

Cover Sheet

- CASE #: 18 – 1234
- OFFENSE: Death Investigation
- LOCATION: 10808, Kelly Dr, Fairfax, VA 22030
- DATE: Thursday, April 12th 2018
- TIMES: Received: 1630 hrs / Arrived: 1652 hrs / Cleared 1900 hrs
- INVESTIGATOR: Shraddha Murali Navale
- DETECTIVE: Detective Cavender
- VICTIMS: Jordan Davis
W/M DOB: 05/15/1993
10808, Kelly Dr
Fairfax, VA
- SUSPECT: Unknown
W/F
- WITNESS: Amanda Smith
B/F DOB: 08/18/1995
10808, Kelly Dr
Fairfax, VA 22030
- PHOTOGRAPHS: Number of Photos Taken by Shraddha M Navale
-45- Digital Images On scene 04/12/2018
- EVIDENCE: Number of Items: - 15 -
- LATENTS: Number of Latents: - 8 -
- AUTOPSY: Number of Items: - 4 -

Introduction

On Thursday, April 12th, 2018 at 1630 hours I was contacted by Ofc. Rule who requested that I respond to the scene of a death investigation. CSI Lindsay Meehan, CSI Sarah Davis, CSI Kristin Ibanez and I arrived at the scene, which was located at 10808 Kelly Dr, Fairfax, VA 22030 at 1652 hours. The residence was secured with yellow banner guard, and there were numerous police units stationed around the perimeter. The temperature was 79 degrees and the weather was sunny and warm. We were granted the authority to search the residence and the search warrant was delivered by Det. Cavender.

Incident Overview

Upon our arrival to the scene we were met by Ofc. Rule and Det. Cavender who briefed us about the following:

Around 1625 hours on 04/12/2018 the woman, Amanda Smith, a George Mason University student, returned home from class and found the door of her residence ajar. It seemed to have been pried open. Upon entering her residence, she found her roommate lying on the floor with a suspected gunshot wound on his head. She also noticed a gun on the floor near his body. She then called 911 from her phone and exited the residence after informing them.

Amanda Smith, the witness, saw a suspicious person go up Kelly Dr who was a white female with short blonde curly hair. As per the description given by Ms. Smith, the person was supposedly wearing a purple top and a pair of neon green pants with 3 inches orange stiletto heels. She was approximately 5 feet and 3 inches tall with nose rings on both sides of her nostrils.

Preliminary Scene Survey

Ofc Rule being the first responding officer, executed the search warrant at 1630 hours and secured the scene. CSI Lindsay Meehan, CSI Sarah Davis, CSI Kristin Ibanez and I then conducted a preliminary scene survey, where we discussed which items would be collected from the residence. 10808 Kelly Drive, Fairfax was a two storied single-family house in a residential area located in Fairfax, VA. The front of the residence faced towards the south. There was a white Ford Explorer XLT SUV parked outside the house on the right side facing south bearing Virginia registration 42 – 045S with a tag of inspection expiring in July 2018.

The house is white in color with green shutters and dark green doors in the midst of a wooded area and had a concrete as well as a graveled entrance to the two main doors. One tree is seen outside between the entrances to the two doors. There were yellow flowers along the pathways leading to the doors. There were 4 windows seen in front facing south, 8 windows behind the house facing north. There were also 2 doors behind the house, one facing north and the other facing west. There was a white mailbox seen outside the house bearing the house number 10808. The backyard is an open area with trees close to the Ox road Route 123. One light is turned on outside the house near the right side of the main door. The pathway on the right side of the house reveals two more doors facing east, one with a wooden ramp for the handicapped and another with a sliding door. The body can be seen lying near the sliding door from the east end of the house exteriorly.

Upon entering the house, we found the furniture to be unmoved and four items of evidence in the single room. The door of the room numbered 104A was north facing. The sliding door was along the east wall and the blinds of it were open. There were two couches facing east and north respectively with two square tables along the south wall. There was also one coffee table in the center of the room at an angle facing the south wall. There was one book shelves in the southeast corner facing north and a TV stand in the northeast corner facing south respectively. There was also a window with a phone stand and a table lamp on the square table along the south wall. There were two light fixtures in the ceiling. There was one floor lamp in the southeast corner which was switched on. The upholstery of the couches was dull blue in color. There was one single couch with a square table next to it with a table lamp along the northern wall of the room. The temperature of the room was warm inside.

The body of Jordan Davis was near the sliding door and was lying north to south lying on the back, in a supine position. His face was facing the sliding door which is the eastern wall. There was an obvious injury, a gunshot wound to the head on the right side of the temple, near the temporal region. There was a black and white bucket hat near his left shoulder with the hat string around his neck. There were no shoes on the body and he was wearing grey cargo shorts and a red plaid button down shirt with the sleeves rolled up a bit. His hands were clenched with the right hand below the body near the right buttock. The left knee is slightly bent and higher than the right. There was a folded piece of paper in the right pocket of his shorts. There was also suspected blood near his right ear.

There was a flat headed screwdriver facing north on the coffee table which had a black handle and yellow grip area which was the first evidence. There was a gun facing north below the coffee table which was the second evidence. It was a neon green Smith and West revolver and had an orange tip. There was also a black Motorola flip phone lying face down between the couch and the coffee table. It was the third evidence. The right edge of the door of the room had suspected prying tool mark which was the fourth evidence.

Scene Documentation

Note taking, overall photographs and a rough sketch of the residence were initiated.

Evidence Collection

The four evidence present in the room were collected after taking measurements of the same with fixed reference points such as the west wall of the room using baseline method. I took midrange photographs of each item as well as close up photographs of each item before the evidence collection. The close up photographs included those with and without scale.

The items were – A flat headed screwdriver with a black handle and yellow grip area kept facing north which could have been the weapon found on the coffee table (Item #1), a neon green Smith and West gun with an orange tip facing north with which the gunshot wound injury might have occurred found below the coffee table (Item #2), a black Motorola i520 flip cellphone in an open position with the keypad facing down with which the witness might have called 911 with suspected blood stains on them was found and collected from between the couch and coffee table (Item #3) and the suspected prying tool mark found on the right side of the door to the room which may have occurred while prying open the door (Item #4).

Apart from the obvious evidence collected, the swabs and latent lift from the screwdriver, gun and the cellphone analysis are to be completed.

Item #5 – swab for touch DNA from yellow grip area of screwdriver

Item #6 – latent lift from the yellow grip area for fingerprints

Item#7 – swab for touch DNA from trigger and grip area on the gun

Item #8 – swab from the barrel area for blowback for victim's DNA

Item #9 – swab of suspected blood stain on the cell phone

Evidence Documentation

Item #1:

Black handle flat headed screwdriver with a yellow grip.

No breakage or fracture seen.

It is 6” in length of which 4” is the metal shaft length and 2” is the grip length.

It is 0.5” in width.

Item #2:

Neon green Smith and West gun with an orange tip.

It is 8” in length.

Item #3:

Motorola black i520 flip phone with silver keypad inside.

It is 7.5” long when open and 5.5” long when closed.

It is 2” in width.

Has suspected blood stains on the keypad.

Item #4:

Mikrosil sample from the suspected pried toolmark.

It is 5.5” in length and 1” in width.

Has multiple lines and crossovers.

Victim Removal

The Medical Examiner, Dr. Jane Brown arrived at 1740 hrs on 04/12/2018 and gave us permission to go ahead and touch the body for further documentation. The body was 5ft and 11 inches in length. A note was found in the right pocket of the cargo shorts which read “Meet Stephanie at 4pm”. This was noted as the tenth evidence (Item #10).

The victim's hands were tested for gunshot residue and the primer kit was completed (Item #11). The hands were then bagged and the body sealed at 1830 hrs on 04/12/2018. The ME then left the scene at 1845 hrs.

Final Scene Documentation

The samples for latent processing from the door knobs, coffee table and floor lamp switch were required. We processed the exterior and interior of the scene utilizing black latent print powder resulting in the recovery of (5) latent lift areas:

Latent Card # A – exterior front door near the right edge

Latent Card # B – interior front door handle

Latent Card #C – interior sliding door handle

Latent Card #D – Floor lamp switch

Latent Card #E - Coffee table, northwest edge, near the screwdriver

I took overall measurements of the residence after all the evidence was collected and requested another investigating officer to do the final search as fresh eyes. I cleared the scene at 1900 hours on Thursday, 04/12/2018 in order to attend the autopsy that was conducted at the Northern Virginia Office of the Chief Medical Examiner's Office (NOVA OCME), and transported all items of evidence and secured the items at the Crime Scene Unit.

Autopsy

The autopsy was performed on Jordan Davis on Friday, 04/13/2018 at 0830 hrs. The body had livor mortis on his back with blanching of the skin at the buttock region, rigor mortis and algor mortis. The following injury site was observed:

- An entrance wound on the right side of his head of about ¼ by ¼ inch in dimension

The items retrieved from Jordan Davis during the autopsy are as follows:

- Item #12: Bullet – from inside the head
- Item #13: Victim's clothes and hat
- Item #14: Fingernail clippings of the victim

- Item #15: DNA cards

Ten prints of the victim's fingers were also collected

From the clothes retrieved, the victim was wearing a small medium Nike bucket hat, a 100% cotton Haggard branded shirt of XL size with a pair of unknown size of American Eagle branded classic cargo shorts.

Latent Fingerprint Processing

On Monday, 04/16/2018 the following items were placed in the vacuum chamber, and they were fumed with cyanoacrylate:

- Item #1: Screwdriver
- Item #2: Gun
- Item #3: Cellphone

On Tuesday, 4/17/2018 the items were additionally dusted with black powder yielding the recovery of three latent areas:

Latent Card # F: (Item # 1) Grip area of the screwdriver.

Latent Card # G: (Item #2) Trigger area of the gun

Latent Card # H: (Item #3) Keypad area of the cellphone.

The Item #2 and #3 were additionally photographed after viewing under alternate light source with fluorescent chemical. (ALS)

Also on this day, note found in the pocket (Item #10) was processed utilizing Ninhydrin yielding in the recovery of four areas of ridge detail which were photographed.

The latent cards and photographs will be forwarded to the Fingerprint Unit for comparison.

Request for Laboratory Examination

The following items were submitted to the lab for examination on Wednesday, 04/18/2018:

TRACE

Item #11: GSR kit – Davis, Jordan

Item #13: Victim's clothes

DNA SECTION

Item #5 – swab for touch DNA from yellow grip area of screwdriver

Item #7 – swab for touch DNA from trigger and grip area on the gun

Item #8 – swab from the barrel area for blowback for victim's DNA

Item #9 – swab of suspected blood stain on the cell phone

Item # 14 – Fingernail clippings to be compared for presence of foreign DNA

It is requested that the items be compared with the DNA Cards retrieved from the Autopsy (Item #15) and the DNA Database (CODIS).

FIREARMS

Item # 2 – Gun

Item # 12 – Bullet retrieved at the autopsy

It is requested that the Item #12 be compared with Item #2 to see if the bullet was shot from the same gun. It is also requested to check for the cartridge case within the gun.

TOOLMARKS

Item # 1 – Screwdriver

Item # 4 – Mikrosil sample

It is requested that both the samples be compared to know if the screwdriver caused the toolmark impressions.

DIGITAL FORENSICS

Item #3 – Cellphone

It is requested that the phone be compared with the database to know whose phone it is as well as the call and message history.

Conclusion

All other items of evidence have been transported to the Evidence Section for storage.

Nothing further has been requested at this time.

- TOT Detective Cavender.

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