Crittenden County Coroner

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POLIC:

On May 6, 1993 at apx. 3:20 P.M. I received a called the West Memphis Police
Dept. that they had found the three boys, and that they needed me to the
Blue Beacon Truck Wash. With me was Ed Poe and employee of Roller-Citizens Funeral
Home. Upon arrival we taken through the woods to a drainage ditch where the bodies
of the three youth were found. All bodies had been removed from the water and were
on the ditch banks covered in black plastic.
Bodies were listed as they were found.

Body #1

Body is on east ditch bank

Right hand is tied to right ankle by shoe lace, left hand is tied to left ankle by shoe lace.

Lacerations to head

Body lying on side lividity in buttocks and back will blanch with pressure Rigor is set but can not tell to what degree due to himbs heing tied

Body placed in sheet and transported

Body #2

Body is on west ditch bank lying on left side

Right hand is tied to right ankle by shoe lace, left hand is tied to left ankle

Lacerations to face and neck

Lividity in left buttocks and back will blanch with pressure

rigor is set but can not tell to what degree due to limbs being tied

Body placed in sheet and transported

Body #3

Body is on West ditch bank lying on right side

Right hand is tied to right ankle left hand is tied to left ankle

Body has been Emasculated

Lividity in buttocks and back will blanch with pressure

rigor is set but can not tell to what degree due to limbs being tied

Body placed in sheet and transported

All three bodies show signs of post mortem staining on face and chest.

Kent Hale Crittenden County Coroner

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City/County WEST MEMPHIS	C. 10755 a. 1				
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Marital Status XX Single	·	CCCupation	Divorced		Widows
Last Known Alive MAY 5, 1993 6:00			Divoloca .		widowe
Date/Time of IncidentUNKNOWN			1		
Date/Time Found MAY 6, 1993 1:	30 P.M.	By Whom	MIKE ALLEN WES	T MEMPHIS.	P.D.
Address		elephone # 73	35-1210		
Place of Death DITCH IN WOODS OFF O	F 140-155 SQU	TH SERVICE	ROAD, KNOWN AS	ROBIN HOOD	HILLS
Place of Incident POSSIBILITY THE SA					
Date/Time Pronounced MAY 6, 1993	4:02 P.M.	X	ent dala		57 - 776 - 5
Investigating Agency: City WEST MEMPHI	S County		State		
Officer MIKE ALLEN	T	elephone # _73	35-1210		
Medical History					
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Ischemic Heart Disease	Hypertension		Selzure Disorder		Cance
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High Blood Pressure					88
Other: Specify					
Current Medication					
Attending Physician		Address			
Telephone #	- 1		1		
Causes of Death		-,			
Date D.C. Signed					
Disposition of Body		Signed (relatio	nship)		
Investigator's Summary CORONER CALLED BEEN FOUND, UPON ARRIVAL ALL T CHECKED BODY OF WHITE YOUTH WH	THREE HAD BEEN	RECOVERED TIED WRIST	FROM WATER AND T TO ANKLES,	PLACED ON	DITCH BAN
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Any Organs Removed: Describe			7		
Will family donate any of deceased organs	or tissue or bone:	es or no.			
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CRITTENDEN COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

BODY #1 NAME JAMES MICHAEL MOORE	Comfidential
AGE 8 RACE MALE SEX WHITE	AUGUST 6 1993
FIRST IDENTIFIED AS CHRISTOPHER BYERS	
FOUND AT 1:30 P.M. MAY 6, 1993 BY SGT. MIKE AL	
IN WEST MEMPHIS, ARKANSAS ON THE SOUTH SERVICE	ROAD OF 140-155.
LAST SEEN AT 6:00 P.M. MAY 5, 1993	
PRONOUNCED AT 4:10 P.M. MAY 6, 1993 BY KENT HA	LE CORONER
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6. BODY PLACED IN WHITE SHEET AND TRANSPORTED	
7. BODY TAGED AS BODY #1	
8 BAG OF ICE PLACED ON ABDOMEN	
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Address

Signed

Telephone

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

BODY #2 NAME STEVE EDWARD BRANCH	confidential
AGE 8 RACE WHITE SEX MALE	AUGUST 6 11993
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BODY FOUND BY SGT MIKE ALLEN AT AND APX WATER BY POLICE AND PLACED ON WEST BANK O	FROM BODY NUMBER 1, BODY IS REMOVED FROM F CREEK.
1. BODY IS NUDE	
2. RT. HAND IS TIED TO RIGHT ANKLE. LEFT 3. LIVIDITY WILL BLANCH WITH PRESSURE	HAND IS TIED TO LEFT ANKLE BY SHOE LACES
4. RIGOR UNABLE TO TELL DUE TO THE WAY TH	E BODY IS TIED
5. FLY LARVA IN EYES	
6. BODY PLACED IN WHITE SHEET AND TRANSPO	RTED TO FUNERAL HOME
7. BODY TAGED AS BODY #2	
8. BAG OF ICE PLACED ON ABDOMEN	
LAST SEEN AT 6:00 P.M. ON MAY 5, 1993	
PRONOUNCED AT 3:58 P.M. MAY 6, 1993 BY	KENT HALE CORONER
BODY FOUND IN ABOUT 21/2 FEET OF WATER, APX POLICE AND PLACED ON WEST BANK OF DITCH	. 60° IN TEMP, BODY REMOVED FROM WATER BY
BODY HAS CUTS ON LEFT SIDE OF FACE FROM C	HIN AND CHEEK,
M.E. OFFICE CALLED IN LITTLE ROCK, AR.	
BODY SENT TO M.E.OFFICE IN LITTLE ROCK, A	R.
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REPORT BY:

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BODY 43 FIRST ID AS JAMES MICH				ASE /
DATE MAY 6, 1993 City/County WEST MEMPHIS PO	TTCP DEPT De	porting Party		
Address WEST MEMPHIS ARKANSA	g : Tel	enhone WESI-12	MEMPHIS	POLICE
Name of Deceased _CHRISTOPHER_MARK	BYERS	op	confident:	al .
Age 8 Bace WHIT	E Sex	MALE	Date of Birth	JUNE-23 1984
Age 8 Race		Occupation STUDI	ENT PAGE	TO TO TO TO
Marital Status XX Single	Marr	ied AUGUS	Divorced	91) Widowed
Last Known Alive 6:00 P.M. MAY 5.	1993			
Date/Time of Incident UNKNOWN				
Date/Time FoundMAY 6, 1993	* /	By Whom SGT. M	KE ALLEN, W	EST MEMPHIS P.D.
Address				
Place of Death DITCH IN WOODS OFF				BIN HOOD HILLS
Place of incident POSSIBILITY SAM	E UNKNOWN AT TH	HIS TIME		2110
Date/Time PronouncedMAY 6, 1993	4:02 P.M. BY	KENT HALE CORONI	TO TOLL	4 Xfalle
Investigating Agency: City WEST MEMPHI	S P.D. County		State	
OfficerSGT. MIKE ALLEN	Tel	ephone /735_1210		
Medical History				
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Investigator's Summary CORONER CALLE BEEN FOUND, UPON ARRIVAL ALL T				
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Body Description				
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Hospital Death Including ER				V
Medical Files Released with body:		Ali Medical Hecords		X-ray:
1 st Drawn Blood: yes or no Admitting Diagnosis				
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Any Organs Removed: Describe				
Will family donate any of deceased organs	or tissue or bone: ye			
Signed	Address	Te	elephone	

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

POLICE

BODY #3

NAME CHRISTOPHER MARK BYERS

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PHOSECUTOR

AGE 8 RACE WHITE SEX MALE

BODY FOUND BY SGT MIKE ALLEN AT	AND APX	FROM BODY	NUMBER 2,	BODY IS REMO	VED FROM
WATER BY POLICE AND PLACED ON W	EST BANK O	F DITCH.			
1. BODY IS NUDE					
2. RIGHT HAND IS TIED TO RIGHT	ANKLE, LEF	HAND IS	TIED TO LEFT	ANKLE BY SH	OE LACES
3. LIVIDITY WILL BLANCH WITH PR	RESSURE				
4. UNABLE TO TELL DUE TO BODY E 5. FLY LARVA IN EYES AND NOSE	BEING TIED				
6. BODY PLACED IN WHITE SHEET A	ND TRANSPO	RTED TO FU	NERAL HOME		
7. BODY TAGED AS BODY #3					
8. BAG OF ICE PLACED ON ABDOMEN					
LAST SEEN AT 6:00 P.M. ON MAY	1993		1		
PRONOUNCED AT 4:02 P.M. MAY 6.	1993 BY KE	NT HALE CO	RONER		
BODY HAS BEEN EMASCHLATED, STAF	WOUND ON	HEAD, LOOK	S LIKE BRIITS	ING ON FACE	AND LEGS
ALL BODIES HAVE BEEN PULLED FRO POLICE DEPT. THEY ARE COVERED V			RIVAL ATSTHE	SCENET BY WE	ST MEMPHIS
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