

**DEPUTY METZLER**  
**Ohio Incident Based Reporting System**  
**Investigator Notes**

INCIDENT NO:	085349	NOTE NO:	1
NOTE DATE	12/22/2008	NOTE TIME:	8:00:00PM
INVESTIGATOR BADGE	7336	NITIALS :	KM
INVESTIGATOR NAME	Kevin Metzler		
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*ON December 22ND, 2008, AT APPROXIMATELY 8:00 PM, I SPOKE WITH WITNESS ANTHONY STAPLETON AT THE RESIDENCE OF JAMES MICHAEL DAMRON LOCATED AT 287 B SNOOK RD. I SPOKE WITH THE CHILD WITH HIS MOTHER, JESSICA MOLLETT, PRESENT. ANTHONY STATED THAT HE WAS AT HIS GRANDPA, EDWARD MOLLETT, AND GRANDMAS, JUANITA MOLLETT, HOUSE WITH HIS "SIS" AUNT, CHRISTINA MOLLETT. ANTHONY STATED THAT HE WAS SITTING BESIDE CHRISTINA IN THE LIVING ROOM ON THE COUCH, HIS GRANDMA JUANITA WAS SITTING ON THE CHAIR AND HIS GRANDPA EDWARD WAS IN THE KITCHEN. ANTHONY ADVISED THAT THE FRONT DOOR THEN OPENED AND HE OBSERVED A SKINNY FEMALE SUBJECT WITH BLACK HAIR, APPROXIMATELY 5'04" TO 5'06", 105 TO 120 POUNDS. ANTHONY SAID THAT THE FEMALE SUBJECT HAD-A BLACK VEST THAT CONTAINED GUNS AND KNIVES, WAS WEARING LIGHT BLUE JEANS AND SHOES THAT HAD SPIKES ON THEM. ANTHONY ALSO STATED THAT HE BELIEVED THAT HE SAW A BAND-AID ON THE FEMALE SUBJECTS NECK. ANTHONY SAID THAT THE FEMALE SUBJECT THEN STARTED SHOOTING EVERYONE WITH A SILVER IN COLOR HAND GUN. ANTHONY STATED THAT AFTER THE FEMALE SHOT HIS GRANDMA, GRANDPA AND AUNT SHE POINTED THE GUN .AT HIM BUT DIDN'T SHOOT. ANTHONY ADVISED THE FEMALE THEN WALKED OVER TO HIS GRANDPA PICKED UP HIS PILL BOTTLE, Poured the pills into her hand a no then threw the pill bottle down. ANTHONY STATED THE FEMALE SUBJECT THEN RAN OUT THE DOOR. ANTHONY SAID THAT HE WALKED OVER TO HIS GRANDMA AND GRABBED HER HAND TO SEE IF SHE WAS OK. ANTHONY STATED THAT HE THEN RAN DOWN THE HILL TO THE NEXT-DOOR NEIGHBOR, JAMES MICHAEL DAMRON.*

*ON December 22ND, 2008, I SPOKE WITH JAMES MICHAEL DAMRON AT HIS RESIDENCE LOCATED AT 287 B SNOOK IRD. FRANKLIN FURNACE. JAMES STATED 'THAT HE HEARD THE DOGS BARKING SO HE LOOKED OUT THE WINDOW. JAMES ADVISED THAT HE OBSERVED A TAN IN COLOR JEEP GOING UP THE HILL TO ED'S HOUSE. JAMES " STATED THAT HE WALKED BACK INTO THE HOUSE, GRABBED A CIGRETTE AND WALKED BACK ONTO THE PORCH. JAMES SAID THAT THE JEEP THEN CAME BACK DOWN THE HILL AND A FEW MINUTES LATER, ANTHONY STAPLETON CAME RUNNING DOWN THE HILL YELLING AND SCREAMING THAT HIS PAPA, MAMMA Sissy ARE SHOT DEAD AND ANTHONY HAD BLOOD ALL OVER HIM. JAMES ADVISED THAT WHEN THE JEEP CAME BACK DOWN THE HILL, HE OBSERVED A FEMALE SUBJECT WITH DARK HAIR DRIVING*

AND ANOTHER PERSON (UNKNOWN GENDER) DUNKING DOWN IN THE PASSENGER SEAT. .

**NARRATIVE SUPPLEMENT Page: NUMBER 112 DATE 12 22/2008 18:00 HR**

ON December 22ND, 2008, AT APPROXIMATELY 6:34 PM, DEPUTY GIBSON, DEPUTY ANTONAROS, AND MYSELF WERE DISPATCHED TO 287 SNOOK RD. IN REFERENCE TO A SHOOTING WITH MULTIPLE VICTIMS. UPON ARRIVAL I OBSERVED TWO MALE SUBJECT (S), ONE BEING TIMOTHY BORDERS, AND THE OTHER BEING DANNY MOLLETT, STANDING IN FRONT OF THE RESIDENCE OF 287 C SNOOK RD, WHERE THE SHOOTING TOOK PLACE. DEPUTY ANTONAROS AND I IMMEDIATELY SECURED AND DETAINED BOTH MALE SUBJECTS, DEPUTY GIBSON THEN STOOD BY WHILE DEPUTY ANTONAROS AND I STARTED TO SECURE THE RESIDENCE, UPON MAKING ENTRY INTO THE RESIDENCE WITH DEPUTY ANTONAROS, I OBSERVED THREE SUBJECT THAT APPEARED TO BE UNCONSCIOUS, ONE MALE SUBJECT WAS LAYING ON THE KITCHEN FLOOR APPROXIMATELY 2' FOOT BESIDE THE FRONT DOOR WITH A LARGE AMOUNT OF BLOOD AROUND THE HEAD REGION, ONE FEMALE SUBJECT LAYING IN THE LIVING ROOM FACE DOWN AND ONE FEMALE SUBJECT SITTING ON THE LIVING ROOM COUCH AND APPEARED TO HAVE AN INJURY TO THE LEFT SIDE OF HER BODY ABOVE THE PANTS LINE AND BLOOD ABOUT THE UPPER REGION OF THE HEAD. I CHECKED ALL THREE SUBJECT (S) VITALS BUT WAS UNABLE TO GAIN ANY SIGNS OF LIFE. AFTER SECURING THE REST OF THE RESIDENCE, GREEN TWP, SQUAD CHECKED VITALS ON ALL SUBJECTS BUT SUBSEQUENTLY WERE ALL DECEASED. I THEN TAPED OFF THE SCENE AND STOOD BY FOR DETECTIVES, TIMOTHY BORDERS AND DANNY MOLLETT GAVE STATEMENTS AND WAS RELEASED. THERE IS NOTHING FURTHER TO REPORT AT THIS TIME,

**CAPTAIN DAVE HALL**

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**08-5439**

*Case Investigation Report by Captain David S. Hall*

*On 12-22-2008 at approx. 1836 I received a call from the Sheriff's Office in reference to a shooting, at 287C Snook Road Franklin Furnace, Ohio. On the phone was April Pierson. April stated that she had a little boy on the phone that was a witness and advised that three people had been shot. The little boy was at a neighbor's house. April stated that no units were there yet and I advised her that I would have to go back to my residence and pick up my unit since I was out with my family. At approx. 1850 I arrived on the scene where I was assisted by Deputies Antonarus, Gibson and Metzler. EMS had not yet arrived and I advised dispatch to send in the EMS. Up on entering the scene area I observed two males detained lying on all the ground. I advised Deputy Altollaros to secure those individuals separate of each other in the back of two units in which he did. I then looked inside of the scene to find a male lying all his back with blood around his head area just to the left of the entrance of the residence. A female on the floor in the living area along with a younger female on the couch all-appearing to be deceased. While waiting for the squads to arrived I advised Deputy Gibson to start a crime scene log. I had dispatch call for Det. Triggs, Blaine and Spencer to assist with the investigation. Also notified were Chief Deputy Miller and Sheriff Donini. At this point I went down to the neighbors to speak with the 6 yoa witness being Anthony Stapleton. I Spoke to Anthony in front of his mother at the home of an uncle being James Damron. Inside of the residence Anthony, James, Anthony's mother and myself. A couple of*

relatives had walked in and stayed in the kitchen area. Anthony was wearing a coat (like a ATV riding coat) optic yellow in color with a lot of blood spattered across the coat. Anthony stated that he was in the house with his grandpa, mama, and sis when a lady walked in and started shooting at them Anthony stated that the lady had killed his papaw, mama and sis: Anthony stated that he took off running out the door and down towards the trailer he was at. Antony stated that the vehicle drove down the hill. Anthony described the vehicle as a tan in color SUV built something like a jeep. Anthony stated that the lady had a vest on and had guns in the vest. As I obtained this information I passed the information on to the other units. One of the relatives at this residence stated that Kara Garvin and Paul Balmer drive a vehicle like this. They stated that Kara and Paul tried to rob the victims about a week before cutting the phone and cable lines to this residence. After interviewing Anthony I went backup to the crime scene to view the scene along with Sheriff Donini, Det. Spencer, BCI agent Shane Hanshaw and Dr. Johnson, Coroner. We entered the residence thru a rear door to the residence. Inside of the kitchen was a white male with blood pooling around his head area facing in an upward position with his head closet to the entrance door. There was several pills on the floor inside of this area where the deceased male was lying including on the, body. There was also pills in the sink as if the pills had been dropped or thrown. Inside of the living room area was two females deceased. The first female (older) later identified as Juanita was lying on the floor. I did not enter the area where the two females were located but could see both from the kitchen area. The second female was slumped over on the couch area. The TV was on with a video like poker game all the TV to indicate that the younger female or family was playing a video game. The stereo was on with outside speakers on and you could hear country music playing from the outside of the residence. From this location we had information from Kara's cell phone that her phone had been pinged and we attempted to locate her in the Franklin Furnace area.

During this investigation we had received information that Audrey Dotson, Kara's mother would have information on the vehicle along with cell phone information. I asked Det. Triggs and Chief Miller to go the residence of the Dotson's being near the BP in Franklin Furnace. Det. Triggs and Chief Miller received information to obtain AT&T phone records to ping Kara's cell phone. Det. Paul Blaine had arrived at the scene and assisted in taking

statements and assisted in taking statements and re-interviewing the little boy again. Det. Blaine later showed the boy a line-up with a photo of Kara Garvin in it. Kara was identified as the suspect by the little boy.

During this time period we checked several locations for Kara. At approx. 11:00PM the office received a phone call from Rick Nash attorney and cousin of Kara Garvin. Rick stated that he was bringing Kara in to the office. Rick advised Det. Triggs, during the video taped interview that he had advised Kara not to speak. I then called Mark Kuhn and advised Mark of the situation and all of the information that we knew at the time. Mark advised to charge Kara Garvin with three counts of Aggravated Murder.

Kara after taking photographs of her hair and finger's had advised Det Paul Blaine that she wanted to speak with me... Earlier Deputy Paula Gibson found a receipt of hair color from the Family Dollar in Greenup Ky for 2013 on 12/22/2008. When Kara started to talk to me I reminded her of having an attorney and she stated that she still wanted to talk with me and that if she did not want to answer my question than she wouldn't. I asked Kara when she colored her hair and she stated that she colored it earlier in the morning I asked Kara to take me through the day. Kara stated that her and Paul went to Greenup and got a room around 4 or 5 and then changed it to later. Kara stated that they got a room at the hotel in Greenup because the cable was not working at their house. I asked Kara if they ate anywhere and she stated that she was not going to answer that. I asked her why she would say that and she stated that she did not want to tell me where they ate at. I advised her that I needed to provide a timeline for her if she did not commit this crime and she stated that she was not going to tell me where they ate at. I also collected the boots that she had on in the interview room, as they appeared to have blood on the side of the boots. I asked Kara where Paul was and she stated that she did not know but she would call him. Kara called his cell phone (7405477976) and Paul answered the phone. Kara told Paul that he needs to come over and speak with us. I then had her let me speak to Paul. I advised Paul that were needed to speak with him in reference to an incident involving Kara. Paul stated that he would be here in about 45 minutes. Paul never showed. Kara finally stated take me to jail she did not want to talk anymore. During the interview a brown colored jacket that Kara was wearing was impounded by Deputy Gibson. Inside of the jacket Deputy Gibson located a white receipt the family dollar in Greenup indicating that black hair die had been purchased there all 12-22-

2008. Also impounded was the boots that Kara had on. Kara had just taken a shower prior to this interview as her hair was wet and smelled of a fresh aroma from being recently showered.

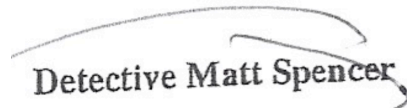
After receiving the information on the hotel I asked Det. Triggs, Blaine and Chief Miller if they could obtain a search warrant for the hotel for the clothes and weapons of Kara Garvin.

At Approx 9:00am on the 23rd I received a voice mail here at the Sheriff's Office from Det. Triggs. Det. Triggs stated that they had found subway bags in the room of Kara Garvin and Paul Balmer. Based with this information Det. Spencer and I went to Greenup, KY with Chief Deputy Russell (606-831-3264). We first went to the Family Dollar and clogs with Dawn the manager. I asked Dawn if her store sold the items listed in the receipt and she showed us two boxes of black hair color and stated, that those items were purchased from her store as according to the receipt. I later checked the cash register time with my office phone time to find the register right all time with my time no delays or differences. We then went to the subway store and spoke with a Jamie (606-473-5907) Jamie was going to search their videos to see if Garvin and Balmer had entered the store. We later received copies of the videos that showed both in the store with **Kara Garvin having black hair in the video.** At approx. 4:00pm on the 23rd Det. Spencer, Blaine and I went back to the scene to check for any cut wires outside of the residence and to walk the scene again. Outside of the trailer the phone lines had been cut recently and spliced back together, by tying them together. The line had new ends on them to indicate that they had been recently repaired.

**DETECTIVE MATT SPENCER**

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Case 08-5349

*On 12-22.2008, I was contacted at home by Chief Deputy Todd Miller, who advised me that there was a triple homicide at the home of Edward Mollett, located at 287 C Snook Road Franklin Furnace. Prior to my arrival at the crime scene, I was met by Captain David Hall and Sheriff Marty Donini at the home of James Damron, located at 287 B Snook Road Franklin Furnace. Captain Hall advised me that there were three victims, Edward Mollett, Juanita, Mollett and Christine Mollett who appeared to have been shot. Captain Hall also advised me that there was a witness to the crime, a six-year-old boy, Anthony Stapleton, who was at the trailer at the time of the shootings but was unharmed. I also spoke with Deputy Metzler who advised that Anthony had stated that a female had been the one that had shot his grandpa, mama and "sis" with a silver gun. While I was speaking with Deputy Metzler, BCI agent Shane Hanshaw, arrived and I gave him a brief on what I knew at the time. After speaking with Shane, I along with Captain Hall, Marty Donini, and Shane Hanshaw, went to the crime scene, where we were met by Deputies Antonaros and Gibson who was already had secured the scene. Upon entering the trailer I observed a male who was identified as Ed Mollett, lying on his back, in the, kitchen, with blood around his head. I was observed Juanita Mollett, lying on her side face down on the front room floor. I also observed, Christine Mollett, setting on the couch slumped over on her side. I also observed several small bluish colored pills on and around the area of Ed Mollett I along with Marty Donini and Captain Hall, cleared the scene after we had a possible location of Kara Garvin, who was person of interest, due to information that we had received that she had shot at Ed's cousin, Danny Mollett, a couple weeks earlier and had possibly been involved with robbing him. We had information from AT&T that Kara had used her phone in the area of Napoleon Lane, Franklin Furnace about hour before. Around this time I was advised that Anthony picked Kara Garvin out of a lineup that was given to him by Detective Paul Blain. We continued to*

*patrol the area but were not able to locate either person, until we received word that Kara had turned herself in at the Sheriff's Office with attorney Rick Nash. Detective Triggs interviewed, Kara with Rick Nash present but when he asked a question, Rick would advise Kara not to answer the question. After Detective Triggs interviewed, Kara she advised him that she would like to speak with Captain Hall. Captain asked Kara where she was tonight, she advise that she and Paul Balmer were at a Hotel in Greenup due to their cable being out Captain Hall, then asked Kara where they had eaten at that tonight, Kara replied; that she didn't remember. Acting on the information that we received from Kara, Detective Blaine and Chief Miller with the assistance of the Kentucky State Police did a search warrant at the Budge Inn, room #120, located at 50S U.S St Rt 23 Greenup KY., that was registered to Paul Balmer. Around this time Captain Hall advised me that he allowed Kara to call Paul. Kara advised Paul that we needed to speak with him and he replied that he would be here in about 35 to 45 minutes but he never arrived. We tracked Paul by "pinging" his cell phone, and found that he was traveling south U.S 95.*

*On 12.23.2208, Captain Hall and I went to Greenup KY., where with the assistances of the Chief Deputy Russell reviewed video from a Subway restaurant where it was believe that Kara and Paul had eaten. We also went to Family Dollar, located at 1629 Ashland Road, Greenup KY., and spoke with a clerk, Jamie, who was able to provide is with information regarding a black hair dye that Kara had purchased on 12.22.2008. Around 4:00.p.m. Detective Blaine, Captain Hall and I went back to 287C Snook Road and examined the outside of the trailer where it was reported that cable wire had been cut.*

*On 12.25-2008, I received a phone call from Captain Hall at my residence. Captain Hall advised me that he had spoken with Kerry Kelly who advised him that, while on his morning jog around 7:15 a.m. he came across a S.S.N card on the side of the road belonging to Juanita Mollett. Kerry took the S.S.N card home and spoke with his wife about it and found that the card belonging to a murder victim. I advised Captain Hall that I would send Deputy Craft to the Kelly home and have him speak with them. I contacted Deputy Craft and advised him of the update also advised him to make contact with Kerry and obtain a written from him. Later that day Deputy Craft contacted me at home and advised that Kerry had taken him to where the card was and that he searched the area and found a wallet near the 5-*



mile marker on St. Rt 522 on a bridge. Deputy Craft advised that he photographed the scene and would route the wallet into evidence. On 12.29.2008, I along with Detectives J. Koch, A. Giles, and D. Triggs, executed a search warrant at the residence of Paul Balmer and Kara Garvin, located at 3407 Back Road Franklin Furnace Ohio, 45629. While searching the residence I located two toboggans, one blue, and one brown. I also located a partially full box of .380 ammunition, a package of Maglite 6 cell D & C cell flashlight bulbs containing one bulb, along with two pill bottle, one labeled Paul Balmer other labeled Kara Garvin. On 12.30.2008, I had Grand Jury on this case. I also contacted Robert Applegate, Kara's soon to be, Ex-husband who advised that he is still the owner of the Rav 4, but Kara drove it because they still married and could not keep her from driving it. I then asked Robert if we, {the Sheriff's Office could. have permission to have to vehicle transported from Florida 10 Scioto County Sheriff's Office. Robert advised that would be fine and to do what we needed to do. On 12-31-2009, Detective Triggs obtained written consent from Robert Applegate that gave the Scioto County Sheriff's Office permission to have to vehicle transported to the Scioto County Sheriff's Office. On 1-2-2009, Detective Triggs and I meet up with Sergeant J Jett and Detective Eric Tisdale of the Clay County Sheriff's Office. was provided with a case file that contained recorded interview with Paul Balmer and Clay County Detectives along with a summary. Detectives Triggs and I then were taken to the impound lot that was secured by fencing and located at the Clay County sub station. I observed a metal building that was secured and had an evidence tag attached to the building to show if it had been tampered with. Prior to entering the building I photographed the building and the evidence tag. Once inside the building, I observed the Rav 4 had been secured with evidence tape on the doors to show that the vehicle had not been tampered with. After making sure that Ted's Towing had the vehicle loaded onto his roll back I along with other Detectives went to Middleburg Florida and met with Renier "Ray" Rodriguez and Amanda Moody who Paul was staying with. Detectives Triggs and Detective Jett interviewed Amanda Moody. while Detective Tisdale-and-1-interviewed Ray. Ray stated that on or about 12-24-2008, Paul called him on his cell phone and said that I'll be there in a couple of hours because Kara went crazy and killed three people Ray asked Paul who? Paul replied; I don't know. Paul then advised Ray that he would call him in a few hours. Paul called Ray back and they met at a restaurant.

Ray stated that they didn't talk about much because Paul was quite. They had something to eat and went back to his place. I again asked Ray if Paul talked about what had happened in Ohio. Ray replied; saying that Paul didn't talk a lot and that when he saw it on T.V Ray told him that he needed to leave. After interviewing Ray and Amanda we went to Ray's residence, located at 1853 Alberta Ct. Middleburg Florida to search the garage for items that Ray stated that Paul and Kara had left on an earlier trip.

On 1-2-2009, I along with Detective Triggs and Detective Tisdale arrived at the Clay County Sheriff's Jail to extradite Paul Balmer to the Scioto County - sheriffs Office. Prior to Clay County releasing Paul he was advised of his Miranda Rights that were read to him from Detective Tisdale of the Clay County Sheriff's Office. Around 34:03 in the audio recording Paul states that yeah she told me she always carries a damn gun. I had to make her leave it at home every time I turned around. Around 37:00 minutes in to audio Paul states that they were going to move to the other side of Jacksonville near the beach. Around 1:08 hours into the audio Paul states that they kept saying that the kid got shot, Detective Triggs replies; saying that Matt and I were talking there is more misinformation was release by the news. Paul then stated that they said there were Police uniforms and vest there wasn't any of that. I was supposed to pussy out and sent her in to due it or some shit like that I then stated to Paul that it was ruthless bud I m not going to lie. Paul replied' "you know she didn't even have any blood on her. Around 1: 20: 1 0 Paul states that I freaked out, I didn't know what happened but I knew it couldn't have been good. I responded by saying; no it wasn't good. Paul then stated that I tell you she had three guns are her. I asked Paul that night? Paul replied; yeah but I didn't know it until we got back to the motel. Around '1:20:36, I asked Paul if he knew were the guns gone to. Paul replied; yeah. I then asked if he would mind telling us. Paul replied; yeah and I know were the close are too. I asked Paul if we could get them back. Paul responded by saying, swing by Green Up on the way back and I'll show you were they are at. Around 1:24:16 in the recording I asked Paul, what part of Green-up do we need to stop at? Paul advised near the Motel. Detective Triggs asked there 'not in a dumpster are they Paul? Paul replied; No. Around 1:27:32 Paul refers to Adam Deerfield saying that he was making a bunch of stuff up about Police uniforms. Detective Triggs stated to Paul but you guys weren't even wearing Police Uniforms. Paul replied No, that's what I said. Around 1:28:00 Detective Triggs states to Paul, now

*you had a badge on you but it was her EMT badge. Around 1:29:44, Paul refers to going to Danny Mollett's house. Paul stated that he went up and knocked on the door and about took a bullet to the head. This was around: 9:30 - 10:00. I asked Paul where was Kara at? Paul replied; she was on the porch too right behind me the bullet actually hit her zipper on her camouflage coat then hit her in the shoulder.*

*Around 1:33:57, Paul states that she (Kara) opened up the door threw something in and stated that she forgot something and went back when she came back out I reached over and got what ever it was and now that I think about it was a wallet. I asked Paul do you know where that is. Paul advised that she threw it out somewhere. (Wallet was recovered by Deputy J. Craft on St Rt, 522) I'm not sure what it was but it's what it felt like. Around 1:49:30 Detective Triggs -asked Paul if the guns are where a little kid could find them. Paul replied; I don't think anyone could find it. Like I said I didn't even know she had any on her. Paul replied she had 3. I asked Paul what she had. Paul replied; two .38's, derringer, 38 snub nose and a .280. Detective Triggs stated 380. Paul replied; yeah 380. Detective Triggs asked Paul if one was the chrome one that was taken from Danny. Paul replied: probably. Detective Triggs asked where the Marlin with the scope went to. Paul replied; saying Porter Firearm. Around 1:54:45, Detective Triggs stated to Paul, about the Danny Mollett thing why did you guys decide to even try to do that Paul stated honestly, Xanax.*

*Around 1:58:18, Detective Triggs asked- Paul hen you guys went to Ed's what was supposed to go on, you there to rob them for pills or what. Paul replied to front some pills, I think. I asked Paul so she is the one who threw the wallet, Paul replied; yeah. Paul also stated the he drove up to Ed's. Detective Triggs; Oh so you just stayed in the car. Paul replied; yeah.*

*Around 3:20:10 into Detective Triggs states to Paul, I bet you about shit when those 22 came whizzing past your head. Paul responded by saying yup. Around Detective Triggs asked Paul, who sold the .22 Marlin to Porter's? Paul replied; me. Detective reiterated, you. Around 3:22: 40 Detective Triggs the Taurus is that the one she is good, with. Paul replied; saying yeah but she is good with all of 'em. Around 3:23: What close are at Green-up Paul this coat or vest thing. Paul replied; its just camouflage. Around 3:24:45 Detective Triggs asked Paul where they went to first when you got to Green-up. Paul replied; check in. Detective Triggs asked then where? Paul responded; Family Dollar, then back to the hotel, then subway.*

*Around 3:35:07 Paul stated to finish what happened at Danny's. Two days later I went back over there and he put a gun between my eyes. Paul said if you're so sure I did it pull the trigger. Danny told him no I m not going to do it Paul said he got in the car and left. I asked Paul what Kara had said when she hid guns; Paul stated not much because he is the one who hid them. Paul also staled that he done three of the pills that Kara got from Ed's house.*

*Around 7:45 a.m., Paul look us to the area of Seaton Avenue Kentucky, where he showed Detective Triggs and me where he had thrown the close over a hill into a wooded area. As I climbed down the embankment I observed a green camouflaje coat I photographed the coat and recovered as evidence. Around 7:48,.am. Paul took Detective Triggs to the area of 507 Seaton Avenue, which was identified by a mailbox, where Paul stated that the guns would be in a shirt. Detective Triggs located a purple shirt, which contained three firearms. One 38 Cobra ENT Derringer, 2 rounds in the chamber, a Davis IND. 380 auto with 5 rounds in the clip, and a Taurus 2" .38 Special revolver. Area was photographed and property was recovered as evidence.*

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**10/20/2009 09:19 SCIOTO CO INVESTIGATOR DETECTIVE BLAINE**

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Case No. 08-5349 On December 22,2008 at approximately 6:30pm I was dispatched to 287 Snook road, Franklin Furnace in reference to 11 triple shooting. I arrived approximately 7: 15 pm. I met Capt. Hall, Sheriff, Donini and Deputy Metzler at 287B Snook Road. He briefed me about the incident and stated the crime scene was at 287C Snook Road and a six-year-old boy witnessed the incident and was in 287B Snook Road. I assisted Deputy Metzler in getting information on the six-year-old boy and any witness in the home. We spoke with the child Anthony Stapleton. He stated that he was at his Grandpas and Grandmas home and he was sitting by his aunt Christina Mollett. He stated a skinny girl with Black hair approximately 5'04 to 5'06", 105 to 120 lbs, came into the home. He states she was wearing a black vest, which had guns and knives in them. He stated he saw a bandage on her neck. The shoes appeared to have some type of spikes on them and her Jeans were light in color. He states she had a silver color handgun and she started shooting everyone. He states after his aunt was shot, she pointed the gun at him and walked away. He stated she stopped at grandpa and picked up a pill bottle and poured them into something and she left ran out of the home. He said he grabbed his grandma's hand and shook her: to see if she was all right. He then ran out of the home through some woods to 287B Snook Road, and started screaming for help. He told James Damron what happened. I asked Anthony in showed him some photos if he could pick out the girl that shot his family and he said yes. I obtained Anthony's coat **and his gloves** that he was wearing when his aunt was shot. There was splattered blood from his aunt, on his coat. Anthony's mother was going to take him to the hospital to be evaluated because they believed he was going into shock.

We spoke with James Damron he stated that he saw a tan color Jeep type vehicle go up the to the Molletts he stated he went in to get a cigarette and went back outside to the porch and saw the same vehicle coming back down the driveway. He stated a dark hair female was driving and another subject was in the passenger seat and they looked like they were dunking down.

I left that residence and went to the scene and spoke with Capt. Hall. I advised him that Anthony could identify the suspect and I would go to the office to get a photo lineup and show Anthony at the hospital.

I went to S.O.M.C. and showed Anthony a lineup of six dark haired women, which included the suspect. Anthony was sitting on his mothers lap and he was looking at the pictures he was looking at the hair design, I asked him to come over to me a way from

his mother so he could concentrate on the photo and not the hair. He looked at the pictures for a short while and pointed to the suspect Kara Garvin. I asked him if he was sure and he said yes that was the one and she has been to grandpas before I asked him if he new how-to sign his name and he replied. I had Anthony write his name on the picture of the person he picked out. I went back to the office and called Capt. Hall to inform him of the discovery. While I was at the office we received information that Kara was in the front lobby and she was turning herself in. Capt. Hall was informed of this and was coming into the office. Kara had her attorney Rick Nash with her. Detective Triggs and Capt. Hall attempted to speak with her. Capt. Hall asked me to show the line up to Damron. I called Damron and advised him I was coming out, to show him a lineup and he said he couldn't identify the driver except she had long dark hair.

I was advised to do a gunshot residue on Kara. I walked into the interview room and Kara was present with her attorney. I told them I was going to do the gunshot residue test on her, I preformed the test and I asked if any weapons was fired that day so I can fill out the paperwork, and her attorney told her she could not answer that. I was then asked to photograph Kara. I went in and photographed her face and hair and hands. She stated she had dyed her hair around 4:00 am that morning.

I was later advised to assist Det Triggs and Chief Deputy Miller at the Budget Motel in Greenup, Ky. They was at the motel room Kara and Paul Balmer had rented and nobody was in the room. I notified Kentucky State Police to assist us in getting a search warrant for the room. We met with Kentucky State Police in front of Room 120. We informed them of the situation, they contacted the District Attorney and I met him at the courthouse to get a search warrant on the room, Det. Triggs and Chief Miller stayed at the motel to keep the area secure until we got the warrant signed. Once the warrant was signed Kentucky State Police obtained the key to the room and executed the warrant. The room was unoccupied but someone had taken a shower and there were wet towels and washcloths lying in the bathroom floor. There was some unknown substance on them. There were loose hair and pill bottles in the trash. There were cigarette butts in the ashtray and loose black hair around the sink. They bed appeared not to have been disturbed. I collected all the evidence and photographed the room. I swabbed the drain with sterile swabs to see if there was any blood. (See inventory list of property taken).

On December 23, 2008 approximately 3:00pm I went back to the scene with Larry Gray from the Prosecutor's office to canvas the area for the gun and to check to see if the phone lines and cable had been cut prior to the incident, because we obtained information that Danny Mollett (Eds brother) was robbed by Kara and Paul Balmer, and a shoot out ensued. We also obtained information that they attempted a robbery an Eds home also and they cut the phone lines and the cable, but Ed didn't come to the door, and unaware they was outside. These incidents occurred one to two weeks prior to the shooting. I checked the phone lines and it appeared they have been cut and spliced back together and the cable had new ends connecting them. I photographed them.

*I met with Capt. Hall at the scene and showed him what I had found. Capt. Hall also brought a Photo Lineup of six females, including Garvin. We showed the lineup to Damron and he immediately picked Garvin out and signed his name by the photo. We asked him if he had been watching television and saw her on the news and he said no.*

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INVESTIGATOR BADGE	7332	INITIALS :	DT
INVESTIGATOR NAME	Detective Denver Triggs		
DOCUMENT ATTACHMENT			

I Detective Triggs was called out on the evening of the 22nd of December 2008 to assist in a triple homicide that had taken place on 286 C Snook Rd. in Franklin Furnace. I arrived on scene and met with Capt. Dave Hall. He and myself entered the trailer home of Ed Mollett. I saw a male I identified as Ed Mollett lying on the kitchen floor with a large amount of blood under his head area. I also saw a female I identified as Juanita Mollett lying in a fetus position in the living room floor. I then seen a female I identified as Christina Mollett slumped over in a sitting position on a small couch with blood coming from her head area as well as a wound in her side. All subjects appeared to be deceased and were checked for signs of life by Green squad members. I was told that there was a six-year-old boy who had been a witness to the shooting and he was at the neighbors trailer down below our position. The neighbors name was Dameron. It was from that home that 911 had been called. Capt. Hall and myself went to the Dameron trailer and spoke to the child. His name was Anthony Stapleton. Ed and Juanita were his grand parents, and Christina his aunt. He stated to us that they were there in their home when a female followed his grandpa into the trailer and pulled out a gun and shot grandpa, then shot mamaw, and then shot sissy (Aunt Christina) and pointed the gun at him but turned and took pills off his grandpa. He advised that he kept still till she had left, and then ran to the neighbors. I ask if he knew the woman and he said I don't know her name but she has been at grandpas before. He described her as a dark haired female not big, wearing an army jacket with guns in the pockets of a shirt or vest. I ask him if he knew the kind of vehicle she was driving and he said it was a tan colored jeep type vehicle. I ask him if he seen anyone else and he said he didn't that she was the only one that came into the home, and the only one that did shooting. I was told by Tim Stapleton who arrived on scene that Kara Garvin and Paul Balmer have a vehicle that matches that description, and it was rumored that they had robbed Eds brother Danny Mollett a month earlier, and had a shoot out with him. I went down to Green High

School and met with Chief Deputy Todd Miller and he and myself went about trying to locate that vehicle which we found out was a 99 Chrome Colored Toyota Rav 4 that was registered to Robert Applegate. With no success in finding the vehicle we went to Kara Garvin's mothers home on Norwich Ave. in Franklin Furnace. We advised her we were looking for Kara to question her about the triple homicide. She gave us a print out of Karas cell phone calls up to date and gave us her cell phone number. We left and went to our office where we started tracking the cell phone and crunching the data we had gained thus far. I received a phone call at my desk at approx. 2330 HRS from Atty. Rick Nash, who identified himself and ask if I was looking for Kara Garvin, his cousin, and I told him we were. He advised me that he had her with him and they were in. our parking lot and she wanted to turn herself in. I went outside to meet them and I told her to show me her hands, and she did. I took the back of my hand and patted her down to make sure she was unarmed. I ask them to come into investigations and have a seat in the interview room. I took Atty. Nash to my office and explained the situation to him. We walked back into the interview room with Kara and I read her, her Miranda Rights. I then ask her if she would tell me her whereabouts for today and Atty. Nash advised her not to answer and told me he advised her not to say anything or answer any questions. I ended the questions and advised them I would let them know very shortly if we were going to officially charge her with the homicides, which we did moments later. She was searched and booked into the jail and formally charged based on the positive 10 from the eyewitness. Chief Miller and myself went to Greenup Kentucky to follow a lead that they (Balmer and Garvin) got a hotel room. We went to the Budget Inn and showed the clerk a picture of Balmer. The clerk checked and they had a check in slip dated for 12-22-2008. The clerk remembered checking them in a little after 7:00PM on 12-22-2008 and that they were in room 120. We went down to the room and there was no sign of anyone in the room, and no vehicle. Capt. Hall called me and said they got a hold of Balmer by phone and that he was supposed to come to the office for questioning, but had not shown up yet. He gave me his number so we could also trace that cell phone. We got with Kentucky State Police who helped us obtain a search warrant for the room 120. We assisted the KSP in searching the room and found several items of interest to include, pill bottles with Balmers name. Crazy Glue empty packet, a towel with what appeared to be hair dye on it, Subway Restaurant sandwich bag, Human Hair (Black and Blond). We collected the items and left to go back to our office, At a little after 100HRS I got a ping on Balmers phone from AT&T it showed the ping in South Carolina. The next ping that evening of the 23rd shows him in the Orange Park area of Florida as well as all other pings for that phone put him in the Middleburg Florida Area. On Sunday 28th Lt. Barnes and Lt. Abramowitz of the Clay County Sheriffs Office stayed online with me and I fed them GPS coordinates of that cell phone position and they were able to locate the vehicle at a residence in Middleburg. They surrounded the home and Balmer came out of the home and walked toward the Rav-4 and they took him down. They also made a drug arrest out of the home he was in. 12-31-2008 Detective Spencer and myself leave for Florida to extradite Balmer and the vehicle back to Scioto County. Once we arrived at Clay County we made contact with Lt. Abramowitz and Sgt. Jett and Detective Tisdale. They took us to the home in Middleburg, Florida where they found Balmer. We were



able to question Ray Rodriguez and Amanda Moody who Balmer had been staying with. They advised us that Balmer had come there on the 23rd of December and told them he needed a place to stay for a little while. He told them that his girlfriend Kara, who they know, had shot three people and they (Police) were looking for him to question them. He told them the same story he told me, that he never got out of the vehicle at Ed Molletts, that only she (Garvin) got out and went into the home, coming out moments later and going back in and coming back out for a total of two times. He stated that she had a wallet in her hands and some pill bottles. He stated they left and went to Kentucky and got the Hotel room. This was the same information that we already had from Paul himself. We then went to the detention facility and took possession of Balmer and Mirandized him and headed back to Scioto County. On the way back Paul started talking to us about the case and said he wanted to cooperate with us. He told us he was the one that hide the Murder Weapon, and other weapons she had on her. He also told us where he trough the camo coat and pants that she was wearing during the attack of the Mollett's.

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He stated that he did not know she was going to kill them, she was supposed to get Ed Mollett to front them some pills. He advised us that after she went through the wallet she had that she trougth it out the window of the vehicle some where on SR 522, which is consistent with where we found the wallet and IDs belonging to the victim. He stated that they went over Big Pete Rd. and across the Greenup Bridge to Kentucky and went and checked in the Budget Inn and then went to Subway, and then to Family Dollar and she bought Hair Dye and Crazy Glue. They went back to the room and ate their food and she took a shower and dyed her hair. She then spoke with her cousin Atty. Rick Nash by phone and he came to the hotel and picked her up to bring her in to talk to authorities. Paul was to wait at the hotel till he heard from her. He was suppose to get rid of any evidence. When we arrived back to our area he took Detective Spencer and myself to the areas where the Coat and weapons were1iTciden. Mr. Balmer also gave us his version of the robbery of Danny Mollett's home (Report # 08-5368) that took place on Nov. 26. 2008. He stated that him and Kara were taking Xanax Bars and came up with a plan to rob Danny Mollett. He stated that he went to Danny's the day before to case the house and see if Danny was holding any pills. He said they planned to go there the following night late and act like police swat and "Raid Mollett" He said they came there on the morning of the 26th and parked down the road from the driveway out of sight and came up the bank and cut the power to the home off and cut the phone lines. They then came up the ramp to the front door and they saw Danny Mollett standing in the window. They opened fire on Danny at the same time he fired on them. However this is not consistent with Molletts story that they saw him and that the short one (Garvin) opened fire on him and he ran and got his gun out of the bedroom. Molletts story is more consistent with the evidence and the shot placements along the side of the home following his retreat to his bedroom to get a weapon. Balmer states that Kara got grazed in the shoulder area and he and her ran for their vehicle and went back to their home at 3407 Back Rd. after dropping her off there to tend to her wound, Balmer had decided to go back to Molletts disguised as an officer using Kara's EMT Badge. He did so and came

back to Molletts and convinced Mollett to open the door for him. He pretended a little longer until he was able to get to Molletts firearms and unload them. He then held a pistol to Molletts head and made him and Barb Mollett get on the ground and ask them where the stash was and he ended up taking around \$70.00 Cash and two weapons a Marlin 22 Mag Rifle and a Davis .380 Chrome Auto Pistol. He then left and told Mollett he would spare their lives this time, but stay down till he was gone, or he would kill them. Balmer advised me that he gave the stolen pistol to Kara, and sold the Rifle to Porter Firearms, which has now been verified. The stolen Davis .380 was with the suspected murder weapon when they were recovered in Greenup, Kentucky by myself and Detective Spencer. We recovered a total of three weapons, a Taurus 2in 38 SPL (Blued), a Two Shot 38 SPL Cobra ENT Derringer (Black), and a Davis Industries .380 cal Auto Pistol (Chrome) all of which were wrapped up and in pockets of a Faded Glory purple button up shirt and found hidden under a pile of scape lumber and chicken wire by a mail box with the numbers 507 on Seaton Ave. The suspected jacket that Garvin was wearing during the homicides was found further down the road over a guard rail and down the embankment in some weeds. Balmer took us to both locations. All those items have been routed into evidence and will be sent to BCI&I for test. We booked Balmer into the Scioto County Jail.