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BREVARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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NARRATIVE

Section 1: Narrative
On December 09, 2018, West Melbourne Police Department contacted Booking Deputies stating that they were enroute to the Jail Complex with a combative arrestee. At approximately 1325 hours, Inmate Gregory Edwards (involved), was received from West Melbourne Police Department on the following charges: VOP on Site, Resist Officer With Violence, Aggravated Assault, and Battery.
Upon receiving Inmate Edwards, he was dressed out in a jail issued uniform and placed in booking holding cell seven. Later opened booking holding cell seven to continue the booking process. Continued directed Inmate Edwards to step out of holding cell and he complied. Continued gave Inmate Edwards further direction, he refused and became non-compliant. Inmate Edwards turned towards continued and punched him in the facial area with a fist, causing continued to fall onto the floor striking the back of his head.
A use of force occurred to gain control of the inmate. As a result of his combative behavior, at approximately 1400 hours, Inmate Edwards was placed in the Emergency Restraint Chair in holding cell nine. After Lieutenant Fayson conducted a well-being check on Inmate Edwards, he was transferred to the jail infirmary for further evaluation. Due to Inmate Edwards' unresponsive condition, Brevard County Fire Rescue was notified and CPR was administered until their arrival. Major Kelly Haman notified Major Crimes due to Inmate Edwards' condition.
orporal Otto was taken to Rockledge Regional Medical Center for evaluation and treatment.
Section 2: Crime Scene
The Brevard County Sheriff's Office Crime Scene Unit was contacted and responded to the Jail Complex for processing.
Section 3: Disposition
This case is pending and referred to Major Crimes Agent Jennifer Straight for further investigation.
Section 4: Enclosures
None '

BCJC (Jail)

Edwards Robert 0953

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On Sunday, December 9, 2018, at approximately 1500 hours, I was the on-call Homicide Agent from the Brevard County Sheriff's Office. I received a page from the Brevard County Sheriff's Office (B.C.S.O.) Communication Center requesting I contact Major Haman. I contacted Major Haman who informed me an incident had occurred at 860 Camp Road, Cocoa, Brevard County, Florida which is the Brevard County Sheriff's Office Jail. While speaking to Major Haman she informed me of the following:

Major Haman stated West Melbourne Police Department brought an arrestee to the Brevard County Jail by the name of Mr. Gregory Edwards. B.C.S.O. took custody of Mr. Edwards. During the booking process, Inmate Edwards acted aggressively towards Corrections. A physical altercation ensued and Corrections was injured. Major Haman informed me the Response to Resistance practices that were used included, department issued pepper spray, a department issued Electrical Conducted Weapon, and distractor techniques were used to control Inmate Edwards.

Once Inmate Edwards was secured in handcuffs, he was placed into the Emergency Restraint Chair. A short time later Inmate Edwards became unresponsive, and medical aid was provided to him. Inmate Edwards was then transported to Rockledge Regional Medical Center (R.R.M.C.) by Brevard County Fire Rescue (B.C.F.R.). Major Haman informed me that Inmate Edwards prognosis was not positive, and due to no brain activity, it was believed Inmate Edwards was not going to recover.

Based on the information provided, I advised Major Haman I would be enroute to 860 Camp Road, to assume the investigation. While enroute to the Brevard County Jail, I was contacted by B.C.S.O. Homicide Lt. Rob Vitaliano. Lt. Vitaliano stated he had requested the response of the Brevard County Crime Scene Unit. Lt. Vitaliano further stated Major Crimes Homicide Agent Jennifer Straight would be lead for the investigation, and Major Crimes Agent Wayne Simock and Phillip Urbanetz would respond to Rockledge Regional Medical Center to assist with the investigation.

At 1547 hours, I spoke to Sgt. Mike Charest with the Brevard County Sheriff's Office Career Development Unit. Due to an Electronic Conducted Weapon being deployed, I requested Sgt. Charest respond to Rockledge Regional Medical Center to download Corrections Deputy Allison Blazewicz department issued Electronic Conducted Weapon.

I arrived at the Brevard County Jail at approximately 1600 hours, where I made contact with Agent Straight and Brevard County Sheriff's Office Crime Scene Investigator (C.S.I.) Conrad Schneider. Upon entering the booking area of the Brevard County Jail, we made contact with Corrections Sargent Zimmerman, Deputy Robert Wagner, and Corrections Deputy Deshaun Edward. We were informed that the booking room, along with the medical ward of the Brevard County Jail, was secured for crime scene processing.

During the investigation, my assistance was requested in completing sworn audio recorded interviews with several civilian witnesses and sworn B.C.S.O Corrections Deputies. Those interviewed either witnessed, or rendered assistance, during the altercation. The following is a synopsis of all sworn audio interviews completed on

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December 9, 2018, from approximately 1841 hours to 2030 hours. I spoke to Booking Technician Jeannette Donaho, ID #: 1508, who informed me she was located in the booking control room when she observed an incident involving Corrections . Corrections dealing with an inmate, later identified as Inmate Edwards, who initially entered the Brevard County Jail as a combative individual. Once Inmate Edwards calmed down, Corrections removed him from the holding cell. She assumed Inmate Edwards was going to have his picture taken, when the next thing she observed was people running towards Corrections and Inmate Edwards. Booking Technician Donaho was advised to send out an, "all help available," page for the incident, which occurred in the booking room. Booking Technician Donaho did not recall what events unfolded between Corrections and Inmate Edwards. just that they were on the ground and she called for assistance. Once Inmate Edwards was secured in the Emergency Restraint Chair, he was placed in holding cell 9. While in the holding cell, Booking Technician Donaho heard Inmate Edwards making screaming type noises. The next time she observed Inmate Edwards, he was being removed from the holding cell so Nurse Nadeu could provide Oxygen to him. Inmate Edwards was transported to the medical ward of the Brevard County Jail. Booking Technician Donaho did not have any further information to provide pertaining to the incident. I then conducted a sworn interview with Booking Technician Sarah Papesh, ID #: 4279. Booking Technician Papesh informed me she was located in the back area of the booking room, more specifically in the data collection room. Inmate Edwards started, "banging," on the windows of the holding cells. Corrections addressed Inmate Edwards in the holding cell to ascertain if he was O.K., at which time Inmate Edwards stated he then returned to his normal duties. The next thing Booking Technician Sarah Papesh recalled was hearing Inmate Edwards yelling, but could not see what was going on. Booking Technician Sarah Papesh stated she believed Corrections was yelling as if he was hurt, but could not recall what he was specifically yelling about. Due to Booking Technician Papesh's location in the data collection room, she did not witness the altercation. Booking Technician Papesh did not have any further information to provide pertaining to the incident. I then conducted a sworn interview with Booking Technician Denise Colton-D'Agostino, ID#:1498. Booking Technician Colton-D'Agostino reported she walked into the booking area and simultaneously heard a lot of velling, where she observed an inmate and corrections deputy on the ground. Booking Technician Colton-D'Agostino informed me she had no information to provide as what lead to the altercation, or what occurred during the altercation. She only observed what appeared to be an incident occurring where a Corrections Deputy needed assistance. Booking Technician Colton-D'Agostino did not recall how Inmate Edwards was secured, but that moments later she observed Inmate Edwards in a holding cell sitting in the Emergency Restraint Chair. Booking Technician Colton-D'Agostino did not have any further information to provide pertaining to the incident. I then conducted a sworn interview with Corrections Deputy Shannon Popielarczyk, ID #: 473. Deputy Shannon

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Popielarczyk, reported her job description is a transportation driver for the Brevard County Sheriff's Office. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk stated she was dropping off prisoners in the booking room when she observed Corrections and Inmate Edwards in the booking room. As Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk turned to leave, she heard a commotion behind her. Deputy Shannon Popielarczyk stated she turned back around and saw both parties on the ground in an altercation.

Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk immediately assisted Corrections with Inmate Edwards by attempting to gain control of Inmate Edwards legs. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk stated her efforts were ineffective. Even after applying all of her body weight, and trying to sit on Inmate Edwards legs to keep them down, he was still able to resist and push his legs, along with her, off the floor. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk stated while trying to gain control of Inmate Edwards, Corrections Deputies were telling Inmate Edwards to, "stop resisting," and, "give us your hands." According to Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk, Inmate Edwards was not following any verbal commands, but instead continued to, "brace," his body, and actively resist.

Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk stated Inmate Edwards was exhibiting, what she equated to, "super human strength," due to the fact Inmate Edwards was lifting her off of the ground. Due to Inmate Edwards resistance, Corrections Deputy Shannon Popielarczyk believed her actions were ineffective therefore, she disengaged and had to request assistance from another corrections deputy, Lt. George Fayson. Inmate Edwards continued to actively resist, therefore Inmate Edwards was sprayed with Oleoresin Capsicum (O.C.), and when that was not successful in gaining control of Inmate Edwards, the Electronic Conducted Weapon was utilized. Inmate Edwards continued to resist after the Electronic Conducted Weapon was used on him, but Corrections Deputies eventually gained control of Inmate Edwards hands, where he was ultimately handcuffed behind his back.

Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk said she did not see Inmate Edwards physically grab any of the officers, but based on her position at his feet, she could feel him tensing up and actively resisting. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk said she knew the corrections officers applied pressure points on Inmate Edwards, in an attempt to gain control of him. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk stated based on her training and experience, all of the techniques used on Inmate Edwards to gain control of him, where taught during use of force training at the Brevard County Sheriff's Office.

Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk stated once Inmate Edwards was handcuffed, Major Haman gave the order for Inmate Edwards to be placed into the Emergency Restraint Chair. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk retrieved the Emergency Restraint Chair. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk held Inmate Edwards leg down when he was placed into the chair, while his leg was secured with a strap. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk said when she went to leave the booking room, Inmate Edwards was secured in the Emergency Restraint Chair, the "spit mask" was placed over his face, and he was breathing. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk said Inmate Edwards was conscious, but his pupils were dilated. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk said she had been employed by the Brevard County Sheriff's Office for 14 years, and based on her training and experience, Inmate Edwards appeared impaired by

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Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk said once Inmate Edwards was secured, she had prisoner pick-ups to complete, and therefore Major Haman told her she could leave the booking area. Corrections Deputy Popelarczyk did not observe Inmate Edwards in medical distress, and returned to the Brevard County Jail after the incident, when she was asked to provide a statement. Corrections Deputy Popielarczyk did not have any further information to provide pertaining to the incident.

I then conducted a sworn interview with Corrections Deputy Wright, ID#: 994. Corrections Deputy Wright had been employed by the Brevard County Sheriff's office for approximately 15 years. Corrections Deputy Wright reported he works in the medical area of the Brevard County Jail. When he arrived in the medical ward, he noticed Inmate Edwards in the Emergency Restraint Chair. Corrections Deputy Wright assisted Sgt. Richard Zimmerman, and Corrections Deputy Adam Turko, move Inmate Edwards to the floor, where they proceeded to provide CPR to Inmate Edwards, along with the Brevard County Medical Nurses. All three parties completed a rotation of chest compressions on Inmate Edwards. All of medical staff and corrections deputies continued to provide CPR, until Brevard County Fire Rescue arrived on scene. Prior to Brevard County Fire Rescue arriving on scene, an A.E.D and Narcan, was administered upon Inmate Edwards. Corrections Deputy Wright did not have any further information to provide pertaining to the incident.

Next, I conducted a sworn interview with Corrections Deputy Keith Tiller, ID #: 1043. Corrections Deputy Tiller reported he had been employed by the Brevard County Sheriff's Office since 2007. Corrections Deputy Tiller said he is responsible for prisoner transportation to any facility located outside of the Brevard County Jail. Corrections Deputy Tiller said when they called for additional assistance in the booking room he responded. Corrections Deputy Tiller stated when he responded he observed Inmate Edwards on the floor. Corrections Deputy Tiller recalled verbal commands being given to Inmate Edwards to, "stop resisting, put your hands behind your back, stop resisting, and put your hands behind your back." Corrections Deputy Tiller said it did not appear Inmate Edwards was following the instructions the corrections deputies were giving.

Corrections Deputy Tiller said he held down Inmate Edwards left leg to prevent him from kicking anyone. Corrections Deputy Blacekwicz arrived with her Electric Conducted Weapon, at which time Major Haman provided the approval for the Electric Conducted Weapon to be used on Inmate Edwards. Corrections Deputy Tiller recalled the Electric Conducted Weapon being used on Inmate Edwards twice, which had no effect on Inmate Edwards. Inmate Edwards was non-compliant the entire altercation, but was eventually restrained in handcuffs.

Corrections Deputy Tiller said Inmate Edwards was placed into the Emergency Restraint chair, where Corrections Deputy Tiller applied the left shoulder strap. Inmate Edwards continued to brace himself, and pull away, in an attempt to prevent the straps on the chair from being secured into place. At no time while Inmate Edwards was being secured did he stop breathing, nor did Corrections Deputy Tiller ever come into contact with the throat or

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mouth area of Inmate Edwards. Corrections Deputy Tiller said Inmate Edwards continued to breathe real hard, and was, "grunting." Once Inmate Edwards was secured, the booking nurse, later identified as Nurse Nadeu, checked Inmate Edwards restraints to verify they were not too tight. Inmate Edwards was then placed into holding cell 9. Corrections Deputy Tiller then returned to his normal job duties located in the 400 pod area. A short time later, Corrections Deputy Tiller advised he heard another request over the intercom for more corrections deputies to help with an incident in the booking room. Corrections Deputy Tiller reported upon arriving in the booking room, he observed Inmate Edwards unresponsive in holding cell 9. Nurse Nadeu responded to Inmate Edwards with an oxygen mask, and placed it upon Inmate Edwards. A decision was made to take Inmate Edwards to the medical ward while still located in the Emergency Medical Restraint Chair.

Corrections Deputy Tiller assisted in wheeling Inmate Edwards to the medical ward. He was not sure if Inmate Edwards was breathing, but knew he had the oxygen mask on. Nurse Nadeu remained in booking. Once they arrived at the medical ward, the charge nurse told corrections deputies to contact 911 immediately. Corrections Deputy Tiller was then informed by Sgt. Zimmerman to leave the medical ward, and go outside to meet the ambulance. Once the ambulance arrived, they tended to Inmate Edwards. Corrections Deputy Tiller reported he rode in the back of the ambulance to Rockledge Regional Medical Center with Inmate Edwards. Inmate Edwards was placed into emergency room 18, where RRMC staff took over his care. Corrections Deputy Tiller remained with Inmate Edwards until approximately 1800, when he was relieved from his post. I then asked Corrections Deputy Tiller if he observed any apparent injuries on Inmate Edwards while with him, and he told me he only noticed Inmate Edwards left ear appeared, "puffy," and marks, from being placed into the Emergency Restraint Chair... Corrections Deputy Tiller did not have any further information to provide pertaining to the incident

I then conducted a sworn interview with Corrections Deputy Andrea Mustafa, ID#: #720. Corrections Deputy Mustafa reported she was located in the booking control room asking about Corrections and if he was O.K. after his altercation. While located in booking control, Booking Technician D'Agostino told Corrections Deputy Mustafa that Inmate Edwards did not look right. Due to the holding cell glass being obscured, Corrections Deputy Mustafa looked into the cell through the door. Correction Mustafa said Inmate Edwards looked like he was having a seizure, therefore she got F.T.O Robert Wagner and Lt. Fayson's attention, and advised that Inmate Edwards needed assistance.

Corrections Deputy Mustafa observed corrections deputies remove Inmate Edwards spit mask, and wipe the O.C spray from Inmate Edwards face. Corrections Deputy Mustafa got a towel to assist in wiping the inmate's face, at which time Nurse Nadeu came to assist. Corrections Deputy Mustafa then left and went to the medical ward of the jail to retrieve a stretcher. Once Corrections Deputy Mustafa returned with the stretcher to the booking room, the decision had been made to take Inmate Edwards to medical while still located in the Emergency Restraint Chair. Corrections Deputy Mustafa did not have any further involvement, or any further information to advise pertaining to the incident.

I then conducted a sworn interview with Corrections Deputy Regina Ellis, ID #: 876. Corrections Deputy Regina

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Ellis reported her primary duty assignment was in the medical ward of the Brevard County Jail. While located in the medical unit, she observed Sgt. Zimmerman, Corrections Deputy Hartley, Corrections Deputy Turko, and Corrections Deputy Tiller, bring Inmate Edwards into the medical area. Inmate Edwards was in the Emergency Restraint Chair when he was brought into the medical ward. Corrections Deputy Ellis stated her job was to keep a log of times and who entered the medical ward area.

Corrections Deputy Regina Ellis advised Nurse Friego, Nurse Jones, and Nurse Robinson, addressed Inmate Edwards immediately. Nurse Friego administered a sternum rub, and after dong so instructed a Sgt., to contact 911 immediately. Corrections Deputy Ellis had master control contact 911 immediately. Nurse Friego instructed that the inmate be placed onto the floor so that they could initiate CPR. All parties on scene rotated and provided life saving measures until Brevard County Fire rescue arrived on scene. Corrections Deputy Ellis did not have any further information to provide pertaining to the incident.

I then conducted a sworn interview with Corrections Deputy Adam Hester, ID #: 4085. Corrections Deputy Hester advised he had been employed with the Brevard County Sheriff's Office for two years. Corrections Deputy Hester stated he was on food movement duties when he heard a call come out over the radio requesting additional correction deputies to the booking room. The first page that went out, Corrections Deputy Hester did not respond. On the second page that went out, Corrections Deputy Hester responded to booking where he observed Inmate Edwards in the Emergency Restraint Chair.

When he entered the holding cell, Nurse Nadeu was putting the oxygen tank on Inmate Edwards. The corrections deputies started to remove the restraints from the chair, therefore Corrections Deputy Hester removed the restraint from Inmate Edwards legs. Corrections Deputy Hester reported he observed Inmate Edwards breathing, and his eyelids flutter, but no other movements were observed. Lt. Fayson then made the decision to transport Inmate Edwards to medical. Corrections Deputy Hester then returned to his normal duties once Inmate Edwards left the booking room. When it was time to transport Inmate Edwards to the hospital, Corrections Deputy Hester provided restraints to the medical ward then left. He did not help apply any of the restraints prior to Inmate Edwards being transported to Rockledge Regional Medical Center. Corrections Deputy Hester did not have any further information to provide pertaining to the incident.

I then conducted a sworn interview with Corrections Deputy Ryan Hummel, ID#: 4437. Corrections Deputy Hummel said he was stationed in the medical unit when he heard an assistance call. Corrections Deputy Hummel said due to being on a direct watch of another inmate he did not leave to render aid. Corrections Deputy Hummel said his only job was to hold the door open of the medical ward. Corrections Deputy Hummel stated he saw Inmate Edwards come into the medical ward, and it appeared he was breathing, and had an oxygen mask on. Inmate Edwards was then moved to the floor where C.P.R and the A.E.D were utilized, until Inmate Edwards was removed by Brevard County Fire Rescue. Corrections Deputy Hummel did not have any further information to provide pertaining to the incident.

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I then made contact with Corrections Deputy Crystal Idleburg and conducted a sworn interview. Corrections Deputy Idleburg stated she was not present for the initial altercation with Inmate Edwards. Deputy Idleburg was working in the releasing part of the booking room when she observed Inmate Edwards enter the jail, and Inmate Edwards appeared ok. Corrections Deputy Idleburg then left the booking area to complete another task. Upon returning a short time later, Inmate Edwards was already secured in the Emergency Restraint Chair. Corrections Deputy Idleburg reported Inmate Edwards had his eyes closed, and the nurse was being summoned to evaluate Inmate Edwards. Corrections Deputy Idleburg observed this from the booking cell door. Several corrections deputies were releasing the chair restraints. Nurse Nadeu gave Inmate Edwards a sternum rub and placed an oxygen mask on him. Inmate Edwards was then taken to the medical ward in the Emergency Restraint Chair. Corrections Deputy Idleburg did not have any further information to provide pertaining to the incident.

I then conducted a sworn interview with Corrections Deputy Brandon Hartley, ID #: 4377. Corrections Deputy Hartley advised he had been employed by the Brevard County Sheriff's Office since April of 2018. Corrections Deputy Hartley was assigned to the 400 pod when he heard a call for assistance in the booking room. Corrections Deputy Hartley responded to the booking area. Due to the amount of corrections deputies involved, Corrections Deputy Hartley stood and observed the incident. He noticed the corrections deputies were having issues getting Inmate Edwards right hand secured in handcuffs. Corrections Deputy Hartley attempted to help secure the right hand by applying one knee strike to Inmate Edwards elbow. While this was occurring, an Electronic Conducted Weapon was applied to Inmate Edwards, in an attempt to gain compliance. Once corrections Deputy Hartley recalled securing the right shoulder strap, the lap belt on the right side, and Inmate Edwards right foot.

Throughout the altercation, Corrections Deputy Hartley stated there was a lot of verbal commands to stop resisting being given by corrections deputies to Inmate Edwards. Corrections Deputy Hartley advised a lot of time was spent trying to de-escalate the situation, but Inmate Edwards was not co-operating therefore, O.C spray and an Electronic Conducted Weapon was used on him. Inmate Edwards just yelled, screamed, and actively resisted the corrections deputies to prevent being secured in handcuffs. Once Inmate Edwards was secured in the Emergency Restraint Chair, he was placed into holding cell 9, where he was breathing. Corrections Deputy Hartley then left the booking area.

Once Corrections Deputy Hartley left the booking area, he heard another assistance call for a stretcher, therefore he went to get a stretcher and returned to the booking area. Upon his return he observed Inmate Edwards with an oxygen mask on and his eyes were fluttering. Inmate Edwards was unresponsive and was moved to medical while still seated in the chair. Corrections Deputy Hartley held the oxygen tank while escorting Inmate Edwards. When they arrived in the medical ward, all the restraints were released from the chair and Inmate Edwards was placed on his back where they began to administer C.P.R. Corrections Deputy Hartley did not assist with compressions, but he brought the A.E.D. Brevard County Fire Rescue arrived on scene and began to render aid to Inmate Edwards. Corrections Deputy Hartley left the medical ward upon Brevard County Fire Rescues arrival. He did not have any

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more interaction with Inmate Edwards, nor any further information to provide pertaining to the incident.

I then conducted a sworn interview with Corrections Deputy Veronica Shinholster, ID #: 908. Corrections Deputy Shinholster advised she was located in the releasing area of the booking room. When she was on her way through booking she observed an altercation, therefore she put her gloves on. Due to the amount of officer's involved, Corrections Deputy Shinholster moved other inmates and a trustee into another holding cell for their safety. While Corrections Deputy Shinholster was going about those activities she heard Inmate Edwards being told to, "Give up his hands." Corrections Deputy Shinholser did not assist with placing Inmate Edwards in the Emergency Restraint Chair or placing him in the holding cell. She then returned to the releasing area of the booking room. Corrections Deputy Shinholster said this concluded her involvement, and had no other information pertaining to the incident.

I then met with Corrections Deputy Stephanie Smith, ID #: 1394, and conducted a sworn interview. Corrections Deputy Smith said she normally works the booking area of the Brevard County Jail. Corrections Deputy Smith said she heard a call for assistance and upon entering the booking room she observed an inmate on the ground who was fighting with another corrections deputies. Corrections Deputy Smith stated Inmate Edwards was, "flailing his body." Corrections Deputy Smith witnessed the part of the event where Inmate Edwards was placed into handcuffs and into the Emergency Response Chair. At no time did Corrections Deputy Smith provide any physical aid to the event. After Inmate Edwards was secured in the chair, Corrections Deputy Smith left the booking area and returned to her normal assigned duties.

For further information on the above-mentioned interviews, refer to the audio-recorded statements attached to this report as an enclosure.

Once the investigation was completed at the Brevard County Jail, I responded to Rockledge Regional Medical Center with Agent Straight, as notification was made to Ms. Kathleen Edwards by Sgt. Kevin Roberts. While located at the hospital, Agent Straight was advised Mrs. Edwards could not make it to the hospital, therefore we responded to her residence, located at 4029 Gardenwood Circle, Grant Valkaria. For further information on the conversation with Mrs. Edwards, refer to Agent Straights case report.

On Friday, December 14, 2018, at approximately 0630 hours, I responded to Brevard County Fire Rescue, station 83, located at 5148 Minton Road, Malabar, Brevard County, Florida. I completed two sworn audio recorded interviews with Firefighter/ E.M.T Carlos Iriban, and E.M.T in training, Ms. Laura Clarisse.

Mr. Iriban stated he has been employed with B.C.F.R for approximately a year and a half as a Firefighter/E.M.T. Mr. Iriban was working on Sunday, December 9, 2018. Mr. Iriban was working on the ambulance, and while on another call, was informed they needed to respond to the Wal-Mart located on Palm Bay Road. Mr. Iriban said that Firefighter Jonathan Weiss was in charge of the ambulance that day, therefore he was not provided any of the particulars of the incident before arriving on scene.

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Once on scene at Wal-Mart, Mr. Iriban observed a lot of people and police officers on scene. Mr. Iriban retrieved a stretcher from the ambulance, proceeded to assist the other E.M.T's. Mr. Iriban observed the victim of a battery. who wished for his injuries to be looked at by E.M.S., but later refused to be transported to the hospital. Mr. Iriban then returned to the ambulance, and awaited further instructions. While waiting further instructions, Mr. Iriban reported he observed Mr. Edwards on the ground, and he was in handcuffs.

According to Mr. Iriban, it appeared Mr. Edwards was resisting, due to the fact several officers were on top of him, attempting to hold him down. Mr. Edwards was then escorted to the police vehicle and placed in the backseat. Mr. Iriban said he was never asked to check Mr. Edwards's vital signs, nor did he provide any medical assistance to Mr. Edwards. After the police no longer needed the assistance of B.C.F.R., Firefighter Weiss instructed all parties on scene, from B.C.F.R, to leave the area. Mr. Iriban did not have any further information to provide pertinent to the incident.

Next, I conducted a sworn interview with Ms. Clarisse, who advised she was an E.M.T in training. Ms. Clarisse was present with station 83 on December 9, 2018, when they responded to the Wal-Mart parking lot. Ms. Clarisse stated they responded to what she believed was a fight, and once on scene there was a male in handcuffs, later identified as Mr. Edwards.

Ms. Clarisse said it appeared as if Mr. Edwards was attempting to get away from the officers. She did recall Mr. Edwards was, "grunting." Ms. Clarisse said B.C.F.R provided medical treatment to the victim, but they did not provide any treatment to Mr. Edwards. According to Ms. Clarisse, she believed this was due to the fact it was unsafe for B.C.F.R to do so, based on Mr. Edwards behavior. Police on scene informed them it was unsafe to check Mr. Edwards because Mr. Edwards could possibly kick them. Mr. Edwards was sitting upright in the police vehicle, attempting to catch his breath from the altercation. Ms. Clarisse did not see any injures on Mr. Edwards. Ms. Clarrisse did not have any other information to provide pertinent to the incident.

Both Mr. Iriban and Ms. Clarisse's audio-recorded statements are attached to this report as an enclosure for review.

On Monday, December 17, 2018, at approximately 0725 hours, I responded to the statement with Brevard County, Florida, and met with Mr. Conducted a sworn audio-recorded statement with the statement, who advised the following information:
reported he owned a moving company business, therefore he had volunteered for his trucks to be used for, "Kids without a Christmas." On December 9, 2018, while located at the Wal-Mart on Palm Bay Road, had one of his trucks parked, and was filling it with donated toys from the business. Said during this event, he walked out of Walmart, and when he looked in the back of his truck, he located an unknown black male inside it with all the toys. The male, later identified as Mr. Edwards, was asked to leave the back of the truck Mr. Edwards appeared as if he was going to pick up the items, but then he fell on top of them. Mr. Edwards stood up, and appeared to be leaving the truck, therefore turned around to walk away from the vehicle. Mr.

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said in his opinion, Mr. Edwards seemed either impaired or in an altered state of mind, due to the fact he was, "swan diving," into the toys inside the back of the truck. It also appeared that when was talking to Mr. Edwards, Mr. Edwards was not understanding what was saying to him.
Once turned away from the truck, he was attacked from behind by Mr. Edwards. Mr. Edwards punched in several places, to include the back of his head, left temple, right temple, in addition to his back and arm areas. Stated while Mr. Edwards was attacking him, he only recalled that Mr. Edwards was laughing. One of the was attacking him, he only recalled that Mr. Edwards off of Mr. Mr. Koonce then pinned Mr. Edwards to the ground. While Mr. Koonce was holding Mr. Edwards on the ground, Mr. Edwards was actively trying to bite Mr. Koonce. The recalled Mr. Edwards being incredibly strong because it took two to three grown males to keep Mr. Edwards on the ground. The described while Mr. Edwards was on the ground, Mr. Edwards would almost go, "dormant," where he would relax, and then come back up struggling, and fighting to get off the ground. Law Enforcement was eventually called by witnesses. While waiting for law enforcement, Mrs. Edwards was present. Mrs. Edwards placed her cell phone next to Mr. Edwards's ear, and put Mr. Edwards's brother on speaker phone. This was done in an attempt to calm Mr. Edwards down, but his brother had no effect on Mr. Edwards's behavior.
West Melbourne Police Department arrived on scene, at which time they attempted to put Mr. Edwards into handcuffs. Trecalled Mr. Edwards actively resisting, not obeying commands, not willing to provide his hands, and attempting to bite the officers. Several civilian witnesses had to assist the officer in keeping Mr. Edwards on the ground. Said he did not witness West Melbourne Officers use any type of force against Mr. Edwards while located on the ground. The officer just held Mr. Edwards on the ground, and struggled with Mr. Edwards to keep his hands under control. As additional officers arrived, the struggle with Mr. Edwards continued until he was secured in handcuffs.
with Mr. Edwards. did recalled that Mrs. Edwards was recording the event, and heard her aske the officers when Mr. Edwards would arrive at Circles of Care. Mrs. Edwards also told all the witnesses that her husband had been up for five nights, had threatened suicide, and she was feeling threatened by him. Mrs. Edwards said she was also up for five nights, and brought Mr. Edwards to Wal-Mart to get him sleeping medication so he would go to bed. Once completed West Melbourne's battery affidavits, he departed the store.
did not have any further information to provide, therefore I concluded his statement. For further on his statement, refer to his full recorded statement attached as an enclosure to this report.
On Wednesday, December 19, 2018, at approximately 0634 hours, I responded to Brevard County Fire Rescue station 83, located at 5148 Minton Road, Malabar, Brevard County, Florida. I made contact with Fire Medic Jonathan Weiss, who provided a sworn audio-recorded statement. During the interview, Fire Medic Weiss stated he had worked for Brevard County Fire Rescue (B.C.F.R.) for 14 years. On Sunday, December 9, 2018, Fire

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Medic Weiss was the solo medic in charge of Rescue 83. He recalled responding to the Wal-Mart on Palm Bay Road, in reference to a physical altercation.

Once on scene, Fire Medic Weiss observed one male that appeared to be a victim, due to the fact he was wearing a ripped shirt. Fire Medic Weiss observed another male, later identified as Mr. Edwards, on the ground with approximately three to five police officers holding him down. West Melbourne Police Department secured Mr. Edwards, and informed Fire Medic Weiss that they wanted Mr. Edwards medically cleared. While waiting to medically clear Mr. Edwards, West Melbourne Police Department cancelled them. Fire Medic Weiss stated they never cleared Mr. Edwards medically prior to departing Wal-Mart.

For further information on Fire Medic Weiss' full statement, refer to his audio-recorded statement that is attached to this report as an enclosure.

This supplemental report is written for informational purposes only, and referred to Agent Straight's death investigation for closure.

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On December 9, 2018, at 1525 hours, I received a phone call from Lt. Robert Vitaliano in reference to an incident that occurred at the Brevard County Jail (BCJ). Lt. Vitaliano advised that there had been a use of force incident that occurred in the booking area. Several corrections deputies had been involved in the incident. The inmate went unresponsive, while seated in a restraint chair. The inmate was transported to Rockledge Regional Medical Center (RRMC) by Brevard County Fire Rescue (BCFR) personnel and was currently in the emergency room. Lt. Vitaliano advised me to respond to the BCJ and assist with interviews. Agents Jennifer Straight and Wendy Wheeler were responding to the BCJ to assist in interviews also. Agent Phillip Urbanetz was responding to RRMC to check on the status of the inmate. Agent Straight was the lead agent for this investigation. While en route to the BCJ, I received a phone call from Lt. Vitaliano advising me to reroute and go to RRMC to assist Agent Urbanetz. At 1608 hours I arrived at RRMC. Upon arrival, I met with Agent Urbanetz and Crime Scene Investigator (CSI) Lindsey Cox. Agent Urbanetz informed me that and Deputy Alison Blazewicz were in one of the emergency room units. The inmate, identified as Gregory Lloyd Edwards, was in an emergency room unit also. Deputy Keith Tiller was conducting security with Inmate Edwards at this time. Chief Mike DeMorat was also present at the emergency room. Agent Urbanetz and I met with and Deputy Blazewicz in the emergency room. was being treated at this time for a head injury he sustained during the incident. Deputy Blazewicz advised that she had utilized her agency issued Taser during the incident. She was still in possession of the Taser. The Taser prongs that were used were still at the BCJ in a sharps container. The empty Taser cartridge was in Deputy Blazewicz's vehicle, which she had used to drive to RRMC. Deputy Blazewicz's vehicle was parked in the RRMC emergency room parking lot. I requested that Deputy Blazewicz exit the room that was in at this time and had her sit in a chair, located in a hallway of the emergency room. While at RRMC, I was informed that Inmate Edwards was being moved from the emergency room to the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) for further testing. Agent Urbanetz informed me that Inmate Edwards was not breathing on his own and was believed to be "brain dead." CSI Cox accompanied hospital staff to the ICU to take photographs of Inmate Edwards. At approximately 1630 hours, was cleared medically to be discharged from RRMC. At approximately 1635 hours, Agent Urbanetz escorted Deputy Blazewicz to her vehicle and retrieved the empty Taser cartridge. He followed Deputy Blazewicz to the Criminal Investigative Services (CIS) Building. At approximately 1640 hours, I transported to the CIS Building. While en route, that he had been told by the emergency room doctor that he had sustained a concussion. He also stated that he had a headache. I asked if he was able to provide a statement at the CIS Building or did he want me to transport him to his residence. advised that he was okay to provide a statement. We arrived at the CIS

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Building at approximately 1650 hours. Once there, tillized the restroom and was provided a bottle of water.
At approximately 1720 hours, I conducted a sworn, recorded interview with in reference to this incident. The interview was conducted inside my office at the CIS Building. This is a synopsis of that interview:
Prior to starting the interview, I reiterated to that he did not have to provide a statement at this time. He stated that he understood this. I also asked him if the statement he was giving was voluntary. He stated that it was.
has been employed by the Brevard County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) for almost 13 years. has held prior positions as a Corrections Deputy and Field Training Office while employed by BCSO. has held the position of corporal for the past 2 years. has been assigned to the Booking area of the BCJ for the past 8 to 9 years.
described his duties in the Booking area as follows:
receives and processes incoming inmate. He ensures that the booking paperwork from the arresting officers/deputies is filled out properly. Enter the enters the inmate's information into the computer system. He generally sees the inmates when they first enter the BCJ and when they are released from the BCJ. ensures that the incoming inmates see the intake nurse. He is also responsible for taking photographs of incoming inmates and fingerprinting them. allows the inmates to use the phone and eventually gets them to their housing assignment.
On today's date, December 9, 2018, was assigned to the processing side of the Booking area. He started his shift at 0600 hours. was scheduled to work until 1600 hours. He described this as his "short day." Field Training Officer Robert Wagner Jr. and Deputy Stephanie Smith were also working in the Booking area. Sgt. Richard Zimmerman was the booking sergeant. Registered Nurse Deborah Nadeau was the intake nurse. Advised that Deputy Smith had been reassigned. So she was not present at the time of the incident.
believed there were five inmates in the Booking area at the time of the incident. There was one inmate utilizing one of the phones. Three inmates were being held inside holding cell# 10. Inmate Edwards was been housed in holding cell# 7.
advised that the Booking area had received a call from West Melbourne P.D. in reference to an arrestee they were transporting to the BCJ. The arrestee was later identified as Inmate Edwards. West Melbourne P.D. advised that Inmate Edwards was a military veteran, who suffered from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).
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Inmate Edwards was said to be "acting up." — could not be specific as to what West Melbourne P.D. meant by "acting up" since he never spoke with them. West Melbourne P.D. was requesting assistance in bringing Inmate Edwards into the BCJ when they arrived. Sgt. Zimmerman and FTO Wagner left the Booking area and assisted West Melbourne P.D. in escorting Inmate Edwards inside the BCJ. — stated that Inmate Edwards was "fine" while being escorted into the Booking area. Inmate Edwards was taken into the shower area and got dressed into a jail/booking uniform without any incident. He was then placed into holding cell# 7 by himself. — advised that Inmate Edwards had been issued a pat down search before being taken into the shower area to get dressed. — did not believe that Inmate Edwards was sent through the Secure Pass Full Body Digital Security System. This may have been due to Inmate Edwards being shackled when he came into the BCJ. FTO Wagner started entering Inmate Edwards arrest information into the computer system. — did not know what the charges were against Inmate Edwards.
While FTO Wagner was booking Inmate Edwards into the computer system, Inmate Edwards started acting out inside his cell. He was pacing back and forth and throwing his bag lunch against the door. Inmate Edwards then started banging on the door window. Walked over to the cell door window and asked Inmate Edwards what was wrong and why he was banging on the window? Inmate Edwards did not answer when he window. After stopping the banging for a short time, Inmate Edwards started banging on the window again. Walked over to the cell door again and opened it, since he was ready to process Inmate Edwards. The cell door opened outward toward was clarified what processing him meant by stating that he was going to photograph and fingerprint Inmate Edwards.
Once Inmate Edwards exited the cell, handed him his flip flops, which had been lying on the floor outside the cell. Inmate Edwards dropped the flip flops onto the floor, but did not put them on his feet. He then started walking out of the cell into the Booking area. He was not handcuffed or shackled at this time. Attempted to walk Inmate Edwards over to the AFIS or Live Scan machine by directing him toward it. While doing this, advised Inmate Edwards that he needed to process him. Inmate Edwards told that he wasn't going to be put into the system. Total him that he was already in the system and that he was going to fingerprint and photograph him. At this time, Inmate Edwards clenched up his fists, turned away and started walking away from placed his hand on Inmate Edwards' right shoulder in an attempt to guide him over toward the Live Scan machine. Inmate Edwards clenched his fists again and brought them up into what believed to be a fighting stance near his chest. The grabbed Inmate Edwards by his shoulder areas from the front and attempted to take him to the floor, since he was now resisting by clenching his fists and getting into a fighting stance. He believed that he grabbed onto Inmate Edwards' clothing while trying to get him onto the ground. Cpl. Edwards wanted to place handcuffs onto Inmate Edwards.
As struggled to get Inmate Edwards onto the ground, both men fell onto the floor. fell onto his back and struck the back of his head onto the floor. Inmate Edwards landed on top of the ground, believed that Inmate Edwards started punching him. It was at this time that

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feeling like he was going to black out. As he started to come around, felt Inmate Edwards yanking on his belt and handcuff holders. He couldn't get out from under Inmate Edwards. FTO Wagner and Sgt. Zimmerman came to aid. With their assistance, was able to get out from underneath Inmate Edwards. Lt. Fayson and Deputy Blazewicz also responded to assist in gaining control of Inmate Edwards. used his Pepper Spray on Inmate Edwards in an attempt to stop his resistance. was on Inmate Edward's right side, trying to get control of his arm which he was tucking underneath his body. heard someone yell "Tase him." Deputy Blazewicz activated her Taser at that time. recalled seeing the prongs in Inmate Edward's buttocks area. advised that Inmate Edwards was actively fighting with deputies until he was handcuffed. Deputies were constantly giving verbal commands to Inmate Edwards such as, "stop resisting" and "put your hands behind your back."
When the incident concluded, discovered that both of his handcuffs were missing from his belt holder. Another deputy brought the handcuffs to him.
advised that during the incident, he was in fear of being injured. He was aware that Inmate Edwards was an Army veteran and suffered from PTSD. He stated that Inmate Edwards probably had more training than he did.
sustained several injuries as a result of the incident. He suffered a contusion to the back of his head and abrasions to various areas of his body. As a result of the head injury, sustained a concussion.
drew a diagram to show me where various things occurred during the incident. He signed and dated the diagram. The diagram will be attached as an enclosure.
At the conclusion of the interview, I directed CSI Cox in taking photographs of and his clothing. I then transported him to his residence.
I also directed CSI Cox to take photographs of Deputy Blazewicz and her clothing and duty equipment. Her clothing was taken into custody. Sgt. Chou delivered civilian clothing to Deputy Blazewicz, which had been given to him by her father. Sgt. Charest responded to the CIS Building to download the data for Deputy Blazewicz's Taser. CSI Cox later took custody of Deputy Blazewicz's Taser.
At approximately 2015 hours, Agent Urbanetz and I conducted a sworn, recorded interview with Deputy Adam Turco in reference to this incident. The interview was conducted at the Brevard County Jail, inside the sergeant's office. This is a synopsis of that interview:
Deputy Turco has been employed by the Brevard County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) for 3 ½ years as a corrections deputy. Deputy Turco was working on December 9, 2018. His duty hours were 0800 to 1800 hours. During his

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shift, Deputy Turco was assigned to "the tents", where a Chaplain's Service was being performed.

While at the service, Deputy Turco heard "radio chatter" advising the need for additional deputies in reference to a medical issue. Deputy Turco could not leave the service immediately until he was properly relieved. Major Kelly Haman gave Deputy Turco permission to respond to the assistance call.

Deputy Turco left Tent 4 and went directly to the Infirmary. Upon entering the Infirmary, Deputy Turco saw Sgt. Zimmerman performing chest compressions on Mr. Edwards, near the nurses' station. Deputy Turco took over chest compressions for Sgt. Zimmerman. Cpl. Wright took over for Deputy Turco when he became tired. Deputy Turco recalled the AED providing instructions to continue CPR.

BCFR personnel arrived on scene and took over medical treatment. Deputy Turco escorted BCFR personnel to the sally port area, where he entered the ambulance, along with Mr. Edwards. He remained in the ambulance until it was outside the perimeter fence. Once outside the fence, Deputy Tiller entered the ambulance and took over the escort to the hospital. Deputy Turco remained at BCJ.

At approximately 2120 hours, I accompanied Agent Urbanetz in conducting sworn, recorded interviews with the following inmates at the BCJ; Kenneth Bloodworth, Anthony Berry, Gregory Raymond and Kristopher Moffitt. See Agent Urbanetz's supplemental report for further details.

I had no further involvement in this investigation.

Disposition:

This case will remain open and is referred to Major Crimes/Homicide Agent Jennifer Straight for further investigation.

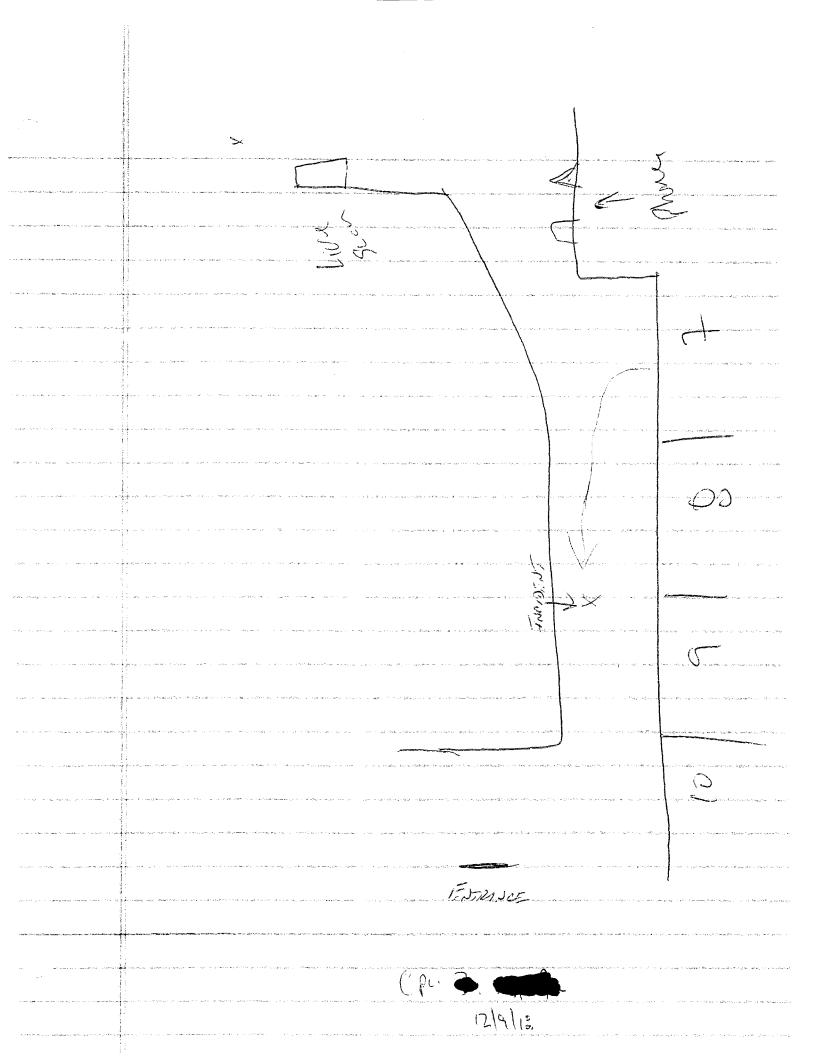
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NARRATIVE

Supplemental Narrative:
On December 09, 2018, at approximately 1437 hours, an injured ill person call was initiated at the Brevard County Jail Complex, 860 Camp Road, Cocoa, Brevard County, Florida, 32927. Agent Jennifer Straight, assumed the case, and I was contacted and advised to respond to Wuesthoff Regional Medical Center.
On December 09, 2018, at approximately 1610 hours, I arrived on scene at Wuesthoff Regional Medical Center, 110 Longwood Drive, Rockledge, Brevard County, Florida. I initially made contact with Mr. Gregory Edwards, who was at the time in the emergency room. Mr. Edwards was on a ventilator, unresponsive to external stimuli. Deputy Keith Tiller, was also present and was at the time assigned to watch Mr. Edwards. Deputy Tiller advised me he had accompanied Mr. Edwards in the ambulance to Wuesthoff Regional Medical Center.
Brevard County Crime Scene Investigator (CSI), Lindsey Cox, ID# 4112, arrived on scene and initiated her processing of Mr. Edwards person and clothing. Refer to CSI Cox's supplemental report for her processing of the scene at Wuesthoff Medical Center.
At 1621 hours I contacted Corrections Deputy Alison Blazewicz, ID# 2070, who was at the time with emergency room number twelve. was receiving medical treatment due to the head injury he sustained during the incident.
Agent Wayne Simock, ID# 0558, arrived at Wuesthoff, and we coordinated to have Deputy Blazewicz and respond to the Criminal Investigations Division (CID) building at 340 Gus Hipp Boulevard, Rockledge, Florida. Prior to escorting Deputy Blazewicz to the CID, she advised me she had an electrical control device (Taser) cartridge and wires which were wrapped up in a latex glove in her vehicle. She further noted the Taser cartridge was from when she tasered Mr. Edwards earlier during the incident. She opened her vehicle and provided me with the Taser cartridge. I placed the cartridge in an evidence bag. I accompanied Deputy Blazewicz to the CID building. She was placed in the CID conference room.
CSI Cox arrived at the CID building shortly after, and I transferred custody of the Taser cartridge to her. Agent Simock accompanied to the CID building as well. CSI Cox was able to attain images of both and Deputy Blazewicz. Sergeant Mike Charest arrived at CID and initiated a download of Deputy Blazewicz's department
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issued Taser, serial number X00-243382. The downloaded digital information was transferred to a USB memory drive, which I then took custody of at 1822 hours. This was documented via the enclosed copy of the property receipt. I later transferred the custody of the USB drive to Agent Jennifer Straight on December 10, 2018 at 1041 hours.

CSI Cox completed her processing of Deputy Blazewicz by obtaining the Taser, and Deputy Blazewicz's uniform shirt and pants. Refer to CSI Cox's supplemental report for additional information.

At 1836 hours I returned to Wuesthoff Hospital, and at 1849 hours, I retrieved and took custody of Mr. Gregory Edwards hospital intake blood from Wuesthoff laboratory worker, Rachel Salorio. A property receipt was completed and a release form was signed for the transfer of the blood. These documents were enclosed with this supplemental report. I secured the three vials of blood in the CID evidence refrigerator.

After we completed our tasks at CID, Agent Simock and I responded to the Brevard County Jail Complex at 960 Camp Road, Cocoa, Florida. Once at the jail I conducted four interviews with inmates who had witnessed the incident.

At 2122 hours, December 09, 2018, I made contact with Mr. Kenneth Bloodworth (Witness). Mr. Bloodworth provided a sworn audio recorded statement, which advised of the following in substance:

On December 09, 2018, Mr. Kenneth Bloodworth was booked into custody at the Brevard County Jail Complex. Mr. Bloodworth explained he was in a booking room holding cell at approximately 1300 hours. While in the holding cell Mr. Bloodworth noted that another inmate, a medium to light skinned black male, had started to pound on the cell wall in one of the neighboring holding cells. The male continued to bang his fists against the cell wall and glass.

The male was then removed to "have his picture taken". The male did not follow the directions of the Deputy, and he had a "crazy look in his eyes." Mr. Bloodworth further exclaimed that the male looked like he wanted to fight. The male then swung at and struck the bald headed Deputy (). The inmate ended on top of the bald headed Deputy. Mr. Bloodworth indicated the male looked "like a caged animal." The male continued to fight even after several deputies came in to help.

Mr. Bloodworth said it looked as if the male was on drugs, because he continued to fight the Deputies as they tried to restrain him. Deputies then "pepper sprayed" the male, which did not stop the male from being combative. A female

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deputy then "tasered" the male. The male continued to resist and did not provide his hands as instructed. Eventually the male was restrained in a restraint chair. The male continued to yell and fight even after he was restrained in the chair. The male was then moved into a neighboring holding cell, but Mr. Bloodworth still was able to see the male. The male continued to yell and was forcefully trying to get out of the chair. The male then stopped yelling, his eyes rolled back in his head, and he then shut his eyes and became unresponsive, and Deputies started providing care.

Mr. Bloodworth reiterated the male caused the incident because he had been pounding on the walls, failed to follow directions, and started to hit the Deputy. Mr. Bloodworth advised the Deputy was nice and polite to the male even though the male was acting up.

At 2139 hours, December 09, 2018, I made contact with Brevard County Jail Inmate, Mr. Anthony Lamar Berry (Witness), who provided a sworn audio statement, which advised of the following in substance:

On December 09, 2018, Mr. Berry was a trustee assigned to the booking area of the jail for cleaning duties. While in the booking area he observed a large black male with a lighter skin tone. The male continued to beat on the door the whole time the male was in a holding cell. The male was taken out of the holding cell and was walked over to the photo station. The male yelled and screamed at a Corporal with a bald head. The male yelled he wasn't going to take a picture. Mr. Berry exclaimed the male had to be "on something." Mr. Berry then heard the Corporal say "don't do it." At this point Mr. Berry was moved to the supply room closet in the booking room. From there he heard a lot of "commotion." Mr. Berry further clarified the description of the sound and indicated it sounded like the frantic shuffle of feet. He indicated he could hear the fight but could not see the rest of the incident.

Mr. Berry indicated the inmate was combative, and it took three Deputies to walk the male into the booking area when he arrived.

At 2155 hours, I made contact with Mr. Gregory A Raymond (Witness), who was an inmate at the Brevard County Jail Complex. Mr. Raymond provided a sworn audio statement which advised of the following in substance:

At approximately 1320 hours he was in the booking room of the Brevard County Jail. He observed a light skin black male, who wore a red jump suit, in a holding cell. The male was initially eating a sandwich. Mr. Raymond then heard the inmate banging loudly on the glass. A Deputy removed the male from the cell, and directed the male where to move. Mr. Raymond indicated the male might have hit the guard which initiated a fight between them.

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Mr. Raymond then informed me approximately seven Deputies entered the room and tried to get the male off of the Deputy. The male continued to resist and fought the Deputies. The Deputies pepper sprayed the male. The male failed to comply and the male was tasered.

The Deputies were able to restrain him and placed him in a restraint chair. The male grunted and yelled and tried to break out of the chair. The male then stopped moving and the deputies then rendered medical aid, but the male had stopped moving.

At 2211, December 2018, I made contact with Mr. Kristopher K. Moffitt (Witness), who also was an inmate at the Brevard County Jail. Mr. Moffitt provided a recorded sworn audio statement which advised of the following in substance:

Mr. Moffitt explained he saw a black male inmate who was being loud and disruptive. The male was taken out of the cell and he continued to be "combative" and yelled. The inmate then got into a fight with a Deputy and other Deputies arrived to help. The male continued to scream even after he was secured in a restraint chair. The mail seemed to pass out in the chair and deputies then started giving medical attention to the male. Mr. Moffitt advised he did not see much else in reference to the incident because he was on the phone with his son's mother, a Michele Gray. It should be noted the booking room phones are out in the main area in full view of where the incident occurred.

After the interviews were completed the information was relayed to Agent Straight.

On December 10, 2018, at approximately 0826 hours, I arrived at the Walmart at 845 Palm Bay Road, West Melbourne. This was the Walmart where Mr. Gregory Edwards arrest was initiated. Security loss prevention staff member, Mrs. Morgan Fae Alonso (Witness) was able to provide access to the surveillance video. I reviewed the video which showed that at approximately 1112 hours, Mr. Edwards was engaged in a fight just east of the general merchandise entrance. The video showed West Melbourne Police Officer's arrive on scene and arrest Mr. Edwards. The video was obtained with a property receipt, which was entered into evidence. A courtesy copy of the video was provided and given to Agent Straight.

On December 12, 2018, at approximately 0830 hours, I obtained a copy of the West Melbourne Police Department in-carvideo of the incident. This was obtained at the Police Department, 2290 Minton Road, West Melbourne, from Desk Officer Denise Gavceau. The video was later transferred into the custody of Agent Straight at 0940 hours. This was noted on the property receipt for the video.

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- 2.) Copy of Property Receipt (Intake Blood)
- 3.) Copy of Property Receipt (Walmart Video)
- 4.) Copy of Property Receipt (In Car Video)
- 5.) Medical Examiner Blood Release Form
- 6.) Recorded Audio Statements

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WUESTHOFF HEALTH SYSTEMS LABORATORY WUESTHOFF MEDICAL CENTER – ROCKLEDGE ROCKLEDGE, FLORIDA

MEDICAL EXAMINER BLOOD RELEASE FORM

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NARRATIVE

On Wednesday, December 12th, 2018, I assisted Agent Straight ID# 442 with this death investigation by responding to the Brevard County Fire and Rescue (BCFR) Station number 29, located at 3970 Canaveral Groves Boulevard, Cocoa, Florida, 32926, to conduct interviews.

Upon arrival I made contact with Firefighter Lieutenant Mr. Brian Sherbrook and Firefighter/EMT Mr. George Ricks. I informed them that I needed to conduct an interview with each of them and their involvement with this incident.

FF/EMT Ricks led me to a private room where these interviews could be conducted.

It was here that I began a sworn, audio-recorded interview with FF/EMT Ricks, in which he related the following: He is currently employed by the Brevard County Fire and Rescue and has been employed by BCFR for the past three (3) years as a Firefighter/EMT. FF/EMT Ricks stated that on Sunday, December 9th, 2018, his shift at Station 29 began at 0700 hours. During the noon hours on the same date, he and several members of the same station were dispatched to respond to a "Battery" call involving an inmate at the Brevard County Jail Complex, located at 860 Camp Road, Cocoa, Florida, 32927. FF/EMT Ricks said when he and his fellow firefighters arrived at the jail complex they were met by multiple Corrections Deputies. They gathered their lifesaving equipment and were led into the jail complex's infirmary. FF/EMT Ricks exclaimed that he observed a male laying on his back on a medical backboard on the ground. Medical staff from the jail were currently in the process of providing the male with CPR. He also observed that the Medical staff had connected an automated external defibrillator (AED) to the male. FF/EMT Ricks said he removed the AED from the male and connected his department issued LifePak AED to him. The male registered as "asystole", meaning having no pulse. FF/EMT Ricks stated that he began chest compressions on the male. After several minutes of doing chest compressions another BCFR staff member took over chest compressions. FF/EMT Ricks said he did not observe any visible injuries to the male's person. After approximately fifteen (15) minutes of providing CPR to the male they loading him into the ambulance and transported him to the Wuesthoff Medical Center in Rockledge, located at 110 Longwood Avenue, Rockledge, Florida, 32955. FF/EMT Ricks advised me that he drove the ambulance while Firefighter/Paramedic Jason Webster, Firefighter/EMT Corbin Smith as well as an unknown Corrections Deputy rode in the back of the ambulance with the male. Once the male was transported to the hospital FF/EMT Ricks, FF/Medic Webster and FF/EMT Smith returned to the station on Canaveral Groves. (See attached CD-R for full contents of this interview.)

Second, I conducted a sworn, audio-recorded interview with Firefighter/EMT Corbin Smith, in which he related the following: He is currently employed by the Brevard County Fire and Rescue and has been employed by BCFR for the past two and one half (2 ½) years as a Firefighter/EMT. FF/EMT Smith stated that on Sunday, December 9th, 2018, his shift at Station 29 began at 0700 hours. During the mid-morning hours on the same date he and several members of the same

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station were dispatched to respond to a "Code 99" at the Brevard County Jail Complex, located at 860 Camp Road, Cocoa, Florida, 32927. FF/EMT Smith explained to me that a "Code 99" meant a deceased person. I asked him how the call was initially dispatched. FF/EMT Smith said that the call was originally dispatched as a "Battery", involving an inmate at the Jail Complex. FF/EMT Smith said when he and his fellow firefighters arrived at the jail complex they were met by multiple Corrections Deputies. They were advised by unknown corrections staff that the patient was "Code 99." They gathered their lifesaving equipment and were led into the jail complex's infirmary. FF/EMT Smith exclaimed that he observed a male laying on his back on a medical backboard on the ground. FF/EMT Smith said the male was unresponsive, had no pulse and was not breathing. He observed that the jail staff had connected an automated external defibrillator (AED) to the male prior to their arrival and that an unknown corrections staff member was currently performing chest compressions on the male. They removed the AED and placed their department issued LifePak AED to him and continued CPR procedures. He said he began initializing the patient with an IV, while Mr. Ricks began chest compressions on the patient, Firefighter/EMT Mr. Steven Hughes intubated the patient and Lt. Sherbrook gathered the patient's demographical information from corrections staff. After approximately ten (10) to fifteen (15) minutes of performing CPR they were able to obtain pulse readings so they loaded the male into the ambulance and transported him to the Wuesthoff Medical Center in Rockledge. FF/EMT Smith said he rode in the back of the ambulance while enroute to the hospital. He prepared drugs to be administered to the male patient by FF/Medic Jason Webster who was also in the back of the ambulance. I asked FF/EMT Smith what types of drugs were prepared and possibly administered. He said that he did not know and that FF/Medic Webster would be able to provide me with a list of drugs and dosages administered. Once the male was transported to the hospital FF/EMT Smith, FF/Medic Webster and FF/EMT Ricks returned to the station on Canaveral Groves Boulevard.

FF/EMT Smith added that while on scene at the jail he overheard that the male patient had been in an altercation with an unknown officer in booking. The male patient went unconscious in booking and was brought to the infirmary. (See attached CD-R for full contents of this interview.)

Third, I conducted a sworn, audio-recorded interview with Lt. Sherbrook, in which Lt. Sherbrook related the following: He is currently employed by the Brevard County Fire and Rescue and has been employed by BCFR for the past three (18) years as a Lieutenant Firefighter/EMT. Lt. Sherbrook stated that on Sunday, December 9th, 2018, his shift at BCFR Station 29 began at 0700 hours. During the noon hours on the same date he and several members of the same station were dispatched to respond to a "Battery" call involving an inmate at the Brevard County Jail Complex, located at 860 Camp Road, Cocoa, Florida, 32927. Lt. Sherbrook said when he and his fellow firefighters arrived at the jail complex they were met by multiple Corrections Deputies. They gathered their lifesaving equipment and were led into the jail complex's infirmary. Lt. Sherbrook said that he gathered his computer to enter the patient's demographical and medical information. Lt. Sherbrook said upon entering the infirmary area he observed a male laying on his back on a medical backboard on the ground. I asked Lt. Sherbrook if he observed any injuries on the male patient. Lt. Sherbrook said he did

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not get that close to observe any injuries. He continued saying that he began gathering the male patient's demographical and medical information to be entered into a computer while his crew provided CPR on the male. I asked Lt. Sherbrook who he gathered this information from. He said he spoke to an unknown corrections deputy who provided him with a packet of papers with the male patient's information. Lt. Sherbrook said that his crew conducted CPR for approximately fifteen (15) minutes until they loaded the male into the ambulance and he was transported to the hospital. Lt. Sherbrook said that he did not travel to the hospital, but went back to the station on Canaveral Groves Boulevard. (See attached CD-R for full contents of this interview.)

I then conducted a sworn, audio-recorded interview with Firefighter/Paramedic Steven Hughes, in which he related the following: He is currently employed by the Brevard County Fire and Rescue and has been employed by BCFR for the past sixteen (16) years as a Firefighter/Paramedic. FF/Medic Hughes stated that on Sunday, December 9th, 2018, his shift at Station 29 began at 0700 hours. During the mid-morning hours on the same date he and several members of the same station were dispatched to respond to a "Battery" call involving an inmate at the Brevard County Jail Complex, located at 860 Camp Road, Cocoa, Florida, 32927. FF/Medic Hughes said when he and his fellow firefighters arrived at the jail complex they were met by multiple Corrections Deputies. They gathered their lifesaving equipment and were led into the jail complex's infirmary. FF/Medic Ricks exclaimed that he observed a male laying on his back on a medical backboard on the ground. Medical staff from the jail were currently in the process of providing the male with CPR. He also observed that the Medical staff had connected an automated external defibrillator (AED) to the male. FF/Medic Hughes said the AED was from the male and their department issued LifePak AED was attached to him. FF/Medic Hughes went on to say that his role was to check on the patient's airway and breathing. He advised me that the male patient had no pulse and was not breathing. FF/Medic Hughes explained that the male patient was "PEA" or had Pulseless Electrical Activity when he was transported to the hospital. After approximately twenty (20) minutes of providing CPR to the male they loaded him into the ambulance and he was transported to the hospital. FF/Medic Hughes said that he did not travel to the hospital, but went back to the station on Canaveral Groves Boulevard. (See attached CD-R for full contents of this interview.)

At that time I was unable to conduct a sworn interview with Firefighter/Paramedic Jason Webster. Lt. Sherbrook stated that FF/Medic Jason Webster was not at work on the date of these interview and was currently out-of-town. He continued saying that FF/Medic Webster would be returning on December 18th, 2018.

On Wednesday, December 12th, 2018, I further assisted with this investigation. I responded to the Wal-Mart Supercenter Store, located at 845 Palm Bay Road, West Melbourne, Florida, 32904, in an attempt to speak to Assistant Store Manager, Ms. Morgan Alonso.

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Upon arrival I made contact with Ms. Alonso and requested that I be able to interview any employee of Wal-Mart that may have witnessed the altercation that took place at this Wal-Mart on December 9th, 2018. (See original report for a full account of these events.)

Ms. Alonso stated that several employees claimed to have witnessed what had transpired. She provided the names of a Mr. James Oeser, a Mr. John Tress and a Ms. Wendy Haynes may have been witnesses. I asked Ms. Alonso if I would be able to interview these employees. Ms. Alonso made arrangements for me to interview Ms. James "Jack" Oeser. I then conducted this sworn, audio-recorded interview with Mr. Oeser, who advised the following: On Sunday, December 9th, 2018, he began his shift at the Wal-Mart as a Door Greater at 0700 hours. While on his lunch break he was walking out of the west side front doors when he observed a police vehicle with its emergency lights on parked in front of the east side front doors. He then walked back inside the west side doors and walked over to the east side doors to see what was happening. It was here that he observed a law enforcement officer holding down a male on the ground. Mr. Oeser stated that he did not see any activities leading up to the encounter with law enforcement. Mr. Oeser also stated that he has never seen the male the law enforcement officer was holding down before that moment. Mr. Oeser had no further information to provide pertaining to this incident. (See attached CD-R for full contents of this interview.)

Ms. Alonso advised me that Ms. Haynes and Mr. Tress would be returning to work on the following day at approximately 1200 hours.

On Thursday, December 13th, 2018, at approximately 1200 hours, I responded back to the Wal-Mart on Palm Bay Road. Again I made contact with Ms. Alonso who arranged for me to interview Mr. Tress.

During this sworn, audio-recorded interview Mr. Tress related the following: On Sunday, December 9th, 2018, he began his shift at the Wal-Mart as a Door Greater at 0700 hours. He was working by the stores east side front doors when a customer entered the Wal-Mart yelling that there was a "Fight" occurring outside. When he walked outside he observed a large African American male holding down another male on the ground. He did not observe any punches or kicks being exchanged by the two males. Mr. Tress stated that he knew that the African American male that was on top of the other male is the driver of the "Toys for Tots" truck. After a few minutes Mr. Tress heard police sirens and was told by a fellow employee to reenter the store. He then returned back to work inside the store. Mr. Tress had no further information of evidentiary value to provide pertaining to this incident. (See attached CD-R for full contents of this interview.)

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I then conducted a sworn, audio-recorded interview with Assistant Manager, Ms. Haynes who related the following in substance: On Sunday, December 9th, 2018, she began her shift at the Wal-Mart as Assistant Manager at 0800 hours. She was working at the front of the store when a "Toys for Tots" employee came into the store and told her that two men were fighting outside the store. Ms. Haynes stated that she went outside the east side front doors and she observed two males laying on the ground. She said an African American male was holding down another male. She did not observe any punches or kicks being exchanged by the two males. She said they were talking, but she could not hear what was being said. She said that a female was talking on the cellular phone and telling the male being held down to "Calm down." At one point this same female took her cellular phone and held it up the male's ear as she continued to tell him to "Calm down." Ms. Haynes said a few minutes later law enforcement arrived. She returned to the inside of the store. Ms. Haynes had no further information of evidentiary value to provide pertaining to this incident. (See attached CD-R for full contents of this interview.)

This concludes my involvement in this case as of Friday, December 14th, 2018

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NARRATIVE

On February 7, 2019, I made telephone contact with Linda Sullivan of Stewart Reference Laboratory, which is the toxicology lab contracted by the Brevard Medical Examiner's Office. Ms. Sullivan is the supervisor for the toxicology/forensics services.

During our conversation, I inquired about the process of how the lab conducts toxicology tests for volatile substances such as 1, 1 Difluoroethane, which is the toxic substance identified from huffing certain aerosol products. I also inquired how long 1, 1 Difluoroethane would remain in a subjects body.

Ms. Sullivan advised there are many factors to consider when evaluating toxicology results. 1,1 Difluoroethane is so volatile in nature that 1,1 Difluoroethane has a short half-life and rapid elimination from the blood making it critical to immediately seal the blood or tissue desired to be tested. If the sample is not sealed immediately or re-opened at any stage prior to toxicology testing, then there is a significant likelihood the substance might not be present in the sample at the time of testing. Additionally, significant physical activity of the subject and time from ingestion of the inhalent to when the blood is obtained is critical. All of these factors contribute to the depletion of 1, 1 Difluoroethane in a person's blood. Ms. Sullivan stated that just because a blood sample does not test positive for 1, 1 Difluoroethane does not mean that the subject did not inhale the substance and it did not adversely affect a subject's body. Ms. Sullivan advised 1, 1 Difluoroethane is very toxic and causes significant cardiac issues, many times fatal, within the subject who has ingested the substance.

Ms. Sullivan advised she would be available for further expert testimony. Ms. Sullivan also provided several articles related to the topic, which are enclosed with this supplement.

Enclosures:

- 1. Article titled, "Cardiotoxic (Arrhythmogenic) Effects of 1, 1 Difluoroethane Due to Electrolyte Imbalance and Cardiomyocyte Damage."
- 2. Article titled, "A Motor Vehicle Accident Fatality Involving the Inhalation of 1, 1 Difluoroethane."

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Cardiotoxic (Arrhythmogenic) Effects of 1,1-Difluoroethane Due to Electrolyte Imbalance and Cardiomyocyte Damage.

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Abstract

Inhalant abuse is the intentional inhalation of chemical vapors to attain euphoric effects. Many common household products are abused by inhalation and one is 1,1-difluoroethane (DFE), which is a halogenated hydrocarbon used in refrigeration, dust-off spray, and airbrush painting. Although many human DFE abuse cases have been studied, the etiology and mechanism of sudden death is still unknown. In this study, an animal model was used to simulate the human conditions of DFE inhalation abuse that results in sudden death. Current research targets mechanistic studies involving electrolyte changes and cardiomyocyte damage after DFE administration in vivo. To investigate these changes, Sprague Dawley rats (N = 6) were exposed to 30 seconds of 20 L/min of DFE in multiple doses. Isoflurane acted as a control. Two additional groups, epinephrine and epinephrine + DFE, were included to simulate the clinical condition of DFE abuse. Plasma sodium, potassium, calcium, and magnesium levels were measured, followed by lactate dehydrogenase, creatine kinase, and cardiac troponin I levels. In addition, oxidative stress markers were also evaluated in all animal groups. Electrolyte levels showed a significant rise in plasma potassium and magnesium levels for the treated groups. In addition, lactate dehydrogenase, creatine kinase, and cardiac troponin I levels in DFE and epinephrine + DFE administered rats were significantly elevated as compared with control. Some oxidative stress makers were also elevated significantly in treatment groups. Furthermore, histopathological analysis showed hyperemia/congestion in treated rats. These results support cardiotoxic effects indicating that DFE results in fatal arrhythmias, and the study can be important during clinical cases involving inhalant abuse.

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A Motor Vehicle Accident Fatality Involving the Inhalation of 1,1-Difluoroethane

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Abstract

A 24-year-old female driver with a history of substance abuse was pronounced dead following a single car motor vehicle accident. A surviving front seat passenger witnessed the decedent inhaling "Dust Off" cleaner just prior to losing control of the vehicle. The propellant compound used in this product is the halogenated hydrocarbon 1,1-difluoroethane (DFE). Sealed autopsy specimens were examined for the presence and subsequent quantitation of DFE utilizing an Agilent 6850 gas chromatograph (GC)-flameionization detector. The levels of DFE obtained were as follows: 29.8 mg/L in femoral blood, 40.3 mg/L in pulmonary arterial blood, 85.6 mg/L in aortic blood, 79.9 mg/L in chest cavity blood, 21.2 mg/L in vitreous, 11.7 mg/kg in brain, 27.9 mg/kg in liver, 71.0 mg/L in urine, and 51.8 mg/total gastric contents. The presence of DFE was confirmed in the decedent's urine by injection on an Agilent 6890/5973 GC-mass spectrometer in full scan mode. This case presents a uniquely witnessed observation of the apparent impairing effects and consequences of the acute inhalation of halogenated hydrocarbons such as DFE and the operation of a motor vehicle. The proximity of time of death to inhalant use may also provide insight to postmortem distribution patterns of DFE in relation to normal physiologic blood flow. With further investigations, estimating the time of final use of an inhalant prior to death may be deciphered from such patterns, although a degree of caution should be applied in deaths resulting from severe trauma in which normal tissue structure is compromised because postmortem redistribution may result.

Introduction

The study of inhalant compounds of abuse poses a challenge to postmortem analysis because of their inherent high volatility, short half-life, and rapid elimination from the blood. Proper specimen collection in sealed containers within a timely manner after death is crucial to the validity of obtained results and any inferences proposed from such data. As we have previously reported, a comparison of calculated levels of inhalant

compounds in various specimens may be used to infer chronic or acute inhalant abuse (1). Despite the problems and variability associated with inhalant analysis, these compounds remain an active part of testing in many clinical settings as shown by the number of cases reported each year to the American Association of Poison Control Centers (2). One such commonly abused inhalant is 1,1-difluoroethane (DFE). This halogenated hydrocarbon, known as Freon 152a, is used as a propellant in many commonly available aerosolized products such as keyboard cleaners. Fluorocarbon compounds containing DFE produce a sudden onset of intoxication. This intoxication has been associated with sudden death involving cardiac arrhythmias termed "sudden sniffing death syndrome" (3–7)

Although inhalant use is still quite prevalent, as shown in a recent drug use survey of high school students by the Center for Disease Control (8), the incidence of inhalant abuse involvement in motor vehicle operation is low when compared to more common drugs of abuse such as marijuana, as demonstrated by DUI drug stop statistics (9). This low prevalence among drivers may be related to a lack of detection of volatile compounds within an optimal time frame for measuring such short-lived compounds. As shown in a case report by Broussard et al. (10), the psychomotor impairment delivered by inhalant compounds can produce consequences just as grave as the more commonly abused and detected drugs. The sudden death associated with traumatic injuries of traffic accidents may provide a snapshot of the pharmacokinetic characteristics of acute inhalant use. In the following text, we describe a uniquely witnessed fatal motor vehicle accident involving the inhalation of DFE that may provide insight into postmortem levels of DFE.

Case History

A 24-year-old female driver with a history of substance abuse and depression was pronounced dead following a single car motor vehicle accident. A surviving front seat passenger provided crucial information on the events leading up to the subject's death. Following an argument with the passenger the

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female driver was described to be huffing Dust Off Duster (Dupont, Wilmington, DE) while operating the motor vehicle. This common computer keyboard cleaner contains DFE as the propellant. Subsequently, she became irate and began to drive erratically at a very high rate of speed. Ignoring the passenger's plea to slow down, the driver lost control of the car and struck a telephone pole, shearing the car in half. The driver was pronounced dead at the scene, and the passenger was treated and released from a local hospital with minimal injuries. The decedent's body was transferred to cold storage (4°C) within 1 h of the time of death and autopsied within 24 h.

Findings at autopsy showed multiple organ lacerations involving the liver, spleen, and kidneys with internal hemorrhaging. An examination of the head and cervical region revealed alanto-occipital disarticulation with incomplete ponto-medullary avulsion and basilar arterial transection. No systemic disease processes or pathologic abnormalities were noted. The manner and cause of death were determined to be accidental blunt force trauma.

At the autopsy, biological specimens were collected and submitted for a comprehensive toxicological analysis. These specimens included blood, urine, vitreous fluid, brain, liver, and gastric contents. The submitted samples were stored at 4°C for 24 h. Based on the investigative report of the accident a 2.0 g or 2.0 mL sampling of each specimen was then stored at –20°C in 10-mL glass headspace vials sealed with Teflon caps. Additionally, a chest cavity blood sample was immediately sealed at autopsy in a 10-mL glass vial and stored at –20°C.

Experimental

Samples

A toxicological analysis of the submitted samples was performed under the guidelines of our general unknown drug screening protocol. This includes a urine screen for drugs of abuse utilizing the enzyme multiplied immunoassay technique, EMIT® II Plus assay from Dade Behring (Cupertino, CA) with analysis on an Olympus AU400e. A basic drug screen of the liver homogenate was performed involving liquid-liquid extraction with gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GC-MS) analysis on an Agilent 6890N/5973 in full scan mode over the atomic mass range of 43-550 amu. An additional screen was carried out for weak acids and neutrals in blood with liquid/liquid extraction followed by GC-MS analysis. A volatile compound screen was performed on blood utilizing a Hewlett-Packard 6850 capillary GC with a flame-ionization detector (FID) coupled with a 7694 vial autosampler. A blood sample was additionally screened for carbon monoxide involving a visible spectrophotometric analysis on a Varian Cary 100 Scan Spectrophotometer. Any non-volatile drugs detected were submitted for quantitation by blood extraction with single ion monitoring analysis on GC-MS or liquid chromatography-MS instrumentation.

The liver drug screen indicated the presence of sertraline and norsertraline. The urine drug screen was positive for the carboxylic acid metabolite of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC-COOH).

The basic, weak acidic/neutral, carbon monoxide, and EMIT analyses were negative for all other drugs. The volatile screen of aortic blood was negative for ethanol but did reveal an unknown peak.

Methods

Materials and reagents. A standard of 98+% DFE was purchased from Aldrich Chemical (Milwaukee, WI) to prepare a working stock solution of DFE. Omni Solv high purity solvent methanol used during the analysis was obtained from EMD Chemicals (Gibbstown, NJ). The working stock solution was prepared by the addition of the DFE (Aldrich Chemical) standard to a sealed and weighed glass vial containing 10 mL of methanol. The DFE was added to the vial until a final concentration of 0.98 mg/mL was prepared. A negative whole blood matrix used in calibrator and control samples was obtained from Long Island Blood Services and screened prior to use in the laboratory.

Headspace GC-FID analysis. The 0.98 mg/mL working methanolic solution of DFE was used to establish a set of calibrator solutions. This was accomplished by the addition of varying amounts of the prepared solution to 10-mL headspace vials containing 2 mL of negative whole blood. This was performed to create a seven-point calibration curve from the level of 0.0 µg/mL to 245.0 µg/mL. A separate 10-mL headspace vial containing 2 mL negative blood, designated as a positive control, was created with the addition of the 0.98 mg/mL methanolic DFE solution to establish a control level of 171.5 µg/mL. In addition, a negative control was prepared with the addition of 2 mL of negative blood to a 10-mL vial devoid of DFE. All calibrator and control samples prepared were sealed immediately upon preparation. Specimens obtained at autopsy and subsequently sealed and frozen were weighed on an analytical balance tared with an empty sealed 10-mL headspace vial. The following specimens and corresponding weights were submitted for DFE analysis: femoral blood (2.3 mL), aortic blood (2.0 mL), pulmonary arterial blood (1.8 mL), chest cavity blood (2.1 mL), vitreous fluid (1.7 mL), brain (2.0 g), liver (1.9 g), gastric contents (1.8 mL), and urine (1.9 mL).

Analysis was carried out on an HP 5890 GC-FID with a 7694 autosampler utilizing a Restek RTX-BAC1 30-m × 0.53-mm i.d. column with helium as the carrier gas. As we described in previous work (1,4), instrumentation parameters were the following: equilibration at 40°C for 15 min, 1-mL sample loop, pressurization 0.15 min, loop fill 0.15 min, and sample inject 0.25 min. An isothermal oven temperature of 40°C was maintained along with an injector temperature of 200°C and a detector temperature of 225°C. An instrument calibration curve was established by the correlation of the measured area under the generated DFE peak to each corresponding calibrator level. The control and unknown DFE concentrations were calculated by comparison of their generated peak area to the calibration curve. The levels of DFE in the decedent's samples were corrected for sample weight and volume prior to reporting.

GC-MS confirmation. To confirm the presence of DFE in the decedent's specimens, a 50-µL aliquot of the decedent's urine was added to 2 mL methanol solution and mixed, and a small sample was transferred to an autosampler vial for GC-MS anal-

ysis. A positive control containing the DFE methanolic working solution and a solution of DFE-free methanol were analyzed along with the urine sample. The samples were injected on an HP 6890/5973 GC–MS utilizing an RTX-5MS 30-m \times 0.25-mm i.d. column in scan mode from 34.0 to 70.0 amu. Analysis was carried out under the following instrument parameters: injector temperature of 225°C, initial oven temperature of 40°C, column flow of 0.8 mL/min, run time of 5.0 min, and a detector temperature of 280°C.

Results and Discussion

Along with the postmortem levels of DFE generated, all other drugs of toxicological interest were quantitated. The levels of sertraline and norsertraline in femoral blood were determined to be 0.28 and 0.25 mg/L, respectively. Subsequent quantitation of THC-COOH and the parent Δ^9 -tetrahydrocannabinol in the femoral blood produced levels of 24.0 and 5.5 μ g/L, respectively.

The results of DFE quantitation by headspace GC–FID in the decedent's tissues are listed in Table I. The calibration curve constructed had a linear correlation coefficient of 0.998. Control specimens analyzed were acceptable with a calculated positive level of 174.3 mg/L (target: 171.5 mg/L) along with a negative control devoid of DFE. The resultant chromatogram of the urine specimen analyzed by GC–MS scan confirmed the presence of DFE as compared to the DFE standard's chromatographic spectrum. The urine specimen chromatographic peak, at a retention time of 1.67 min, was similar to the retention time of 1.61 min for the DFE standard and produced a mass spectrum with the major mass ions of 65, 51, and 47; which matches the ion spectrum obtained for the DFE standard.

Most deaths associated with volatile substance abuse (VSA) are attributed to the direct toxic effects delivered by the inhalant on sensitive tissues, with deaths caused by trauma related inhalant abuse representing only a small fraction (11). Sudden deaths caused by sniffing are usually unwitnessed, with a substantial delay between estimated time of death and discovery of the decedent. As previous investigators

Table I. Postmortem 1,1-Difluoroethane Levels				
Tissue	Concentration			
Aortic blood	85.6 mg/L			
Chest cavity blood*	79.9 mg/L			
Pulmonary arterial blood	40.3 mg/L			
Femoral blood	29.8 mg/L			
Vitreous fluid	21.2 mg/L			
Brain	11.7 mg/kg			
Liver	27.9 mg/kg			
Urine	71.0 mg/L			
Gastric contents	51.8 mg/total			
* Sealed at autopsy.				

have noted (10), the unknown final time of use of the inhalant substance leads to great difficulty in developing an accurate pharmacokinetic and postmortem distribution model for toxic inhalant exposure in humans. Examining the postmortem inhalant levels of individuals where the cause of death was trauma related to VSA might diminish the uncertainty associated with final time of use. In situations involving VSA and a traumatic death, such as a motor vehicle accident, the event is usually witnessed so as the establishment of an exact time of death in such cases is not difficult. The sudden cessation of normal physiologic activity following a traumatic death will "freeze" (11) conditions within the body to provide a snapshot in time of drug levels at that moment. This proposition will remain valid only if the death is instantaneous, the event is witnessed, and the body is not subjected to extreme environmental conditions (e.g., heat, dismemberment, chemical contamination). These stipulations should also include a thorough examination of autopsy findings to note any compromise in the structural integrity of tissues and blood vessels in which compartmentalization is diminished. This should ensure the valid interpretation of volatile results in regards to possible postmortem redistribution following severe trauma to the body. In the case we present in this article, these conditions were satisfied. The decedent suffered no major trauma or disruption of the thoracic and femoral blood vessels in which DFE was measured. In addition, information was provided by the surviving passenger so as to confirm the acute inhalation of DFE immediately prior to death. It is tempting to speculate that the levels of DFE we calculated may be used to construct a mechanism in which the extent of VSA, in relation to time of final product use and degree of exposure, may be determined from postmortem blood and tissue levels.

As shown in Table I, the levels of DFE in sampled tissue sites displayed a significant variability. Blood obtained from the aorta, which contains recently oxygenated or ventilated blood. contained the highest DFE level of 85.6 mg/L. This is consistent with a very recent inhalation of the DFE inhalant compound into the lungs as described by Wegner and Grow (12). Lower blood levels were calculated in sites further from the lungs and heart; the femoral blood contained 29.8 mg/L, whereas blood in the pulmonary artery, just prior to being ventilated, contained 40.3 mg/L. This demonstrates the absorption of DFE through the body tissues while traveling from the site of introduction (lungs) to more peripheral arterial blood sites with transportation of mixed blood back to the heart through the venous system and finally back to the lungs. This variability in DFE levels throughout the circulatory system indicates a dynamic process of DFE distribution related directly to the acute inhalation. In a study of fluorocarbon propellant arterial-venous distribution in dogs (13), blood equilibrium following inhalation cessation was achieved 100 min after introduction. The lack of equilibrium of blood levels in our case further indicates an acute inhalation of DFE. Tissue distribution of inhalants, such as DFE, follows a dose-dependent pathway directed by the degree of blood perfusion of the specific tissue site (14,15). The more blood delivered to the tissue the higher the concentration of inhalant found in that

tissue. It has also been shown that tissues high in lipid content retain volatile compounds longer and will attain comparatively higher volatile compound levels (1,15). The levels we obtained in the brain and liver reflected these postulates. The lack of similarity of our highest obtained levels in aortic blood (85.6 mg/L) and chest cavity blood (79.9 mg/L) to these well-perfused organs reflects the timing of the last dose of DFE inhalation prior to the cessation of blood circulation. The levels determined in the brain and liver, 11.7 and 27.9 mg/kg, respectively, show the early distribution of DFE through the body and are more comparable to the peripheral blood site levels away from the heart and lungs. Although the brain is very high in lipid content, the acute use of DFE in this case has not allowed for the build up of levels in lipid-containing tissues typically seen in extended use or chronic abusers, as we noted in previous work (1). In this previous report on DFE abuse (1), we were able to detect DFE in blood from non-sealed specimens six months after autopsy. Such stability may allow for more conclusive estimates of pharmacokinetic parameters of DFE than would be suggested, given the low boiling point of such compounds. Therefore, we propose that this comparison of DFE levels between recently perfused tissue sites and the levels in more lipid-rich and peripheral blood sites may be used in determining acute or chronic use and establishing a time frame from last exposure to death, when the criteria discussed are satisfied.

Conclusions

With its unique record of the events preceding death, this case represents clearly the detrimental effect of combining the operation of a motor vehicle and the acute inhalation of a volatile substance such as "Dust Off". It is reasonable for one to assume that the indication of recent marijuana use, via the presence of the parent THC in the blood, was also a factor in this unfortunate event. Although a review of available literature produces no controlled studies on the effect of marijuana use with volatile abuse, for this individual, the combination of the sedative effects of marijuana use with the sudden intoxicating high of volatile inhalation produced severe and tragic results. However, from this tragedy, we may gain a valuable insight into the abuse of volatile substances.

The relationship between blood and tissue levels to timing of last inhalant use that we propose here should be considered with a degree of caution. Such conclusions are difficult to make given the high volatility of the compound and the elapsed time interval to sample collection along with an unknown postmortem distribution of DFE. Any correlation derived from such patterns should be based on volatile levels obtained from specimens in which adequate compartmentalization of the tissue site has been maintained following death. In the case presented, the failure to seal specimens other than the chest cavity blood immediately at autopsy led to a degree of uncertainty in the calculated values. However, the short time from death to body storage at 4°C (1 h) and a timely autopsy (< 24 h) supported the maintaining of accurate levels of DFE in the

body at time of death. This premise is corroborated by previous reports suggesting that volatile substances exhibit an increased retention in an intact body in comparison to improperly stored tissue specimens (16). It is of paramount importance in suspected VSA cases to properly collect multiple tissue specimens in sealed containers within a short postmortem time period (17). This time period would ideally be less than 12 h after death, as a study showed that 87% of suspected inhalant abuse cases were detected in a hospital emergency room within an optimal 10-h window (18). A difficulty in investigating possible inhalant abuse in postmortem cases is the lack of any physiologic signs at autopsy (19). In cases of unexplained death involving adolescents or fatal motor vehicle accidents with no explained cause, it may be beneficial to obtain a sealed blood/tissue specimen to screen for volatile inhalants. With increased awareness of VSA involvement in fatal traumatic events and further investigation of suspected postmortem cases involving inhalant abuse, an accurate method for deciphering the intensity of inhalant exposure may be determined from a comparison of calculated blood and tissue levels.

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Lt. Vitaliano 340 Gus Hipp Blvd. Rockledge, FL 32955 VIA E-MAIL

RE: Brevard County Jail / Edwards - Corrections Deputy Wagner

Dear Lt. Vitaliano,

Pursuant to your request I proffering the testimony and evidence which I believe may be relevant to your investigation. To the best of my belief and knowledge the following are the relevant facts:

On December 9, 2018 Corrections Deputy R. Wagner was working in the booking area of the jail when BCSO received information that WMPD was transporting Mr. Edwards who had been combative and that WMPD would need assistance escorting Edwards into the facility. Initially, Edwards is not openly aggressive and is placed in a holding cell for processing. From the video it is apparent that Edwards becomes agitated and begins to bang on the cell door. Goes to the door to assist and opens the door to address Edwards. It is at this point that Edwards attacks Wagner was at the computer in the booking room and immediately gets up to assist as Edwards has in a choke hold and is wrestling with him on the floor. Wagner tries to pull Edwards off of the door to Edwards to stop resisting and release Edwards is hitting in the head and will not release him. Wagner tries to gain control of Edwards' hands to no avail. Pursuant to training, Wagner administers a

few strikes to Edwards' thigh to cause distraction and in an attempt to get pain compliance to the commands to release Again this has no affect on Edwards' violent and aggressive actions. Multiple deputies arrive to assist. Edwards' attack on has caused to become disoriented – and he maybe even lose consciousness during the attack. Edwards is attempting to remove flashlight from his duty belt and Wagner is grasping his wrist to prevent him from obtaining it and possibly use it as a weapon. Edwards has "enhanced" strength and will not comply with verbal commands all the while Wagner is trying to gain control of Edwards' hands to place him in restraints. At one point there are no less than 7 deputies trying to hold Edwards down and gain control of his hands to apply cuffs – again unsuccessfully. administers OC spray which does not cause any change in Edwards' aggressive actions. Edwards is still uncooperative, combative and inhumanly strong. Lt. Fayson applies knee strikes to get compliance.

Eventually, after it is apparent that even 7+ deputies cannot safely gain control of Edwards; Dep. Blazewicz deploys her taser firing the probes into Edwards. This attempt to gain control causes a visible reaction such that Deputies are able to get Edwards cuffed and placed in the a restraint chair for control and transport. Deputies try to secure his legs in the straps on the chair but again Edwards is fighting their attempts. Again Wagner must administer a few closed fist blows (approximately 3) to Edwards' leg to gain compliance so that he can be safely strapped in to the restraint chair. The pain compliance technique works and Edwards is secured.

At this point the deputies are all exhausted having struggled with Edwards – he is secured in the restraint chair and the straps are checked for proper fit and tightness, but Edwards remains cuffed for his and officer safety pursuant to Lt. Fayson's orders. Edwards is sill aggressive, and verbal – to the point that he is emitting guttural howls and a spit guard is place over his head due to his conduct. As he is wheeled in to the holding cell there are no signs of physical distress – Edwards is still verbal (very loud) and moving (although still restrained) while in the chair. Wagner received a small scratch on his hand during the altercation and he seeks medical help from the nurse on staff. Edwards is secured in the holding cell and remains in the chair – he is visible from the booking room and Wagner is watching him. He is still verbal and moving and struggling.

Wagner and the nurse both observe Edwards and see no signs of distress. The OC spray which deployed is beginning to affect Wagner and he attempts to wash it from his face. Minutes later Cpl. Mustafa observes defendant and she and a nurse enter the holding cell. It is at this point that the defendant appears to be in some form of medical distress. He is breathing – but unresponsive. Oxygen is brought and he is taken to medical for further treatment. Corrections Deputy Wagner had no further interaction with Edwards once he leaves booking.

If you additional information or focus on a specific area of concern please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

Alan Diamond, Esq.