

PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PAGE 1
CASE NO. 13125398 OFFENSE REPORT CASE NO. 13125398

DISPOSITION: ZULU
DIVISION: ROAD PATROL

911:

ASSIST TO ANOTHER DEPT. *

SIGNAL CODE: 76 CRIME CODE: NON CRIME CODE: AD CODE: 9576 09/28/13 SATURDAY
ZONE: P21 GRID: PH21 DEPUTY I.D.: NAME: DEVER MICHAEL ASSIST: 00 TIME D 0759 A 0800 C 1743
OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 09/28/13 , 0730 HOURS AND DATE: 09/28/13 , 1200 HOURS

EXCEPTION TYPE:

INCIDENT LOCATION: 190 N LAKE AV APT. NO.:
CITY: PAHOKEE STATE: FL ZIP: 33476

POLICE AGENCY ASSISTED: OTHER

NO. OFFENSES: 00 NO. OFFENDERS: 00 NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0

LOCATION: OTHER

NO. VICTIMS: 00 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0

NAME LIST:

ROLE:

DISCOVERER

MELANIE S LIVELY

DOB:

SEX: F RACE: W HT: 507 WT: 110 HR: BLOND EYE: BLUE

BUSINESS PHONE:

COMPLAINANT

MELANIE S LIVELY

DOB:

SEX: F RACE: W HT: 507 WT: 110 HR: BLOND EYE: BLUE

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS:

PAHOKEE

FL

HOME PHONE:

BUSINESS PHONE:

OTHER

BRUCE T LOWERRE

DOB:

SEX: M RACE: W HT: 510 WT: 250 HR: GRAY EYE: BLUE

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS:

MARGATE

FL

HOME PHONE:

BUSINESS PHONE:

VEH/VESS STATUS CODE: MISC / OTHER

VEH/VESS TYPE: AIRCRAFT

VALUE OF VEH/VESS: \$ 1

VEH STATE LICENSE: FL TAG YR: 2017 VEH YR: 2012

VEH LICENSE NO. N220BL

VEH MAKE: FIXED WING

VEH COLOR: WHI / RED

VIN NUMBER: 220

REPORT NUMBER: 1

REFERENCE CASE NO.: 13125515

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ON SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2013, AT APPROXIMATELY 0800 HOURS, I WAS DISPATCHED TO THE PAHOKEE MARINA, LOCATED AT 190 N LAKE AVENUE, IN THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, 33476, ON A REPORT OF A SUSPICIOUS OBJECT IN THE LAKE. UPON ARRIVAL I MET WITH THE COMPLAINANT, MELANIE LIVELY WF [REDACTED] WHO STATED WHILE WALKING ALONG LAKEVIEW DRIVE (TOP OF PAHOKEE DIKE, SOUTH OF THE MARINA) SHE SAW AN OBJECT FLOATING IN THE WATER ABOUT 200-300 YARDS FROM SHORE.

I SAW A WHITE AND RED OBJECT FLOATING OFFSHORE. WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE AVIATION UNIT, PALM BEACH COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE, FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION (FWC), AND THE MARINE UNIT, THE OBJECT WAS DISCOVERED TO BE A SINGLE-ENGINE, FIXED-WING, EXPERIMENTAL CLASSIFICATION, AMATEUR-BUILT CATEGORY AIRCRAFT, BEARING TAIL NUMBER N220BL. ITS COORDINATES WERE LAT/LONG 26.8189; 80.6867. THERE WAS ONE PERSON ONBOARD DISCOVERED DECEASED: BRUCE LOWERRE WM [REDACTED] PALM BEACH COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE ASSISTED WITH THE RECOVERY. AT THE TIME OF THE THIS REPORT NO OTHER PERSONS WERE LOCATED. A PIECE OF DEBRIS WAS LOCATED AT LAT/LONG 26.8138; 80.7169. IT WAS LATER COLLECTED FWC AND PLACED INTO PBSO EVIDENCE.

I MAINTAINED VISUAL OF THE AIRCRAFT FROM THE DIKE (EAST OF THE WRECKAGE, ON LAKEVIEW DRIVE) UNTIL I WAS RELIEVED BY DEPUTY BICKUNAS 8221. THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA) WAS NOTIFIED ALONG WITH THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD (NTSB) AND PBSO CRIME SCENE.

PBSO DETECTIVE BATES [REDACTED] RESPONDED AND COMPLETED A S7 REPORT, REFERENCE CASE NUMBER 13-125515.

THE INVESTIGATION WAS TURNED OVER TO TIM MONVILLE 202-314-6197 WITH THE NTSB. JACOB BOST WITH THE COAST GUARD STATED THE ACE NAVIGATION TEAM WAS GOING TO DEPLOY A LIGHTED BUOY TO MARK THE AIRCRAFT IN THE WATER. AT THE TIME OF THIS REPORT THE AIRCRAFT HAD NOT BEEN REMOVED FROM THE LAKE.

THIS CONCLUDES MY INVOLVEMENT WITH THIS CASE.
D/S DEVER [REDACTED] TRANSC: 10/07/13 KYUNCK

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DIVISION: AVIATION

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ZONE: P21 GRID: PH21 DEPUTY I.D.: NAME: BUTLER ASSIST: TIME D 0759 A 0800 C 1743
OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 09/28/13 , 0730 HOURS AND DATE: 09/28/13 , 1200 HOURS
EXCEPTION TYPE:
INCIDENT LOCATION: 190 N LAKE AV APT. NO.:
CITY: PAHOKEE STATE: FL ZIP: 33476
POLICE AGENCY ASSISTED: OTHER
NO. OFFENSES: 00 NO. OFFENDERS: 00 NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0
LOCATION: OTHER
NO. VICTIMS: 00 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0

ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2013 AT ABOUT 0815 HOURS EAGLE 2 RESPONDED TO 190 NORTH LAKE AVENUE ON A SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT. A WITNESS HAD REPORTED THAT AN OVERTURNED BOAT WAS ABOUT 200 YARDS OFFSHORE IN LAKE OKEECHOBEE. EAGLE 2 ARRIVED AND CONDUCTED AN OVER FLIGHT OF THE SCENE AND IDENTIFIED THE OBJECT AS AN AMPHIBIOUS PLANE LOCATED AT LATITUDE 26.8189 AND LONGITUDE 80.6867.

EAGLE 2 CAPTURED A VIDEO OF THE FLOATING DEBRIS FIELD. PART OF THE TAIL NUMBER COULD BE READ AND IT WAS "N220" AND POSSIBLY "BL" AT THE END OF THE NUMBER. EAGLE 2 WAS THEN DIRECTED TO INVESTIGATE A FLOATING OBJECT SEVERAL MILES AWAY TO THE SOUTH. IT WAS LOCATED AT LATITUDE 26.48.50N AND LONGITUDE 80.43.01W. IT APPEARED TO BE PART OF A WING.

EAGLE 2 ASSISTED FLORIDA WILDLIFE CONTROL UNIT TO INVESTIGATE AND RECOVER IT AS NECESSARY. EAGLE 2 RECORDED A VIDEO OF THE RECOVERY OF BODY. EAGLE 2 CLEARED THE SCENE DUE TO LOW FUEL. SEVERAL VIDEOS OF THE OPERATIONS WERE RECORDED AND TURNED IN TO PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE ROOM. THIS IS FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION ONLY.

D/S R. BUTLER JR. #
TRANS AW/6046

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DIVISION: AVIATION

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ASSIST TO ANOTHER DEPT. *

SIGNAL CODE: 76 CRIME CODE: NON CRIME CODE: AD CODE: 9576 09/28/13 SATURDAY

ZONE: P21 GRID: PH21 DEPUTY I.D.: NAME: MILLER ASSIST: TIME D 0759 A 0800 C 1743

OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 09/28/13 , 0730 HOURS AND DATE: 09/28/13 , 1200 HOURS

EXCEPTION TYPE:

INCIDENT LOCATION: 190 N LAKE

AV APT. NO.:

CITY: PAHOKEE

STATE: FL

ZIP: 33476

POLICE AGENCY ASSISTED: OTHER

NO. OFFENSES: 00 NO. OFFENDERS: 00 NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0

LOCATION: OTHER

NO. VICTIMS: 00 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0

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ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2013, AT ABOUT 0815 HOURS, I WAS CALLED BY COMMUNICATIONS REFERENCE A BOAT OR PLANE IN THE WATER IN LAKE OKEECHOBEE. I WAS INITIALLY UNKNOWN IF IT WAS OCCUPIED. MY SUPERVISORS WERE CONTACTED AND BEGAN CALLING DIVE TEAM MEMBERS TO RESPOND.

I RESPONDED TO THE MARINE UNIT MAINTENANCE YARD TO PICK UP A LARGER BOAT. AS EVENTS UNFOLDED, IT TURNED OUT THAT PBCFR DIVERS RECOVERED THE VICTIM AND SEARCHED FOR ADDITIONAL VICTIMS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PBSO DIVE TEAM WAS NOT NEEDED.

D/S N. FUSE # AND I RESPONDED TO THE PAHOKEE MARINA WHERE WE LAUNCHED A 31' CONTENDER BOAT AND TOOK CSI AND DETECTIVE BATES TO THE AIRCRAFT IN LOCATION 26 49'.1N/080 41'.2W. THEY TOOK PHOTOS OF THE SCENE AND WE RETURNED TO THE MARINA.

LATER WE TOOK FAA AND NTSB PERSONNEL TO THE SAME LOCATION WHERE THEY TOOK PHOTOS OF THE SCENE. WE RETURNED TO THE MARINA AND THAT CONCLUDED OUR INVOLVEMENT IN THIS CASE.

D/S B. MILLER #

TRANS AW/6046

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DISPOSITION: ZULU
DIVISION: DETECTIVE

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SIGNAL CODE: 76 CRIME CODE: NON CRIME CODE: AD CODE: 9576 11/01/13 SATURDAY
ZONE: P21 GRID: PH21 DEPUTY I.D.: NAME: BATES ASSIST: TIME D 0759 A 0800 C 1743
OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 09/28/13 , 0730 HOURS AND DATE: 09/28/13 , 1200 HOURS
EXCEPTION TYPE:
INCIDENT LOCATION: 190 N LAKE AV APT. NO.:
CITY: PAHOKEE STATE: FL ZIP: 33476
POLICE AGENCY ASSISTED: OTHER
NO. OFFENSES: 00 NO. OFFENDERS: 00 NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0
LOCATION: OTHER
NO. VICTIMS: 00 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0

ON 09/28/13 AT APPROXIMATELY 1030 HOURS I RESPONDED TO A PLANE CRASH THAT
HAPPENED IN LAKE OKEECHOBEE, INCORPORATED PAHOKEE FLORIDA. ON MY ARRIVAL I
MET WITH PAHOKEE DEPUTIES AND SUPERVISORS, AND THEY ADVISED ME THEY WERE
WORKING THIS CASE AS AN ASSIST TO ANOTHER AGENCY, AND WANTED ME TO PROVIDE
THEM WITH A CASE NUMBER FOR THE DEATH INVESTIGATION OF THE PILOT. I PULLED
CASE NUMBER 13-125515 FOR THE DEATH INVESTIGATION. AT THIS TIME I AM
COMPLETING THIS SUPPLEMENT TO REFERENCE THE DEATH INVESTIGATION TO THE PLANE
CRASH/ASSIST TO ANOTHER AGENCY HANDLED BY PAHOKEE UNITS.
DETECTIVE AMBER BATES ID
TRANS 11-12-13 JOY

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DISPOSITION: ZULU
DIVISION: DETECTIVE

911:

DEATH INVESTIGATION *

SIGNAL CODE: 7 CRIME CODE: NON CRIME CODE: OT CODE: 9507 09/28/13 SATURDAY
ZONE: B21 GRID: DEPUTY I.D.: NAME: BATES AMBER ASSIST: TIME D 1650 A 1650 C 1652
OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 09/28/13 , 0758 HOURS AND DATE: , 0000 HOURS
EXCEPTION TYPE:
INCIDENT LOCATION: 190 N LAKE APT. NO.:
CITY: PAHOKEE STATE: FL ZIP: 33476

NO. OFFENSES: 00 NO. OFFENDERS: UK NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0

LOCATION: LAKE / WATERWAY

NO. VICTIMS: 00 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0

NAME LIST:

ROLE:

DECEASED

BRUCE T LOWERRE

DOB: [REDACTED]

SEX: M RACE: W HT: 510 WT: 250 HR: GRAY EYE: BLUE

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

MARGATE

FL [REDACTED]

HOME PHONE: [REDACTED]

BUSINESS PHONE: [REDACTED]

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STATUS 1 = STOLEN 2 = S/R DIFFERENT DAY
CODE 3 = S/R SAME DAY 4 = RECOVERED FOR OTHER JURISDICTION
(STA) 5 = LOST ITEMS 8 = EVIDENCE SEIZED 9 = OTHER (ARSON/VANDALISM)

DATE	S T	P R O P E R T Y				
STLN/ T Y	BRAND	CALIBER	SERIAL/NUMBER	VALUE	VALUE	TELETYPE
RECOV A P	NAME	(GUN)	DESCRIPTION	STOLEN	RECOVERED	NUMBER

092813 8 Z			MAN'S WALLET	1		
			CONTAINING MISC			
			ITEMS OF			
			PAPERWORK AND			
			CREDIT CARDS			

JUSTIFIABLE CIRCUMSTANCES: NOT APPLICABLE

JUSTIFIABLE CODE: NOT APPLICABLE

AGENCY: PBSO OFFICER NAME: DET BATES [REDACTED]

SUPERVISOR ON SCENE: DET A BATES ID [REDACTED]

WHERE BODY FOUND: 190 N LAKE, PAHOKEE, FL 33476

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UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS: N
BODY I.D. BY: DET BATES
FIRE RESCUE: PBCFR
BODY RELEASED TO: PBC MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE DATE: 092813
NEXT OF KIN NOTIFIED: Y
NEAREST RELATION: EDITH STONE BINDER, SISTER
NEAREST RELATION: EDITH STONE BINDER, SISTER

VEH/VESS STATUS CODE: MISC / OTHER VEH/VESS TYPE: AIRCRAFT
VALUE OF VEH/VESS: \$ 25000
VEH LICENSE NO. N220BL
VEH COLOR: WHI

REPORT NUMBER: 1
REFERENCE CASE NO.: 13125398

ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2013 AT 1030 HOURS I RESPONDED TO A PLANE CRASH IN LAKE OKEECHOBEE, PALM BEACH COUNTY. I WAS TOLD THAT THERE WAS A SINGLE DECEDENT AND TO MEET PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE DEPUTIES AT THE PAHOKEE MARINA, INCORPORATED PAHOKEE, PALM BEACH COUNTY FLORIDA. AT THAT TIME I WAS NOT PROVIDED WITH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. I ARRIVED AT THE MARINA, WHICH IS LOCATED AT 190 NORTH LAKE AVENUE, AT APPROXIMATELY 1138 HOURS. I MET WITH DEPUTY SHERIFF FOSTER WHO BRIEFED ME OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: PALM BEACH SHERIFF'S OFFICE WAS CALLED BY THE COMPLAINANT, MELANIE LIVELY [REDACTED] AT 0758 HOURS. LIVELY REPORTED THAT SHE THOUGHT A BOAT WAS 200 TO 300 FEET AWAY, IN LAKE OKEECHOBEE, AND SHE THOUGHT IT WAS OVERTURNED. AS SHE DID NOT KNOW IF IT WAS OCCUPIED, PALM BEACH SHERIFF'S OFFICE AVIATION AND MARINE UNITS, PALM BEACH COUNTY FIRE RESCUE AND FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION OFFICERS RESPONDED TO THE OBJECT. ONCE THEY ARRIVED, THE UNITS WERE ABLE TO SEE THAT THE OBJECT WAS AN AIRPLANE. FURTHER INVESTIGATION REVEALED THE PLANE WAS A SINGLE ENGINE, FIXED WING AMATEUR BUILT CATEGORY AIRCRAFT. CLASSIFIED AS AN EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT, BEARING TAIL NUMBER N220BL, THE CRAFT WAS UPSIDE DOWN IN THE WATER AND APPEARED TO HAVE AMPHIBIOUS PONTOONS.

THE COORDINATES WERE LAT/LONG 26.8189; 80.6867. PALM BEACH COUNTY FIRE RESCUE DIVERS WENT IN THE WATER AND THEY DISCOVERED ONE DECEDENT STRAPPED IN THE COCKPIT SEAT. PAPERWORK IN HIS WALLET REVEALED THE MALE TO BE WHITE MALE BRUCE LOWERRE [REDACTED] NO OTHER PERSONS WERE FOUND IN THE PLANE OR IN THE SURROUNDING AREA. A PORTION OF THE PLANE WAS TORN OFF AND WAS FOUND IN THE WATER AT LAT/LONG 26.8138; 80.7169. THIS ITEM WAS COLLECTED BY FWC AND PLACED INTO PALM BEACH SHERIFF'S OFFICE EVIDENCE LOCKERS. I LATER DISCOVERED THAT THAT THE ITEM WAS PART OF THE CRASHED AIRPLANE'S WING.

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THE MALE'S BODY WAS ON THE MARINA'S DECK WALK AND HAD BEEN COVERED WITH A YELLOW BLANKET TO CONCEAL HIM FROM ONLOOKERS. INFORMATION HAD BEEN PROVIDED THAT AN EMERGENCY CONTACT AND PHONE NUMBER WERE FOUND IN HIS WALLET AND DEPUTIES WERE ABLE TO CONTACT THE DECEDENT'S SISTER, EDITH STONE BINDER [REDACTED]

BINDER TOLD DEPUTIES THAT SHE HAD LAST SPOKEN WITH HER BROTHER THE PREVIOUS DAY AROUND NOON. LOWERRE HAD LEFT HIS HOME IN MARGATE FLORIDA, AND DRIVEN TO THE BOCA RATON EXECUTIVE AIRPORT WHERE HE KEPT HIS SMALL PLANE. SHE HAD NOT HEARD FROM HIM SINCE THAT TIME.

CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATOR PATRICK AND I WERE TAKEN TO THE PLANE'S LOCATION BY PALM BEACH SHERIFF'S OFFICE MARINE UNITS. CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATOR PATRICK DOCUMENTED THE SCENE BY PHOTOGRAPH AND THE PLANE APPEARED TO BE RESTING IN FAIRLY SHALLOW WATER AND NOT DRIFTING. WE THEN WENT BACK TO THE MARINA WHERE I CALLED THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE TO NOTIFY THEM OF THE CRASH. I SPOKE WITH FORENSIC INVESTIGATOR LITTLEFIELD AND PROVIDED HER WITH THE PERTINENT INFORMATION. SHE ADVISED THAT SHE WOULD HAVE ELITE REMOVAL RESPOND TO OUR LOCATION. SHORTLY AFTERWARDS, A REPRESENTATIVE FROM AIR & SEA RECOVERY, STEVE SMALLY, AND TIMOTHY MONVILLE WITH NTSB ARRIVED AT THE MARINA. AT 1330 ELITE REMOVAL ARRIVED AND WE DID AN INSPECTION OF THE BODY. LOWERRE HAD ON A PLAID BUTTON UP SHIRT, BLACK SLACKS, BLACK SOCKS AND BLACK SHOES. THERE WAS AN ABRASION/INJURY ON THE BACK OF HIS HEAD, AND A SMALL LACERATION WAS SEEN ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS HEAD AND WAS APPROXIMATELY 3 INCHES LONG. LIVIDITY WAS VIEWED IN HIS FACIAL AREA. NO OTHER TRAUMA WAS NOTED ON THE BODY AT THAT TIME. AT APPROXIMATELY 1400 HOURS, JAUNITA CORBIN AND JEANNIE COOK, WITH THE FAA ARRIVED. THE ABOVEMENTIONED INDIVIDUALS WERE SEEKING INFORMATION ON INSURANCE POLICIES FOR THE WRECKED AIRCRAFT AND I INFORMED THEM THAT I WOULD CONTACT LOWERRE'S SISTER FOR POSSIBLE INFORMATION.

I CALLED AND SPOKE WITH BINDER AND SHE INFORMED ME THAT HER BROTHER HAD A SECOND, LARGER CESSNA AIRPLANE WHICH HE KEPT IN POMPAN BEACH AND SHE WAS CERTAIN HE HAD INSURANCE POLICIES ON BOTH AIRCRAFT. SHE TOLD ME THAT SHE WOULD SEARCH HIS HOME FOR THAT INFORMATION. SHE FURTHER TOLD ME THAT HER BROTHER WAS SUPPOSED TO MEET HER THE PREVIOUS AFTERNOON AT 1700 HOURS FOR DINNER AT DENNY'S IN EAST BOCA RATON. WHEN LOWERRE DID NOT ARRIVE, BINDER CALLED HIS CELL PHONE, WHICH SHE TOLD ME WENT RIGHT TO HIS VOICE MAIL. AS SHE WAS CONCERNED, BINDER DROVE TO THE BOCA RATON AIRPORT TO CHECK IF HIS VEHICLE/OR THE PLANE WAS THERE. ONCE SHE GAINED ACCESS, SHE WAS UNABLE TO ENTER THE HANGER, AND LOWERRE'S 2007 BLUE CHEVROLET "HHR" WAS NOT PARKED IN THE PARKING AREA. AS SHE HAD NOT BEEN CONTACTED BY LOWERRE, SHE STARTED TO GET CONCERNED AS SHE DID NOT KNOW OF HIS LOCATION. ACCORDING TO BINDER, LOWERRE HAD BEEN BUILDING THE AIRPLANE FOR 33 YEARS, AND WAS STILL WORKING ON HIS FORTY HOURS OF TRAINING HE NEEDED PRIOR TO BEING ABLE TO TAKE A PASSENGER UP IN THE PLANE. BINDER VERIFIED THAT HE ALWAYS FLEW THE SMALL PLANE ALONE AND

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WAS DILIGENT IN FOLLOWING ALL THE FAA RULES. SHE TOLD ME THAT HE HAD HIS PILOT'S LICENSE AND WAS ALSO AN INSTRUCTOR, A GROUND INSTRUCTOR LICENSE AND A REPAIRMAN LICENSE. SHE TOLD ME THAT LOWERRE WAS NOT BEING TREATED MEDICALLY FOR ANY RECENT ILLNESSES OR COMPLAINTS. SHE VERIFIED THAT HER BROTHER WOULD HAVE BEEN AT THE LAKE TO DO PRACTICE LANDINGS WITH THE AIRCRAFT ON THE WATER.

I CLEARED THE PAHOKEE MARINA AT APPROXIMATELY 1500 HOURS.

ON SEPTEMBER 29, 2013, I DROVE TO MARGATE FLORIDA TO MEET WITH BINDER. I ELECTED TO RETURN HER BROTHERS PERSONAL BELONGINGS TO HER WHICH WAS FOUND ON HIS BODY. THOSE ITEMS CONSISTED OF:

- * NORTH AMERICAN ARMS 22 REVOLVER; SERIAL NUMBER E128873 AND FIVE (5) 22. CALIBER BULLETS
- * A LEATHER WALLET CONTAINING MISCELLANEOUS PAPERWORK, CREDIT CARDS, PICTURES AND BUSINESS CARDS
- * U.S. CASH AND CHANGE WHICH WAS IN LOWERRE'S POCKETS
- * A SMALL POCKET KNIFE
- * A SET OF KEYS ON A KEY RING
- * A SINGLE KEY MARKED "CHEVROLET"

THESE ITEMS WERE DOCUMENTED BY CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATOR PATRICK ON A PALM BEACH SHERIFF'S OFFICE PROPERTY RECEIPT, SIGNED BY ALL PARTIES AND THE ORIGINALS RETAINED BY THE PALM BEACH SHERIFF'S OFFICE EVIDENCE DIVISION. ONCE THAT WAS DONE I RETURNED TO PALM BEACH SHERIFF'S OFFICE HEADQUARTERS.

I SPOKE WITH NTSB REPRESENTATIVE TIM MONVILLE ON 09/30/2013. HE ADVISED ME THAT HE HAD MET WITH BINDER AT THE AIRPLANE HANGER AND THEY HAD LOCATED LOWERRE'S CHEVROLET PARKED INSIDE THE HANGER. THEY HAD LOCATED HIS FLIGHT RECORDS/JOURNALS, AND ALSO BINDER HAD LOCATED HIS INSURANCE POLICIES ON THE PLANE. AS OF 09/30/2013 THE AIRCRAFT STILL REMAINED IN LAKE OKEECHOBEE. THERE WERE NO SIGNS OF ANY FOUL PLAY FOUND DURING THE INITIAL PORTION OF MY INVESTIGATION. AT THIS TIME THAT CONCLUDES MY INVOLVEMENT IN THIS CASE. SUPPLEMENTS WILL FOLLOW AS NEEDED.

DETECTIVE AMBER BATES ID [REDACTED]

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ZONE: B21 GRID: DEPUTY I.D.: NAME: BATES ASSIST: TIME D 1650 A 1650 C 1652
OCCURRED BETWEEN DATE: 09/28/13 , 0758 HOURS AND DATE: , 0000 HOURS
EXCEPTION TYPE:
INCIDENT LOCATION: 190 N LAKE APT. NO.:
CITY: PAHOKEE STATE: FL ZIP: 33476
NO. OFFENSES: 00 NO. OFFENDERS: UK NO. VEHICLES STOLEN: 0 NO. PREMISES ENTERED: 0
LOCATION: LAKE / WATERWAY
NO. VICTIMS: 00 NO. ARRESTED: 0 FORCED ENTRY: 0

I RECEIVED AN EMAILED COPY OF BRUCE LOWERRE'S MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE REPORT ON DECEMBER 10, 2013. IT WAS SIGNED AND DATED BY DR. R. MOTTE M.D. ASSOCIATE MEDICAL EXAMINER ON OCTOBER 8, 2013 AND THEIR CASE NUMBER IS 13-1016. THE REPORT NOTES THAT LOWERRE'S BODY ARRIVED AT THEIR FACILITY ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2013 AND THE POST WAS PERFORMED ON SEPTEMBER 29, 2013 AT 1335 HOURS. TEST RESULTS WERE PROVIDED BY THE WUESTHOFF REFERENCE LABORATORY IN MELBOURNE FLORIDA AND THEY WILL REMAIN A PART OF MY CASE FILE. DR. MOTTE SUMMARIZED THE FOLLOWING IN HIS REPORT:

FINDINGS:

- 1) WET BODY WITH 4.6 CUBIC CENTIMETERS BLOODY, WATERY SINUS FLUID
- 2) CARDIOMEGALY (500 GRAMS)
- 3) CALCIFIC AORTIC STENOSIS
- 4) LEFT VENTRICULAR HYPERTROPHY AND POSTERIOR WALL 1 CENTIMETER FATTY INFILTRATE (MICROSCOPIC TO BE REPORTED SEPARATELY)
- 5) MILD MYXOMATOUS DEGENERATION OF MITRAL VALVE LEAFLETS
- 6) MILD BILATERAL GLOMERULAR SCLEROSIS AND REMOTE RENAL CORTICAL INFARCTS
- 7) CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE, 25% MAXIMAL STENOSIS
- 8) SEVERE LOWER EXTREMITY VENOUS STASIS CHANGES WITH PITTING EDEMA TO JUST BELOW THE KNEES
- 9) BODY MASS INDEX = 34.0 = OBESE
- 10) TRAUMA
 - A) NOSE WITH 1 CENTIMETER SUPERFICIAL LACERATION
 - B) SUBGALEAL CONTUSIONS
- 11) DECOMPOSING

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12) REMOTE APPENDECTOMY

DR. MOTTE DETERMINED THAT MR. LOWERRE'S CAUSE OF DEATH WAS DROWNING
AND THE MANNER OF DEATH WAS AN ACCIDENTAL DEATH DUE TO AN AIRPLANE CRASH.
AT THIS TIME THIS CASE WILL REMAIN A ZULU AND PENDING ANY CONTRADICTORY
INFORMATION WILL BE CLOSED. I WILL NOTIFY THE EVIDENCE DIVISION THAT THE
EVIDENCE COLLECTED CAN BE DISPOSED OF/RELEASED.

DETECTIVE BATES [REDACTED]

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