

SUPPLEMENTAL INVESTIGATION REPORT

DEPARTMENT: SAYREVILLE
ORI NO.: 1219
CASE NO.: 05-21781
CRIME/INCIDENT: HOSPICE DEATH/SUSPICIOUS DEATH
VICTIM/COMPLAINANT:
LOCATION: [REDACTED]

NARRATIVE:

On 10-29-05, this officer was contacted while off duty by Sgt. Donnataria, who advised me that they needed a detective to respond to work in reference to a suspicious hospice death. He stated he had contacted Sgt. Szkodny and was given a list of detectives to contact, all with negative results, no one was available. He contacted Sgt. Szkodny again and Sgt. Szkodny advised him he was not available and to call Sgt. Sprague. Sgt. Donnataria advised me that it was a hospice death at [REDACTED] and they received a phone call from the brother of the deceased stating that [REDACTED] starved her and overdosed her on medication and he had assisted in her death through his negligence and his care [REDACTED]. This officer responded to Headquarters and at 2150 hours, I was briefed by Lt. Brennan, who provided me with the following information. He stated that the brother of the deceased, Bill Strouse, [REDACTED] contacted and spoke to him in reference to his sister, a Joy Sauder, who resided [REDACTED]. He stated that his sister had died this evening and he felt [REDACTED] had something to do with her death. Lt. Brennan stated that they contacted the Medical Examiner's Office and spoke with Giralda at 732-826-3535, which was the answering service. He stated their concern is that the deceased's body was taken to a crematory and was going to be cremated immediately on Sunday and they were concerned for the cause of death of his sister. This officer was given a