



OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER

Report of Postmortem Examination

Name: Case No.
Age: Race: Sex: Date of death:
Date Examined: Examined by:

External Examination

The body is received clothed in white underwear, blue jeans, white t-shirt, black socks, black tennis shoes, and silver necklace. White plastic evidence bags are placed on both hands.

The body is that of an adult male white weighing approximately 210 pounds, measuring 69 inches in length, [BMI of 31 (obese)] and appearing the reported age of 45.

The body is cold to touch secondary to postmortem refrigeration. Rigor mortis is unfixated in the extremities. Postmortem lividity is present on the right side of the face and posterior dependent portions of the body.

Injury to the head is described below (see evidence of injury section). The scalp hair is light brown and short. Short facial hair is on the philtrum, cheeks, and chin. Dried blood is noted on the face. Multiple palpable skull and facial fractures are noted (see evidence of injury section). The eyes are closed. The irides are brown. The corneae are clouded. The sclerae show evidence of tache noire. The left ear canal contains coagulated blood. The mouth contains natural dentition. A small scar approximately 1" in length is noted on the chin. There is no evidence of trauma on the neck.

Dried blood is noted on the torso. The chest is without special note. The abdomen is flat. Exterior genitals are adult male and uncircumcised. The buttocks and back are without special note.

Dried blood is noted on the extremities. Several tattoos noted on upper right arm.

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EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

Skin of the fingertips show evidence of postmortem desiccation and purple discoloration. The fingernails and toenails are short.

RADIOLOGIC EXAMINATION

Full body x-rays of head, neck, and chest are reviewed:

1. Noted skull fractures.
2. Pneumocephaly.
3. No projectiles noted in the head.

EVIDENCE OF INJURY

1. GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE HEAD:

A gunshot wound of entrance to the right temple measures 1/2 x 1/2 inch. There is a dried marginal abrasion in the 10 o'clock to 8 o'clock position extending up to 1/4 inch from the entrance of the wound defect. The entrance wound is located 3.0 inches below the top of the head and 3-3/4 inches right of the anterior mid-line. The wound path is through the scalp, skull (fracture), dura, brain, dura, skull (fracture), and left ear canal. An exit wound is present in the left ear canal. The wound cannot be measured due to the internal location within the ear canal. The wound is located approximately 5-1/2 inches below the top of the head and 6.0 inches left of the anterior mid-line. Associated with the exit wound is a laceration on the left ear measuring 3/4 x 1/4 inch, with an adjacent purple contusion on the skin. No bullet or bullet fragments are recovered from the wound path. The direction of the wound path is right to left and downward. Associated with the gunshot wound is a laceration on the right medial canthus measuring 1/4 x 3/16 inch.

SPECIMENS

1. Sample of vitreous humor, peripheral blood, and urine are submitted to the toxicology laboratory.

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2. A DNA card is submitted to the toxicology laboratory.

DIAGNOSES

- I. Gunshot wound to the head. (see protocol)
 - A. Self-inflicted, perforating gunshot wound to the head.
 - B. A note of intent to inflict self-harm is present at the scene of occurrence. (social history)
 - C. Multiple guns are present in the residence and a gun was located in close proximity to the body. (social history)

OPINION

In consideration of the circumstances surrounding his death, the available social history, the external examination of the body, and the results of the x-ray studies, the cause of death of this 45 year old, white male, William D. Jones, is due to a gunshot wound to the head.

MANNER OF DEATH: Suicide

//Dr. John Smith//

Assistant Medical Examiner

05/07/2015

Date



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M.E. Case:
Deceased Name:
Autopsy Date:
Report Date:
Pathologist:

Tox Case:
Gender:
Race:
Age:

Confirmed Positives:

Sample #	Analyte	Sample Type	Methodology	Result	Foot note
05-04	HOLD	DNA	N/A	No drug data available	

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Comments (See NMS and/or LabCorp Reports, If applicable)

//Dr. William Johnson//

Director

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Date