

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

Name: Laura Bowdoin

Case#: 5080954

Investigator: Charles D. Brining

Date: June 19, 2008

Synopsis

The death reported to this office was that of Laura Bowdoin, a 36 year old white female who was found unresponsive lying in bed. She was pronounced dead at the scene. She has no medical history, is on no medications, and has no doctor. She has no history of drug abuse. The Pasco County Sheriff's Office is the investigating law enforcement agency and case #08-36025 has been assigned. No foul play is suspected by law enforcement.

June 19, 2008

At about 0750 hours on the above date Laura Phillips, a representative with Community Hospital contacted this office to report the death of Laura Bowdoin, a 36 year old white female. She provided the following information: The decedent has no medical history, is on no medications, and has no doctor. She has no known history of drug abuse. On June 19, 2008 she was found unresponsive lying in bed. 911 was called and she was transported to Community Hospital, arriving at 0700 hours. She remained unresponsive and was pronounced dead at 0708 hours. No apparent trauma was noted. The Pasco County Sheriff's Office is investigating.

I requested the decedent's chart be copied. Laura advised no admission specimens were drawn from the decedent during her course of treatment.

The decedent's husband identified her at the hospital. Laura informed him of the involvement of this office.

I spoke to Corporal Gracie with the Pasco County Sheriff's Office and he provided the following information: The decedent has no medical history, is on no medications, and has no history of drug abuse. She lives with her husband at a residence in Holiday. The couple is currently going through a divorce, but still live together, sleeping in separate bedrooms. She was last known to be alive at about 2330 hours on June 18, 2008. The couple had been talking about their divorce and both went to bed in their respective bedrooms. The decedent voiced no complaints but did appear to be "fumbling" around. At about 0600 hours on June 19, 2008 her husband woke up and took a shower. He went to wake the decedent and she was unresponsive lying in bed. 911 was called and EMS responded to the scene. She was transported to Community Hospital and pronounced. No medications or apparent drugs were located at the scene per EMS. No apparent trauma was noted and no foul play is suspected. At this time no "scene" investigation is going to be performed.

I spoke to Detective Sergeant Sessa and he advised that detective would not be responding to the decedent's residence or hospital based on the information provided at this time.

At about 0907 hours I dispatched Medical Examiner's Office Staff to transport the decedent and her chart to this office for further examination.

Lions Eye Bank contacted this office and advised they had consent for eye donation. Dr. Ignacio was informed of the death and of the involved circumstances known at the time and she advised she had no objections to the eye donation. Lions Eye Bank was informed.

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I spoke to Detective March and PI Michael Peesley, who provided the following additional information: Several medications were located at the scene prescribed to both the decedent and her husband, including: Hydrocodone (old - hers), Hydrocodone (03/2008 - his), Fluoxetine X2 (2-3 months old - him), and Ambien (old - his). The medications were apparently overlooked by EMS personnel initially at the scene and were accessible by both the decedent and her husband. Per a neighbor the decedent had reportedly been taking fat burning medications she obtained from "friends". The decedent's husband did have GPS tracking on the decedent's vehicle and cleaned out her office a day after her passing. The decedent reportedly told friends in the past that her husband was "poisoning" her food and drink, which is unfounded at this time. The decedent supposedly had problems swallowing pills per her mother.

I requested Detective March's report(s) upon there completion.

End of Report.

Charles Brining
Forensic Investigator

Supplemental Report of Investigation

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I informed Detective March and informed her of the decedent's finalized cause and manner of death.

September 16, 2008

I informed the decedent's husband of the finalized cause and manner of death.

End of Supplemental Report.

Charles Brining
Forensic Investigator