

STATE OF MAINE
REPORT OF INQUIRY AND EXAMINATION BY MEDICAL EXAMINER

CASE #: 2000-1862A

DECEDENT: Kassidy Bortner BIRTH DATE: 2/4/99 AGE: 21 months
ADDRESS: 2 Mousan Street, Springvale, ME SEX: F RACE: White 1098
NOTIFIED BY: York Hospital Emergency Room DATE AND TIME: 11/9/00; 1:50 PM
POLICE INVESTIGATOR: Sgt. Matt Stewart DEPT: Maine State Police, CID I
(Write None If Applicable)
INFORMANT: (Including Relationship to Deceased) Sgt Stewart, York Hospital Medical Records, Maine Assistant AG
Fern LaRochelle, NH Assistant AG Chris Carter

PLACE OF DEATH: York Hospital Emergency Room

SCENE VISIT: (DATE AND TIME OR NONE) NONE

PLACE BODY EXAMINED: OCME DATE AND TIME: November 10, 2000, 9:00 AM - 2:45 PM and November 14, 2000; 1:30 PM-2:30 PM

IMMEDIATE CAUSE:

(a) Multiple blunt force injuries
DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF:

(b) _____
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(c) _____

OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS:

MANNER: (Accident, Suicide, etc) Homicide		DATE & TIME OF INJURY Unknown	HOW INJURY OCCURRED Assaulted by another
AT WORK? NO	PLACE OF INJURY Unknown	LOCATION Unknown	

DATE AND TIME OF DEATH: November 9, 2000; 1:28 PM

DATE AND TIME FOUND: N/A LAST SEEN ALIVE: N/A

AUTOPSY AUTHORIZED BY: Margaret Greenwald, MD; CME PATHOLOGIST: M. Greenwald
(Name and Title)

BODY RELEASED TO: Adam's Funeral Home

TOXICOLOGY OR OTHER STUDIES PENDING: Multiple studies

I hereby declare that the information contained herein regarding this death is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, as is the information contained on the death certificate if signed by me.

November 15, 2000 York

Date County of Death


Signature of Medical Examiner

Typed or Printed Name of Medical Examiner: Margaret Greenwald, MD; Chief Medical Examiner

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MEDICAL AND OTHER PERSONAL HISTORY: Including Name of Physician or Institution, Diagnosis, Date and Previous Injuries

Mother was a 16 year old G1P0. Child was born by spontaneous vaginal delivery, full term at Southern Maine Medical Center on 2/4/99. No significant complications. Birth weight 8 lbs, 12 oz., length 21 ½ inches, head circumference: 13 ½ inches, chest circumference: 13 ½ inches.

In September of 1999, was seen by Dr. James Timoney for evaluation of 'in-toed' gait. On that date, no injuries are noted by the physician. There is no indication of X-rays, but an orthopedic examination is performed. The decedent is described as cranky, but this is attributed to her missing her nap. Mother says that the growth milestones have been normal and she began walking at about 8 months.

DESCRIPTION OF BODY

POSITION OF BODY WHEN FOUND AT PLACE OF DEATH: N/A

CLOTHING AND OTHER ITEMS ON BODY:

APPARENT AGE: SEX: COLOR:

DEVELOPMENT. NUTRITION: HEIGHT: WEIGHT:

HAIR-SCALP: FACE:

EYES-COLOR: PETECHIAE: OTHER:

MOUTH-DENTITION: FLUID:

EXTERNAL GENITALIA:

SCARS, TATOOS, ANOMALIES:

PRESERVATION: HEAT:

RIGIDITY-DEGREE AND LOCATION:

LIVIDITY-COLOR AND LOCATION:

EXTERNAL PATHOLOGY AND OTHER FINDINGS:

(Diagram may be used to supplement description - if an autopsy has been, ordered, less detailed description of the body may suffice)

*for fractures-note location and extent

cuts-cleanly incised or irregular, location, length, depth

gunshot wounds- location, size, powder burns, smoke marks, shape of holes, exit and entrance, ---

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approximate track and direction, if projectile recovered, marks on clothing

blunt trauma and ligature marks-size, pattern, location

burns-extent in depth and area

See autopsy report.

NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF CIRCUMSTANCES AND DESCRIPTION OF SCENE: include as applicable description of premises, temperature, weather if outdoors, alcoholism, drug use, type of weapons at scene, indication of suicide - note, despondent over, verbal threats, etc. Auto accident - driver, passenger, pedestrian, etc., single car or other vehicles. PLEASE NOTE: This information has been received during the course of the investigation and is subject to subsequent confirmation.

The decedent was described to be in her usual state of health by babysitter on Wednesday afternoon when he was with this 21 month old female from about 3:30 PM. She had been dropped off at his home. He indicates to investigators that she was picked up by the mother's boyfriend (who resides in NH) at about 5:00 or 6:00 PM. The boyfriend was in charge of Kassidy between that time and midnight when mother returns home. The only other person in the house was the boyfriend's 3 year old child. When mother came home, she did not try to wake Kassidy by her statement to investigators, but she did describe the presence of a 'bruise' on her cheek.

At about 6AM Kassidy was either awakened by mom or wakened on her own, was lethargic and crying. Her eyes were described as 'rolling around'. She was taken back to the babysitters in Kittery

about 8:30 AM. This time both mom's sister and the aunt's boyfriend (who is the babysitter) were present and mom pointed out to them the bruising.

The babysitter describes Kassidy as lethargic all day. She was offered food but apparently did not eat. About Noon, the babysitter found Kassidy unresponsive. Rescue and Kittery PD were called. It was immediately apparent that there was bruising. Photos were taken and the decedent was transported to York Hospital but was essentially DOA. Examination disclosed retinal hemorrhage, diffuse.

The decedent was pronounced dead at 1:28 PM.

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