of this interview is being maintained as related item number INV-23.

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| Author: O'Connell, Jennifer Eileen | Office: Ft. Myers |
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Description: Interview of Deborah Malinoski on 08/09/16

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 9:28 p.m., Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed Fred Sepanik at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Sepanik was sworn under oath at the onset of his interview. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to compact disc. The following is a summary of his statements and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

On the evening of August 9th, 2016, Sepanik attended the "Citizen's Academy" at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Sepanik stated prior to the scenario, members of the Punta Gorda Police Department provided an orientation to Mary Knowlton regarding the firearm she would be using in the scenario. Sepanik stated the bullets in Knowlton's firearm were "colored and full of laundry detergent." Sepanik was not aware of any information or orientation regarding any other weapons involved in the scenario.

In the scenario, Knowlton was to act as a police officer and encounter a male subject. The male subject was dressed in a gray hoodie and had a black mask on his face. The scenario took place between two vehicles. The male subject was talking on his phone and had some type of dialogue with Knowlton. However, Sepanik was unable to hear the dialogue. Then Sepanik heard multiple gunshots and saw Knowlton look down at her torso in disbelief. Knowlton fell to the ground. Sepanik stated, "It was like watching the life go out of her. It was horrible."

Sepanik was startled by the sound of gunshots, so initially he thought that Knowlton may have had a heart attack. After Knowlton fell to the ground, several individuals rushed toward Knowlton to render first aid. As they were rendering aid, they lifted Knowlton's shirt up. Sepanik observed the presence of blood on Knowlton's torso. Sepanik returned to the classroom with the other members of the "Citizen's Academy."

Sepanik's interview concluded at approximately 9:41 p.m. The audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-24.

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| Author: O'Connell, Jennifer Eileen | Office: Ft. Myers |
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Description: Interview of Fred Sepanik on 08/09/16

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 9:45 p.m., Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed Brenda Lynch at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Lynch was sworn under oath at the onset of her interview. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to compact disc. The following is a summary of her statements and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

On the evening of August 9th, 2016, Lynch attended a "Citizen's Academy" hosted at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Lynch stated Chief Thomas Lewis provided a slideshow presentation and tour of the facilities. Lynch stated two volunteers were chosen for a "shoot, don't shoot" scenario; Mary Knowlton was the first volunteer to participate.

Prior to the scenario, members of the Punta Gorda Police Department provided an overview of the simunition gun that Knowlton would use in the scenario; Lynch described the bullets for the simunition gun as "paint pellets." Members of the Punta Gorda Police Department emphasized safety regarding the location of the class as they watched the scenario, and how Knowlton was to handle the gun in the scenario. The police department did not provide any type of overview regarding other weapons that were used in the scenario.

In the scenario, a male police officer was dressed as a burglar and was looking into the police cars. Knowlton acted as a police officer in the scenario and responded to the male subject. Knowlton was standing in between the vehicles when she encountered the male subject. Lynch observed something in the male subject's hands, but did not recognize the item to be a handgun. The male subject went around the backside of one of the vehicles, at which point Lynch heard three gunshots. Lynch was watching Knowlton as she heard the gunshots, and observed Knowlton's face "go white." Lynch was unsure whether Knowlton was acting as part of the scenario. Knowlton then partially turned, facing the class, and without bracing herself, fell to the ground and hit her head on the pavement. At that time, Lynch was unsure if the gunshots caused Knowlton to have a heart attack.

Several individuals responded to Knowlton, turned her over, and lifted her shirt to assess the

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Description: Interview of Brenda Lynch on 08/09/16

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situation. Lynch observed the presence of blood on Knowlton's body. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) responded from the fire department which is located next door to the police department. Members of the "Citizen's Academy" were escorted back to the classroom.

Lynch believed the gunshots came from the male subject, but she did not observe the subject with a weapon.

Lynch knew Knowlton as a business associate. Lynch did not know the male subject involved in the scenario.

Lynch's interview concluded at approximately 9:55 p.m. The audio recording of her interview is being maintained as related item number INV-25.

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 9:57 p.m., Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed Kenneth Andrews at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Andrews was sworn under oath at the onset of his interview. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to compact disc. The following is a summary of his statements and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

On the evening of August 9th, 2016, Andrews and his wife arrived at the Punta Gorda Police Department to attend the "Citizen's Academy." The "Citizen's Academy" consisted of a presentation, tour of the building, and a "shoot/don't shoot" demonstration. Two women were selected from the class to participate in the demonstration; they were pulled aside and provided "training" (quotations used by Andrews) about the scenario.

Prior to the scenario, a woman (Mary Knowlton) came out and was provided a safety demonstration by a police officer. The police officer explained the gun was not lethal but the bullets would be painful upon contact. Then Knowlton was provided a briefing on the scenario. Knowlton would act as a police officer responding to a suspicious male (police officer) who would be looking into vehicles, possibly burglarizing vehicles. Knowlton would have to make the decision whether to shoot or not. After the scenario, the class would go inside the classroom to discuss the scenario.

The scenario began with a burglar dressed in dark clothing, who was walking around vehicles and looking inside the windows. Knowlton approached the burglar and exchanged a dialogue with him. The male subject was pacing back and forth and speaking on a cell phone. It appeared the male subject was "giving her a hard time." Then the male subject moved around the backside of the vehicle, pulled out a gun, and fired three shots. Knowlton started to turn toward the class, fell to her knees, and then to the ground.

At first Andrews thought Knowlton may have been "play acting" and then later thought she may have had a heart attack. Within a matter of seconds, two police officers rushed toward Knowlton. Someone yelled for Emergency Management Services and an unidentified individual

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Description: Interview of Kenneth Andrews on 08/09/16

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began running toward the fire department. Within a short period of time, two EMTS ran to Knowlton and began administering CPR.

At that point, the attendees of the "Citizen's Academy" were escorted back into the class room. At some point later, Chief Thomas Lewis came into the classroom and explained to the class that this was not an exercise and that something terrible had happened. Chief Lewis mentioned something about live rounds, at which time, Andrews became very concerned.

Andrews stated he felt "so horrible for her, and also the officer.. because if it was a shooting, there is no way he could have known that gun was loaded. It's just horrible."

Andrews stated when the male subject fired his gun, he fired standing behind the vehicle, with the bullets going across the hood of the vehicle. Andrews described the gun as a black or dark colored revolver with a short barrel. Andrews stated the revolver appeared to be of a similar size to a .38. Andrews did not see a flash from the gun.

Andrews never returned to the scene of the shooting after he was escorted to the classroom.

Andrews did not know Knowlton or the police officer involved in the scenario.

Andrews' interview concluded at approximately 10:12 p.m. The audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-26.

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 10:16 p.m., Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed James Fendrick at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Fendrick was sworn under oath at the onset of his interview. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to compact disc. The following is a summary of his statements and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

On the evening of August 9th 2016, Fendrick attended the "Citizen's Academy" at the Punta Gorda Police Department. The class began with a lecture and preview of PGPD resources, followed by a live demonstration of "shoot, no shoot." Fendrick believed everyone in the class, including the police officers, were looking to have a good time.

Mary Knowlton was the first to participate in the scenario and acted as a police officer who encountered a male subject. The male subject (police officer) was standing around two vehicles and stated he was looking for his dog. The male subject ran around the side of one of the vehicles and threw a cell phone on top of the vehicle as a distraction. Fendrick noted that Knowlton did not appear ready to respond in any way. The male subject went behind the vehicle and fired three or four shots. Knowlton began reaching toward her abdomen/torso region, started to slump, and then her body and head went to the ground. The male subject appeared shocked as Knowlton reached the ground.

Fendrick and other individuals (class members, police, and Emergency Management Services) ran toward Knowlton. Knowlton's shirt was pulled up in an attempt to render aid, at which point Fendrick observed a lot of blood on Knowlton's body. Fendrick observed either one or two entry wounds on Knowlton.

Fendrick realized the level of medical response needed was beyond his skill set, so he stood up and told his classmates to back up. Fendrick and other classmates returned to the classroom.

Fendrick saw the male subject's weapon on multiple occasions throughout the scenario. Fendrick wasn't absolutely sure, but thought the male subject fired from behind the trunk of the

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Description: Interview of James Fendrick on 08/09/16

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car, firing the gun in the direction of Knowlton and the class. Knowlton heard three or four gunshots and observed possibly three rounds exit the male subject's firearm. Fendrick described the weapon as a silver, shiny revolver; possibly a .38.

Fendrick knew Knowlton on a personal level. Fendrick did not know the police officer involved in the scenario.

Fendrick's interview concluded at approximately 10:27 p.m. The audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-27.

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 10:33 p.m., Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed Suzanne Paquin at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Paquin was sworn under oath at the onset of her interview. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to compact disc. The following is a summary of her statements and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

On the evening of August 9th 2016, Paquin attended the "Citizen's Academy" at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Paquin is a freelance photographer for the local newspaper and was on assignment. The class began with a lecture and preview of PGPD resources, followed by a "shoot, or don't shoot" scenario in the parking lot.

Prior to the scenario, a safety demonstration was conducted explaining that Mary Knowlton's gun was a simunition gun and would shoot "paint pellets." Officer Lee Coel's weapon was not included in this safety demonstration. Paquin stated she did not have a full view of the scenario since she was watching the scenario through the view finder of her camera.

In the scenario, Officer Coel was supposed to be "the bad guy." Knowlton approached Coel near two vehicles. Paquin stated she did not observe what happened next, as she was looking through the view finder of her camera. Paquin remembered taking a photograph of Officer Coel just before she heard gunshots. When Paquin began hearing gun shots, she looked up and saw Officer Coel shooting. Paquin looked over at Knowlton who moved towards the class, while holding her abdomen. At first Paquin thought Knowlton may have been "play acting" for the scenario. However, Knowlton then "just buckled over and fell," hitting her head on the concrete as she fell. Paquin quickly realized that Knowlton was not acting. Paquin observed the presence of blood on Knowlton's body.

Paquin stated police officers and attendees began rushing toward Knowlton. Paquin and other attendees were escorted back into the classroom. Paquin noted the Punta Gorda Police Officers' response to assist Knowlton was immediate.

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Description: Interview of Suzanne Paquin on 08/09/16

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Paquin recalled three or four gun shots. Paquin described Officer Coel's weapon as a pistol, possibly black in color.

Paquin provided all of the photographs she had taken on the evening of August 9th, 2016 to SA O'Connell. These photographs were downloaded to a compact disc and were turned over to SA Gary Negrinelli.

Paquin's interview concluded at approximately 10:40 p.m. The audio recording of her interview is being maintained as related item number INV-28.

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 10:51 p.m., Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed Bradley Teets at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Teets was sworn under oath at the onset of his interview. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to compact disc. The following is a summary of his statements and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

On the evening of August 9th, 2016, Teets attended the "Citizen's Academy" at the Punta Gorda Police Department. The evening began with a presentation and tour of the Police Department; approximately 30 individuals attended. The class then was provided an overview for the "shoot or not shoot" demonstration. The police department provided small notebooks for the class. Three or four individuals received a business card in their notebook which selected them as a participant in the upcoming scenarios.

The class walked outside to the rear side parking lot of the Punta Gorda Police Department. The first participant (Mary Knowlton) was instructed to use the blue "fake gun" with bullets that consisted of laundry detergent. Teets stated the police department emphasized the safety measures and the importance regarding the bullets. The blue gun was the only gun mentioned in the safety overview. Knowlton was to act as a police officer and respond to a prowler (male subject) potentially peeping into vehicles. Knowlton appeared to be hesitant on how to act within the situation.

From Teets' perspective, the male subject moved behind the vehicle on the left. Teets was unsure whether Knowlton and the male subject had very much of a dialogue. The male subject threw something on top of the vehicle. Knowlton was carrying the gun down to her side. The male subject moved behind the vehicle and to the side of it, while Knowlton was standing between the vehicles. The male subject asked something about why her gun was out. Then the male subject pulled out a small, silver revolver and began firing. Teets heard between three and four gun shots. The male subject fired the shots from behind the trunk of the left vehicle (from Teets' perspective). When asked about the angle in which the male subject fired, Teets stated it looked as though the male subject's right arm was held straight out.

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Description: Interview of Bradley Teets on 08/09/16

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Teets stated that Knowlton started to partially slump over after the shots rang out; Teets described her movement as if someone had a really bad stomach ache. Knowlton was partially bent over, began turning, and then fell on to her face. Teets thought Knowlton may have fainted as a result of the gun shots.

The police officers began running toward Knowlton after she fell. Teets stated firefighters and/or paramedics began to respond from the fire department located next door. The attendees of the citizen's academy were escorted back into the class room. Teets never returned to the scene of the shooting.

Teets was unsure if the male subject was a police officer. Teets knew Knowlton from the local community. Teets noted that he was unsure how a "play gun" or "test gun" could be loaded with live rounds. He stated, "It's something that will eat at me, you know, because I'm sure the guy who was in that big suit had no intention of hurting that little old lady."

Teets' interview concluded at approximately 11:11 p.m. An audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-29.

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 11:23 p.m., Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed John Pryor at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Pryor was sworn under oath at the onset of his interview. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to compact disc. The following is a summary of his statements and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

On the evening of August 9th, 2016, Pryor attended an event hosted by the Chamber of Commerce at the Punta Gorda Police Department. The evening consisted of a presentation and tour of the police department. A few attendees from the class received business cards inside of blue notebooks that were provided by the police department. These individuals were selected to participate in live scenarios. Knowlton was one of the individuals chosen to participate in the live scenario.

Pryor is a certified range safety instructor and had considered offering to take Knowlton's place in the scenario, however, he decided not to volunteer. Chief Thomas Lewis provided a safety overview regarding the simunition gun that Knowlton would use in the scenario. The rounds used in the scenario contained a detergent projectile. Chief Lewis explained safety measures with Knowlton, such as keeping her finger out of the trigger guard when holding the weapon. Knowlton was asked to act as a police officer. The burglar/male subject involved in the scenario was a patrol officer. The male subject was dressed in a black hoodie and a protective mask.

In the scenario, the male subject was located around two vehicles. Knowlton approached and exchanged a dialogue with the male subject. The male subject drew a chrome plated revolver from the center of his belt line and fired three or four times. From Pryor's vantage point, he could not see the male subject discharge his weapon. However, he remembered the male subject pointing his firearm in a downward motion. Pryor did not observe any flashes from the gun. After the shots were fired, Knowlton grabbed her abdomen and fell to the ground, hitting her head on the pavement.

Pryor thought that Knowlton's initial reaction was staged as part of the scenario. He also

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Description: Interview of John Pryor on 08/09/16

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thought she may have been frightened from the gunshots. Pryor stated all of the officers (including the male subject) ran toward Knowlton immediately. Emergency Management Services (EMS) was called for and responded quickly. Pryor observed several individuals attempt to render first aid to Knowlton.

Pryor and other class members were escorted into the classroom. Later, Chief Lewis came into the classroom and told the attendees that live rounds may have been used in the scenario. Pryor did not return to the scene of the shooting at any point.

Pryor did not know Knowlton or the officer involved in the scenario.

Pryor's interview concluded at approximately 11:43 p.m. The audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-30.

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On August 9th, 2016, at 9:00 pm, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Michael Ortiz responded to the PGPD in reference to this case.

SA Ortiz was directed by Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough to conduct interviews of witnesses who were located in the classroom at the Punta Gorda Police Department.

At approximately 11:03 pm, SA Ortiz obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from Phil Cerciello. The interview took place in the Accreditation Manager's Office located inside the police department. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim.

Cerciello stated that he arrived by himself at 5:30 pm for the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce event (police academy) held at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Cerciello stated that he received no advance itinerary of what was going to take place and assumed that the event would end at about 7:30 pm. Cerciello stated that refreshments were served (water and cookies) and there was no alcohol.

Cerciello stated that the event started in the classroom with approximately 35 - 40 attendees. Chief Lewis opened with a presentation which consisted of a police department overview. At the conclusion of Chief Lewis's presentation, Cerciello stated that the chamber group was divided into different groups. Cerciello didn't know how many groups there were but said his group comprised of 8 people with Chief Lewis leading the group on a tour throughout the police department.

After the tour everyone met back in the classroom. Cerciello stated that Chief Lewis explained to the chamber group that there were a couple of cards in their booklets that said either "weapon" or "Taser." (The booklets were writing note books). Cerciello stated that he didn't know how many cards there were however the cards were placed randomly in the notebooks. Cerciello stated he found a "Taser" card in his notebook.

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Cerciello stated that Chief Lewis explained that the people who received the "weapon" card would be going outside to demonstrate some of the things an officer goes through when they get a call for someone looking in a car to break in.

After Chief Lewis's briefing the group went outside and viewed the various police vehicles. Cerciello stated that the group was rushed a little bit due to dark clouds and rain approaching and that they wanted to get the demonstration going. Cerciello stated that they went to the scenario area and Chief Lewis gave the first participant, Mary Knowlton, a safety talk dealing with how to handle her gun.

Cerciello explained the scenario as it unfolded. Cerciello stated that he was about 20 feet from the scenario and standing in front of the group. The scenario was a call about somebody looking around a car. Cerciello stated Knowlton approached the role playing officer (described as wearing a protective face mask and hoodie). The role playing officer whom Cerciello knew as "Lee" (Lee Coel) was looking into the car and talking on a "phone." Cerciello stated that he couldn't hear any conversation taking place between Coel and Knowlton. Cerciello described Knowlton holding her gun with her left hand and down by her side. As Knowlton approached Coel, Coel "threw the phone on top of the roof of the car." Cerciello stated that the "agitated suspect" (Coel) walked behind the car. Cerciello stated he couldn't tell if Coel's weapon (gun) was on the car but it didn't look like Coel pulled it from his waistband (Cerciello gestured to his front waistband).

Cerciello described Coel as obtaining his gun from the hood of the car. Cerciello stated it was difficult to see as the vehicle was parked facing forward. Cerciello thought Coel then shot three shots. Cerciello stated that after hearing the three "loud" shots, Knowlton leaned over and fell on her face. Cerciello stated everyone ran over (to Knowlton). Cerciello stated that Knowlton was unresponsive. Cerciello recalled Chief Lewis yelling, [REDACTED] Cerciello stated that he observed Knowlton's injury as a hole in her abdomen with blood gushing out. Cerciello recalled Coel saying, [REDACTED] Cerciello stated that his first thought was that Knowlton got so scared after Coel shot, that she shot herself with her own gun.

Cerciello stated that the group was told to go back to the classroom and Chief Lewis later told the group that [REDACTED]

Cerciello stated that he did not take photos or video at the event.

Cerciello's audio recorded sworn statement was downloaded onto a CD and will be maintained as a related item, INV-31.

The business card from Chief Lewis of the Punta Gorda Police Department with the word "Taser" that Cerciello randomly picked was photographed by SA Ortiz and the photograph along with an electronic copy will be maintained as a related item, INV-32 and INV-33.

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On August 9, 2016, at approximately 8:10 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Alberto Diaz arrived at the Punta Gorda Public Safety Complex (PGPSC) located at 1410 Tamiami Trail in Punta Gorda. After SA Diaz ascertained additional information about the incident inside the PGPSC, FDLE Special Agent in Charge (SAC) John Burke requested him to interview the involved firefighters who attended to the shooting victim. PGPD Lieutenant David Lipker then escorted SA Diaz to the Punta Gorda Fire Department (PGFD) Station 1 which was a part of the PGPSC.

SA Diaz met with PGFD Lieutenant (Lt) James Tyler Canfield inside the PGFD Station 1 fire prevention office. SA Diaz introduced himself, displayed his FDLE credentials to Lt Canfield and went over Lt Canfield's general biographical information. Lt Canfield was then sworn in and interviewed by SA Diaz. The interview was recorded on SA Diaz's assigned digital voice recorder. The interview started at approximately 8:52 PM and concluded at approximately 9:11 PM.

The following synopsis outlines the information obtained in Lt Canfield's interview. (For further details please refer to the audio recording copy)

Lt Canfield explained that he was in the station's quarters with other firefighters when a police officer, later identified as Kelvin Jimenez, came into the room. Police Officer (PO) Jimenez yelled somebody was down and that help was needed. Lt Canfield was not really sure of what time it was when he came in. They were caught off guard because it was not a call they were toned out to. They then all proceeded out with their medical equipment and PO Jimenez directed them towards the back of the station over by the gym area where they saw a large crowd. The other firefighters consisted of Charlotte County Fire and Emergency Medical Services (CCFEMS) Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technician (FEMT) Zach Maxfield, CCFEMS Firefighter/Paramedic (FP) Michael Keeney, PGFD FP C.W. McLeod and volunteer Tyler Gulau.

Two police officers, later identified as Chief Tom Lewis and Corporal (Cpl) Rebecca Grim, were down by Mary Knowlton. Chief Lewis was holding Knowlton's head, he seemed very concerned

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Description: Interview of PGFD Lieutenant James Canfield on 08/09/2016

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and was trying to talk to her. Cpl Grim was holding Knowlton's hand.

Lt Canfield believed Knowlton to be in her sixties or seventies. He also believed that she was wearing a blue button down shirt, gym pants and sandals. Knowlton was lying on the ground with blood on her shirt. Her eyes were wide open but she was not coherent or talking.

The firefighters were told Knowlton got scared, fell, and was injured. No one was really sure what was wrong. Lt Canfield and company began doing their assessment, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] When they asked what happened, no one was sure why Knowlton fell and how she got injured.

[REDACTED] There also was talk in the scene area about simulation training.

Shortly after Cpl Grim commenced CPR, the firefighters [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Knowlton was placed onto a backboard, stretcher and then she was moved. As they were getting ready to load her into the ambulance, Lt Canfield heard somebody saying that she might have accidentally been shot. Lt Canfield was not sure who said it because he was focused on treating Knowlton, who was placed into the back of Charlotte County Fire Rescue 32.

Lt Canfield, McLeod, Gulau and Keeney all rode in the back with Knowlton while Maxfield drove. A trauma alert was called for but they were updated by dispatch that the helicopter could not fly due to the weather. During the transport, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Knowlton was turned over to the trauma center staff who took over patient care. Lt Canfield did not know who the doctor was but recalled PGPD PO Kennedy following them. While they were at Lee Memorial Hospital, PO Tony Pribble came in and took over for PO Kennedy.

Lt Canfield left the fire prevention office once the interview was completed. On August 11, 2016, SA Diaz burned an audio recording copy of Lt Canfield's interview onto a CD-R. The audio recording copy of Lt Canfield's interview was attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-34.

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SA Diaz met with PGFD Firefighter/Paramedic (FP) Chesley William McLeod inside the PGFD Station 1 fire prevention office. SA Diaz introduced himself, displayed his FDLE credentials to FP McLeod and went over FP McLeod's general biographical information. FP McLeod was then sworn in and interviewed by SA Diaz. The interview was recorded on SA Diaz's assigned digital voice recorder. The interview started at approximately 9:23 PM and concluded at approximately 9:39 PM.

The following synopsis outlines the information obtained in FP McLeod's interview. (For further details please refer to the audio recording copy)

FP McLeod explained that he and the other firefighters were in their chairs at approximately 6:45. PGPD Police Officer (PO) Calvin came to the door, said a lady was down outside and that they were needed. PO Calvin was subsequently identified as Kelvin Jimenez. The other firefighters consisted of Charlotte County Fire and Emergency Medical Services (CCFEMS) Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technician (FEMT) Zach Maxfield, CCFEMS Firefighter/Paramedic (FP) Michael Keeney, PGFD Lieutenant (Lt) Tyler Canfield and a PGFD volunteer.

The firefighters all went out to the truck and grabbed their cardiac monitor, life pack and medical box. They were told or heard that a lady fell. FP McLeod explained [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Chief Tom Lewis was standing or sitting next to Knowlton's right side. Becky, a PGPD PO, was on Knowlton's left side and holding pressure to her left

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Description: Interview of PGFD Firefighter/Paramedic Chesley William McLeod on 08/09/2016

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abdominal area. PO Becky, who was subsequently identified as Corporal (Cpl) Rebecca Grim, had started CPR on Knowlton as the medics arrived.

FP McLeod believed Knowlton to be in her early seventies. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FP McLeod noticed a "play gun" that is used in defensive tactics approximately five feet away from Knowlton's feet. He also heard Lt Canfield question Chief Lewis on what happened or what was going on. According to FP McLeod, the firefighters still did not know what happened. They then took over because Cpl Grim did not have any personal protective equipment on.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FP McLeod heard someone from the crowd of people exclaim, "Oh my God, we've shot her".

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FP McLeod did not know who the doctor was, but recalled PGPD Police Officer Kennedy following them.

FP McLeod left the fire prevention office once the interview was completed. On August 11, 2016, SA Diaz burned an audio recording copy of FP McLeod's interview onto a CD-R. The audio recording copy of FP McLeod's interview was attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-35.

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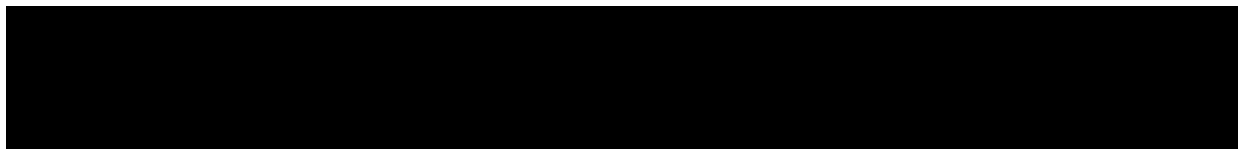
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On August 9, 2016, at approximately 8:10 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Alberto Diaz arrived at the Punta Gorda Public Safety Complex (PGPSC) located at 1410 Tamiami Trail in Punta Gorda. After SA Diaz ascertained additional information about the incident inside the PGPSC, FDLE Special Agent in Charge (SAC) John Burke requested him to interview the involved firefighters who attended to the shooting victim. PGPD Lieutenant David Lipker then escorted SA Diaz to the Punta Gorda Fire Department (PGFD) Station 1 which was a part of the PGPSC.

SA Diaz met with PGFD volunteer Tyler Allen Gulau inside the PGFD Station 1 fire prevention office. SA Diaz introduced himself, displayed his FDLE credentials to Gulau and went over Gulau's general biographical information. Gulau was then sworn in and interviewed by SA Diaz. The interview was recorded on SA Diaz's assigned digital voice recorder. The interview started at approximately 9:49 PM and concluded at approximately 10:00 PM.

The following synopsis outlines the information obtained in Gulau's interview. (For further details please refer to the audio recording copy)

Gulau was getting ready to leave the PGFD Station 1 when a PGPD police officer ran in through the bay door and said, "We need you, get here quick, we think somebody is hurt". PGFD Lieutenant (Lt) James Canfield, PGFD Firefighter/Paramedic (FP) C.W. McLeod and Gulau ran into the garage, where they grabbed their equipment from the fire truck. They then rushed outside but did not know what was going on because nobody gave them any details. The female patient, who was subsequently identified as Mary Knowlton, was lying on the ground. There was a crowd of civilians watching and between 4 to 6 police officers were around Knowlton. As soon as Gulau arrived, he dropped everything and ran back to the fire truck. He then grabbed an airway bag, trauma bag and med supplies.



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Description: Interview of PGFD volunteer Tyler Gulau on 08/09/2016

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[REDACTED]

Gulau heard some people talking about this being a possible gunshot wound while he was on scene. No one directly came to Gulau and said it. One of the law enforcement officers there said that they thought she had been shot. Gulau took a very brief look up at him but had no idea who he was. Gulau also saw what looked like a blue plastic or training weapon laying at the scene.

[REDACTED]

she was placed inside Charlotte County Rescue 32 and transported to Lee Memorial Hospital.

Gulau knew that they tried calling for helicopter but could not get it probably due to the weather. While en route, Gulau provided breathing for Knowlton the whole time. He was in the back of the ambulance with three other firefighters. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] When they arrived in the trauma room, the doctors and nurses took over pretty quickly.

Gulau left the fire prevention office once the interview was completed. On August 12, 2016, SA Diaz burned an audio recording copy of Gulau's interview onto a CD-R. The audio recording copy of Gulau's interview was attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-36.

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SA Diaz met with Charlotte County Fire and Emergency Medical Services (CCFEMS) Firefighter/Paramedic (FP) Michael Keeney inside the PGFD Station 1 fire prevention office. SA Diaz introduced himself, displayed his FDLE credentials to FP Keeney and went over FP Keeney's general biographical information. FP Keeney was then sworn in and interviewed by SA Diaz. The interview was recorded on SA Diaz's assigned digital voice recorder. The interview started at approximately 10:08 PM and concluded at approximately 10:18 PM.

The following synopsis outlines the information obtained in FP Keeney's interview. (For further details please refer to the audio recording copy)

FP Keeney explained that he and the other firefighters were sitting inside the station when an unknown PGPD police officer came inside and said that they had a man down in the parking lot. The firefighters were not really sure as to what happened. FP Keeney went to the rescue truck, grabbed his gloves and some of his medical equipment, and headed to the scene of the incident.

A couple of PGFD personnel were already on scene and there was still no clear picture as to what happened.

[REDACTED]

Another person said that there was a shooting but they were blanks and this happened after they were done shooting. Later on, FP Keeney heard somebody else come back and say, "I think we shot her". FP Keeney did not know who it was because he

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Description: Interview of CCFEMS Firefighter/Paramedic Michael Keeney on 08/09/2016

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was focused on Knowlton.

FP Keeney had his tablet with him which he set down on a car. He saw a revolver sitting on the car by where he put his tablet. He also saw a blue gun on the ground near Knowlton who was on her back. Knowlton's feet were facing toward the gym and her head was facing toward the station.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FP Keeney recalled the other firefighters who were part of the team when that was done. They consisted of PGFD Lieutenant (Lt) Tyler, PGFD FP C.W. McLeod and a volunteer. FP Keeney's partner, CCFEMS Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technician (FEMT) Maxfield drove the rescue.

[REDACTED]

FP Keeney explained that when they got to the emergency room, they noticed [REDACTED]

FP Keeney left the fire prevention office once the interview was completed. On August 12, 2016, SA Diaz burned an audio recording copy of FP Keeney's interview onto a CD-R. The audio recording copy of FP Keeney's interview was attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-37.

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SA Diaz met with Charlotte County Fire and Emergency Medical Services (CCFEMS) Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technician (FEMT) Zachary Carl Maxfield inside the PGFD Station 1 fire prevention office. SA Diaz introduced himself, displayed his FDLE credentials to FEMT Maxfield and went over FEMT Maxfield's general biographical information. FEMT Maxfield was then sworn in and interviewed by SA Diaz. The interview was recorded on SA Diaz's assigned digital voice recorder. The interview started at approximately 10:29 PM and concluded at approximately 10:38 PM.

The following synopsis outlines the information obtained in FEMT Maxfield's interview. (For further details please refer to the audio recording copy)

FEMT Maxfield explained that he was getting ready to go to the gym out back. He and the other firefighters were all sitting down on the sofas watching a movie. All of a sudden the doors swung open and a PGPD Police Officer (PO) said, "Let's go, there's a woman down". FEMT Maxfield believed the PGPD PO's name was Calvin but did not know his last name. PO Calvin was subsequently identified as PO Kelvin Jimenez.

FEMT Maxfield changed into his pants, grabbed the stretcher and ran to the scene. [REDACTED] FEMT Maxfield could barely see Knowlton because there were many people around her. He saw two police cars on each side of Knowlton and a female PO applying direct pressure to her abdomen wound. FEMT Maxfield did not know the female PO's name. [REDACTED].

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Description: Interview of CCFEMS Firefighter/EMT Zachary Maxfield on 08/09/2016

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 11:58 p.m., Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed Kelvin Jimenez at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Jimenez was sworn under oath at the onset of his interview. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to compact disc. The following is a summary of his statements and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

Officer Jimenez has been employed with the Punta Gorda Police Department for approximately four years and three months. Officer Jimenez currently holds the rank of a First Class Officer. He began his shift at approximately 6:00 p.m. which began with a check-on at the police department. Jimenez was present for the live demonstration portion of the "Citizen's Academy."

Officer Jimenez observed Mary Knowlton act as a police officer and approach Officer Lee Coel, who was acting as a "bad guy" in the scenario. Officer Coel was dressed in a grey hoodie, dark/black pants, black boots, and a mask. Officer Coel was pretending to be on his cell phone and then moved toward the unmarked patrol vehicle. Officer Coel leaned down, grabbed a handgun, and fired three shots in a downward position. Officer Coel then moved to the front end of the vehicle and fired once more.

Officer Jimenez saw what appeared to be the entry of a gunshot in one of the vehicles. Officer Jimenez then looked over to Knowlton, who was beginning to lean forward. Initially, Officer Jimenez thought Knowlton may have had a heart attack. Officer Jimenez began running toward the fire station and asked for help from the fire fighters and paramedics. When Emergency Management Services (EMS) responded to Knowlton, Officer Jimenez began securing the scene with crime scene tape. Officer Jimenez maintained a crime scene log and stood by until FDLE arrived on scene. Officer Jimenez was told by coworkers that Lieutenant Saulzman unloaded the handgun used by Officer Coel.

Officer Jimenez participated in the "Citizen's Academy" at some point last year. In last year's scenario, Officer Jimenez played the role of the "bad guy" with a gun. In the previous scenario, Officer Jimenez was provided a department issued firearm by Lieutenant Chris Salsman. Officer

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Description: Interview of PGPD Officer Kelvin Jimenez on 08/09/16

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Jimenez described the firearm as a silver revolver with a small handle and short barrel. Officer Jimenez wasn't absolutely certain, but believed that Lieutenant Salsman is usually the individual to provide this revolver in training scenarios. Officer Jimenez stated in these types of scenarios, normally two people check the handgun to verify that live ammunition is not present in the weapon. Officer Jimenez stated himself and another individual (unsure of who) conducted a safety check of the weapon prior to the scenario. Officer Jimenez stated someone other than himself provided the blank rounds for the scenario. Officer Jimenez stated safety checks are a common procedure in training scenarios within the Punta Gorda Police Department.

Officer Jimenez was unable to provide any information regarding who orchestrated the "Citizen's Academy" or developed the scenarios for the evening. Officer Jimenez stated Lieutenant David Lipker was taking photographs of the evening with a department issued camera.

Officer Jimenez's interview concluded at approximately 12:24 a.m. The audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-39.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The other firefighters who worked on Knowlton consisted of CCFEMS Firefighter/Paramedic (FP) Michael Keeney, PGFD Lieutenant (Lt) Tyler Canfield, PGFD Firefighter Paramedic (PF) C.W. McLeod and a PGFD volunteer. FEMT Maxfield did not know the volunteer's name.

FEMT Maxfield left the fire prevention office once the interview was completed. On August 12, 2016, SA Diaz burned an audio recording copy of FEMT Maxfield's interview onto a CD-R. The audio recording copy of FEMT Maxfield's interview was attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-38.

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On August 10th, 2016, at approximately 12:27 a.m. Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed Gloria Sepanik at the Punta Gorda Police Department. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to compact disc. The following is a summary of Sepanik's statement and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

Sepanik is currently employed as the accreditation manager for the Punta Gorda Police Department. On the evening of August 9th, 2016, Sepanik was attending the "Citizen's Academy."

Prior to the scenario, Mary Knowlton was provided a tutorial of how the simunition gun works and a briefing on the scenario. When the scenario began, Knowlton walked toward the vehicles and approached a male subject (Officer Lee Coel) who was looking into vehicles. Officer Coel backed up and went to the backside of one of the vehicles. Knowlton continued to walk toward the subject, and Officer Coel began approaching the front driver's side of the vehicle. Knowlton began backing away, at which point, Officer Coel fired his weapon three times. At the time of the gunshots, Knowlton was facing Officer Coel. After the shots, Knowlton grabbed her stomach and then toppled forward. When Knowlton fell to the ground, Sepanik rushed toward her.

Several individuals rushed toward Knowlton. When Sepanik reached Knowlton, Chief Thomas Lewis had already rolled Knowlton over to begin assessing her situation. Sepanik observed individuals pull up Knowlton's shirt to begin rendering aid. Sepanik observed members of the Punta Gorda Police Department administer cardio pulmonary resuscitation (CPR). At that point, Sepanik ushered the "Citizen's Academy" members back into the classroom. Sepanik compiled a list of the attendees who returned to the class room.

Sepanik recalled hearing a total of three gunshots. Sepanik observed Officer Coel discharge his firearm. She described the firearm as a small pistol, silver in color. When Officer Coel fired his weapon, his arm was positioned in a 90 degree angle; parallel to the ground.

Sepanik has observed the "shoot, don't shoot" demonstration on three or four prior occasions.

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Description: Interview of Gloria Sepanik on 08/10/16

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According to Sepanik, Officer Coel has participated in at least one other "Citizen's Academy" scenario. Sepanik stated the "burglar" scenario is a common scenario used in these situations. She has observed the utilization of a firearm (not just a simunition gun) in the prior demonstrations. Sepanik was unaware who orchestrated the "Citizen's Academy" and developed the training scenarios.

When Sepanik has attended training in the past, she has observed the process of safety checks. Sepanik stated the ammunition for the police department is stored on site. Sepanik stated the agency has several armorers. Audits of the ammunition are conducted on a regular basis.

Sepanik's interview concluded at approximately 12:48 a.m. The audio recording of her interview is being maintained as related item number INV-40.

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On August 10th, 2016, at approximately 1:04 a.m., Special Agent (SA) Jennifer O'Connell interviewed PGPD Officer Juan Gonzalez at the Punta Gorda Police Department. Officer Gonzalez was sworn under oath at the onset of his interview. This interview was audio recorded and later downloaded to a compact disc. The following is a summary of his statements and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

Officer Gonzalez has been employed with the Punta Gorda Police Department for approximately five months. Officer Gonzalez arrived at the police department at approximately 5:50 p.m. on the evening of August 9th, 2016. Officer Gonzalez began his shift with roll call at the police department.

Officer Gonzalez requested to observe the live demonstration of the "Citizen's Academy." Prior to the scenario, Officer Gonzalez observed Chief Thomas Lewis provided the class with an overview of the scenario and the simunition gun that would be used in the scenario.

Officer Gonzalez observed Chief Lewis pull a female (Mary Knowlton) aside and explain the scenario to her. Chief Lewis explained that Knowlton would be the responding officer to the area where a male subject was potentially breaking into vehicles.

Knowlton approached Officer Lee Coel (the role player) who was wearing a mask, a gray jacket, and black pants. As Knowlton approached, Officer Coel asked Knowlton why she had her gun out. Officer Coel began moving toward the east end of the vehicle and grabbed a handgun. Then Officer Coel fired twice in a downward motion, and then shot once more.

Knowlton grabbed her chest and stomach area, and then fell to the ground. Officer Gonzalez ran toward Knowlton. When he reached her, Officer Coel and Chief Lewis had already reached Knowlton. Officer Gonzalez observed the presence of blood on Knowlton's body. Officer Coel was attempting to stop the bleeding by applying direct pressure with his hands. Officer Coel instructed Officer Gonzalez and Officer Shane Chodakowsky to find his vest, stating he (Officer Coel) had "quick clot" in his vest. Officer Gonzalez was unable to get

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Description: Interview of PGPD Officer Juan Gonzalez on 08/10/16

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inside Officer Coel's car, so he located a vest in another vehicle. By the time Officer Gonzalez located the "quick clot" kit, Emergency Management Services (EMS) had arrived on scene.

Officer Coel discontinued aid and made room for EMS. Officer Gonzalez pulled Officer Coel away and attempted to calm him down. Officer Coel repeated himself several times, making statements such as |

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Officer Gonzalez stayed with Officer Coel for a few hours. Officer Gonzalez and Officer Coel moved into an office and stayed in that office with Captain Woodard. Officer Gonzalez stated they did not discuss the shooting. Officer Coel continued to ask for updates regarding Knowlton, inquiring if she was okay. No updates regarding Knowlton were provided.

While Officer Gonzalez was in field training, he participated in a K-9 training demonstration with Officer Coel in the past. Prior to that demonstration, Officer Coel opened up the back of his vehicle and pulled out a revolver. Officer Coel loaded the revolver with blank ammunition, and checked the rounds. Officer Coel then handed the revolver to Officer Gonzalez and stated "it's good to go." Officer Gonzalez did not check if the revolver was loaded with blank rounds. Officer Gonzalez stated no one else checked the revolver to ensure the weapon was safe. Officer Gonzalez fired this revolver at another officer in a staged gun fight, as part of the K-9 demonstration. No one was harmed in this previous demonstration.

Officer Gonzalez described the revolver as possibly a .38 caliber with a two and a half inch barrel. Officer Gonzalez stated the revolver must have been a department issued weapon because the agency does not permit you to carry non-department issued weapons. The Punta Gorda Police Department does not issue an "off-duty" weapon.

Officer Gonzalez' interview concluded at approximately 1:35 a.m. An audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-41.

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At approximately 2305 hrs., FDLE Special Agent (SA) Daniel Mehler conducted a recorded sworn interview of Christine Pontoriero at the PGPD. The following information outlines the sum and substance of the interview. For further details please refer to the digital audio recording.

Pontoriero stated she had arrived to the PGPD late and took the last seat available for the evening's program. Pontoriero stated she and other attendees took a tour of the inside of the facility, went outside, and viewed a marked patrol car, and then were guided to another area outside for a simulation of a perpetrator attempting to break into a parked vehicle. Pontoriero stated that the perpetrator was played by a police officer. According to Pontoriero, two women from the group, who were going to participate in the scenario, were lead away for a short period of time. Pontoriero stated that one of the participants was going to do the "hands up and not shoot" and the other "was going to shoot."

Pontoriero stated that the police chief was explaining what the scenario would be about and showed everyone a gun. Pontoriero said she thought the gun shown by the chief looked like a "zip gun." The chief explained that the bullets used in the scenario were made out of laundry detergent.

Pontoriero explained that "Mary" had come out of the building with an officer and the chief swore her in and gave her the gun. Pontoriero stated that the officer playing the role of the perpetrator was wearing a mask, had a hood on, and was "dodging" in between cars when Mary made contact with him. Pontoriero stated that Mary approached the perpetrator role player between the cars and he moved around one of the cars. Pontoriero said that she heard shots fired and saw Mary get hit. Pontoriero stated she heard at least four (4) shots and saw Mary go down to the ground. The police chief ran to Mary and Pontoriero heard him say, [REDACTED]

Pontoriero stated that the group was ushered inside after the incident. The police chief eventually came inside a short time later and stated, [REDACTED]

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Description: Interview of Christine Pontoriero on 08/09/2016

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When asked if she thought anything was suspicious about the incident, Pontoriero answered "Oh, God no."

The interview was concluded at 2320 hrs.

The following item has been placed into Related Items:

Disc containing audio recording of interview. INV-42



PROPERTY RECEIPT FORM

Florida Department of Law Enforcement

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 10:30 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Logan Davis, who was present during the shooting involving PGPD Officer Lee Coel and Mary Knowlton. Davis is a member of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement Davis provided SA Tissot:

Davis arrived at the Punta Gorda Police Department at approximately 5:15 PM the evening the incident occurred. Once Davis arrived, he went inside the Punta Gorda Police Department with the other civilian attendees and they were briefed by Chief Tom Lewis. Davis was given a tour of the different departments inside the Punta Gorda Police Department, and then went outside with the rest of the civilian attendees. The group was given a demonstration of a patrol car, a marine patrol boat, and a bicycle. After the demonstration the civilian attendees went over to where the scenario was to occur.

Before the scenario began, Davis moved up front to get a good view of what was going to happen. The civilian attendees were told the firearm Knowlton was given was fake and the ammunition was detergent; they weren't told Office Coel would have a firearm. Officer Coel was wearing a sweatshirt with a hood and had a mask on. When the scenario began, Knowlton approached Officer Coel who was standing near a patrol car that was part of the scenario. Officer Coel appeared to be looking into the windows of the vehicle acting suspicious. Officer Coel then went towards the rear of the vehicle and fired three or four shots towards Knowlton. Davis observed and heard the shots. Knowlton turned, fell to her knees, then fell face down. Davis thought Knowlton may have had a heart attack. Davis thought he heard Chief Lewis say [REDACTED] After Knowlton was shot the civilian attendees were brought back inside the building.

A CD recording of Logan Davis' sworn statement will be maintained in the related items section of this case.

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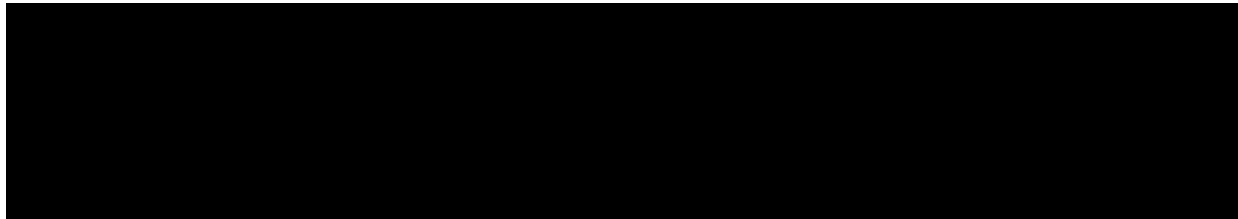
Description: Interview of Logan Davis on 8/9/2016

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On August 10th, 2016, at approximately 1:06 AM, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli and Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough conducted a sworn interview with PGPD Chief Thomas Lewis. The interview took place at the PGPD, inside Chief Lewis's office. The following information outlines the sum and substance of the interview. For further details please see the digital audio recording.



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| Author: Negrinelli, Gary | Office: Ft. Myers |
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Description: Interview of PGPD Chief Lewis on 08/10/2016

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The interview concluded at approximately 1:28 AM.

The following will be maintained in related items:

Disc containing audio recording of the interview, INV-55.

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On August 9, 2016, at approximately 8:10 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Alberto Diaz arrived at the Punta Gorda Public Safety Complex (PGPSC) located at 1410 Tamiami Trail in Punta Gorda. After SA Diaz ascertained additional information about the incident inside the PGPSC, FDLE Special Agent in Charge (SAC) John Burke requested him to interview the involved firefighters who attended to the shooting victim. After SA Diaz finished interviewing the involved firefighters at the Punta Gorda Fire Department (PGFD) Station 1, he returned to the PGPD side of the PGPSC. SA Diaz met with Acting SAS Patrick Crough who requested him to interview additional witnesses.

SA Diaz met with witness James Bradford Gamblin inside the PGPD shift commander's office. Gamblin attended the PGPD Chamber Police Night class earlier in the evening. SA Diaz introduced himself, displayed his FDLE credentials to Gamblin and went over Gamblin's general biographical information. Gamblin was then sworn in and interviewed by SA Diaz. The interview was recorded on SA Diaz's assigned digital voice recorder. The interview started at approximately 10:55 PM and concluded at approximately 11:05 PM.

The following synopsis outlines the information obtained in Gamblin's interview. (For further details please refer to the audio recording copy)

Gamblin hung around toward the back of the group while watching the shoot/don't shoot scenario involving Mary Knowlton and Police Officer (PO) Lee Coel. After Knowlton walked toward the front of the vehicle, PO Coel went behind the vehicle and came back out shooting a gun. There were 4 shots by what Gamblin could tell. Gamblin did not think this at the time but explained that he was bothered by the sound of the shots because they were too loud for blanks. Gamblin thought they were .38 or a higher caliber because he had been around guns all his life.

Gamblin heard two people in front say that the woman was down. He never heard that she had been hit. He also never saw her go down. He knew Knowlton was an older woman and thought that she had a heart attack or scared herself. When the crowd parted enough, Gamblin could

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| Author: Diaz, Alberto Carlos | Office: Ft. Myers |
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Description: Interview of James Bradford Gamblin on 08/09/2016

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see somebody on the ground. Several police officers rushed over and started yelling for medics. The group of civilian attendees were then brought back to the classroom. At approximately 6:54 PM, Chief Tom Lewis came into the room and told the group that Knowlton had been shot.

Gamblin left the PGPD shift commander's office once the interview was completed. On August 12, 2016, SA Diaz burned an audio recording copy of Gamblin's interview onto a CD-R. The audio recording copy of Gamblin's interview was attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-46.

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SA Diaz met with witness Sharon Slade Hueston inside the PGPD shift commander's office. Hueston attended the PGPD Chamber Police Night class earlier in the evening. SA Diaz introduced himself, displayed his FDLE credentials to Hueston and went over Hueston's general biographical information. Hueston was then sworn in and interviewed by SA Diaz. The interview was recorded on SA Diaz's assigned digital voice recorder. The interview started at approximately 11:15 PM and concluded at approximately 11:32 PM.

The following synopsis outlines the information obtained in Hueston's interview. (For further details please refer to the audio recording copy)

Hueston explained that the group went outside for a demonstration of somebody looking into cars. Before it started, the lady named Mary was shown how to use a handgun. The lady was subsequently identified as Mary Knowlton. Hueston thought that Knowlton was not sure how to use the handgun because they went over it with her several times. The group was shown that there was a detergent soap, which was either red or blue, as the handgun's ammunition. Hueston informed that Knowlton had a blue one.

Hueston described the involved police officer as being tall and wearing a hoodie with a mask. She did not remember his name or who he was. The police officer was subsequently identified as Police Officer (PO) Lee Coel. Before the demonstration started, Hueston saw PO Coel running to and from the building a couple of times.

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Description: Interview of Sharon Slade Hueston on 08/09/2016

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Knowlton acted as a police officer in the demonstration. It was explained to the group what Knowlton was supposed to do. She had to either talk PO Coel down or pull her gun and shoot him. Knowlton came up to PO Coel, tried to question him and find out what he was doing. PO Coel then proceeded around the back of the car. Knowlton tried to talk to PO Coel but he pulled out a gun and shot her 3 or 4 times. PO Coel held it with his right hand.

Hueston saw what looked like blood on Knowlton's blue blouse. Knowlton kind of stumbled, grabbed her stomach, and fell to the ground. Hueston then saw PO Coel run over to Knowlton. Other police officers also ran over to Knowlton, rolled her over onto her side and then rolled her onto her back side. Hueston saw the police chief and PO Coel working on Knowlton. The group was then told to go inside. Hueston could hear the police officers yelling to call 911 and get rescue next door. Hueston saw rescue come out with boxes and work on Knowlton.

Hueston left the PGPD shift commander's office once the interview was completed. On August 12, 2016, SA Diaz burned an audio recording copy of Hueston's interview onto a CD-R. The audio recording copy of Hueston's interview was attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-47.

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 10:51 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Catherine Perry, who was present during the shooting involving PGPD Officer Lee Coel and Mary Knowlton. Perry is a member of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement Perry provided SA Tissot:

Perry arrived at the Punta Gorda Police Department at approximately 5:15 PM on the day the incident occurred. Once all of the members of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce arrived, they were brought inside the police department to a conference room where Chief Tom Lewis gave a presentation. The civilian attendees were given a tour of the police department. The tour included a demonstration of police vehicles, the marine unit, and the bicycle unit.

After the demonstrations were finished, the civilian attendees were brought to the rear of the police department where Chief Lewis explained what was going to happen with the "shoot or not shoot" scenario. Chief Lewis showed the civilian attendees the Glock firearm Knowlton was going to be using, as well as the blank ammunition.

When the scenario began, Officer Coel was wearing a hooded sweatshirt with a mask to protect his face. Another officer was dressed in black; however this officer didn't participate in the scenario. When the scenario began, Knowlton approached Officer Coel who was standing near a vehicle acting in a suspicious manner as part of the scenario. Officer Coel was peeking in the car windows and talking on his cell phone. Officer Coel saw Knowlton holding a firearm and said "why do you have a gun?" Officer Coel was standing near the front left of the vehicle. Officer Coel then fired across the vehicle towards Knowlton. Perry heard 3 to 4 shots. Knowlton then grasped her stomach, leaned forward, and fell down. The civilian attendees were then brought back inside the police department.

A CD recording of Catherine Perry's sworn statement will be maintained in the related items section of this case.

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Description: Interview of Catherine Perry on 8/9/2016

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 11:12 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Albert Leroy Hoff Jr., who was present during the shooting involving PGPD Officer Lee Coel and Mary Knowlton. Hoff is a member of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement Hoff provided SA Tissot:

Hoff arrived at the Punta Gorda Police Department at approximately 5:15 PM the night the incident occurred. After arriving, the members of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce were brought inside the Punta Gorda Police Department. Once inside, the civilian attendees met Chief Tom Lewis who provided a presentation. The attendees were then split into three groups and were given tours of the different areas of the facility. The civilian attendees were then brought outside where they were given a demonstration of a police cruiser, a bicycle, and a patrol boat. After the demonstration was complete, the civilian attendees were brought to an area where the "shoot or don't shoot" scenario was to take place.

Hoff was observing from the back of the group, approximately fifty feet away from where the scenario took place. When the scenario began, Officer Coel was near two patrol cars that were part of the scenario. Officer Coel was wearing a hoodie and a mask on his face. Officer Coel was looking into the windows of one of the vehicles. As Knowlton approached, Officer Coel was on his cell phone standing in between the two vehicles. Officer Coel then slid a cell phone he was holding across the roof of one of the vehicles and walked towards the front of one of the vehicles. At this time, Hoff heard three, possibly four gunshots. Hoff observed Knowlton grab her side and thought she may have been having a heart attack.

A CD recording of Albert Hoff Jr.'s sworn statement will be maintained in the related items section of this case.

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| Author: Tissot, Christopher Allan | Office: Ft. Myers |
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Description: Interview of Albert Leroy Hoff Jr. on 8/9/2016

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SA Diaz met with witness John Robert Wright inside the PGPD shift commander's office. Wright attended the PGPD Chamber Police Night class earlier in the evening. SA Diaz introduced himself, displayed his FDLE credentials to Wright and went over Wright's general biographical information. Wright was then sworn in and interviewed by SA Diaz which was recorded on SA Diaz's assigned digital voice recorder. The interview started at approximately 11:45 PM and concluded at approximately 11:57 PM.

The following synopsis outlines the information obtained in Wright's interview. (For further details please refer to the audio recording copy)

Wright explained that tonight's event was a citizen's police academy where the PGPD had invited Punta Gorda Chamber members to attend. He was the organization's president and they had 50 people, which is the maximum number allowed to attend the event. He had three other staff members there but he took over since he was the last to arrive at the very end. He believed there were maybe 39 or 40 attendees when he entered the room since some did not show up due to the inclement weather.

Mary Knowlton was in Wright's group of about 8 people that went around a tour of the department. They viewed the vehicles outside when the tour concluded. Knowlton, along with Malinoski, were then taken inside by two police officers who told them about the scenario taking place. The rest of the group waited outside where Chief Lewis was telling them what to expect.

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Description: Interview of John Robert Wright on 08/09/2016

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They had done this exercise many times before in training and other citizen academies.

Knowlton came out first with Police Officer (PO) Jeff Woodard who was briefing her on the scenario. Knowlton was left handed and had some issue in how to hold the weapon she had been given. The group had been told the weapons were filled with blanks that had a washing detergent inside them.

Wright was right next to Knowlton when she stepped forward as the scenario started. Knowlton looked at Wright nervously and in turn he told her to give them hell. Knowlton then went over to the vehicle and addressed the police officer who was playing the assailant. She said, "What are you doing?" and raised her gun at him. He then jumped to the vehicle's other side. The next thing Wright heard was 3 or maybe 4 very loud shots.

Wright immediately looked at Chief Lewis because he did not think the look on Knowlton's face was real. He thought the gun's loudness or its explosion maybe triggered some sort of heart condition in Knowlton. She had turned away from the assailant, looked away from Wright, slumped forward and landed on her face. Wright knew then that something was wrong and rushed over. The paramedics and the other police officers realized something was wrong as well. Knowlton was lying on her back and profusely bleeding from the right side of her chest. Wright could not tell which police officers were there, but mentioned there was a lot of screaming for paramedics and 911.

Gloria Sepanik was the first to tell the group to please go inside while we fix all of this. Wright lingered to see if there was anything he could do to help with communication to the group. The fire department rushed out with the stretcher by the time Wright saw Knowlton laying there. Chief Lewis came into the training room within a couple of minutes, looked at Wright, said he needed to address the audience and told them there had been this incident. Wright remembered Chief Lewis saying it looked like there was live ammunition involved.

Wright knew that the involved police officer's name, who played the assailant, was Coel. Wright was not sure but thought that Coel dropped the gun and came back to assist. He recalled that Coel was wearing a grey hooded sweater. He did not hear anyone say anything to Coel.

Wright left the PGPD shift commander's office once the interview was completed. On August 12, 2016, SA Diaz burned an audio recording copy of Wright's interview onto a CD-R. The audio recording copy of Wright's interview was attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-48.

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On August 10, 2016, SA Diaz met with PGPD Marine Patrol Officer (MPO) John Robert Kennedy inside the PGPD shift commander's office. SA Diaz introduced himself, displayed his FDLE credentials to MPO Kennedy and went over MPO Kennedy's general biographical information. MPO Kennedy was then sworn in and interviewed by SA Diaz. The interview was recorded on SA Diaz's assigned digital voice recorder. The interview started at approximately 12:09 AM and concluded at approximately 12:29 AM.

The following synopsis outlines the information obtained in MPO Kennedy 's interview. (For further details please refer to the audio recording copy)

MPO Kennedy explained that he worked a normal shift and was asked to stay over for the citizen's academy. A PGPD bicycle, road patrol vehicle along with the boat were out on display and approximately forty individuals were mingling with PGPD personnel. He did not remember if it was Chief Lewis or Captain Woodard who said to wrap it up and get everything done because of the weather.

MPO Kennedy knew people within the citizen's academy including the involved individual who was later identified as Mary Knowlton. He recalled that Knowlton's husband was with the group but she was not. He did speak to Knowlton's husband but then went inside to the squad room to fill out his payroll. While inside the squad room, MPO Kennedy heard three gun shots which were very distinctive and did not sound like the typical simunition rounds that PGPD used.

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Description: Interview of PGPD MPO John Robert Kennedy on 08/10/2016

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Lieutenant (Lt) Lipker was also inside the squad room.

The citizen's academy was being asked to step back when MPO Kennedy came outside. MPO Kennedy saw Chief Lewis along with another person crouched over Knowlton and it appeared that they were performing CPR on her. No one knew what happened when MPO Kennedy asked about it. MPO Kennedy knew that Police Officer (PO) Lee Coel was doing the role playing. He did not know if PO Coel was the one who shot or got shot.

MPO Kennedy noticed a hole on the unmarked police cruiser's passenger door panel after being on scene a few minutes. PO Brandon Angelini said it looked like a gunshot after MPO Kennedy asked about it. The people that MPO Kennedy helped get back all thought Knowlton was having a heart attack. MPO Kennedy then told them that he did not know but would check. MPO Kennedy recalled that PO Angelini said he thought she was having a heart attack and saw blood. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) pulled up shortly after and loaded Knowlton into the ambulance. Either PO Angelini or Kelvin, one of the two, were told to get evidence tape ready as soon as EMS left. MPO Kennedy recalled that a helicopter was called for but could not come because of the weather.

Lt Lipker told MPO Kennedy to follow the ambulance to the hospital. When MPO Kennedy arrived there, the emergency room doctors asked him what happened and where did it happen. MPO Kennedy informed them that he did not know, did not witness it, and that it happened at the police department. The emergency room doctors then thought it was a sniper or something like that. In turn, MPO Kennedy told them that simunition rounds were supposed to be used.

MPO Kennedy did not recognize Knowlton at the time and had to call to get her information. MPO Kennedy believed Doctor Ingram officially called Knowlton's death at 7:25. PGPD Corporal (Cpl) Anthony Pribble, MPO Kennedy's relief, eventually called to let him know they were fifteen minutes out. MPO Kennedy did not advise Cpl Pribble what took place at that time.

MPO Kennedy remembered that one of the EMS personnel said they had lost Knowlton but got her back three times during the transport. MPO Kennedy also recalled one of the doctors informing him there were two rounds in Knowlton. One round was in the arm and the other round was in the stomach. MPO Kennedy wrote down notes and turned them over to Cpl Pribble when he arrived. MPO Kennedy then returned to the PGPD where he was told to relieve Lt Reynolds at the scene.

MPO Kennedy left the PGPD shift commander's office once the interview was completed. At approximately 12:37 AM, MPO Kennedy provided photocopies of the Chamber Police Night outline and his handwritten crime scene log notes to SA Diaz. On August 12, 2016, SA Diaz burned an audio recording copy of MPO Kennedy's interview onto a CD-R. The audio recording copy of MPO Kennedy's interview was attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-49.

On September 14, 2016, SA Diaz digitally scanned the provided photocopies of the Chamber Police Night outline and Kennedy's hand written crime scene notes. The digitally scanned copies were electronically attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-71. The provided photocopies were physically submitted in for placement into the Related Item file room.



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RELATED ITEM

Case # FM-01-0027

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Seizing Agent Diaz

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Case Agent Negrinelli

Description Photocopies of PGPD

Chamber Police Night outline and

Kennedy's hand written crime scene

notes



**CHAMBER POLICE NIGHT
PUNTA GORDA POLICE DEPARTMENT OUTLINE
AUGUST 9, 2016 – 5:30 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M.**

- I. Chief's Welcome [REDACTED] –LEWIS
 - a. Welcome all participants to the police department
 - b. Power point overview of the department

- II. Police Department Tour [REDACTED] –LEWIS, SALSMAN, CIASCHINI
 - a. Criminal Investigations Section/ Evidence/Property **(5 Minutes)**
 - i. Overview of CIS function
 - b. Road Patrol Section **(5 Minutes)**
 - i. Overview of road function
 - c. Records Section **(5 Minutes)**
 - i. Overview of Records Functions

- III. Static Display [REDACTED]
 - a. Marine Unit **(5 Minutes)** – Kennedy
 - i. Large boat display
 - ii. Overview of uses
 - iii. Overview of equipment
 - b. Road Patrol **(5 Minutes)** – Brandon Angelini
 - i. Vehicle display
 - ii. Overview of equipment
 - c. Bike Unit **(5 Minutes)** – Shane Chodakowsky
 - i. Display
 - ii. Overview of uses

- IV. Shoot/Don't Shoot Scenarios [REDACTED] – Lewis, Salsman, Chodakowsky, Coel
The whole class will participate in this after viewing the static display.

V. Classroom Teachings [REDACTED] – Lewis, Salsman

a. Taser (**20 Minutes**)

- i. Overview of weapon
- ii. Overview of uses
- iii. Demo

b. Weapon Systems (Patrol Rifles, Glock, OC,& Ballistic Shield (**15 Minutes**))

- i. Overview of weapon
- ii. Overview of uses

VI. Q&A period [REDACTED]

VII. Evaluation of class

Special Mike Ortiz Ft. Meyers

Crime Lee Dewey Ft Myers

9:23 p.

Scene Sheriff Bill Prunell

9:37 A

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On August 9th, 2016, at 9:00 pm, Special Agent (SA) Michael Ortiz, of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, responded to the Punta Gorda Police Department in reference to this case.

At approximately 12:06 am, of the following morning, SA Ortiz obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from PGPD Lieutenant (Lt) Christopher Salsman. The interview took place in the Accreditation Manager's Office located inside the police department. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim.

Lt. Salsman stated that he has been employed by the PGPD for 17 years and is assigned to Employee Development, Recruitment and Training.

Lt. Salsman described the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce event that took place earlier in the evening. Lt. Salsman explained that Lt. Katie Heck was the primary coordinator along with Chief Lewis. The event was similar to a citizen's police academy in which people are brought in and introduced to the police department. Lt. Salsman stated that approximately 40 people were expected.

Lt. Salsman provided the following primary PGPD personnel taking part in the event as:

- Chief Lewis
- Captain Woodard
- Captain Ciaschini
- Lt. Salsman
- Officer Lee Coel
- Officer Shane Chodakowski

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 46 |
| Author: Ortiz, Michael Andrew | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/10/2016 | Activity End Date:09/07/2016 |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of PGPD LT. Christopher Salsman on 08/10/2016

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Lt. Salsman was not sure if an itinerary of events was sent to the chamber prior to the event. Lt. Heck or Accreditation Manager Gloria Sepanik would have coordinated the event with Chamber President John Wright.

Lt. Salsman provided SA Ortiz a written outline that the PGPD personnel were following for the chamber event. The outline titled "Chamber Police Night, Punta Gorda Police Department Outline, August 9, 2016 - 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m." The outline lists the following activities in addition to the name of the PGPD member assigned to the activity. Lt. Salsman described each activity as written in the outline.

- I. Chief's Welcome - Lewis
- II. Police Department tour - Lewis, Salsman, Ciaschini
- III. Static Display (Marine, Road Patrol, Bike Units) - Kennedy, B. Angelini, Chodakowsky
- IV. Shoot/Don't Shoot Scenarios - Lewis, Salsman, Chodakowsky, Coel
- V. Classroom Teachings - Lewis, Salsman
- VI. Q & A Period
- VII. Evaluation of Class

Lt. Salsman explained the Shoot/Don't Shoot scenario and the process for selecting the participants. At the beginning of the event, everyone sat in the classroom and was given a pen and a police department pad. Chief Lewis's business card was placed in every pad. However, located in four random pads, on the back of Chief Lewis's business card was either the word "TASER" or "GUN." Two cards had TASER written on the back and two cards had the word GUN written. The four cards would indicate what role the recipients would play in the Shoot/Don't Shoot scenario if the person chose to participate.

Lt. Salsman described the Shoot/Don't Shoot scenarios. Each person would go through two separate scenarios. The first scenario was to be a suspicious person complaint. Two vehicles were parked perpendicular to the building as props. The civilian playing the police officer was to be armed with a simunitions "Glock" weapon. The role player who was to play the officer was to be dispatched to a suspicious person complaint and was to make contact with the perpetrator who would be wearing a hood and acting suspicious between the two cars. When the officer arrived and didn't get the information requested, the perpetrator was to go to the back of the vehicle and retrieve a weapon that was on the rear bumper. The weapon would be directed at the officer and fire one to two blanks to "get her attention" and see what their response would be utilizing the simunitions weapon that was assigned to them.

Lt. Salsman described Officer Coel's role in the scenario. Coel was to play "the bad guy." Lt. Salsman explained that this was a repeat scenario that was done many times and that Coel had played the bad guy in this exact same scenario on numerous occasions. Lt. Salsman estimated that Coel participated in this exact scenario four times. Lt. Salsman stated that Capt. Woodard planned the scenario with no deviation from prior scenarios.

Lt. Salsman described the gun that Coel used during the scenario as a .38. Lt. Salsman stated that he didn't know which officer was with Coel when Coel's gun was loaded. Lt. Salsman stated it would have been under both his (Salsman), and Capt. Woodard's responsibility to check Coel's gun.

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Lt. Salsman didn't check Coel's gun because by the time he (Salsman) arrived at the scenario, the scenario had already been set. Lt. Salsman's presumption was that because everything was in place, safety checks had already been completed. Lt. Salsman stated that he (Salsman) is not a firearms instructor.

Lt. Salsman described the actual scenario that involved Mary Knowlton. Lt. Salsman stated that there was no briefing prior to the scenario other than the aforementioned outline. Lt. Salsman stated that Capt. Woodard took care of the preparation of Knowlton's simunitions weapon. Capt. Woodard presented the magazine and weapon to Chief Lewis who then presented the magazine and weapon to the crowd explaining how the simunition rounds worked. The weapon was then handed to Knowlton. Capt. Woodard explained to Knowlton how to handle the weapon. Lt. Salsman said that Knowlton indicated she understood. Lt. Salsman stated that he (Salsman) did not participate in Knowlton's briefing and that he didn't believe Chief Lewis had any further interaction with Knowlton other than the presentation of Knowlton's weapon after making sure the weapon was safe. Lt. Salsman stated that Captain Woodard would have been Knowlton's safety officer.

Lt. Salsman stated that after Knowlton received her weapon she began to walk towards Coel. Lt. Salsman could not hear her verbal exchange with Coel. Coel walked away from Knowlton. When Coel reached the back of the car, he picked up his weapon, turned towards Knowlton, and fired two shots. Lt. Salsman stated that Knowlton went down immediately, appearing to duck. Lt. Salsman stated that the shots sounded like the blanks that had been used in the past. After firing the two shots, Coel went around the vehicle and tried to fire a round, but Lt. Salsman heard a "click." Coel fired again and that round went off. Lt. Salsman saw a hole in the side of the car. Knowlton was also down and as Lt. Salsman got closer to Knowlton, he saw blood. Knowlton was unresponsive. After Knowlton's shirt was removed, Lt. Salsman could see trauma to Knowlton's upper abdomen. Rescue efforts were attempted and EMT officers were summoned from the fire department next door.

According to Lt. Salsman, Coel said, [REDACTED] Lt. Salsman stated that Officer Gonzalez walked Coel away from the scene. Lt. Salsman asked Coel where his weapon was. Coel advised that the weapon was on the second car (not the car with the bullet hole). Lt. Salsman located Coel's weapon and opened the revolver's cylinder. Lt. Salsman pushed three empty rounds out of the cylinder and put the three empty rounds on the trunk of the car.

Lt. Salsman stated that unknown to him, Coel's weapon was used in prior scenarios. Lt. Salsman stated that this was the second scenario that he (Salsman) has been involved in. Lt. Salsman stated his current position was previously held by Capt. Woodard who ran the scenario in the past. Lt. Salsman said he found out today that Coel's weapon is his (Coel's) K-9 training weapon and that Coel's weapon is different from the agency's .38 that is used for simunitions training, which Lt. Salsman believes is used with blanks. The .38 used in simunitions training has a restrictor which will not allow a regular round to go in.

Lt. Salsman stated that he didn't issue the gun that was used by Coel, nor had he checked it for

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safety. Today was the first time he touched Coel's weapon when he cleared it. Lt. Salsman said the weapon that Coel used in the scenario was not painted. Lt. Salsman stated that he was not familiar with blank rounds.

On August 10, 2016 at 11:02 am, SA Ortiz obtained a second audio recorded sworn statement from Lt. Salsman. The interview took place at the Punta Gorda Police Department Criminal Investigations Section (CIS) interview room. The purpose of the interview was to detail Lt. Salsman's recovery of the weapon Coel used during the scenario the evening before.

Lt. Salsman described Coel's weapon as a silver colored short barreled revolver. Lt. Salsman recovered the weapon on the hood of the second vehicle (marked police vehicle). Lt. Salsman stated that the weapon's cylinder was in a closed and unsafe position and he didn't know if there were any live rounds in the cylinder. Lt. Salsman opened what he believed to be a five round capacity cylinder and observed 1 empty chamber and he ejected four spent cartridges, which he described as being aluminum in color. Lt. Salsman placed the cartridges on the trunk of the vehicle. Lt. Salsman stated that he left the weapon's cylinder in the open position when he placed it on the hood of the vehicle next to the aforementioned empty casings.

Lt. Salsman stated that Lt. Lipker, Cpl. Grimm and Officer Jimenez secured the scene which included the vehicle where Lt. Salsman placed Coel's gun.

Lt. Salsman's interviews were downloaded onto two separate CD's and will be maintained as a related item, INV-50 and INV-51.

The Punta Gorda Police Department Chamber Police Night outline along with an electronic copy will be maintained as a related item, INV-52.



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RELATED ITEM

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RI # 52

Seizing Agent SA M. Cortiz

Date Received 8/9/16

Case Agent SA G. Negrinelli

Description Punta Gorda Police

Dept. Chamber Police

Night Outline



**CHAMBER POLICE NIGHT
PUNTA GORDA POLICE DEPARTMENT OUTLINE
AUGUST 9, 2016 – 5:30 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M.**

- I. Chief's Welcome [REDACTED] –LEWIS
 - a. Welcome all participants to the police department
 - b. Power point overview of the department

- II. Police Department Tour [REDACTED] –LEWIS, SALSMAN, CIASCHINI
 - a. Criminal Investigations Section/ Evidence/Property **(5 Minutes)**
 - i. Overview of CIS function
 - b. Road Patrol Section **(5 Minutes)**
 - i. Overview of road function
 - c. Records Section **(5 Minutes)**
 - i. Overview of Records Functions

- III. Static Display [REDACTED]
 - a. Marine Unit **(5 Minutes)** – Kennedy
 - i. Large boat display
 - ii. Overview of uses
 - iii. Overview of equipment
 - b. Road Patrol **(5 Minutes)** – Brandon Angelini
 - i. Vehicle display
 - ii. Overview of equipment
 - c. Bike Unit **(5 Minutes)** – Shane Chodakowsky
 - i. Display
 - ii. Overview of uses

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On September 9th, 2016, at 9:00 am, Special Agent (SA) Michael Ortiz, of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, responded to the Punta Gorda Police Department at the request of SA Gary Negrinelli, of FDLE, to retrieve an evidence bag containing a gray sweatshirt. The sweatshirt was worn by PGPD Officer Lee Coel on the evening of the officer involved shooting.

PGPD civilian Amber Dille released the evidence bag to SA Ortiz, who provided Dille with a FDLE Property Receipt Form.

The evidence bag, which consisted of a brown paper bag, was sealed with red police evidence tape. The Punta Gorda Police Department evidence decal indicated that the gray sweatshirt was packaged by Lt. Lipker on August 10, 2016.

SA Ortiz maintained custody of the evidence bag until the evidence bag and property receipt were secured in the Fort Myers Regional Operations Center (FMROC) temporary evidence locker #B at 12:30 pm, September 9th, 2016.

An electronic copy of the property receipt will be maintained as a Related Item, INV-53.

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 47 |
| Author: Ortiz, Michael Andrew | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 09/09/2016 | Activity End Date:09/09/2016 |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description:PGPD Officer Coel's Gray Sweat Shirt Evidence Collected

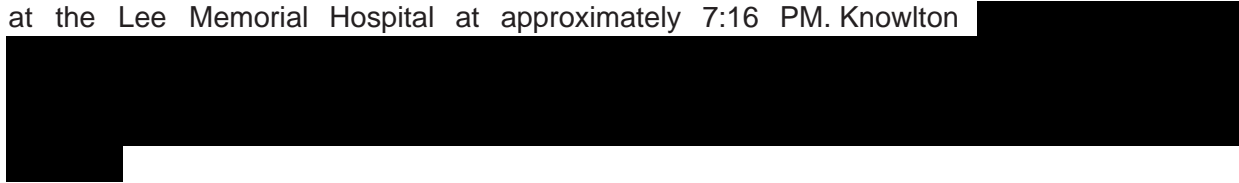
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On August 18, 2016, Special Agent (SA) Jerrick Pittman returned to the Lee Memorial Hospital and met with Charge Nurse Shannon Miles. Miles was on duty the night of August 09, 2016, when Knowlton arrived at the Lee Memorial Hospital. Miles told SA Pittman who the doctors were that provided care for Mary Knowlton when she arrived at the hospital. The doctors who were on duty the night of August 9th were Trauma Surgeon Andrew Mikulaschek and Emergency Room Physicians Jeremy Ingram and David Goldner.

According to Nurse Miles, the following are the sequence of events that took place on August 09, 2016, in the Lee Memorial Trauma Center, regarding Mary Knowlton: Knowlton arrived alive at the Lee Memorial Hospital at approximately 7:16 PM. Knowlton



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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 48 |
| Author: Pittman, Jerrick B. | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/18/2016 | Activity End Date:08/18/2016 |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of Nurse Shannon Miles

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On August 9th, 2016, at approximately 11:32 PM, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Christopher Tissot interviewed Richard Oliva, who was present during the shooting involving PGPD Officer Lee Coel and Mary Knowlton. Oliva is a member of the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce.

The following is a summary of the sworn recorded statement Oliva provided SA Tissot:

Oliva arrived at the Punta Gora Police Department at approximately 5:30 PM. After Oliva arrived, he and the rest of the civilian attendees were brought inside the building and were taken into a room. Chief Tom Lewis explained to the group the different jobs within the police department, as well as the different procedures. The civilian attendees were then broken up into smaller groups and given a tour of the building. After the tour, the civilian attendees were brought outside where they were given demonstrations of a patrol car, a patrol bicycle, and a marine unit.

After the demonstrations, the civilian attendees were taken over to another area in the parking lot for a "shoot no shoot scenario." Oliva stood on an island area with several other attendees, away from the other attendees. Oliva was approximately 20-25 feet from where the scenario occurred. When the scenario began, Officer Coel was checking out cars in the parking lot acting like a perpetrator. Knowlton approached Officer Coel and asked him what he was doing. Officer Coel started to back away from Knowlton and then retrieved a firearm that was on the top of one of the vehicles. Officer Coel then pointed the firearm at Knowlton and fired approximately four shots at her. Officer Coel then turned around to flee as a perpetrator would do. Shortly after, Officer Coel turned around and saw Knowlton hunched over grabbing her stomach; Officer Coel then approached Knowlton to assist.

A CD recording of Richard Oliva's sworn statement will be maintained in the related items section of this case.

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 49 |
| Author: Tissot, Christopher Allan | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/08/2016 | Activity End Date: |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of Richard Oliva on 8/9/2016

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On August 12, 2016, at approximately 2:39 PM, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli and Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough conducted a sworn audio recorded interview of PGPD Lieutenant (Lt.) Katie Heck at the PGPD. The following is a summary of her statement and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

Lt. Heck said that she was Officer Coel's Field Training Officer (FTO) and eventually became Officer Coel's supervisor in September or October of 2015 until June or July of 2016. Lt. Heck couldn't recall where or when Officer Coel obtained the .38 revolver he used in the training scenarios, but remembered that Coel had already had the firearm when Lt. Heck took over the K9 training. Lt. Heck assumed that Officer Coel was allowed to have the gun.

Lt. Heck couldn't recall ever signing off on a requisition from Officer Coel for blank ammunition. However, when asked by SAS Crough if she ever provided Officer Coel with blanks, Lt. Heck replied, "yes." Lt. Heck said she gave Officer Coel blanks sometime during the second week in July of 2106. Lt. Heck said these blanks belong to her husband, Charlotte County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Lt. John Heck, who was also a K9 Deputy for CCSO at one time. Lt. Heck said that it was just one box of blanks and described that box as being old, grey in color, and cube shaped. Lt. Heck could not recall the brand name, but said it was the brand that CCSO specifically orders for their personnel. Lt. Heck said she did open the box of ammo and described the rounds as being silver in color.

Lt. Heck's interview concluded at approximately 2:57 PM.

An audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-56.

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 50 |
| Author: Negrinelli, Gary | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/09/2016 | Activity End Date: |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of PGPD Lt. Katie Heck on 8/12/16

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On August 12, 2016, at approximately 5:14 PM, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli and Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough conducted a sworn audio recorded interview of Charlotte County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Lieutenant (Lt.) John Heck. The following is a summary of his statement and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

Lt. John Heck stated that when he and his wife, Katie Heck, were in the process of moving. They had some old ammunition they wanted to get rid of, so Lt. John Heck gave his wife (Lt. Katie Heck) two boxes of blanks to give to Officer Coel. Lt. John Heck said this occurred around the week after July 4th of 2016. Lt. John Heck described one of the boxes as being rectangular in shape and grey in color. He described the other box as being square shaped and blue and grey in color. Lt. John Heck described the ammo in the square shaped box tiny with crimped ends and gold in color. Lt. John Heck recalled them as being .38 caliber. Lt. John Heck could not recall either of the brands.

Lt. Heck was then shown a photograph of the "Blazer" (wad cutter) ammunition box and the "Winchester" blank ammunition box. Lt. Heck said that those were not the boxes of ammunition he gave to Officer Coel.

Lt. Heck's interview concluded at approximately 5:21 PM.

An audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-57.

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 51 |
| Author: Negrinelli, Gary | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/09/2016 | Activity End Date: |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of CCSO Lt. John Heck on 8/12/16

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On August 15, 2016, at approximately 2:33 PM, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli and Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough conducted a sworn audio recorded interview of PGPD Lieutenant (Lt.) Katie Heck at the PGPD. This was Lt. Heck's second interview. The following is a summary of her statement and should not be considered verbatim transcript:

After she was shown a copy of the PGPD requisition form from Officer Coel, Lt. Heck recalled approving the requisition on February 11, 2016 for three boxes of "Winchester" .38 Special blank ammunition.

Lt. Heck was shown a photograph of the "Blazer" (wad cutter) ammunition box retrieved from Officer Coel's vehicle. Lt. Heck said that this was probably the box of blanks she gave to Coel. Lt. Heck recalled that it was probably two boxes of "Blazer" ammunition because she had them in a plastic bag and wouldn't put only one box in a bag.

Lt. Heck's interview concluded at approximately 2:43 PM.

An audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-58.

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 52 |
| Author: Negrinelli, Gary | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/09/2016 | Activity End Date: |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description:2nd Interview of PGPD Lt. Katie Heck on 8/15/16

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The morning of August 10, 2016, FDLE Special Agent (SA) Alberto Diaz and SA Jerrick Pittman attended Knowlton's autopsy at the Office of the District 21 Medical Examiner (ME) located at 70 South Danley Drive in Fort Myers. The autopsy was conducted by Doctor Robert Pfalzgraf. He was assisted by Forensic Investigator (FI) Sarah Norman and ME Sean Hurst. Knowlton's body bag was already open when SA Diaz and SA Pittman entered the autopsy room. FI Norman took pictures of the decedent prior to and during the autopsy.

The decedent had a contusion on the right side of her forehead. She had a gunshot wound on her abdomen and another gunshot wound on the inside of her left arm just above the elbow. A projectile was recovered from her abdomen and another projectile was recovered from her left arm. The sequential projectile path in the abdomen appeared to be the liver, aorta, diaphragm, bottom of the left lung then the 12th rib. The manner of death would be pending the toxicology tests and final report.

The following items were collected during the autopsy and turned over to SA Diaz: a pair of underpants, feminine napkin, body transport sheet, two (2) brown paper bags, two (2) silver color metal earrings, one (1) yellow color metal ring, one (1) silver color metal ring with a fixed diamond and two (2) projectiles. An Office of the District 21 ME Evidence Chain of Custody form was completed with the aforementioned items listed along with a disc containing the autopsy pictures. An FDLE Property Receipt form was also completed.

At approximately 11:31 am, SA Diaz left the Office of the District 21 ME and returned to the FDLE Fort Myers Regional Operations Center (FMROC). SA Diaz transported the items inside his assigned FDLE vehicle (2594). At approximately 11:42 am, SA Diaz placed the items inside of the Squad K conference room where SA Pittman watched them. At approximately 12:00 pm, SA Diaz brought all of the items except for the disc to inside the Office of Forensic Services (OFS) biohazard room CS 103. Senior Crime Laboratory Analyst (SCLA) Steve Balunan placed the pair of underpants, feminine napkin, body transport sheet and 2 brown paper bags into the forensic evidence cabinet to be dried. SA Diaz left the other items on the counter and then left the room which was secured.

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 53 |
| Author: Diaz, Alberto Carlos | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/10/2016 | Activity End Date:08/10/2016 |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description:Autopsy of Mary Knowlton (decedent) on 08/10/2016

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On August 17, 2016, at approximately 10:31 am, SA Diaz met with SCLA Lee Dewey, who let him inside OFS biohazard room CS 103. SA Diaz took custody of the 2 projectiles and left the room which was secured. SA Diaz then met with Crime Laboratory Technician (CLT) Danielle Garcia at the evidence vault where the 2 items were submitted. An FDLE Custody Receipt form and a FDLE Case Tracking form were completed and signed.

On August 19, 2016, at approximately 9:31 am, SA Diaz and SA Michael Ortiz met with SCLA Dewey who let them inside OFS biohazard room CS 103. SA Diaz removed the pair of underpants, feminine napkin, body transport sheet and 2 brown paper bags from the forensic evidence cabinet. He took custody of the items and placed each of them into separate brown paper bags. SA Diaz also took custody of the two (2) silver color metal earrings, one (1) yellow color metal ring and one (1) silver color metal ring with a fixed diamond. SA Diaz and SA Ortiz then walked over to the Squad K conference room where all of the items were sealed in evidence bags. At approximately 10:34 am, SA Diaz submitted all of the items into temporary evidence locker D.

On August 23, 2016, at approximately 11:47 am, CLT Garcia unlocked temporary evidence locker D and SA Diaz took custody of the items. SA Pittman also took custody of the items he collected at Lee Memorial Hospital. The items were a light blue blouse, dark blue shorts, a multicolored bra and a pair of sandals. SA Diaz then walked with SA Pittman and CLT Garcia over to the evidence vault where the items were submitted. A FDLE Custody Receipt form was completed and signed for all of the submitted items.

On September 8, 2016, at approximately 8:36 am, SA Diaz signed out the 2 metal earrings and 2 metal rings from the evidence vault. The items were signed out in an attempt to return them to the decedent's husband, Gary Knowlton, who had inquired about the items. Later that day, it was learned that Mr. Knowlton was not available, so SA Diaz submitted the same items back into the evidence vault. Two separate FDLE Custody Receipt forms were completed and signed.

On September 12, 2016, SA Diaz submitted the aforementioned disc containing the autopsy pictures into the evidence vault. A FDLE Custody Receipt form was completed and signed. On September 13, 2016, SA Diaz digitally scanned the Office of the District 21 ME Evidence Chain of Custody form, FDLE Property Receipt form, FDLE Case Tracking Form and all of the involved FDLE Custody Receipt forms. The digitally scanned forms were electronically attached to this investigative report as Related Item INV-62. The aforementioned forms were physically submitted in for placement into the Related Item file room.



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RELATED ITEM

Case # FM-01-0027

RI # INV-62

Seizing Agent Diaz

Date Received 8-10-16 to 9-12-2016

Case Agent Negrinelli

Description OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT 21

ME Evidence Chain of Custody Form, FDLE

Custody Receipt Forms, FDLE Property

Receipt Form, FDLE Case tracking Form.



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OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MEDICAL EXAMINER
DISTRICT 21, STATE OF FLORIDA
LEE-HENDRY-GLADES COUNTIES



**EVIDENCE/SPECIMEN
CHAIN OF CUSTODY**

Rebecca A. Hamilton, M.D.
District Medical Examiner

Deceased's Name: Mary Knowlton M.E. # 16-00703

| ITEM # | QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION |
|--------|----------|---|
| 1 | 1 | Brown paper bag from right hand |
| 2 | 1 | Brown paper bag from left hand |
| 3 | 1 | Pair of under pants |
| 4 | 1 | Feminine napkin |
| 5 | 2 | Yellow metal ear rings |
| 6 | 2 | Yellow metal rings |
| 7 | 1 | Body transport sheet |
| 8 | 1 | envelope of projectile from left arm |
| 9 | 1 | envelope of projectile from left pleural cavity |
| 10 | 1 | Disc of autopsy photographs |
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NAME OF PERSON OBTAINING ITEM: Robert A. Valiquet PLACE: District 21 ME Office
INVESTIGATING AGENCY: FDLE OFFICER: Alberto Diaz

| ITEM # | DATE | TIME | RELEASED BY | RECEIVED BY | AGENCY |
|--------|---------|-------|--------------------|--------------|--------|
| 1-9 | 8-10-16 | 11:00 | Robert A. Valiquet | Alberto Diaz | FDLE |
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PROPERTY RECEIPT FORM

Florida Department of
Law Enforcement

| CASE NUMBER FM-01-0027 | | DATE 8-10-2016 |
|---|---|----------------------------------|
| RELEASED BY (PRINT/TYPE NAME & TITLE) Robert PFaltzgraf, Doctor | | |
| RECEIVED BY (PRINT/TYPE NAME & TITLE) Alberto Diaz, Special Agent | | |
| PURPOSE/REMARKS | | |
| I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following described property which was given into my custody by the above named individual for the noted purpose. | | |
| Amount/Quantity | Description | |
| 1 / 1 | Brown paper bag from right hand | |
| 2 / 1 | Brown paper bag, from left hand | |
| 3 / 1 | Pair of underpants | |
| 4 / 1 | Feminine napkin | |
| 5 / 2 | Yellow metal earrings | |
| 6 / 2 | Yellow metal rings | |
| 7 / 1 | Body transport sheet | |
| 8 / 1 | envelope of projectile from left arm | |
| 9 / 1 | envelope of projectile from left pleural cavity | |
| 10 / 1 | Disc of autopsy/photographic | |
| RELEASED BY (SIGNATURE) | | RECEIVED BY (SIGNATURE) #1200 |
| WITNESSED BY (OPTIONAL) | | WITNESSED BY (OPTIONAL) |

On 08/17/2016 at 10:52 am the following items were transferred so that the current custody reads as follows:
"To Lab - FDLE LAB" This custody update was processed by Garcia, Danielle

Case #: FM-01-0027

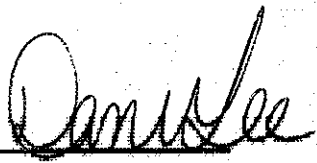
Please print below all items to be transferred


| Item # | Description |
|--------|---|
| 1 | Projectile fragment from left cavity Item Notes: |
| 2 | Projectile fragment from left arm Item Notes: |

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Total # of Items Transferred: 2

Comments: submitted to FMROC lab for firearms analysis via SA/A. Diaz

Garcia, Danielle 

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08/17/2016 - 10:52 am

| Released By | Released To | Date/Time |
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CASE TRACKING FORM



PRIMARY AGENCY INFORMATION

FDLE - Ft. Myers (Investigations)
Attn: SA Gary Negrineli
4700 Terminal Drive
Ft. Myers, FL 33907-0000

Phone: (239) 278-7170

FDLE Submitted By Alberto Diaz
Received By Danielle E. Garcia
Received On 08/17/2016 10:54 EST
Case 20160604097
Submission 1
Packages with submission 2
FDLE - Ft. Myers (Investigations)
ORI FL0363701
Agency Case # FM-01-0027
Case References: No

OFFENSE INFORMATION

County of Offense Charlotte County
Offense Date August 09, 2016
Offenses Death Investigation

SUBJECTS

Coel, Lee

VICTIMS

Knowlton, Mary

Table with 5 columns: Cont., FDLE Item No., Agency Item No., Description of Evidence, Analysis Requested. Contains 2 rows of evidence data.

Comments

Case Comments: Victim accidentally shot by police officer during community training exercise

Submitted By:

Alberto Diaz

Received By:

Danielle E. Garcia
Crime Laboratory Technician

Ft. Myers Region

Custody Receipt

On 08/23/2016 at 11:57 am
Received into Evidence by [Signature] in [Signature] Garcia, Danielle

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| Item # | Description | |
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| 10 | Light Blue Blouse Item Notes: Lee Memorial Trauma Center | |
| 11 | Dark Blue Shorts Item Notes: Lee Memorial Trauma Center | |
| 12 | Multicolored Bra Item Notes: Lee Memorial Trauma Center | |
| 13 | Pair of Sandals Item Notes: Lee Memorial Trauma Center | |
| 3 | Brown Paper Bag from Left Hand Item Notes: | |
| 4 | Brown Paper Bag from Right Hand Item Notes: | |
| 5 | Pair of Underpants Item Notes: | |
| 6 | Feminine Napkin Item Notes: | |
| 7 | Yellow Metal Earrings Item Notes: | |
| 8 | Yellow Metal Rings Item Notes: | |
| 9 | Body Transport Sheet Item Notes: | |

Total # of Items Transferred: 11

Comments:

[Signature] #1280
Received from

Garcia, Danielle *[Signature]*
Received By
08/23/2016 - 11:57 am
Date/Time

Ft. Myers Region

Custody Receipt

On 09/08/2016 at 8:36 am the following items were transferred to the recipient custody. Return to Case # FM-01-0027. The recipient was advised of Garcia Daniels.

| Item # | Description | Transfer |
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| 7 | Yellow Metal Earrings Item Notes: | |
| 8 | Yellow Metal Rings Item Notes: | |

Note: The Recipient was out of town, will attempt to turn the 2 items over to him on a later date.

Total # of Items Transferred: 2
Comments: Returning items to next of kin.

Garcia, Danielle
Released By *Danielle Garcia*

[Signature] #1280
Released To

09/08/2016 - 8:36 am
Date/Time

When transferring items please sign out of Chair, Evidence Custodian, Transferred By

Ft. Myers Region

Custody Receipt

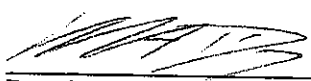
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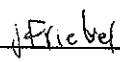
Case #: FM-01-0027

| Item # | Description |
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| 7 | Yellow Metal Earrings |
| | Item Notes: |
| 8 | Yellow Metal Rings |
| | Item Notes: |

Total # of Items Transferred: 2

Comments: The recipient was out of town, the items will be turned over at a later date.

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Received from

Friebe, Jamie
Received By 

09/08/2016 - 2:15 pm
Date/Time

FDLE

Custody Receipt

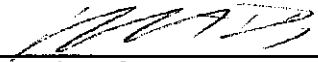
On 09/12/2016 at 11:20 am the following item was transferred so that the current custody reads as follows:
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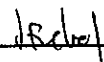
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| Item # | Description |
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| 19 | Medical Examiner's Pictures of Mary Knowlton's Autopsy |
| | Item Notes: (Original Disc) |

Total # of Items Transferred: 1

Comments:

 #1280
Received from

Friebel, Jamie
Received By 

09/12/2016 - 11:20 am
Date/Time

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

On August 9th, 2016, the Punta Gorda Police Department (PGPD) requested the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) conduct an investigation of a shooting that involved PGPD Officer Lee Coel, which resulted in the death of Mary Knowlton. The incident occurred at the Punta Gorda Police Department, located at 1410 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, Florida.

On August 9th, 2016, at 9:00 pm, Special Agent (SA) Michael Ortiz, of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, responded to the Punta Gorda Police Department in reference to this case.

At approximately 1:00 am, of the following morning, SA Ortiz and SA Alberto Diaz of FDLE obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from Punta Gorda Police Department Captain (Capt.) Jeffrey Woodard. The interview took place in the Accreditation Manager's Office located inside the police department. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim.

Capt. Woodard explained that he has been employed by the PGPD for 14 years and he currently oversees the everyday functions of all agency sworn units. Capt. Woodard said he used to be in charge of the training division. Capt. Woodard stated he has certifications as a Defensive Tactics Instructor, Monadnock Baton Instructor and Vehicle Operations Instructor. Capt. Woodard stated in addition, he is an AR-15 (Rifle) Armorer.

Capt. Woodard described the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce event that took place earlier in the evening. Capt. Woodard was familiar with the Chamber Police Night Outline and referred to a copy of the outline that SA Ortiz had obtained from Lt. Salsman earlier. Capt. Woodard identified that the following events were on schedule for the evening along with the name of each PGPD member assigned to each event.

- I. Chief's Welcome - Lewis
- II. Police Department tour - Lewis, Salsman, Ciaschini
- III. Static Display (Marine, Road Patrol, Bike Units) - Kennedy, B. Angelini, Chodakowsky
- IV. Shoot/Don't Shoot Scenarios - Lewis, Salsman, Chodakowsky, Coel
- V. Classroom Teachings - Lewis, Salsman
- VI. Q & A Period
- VII. Evaluation of Class

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 54 |
| Author: Ortiz, Michael Andrew | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/10/2016 | Activity End Date:09/13/2016 |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of PGPD Captain J. Woodard on 08/10/2016

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Capt. Woodard said 40 chamber people were expected for the event and estimated that 32 people were in actual attendance. Capt. Woodard stated Lt. Katie Heck was the coordinator for the event.

Capt. Woodard explained that four of Chief Lewis's business cards which had been placed in every participant's booklets would indicate that two participants would participate in a "shoot/don't shoot" scenario and two people would participate in a "taser shoot" scenario.

Capt. Woodard explained the "Shoot/Don't Shoot" scenario. Capt. Woodard said the scenario has been done by the PGPD approximately three to five times in the past. Capt. Woodard stated PGPD conducts the exact same two scenarios. The first, a suspicious person looking into vehicles and a second scenario involving a response to a bar fight. Capt. Woodard didn't know who developed the scenarios, but believed the scenarios were based on a YouTube video featuring another agency. Capt. Woodard stated he didn't believe there was a PGPD written script or manual detailing everyone's duties and roles for the scenarios.

Capt. Woodard explained his role during the chamber event. Capt. Woodard was to ensure the chamber group and police officers didn't exceed their time limits for each event. Capt. Woodard explained that he was not a part of the planning of the event and on the spur of the moment offered his assistance in keeping the group on schedule.

Capt. Woodard explained that while other officers were giving their respective tours, he was in the armory securing one of the simunitions weapons (9mm Glock) for the role player. Capt. Woodard stated that while in the armory, Detective (Det) Davoult entered the armory and together they inspected the simunitions ammunition before loading the simunitions ammunition into the simunitions weapon's magazine.

Capt. Woodard identified Officer Lee Coel as the role player who would play the suspicious person. Capt. Woodard stated Coel was in a training class in Fort Myers on the day of the event from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm and came to PGPD after his training to assist in the event. Capt. Woodard didn't know if there was a formalized briefing with Coel prior to the scenario and that he didn't think it was ever discussed as who was to run the scenarios. Capt. Woodard recalled having a conversation with Coel prior to the scenario. Coel advised Capt. Woodard that he didn't have a simunitions mask. Capt. Woodard provided Coel with the mask as the tour of the police department vehicles was ending. Capt. Woodard stated he did not perform a safety check on Coel nor check Coel's gun. According to Capt. Woodard, Coel told him that he had the gun that he was going to use in his waistband and didn't know if he would keep the gun in his waistband or put it on the back of the vehicle that was used in the scenario.

Capt. Woodard said prior to the scenario, he was at the static display (location of police department vehicle tour) and spoke to Chief Lewis about the rain moving in. Capt. Woodard suggested to Chief Lewis to maybe move the event along to keep everyone on task and on track. Chief Lewis concurred with Capt. Woodard.

Capt. Woodard stated he then took Mary Knowlton and the other participant who picked the

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"Shoot/Don't Shoot" card back to the training room where he briefed the two participants on the scenarios and gave an overview of the simunitions. Capt. Woodard said that newspaper reporter Don Royston was present.

Prior to the start of the scenario, Capt. Woodard walked Knowlton to Chief Lewis and introduced her as the Chief's new officer. Capt. Woodard handed the simunitions gun to Chief Lewis who then covered more safety instructions with Knowlton and the chamber group.

As the Shoot/Don't Shoot Scenario [REDACTED]ted, Capt. Woodard described Knowlton as approaching Coel who was standing between two parked vehicles. Capt. Woodard didn't hear the verbal exchange. Capt. Woodard said he observed Coel run to the front of the vehicle and retrieve the gun either from his waistband or from the front of the vehicle. Capt. Woodard believes he heard one shot from the front of the vehicle and then heard one or two more shots as Coel continued to the other side of the vehicle. Capt. Woodard stated Knowlton stood and appeared to be frightened. Knowlton bent over at the waist and then fell. Capt. Woodard ran to the Fire/EMS section of the building to summon help. Upon return to the scene, Capt. Woodard was advised by Capt. Ciaschini that live rounds were fired.

Capt. Woodard stated Chief Lewis instructed him and PGPD Officer (Ofc.) Gonzalez to sit with Coel in the lieutenant's office. Capt. Woodard advised Coel that he was not going to ask him any questions and advised Coel not to say anything. Capt. Woodard stated that he and Ofc. Gonzalez sat with Coel for about two hours and Coel stated, [REDACTED]

Capt. Woodard stated he was under the impression that the gun Coel used during the scenario was a K-9 "blanks gun" used for nothing but K-9 training. The gun is a silver revolver, a .38 Special. Capt. Woodard stated that .38 or .357 ammunition is not purchased, given out or maintained by the PGPD. Blank rounds however would have been supplied to Coel for training purposes. Capt. Woodard stated that he (Woodard) doesn't know what a blank round looks like.

The audio recorded sworn statement from Capt. Woodard was downloaded onto a CD and will be maintained as a related item, INV-64.

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

On August 9th, 2016, the Punta Gorda Police Department (PGPD) requested the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) conduct an investigation of a shooting that involved PGPD Officer Lee Coel, which resulted in the death of Mary Knowlton. The incident occurred at the PGPD, located at 1410 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, Florida.

On August 10, 2016, at approximately 0000 hrs., FDLE Special Agent (SA) Daniel Mehler conducted a recorded sworn interview of PGPD Captain (Capt.) Jason Ciaschini at the PGPD. The following information outlines the sum and substance of the interview. For further details please refer to the digital audio recording.

Capt. Ciaschini stated that the PGPD was hosting a Citizens Police Academy for the Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce members. Capt. Ciaschini's role during the evening was very limited. Attendees were given a presentation by the chief and then the group was broken up into smaller groups for tours of the facility. Capt. Ciaschini stated that he was one of the persons who gave a tour of the facility. Capt. Ciaschini stated that the groups then went outside and viewed static displays of a patrol car, bike patrol, and a marine patrol boat.

Capt. Ciaschini stated that a preplanned event was going to take place and two attendees would participate in a shoot, don't shoot scenario. Capt. Ciaschini stated that the participants would play the role of an officer and a PGPD officer would play the role of a "bad guy." Capt. Ciaschini stated that during the scenario, he was talking with Corporal (Cpl.) Grim and did not actually witness the scenario. Capt. Ciaschini said he did hear several, possibly three (3), shots fired. When he turned to observe the rest of the scenario he witnessed through the crowd that something seemed to be wrong with the participant, possibly medical related.

Capt. Ciaschini stated that several PGPD members ran to render aid and he stayed back to avoid too many people crowding the area. EMS was contacted and Capt. Ciaschini stated he spoke with the chief and suggested that they handle the incident as a crime scene. Capt. Ciaschini then made contact with FDLE and requested immediate assistance. Capt. Ciaschini stated that his role after making contact with FDLE was primarily as a liaison between FDLE and the PGPD.

When asked how the participants were chosen, Capt. Ciaschini answered that the participants were chosen completely at random, based on whether or not they received the chief's business card contained in a notepad that was handed out at the beginning of the evening. Ciaschini

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 55 |
| Author: Mehler, Daniel John | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/10/2016 | Activity End Date:08/10/2016 |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of PGPD Captain Jason Ciaschini on 08/10/2016

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stated that there were supposed to be two shoot, don't shoot scenarios and two opportunities for participants to fire a taser.

Capt. Ciaschini stated that this training event was not the first time the PGPD had hosted one. The PGPD had hosted this type of training event in the past somewhere between four to six times. Capt. Ciaschini stated he believed that Lt. Katie Heck coordinated the evening's event and he was only requested to take care of the tours. Capt. Ciaschini did not know who was in charge of the scenarios. Capt. Ciaschini stated Officer (Ofc.) Shane Chodakowsky was the other officer who would have been role playing that evening.

Capt. Ciaschini stated he observed Capt. Jeff Woodard walk outside with the participant (Knowlton), prior to the scenario, holding the simunition gun with the slide back and the ammunition in his hand.

When asked what he had heard said by others after the shooting incident, Capt. Ciaschini answered that he had heard someone say that the gun may have been real and that the ammunition may have been real. Capt. Ciaschini also stated that after hearing about the possibility of live fire, coupled with the fact he had observed a hole in the side door of one of the vehicles used in the scenario, he thought it best to treat the scene like a crime scene and notify FDLE.

When asked if he had ever observed the firearm used by Ofc. Coel, Capt. Ciaschini answered yes, but only after FDLE had arrived and he had been asked to verify information about the firearm. Capt. Ciaschini stated that he and the Watch Commander, David Lipker, had gone outside to observe the firearm. Capt. Ciaschini stated that he stayed outside of the crime scene tape but could see a revolver type firearm with the cylinder open, sitting on a marked patrol vehicle.

Capt. Ciaschini stated that the PGPD does not issue revolvers for on-duty, back-up, or off-duty carry. Capt. Ciaschini said that he knows of a revolver that has been issued in the past to the K-9 units for training purposes, but did not have any details of who it was issued to or by whom it was issued.

When asked if there was a safety officer assigned to oversee the training event, Capt. Ciaschini answered he did not know. However, Capt. Ciaschini stated that he heard later in the evening that there may not have been a safety officer assigned.

When asked if he believed that the incident was anything other than a tragic accident, Capt. Ciaschini replied that he had been in law enforcement for nineteen (19) years and nothing that had occurred this evening would have made him believe that something wasn't right. "It appeared to be a freak accident."

The interview was concluded at 0025 hrs.

The following item has been placed into Related Items:

Disc containing audio recording of interview. INV-63

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
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On August 10, 2016, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli, SA Michael Ortiz, and Senior Crime Laboratory Analyst (SCLA) Lee Dewey returned to the PGPD. With the assistance of PGPD and PGFD personnel, a search for the missing fourth projectile was conducted. It was not located.

As SCLA Dewey was taking photographs of the scene of the incident, three indentation marks were observed on the engine hood of the police vehicle that was used in the role play scenario involving Off. Coel and Mrs. Knowlton. It was verified by PGPD personnel that the marks were not present prior to the vehicle being used in the scenario. It was determined that the indentation marks on the hood were made by three of the four projectiles fired from Off. Coel's revolver. Based on the size and shape of the indentations, it appears that the three projectiles ricocheted off the hood of the vehicle. Two of the projectiles then struck Mrs. Knowlton and one has not been located.

SA Negrinelli, SA Ortiz, and SCLA Dewey then conducted a search of Lee Coel's K9 vehicle. The following items were retrieved from a pullout lock box, located in the hatchback area of the vehicle:

- One S&W gun box with a barcode sticker for a .38 Special, Model 637 handgun, with serial number (SN) CFU5742. Another sticker had a date of 06/13/2015 and the name Lee M. Coel on it.
- One S&W .38 Special revolver, SN R211817, without a cylinder.
- Two boxes of "Blazer" .38 Special 148 Grain, hollow base wad cutters (HBWC). One box contained 40 of 50 rounds capacity and the other box contained 35 of 50 rounds capacity.
- Three boxes of "Winchester Super X" .38 Special blank ammunition. Two boxes contained a full 50 rounds and the other box contained 27 of 50 rounds capacity.
- One box of "Fiocchi" .380 blank ammunition containing 15 of 50 rounds capacity.

The above items were photographed in the manner and condition they were found, collected, and placed in evidence by SCLS Dewey.

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 56 |
| Author: Negrinelli, Gary | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/09/2016 | Activity End Date: |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Search of Officer Coel's K-9 vehicle on 8/10/16

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On August 9th, 2016, the Punta Gorda Police Department (PGPD) requested the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) conduct an investigation of a shooting that involved PGPD Officer Lee Coel, which resulted in the death of Mary Knowlton. The incident occurred at the PGPD, located at 1410 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, Florida.

On August 11, 2016, SA Negrinelli was contacted, via phone, by Jerry Berry, a practicing Attorney at Law from the Naples, Florida Area. Berry told SA Negrinelli that he represented Officer Coel.

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 57 |
| Author: Negrinelli, Gary | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/09/2016 | Activity End Date: |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Communication with Attorney Jerry Berry

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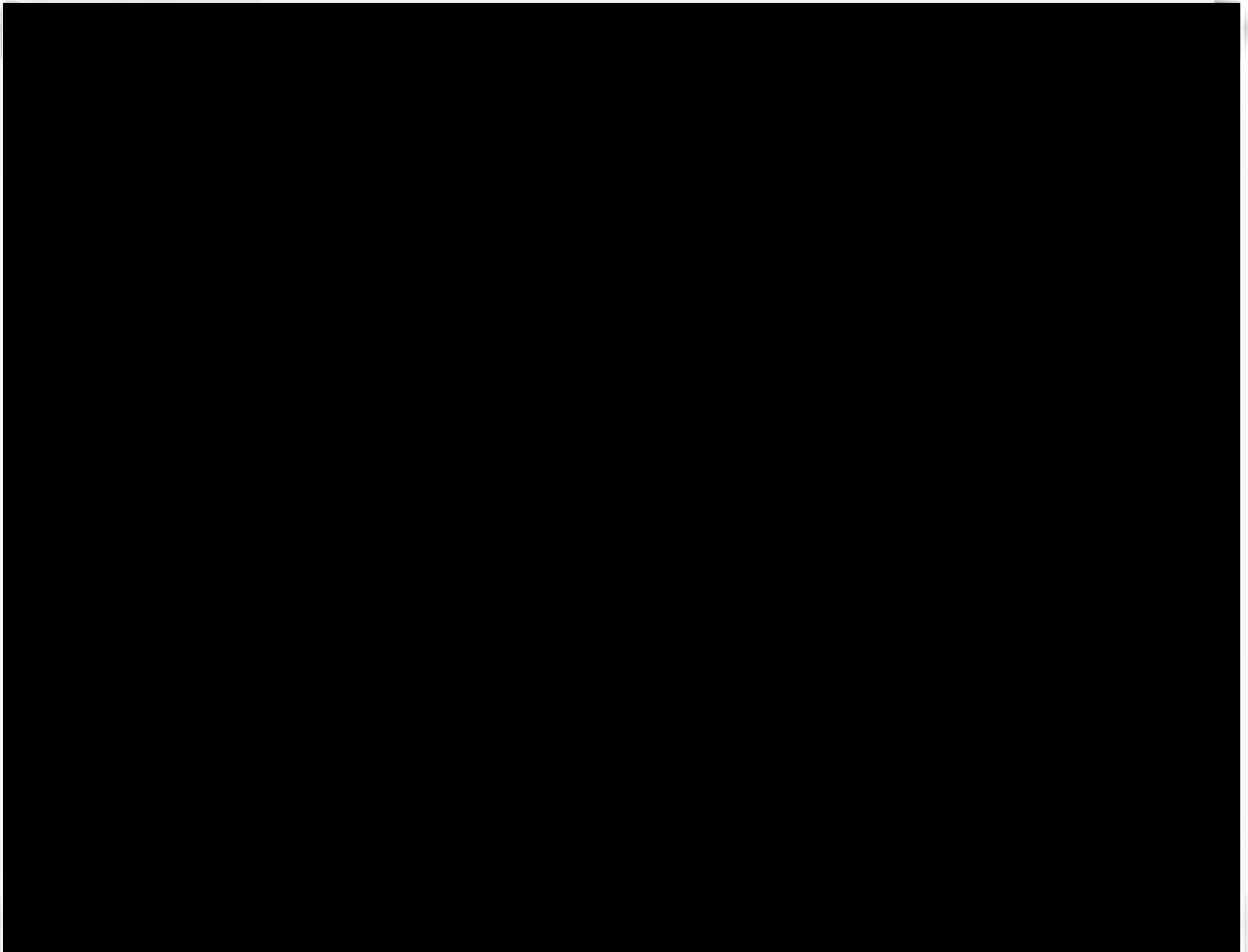
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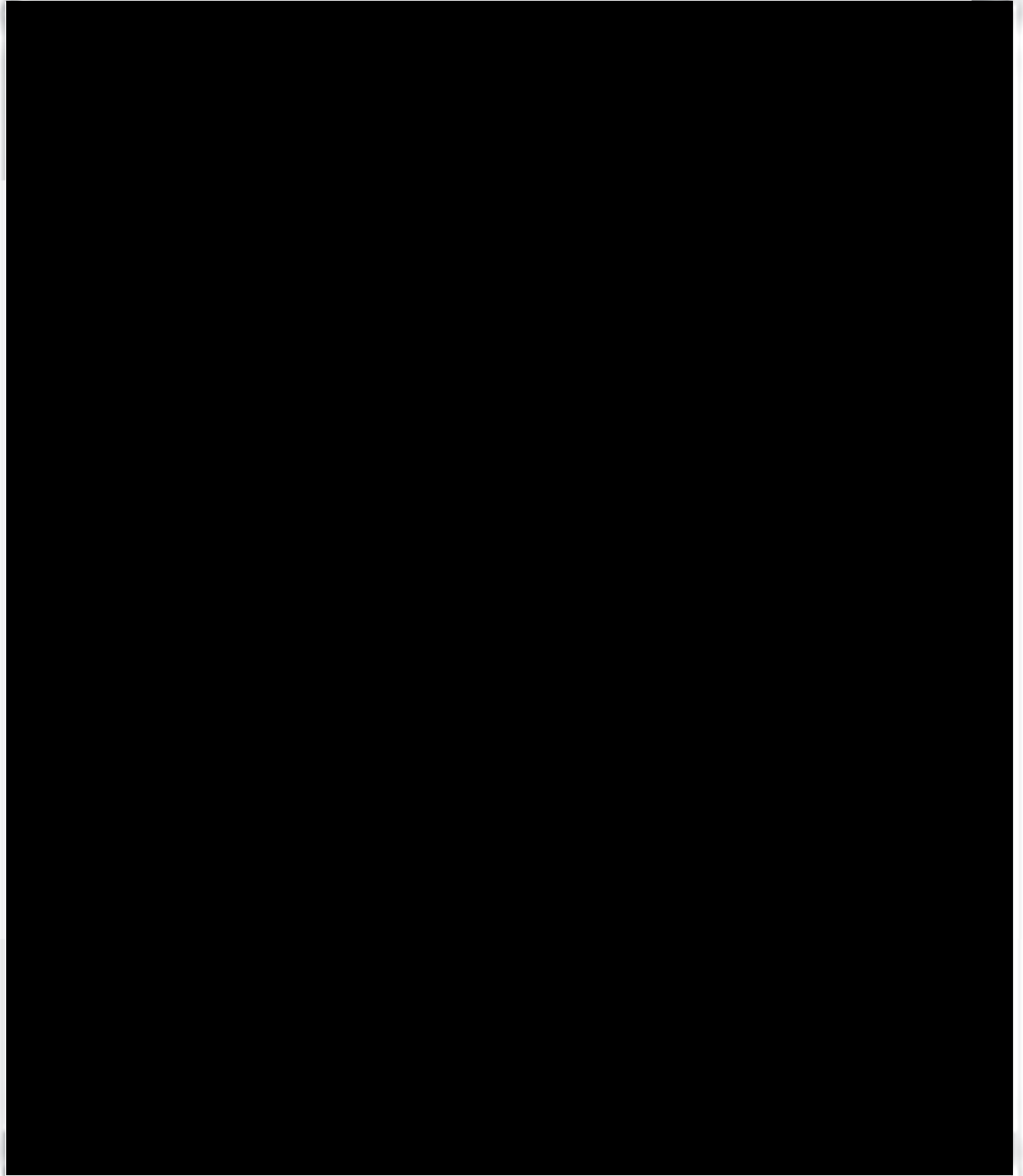
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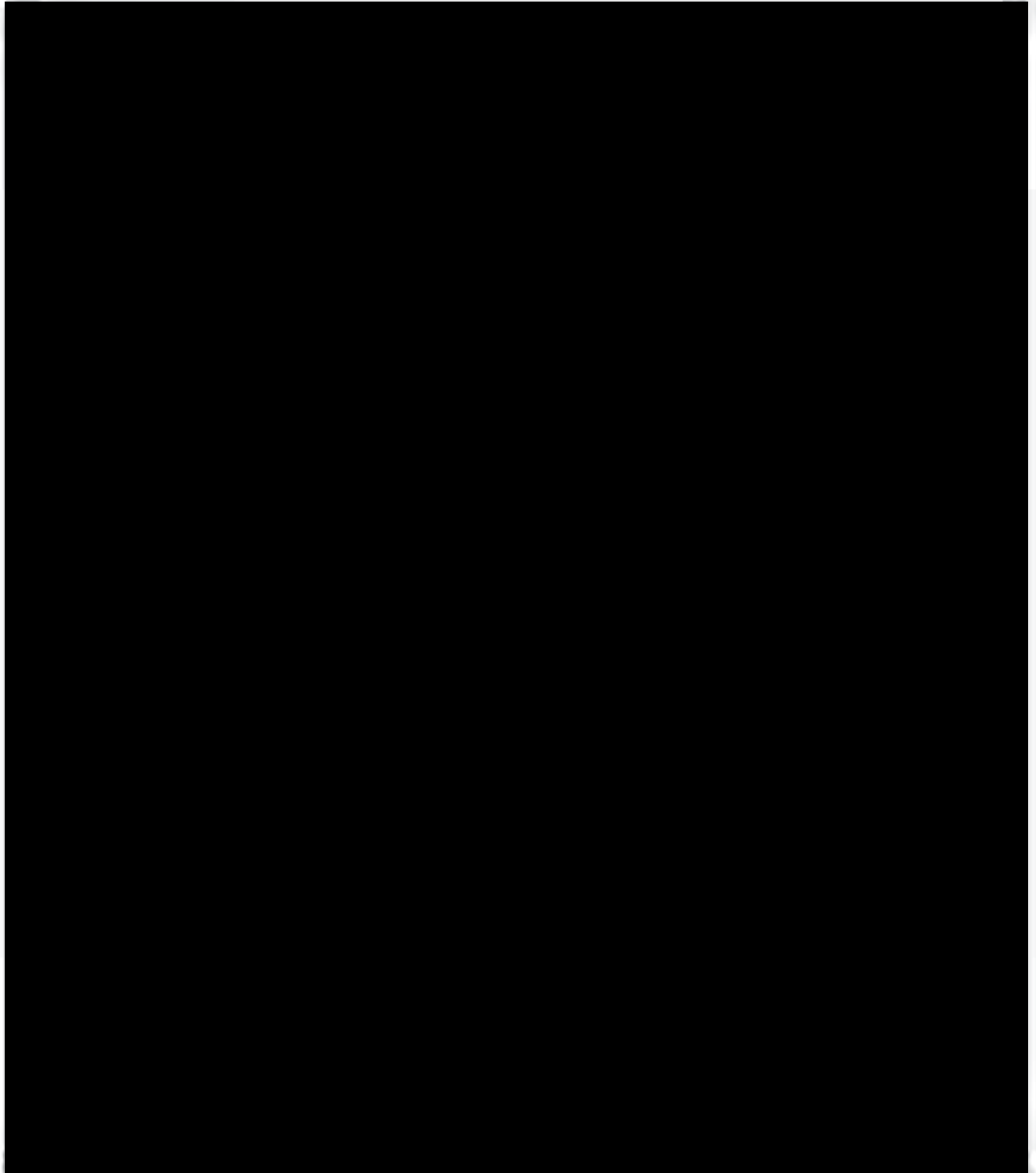
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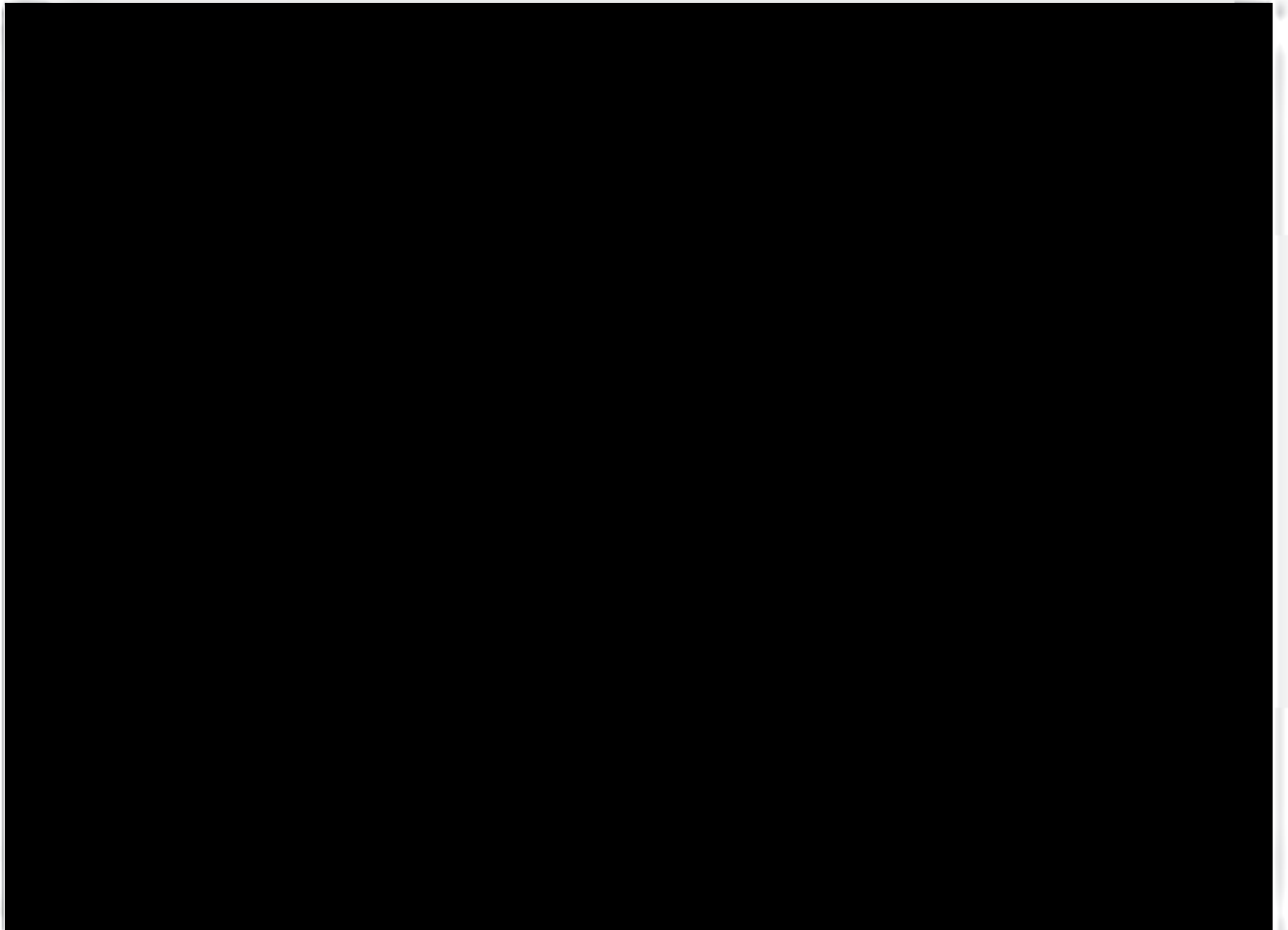
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jerry Berry", is written in black ink.

Jerry Berry

JB/cja
cc: Richard Montecalvo, Esquire

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On August 10, 2016, at approximately 0040 hrs., FDLE Special Agent (SA) Daniel Mehler conducted a recorded sworn interview of Corporal (Cpl.) Rebecca Grim at the PGPD. The following information outlines the sum and substance of the interview. For further details please refer to the digital audio recording.

Cpl. Grim stated her squad was on patrol duty that evening. After finishing roll call she and her squad exited the building right when the scenario was about to start. Cpl. Grim stated she observed Captain (Capt.) Ciaschini standing outside and immediately approached him and began to talk to him about electrical issues she had been having with her patrol car. Cpl. Grim stated she heard several live round shots fired while her attention was on the conversation with Capt. Ciaschini. Cpl. Grim turned and made her way toward the scenario location. Cpl. Grim observed a female participant (Mary Knowlton) lying on the ground. Someone had rolled Knowlton over and Cpl. Grim observed blood. Ofc. Lee Coel and Chief Lewis were by Knowlton's side and Cpl. Grim heard Ofc. Coel yell [REDACTED]

Cpl. Grim stated that she realized Knowlton was not breathing and had a wound on her left abdomen. Cpl. Grim stated she checked for a pulse and initiated Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). Cpl. Grim stated that while providing CPR, she asked for someone to get Ofc. Coel away because she observed a look on his face that "didn't look right."

Cpl. Grim stated that Emergency Medical Services (EMS) had arrived, took over rendering aide, and Ofc. Coel had been escorted over to a tree with Ofc. Juan Gonzalez.

When asked if she had seen the firearm Ofc. Coel was using during the scenario, Cpl. Grim answered that she never saw Ofc. Coel with a firearm and the only firearm she did observe was a blue and black handgun on the ground near the area where Chief Lewis was rendering aide to Knowlton.

When asked if she heard Ofc. Coel say anything else, Cpl. Grim replied that while Ofc. Coel was at the tree with Ofc. Gonzalez, Ofc. Coel uttered [REDACTED]

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| Author: Mehler, Daniel John | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/10/2016 | Activity End Date:08/10/2016 |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of PGPD Corporal Rebecca Grimm on 08/10/2016

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████████████████████ Cpl. Grimm stated that Ofc. Coel seemed to be in shock. Cpl. Grim brought Ofc. Coel into a Lieutenants office. Cpl. Grim observed blood on Ofc. Coel's hands and advised him not to wash them. Ofc. Gonzalez stayed with Ofc. Coel.

When asked about who planned the evening, Cpl. Grim answered she was not aware of who coordinated the training event or scenario. When asked about safety officers, Cpl. Grim stated that normally there are safety officers assigned to training exercises, but she did not know if one was assigned to this event.

When asked if she thought the incident was anything more than a tragedy or if anything seemed suspicious, Cpl. Grim answered, "No, absolutely not."

The interview was concluded at 0100 hrs.

The following item has been placed into Related Items:

Disc containing audio recording of interview. INV-66

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On August 10th, 2016 at approximately 10:40 am, SA Michael Ortiz of FDLE obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from Punta Gorda Police Department Detective Corporal (Cpl.) Justin Davoult. The interview took place in the PGPD Criminal Investigations Section (CIS) interview room. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim.

Cpl. Davoult is assigned as a detective in the Criminal Investigations Section of the PGPD. Cpl. Davoult has been a member of the PGPD for seven years.

Cpl. Davoult explained that on the evening of the chamber event at PGPD, he had been assigned to lead the tour of CIS. Cpl. Davoult stated he also assisted Captain Woodard in the armory with verifying that simunitions rounds were being used in the simunitions gun that was to be used by the civilian role players.

Cpl. Davoult explained that after the last of the three tours, he followed the third group outside and observed PGPD Officer Coel by his patrol SUV passenger side front door. The door was open and the engine was running. Coel was holding a silver revolver in his hand but was not loading it. Cpl. Davoult felt as though Coel was trying to tuck the revolver in his waistband. Cpl. Davoult stated he spoke to Coel about a PGPD operation that took place during the previous weekend.

Cpl. Davoult walked to his own assigned vehicle to leave for the day when he observed Coel standing by the location of the scenario wearing a gray hoodie.

Cpl. Davoult left the PGPD prior to the scenario and as a result did not witness the event that followed.

Cpl. Davoult's audio recorded sworn statement was downloaded onto a CD and will be maintained as a related item, INV-67.

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| Author: Ortiz, Michael Andrew | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/10/2016 | Activity End Date:09/13/2016 |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description: Interview of PGPD Corporal J. Davoult on 08/10/2016

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On August 9th, 2016, at 9:00 pm, Special Agent (SA) Michael Ortiz, of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement responded to the Punta Gorda Police Department in reference to this case. SA Ortiz was directed by Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough to conduct interviews of witnesses who were located in the classroom at the Punta Gorda Police Department.

At approximately 11:31 pm, SA Ortiz obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from Patricia Oliva. The interview took place in the Accreditation Manager's Office located inside the police department. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim.

Oliva stated she and her husband Richard Oliva arrived at 5:15 pm at the Punta Gorda Police Department for a Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce "Citizens Police Academy." The event would take place from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

Oliva explained she is the marketing and recruitment manager for the chamber and that she had advance notice as to the itinerary of the evening's activities as she helped coordinate the evening. Oliva stated that there would be discussions, seeing the workings of the police department. Oliva said to make it fun, have a shoot/don't shoot and Taser event. Cookies and water were served, no alcohol.

Oliva stated the event began in the classroom with Chief Lewis giving a presentation. During the presentation Chief Lewis directed each person to look in their notebooks that were provided as Chief Lewis randomly placed four business cards in four separate notebooks. Two business cards said "Taser" and two business cards said "ammo or gun" according to Oliva.

Oliva stated Mary Knowlton did not have a business card in her notebook. Oliva heard

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| Author: Ortiz, Michael Andrew | Office: Ft. Myers |
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Description: Interview of Patricia Oliva on 08/09/2016

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Knowlton say to her husband, "I was sitting back at this table first; I'm going to see if this book has one (a business card). Oliva observed Knowlton take a card from the note book behind her (Knowlton). Oliva stated that Knowlton and Debbie Malinowski had the card marked "gun." Oliva stated that the chamber members were then divided into smaller groups. Each group was given a tour of the police facility.

Oliva's group was led by Captain Ciaschini. After the tour, Oliva stated everyone met back in the classroom. From the classroom everyone went outside with the exception of Knowlton and Malinowski. While outside, Oliva stated that the group viewed police department vehicles. Oliva stated Knowlton and Malinowski were later lead out of the police building by Captain Woodard. Oliva stated Captain Woodard was carrying the gun that Knowlton would be using. Oliva explained that she (Oliva) was about 23 to 30 feet from the scenario at which time Chief Lewis and Captain Woodard conducted a safety briefing for both Knowlton and the group. The safety briefing covered the "blue pellets" which contained soap in Knowlton's gun. Oliva stated Knowlton had additional questions regarding the use of her gun which were explained. Oliva wasn't sure but thought that Knowlton was right handed and that Knowlton was not wearing protective gear but was wearing goggles.

Oliva stated there was no safety briefing done with Coel in front of the group to include whether Coel's gun was a safety gun with pellets.

Oliva explained the scenario as it unfolded. Oliva said Officer Coel was wearing a hoodie and looking into and breaking into a car. Oliva stated Knowlton walked up to Coel and Coel said that he was looking for his dog. Oliva stated Coel then shot three shots from his gun and Knowlton fell. Oliva stated she didn't see Coel with a gun until he shot and Oliva was unable to describe Coel's gun. Oliva thought that Coel had obtained his gun from his pocket. Oliva didn't recall Coel making any statements after the incident. Oliva stated everyone initially thought that Knowlton was kidding as Oliva did not see Knowlton's wound(s).

After Knowlton fell, paramedics were summoned and the group was instructed to go back inside the police building.

Oliva's audio recorded sworn statement was downloaded onto a CD and will be maintained as a related item, INV-68.

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On August 15th, 2016, at approximately 2:47 PM, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli and Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from PGPD Captain (Capt.) Jeffrey Woodard. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim:

Capt. Woodard said he was currently the Operations Commander for the PGPD and he has supervised Officer Coel for the past two months. When discussing the scenarios used during the Citizen Academy Program, Capt. Woodard said the idea came from other police department scenarios posted on YouTube. Capt. Woodard believed this idea came from Chief Lewis. Capt. Woodard said he was not aware of any written scripts or protocols for these scenarios. Capt. Woodard said he wasn't aware of a designated safety officer for the scenario, nor was he aware of any written policy requiring such a position for scenarios. Capt. Woodard couldn't recall when, if ever, a safety officer or any officer who would perform a check of Officer Coel's weapon and ammunition used during scenarios.

Capt. Woodard said he understood Coel's weapon to be a pistol designated to shoot only blanks or a starter's pistol that wasn't capable of firing live rounds. Capt. Woodard said that there has never been a scenario where live rounds were introduced via Coel's weapon.

Capt. Woodard's interview concluded at approximately 2:58 PM.

An audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-69.

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| Author: Negrinelli, Gary | Office: Ft. Myers |
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Description:2nd Interview of Capt. Woodard on 8/15/16

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On August 22nd, 2016, at approximately 10:46 AM, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli and Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from Gary Knowlton. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim:

Gary Knowlton (Mr. Knowlton) said that his wife, Mary Knowlton, was very active with the Chamber of Commerce and that she wanted both of them to attend the training event being held at the PGPD. The event began with PGPD Chief Thomas Lewis addressing the group of attendees and introducing PGPD personnel. Mr. Knowlton said the attendees were all given booklets for note taking. Two of the booklets were randomly identified so as to choose two attendees that would take part in the event training scenarios. Mr. Knowlton said that Mary had one of the booklets designating her as a scenario participant.

Mary was given a pistol that had soap suds in them and she was to use it in the scenario with the patrol officer who was role playing as the bad guy. Mr. Knowlton said he was standing about ten feet from Mary when the scenario started and saw the officer aim at Mary and shoot. Mr. Knowlton said he heard three gun shots. When Mary went down to the ground, Mr. Knowlton thought it was part of the scenario. Mr. Knowlton went over to Mary and when she was turned over, he saw blood all over her. Mr. Knowlton said Mary was placed in the ambulance and he tried to get in with her, but he was not allowed. Mr. Knowlton was told by PGPD personnel to go to Bayfront Hospital because Mary Knowlton was being transported there.

Mr. Knowlton went to Bayfront Hospital, but his wife was not there. Sometime later, PGPD Corporal Anthony Pribbel came to Bayfront and drove Mr. Knowlton to Lee Memorial Hospital in Ft. Myers where Mary Knowlton was. Upon their arrival, Mr. Knowlton was told that Mary had died of her injuries in the ambulance while on the way to Lee Memorial. After spending a couple of hours at the hospital, Corporal Pribbel drove Mr. Knowlton back to his residence in Punta Gorda.

SA Negrinelli asked how much firearms experience Mary Knowlton had. Mr. Knowlton said that

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Description: Interview of Gary Knowlton on 8/22/16

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Mary had never handled a firearm. Mr. Knowlton said that it looked like Mary was given some type of pre-scenario instruction on the firearm she would be using, but he couldn't hear the instructions from where he was standing.

Gary Knowlton's interview concluded at approximately 11:06 AM. An audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-70.

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On August 22nd, 2016, at approximately 11:46 AM, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli and Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from PGPD Officer (Ofc.) Brandon Angelini. This was Ofc. Angelini's second interview. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim:

SA Negrinelli informed Ofc. Angelini that PGPD surveillance video showed Ofc. Angelini going into Officer Coel's K-9 vehicle after the shooting incident and prior to the arrival of FDLE. Ofc. Angelini said he was helping Ofc. Shane Chodakowsky locate Officer Coel's cell phone. Ofc. Angelini said he looked inside the front driver side of the vehicle. Ofc. Angelini said that Ofc. Chodakowsky located Coel's cell phone inside a lunch box, located in the front passenger side of the vehicle. Ofc. Angelini said that neither he nor Ofc. Chodakowsky removed any other items from Officer Coel's vehicle.

Ofc. Angelini's interview concluded at approximately 11:50 AM. An audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-72.

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Description:2nd Interview of PGPD Ofc. Angelini on 8/22/16

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On August 22nd, 2016, at approximately 1:17 PM, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli and Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough obtained an audio recorded sworn statement from Charlotte County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) K-9 Corporal (Cpl.) Leonard Prevatte. The following is a summary of the interview and not verbatim:

Cpl. Prevatte said that after Officer Coel completed his K-9 Academy and in-service training with the North Port Police Department, Officer Coel began doing his in-service training with Cpl. Prevatte. Cpl. Prevatte said Officer Coel has been doing in-service training for approximately one year with him at CCSO. Cpl. Prevatte said that he never had a problem with Officer Coel and that Officer Coel always did what he was supposed to do during training. Cpl. Prevatte said Officer Coel had always performed satisfactorily during training scenarios.

Cpl. Prevatte said Officer Coel participated in two citizen police academies at CCSO in the past couple months, with the most recent one being at the beginning of August. Cpl. Prevatte said the academy scenario took place at the CCSO gun range. Cpl. Prevatte said that Officer Coel role played as the bad guy in a couple of scenarios and used his blank gun. Cpl. Prevatte described Officer Coel's handgun as a J-frame .38 caliber revolver. Cpl. Prevatte said he observed the blanks Officer Coel was using and described them as a being in a brass casing with some type of plug on the tip. Cpl. Prevatte could not recall the brand of blanks Officer Coel was using, but knew they weren't "Winchester" because that was the standard issue CCSO used. Cpl. Prevatte said Officer Coel fired his blank gun off into the ground on top of the berm of the CCSO gun range.

Cpl. Prevatte said that they only used blanks during K-9 training and never used live fire rounds. Cpl. Prevatte was shown a picture of "Winchester" blank boxes and identified them as the ones CCSO use. Cpl. Prevatte was shown a picture of the "Blazer" box, but he didn't recognize it. Cpl. Prevatte said he was familiar with the "Blazer" company, but had never used their blanks. Cpl. Prevatte was then shown a picture of the "Winchester" and "Blazer" cartridges. Cpl. Prevatte recognized the "Winchester" cartridges as the ones CCSO used, but not the ones Officer Coel used. Cpl. Prevatte said the "Blazer" cartridge kind of looked like the

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Description: Interview of CCSO K-9 Cpl. Leonard Prevatte on 8/22/16

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one Officer Coel used during the aforementioned CCSO K-9 demonstration, but thought it was in a brass case. Cpl. Prevatte ask to have the picture of the "Blazer" cartridge made larger. After this was done and Cpl. Prevatte looked at the "Blazer" cartridge picture again, Cpl. Prevatte said, "It does kind of look like it." Cpl. Prevatte said that Officer Coel would always point the gun down toward the ground when firing it during the demonstrations.

Cpl. Prevatte's interview concluded at approximately 1:39 PM. An audio recording of his interview is being maintained as related item number INV-73.

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On August 24, 2016, at approximately 9:00 AM, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli, Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Patrick Crough, Senior Crime Laboratory Analyst (SCLA) Lee Dewey, and Crime Laboratory Analyst (CLA) Kate Reidy went to the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Gun Range, located at 2550 Airport Road in Punta Gorda, Florida, in an effort to retrieve the "Blazer" wad cutter projectiles that were possibly fired by Officer Coel.

Upon arrival to the CCSO Gun Range, FDLE personnel coordinated with CCSO personnel to determine a specific location where Officer Coel fired his weapon during a previous training scenario. The area that was excavated consisted of a ten by twenty foot area located on top of the berm, at the back of the gun range. SA Negrinelli and SAS Crough would dig from this excavation area, place the dirt in a bucket, and then SCLA Dewey and CLA Reidy would sift through the dirt to remove any type of projectiles or projectile fragments. SCLA Dewey utilized a miniature handheld metal detector throughout this process.

The excavation efforts were halted later in the day due to inclement weather moving into the area. SCLA Dewey, CLA Reidy, and SA Alberto Diaz returned the next day and finished the excavation process. SCLA Dewey returned to the FDLE Laboratory in Fort Myers with approximately 54 pounds of projectiles or projectile fragments. SCLA Dewey cleaned and separated the collection into three categories of projectiles, projectile fragments, or shrapnel.

SA Negrinelli and SCLA Dewey sorted through all of the projectiles in the attempt to identify any projectiles resembling the "Blazer" wad cutters. After the projectiles identified as being similar in appearance to the wad cutters were separated, they were then weighed on a scale that registers grain. None of the similar projectiles were close to the 148 grain of the "Blazer" wad cutters. Therefore, none of the projectiles collected were identified as the 148 grain "Blazer" wad cutters that were collected from Officer Coel's K-9 vehicle.

Pictures taken during the excavation were downloaded to CD and are maintained in related items as INV-74.

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Description: Search at CCSO gun range on 8/24/16 & 8/25/16

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INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

On August 9th, 2016, the Punta Gorda Police Department (PGPD) requested the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) conduct an investigation of a shooting that involved PGPD Officer Lee Coel, which resulted in the death of Mary Knowlton. The incident occurred at the Punta Gorda Police Department, located at 1410 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, Florida.

On August 16, 2016, Special Agent (SA) Gary Negrinelli contacted the Miramar Police Department (PD) after it was learned Officer Coel was previously employed there as a law enforcement officer. Miramar PD's Public Information Officer (PIO) emailed SA Negrinelli Officer Coel's Internal Investigations (IA) file and Coel's resignation letter. The PIO also included video evidence used during one of Coel's IA's. The following will be maintained in related items:

- Officer Lee Coel's Miramar PD IA file. INV-77.
- Officer Coel's resignation letter from Miramar PD. INV- 78.
- Video evidence used in Officer Coel's IA. INV-79.

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Description: Miramar PD background

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City of Miramar
Interoffice Memorandum
Police Department

TO: Ray Black, Chief of Police

THRU: Dexter Williams, Assistant Chief of Police

FROM: Sergeant Rachel Patters, Internal Affairs *RP*

DATE: May 20, 2013

SUBJECT: Final Memo IA 13-05

On March 13, 2013 Mr. Benson Kinney filed a formal written complaint to the Office of Internal Affairs alleging Excessive Use of Force. This investigator contacted Mr. Kinney who advised that he had been arrested by Officer Troy Montgomery on March 9, 2013. He stated that due to Officer Montgomery being a K-9 unit and unable to transport him, Officer Lee Coel was assigned as the transporting officer. He advised that while in the backseat of Officer Coel's vehicle, Officer Coel raised the heat and refused to lower the windows resulting in Mr. Kinney almost losing consciousness. Mr. Kinney stated that once he arrived at the Hollywood booking facility, Officer Coel grabbed his thumb in an aggressive manner, pushed him to the ground, and put his knee into Mr. Kinney's back. He further advised that while being transported from the Hollywood booking facility to the Broward County Jail, Officer Coel lowered the windows in the vehicle and was traveling at a speed of 100 mph on I-95. Due to the allegations, Police Chief Ray Black authorized an Internal Investigation into the matter.

Complainant's Testimony

April 9, 2013: Benson Kinney

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Mr. Benson Kinney who reported that on March 9, 2013 he was arrested at his residence by Officer Troy Montgomery. Mr. Kinney advised that due to Officer Montgomery being a K-9 unit and unable to transport him, Officer Coel transported him to several locations. He stated that he was first taken to an unknown location near a fire station, which was later determined to be the Multiservice Complex, located at 6700 Miramar

Parkway. At that location Officer Montgomery completed the arrest paperwork, which was then transferred to Officer Coel. Mr. Kinney stated that while he was in the back seat of Officer Coel's vehicle, the handcuffs were on extremely tight. Mr. Kinney stated that due to having wide shoulders, Officer Coel had placed 2 sets of handcuffs on him. He advised that Officer Coel turned on the vehicle's heat to the "high" setting and raised the windows, causing him to fall over in the seat. After being at this location for over an hour, Mr. Kinney advised that Officer Coel drove him to the Hollywood Police Department at a very high rate of speed, with the vehicle windows rolled down.

Mr. Kinney advised that when he entered the Hollywood booking facility, an unknown balding, heavy-set deputy stated "Hey, what are you doing back here?" Mr. Kinney stated that he did not respond and was guided by Officer Coel toward grey benches near a wall. He advised that Officer Coel pretended to uncuff him, but "he grabbed me and, like, started twisting my thumb and twisting my wrist." He stated that his "wrist was already raw...could see the skin was swollen and broken." Mr. Kinney further advised "There's no room between my wrists and the cuffs. And, um, I went down. I yelled, and I was like, "Ah." I went down. That's when he grabbed me by my -- by my arms, sent his arm through my arm, and picked me up, like this, by my arms, pushed me back down, and jumped in my back with his knee. And he grabbed me, I think, again and pulled me up, and told me, "Oh, you being a -- and they kicking me out." Mr. Kinney advised that no deputies came over to assist and that there were no other officers or arrestees in the immediate area at the time of the incident. Mr. Kinney stated that they then left the Hollywood facility and Officer Coel transported him to the main jail at a high rate of speed with the vehicles' windows rolled down.

Mr. Kinney stated that he responded to Memorial Hospital on March 10, 2013 after his release from jail. He stated that he could not use his hand and that the skin was broken. He stated that his wrists were raw, red, and swollen and that his bone was "real big." Mr. Kinney stated that x-rays were taken and revealed no broken bones, just bruising. He advised that the emergency room doctor utilized the stethoscope on his back and felt some knots in his upper and lower back, and neck. Since he did not have insurance, Mr. Kinney advised that the doctor told him "We can't x-ray your whole body." This investigator asked Mr. Kinney if he had any pre-existing injuries of any kind, to which he stated "No." Mr. Kinney agreed to sign an Authorization of Disclosure of Hospital Information and consented to the release of his medical records.

Witness Testimony

April 6, 2013: Deputy Lucretia Grant- Broward Sheriff's Office

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Corrections Deputy Lucretia Grant. On the date of the incident, Deputy Grant was assigned to the Hollywood

booking facility. She was inside of the main office area when Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney arrived. Mr. Kinney was "being loud and yelling gibberish." She observed Officer Coel standing near the far north wall inside of the facility and attempting to remove the handcuffs from Mr. Kinney. She heard Mr. Kinney start yelling and he began to resist Officer Coel and drop his body weight. She observed Officer Coel place his knee on Mr. Kinney's back in an attempt to brace and uncuff him. Deputy Grant noticed nothing out of the ordinary as Officer Coel attempted to uncuff Mr. Kinney; however she heard him yelling "ouch" several times. At that time Sergeant Falowski made the decision that Mr. Kinney would need to be booked at the main jail, as his actions were creating a disturbance. Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney then exited the facility.

April 6, 2013: Deputy Joseph Smith- Broward Sheriff's Office

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Corrections Deputy Joseph Smith. On the date of the incident, Deputy Smith was assigned to the Hollywood booking facility. He was inside of the main office area when Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney arrived. Mr. Kinney was being loud and Deputy Smith told him that he "looked familiar." The shift sergeant, Sergeant Falowski, advised that due to Mr. Kinney's behavior and facility staffing levels, he would have to be booked at the main jail. Deputy Smith did not witness any type of altercation or anything out of the ordinary occur between Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney.

April 6, 2013: Sergeant Jason Falowski- Broward Sheriff's Office

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Corrections Sergeant Jason Falowski. On the date of the incident, Sergeant Falowski was assigned as the supervisor at the Hollywood booking facility. He was inside of the main office area when Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney arrived. He observed Mr. Kinney being "loud, belligerent, and threatening towards staff and the officer." Since the satellite facilities do not accept violent or belligerent inmates, Sergeant Falowski made the decision to refuse Mr. Kinney and have him respond to the main jail for booking. He did not observe any physical confrontation between Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney.

May 2, 2013: Officer Troy Montgomery

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Officer Troy Montgomery. On the night of the incident he was on routine patrol in the area of Fairway Park. He observed a 4 door sedan parked on the side of a residence next to a privacy fence, with only the parking lights illuminated. The vehicle was occupied by 2 subjects who were lying back in the seats and lowering themselves in an attempt to elude him. Officer Montgomery drove around the block and then activated his emergency lights and alley light in order to illuminate the suspicious vehicle. As

Officer Montgomery was notifying the dispatcher that he had located a suspicious vehicle, the driver of the vehicle exited, threw his hands in the air and stated "What the fuck?" Officer Montgomery gave the driver, later identified as Mr. Benson Kinney numerous verbal commands to return to the vehicle. Mr. Kinney then stated "Fuck you," closed the door to the vehicle and proceeded towards the residence, attempting to enter through a locked garage door. Mr. Kinney then started reciting case law and said that the officer had no reason to stop him. Officer Montgomery advised Mr. Kinney that he was obstructing his investigation. Mr. Kinney then threw himself onto the ground and stated "Go ahead, take me to jail." Mr. Kinney was then handcuffed by Officer Montgomery without incident. Shortly thereafter, Mr. Kinney's sister arrived on scene and asked him "What did you do now?" Mr. Kinney refused to provide Officer Montgomery with any information as to his identity. Officer Montgomery located Mr. Kinney's wallet, which contained information regarding his identity. This information was verified by both Mr. Kinney's sister and the DAVID database. Mr. Kinney's sister stated that Mr. Kinney did not live at that location and "his driver's license says he lives here, but he does not live with me."

Officer Montgomery advised that he was unable to transport Mr. Kinney due to his K-9; therefore Officer Coel transported Mr. Kinney to the Multiservice Complex. They were at the location for approximately 30 minutes and during that time Officer Montgomery completed the Arrest Affidavit and Offense Incident Report. While at that location Officer Montgomery and Officer Coel were parked side-by-side. Officer Montgomery did not observe Officer Coel turn on the vehicle's heat and he stated that Officer Coel was not sweating. He stated that Mr. Kinney was quiet in Officer Coel's backseat and that he did not observe Mr. Kinney yelling, banging against the partition, or losing consciousness at any time. Once Officer Montgomery completed the arrest paperwork and gave it to Officer Coel, his involvement in this case ceased.

Video Evidence

The Hollywood Police Department provided video surveillance from March 9, 2013 depicting Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney arriving into the parking lot. After Officer Coel placed all of his weaponry into his trunk, he removed Mr. Kinney from the vehicle without incident. Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney walked through the sally port and door which led into the Hollywood Police Department. The two are then seen entering into the elevator and exiting onto the second floor. Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney then proceed down a short hallway and enter into the BSO booking facility. The video then concludes, as the video surveillance of the interior of the booking facility is maintained by BSO and their DVR was not working properly on the evening of the incident. Therefore, there was no data of the event recorded. Approximately 2 minutes later, Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney are viewed back on Hollywood's video surveillance exiting the facility and re-entering into the elevator. They exited onto the first floor and walked back into

the parking lot. Once they arrived at Officer Coel's vehicle, Officer Coel appears to inspect and/or adjust Mr. Kinney's handcuffs prior to placing him back inside of the vehicle. Officer Coel then removed all of his weaponry from the trunk and returned it to his gun belt prior to exiting the parking lot. Throughout the 10 minutes Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney are at the Hollywood Police Department, Mr. Kinney is observed visibly locating the video surveillance cameras multiple times and turning his body so that his hands and handcuffs are visible to the cameras.

Audio Evidence

While at the Broward County Jail, Mr. Kinney made 7 recorded telephone calls. In 2 of the calls Mr. Kinney discussed his lack of cooperation when approached by Officer Montgomery. In the calls he advised that he exited his vehicle when instructed by Officer Montgomery to get back in the car. He also advised that he walked to the house, placed all of his property on the ground and then laid down on the ground. Mr. Kinney stated during one of the phone calls "when I came to jail under my name and didn't get a John Doe charge, that resisting by not giving you my name shit just went out the window. You gonna say I didn't give you my name, I'm gonna say I did. I gave you my wallet and everything....And on top of that how did I resist by getting out of my car, walking to my door... I told you I lived there. "

During the recorded telephone calls Mr. Kinney also stated "Cracker done beat my ass. Cracker done – damaged my wrist. Yeah, man. I was -- I was somewhere, I don't even know where I was for about two hours, sitting in the back of the car with the heat on full blast." Mr. Kinney further stated that when he arrived at the Hollywood booking facility "So then when I get in the main – in the elevator, I put -- I turn around to -- to let the camera see the cuffs again. But now he's hot. So when I get in the booking area, he tells me to turn around so he could take the cuffs off. Grabbed my thumb and damn near breakage....Then when I's free -- then when I's free, he grabbed me and slammed me on the ground. The -- the people in the office told him, "You outta here." They kicked him out. They wouldn't even book me in.....He had to bring me all the way to Broward. I got a case, dog."

Physical Evidence

A review was conducted of the GPS speed data from Officer Coel's Gobi GPS system, which is housed inside of his department issued laptop computer. The AVL listing data was analyzed in conjunction with the AVL playback from the hours surrounding Mr. Kinney's arrest. The data verified that when Officer Coel transported Mr. Kinney from the Multi Service Complex to the Hollywood booking facility, the trip took approximately 8 minutes and Officer Coel's maximum speed was recorded by the Gobi GPS at 60 mph. The data verified that when Officer Coel transported Mr. Kinney from the Hollywood booking facility to the Broward County Jail, the trip took approximately 13 minutes, 3 of which was spent waiting for the intra-coastal bridge to be lowered along Davie Blvd. A maximum speed of

94 mph was revealed while Officer Coel was driving on I-95 with his arrestee, Mr. Kinney. Subsequently, Officer Coel's speed data was reviewed and verified a maximum speed of 102 mph while Officer Coel was driving on I-75 during his return from the Broward County Jail to the City of Miramar. The return trip was completed by Officer Coel in 25 minutes.

On April 6, 2013 Officer Coel's Gobi GPS system, housed inside of his department issued laptop computer, was utilized by this investigator to determine proper calibration and verification of speed data. While traveling on I-75 at near constant speeds of 70 mph, 80 mph, and 90 mph, respectively, the Gobi GPS speed reading fluctuated very little and remained virtually consistent with the actual speedometer of the properly calibrated Miramar Police marked unit #552. The exact route was driven on the same day of the week around the same time of night that Officer Coel transported Mr. Kinney to the Broward County Jail. The route was completed in 15 minutes, while maintaining the speed limit on I-95, and adding the previously calculated 3 minute wait time for the intra-coastal bridge to be lowered. The route Officer Coel took to return to the City of Miramar from the Broward County Jail was also replicated. While maintaining the speed limit, the route was completed in 29 minutes.

Medical Records

Mr. Kinney signed an Authorization of Disclosure of Hospital Information and consented to the release of his medical records. Mr. Kinney's medical records were acquired by this investigator on April 11, 2013. The records revealed that Mr. Kinney responded to the

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Although Mr. Kinney had stated under oath that he had no pre-existing injuries,

[REDACTED]

On May 16, 2013 Mr. Kinney's Intake Health Screening forms from the Broward County Jail were obtained. [REDACTED]

Photographs

There were no photographs to support the allegation.

Summary of Facts

On March 9, 2013 Mr. Benson Kinney was seated in the driver's seat inside of a vehicle in front of his residence. The vehicle was parked in the swale near a privacy fence, with the headlights off and parking lights activated. Mr. Kinney was lying back in the seat and slouching down in an attempt to conceal himself. Officer Montgomery attempted to make contact with Mr. Kinney, who then exited the vehicle and walked toward the front door of the residence. Officer Montgomery gave Mr. Kinney several verbal commands to return to the vehicle, which Mr. Kinney ignored. Mr. Kinney then attempted to enter into the residence through a side door and was taken into custody by Officer Montgomery. Mr. Kinney then refused to provide Officer Montgomery with any information about his identity. Subsequent to his arrest, Mr. Kinney's identity was established through a debit card located inside of his wallet. His identity was verified by both his sister and the DAVID database. Mr. Kinney was arrested by Officer Montgomery and charged with Resisting without Violence.

Due to Officer Montgomery being a K-9 unit and unable to transport Mr. Kinney, Officer Coel transported him to the rear of the Multi Service Complex located at 6700 Miramar Parkway. Once at that location, Officer Montgomery completed the arrest affidavit, which was provided to Officer Coel. After approximately one hour, Officer Coel left the Multi Service Complex and transported Mr. Kinney to the Hollywood booking facility. They arrived at the facility within eight minutes and Officer Coel's maximum speed is recorded by the Gobi GPS at 60 mph.

Once at the Hollywood booking facility, Officer Coel escorted Mr. Kinney out of his vehicle and into the building. They then entered into the elevator and exited onto the second floor which led to the BSO satellite receiving facility. All of this movement was captured on video by Hollywood Police Department's video surveillance system. Mr. Kinney was captured on video several times looking for the cameras and ensuring that his hands and handcuffs were visible. There did

not appear to be any conversation and nothing inordinate occurred between Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney during the walk from the parking lot into the booking facility.

According to statements provided by BSO Sergeant Falowski, Deputy Grant and Deputy Smith, Mr. Kinney was yelling and being loud as soon as he arrived at the facility. Mr. Kinney walked towards the grey benches located at the north side of the building. Neither Sergeant Falowski nor Deputy Smith witnessed the interaction between Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney once Officer Coel attempted to uncuff Mr. Kinney. Deputy Grant attested to Mr. Kinney yelling, resisting, and dropping his body weight while Officer Coel attempted to remove his handcuffs. During her statement she advised that once Mr. Kinney dropped to his knees, Officer Coel had to place his knee on Mr. Kinney's back in an attempt to brace him. She stated that she did not witness Mr. Kinney being injured and that his actions created a disturbance. Sergeant Falowski made the decision that due to his actions, Mr. Kinney would need to be booked at the main jail.

At that time Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney exited the facility and returned to Officer Coel's vehicle. Officer Coel placed Mr. Kinney against the driver's side rear door of the vehicle and appeared to adjust Mr. Kinney's handcuffs prior to placing him into the rear of the police vehicle. Officer Coel then transported Mr. Kinney to the Broward County Jail via I-95. They arrived at the jail within 13 minutes, 3 of which is spent waiting for the intra-coastal bridge to be lowered along Davie Blvd. Officer Coel's maximum speed is recorded by the Gobi GPS at 94 mph.

A maximum speed of 102 mph was revealed while Officer Coel was returning to the City of Miramar from the Broward County Jail via I-75.

Summary of Facts / Findings for Offense # 1

Mr. Kinney was transported by Officer Coel to the Multi Service Complex located at 6700 Miramar Parkway. Officer Montgomery met Officer Coel at that location and provided him with the arrest affidavit. Officer Montgomery stated that while they were at that location he did not observe the heat turned on in the vehicle, nor observe Officer Coel sweating. He stated that he did not hear Mr. Kinney yelling, banging, or attempting to get his attention. At no time did he observe Mr. Kinney lose consciousness or fall over in the seat.

After a careful review of the police reports, statements, video, and absent the corroboration of independent witnesses this investigator concludes there is no credible evidence to support following allegations:

Offense # 1 Ethics, Code of Conduct & Oath of Office (UNFOUNDED)
Policy # 101- (4)(A)(6)(c)- Conduct Toward the Public

While recognizing the need to demonstrate authority and control over criminal suspects and prisoners, officers shall adhere to the department's Use of Force policy and shall observe the civil rights and protect the well-being of those in their charge.

Unfounded: Either the allegation is demonstrably false or there is no credible evidence to support it.

Summary of Facts / Findings for Offense # 2

Once Officer Coel and Mr. Kinney arrived inside the Hollywood booking facility, there is no video surveillance to depict what occurred. According to statements provided by 3 BSO deputies, Mr. Kinney was yelling and being loud as soon as he arrived at the facility. Deputy Grant attested to Mr. Kinney yelling, resisting, and dropping his body weight while Officer Coel attempted to remove his handcuffs. Deputy Grant advised that once Mr. Kinney dropped to his knees, Officer Coel had to place his knee in Mr. Kinney's back in an attempt to brace him. She stated that she did not witness Mr. Kinney being injured and that his actions created a disturbance. Neither the medical records from the jail on the night of the incident, nor the records from the hospital the following day noted Mr. Kinney to have any noticeable bruising.

After a careful review of the statements, video evidence, physical evidence, and medical records, this investigator concludes there is no credible evidence to support the following allegation:

Offense # 2 Excessive Use of Force (UNFOUNDED)

Policy # 102 - Response to Resistance

It is the policy of this department to act within the scope and guidelines of the Florida State Statutes with regard to the response to resistance. Employees will use only that force necessary to accomplish lawful objectives.

Unfounded: Either the allegation is demonstrably false or there is no credible evidence to support it.

Summary of Facts / Findings for Offense # 3

Officer Coel transported Mr. Kinney to the Broward County Jail via I-95. Officer Coel's maximum speed is recorded by the Gobi GPS at 94 mph. A maximum speed of 102 mph was revealed while Officer Coel was returning to the City of Miramar from the Broward County Jail via I-75.

After verifying the accuracy of Officer Coel's Gobi GPS system, it has been determined that Officer Coel has violated Florida State Statute 316.183- *Unlawful Speed*. Therefore there is credible evidence to support following allegation:

Offense # 3 Ethics, Code of Conduct & Oath of Office (SUSTAINED)

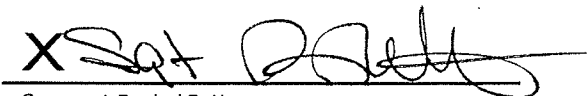
Policy # 101 - (4)(A)(1)(a)- Obedience to Laws, Regulations and Orders

Employees shall not violate any law or agency policy, rule and procedure.

Sustained: *The allegation is true and the action of the employee was not consistent with policy.*



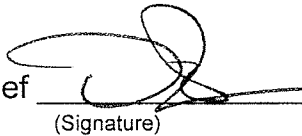
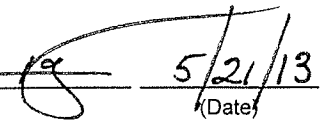
I, Sergeant Rachel Patters, do hereby swear, under penalty of perjury, that, to the best of my personal knowledge, information, and belief, I have not knowingly or willfully deprived, or allowed another to deprive, the subject of the investigation of any of the rights contained in F.S.S. 112.532 and 112.533.



Sergeant Rachel Patters

FINAL APPROVAL / CASE CLOSURE

Dexter Williams, Assistant Police Chief

 
(Signature) (Date)

5/21/13

Ray Black, Chief of Police






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City of Miramar
Interoffice Memorandum
Police Department

TO: Ray Black, Chief of Police 
THRU: Dexter Williams, Assistant Chief of Police 
FROM: Sergeant Rachel Patters, Internal Affairs 
DATE: May 27, 2013
SUBJECT: Final Memo IA 13-06

On April 4, 2013 Mr. Stennette Simpson contacted the Office of Internal Affairs alleging Excessive Use of Force. This investigator spoke with Mr. Simpson who advised that he had been arrested by Officer Lee Coel on April 3, 2013. He advised that while in the backseat of Officer Coel's vehicle, Officer Coel refused to lower the windows resulting in Mr. Simpson feeling as if he was going to suffocate. Mr. Simpson stated that Officer Coel charged him with Possession of Marijuana and claimed to have found marijuana inside of Mr. Simpson's vehicle. Mr. Simpson denied having marijuana on his person or inside of his vehicle. Mr. Simpson further stated that once he arrived at the Hollywood booking facility, Officer Coel pulled him out of the vehicle by his feet and dropped him directly onto the ground. Due to the allegations, Police Chief Ray Black authorized an Internal Investigation into the matter.

Complainant's Testimony

April 5, 2013: Stennette Simpson

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Mr. Stennette Simpson who reported that on April 3, 2013 he was arrested at his aunt's residence by Officer Lee Coel. Mr. Simpson advised that while he was sitting in the backseat of Officer Coel's vehicle, Officer Coel refused to turn on the air conditioning or lower the windows. Mr. Simpson felt that Officer Coel was "trying to make him suffocate." After approximately 10 minutes Officer Coel lowered a window for Mr. Simpson but refused to turn on the vehicle's air conditioning.

Mr. Simpson stated that after Officer Coel searched his vehicle he claimed to have located marijuana and stated "now you going to jail for Possession." Mr. Simpson questioned Officer Coel as to where the marijuana was discovered, however Officer Coel did not show it to him nor tell him where the marijuana had been located. Mr. Simpson stated that Officer Coel then showed the marijuana to the other officers on scene. "He was showing it, I guess, to his -- to his fellow mates..."

Mr. Simpson stated that he was then transported to an unknown location in Miramar, later discovered to be the Multiservice Complex. At this location Officer Coel met up with another male officer and his arrestee. The officer was described as being in his 30's, short in height, stocky build, with dark hair and facial hair.

Mr. Simpson advised that after being in the backseat for a few hours, he fell asleep with his torso against the passenger-side rear door and his feet up pointing towards the driver-side rear door of the vehicle. He further stated "Get to Hollywood Police Department, I was sleep in the back seat of the car. Um, Officer must've opened the door. Pulled me out by my feet. I was still sleep. By the time I was being pulled, I woke up and screaming at officer, "What are you doing, Officer? What are you doing, Officer? What are you doing?...the door opened and he grabbed my two feet, pulled me out. When he pulled me out, one of my shoe fell off 'cause I'm - - I'm -- he -- he's pulling me. I'm, "Officer, what you doing? What are you doing?" By the time I know, he's pulling me, I hit my head coming down and hit my back on the floor. One of my shoes is off." Mr. Simpson stated that this incident was witnessed by the same officer and arrestee they had met up with at the Multiservice Complex.

When asked if he sustained any injuries from the incident with Officer Coel, Mr. Simpson stated "I'm gonna say -- I don't know. I'm kinda bruised up 'cause I -- I notice I'm taking a shower and my leg right here is kinda scratched up...My shoulder from when he was tussling me, this kinda hurt...And on my -- my back, I already have little back problem so that kinda, like, bring the pain up a little bit more than what it was." During the statement, Sergeant Armiento examined Mr. Simpson's left leg and right shoulder; however he did not locate any noticeable injuries.

At the conclusion of his statement, Mr. Simpson stated that prior to meeting with this investigator; he attended a previously scheduled doctor's appointment for a back injury which had occurred in October of 2012. He stated that he had a herniated disc in his back from a work-related injury and had seen multiple specialists and physical therapists over the past 6 months. On this date he received 2 cortisone type injections, which had been previously scheduled. Mr. Simpson agreed to sign an Authorization of Disclosure of Hospital Information and consented to the release of his medical records.

Witness Testimony

April 7, 2013: Officer Jonathan McEvoy

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Officer Jonathan McEvoy. On the date of the incident, Officer McEvoy was conducting an investigation in reference to a stolen vehicle. During his investigation, Mr. Simpson was obstructing his investigation and Officer Coel decided to arrest Mr. Simpson. Subsequent to arrest, Officer Coel located marijuana on Mr. Simpson's person. Officer McEvoy did not see the marijuana and did not recall exactly where it had been located or whether it was a misdemeanor or felony amount.

April 7, 2013: Officer Marcus Mariner

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Officer Marcus Mariner. On the date of the incident, Officer Mariner was summoned to Mr. Simpson's arrest location in order to assist with the stolen vehicle investigation. Officer Coel advised Officer Mariner that Mr. Simpson was being charged with Possession of Marijuana. Officer Mariner never saw the marijuana and was never made aware of where the marijuana was located or whether it was a misdemeanor or felony amount.

April 7, 2013: Sergeant Julie Black

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Sergeant Julie Black. On the night of the incident Sergeant Black was assigned as Officer Coel's direct supervisor. Sergeant Black was on-scene of the stolen vehicle investigation and was made aware the Mr. Simpson had been arrested for interfering with the investigation. She was also made aware that Mr. Simpson was being charged with Possession of Marijuana and thought that the marijuana was located in Mr. Simpson's pants pocket. Sergeant Black did not physically see the marijuana and did not know whether it was a misdemeanor or felony amount, nor how it was packaged.

April 7, 2013: Officer Joseph Drew

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Officer Joseph Drew. On the date of the incident, Officer Drew had arrested Mr. Nicholas Byanille on unrelated charges. Officer Drew and Officer Coel responded to the Multiservice Complex, located at 6700 Miramar Parkway, in order to complete their Arrest Affidavits. Although Officer Drew knew that Officer Coel had an arrestee in his backseat, Officer Drew could not see him. He stated "Cause with it being dark and stuff, I guess he was either laying down or -- I couldn't see him." He further stated that while they were at that location, he did not observe Mr. Simpson make any comments, bang his head, or make any other attempts to draw attention to himself.

After completing the required paperwork, Officer Drew followed Officer Coel to the Hollywood Police Department and they parked to the rear of the building, approximately one car length apart. Officer Drew and Officer Coel proceeded to place their weaponry inside of their respective trunks. Officer Drew removed his arrestee from the backseat and waited for Officer Coel in order to proceed into the booking facility. Officer Drew observed Officer Coel open his driver-side rear door and tell Mr. Simpson to exit the vehicle. Officer Drew could not see inside the backseat of Officer Coel's vehicle and did not hear a response from Mr. Simpson. After telling him three times to exit the vehicle and waiting a few seconds, Officer Coel grabbed Mr. Simpson by the leg and removed him from the vehicle. "After, I think, about the third time, I did observe Coel, you know, grab him -- I think it was by the -- the ankle or the foot -- and pull him. You know, 'cause he -- it appeared, at that point -- I realized he was -- the arrestee was laying down, um, in the back seat. I guess he was small enough where he could fit. And Coel had, you know, pulled him out that way." Officer Drew further stated that prior to Mr. Simpson's torso coming out of the vehicle "-- 'cause I guess the arrestee's hands were behind his back, he was able to kind of hold on real quick. And at that point, Coel kind of stopped and he's like, "Well, you weren't --" you know, he's like, "I'm coming." He's like, "Well, you weren't getting out when I asked you to." And then, uh, at that point I think is when he -- you know, he pulled him out all the way onto the ground." While he was being removed from the vehicle Officer Drew heard Mr. Simpson advising Officer Coel that he had been asleep in the backseat. Mr. Simpson landed on the ground partially on his back and partially on his side.

Officer Drew advised that Officer Coel did not open the passenger-side rear door to remove Mr. Simpson from the vehicle by his arm nor did he make any other attempts to get Mr. Simpson's attention prior to removing him from the vehicle feet-first. Mr. Simpson was not resisting Officer Coel and Officer Drew did not observe him attempt to kick or hit Officer Coel. Officer Drew described Mr. Simpson as being approximately 5'6"- 5'7" in height and real thin. He described Officer Coel as 6'7" in height. Officer Drew advised that at no time was Mr. Simpson loud or belligerent.

April 10, 2013: Nicholas Byanille

A sworn taped statement was obtained from Mr. Nicholas Byanille. On the night of the incident Mr. Byanille was arrested by Officer Drew on unrelated charges. Mr. Byanille was transported by Officer Drew to 6700 Miramar Parkway. While at that location Mr. Byanille observed Officer Coel inside of his vehicle, but did not realize that Officer Coel had an arrestee in his backseat. After a short period of time, Officer Drew transported Mr. Byanille to the Hollywood Police Department.

Once they arrived at the Hollywood booking facility, Officer Drew removed Mr. Byanille from his vehicle. While waiting to enter into the booking facility, Mr. Byanille observed Mr. Simpson sleeping in the backseat of Officer Coel's vehicle.

Mr. Byanille heard Officer Coel state three times "Get out of the car". Mr. Byanille further stated "he dragged the inmate, um, from his feet, um, thinking that, um -- that the, um -- the inmate didn't apply [sic] to his rules while (unintelligible) from being brought out the car. But the inmate was sleeping at that moment and the officer had just yoke the inmate out the car by his feet.....And while the inmate was getting yoked out the car, that's when the inmate had realized he was getting pulled out the car by his foot -- his ankle. And he didn't wanna hurt hisself so he hold onto the door. And that's when the inmate had realize that he was almost hitting the floor." Mr. Byanille did not observe Mr. Simpson resisting, yelling, or kicking as he was being removed from the vehicle. Mr. Byanille thought that Mr. Simpson landed on his shoulder when he hit the ground.

Video Evidence

The Hollywood Police Department provided video surveillance from April 3, 2013 depicting Officer Coel and Officer Drew arriving into the parking lot. Officer Coel and Officer Drew placed their weaponry into their respective trunks. Officer Drew collected his paperwork and removed Mr. Byanille from his vehicle without incident. Officer Drew and Mr. Byanille are observed standing next to Officer Drew's vehicle waiting for Officer Coel. Officer Coel is observed placing paperwork onto his trunk and then opening the driver-side rear door. Officer Coel is observed bending down and lowering his head into the backseat. Approximately 4 seconds later Officer Coel grabbed Mr. Simpson by the ankles and removed him from the vehicle feet-first. As Mr. Simpson was sliding across the rear seat, he either grabbed onto or got stuck on the seatbelt, armrest, or door jamb inside the vehicle. This resulted in Mr. Simpson's torso remaining inside the vehicle as his legs were being pulled out. Officer Coel pulled on Mr. Simpson's ankles until he was freed from the object and landed on the asphalt on his left side and buttocks. As he was removing him from the vehicle, Officer Coel released Mr. Simpson's left ankle causing his shoe to come off in Officer Coel's hand. Mr. Simpson is not observed physically resisting Officer Coel during this incident. The video depicted both Officer Drew and Mr. Byanille witnessing this sequence of events.

Audio Evidence

There was no audio evidence to support the allegation.

Physical Evidence

There was no physical evidence to support the allegation.

Medical Records

Mr. Simpson signed an Authorization of Disclosure of Hospital Information and consented to the release of his medical records. Mr. Simpson's medical records were obtained by this investigator on May 21, 2013. The records revealed that Mr. Simpson had [REDACTED]

Photographs

There were no photographs to support the allegation.

Summary of Facts and Findings

On April 3, 2013 Mr. Simpson was arrested by Officer Coel and charged with Resisting without Violence and Possession of Marijuana. An Offense Incident Report was completed by Officer Coel which stated that a small bag of marijuana was located in Mr. Simpson's front right pocket. The marijuana weighed approximately 1 gram and was turned into Property and Evidence and immediately sent to the BSO laboratory for further testing. Although all of the officers on scene knew that Mr. Simpson was charged with Possession of Marijuana, none of the officers actually saw the marijuana nor knew where it was located. During Mr. Simpson's statement he attested to being told that the marijuana was located inside of his vehicle and shown to the other officers on scene.

Mr. Simpson was placed inside Officer Coel's vehicle subsequent to his arrest. Ms. Simpson attested to almost suffocating in the backseat and stated that Officer Coel refused to lower the window for approximately 10 minutes. He also stated that Officer Coel was inside the vehicle during this time and that Officer Coel's window was down. Mr. Simpson stated that he started "screaming out to my baby momma" which resulted in Officer Coel closing the rear window. Mr. Simpson's stated that after Officer Coel raised the rear window "he cracked it a little bit, though."

Officer Coel then transported Mr. Simpson to the Multiservice Complex where he met up with Officer Drew and his arrestee, Mr. Byanille. The officers completed their Arrest Affidavits and after approximately 20 minutes Officer Drew followed Officer Coel to the Hollywood Police Department. They arrived at approximately 0520 hours and parked on the west side of the building with one parking space between their vehicles. Both officers placed their weaponry inside their respective trunks. Officer Drew then collected his paperwork and removed Mr. Byanille from his vehicle without incident. They stood next to Officer Drew's vehicle and waited for Officer Coel.

Officer Coel collected his paperwork and placed it onto his trunk. He then opened the driver-side rear door. Officer Coel bent down and lowered his head into the backseat instructing Mr. Simpson to exit the vehicle. Approximately 4 seconds later Officer Coel grabbed Mr. Simpson by the ankles and removed him from the vehicle feet-first. As Mr. Simpson was sliding across the rear seat, he either grabbed onto or got stuck on the seatbelt, armrest, or door jamb inside the vehicle. This resulted in Mr. Simpson's torso remaining inside the vehicle as his legs were being pulled out. Officer Coel pulled on Mr. Simpson's ankles until he was freed from the object and landed on the asphalt on his left side and buttocks. Mr. Simpson did not physically resist Officer Coel during this incident and was not loud or belligerent. The incident was captured on video surveillance and depicted both Officer Drew and Mr. Byanille witnessing the sequence of events.

Summary of Facts / Findings for Offense # 1

Mr. Simpson was charged with Possession of Marijuana and approximately 1 gram of marijuana was turned into Property and Evidence by Officer Coel. All of the officers on scene were aware that Mr. Simpson was in possession of marijuana. None of the officers attested to seeing the marijuana and were unsure of exactly where it had been located by Officer Coel. This is contradictory to Mr. Simpson's statement where he attested to Officer Coel showing it "to his fellow mates." Mr. Simpson's Criminal History revealed that he had a previous Possession of Marijuana arrest in 2010.

After a careful review of the police reports, property receipt, statements, and absent the corroboration of independent witnesses this investigator concludes there is no credible evidence to support following allegations:

Offense # 1 Ethics, Code of Conduct & Oath of Office (UNFOUNDED)

Policy # 101- (4)(A)(4)(c)- Accountability, Responsibility and Discipline

Employees shall be accurate, complete and truthful in all matters.

Unfounded: Either the allegation is demonstrably false or there is no credible evidence to support it.

Summary of Facts / Findings for Offense # 2

Mr. Simpson attested to almost suffocating in the rear of Officer Coel's vehicle. He stated that Officer Coel was inside the vehicle during this time and that Officer Coel's window was down. Mr. Simpson stated that after 10 minutes his window was lowered and he began "screaming out to my baby momma" which resulted in Officer Coel closing the rear window. A review of the weather conditions on April 3, 2013 at approximately 0307 hours, revealed the temperature to be 70 degrees. Therefore Officer Coel may have opted not to utilize the vehicle's air conditioning. Due to Mr. Simpson yelling to the other parties on scene, it would have been prudent for Officer Coel to keep the rear windows closed.

After a careful review of the police reports and statements, and absent the corroboration of independent witnesses this investigator concludes there is no credible evidence to support following allegations:

Offense # 2 Ethics, Code of Conduct & Oath of Office (UNFOUNDED)

Policy # 101- (4)(A)(6)(c)- Conduct Toward the Public

While recognizing the need to demonstrate authority and control over criminal suspects and prisoners, officers shall adhere to the department's Use of Force policy and shall observe the civil rights and protect the well-being of those in their charge.

Unfounded: Either the allegation is demonstrably false or there is no credible evidence to support it.

Summary of Facts / Findings for Offense # 3

When Officer Coel arrived at the Hollywood Police Department he opened the driver-side rear door, bent down and lowered his head into the backseat while instructing Mr. Simpson to exit the vehicle. Officer Coel then waited approximately 4 seconds before removing Mr. Simpson from the vehicle by his ankles. Officer Coel made no other attempts to remove Mr. Simpson from the vehicle by opening the passenger-side rear door and removing him by his forearm. Nothing in the video depicted Mr. Simpson as being combative towards Officer Coel. However if resistance had been a factor, Officer Coel should have requested assistance from either Officer Drew or other officers at the Hollywood Police Department prior to removing Mr. Simpson from the vehicle.

After a careful review of the statements and video evidence this investigator concludes there is credible evidence to support the following allegation:

Offense # 3 Ethics, Code of Conduct & Oath of Office (SUSTAINED)

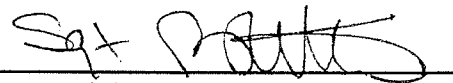
Policy # 101- (4)(A)(6)(b)- Conduct Toward the Public

Employees shall treat violators with respect and courtesy, guard against employing an officious or overbearing attitude or language that may belittle, ridicule or intimidate the individual, or act in a manner that unnecessarily delays the performance of their duty.

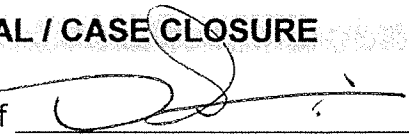
Sustained: *The allegation is true and the action of the employee was not consistent with policy.*



I, Sergeant Rachel Patters, do hereby swear, under penalty of perjury, that, to the best of my personal knowledge, information, and belief, I have not knowingly or willfully deprived, or allowed another to deprive, the subject of the investigation of any of the rights contained in F.S.S. 112.532 and 112.533.

X 
Sergeant Rachel Patters

FINAL APPROVAL / CASE CLOSURE

Dexter Williams, Assistant Police Chief  6/17/13
(Signature) (Date)

Ray Black, Chief of Police  6/17/2012
(Signature) (Date)

To: Chief R. Black
Assistant Chief D. Williams
Miramar Police Department
3064 N Commerce Pkwy
Miramar, FL 33025

I would like to begin by thanking both of you for presenting me with the opportunity to be part of the Miramar Police Department Family. During my time of employment, I acquired an abundance of knowledge and skills which I will benefit from for the rest of my life. In addition, over the last 15 months, I was fortunate enough to gain the friendship and respect of my co-workers and supervisors. These individuals have become a part of my family. The respect and kindheartedness that they showed was not taken for granted and will not be forgotten. Unfortunately at this juncture, for personal reasons, I must resign from the position of Certified Law Enforcement Officer, effective immediately.

Well known author, motivational speaker, and entrepreneur Brian Tracy once said, "Develop an attitude of gratitude, and give thanks for everything that happens to you, knowing that every step forward is a step toward achieving something bigger and better than your current situation." I feel that Mr. Tracy's quote describes my current situation perfectly. I would like to once again express my great appreciation for the opportunity which was given to me by the City of Miramar Police Department.

Thank you for everything.

Sincerely,



Lee Coel
April 16, 2013
1430 Hours

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OFFICE OF THE POLICE CHIEF

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

On August 9th, 2016, the Punta Gorda Police Department (PGPD) requested the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) conduct an investigation of a shooting that involved PGPD Officer Lee Coel, which resulted in the death of Mary Knowlton. The incident occurred at the Punta Gorda Police Department, located at 1410 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, Florida.

On August 17th, 2016, Senior Crime Laboratory Analyst (SCLA) Lee Dewey submitted the two boxes of CCI "Blazer" ammunition and the box of "Fiocchi" ammunition that were recovered from Officer Coel's K-9 vehicle, to the FDLE Fort Myers Regional Operation Center (FMROC) Laboratory Latents Division for analysis.

On September 28, 2016, the FDLE Laboratory results showed that one latent fingerprint developed on one of the "Blazer" boxes identified with the fingerprint standards bearing the name Katie R. Mendel, the maiden name of PGPD Lieutenant Katie Heck. The following will be electronically maintained in related items:

FDLE laboratory report. INV-80.

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 67 |
| Author: Negrinelli, Gary | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/09/2016 | Activity End Date: |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description:FDLE Lab report (fingerprints)

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LABORATORY REPORT
September 29, 2016

TO: FL Dept. of Law Enforcement
FDLE - Ft. Myers
(Investigations)
4700 Terminal Drive
Ft. Myers, FL 33907-0000

FDLE NUMBER: 20160604097
SUBMISSION: 2 and 4
AGENCY NUMBER: FM-01-0027

ATTN: SA Gary Negrinelli

VICTIM(S): Mary Knowlton

SUBJECT(S): Lee Coel

OFFENSE(S): Death Investigation
Charlotte County
8/9/2016

SUBPOENAS PERTAINING TO THIS CASE
SHOULD REFER TO THE FDLE NUMBER.

Lauren Tirollo

Lauren Tirollo
Crime Laboratory Analyst
Latent Print Section

REFERENCE:

This report references evidence submitted to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement on August 17, 2016 by Lee Dewey and on September 28, 2016 by Lauren Tirollo. This report contains conclusions, opinions, and/or interpretations made by the author.

EVIDENCE:

| FDLE Item# | Agency Exhibit# | Description |
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| 16 | CS-14 | One (1) CCI Blazer 38 special ammunition box containing twenty-five (25) cartridges (designated CS-14a) One (1) CCI Blazer 38 special ammunition box containing forty (40) cartridges (designated CS-14b) |
| 19 | CS-16 | One (1) Fiocchi .380 SALVE blank ammunition box containing fifteen (15) cartridges |
| 28 | KP1 | Fingerprint standards bearing the name Lee Michael Coel, W/M, DOB: 6/24/1988 |
| | KP2 | Fingerprint standards bearing the name John W. Heck, Jr., W/M, DOB: 7/16/1973 |
| | KP3 | Fingerprint standards (two sets) bearing the name Katie R. Mendel, W/F, DOB: 12/10/1981 |



FDLE NUMBER: 20160604097 Submissions: 2 and 4

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RESULTS:

Two (2) latent prints were developed on Exhibits CS-14a and CS-14b. There were no latent prints of value for comparison noted or developed on Exhibit CS-16.

One (1) latent fingerprint developed on Exhibit CS-14a was identified with the fingerprint standards bearing the name Katie R. Mendel.

No further examinations were performed per information received from FDLE Special Agent Supervisor Patrick Crough.

Exhibits KP1-KP3 were obtained from the FDLE FALCON (Florida's Integrated Criminal History System).

REMARKS:

These exhibits will be available for your pick up at your earliest convenience.

A CD containing digital images marked as Exhibit CD1 is being retained by this laboratory as evidence.

Questions regarding this report should be addressed to: LaurenTirollo@fdle.state.fl.us

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On September 30, 2016, SA Negrinelli received a copy of the District 21 Medical Examiner's Office autopsy report, via email. The examiner was Robert R. Pfalzgraf, M.D. The manner of death was ruled an accident. The cause of death was gunshot wound of torso with perforation of abdominal aorta.

A copy of the autopsy report will be electronically maintained as related item, INV-81.

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| Case Number: FM-01-0027 | Serial #: 68 |
| Author: Negrinelli, Gary | Office: Ft. Myers |
| Activity Start Date: 08/09/2016 | Activity End Date: |
| Approved By: Crough, Patrick Joseph | |

Description:Autopsy report

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District Medical Examiner

NAME

KNOWLTON, MARY

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|----------------------|--|
| CASE NUMBER | 00703-2016 |
| COUNTY | Lee |
| AGE | 73 year old, White Female |
| DATE OF DEATH | Tuesday, August 9, 2016, 7:25 PM |
| DATE OF EXAMINATION | Wednesday, August 10, 2016, 9:30 AM |
| PLACE OF EXAMINATION | District 21 Medical Examiner's Office |
| EXAMINER | ROBERT R. PFALZGRAF, M.D. |
| FUNERAL HOME | Larry Taylor Funeral Home and Cremation Services |

MANNER OF DEATH: Accident

CAUSE OF DEATH:

- a. Gunshot wound of torso with perforation of abdominal aorta
DUE TO (OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF) _____
- b. _____
DUE TO (OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF) _____
- c. _____
DUE TO (OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF) _____
- d. _____

OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS:

DATE & TIME OF INJURY: 8/9/2016 6:41:00 PM

INJURY AT WORK?: NO **PLACE OF INJURY:** Punta Gorda Police Department

LOCATION: 1410 Tamiami Trail

HOW INJURY OCCURRED: Struck by handgun projectile

ROBERT R. PFALZGRAF, M.D.
ASSOCIATE MEDICAL EXAMINER

Date Signed 9-20-16

LEE COUNTY

NAME: KNOWLTON, MARY
AGE: 74 years
DATE OF DEATH: Tuesday, August 9, 2016; 7:25 PM
DATE OF AUTOPSY: Wednesday, August 10, 2016; 9:30 AM
SCENE INVESTIGATION: No
SCENE INVESTIGATOR: Not applicable
PLACE OF AUTOPSY: District 21 Medical Examiner's Office
PROSECTOR: Robert R. Pfalzgraf, M.D.
ASSISTANTS: Sarah Norman and Brian Lucas
WITNESSES: Special Agents Alberto Diaz and Jerrick Pittman, FDLE

YES TOX; NO MICROS

OPINION**DIAGNOSES:**

1. Gunshot wound of torso, entering abdomen, indeterminate range, without exit:
 - a. perforation of liver, abdominal aorta, diaphragm and lower lobe of left lung
 - b. penetration of left pleural cavity
 - c. projectile retrieved from left pleural cavity
 - d. hemoperitoneum
 - e. left hemothorax.

2. Gunshot wound of left arm, entering anteromedial aspect, indeterminate range, without exit:
 - a. penetration of musculature of left arm
 - b. projectile retrieved from subcutaneous tissue of posterior aspect of left arm.

CAUSE OF DEATH:

Gunshot wound of torso with perforation of abdominal aorta

MANNER OF DEATH:

Accident (Struck by handgun projectile)

EXTERNAL DESCRIPTION OF THE BODY:

The body is that of a well-developed, well-nourished, adult Caucasian woman that weighs 180 pounds, measures 70 inches in length and appears compatible with the stated age of 73 years.

The body is identified visually by the decedent's husband, Gary, at the scene of injury.

Body is received in a locked and sealed body bag.

The body is cool to touch. Rigor mortis is fully fixed in extremities and jaw. Diffuse, fixed, purple livor mortis extends over the posterior surface of body, except in areas exposed to pressure.

The body is received unclad. A brown paper bag is over each hand.

The scalp hair is brown and gray and measures approximately 6 inches in length over the crown. The irides are gray; the corneas are clear. The pupils are unequal with the left pupil slightly larger in diameter than the right. The conjunctivae are pale. The nose and ears are not unusual. The lips and gums are pale. The teeth are natural and in good repair. The neck is supple, without masses, and the larynx is in the midline. The thorax is well-developed and symmetrical. The breasts are normally developed and symmetrical, without palpable masses. The abdomen is rounded. The external genitalia are those of a normal adult woman. The anus and back are unremarkable. The upper and lower extremity is a well-developed and symmetrical, without absence of digits.

IDENTIFYING MARKS AND SCARS:

Identifying marks and scars consists of a medium-sized, horizontal scar over the epigastric region of the abdomen. Two small diagonal scars are over the left side of the abdomen. A small horizontal scar is identified over the dorsolateral aspect of the left forearm.

MEDICAL THERAPY:

An endotracheal tube enters the mouth. A venous catheter enters the right antecubital fossa. A thoracostomy tube enters each lateral aspect of the chest. An oxygen saturation probe is attached to the tip of the left fourth finger. An intraosseous catheter enters the proximal anterior aspect of the left lower leg. A small hole, measuring approximately 1/8 inch in diameter, is identified in the lower anterior midline neck, overlying the cricothyroid membrane.

INJURIES:**HEAD AND NECK:**

Over the right upper aspect of the forehead, is a medium-sized purple contusion surrounding a cluster of small abrasions. A sub-scalpular hemorrhage is identified beneath this contusion. No intracranial injuries are identified.

TORSO:

A gunshot wound of entrance is identified in the left upper quadrant of the abdomen, just below the left inferior costal margin and 1-1/2 inches to the left of midline. It is also 47 ½ inches above the left heel while the body is in a standing position and 16-1/2 inches above the left gluteal fold while it is in a sitting position. The wound is irregularly round and it measures 1/2 x 3/8 inch. The wound margins are slightly ragged. Inferior to the wound is a vertically oriented 1/2 inch long and 3/8 inch wide abrasion. The entire wound is surrounded by a 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 inch red-brown contusion. Neither soot nor stippling is identified.

The wound track extends from front to back and from below to above, approximately 30° to 45° above the transverse plane. It also extends very slightly right to left.

The wound track enters the peritoneal cavity and perforates the left lobe of the liver. It then perforates the abdominal aorta at the level of the ostium of the celiac artery. A small, focal laceration is identified in the left lateral aspect of the celiac artery. It grazes the left transverse process of the first lumbar vertebra. The wound track then perforates the left hemidiaphragm and perforates the lower lobe of the left lung. It strikes the inferior aspect of the left 12th rib. The wound track terminates within the left pleural cavity.

Identified in the left pleural cavity, is a markedly deformed projectile that weighs 147.4 gr. This projectile is retrieved and retained and subsequently transferred to Alberto Diaz of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Associated with the wound track is 1500 ml of blood in the peritoneal cavity. The right and left pleural cavities contain 100 ml and 200 ml of blood, respectively. Hemorrhage invests the soft tissues of the retroperitoneum and posterior mediastinum.

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A small purple contusion is identified over the left anterior aspect of the chest.

UPPER EXTREMITIES:

A gunshot wound of entrance is identified in the left arm. It is in the anteromedial aspect of the left arm, centered to 2-1/2 inches above the left antecubital fossa and ½ inch to the right of the anterior midline of the arm. The wound is round and measures ½ inch in diameter. It is surrounded by a red-brown contusion that measures ¾ by ¾ inches. Neither soot nor stippling is identified.

The wound track extends from front to back, from right to left and from below to above. It perforates the underlying musculature and strikes the shaft of the humerus. It terminates just beneath the skin near the left elbow joint.

Identified in the subcutaneous soft tissue of the distal left arm is a moderately to markedly deformed, flattened projectile that weighs 104.5 gr.

A small abrasion is identified over the dorsal aspect of the right hand.

LOWER EXTREMITIES:

None.

BODY CAVITIES:

No adhesions or abnormal collections of fluid are within any of the body cavities, except as noted. All body organs are present and normal, anatomical position.

CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM:

The heart weighs 310 g. The pericardial surfaces are smooth, glistening and intact; the pericardial sac contains a physiologic amount of fluid. The coronary arteries arise normally, follow the usual distribution and are widely patent, without atherosclerosis or thrombosis. The chambers and valves exhibit the usual size-position relationships and are unremarkable; the atrial and ventricular septa are intact. The myocardium is red-brown and firm, without focal abnormalities. The aorta and its major branches arise normally, follow the distribution and are widely patent, with mild atherosclerosis of the aorta. The vena cavae and their tributaries return to the heart in the usual distribution and are free of thrombi.

RESPIRATORY SYSTEM:

The right and left lungs weigh 400 g and 345 g, respectively. The upper airway is clear debris and foreign material; the mucosa is pink-tan and smooth. The pleural surfaces are smooth and glistening. The pulmonary parenchyma exudes slight to moderate amounts of blood frothy fluid and is without focal lesions, except as noted. The pulmonary vasculature is unremarkable.

HEPATOBIILIARY SYSTEM:

The liver weighs 1395 g. The hepatic capsule is smooth and glistening, covering a red-brown parenchyma, without focal lesions, except as noted. The gallbladder contains less than 5 mL of yellow-green-brown bile; the mucosa is velvety and unremarkable. The extrahepatic biliary tree is patent, without evidence of calculi.

ENDOCRINE SYSTEM:

The pituitary, thyroid and adrenal glands are unremarkable. The pancreas has the usual pink-tan, lobulated appearance, and the ducts are clear.

DIGESTIVE SYSTEM:

The tongue is unremarkable. The esophagus is lined by a gray white, smooth mucosa. The gastric mucosa is arranged in the usual rugal folds, and the lumen contains 50 mL of tan, semisolid material. The small and large intestines are unremarkable. The appendix is present.

GENITOURINARY TRACT:

The right and left kidneys weigh 120 g and 115 g, respectively. The renal capsules are thin and semitransparent and strip with ease from the underlying smooth, red-brown, firm cortical surfaces. The cortex is sharply delineated from the medullary pyramids, which are red-purple to tan and unremarkable. The calyces, pelves and ureters are unremarkable. The urinary bladder contains 55 mL of pale yellow urine; the mucosa is gray-tan and smooth. The uterus is enlarged due to the presence of a 4.5 cm in diameter, well circumscribed, rubbery tumor. The cut surface of this tumor is gray-tan with a whorled pattern, and it bulges above the cut surface. Otherwise, the uterus, fallopian tubes, ovaries and vagina are unremarkable. The breast tissue has the usual fibrous and adipose mixture, without focal abnormalities.

RETICULOENDOTHELIAL SYSTEM:

The spleen weighs 110 g, and has a smooth, intact capsule, covering a deep red-purple, moderately firm parenchyma; the lymphoid follicles are unremarkable. No enlarged lymph nodes are identified. The exposed bone marrow is red-purple and homogeneous, without focal abnormalities.

MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM:

Except as noted, the bony framework, supporting musculature and soft tissues are not unusual.

NECK:

Examination of the soft tissues of the neck including the strap muscles, thyroid gland and large vessels reveals no abnormalities. The hyoid bone layers are intact. A small defect is identified in the cricothyroid membrane.

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM:

The brain weighs 1435 g. The dura mater and falx cerebri are intact. The leptomeninges are thin and delicate. The cerebral hemispheres are symmetrical. Structures at the base of the brain, including cranial nerves and blood vessels, are intact and free of abnormalities. Coronal sections through the cerebral hemispheres reveal no lesions within the cortex, subcortical white matter or deep parenchyma of either hemisphere. The ventricles are normal in caliber. Sections through the brainstem and cerebellum reveal no abnormalities.

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cc: Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Patient: **KNOWLTON, MARY**
 Client Patient ID: **21-16-703**
 Physician: **PFALZGRAF, ROBERT**

 Age: **73** Sex: **F**
 Account#: **VX85484**
 Client: **DIST 21 MEDICAL EXAMINER**
TOXICOLOGY

Specimen Collected :08/10/2016

Lab Order No: 681201064

Reg Date: 08/12/16

| Test Name | Result | Units | Cutoff/Reporting Limits |
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VOLATILE PANEL - VOLP

SPECIMEN TYPE

FEMORAL BLOOD

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| ETHANOL | NONE DETECTED | g/dL | 0.010 |
| ACETONE | NONE DETECTED | mg/dL | 7.5 |
| METHANOL | NONE DETECTED | mg/dL | 15.0 |
| ISOPROPANOL | NONE DETECTED | mg/dL | 15.0 |

Analysis by Gas Chromatography (GC) Headspace Injection

BLOOD DRUG SCREEN - BDSME

SPECIMEN TYPE

FEMORAL BLOOD

GC/MS

CAFFEINE

LC/MS/MS

NAPROXEN, CAFFEINE, CAFFEINE METABOLITE
BLOOD IMMUNOASSAY SCREEN

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|--------------------|----------|------|-------|
| AMPHETAMINES | NEGATIVE | mg/L | 0.100 |
| BARBITURATES | NEGATIVE | mg/L | 0.100 |
| BENZODIAZEPINES | NEGATIVE | mg/L | 0.050 |
| BUPRENORPHINE | NEGATIVE | mg/L | 0.001 |
| CANNABINOIDS | NEGATIVE | mg/L | 0.050 |
| COCAINE METABOLITE | NEGATIVE | mg/L | 0.100 |
| FENTANYL | NEGATIVE | mg/L | 0.001 |
| OPIATES | NEGATIVE | mg/L | 0.050 |
| SALICYLATES | NEGATIVE | mg/L | 50.0 |

Specimens were intact upon receipt. Chain of custody, specimen security and integrity has been maintained. Testing has been performed as requested

 Reviewed by: *Susan R. Ad...* Date: 9-14-16
FINAL REPORT - THIS COMPLETES REPORTING ON THIS CASE

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