

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

State ex rel. DONALD CASTER	:	
	:	CASE NO. 2014-1621
Relator,	:	
	:	
vs.	:	
	:	ORIGINAL ACTION IN
CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO, et al.	:	MANDAMUS (Public Records)
	:	
Respondents	:	

AGREED STATEMENT OF FACTS

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Attorney for Respondents City of Columbus
and Chief Jacobs

The parties hereby stipulate to the following statements of fact:

1. Relator Donald Caster is an attorney licensed to practice in the state of Ohio and engaged by the Ohio Innocence Project, a program of the University of Cincinnati College of Law, located in Cincinnati, Ohio.
2. The mission of the Ohio Innocence Project, in which Relator participates, is to identify, investigate, and litigate cases in which individuals may have been wrongfully convicted of serious crimes.
3. Respondent Kimberley Jacobs is Chief of the City of Columbus Division of Police.
4. Respondent Jacobs is a “public official” within the meaning of Revised Code § 149.011(D) and a duly authorized agent of a “public office” within the meaning of Revised Code § 149.011(A).
5. Respondent City of Columbus, Ohio, is a municipal corporation and a political subdivision of the State of Ohio.
6. Respondent City of Columbus is a “public office” within the meaning of Revised Code § 149.011(A).
7. In 2007, Adam Saleh was convicted of the murder, kidnapping, and attempted rape of Julie Popovich and tampering with evidence.
8. Mr. Saleh received a sentence of 38 years to life in prison.
9. Mr. Saleh’s conviction was affirmed by the Tenth District Court of Appeals on March 31, 2009, and the Ohio Supreme Court refused to accept jurisdiction over the appeal on July 1, 2009.
10. No proceedings are currently pending regarding Mr. Saleh’s criminal conviction in any court, nor were any such proceedings pending between September 5, 2013, and the present.

11. The Ohio Innocence Project is engaged in an independent investigation into Mr. Saleh's conviction to determine whether he was wrongfully convicted.
12. Neither the Relator nor the Ohio Innocence Project represents Mr. Saleh or any member of Mr. Saleh's family as a client.
13. The Ohio Innocence Project will determine whether or not to enter into an attorney-client relationship with Mr. Saleh only after determining whether there is evidence, including evidence from public records, indicating that Mr. Saleh was wrongfully convicted.
14. On or about September 5, 2013, at the direction of the Relator, two law student fellows of the Ohio Innocence Project made a public records request to the Respondents for "a copy of any police records related to the arrest and subsequent investigation of Mr. Adam Saleh in [the murder case of Julie Popovich]," including "medical records, police reports, investigation notes, evidence reports, and any other materials compiled by the Columbus Division of Police."
15. A true and accurate copy of the September 5, 2013, public records request is attached as Exhibit 1 to these stipulations.
16. The Respondents sent a letter, dated September 9, 2013, responding to the September 5, 2013, public records request.
17. A true and accurate copy of the September 9, 2013, response letter is attached as Exhibit 2 to these stipulations.
18. The Respondents did not provide any records in response to the Relator's September 5, 2013, public records request.
19. On or about October 31, 2013, at the Relator's direction, the same two law student fellows re-issued their prior public records request to Respondents.

20. A true and accurate copy of the October 31, 2013, public records request is attached as Exhibit 3 to these stipulations.
21. The Respondents sent a letter, dated October 31, 2013, responding to the October 31, 2013, public records request.
22. A true and accurate copy of the October 31, 2013, response letter is attached as Exhibit 2 to these stipulations.
23. The Respondents did not provide any records in response to Relator's October 31, 2013, public records request.
24. On or about November 20, 2013, Relator Caster personally submitted a request for the same records to the Respondents by certified mail.
25. A true and accurate copy of the November 20, 2013, public records request is attached as Exhibit 5 to these stipulations.
26. The Respondents did not respond to the Relator's November 20, 2013, public records request.
27. The Relator filed this original mandamus action in the Supreme Court of Ohio on September 19, 2014.
28. On October 21, 2014, thirty-two (32) days after the commencement of this action, the Respondents provided some of the records requested by the Relator related to Mr. Saleh's case, consisting of the missing person investigatory forms that initiated the criminal investigation, the Franklin County Coroner's report (with Social Security number redacted), newspaper articles, a press release, and subpoenas.
29. A true and accurate copy of the records provided by the Respondents to the Relator on October 21, 2014, is attached as Exhibit 6 to these stipulations.

30. As of this date, the Respondents have withheld the remaining records requested by the Relator, including police reports, evidence reports, investigation notes, and other materials compiled by the Columbus Division of Police related to the arrest and investigation of Mr. Saleh.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 8th day of June 2015, a copy of the foregoing Agreed Statement of Facts was served by regular U.S. Mail upon:

Paula J. Lloyd, Assistant City Attorney, Office of Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr., City Attorney, 77 N. Front Street, Columbus, OH 43215, Attorneys for Respondents.

/s/Frederick M. Gittes
Frederick M. Gittes (0031444)

Ohio Innocence Project
University of Cincinnati College of Law
P.O. Box 210040
Clifton Ave. at Calhoun Street
Cincinnati, OH 45221-0040
Main Phone: (513) 556-0752
Inmate Phone: (513) 861-2946
Fax: (513) 556-0702

**OHIO INNOCENCE
PROJECT**

Fax

To: Columbus Police Dept **From:** Ohio Innocence Project
Fax: 614-645-0903 **Pages:** 3 (including cover)
Phone: 614-645-4925 **Date:** September 5, 2013
Re: Public Records Request **cc:** _____

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THE OHIO INNOCENCE PROJECT

University of Cincinnati College of Law

P.O. Box 210040

Cincinnati, OH 45221-0040

Columbus Division of Police
Attn: Public Records Dept.
120 Marconi Boulevard
Columbus, Ohio 43215

September 5, 2013

Re: State v. Adam Saleh, Case No. 05- CR 8796 (Defendant's DOB 12/09/1986), Offense Date: August, 2005, Victim: Julie Popovich

To Whom It May Concern:

As per Ohio Public Records Law (R.C. 149.43) and Senate Bill 77 (O.R.C. 2933.82), the Ohio Innocence Project requests a copy of any police records related to the arrest and subsequent investigation of Mr. Adam Saleh in the aforementioned case. The related crimes occurred in August 2005. The Ohio Innocence Project would like to inspect medical records, police reports, investigation notes, evidence reports, and any other materials compiled by the Columbus Division of Police.

If the evidence is still in your possession, we would like to place a preservation request for all of that evidence pursuant to the aforementioned O.R.C. Section 2933.82 of Senate Bill 77, which provides information on Ohio's new policy on the retention of biological evidence. (Specifically, O.R.C. Section 2933.82 (B)(1)(b) requires that any biological evidence must be retained for a period of thirty years.) If the evidence was at one time in your possession and has since been destroyed or transferred, please provide a date of destruction/transfer along with an explanation.

At your earliest convenience, please call or forward to our office by mail or fax, whichever is most convenient to you, your response to our request. In your response, please let us know the costs associated with producing the requested documents so that we may enclose that amount to you as soon as possible.

If you have any questions regarding this request, we can be reached at (513) 556-0752. Our fax number is (513) 556-0702. Please address any correspondence to our attention at the Ohio Innocence Project. Thank you again for your cooperation in this matter.

Thank you again for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Courtney DiVincenzo & Rachel Hensley

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Public Records Request

Columbus Division of Police

Public Services Office-2nd Floor

120 Marconi Boulevard, Columbus, OH 43215

Phone (614) 645-4925 FAX 645-0903 Mon-Fri 9 AM-4 PM-Closed Holidays

Do Not Use This Form to Request Incident Reports or Accident Reports		For Internal Use Only	
Please read the information and instructions before completing the request form.		Public Records # _____	Officer Assigned _____
Note: You are not required to complete this form to make a public records request or to list your name or address etc. (O.R.C. 149.43 (B)(5)). However, completing the form will help in contacting you if there is a question about your request, and to let you know when your request is finished.			
1. Name of person making request: <i>Courtney Divincenzo - The Ohio Innocence Project</i>		2. Date: <i>09-05-13</i>	
3. Address: <i>V.C. College of Law P.O. Box 210040 Cincinnati OH 45221</i>		City	State Zip
E Mail: <i>Courtney.divincenzo@gmail.com</i>			
4. Contact Phone Number: <i>513-556-0752</i>		Alternate Phone Number:	
5. Type of Record: <input type="checkbox"/> 911 Tape <input type="checkbox"/> Print out Radio Run Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Medical Records, police reports, investigation notes, evidence reports, etc.</i> <small>(Specifically identify the Record(s) you are requesting)</small>			
6. Date and Time of Occurrence: <i>August, 2005</i>		7. Location of Occurrence: <i>Franklin County - Ledo's Bar</i>	
If known, please provide information in blocks 8-14			
8. Accident Report #		9. Incident #	
10. Investigative Unit Case Folder #		11. Investigative Detective/Unit: <i>M. McCann</i>	
12. Suspect Name:		13. Victim Name: <i>Julie Popovich</i>	
14. Additional Information: <i>Case No. 05-CR-8796</i>			
Public Record Fees			
Photocopies: \$0.05 each	Audio Tape/CD/DVD: \$1.00 each	Video Tapes: \$2.00 each	
Floppy Disk: \$2.00 each	ID Computer Color Photo: \$.25 each	Photographs: \$.50 to \$2.00	
Prices subject to change without notice. Fees are payable by cash, money order, or certified check made payable to City of Columbus Treasurer-Police Personal checks not accepted.			
Do not include payment with this form. You will be notified when the request is completed and advised of the cost at that time.			

TRANSACTION REPORT

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THE CITY OF
COLUMBUS

MICHAEL B. COLEMAN, MAYOR

DIVISION OF POLICE
KIM JACOBS
CHIEF OF POLICE



September 9, 2013

The Ohio Innocence Project
Courtney DiVincenzo & Rachel Hensley
University of Cincinnati - College of Law
P.O. Box 210040
Cincinnati OH 45221

Courtney DiVincenzo & Rachel Hensley:
Re: Adam Saleh Case NO. 05-CR8796

This letter is in response to your request for records. Your letter received September 5, 2013 has been forwarded to our offices, for review and assigned public record request # 13-2211.

Section 149.43 (1)(h) of the Ohio Revised Code, which states:

CLEIRS Exception: A Public Office may withhold any records that pertain to a Law Enforcement matter of a criminal, quasi-criminal, civil, or administrative nature and that, if released, would create a high probability of disclosing any of the following types of information: 1.) Identity of an uncharged suspect, 2.) Identity of a confidential source, 3.) Investigatory techniques or procedures, 4.) Investigatory work product or 5.) Information that would endanger the life or physical safety of Law Enforcement personnel, a crime victim, a witness, or a confidential information source. Ohio St. 3d 54 State ex rel. Steckman v. Jackson, 70 Ohio St. 3d 420

In accordance with this section, the Columbus Division of Police, in co-operation with the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office, will supply copies of records from this case, upon completion of the criminal case. Please contact Franklin County Prosecutor Kim Bond at (614) 525-6639 if you have further questions. Your current request for public record(s) has been closed and cleared in our files. Please feel free to re-file your request after the criminal investigation and all appeals have been exhausted.

Officer Donna Welch #1179
Columbus Division of Police
Public Records Unit
614-645-4896

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*Public Records #13-2716
OFFICER ASSIGNED: CUNNINGHAM*

THE OHIO INNOCENCE PROJECT

University of Cincinnati College of Law
P.O. Box 210040
Cincinnati, OH 45221-0040

*Resp's Answer
Exhib. A*

Columbus Division of Police
Attn: Public Records Dept.
120 Marconi Boulevard
Columbus, Ohio 43215

October 31, 2013

Re: State v. Adam Saleh, Case No. 05-CR-006183 (Defendant's DOB 12/09/1986), Offense
Date: May 5th, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

As per Ohio Public Records Law (R.C. 149.43) and Senate Bill 77 (O.R.C. 2933.82), the Ohio Innocence Project requests a copy of any police records related to the arrest and subsequent investigation of Mr. Adam Saleh in the aforementioned case. The related crimes occurred in May of 2005. The Ohio Innocence Project would like to inspect medical records, police reports, investigation notes, evidence reports, and any other materials compiled by the Columbus Division of Police.

If the evidence is still in your possession, we would like to place a preservation request for all of that evidence pursuant to the aforementioned O.R.C. Section 2933.82 of Senate Bill 77, which provides information on Ohio's new policy on the retention of biological evidence. (Specifically, O.R.C. Section 2933.82 (B)(1)(b) requires that any biological evidence must be retained for a period of thirty years.) If the evidence was at one time in your possession and has since been destroyed or transferred, please provide a date of destruction/transfer along with an explanation.

At your earliest convenience, please call or forward to our office by mail or fax, whichever is most convenient to you, your response to our request. In your response, please let us know the costs associated with producing the requested documents so that we may enclose that amount to you as soon as possible.

If you have any questions regarding this request, we can be reached at (513) 556-0752. Our fax number is (513) 556-0702. Please address any correspondence to our attention at the Ohio Innocence Project. Thank you again for your cooperation in this matter.

Thank you again for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Courtney DiVincenzo & Rachel Hensley

2013 OCT 31 AM 11:07

COLUMBUS POLICE
PUBLIC RECORDS UNIT

Ohio Innocence Project & the Rosenthal Institute for Justice
Main Phone: (513) 556-0752 | Inmate Phone: (513) 861-2946 | Fax Number: (513) 556-0702



THE CITY OF
COLUMBUS
MICHAEL B. COLEMAN, MAYOR

DIVISION OF POLICE
KIM JACOBS
CHIEF OF POLICE

October 31, 2013

The Ohio Innocence Project
Ms. Courtney DiVincenzor/ Ms. Rachel Hensley
University of Cincinnati - College of Law
P.O. Box 210040
Cincinnati OH 45221-0040

Ms. DiVincenzo/Hensley,

This letter is in response to your request for records. Your letter received October 31, 2013 has been forwarded to our offices, for review and assigned public record request # 13-2716.

Section 149.43 (1)(h) of the Ohio Revised Code, which states:

CLEIRS Exception: A Public Office may withhold any records that pertain to a Law Enforcement matter of a criminal, quasi-criminal, civil, or administrative nature and that, if released, would create a high probability of disclosing any of the following types of information: 1.) Identity of an uncharged suspect, 2.) Identity of a confidential source, 3.) Investigatory techniques or procedures, 4.) Investigatory work product or 5.) Information that would endanger the life or physical safety of Law Enforcement personnel, a crime victim, a witness, or a confidential information source. Ohio St. 3d 54 State ex rel. Steckman v. Jackson, 70 Ohio St. 3d 420

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Cordially,

Officer J. J. Cunningham # 881
Public Record Unit (614) 645-4875

JJ/jac

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THE OHIO INNOCENCE PROJECT

University of Cincinnati College of Law

P.O. Box 210040

Cincinnati, OH 45221-0040

November 20, 2013

Officer Donna Welch
Columbus Police Department
120 Marconi Boulevard
Columbus, OH 43215
VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

RE: Public Records Act Request Regarding Murder of Julie Popovich

Dear Ms. Welch:

On September 5, 2013, two Ohio Innocence Project fellows, acting on my direction, sent the Columbus Police Department a Public Records Act request seeking all public records pertaining to the August 2005 murder of Julie Popovich, for which Adam Saleh was convicted. On September 9, 2013, you responded with a blanket denial, citing R.C. 149.43(A)(1)(h). While you provided the definition of a confidential law enforcement investigatory record, you offered no insight into which of the four categories of such records the materials I requested fall. You advised me to renew my request "upon completion of the criminal case."

According to the docket of the Ohio Supreme Court, Mr. Saleh's direct appeal was resolved on July 1, 2009, when that court declined to hear his appeal. I am unaware of any pending collateral attacks on Mr. Saleh's conviction in either state or federal court. Thus, it would seem that the federal case has been concluded. Further, it is my understanding that Mr. Saleh was prosecuted as the sole perpetrator of the murder of Ms. Popovich, so there is no pending investigation or proceedings against other suspects.

Therefore, I am renewing my request for all public records pertaining to the murder of Julie Popovich. If there is a cost associated with copying these documents, please let me know and I will arrange for prompt payment. If you again deny my request, please provide the specific reason for doing so, as is required under R.C. 149.43(B)(3).

I look forward to your prompt response to my request.

Sincerely,



Donald R. Caster
Staff Attorney/ Assistant Academic Director
donaldraster@gmail.com

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Columbus Division Of Police Preliminary Investigation

Columbus Division Of Police
120 Marconi Blvd
Columbus, OH 43215
614 645-4545

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Case No. 050718775
Report No. 050718775.1
Report Date: 8/13/2005 1:59:30 PM

Subject: 715 - Missing Person

Case Report Status	A - Approved	Date Entered	8/13/2005 1:59:45 PM	Reporting Officer	1992062 - Huhn , Jeffrey
Report Type	C - Preliminary Investigation	Entered By	1992062 - Huhn , Jeffrey		
Occurred On (and Between)	8/11/2005 10:30:00 PM	Date Verified			
Location	7320 Bentley Station Pl	Verified By		Assisted By	
Zip Code	43068	Date Approved	8/13/2005 2:18:04 PM		
Geo Code		Approved By	1992062 - Huhn , Jeffrey		
Zone	2 - Zone 2	Connecting Cases			
Call Source	Dispatch	Disposition	Active		
District	144 - 144 District	Clearance Reason			
Vehicle Activity		Date of Clearance			
Vehicle Traveling		Reporting Agency	Columbus Division Of Police		
Cross Street		Division	Columbus Police		
Jurisdiction	01 - Columbus, OH	Map	2 - Zone 2		
Means		Incident Number			
Other Means		Property Process			
Motive		Basic Called In			
Other Motives		Reporting Officer Assignment	144a		
Threat Group		Detective Name			
Latent Process	10 - Not Applicable	Unit Case File #			
Location Of Dispatched Run	7320 Bentley Station Pl	LEADS ID Number			
Tech Number					
Detective Notified					
Teletype #					
NIC #					

Report Narrative: rp states he last saw his girlfriend at their shared apartment as she was getting ready to go out with her friends. rp states he spoke with missings friends and they stated they saw her get into a car with someone who they thought was rp. rp states he was working. rp states he has tried numerous times to call missing on her cell phone but it just rings to voice mail. according to rp no one has seen or heard from missing since thursday evening.

Offense Detail: 7017 - Missing Person

Offense Description	7017 - Missing Person	No. Prem. Entered	
IBR Code		Entry Method	
IBR Group		Method of Entry For Motor Vehicle Theft	
Crime Against		Method of Entry For Burglary/B&E	
ORC Code		Method of Entry For Burglary/B&E	
Offense Completed?	Yes	Direction of Entry	
Larceny Type		Secondary Location	
Primary Location	01 - Single Family Home	Force Level	
Hate/Bias	N - No Bias/Not Applicable		
Domestic Violence	No		
Method of Operation			
Using			
Criminal Activity			
Weapons/Force			
Type Security			
Tools Used		Arrested By	
Type Of Abuse			
Warrant Filed By			
Offense Notes			

Entry/Exit	Location	Type	Entry/Exit
D	7017: Popovich, Julie Ann		
Victim Code	V1	Victim Of	
Victim Type			
Name	Popovich, Julie Ann	DOB	Place of Birth

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Columbus, OH 43215
614 645-4545

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Case No. 050718775
Report No. 050718775.1
Report Date: 8/13/2005 1:59:30 PM

AKA	Age 20	SSN
Alert(s)	Sex F - Female	DLN
	Race W - White	DLN State
Address 7320 Bentley Sta Pla	Ethnicity N - Not of Hispanic Origin	DLN Country
CSZ Reynoldsburg, OH 43068	Ht. 5' 11"	Occupation/Grade
	Wt. 120	Employer/School
Home Phone 786 253-4773	Eye Color	Res. County
Work Phone	Hair Color	Res. Country
E-mail	Facial Hair	Resident Status 1 - Resident
Attire 01 - Neatly Dressed	Complexion	Testify
Injury		Will Prosecute
Circumstances		

Law Enforcement Officer Killed or Assaulted Information	Type Assignment Activity	Justifiable Homicide Circumstances
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Victim Taken To Treated/Pronounced By Ordered in Date/Time
Victim Relationship to Suspect
Person related by blood or marriage with offender
Victim Currently live with the offender

Transported By Ordered In Can ID
Has lived as spouse within one year of alleged incident
The other 'Natural' parent of the offender's child
Has victim resided with the offender in the past

Injury Severity
Injury Location
Victim called police
Reporting Officer Assignment
Was suspect at the scene when officer arrived Jurisdiction
Had the suspect been drinking or using drugs If yes, Location
Were children present at the scene?

Children Present Age Sex Interviewed
Is victim a Juvenile?
Primary Aggressor
Has FCCS been notified?
Order to Prosecutor Office

Victim Offender Relationships	Offender Relationship
Victim Notes	

Other Entity: 01 -- Rogers, Tannar.

Entity Code 01	DOB	Place of Birth
Entity Type 01 - Complainant	Age	SSN
Name Rogers, Tannar	Sex	DLN
AKA	Race	DLN State
Alert(s)	Ethnicity	DLN Country
Address 7320 Bentley Station Pl	Ht.	Occupation/Grade
CSZ Reynoldsburg, OH 43068	Wt.	Employer/School
Can ID	Eye Color	Res. County
Home Phone 330 495-1897	Hair Color	Res. Country
Work Phone		

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Columbus Division Of Police
120 Marconi Blvd
Columbus, OH 43215
614 645-4545

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E-mail	Facial Hair	Resident Status
Allire	Complexion	
Entity Notes		

Columbus Division Of Police Follow-Up Report

Columbus Division Of Police
120 Marconi Blvd
Columbus, OH 43215
614 645-4545

1

Case No. 050718775
Report No. 050718775.4
Report Date: 8/16/2005 11:42:29 AM

Subject: 715 - Missing Person

Case Report Status	I - In Process	Date Entered	8/16/2005 11:42:29 AM	Reporting Officer	
Report Type	O - Follow-Up Report	Entered By	1989103 - Thompson , Rick	Reporting Officer	1992062 - Huhn , Jeffrey
Occurred On (and Between)	8/11/2005 10:30:00 PM	Date Verified		Assisted By	
Location	7320 Bentley Station Pl	Verified By			
Zip Code	43068	Date Approved			
Geo Code		Approved By			
Zone	2 - Zone 2	Connecting Cases			
Call Source	Dispatch	Disposition	Inactive		
District	144 - 144 District	Clearance Reason			
Vehicle Activity		Date of Clearance			
Vehicle Traveling		Reporting Agency	Columbus Division Of Police		
Cross Street		Division	Columbus Police		
Jurisdiction	01 - Columbus, OH	Map	2 - Zone 2		
Means		Incident Number			
Other Means		Property Process			
Motive		Basic Called In			
Other Motives		Reporting Officer			
Threat Group		Assignment			
Latent Process		Detective Name			
Location Of		Unit Case File #			
Dispatched Run		LEADS ID Number			
Tech Number					
Detective Notified					
Teletype #					
NIC #					

Report Narrative

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IBR Group		Method of Entry For Motor Vehicle Theft	
Crime Against		Method of Entry For Burglary/B&E	
ORC Code		Method of Entry For Burglary/B&E	
Offense Completed?	Yes	Direction of Entry	
Larceny Type		Secondary Location	
Primary Location	01 - Single Family Home	Force Level	
Hate/Bias	N - No Bias/Not Applicable		
Domestic Violence	No		
Method of Operation			
Using			
Criminal Activity			
Weapons/Force			
Type Security			
Tools Used			
Type Of Abuse		Arrested By	
Warrant Filed By			
Offense Notes			

Investigative Information:02 - Progress Information

Type Of Information	02 - Progress Information	Personnel	1989103 - Thompson , Rick
Date/Time	8/16/2005 12:04:14 PM		

Narrative THE FATHER OF MP IS PLACING FLYERS IN THE CAMPUS AREA WITH A 5000.00 REWARD. HE ALSO SAID THAT MP'S AUNT TOOK STATEMENTS FROM CO-WORKERS WHO WERE WITH MP THE NIGHT SHE DISAPPEARED. HER NAME IS LISA POPOVICH # 854-3281 AND CELL # 975-9419. I RECEIVED THE STATEMENTS AND IN ADDITION MP WAS PLACED ON THE CRIME STOPPERS MISSING ADULT WEB SITE. I ALSO RECEIVED A CALL FROM CRIME STOPPERS ASKING TO BROADCAST THE MISSING ON THE LOCAL NEWS STATIONS.

Columbus Division Of Police Follow-Up Report

Columbus Division Of Police
120 Marconi Blvd
Columbus, OH 43215
614 645-4545

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Case No. 050718775
Report No. 050718775.4
Report Date: 8/16/2005 11:42:29 AM

Investigative Information:02 - Progress Information

Type Of Information 02 - Progress Information
Date/Time 8/17/2005 12:29:52 PM

Personnel 1989103 - Thompson , Rick

Narrative I SPOKE TO PEGGY WHITE , SHE SAID THAT SHE DOESN'T WANT PENNY MOORE OF 10TV TO DO A STORY ON MP. PEGGY SAID THAT A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR HAS BEEN HIRED AND THAT SHE IS TALKING WITH HIM NOW AT HER HOME.

Investigative Information:02 - Progress Information

Type Of Information 02 - Progress Information
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FRANKLIN COUNTY OHIO

Office Of
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520 King Avenue
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Coroner

Coroner's Report: Finding of Facts and Verdict

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Case No: **05-2844**

DECEASED'S IDENTIFICATION

Last Name First Middle			Date of Death		Time of Death	
Popovich, Julie Anne			09-01-2005		15:15	
Call Taken By		Person Reporting Death		Title		Pronounced By/Competent Observer
Jim Schultz		James Stanforth, FCCO				Dr. Jan Gorniak
Facility or Address of Death				Phone at Scene		Place of Death
4940 Smothers Road, Columbus, OH						Outdoors
Decedent's Address (Number and Street)					County of Death	
7320 Bentley Station Place					Franklin	
City		County of Residence			State	Zip Code
Reynoldsburg		Franklin			OH	43068
Race	Sex	Age	Date of Birth		Social Security Number	
Caucasian	Female	20	05-22-1985		[REDACTED]	

CAUSE AND MANNER OF DEATH

Immediate Cause		Time Interval
Undetermined.		
As Consequence Of:		Time Interval
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Other Significant Conditions		Autopsy?
		Yes
Manner of Death	Name, Title and License Number of Person Who Completed Cause of Death	
Homicide	Jan M. Gorniak, D.O., 34 008236	
Address of Certifier		
520 King Avenue, Columbus, OH 43201		

Decedent Popovich, Julie Anne	Case Number 05-2844	Page 2
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PATHOLOGY

Date Body Viewed 09-02-2005	Time Body Viewed 16:15	Tattoos/Scars	Teeth Natural	Eye Undet.	
Body Heat Not Ascertained	LIVOR Not Ascertained		RIGOR Not Ascertained		
Pathologist's Notes See Autopsy Report.		Hair Color Brown	Height	Weight	Body Appearance

INVESTIGATION

Investigating Agency Columbus Homicide	Phone (614) 645-4730	Date of Injury	Time of Injury
Injury Location (Address, City, State, Zip) 4940 Smothers Road, Columbus, OH			Injury at Work? No
How Injury Occurred Victim allegedly killed by another person.			Place of Injury Outdoors
Next of Kin Victor Allen Popovich	Phone	Relationship Father	
Next of Kin Address 715 Tricolor Drive, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068			
Funeral Home Dwayne Spence Funeral Home	Phone (614) 837-7126	Funeral Home Representative George Skinner	
Funeral Home Address 550 Hill Road South, Pickerington, OH 43147			

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set by hand and affixed my seal at Columbus, Ohio
This 4th day of 11/04/2005


Bradley J. Lewis, M.D.
Coroner



FRANKLIN COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE
BRADLEY J. LEWIS, M.D.
Columbus, Ohio

Autopsy: 05-2844

Name: Julie Anne Popovich, female, age 20 years

Date of Death (Pronounced): 1 September 2005 @ 1515 hours

Date of Autopsy: 2 September 2005 @ 1615 hours

Autopsy performed by: Jan M. Gorniak, D.O., Forensic Pathologist
Franklin County, Columbus, Ohio

Autopsy performed for: Bradley J. Lewis, M.D., Coroner
Franklin County, Columbus, Ohio

Anatomic Diagnoses

- 1) Skeletonized female body with:
 - a) absence of wing of hyoid bone
 - b) absence of left and right 12th ribs
 - c) absence of upper right 3rd molar, the upper right lateral incisor, lower right central incisor

Cause of Death: Undetermined

GROSS ANTOMIC DESCRIPTION

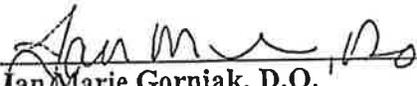
EXTERNAL EXAMINATION: The body is that of a partially skeletonized body, which was later positively identified as a white female, 20 years of age. Pink discoloration of some of the bones is noted, consistent with decomposition. Examination of the skeletonized cranium reveals an intact cranium without fractures. The styloid process is broken. The upper right 3rd molar, the upper right lateral incisor, and lower right central incisor are not recovered. The body and one wing of the hyoid bone were recovered. These sections were not fused. The vertebrae are exposed and are intact with minimal soft and connective tissue. Brown leathery skin is present in the region of the pelvis. The right and left 12th ribs are not recovered. The upper extremities are completely skeletonized with minimal dry skin and connective tissue. The lower

extremities are mummified from the pelvis to the feet. Acrylic finger nails are noted. The nail of the right index finger and left thumb are not attached. The acrylic nail of the right thumb is noted to be chipped.

EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL EVIDENCE OF RECENT INJURY:

There is no identifiable blunt force or penetrating injuries of the skeleton examined. Cut and/or tool marks are not identified. There is no evidence of animal activity. Insect activity is noted.

INTERNAL EXAMINATION: Internal organs, including the brain, are not present.



Jan Marie Gorniak, D.O.
Forensic Pathologist
Deputy Coroner

FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY DIVISION



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EXAMINATION REPORT

NAME: Popovich, Julie Anne 05-2844

DATE COMPLETED: September 30, 2005

A Comprehensive Analysis Has Been Performed.

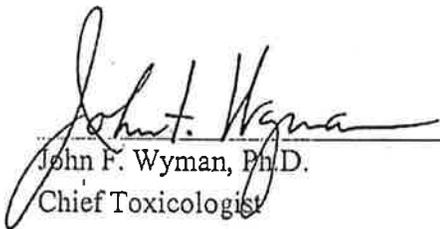
The Following Agents Were Detected:

SOFT TISSUE:

Gamma-Hydroxybutyrate (GHB)	Not Detected
Opiates	Not Detected
Benzodiazepines	Not Detected

No Other Agents Were Detected.

NOTE: A GC/Mass spectrometric analysis of tissue revealed no drugs or exogenous chemicals.



 John F. Wyman, Ph.D.
 Chief Toxicologist

IN FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO

v.

OS CR-00-100174

JUDGE HOLBROOK

IN RE INVESTIGATION OF
Adam Muneer Saleh

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Based upon specific facts articulated to the Court, the Court finds that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the records and/or information sought is or are relevant and material to an ongoing investigation of A missing person one Julie Ann Popovich.

It is accordingly ordered and adjudged that the Carrier shall produce to Detective James M. O'Brien the records and/or information described above, in lieu of appearing before the Court on 12th day of September 2005 @ 9:00 AM in courtroom 9A

of the Franklin County Common Pleas Court.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

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THE STATE OF OHIO FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO Judge, Franklin County Common Pleas Court Court Order 1 Sept 05	
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COURT ORDER stamp with signature of Judge and date 9/12/05

Judge, Franklin County Common Pleas Court

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FRANKLIN COUNTY
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State of Ohio/County of Franklin/City of Columbus/ vs. (786) 253-4773

Case #
To: T-MOBILE WIRELESS - LEGAL DEPARTMENT
12920 S.E. 38th ST.
BELLVIEW WASHINGTON, 98006

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SUBPOENA

This subpoena is an official notice that the above named person must appear in Court to testify as a witness:

DATE - 8-19-05 TIME - 340 P.M.

JUDGE - DUTY

COURTROOM - 108 Located on the 10th floor, of 375 South High Street

Witness my hand and seal of this court on:
Service Requested: Residence Service
 Personal Service Ordinary Mail Certified Mail

Duces Tecum: UPON MOTION AND FOR GOOD CAUSE
SHOWING, IT IS ORDERED THAT T-MOBILE PROVIDE
PHONE RECORDS FOR # (786) 253-4773 FOR
DATES 8-10-05 thru 8-18-05 AND CELLULAR
TOWER / SITE INFORMATION FOR SAME
TIME PERIOD

Issue Date

MICHAEL A. PIRIK
Paul M. Herbert, Clerk

Franklin County Municipal Court

Paul M. Herbert

Judge SALERNO

Failure to appear at the time and place indicated may result in a contempt of court citation. Bring this subpoena with you to the courtroom and present it to the bailiff. Direct any questions to the person requesting you to appear.

The person requesting this subpoena is DET. JOHN GALL 1622 Telephone (614) 645-4670

To the Witness:

Mileage ()

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By _____
(Court Personnel)

Case No. 2014-1621
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Witness Copy (White)

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State of Ohio/County of Franklin/City of Columbus/ _____ vs. (281) 748-1614

Case # 050718775

To: T-MOBILE WIRELESS - LEGAL DEPARTMENT
12920 S.E. 38TH ST
BELLEVUE WA 98006
ATTN: KIMBERLY

SUBPOENA

This subpoena is an official notice that the above named person must appear in Court to testify as a witness:

DATE - 8-29-05 TIME - 1:15 P.M.

JUDGE - DORRIAN

COURTROOM - 14A Located on the 14TH floor, of 375 South High Street

Service Requested: Residence Service
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 Paul M. Herbert, Clerk
 Franklin County Municipal Court

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SHOWN, IT IS ORDERED THAT T-MOBILE PROVIDE PHONE RECORDS FOR # (281) 748-1614 FOR DATES 8-11-05 TO 8-12-05 10⁰⁰ PM TO 10⁰⁰ AM AND 8-25-05 7⁰⁰ PM TO 12⁰⁰ AM AND CELLULAR TOWER / SITE INFORMATION FOR SAME TIME PERIOD

J. L. Jovan
 JUDGE, FC MUNICIPAL COURT

Failure to appear at the time and place indicated may result in a contempt of court citation. Bring this subpoena with you to the courtroom and present it to the bailiff. Direct any questions to the person requesting you to appear.

The person requesting this subpoena is DET ANDYNE BUCK #1161 Telephone: (614) 645-4730

To the Witness:

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Franklin County Municipal Court



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J. L. Dorrian
JUDGE, FC MUNICIPAL COURT

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JUDGE

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It is accordingly ordered and adjudged that the Carrier shall produce to Detective James M. O'Brien the records and/or information described above, in lieu of appearing before the Court on 14th day of September 2005 9 AM in courtroom 7C of the Franklin County Common Pleas Court.

Julie M. Lynch
9/7/05
Judge, Franklin County Common Pleas Court

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Stretched thin
The Worthington library system, overwhelmed as Delaware County residents increasingly rely on it, is asking voters for more money | D4

Body identified as homicide

Death of woman found near reservoir ruled a homicide, but cause not yet determined

By Kevin Kipper
THE COLUMBIUS DISPATCH

A body found near Hoover Reservoir this week was identified yesterday as that of Julie Popovich, the 20-year-old Reynoldsburg woman who disappeared more than three weeks ago.

Columbus police said investigators used

dental records to confirm the remains as Popovich's. She was last seen alive when she left a University District bar.

The remains were found by a mowing crew on Thursday in a grassy strip next to a bean field, along Smothers Road near the Franklin/Delaware county line.

Though the body was found on Thursday, it wasn't moved until yesterday because the area around it was being searched, authorities said.

Franklin County Coroner Brad Lewis said last night that the body was moved to the county morgue about 2:30 p.m.

He said that Popovich's death is clearly a

homicide, he said. "We believe this," said Popovich's father, Peter Popovich, who was at her funeral in Columbus on Thursday.

Ohio University's forensic anthropology department is examining the



Home of man | dead model

county jail last night, charged with the rape on May 6 of another woman. He was arrested yesterday.

Preliminary autopsy results were given to Columbus police, coroner Brad Lewis said last night. He refused to talk about the cause of her death.

Popovich's remains were found last week near Hoover Reservoir.

A funeral is scheduled Friday for Popovich, a part-time model, college student and server at Max & Barna's who graduated from Pickerington High School in 2003.

Central Ohio Crime Stoppers is offering a \$50,000 reward for information leading to the person who killed Popovich. Call 14-645-7TPS.

mmarrx@dispatch.com

has been best friends with Julie Popovich since they were 14.

ID that woman used turns up at reservoir; divers find nothing

By Matthew Marx
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

The Columbus police dive team searched Hoover Reservoir this week after a fisherman on the shore found a driver's license that Julie Popovich was using the night she disappeared from a bar.

The license belongs to Popovich's best friend, Teonna Brooks, of Pickerington.

A Mifflin Township woman mailed it to Brooks after the woman's boyfriend found it, Brooks said.

Columbus police confirmed yesterday that the license was found at Hoover Reservoir.

The Mifflin Township woman, who asked *The Dispatch* not to use her name, said police asked her not to discuss the case.

A neighbor said the woman returned the ID via mail because "she was just trying to be a good Samaritan."

A Columbus police source confirmed that the Police Division's underwater search-and-recovery unit spent time this week looking for Popovich's body at Hoover.

But the dive team's work at the reservoir yesterday morning, concentrated beneath the Smothers Road bridge, was unrelated to the case, said Sgt. Jeff Sacksteder, who heads the team. He said divers were trying to recover a safe and a motorcycle detected by sonar equipment.

"We have no evidence, no



Julie Popovich, 20, used her friend's driver's license to get into a N. High Street bar the night she was last seen.

Brooks said, none of the bar staff members knew the underage Popovich was drinking. She had washed the stamp from her hand that noted she was under 21, Brooks said.

When Popovich left the bar for a cigarette at 1 a.m., it was the last time Brooks saw her.

"I told her to call me if she needed a ride," Brooks said. "But she could handle herself. She could walk. I didn't see her leaning on anybody."

Brooks said she left about 1:30 a.m., and thought Popovich had left with her boyfriend, who was supposed to meet her.

Two of Popovich's co-workers from Max & Erma's, Justin Webb and Lila Kimes, both 22, also were at Ledo's. They said they saw her leave while leaning on a dark-haired man with whom she had danced.

Webb said he has met Popovich's boyfriend, Tannar Rogers, and it wasn't him.

Brooks said she didn't see Popovich spend a great amount of time with one man that night.

Both graduated from Pickerington High School in 2003.

They maintained their friendship as Brooks moved to Athens

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Body found near reservoir

Authorities say effort to make identification of remains found by field will continue today

By John Furry
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Julie Popovich, 20, of Reynoldsburg, was last seen the night of Aug. 11, as she was leaving a bar in the University District.

Body found near reservoir

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City of
Division of Police

Case Folder # 05-72

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- Final Package *Already Indicted*
- Preliminary Hearing Date _____
- Waived Yes No
- Bound over to Grand Jury Yes No

- Prosecutor Envelope
- Prosecutor Envelope Sent*
- Initial Final Date _____

Investigating Detective(s) McLain, Beck, Don

Assignment Homicide Phone 4730

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Complainant Julius Popovich Arrested by _____ ID# _____

Location 2806 N. High St.

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Body identified as 20-year-old's

Death of woman found near
reservoir ruled a homicide,
but cause not yet determined

By Kevin Kidder
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

A body found near Hoover Reservoir this week was identified yesterday as that of Julie Popovich, the 20-year-old Reynoldsburg woman who disappeared more than three weeks ago. Columbus police said investigators used

dental records to confirm the remains as Popovich's. She was last seen alive when she left a University District bar. The remains were found by a mowing crew on Thursday in a grassy strip next to a bean field, along Smothers Road near the Franklin/Delaware county line. Though the body was found on Thursday, it wasn't moved until yesterday because the area around it was being searched, authorities said. Franklin County Coroner Brad Lewis said last night that the body was moved to the county morgue about 2:30 p.m. He said that Popovich's death is clearly a

homicide, but it's not yet known how she died.

"We definitely want to find out who did this," said Timothy White, Popovich's stepfather. Police broke the news to the family shortly before 5 p.m., he said.

A funeral will be held on Friday. "All of the prayers and the support we have had, and the friends and relatives, have been fantastic," he said.

Ohio University anthropologist Nancy Taterak and Ohio State University anthropologist Dr. Daniel Jolly were at the coroner's office yesterday, continuing to examine the remains.

"We're still working on the autopsy," Lewis said. A cause of death likely will be determined sometime next week, he said.

Columbus police refused to discuss the case.

Popovich, who was a waitress at Max & Erma's in Reynoldsburg and worked as a model, was last seen in the early hours of Aug. 11, leaving Ledo's Lounge.

Witnesses have offered varying accounts about whether she left with a man and, if so, what he looked like.

She had used the driver's license of her

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Julie Popovich's body was found in northeastern Franklin County.



Athletics director quits after profane rant

Buckeye Valley official
disparaged girls soccer
over press box PA system.

Body found near reservoir could be missing woman's

Authorities say effort to make identification of remains found by field will continue today

By John Futty
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

A team on horseback had finished its lunch break yesterday afternoon and was preparing to resume its search for a missing Reynoldsburg woman near Hoover Reservoir when its work was put on hold.

A mowing crew had found a body beside a bean field along Smothers Road, 1 mile east of the reservoir.

"We were told to call off the search for the moment," said Roger Ross of Ohio Mounted Search and Rescue. "The investigators felt pretty confident it was her."

The body remained unidentified last night as Columbus police tried to determine whether the crew had found Julie Popovich, who was last seen Aug. 11 at Ledo's Lounge in the University District.

Popovich's stepfather, Timothy White, said detectives contacted the family about 1:15 p.m.

"We were told they had made a discovery and they wanted dental records to try to make an identification," he said. "That's all we know."

Although the discovery was made in the Franklin County sheriff's jurisdiction, Columbus police took charge of the scene. "Due to the fact that we have



Julie Popovich, 20, of Reynoldsburg, was last seen the night of Aug. 11, as she was leaving a bar in the University District.

an outstanding missing (person case) on Julie Popovich, we are going to lead the investigation," said Sgt. Brent Mull, police spokesman. "If we can't identify the remains as Miss Popovich, Franklin County will have a homicide to solve."

Investigators called in Nancy Taterak, an Ohio University anthropologist, and Dr. Daniel Jolly, an Ohio State University forensic dentist, to help identify the decomposed body. Investigators set up a canopy over the scene

on the south side of Smothers Road, just east of Schott Road, and worked into the night.

"It may not be until (Friday) that the remains are moved to the morgue," Franklin County Coroner Brad Lewis said.

Mull said Smothers Road between Schott and Harlem roads likely would be closed through this morning's rush hour.

The body was found in a grassy border next to the bean field. Mull declined to discuss any identifying clothing on the body, saying it had faded and was obscured by tall grass.

Hoover Reservoir has been the focus of search efforts the past week after a fisherman on the shore found a driver's license that Popovich was using the night she disappeared.

The license belonged to Popo-

vich's best friend, Teonna Brooks, of Pickerington. Both are 20, and 2003 graduates of Pickerington High School.

Popovich, a server at Max & Erma's in Reynoldsburg who has done modeling work, used Brooks' ID to get into Ledo's Lounge because she had misplaced her own.

Witnesses said she was drunk when last seen, but accounts vary about when she left the club and whether she left with anyone.

The missing-person case has attracted national attention.

Ross said the horseback team had spent parts of four days searching around the reservoir.

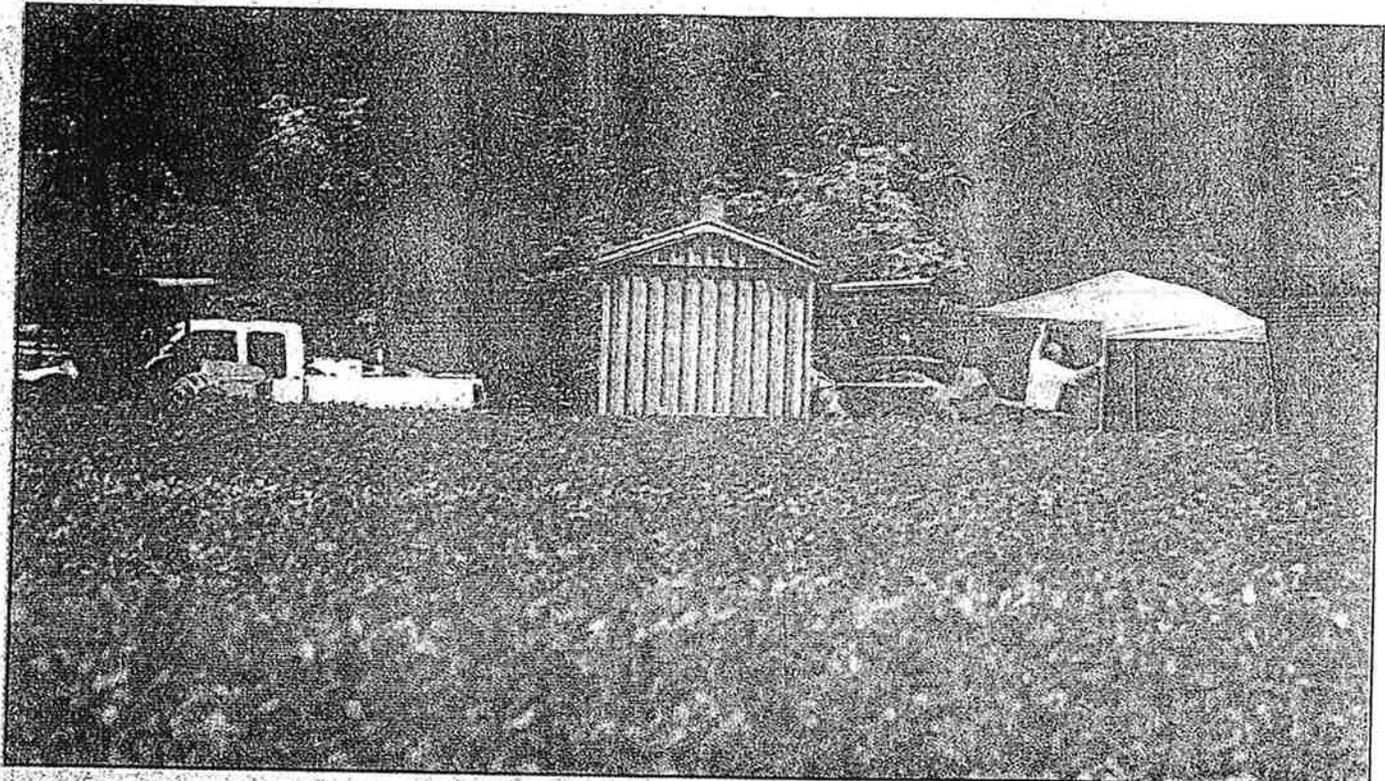
He said they were working their way toward the Delaware County border on the east side of the reservoir and probably



would have discovered the body later in the afternoon.

"We were a field or two away," he said, "less than an eighth of a mile."

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Investigators work at the scene where Julie Popovich's body was found by a mowing crew on Thursday near Hoover Reservoir. WILL SHILLING | FOR THE DISPATCH

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friend Teonna Brooks to get into the bar. That license was found recently by a fisherman along the shore of Hoover Reservoir.

Police had been searching the water and areas around it since.

The missing-person case has attracted national attention.

Philadelphia philanthropist Joe Mammama has offered a \$50,000 reward through the local Crime Stoppers for infor-

The victim was a 2003 graduate of Pickerington High School.

mation leading to the person who killed Popovich.

Popovich was a 2003 graduate of Pickerington High School and had been living with her boyfriend in an apartment off Tussing Road.

She had worked for the international modeling agency NEXT, based in Miami, and often flew to photo shoots in

Europe, New York City and Taiwan.

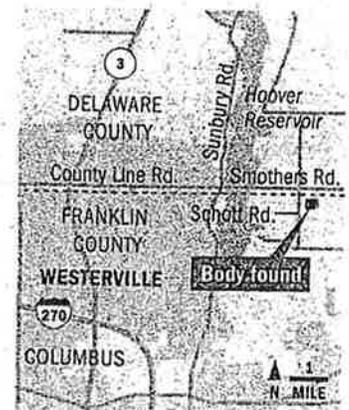
Yesterday evening, Popovich's family asked for privacy in a statement read by Central Ohio Crime Stoppers President Kevin Miles.

"The family is deeply saddened," the statement said.

Miles urged anyone with information about the case to call Crime Stoppers at 614-645-TIPS (8477).

"This is a good family," Miles said. "It's truly a tragedy for the family and the community."

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Teonna Brooks, looking through high-school yearbooks, said she has been best friends with Julie Popovich since they were 14.

ID that woman used turns up at reservoir; divers find nothing

By Matthew Marx
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

The Columbus police dive team searched Hoover Reservoir this week after a fisherman on the shore found a driver's license that Julie Popovich was using the night she disappeared from a bar.

The license belongs to Popovich's best friend, Teonna Brooks, of Pickerington.

A Mifflin Township woman mailed it to Brooks after the woman's boyfriend found it, Brooks said.

Columbus police confirmed yesterday that the license was found at Hoover Reservoir.

The Mifflin Township woman, who asked *The Dispatch* not to use her name, said police asked her not to discuss the case.

A neighbor said the woman returned the ID via mail because "she was just trying to be a good Samaritan."

A Columbus police source confirmed that the Police Division's underwater search-and-recovery unit spent time this week looking for Popovich's body at Hoover.

But the dive team's work at the reservoir yesterday morning concentrated beneath the Smothers Road bridge, was unrelated to the case, said Sgt. Jeff Sacksteder, who heads the team. He said divers were trying to recover a safe and a motorcycle detected by sonar equipment.

"We have no evidence, no tips, no reason to believe that any of our missings are in any body of water," he said.

It's been two weeks since Popovich was last seen. She borrowed Brooks' driver's license on Aug. 11 to go to Ledo's Lounge, 2608 N. High St., because she misplaced her own, Brooks said this week.

Both women are 20 years old. Brooks, who was with Popovich at Ledo's the night she disappeared, said she has a fake ID that she used at the bar to buy drinks; Popovich used Brooks' license to get in.

The disappearance has been tough on Brooks, who said Popovich has been her best friend since they were 14.

"At first I thought it was a stunt, but then when she didn't show up for work, I thought it was more serious," Brooks said. "Her cell phone is completely dead now. I called in the hope it would answer."

"It has been really bad. She is like my sister, a part of my family."

Investigators haven't told her much, she said, though she looked through some photos of people who might have left that night with Popovich.

"I didn't recognize anyone," Brooks said she lent the li-



Julie Popovich, 20, used her friend's driver's license to get into a N. High Street bar the night she was last seen.

Brooks said, none of the bar staff members knew the underage Popovich was drinking. She had washed the stamp from her hand that noted she was under 21, Brooks said.

When Popovich left the bar for a cigarette at 1 a.m., it was the last time Brooks saw her.

"I told her to call me if she needed a ride," Brooks said. "But she could handle herself. She could walk. I didn't see her leaning on anybody."

Brooks said she left about 1:30 a.m., and thought Popovich had left with her boyfriend, who was supposed to meet her.

Two of Popovich's co-workers from Max & Erma's, Justin Webb and Lila Kimes, both 22, also were at Ledo's. They said they saw her leave while leaning on a dark-haired man with whom she had danced.

Webb said he has met Popovich's boyfriend, Tanner Rogers, and it wasn't him.

Brooks said she didn't see Popovich spend a great amount of time with one man that night.

Both graduated from Pickerington High School in 2003.

They maintained their friendship as Brooks moved to Athens to attend Ohio University and Popovich traveled to photo shoots in Taipei, Taiwan and New York City.

Popovich's boyfriend lives with her in an apartment off Tussing Road. Rogers called police to report her missing Aug. 13.

He reportedly met with detectives this week while police searched their apartment and his car. He refused to comment.

Sgt. Brent Mull, spokesman for Columbus police, said Rogers has been helpful.

Friends distributed fliers the past two weeks and held a candlelight vigil last night. About 100 people attended, including some of Popovich's family.

Relatives, who first became worried when Popovich didn't meet her mother on Aug. 12, don't like to see her portrayed as a drunken party girl.

Popovich, who last took classes at Ohio State last spring, is generally very responsible, said her 17-year-old sister, Christie.

"It's not like Julie to lose control," she said.

The family has tried to stay patient, knowing that investigators are doing the best they can, said Popovich's uncle, Mark Tope, of Greensboro, N.C.

"We're so used to *CSI* and *Law*

Police search home of man once seen with dead mod

By Matthew Marx
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

Columbus homicide detectives searched the upstairs apartment of a rape suspect last night who had been questioned earlier in the Julie Popovich investigation.

The 18-year-old man lives near the University District bar where Popovich, 20, of Reynoldsburg, was last seen alive Aug. 11.

The Dispatch isn't identifying the man because he hasn't been charged in Popovich's disappearance or slaying. He was among those questioned after he was seen talking to Popovich at Ledo's Lounge on N. High Street, the woman's friends and relatives have said.

The man was in the Franklin

County jail last night, charged with the rape on May 6 of another woman. He was arrested yesterday.

Preliminary autopsy results were given to Columbus police Coroner Brad Lewis said last night. He refused to talk about the cause of her death.

Popovich's remains were found last week near Hoover Reservoir.

A funeral is scheduled Friday for Popovich, a part-time model, college student and serve Max & Erma's who graduated from Pickerington High School in 2003.

Central Ohio Crime Stop is offering a \$50,000 reward for information leading to the person who killed Popovich. Call 614-645-TIPS.

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The remains of Jonathan Sheasby, left, were found nearly three months after he was reported missing by his parents. Police are investigating the disappearances of Julie Popovich, center, and Anthony J. Luzio Jr.

Missing adults pose quandary for police

Families get frustrated with differing standards on when officials should pursue cases

By Alayna DeMartini
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

Everything seemed to signal that her 30-year-old son was in danger.

He hadn't called. His cell phone was turned off. The television in his house in Mount Vernon had been left on, food was on the stove and the dresser drawers in his bedroom had been pulled out. Clothes and other items had been tossed around as if someone were searching for something.

Sally Sheasby said her son, Jonathan, had called her four days before he disappeared on March 21. He had been stopped by Columbus police and taken to jail for not paying a speeding ticket.

"He told me to make arrangements for his funeral, that he was going to end up dead," Mrs. Sheasby recalled. He wouldn't explain.

About a week after Jonathan disappeared, his parents filed a missing-persons report with the Mount Vernon Police Department.

"I kept on saying, 'There's something really wrong here,'" Mrs. Sheasby said. She and her husband, John, thought police were slow to agree with them.

On June 11, 83 days after Jonathan Sheasby disappeared, his body was found in a Knox County cornfield 35 miles northeast

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of Columbus.

When children disappear, law officers typically are aggressive in trying to find them. But with adults, police try to balance their right to go away without telling anyone with the possibility that they might be in danger.

Such is the case with Julie Popovich, 20, of Reynoldsburg, who was last seen Aug. 11 at Ledo's Lounge, 2608 N. High St., in the University District. It wasn't until last weekend that Columbus police became convinced that she didn't take off on her own.

"An adult is allowed to be missing," said Chief Deputy Steve Martin of the Franklin County sheriff's office. "The bottom line is we have to weigh the rights of the person against the foul play" potential.

How quickly and aggressively law-enforcement agencies investigate missing adults varies across the state. Some departments enter the case on a national database that links police agencies. Others do that only if they think the person was hurt or taken against his will.

Kevin Miles, president of Central Ohio Crime Stoppers, is working with state Rep. Jim Hughes on a bill aimed at ensuring that police agencies follow similar procedures to locate a missing adult.

Miles and Hughes, a Republican from Columbus, will meet with law-enforcement officials to generate criteria that would help determine whether a case is high-risk. Points would be assigned to each criterion, and cases with a certain point value would be investigated as if the person were kidnapped, hurt or killed.

For example, the fact that the missing person's credit cards and bank card haven't been used would add points to the case.

"It takes away a lot of the inconsistencies, the Ouija board system," Miles said.

He also is hoping the bill will include a provision for an Amber Alert system for adults so that highway messages would warn motorists when an adult is missing and believed to be in danger.

"Either we'll find them sooner, or if they're murdered, you'll find out who murdered them sooner," Miles said.

Sometimes, law-enforcement agencies are reluctant to say foul play might be involved in a missing-adult case because that would require them to devote more effort to the investigation, Miles said.

But detective John Banche of the Franklin County sheriff's office disputed that. "I don't take resources into consideration" when deciding if a case involves foul play, he said.

If foul play is suspected, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation can join the search. BCI's databases include access to state records so detectives can find out if a missing person applies for a driver's license or gets stopped for speeding in another state.

Sally Sheasby said she was fairly certain her son was dead or hurt from the moment he disappeared in March, and she wishes she could have convinced the police sooner.

By May, police had entered information about him in the national computer network linking police agencies.

"I know we had two detectives who put quite a bit of time in the case before Mr. Sheasby was found," Mount Vernon police Capt. Mike Merrilees said.

Jonathan Sheasby's death has been ruled a homicide, although investigators have not said how he was killed. They said he likely was killed where he was found, probably shortly after he disappeared.

Pam Hammer, the Columbus Police Division's missing-persons coordinator, said adults reported missing usually have their own reasons for lying low.

"More times than not, they're fleeing from law enforcement or

"An adult is allowed to be missing. The bottom line is we have to weigh the rights of the person against the foul play" potential.

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STEVE MARTIN**

Franklin County sheriff's office

they don't want contact with family," Hammer said.

Other than a speeding ticket, Julie Popovich has no criminal record. A model and former Pickerington High School student, Popovich was last seen at Ledo's on Aug. 11. Her boyfriend reported her missing two days later, saying she wasn't answering her cell phone and no one had heard from her.

"There are several indications that lead us to believe that her absence is not voluntary," Sgt. Greg Estep said.

Estep refused to elaborate because, he said, investigators don't want to tip off anyone responsible for the disappearance. But police don't have enough hard evidence to call it a crime, he said.

She is described as very slender — 5 feet 11 inches tall, 105 pounds — with brown eyes and light-brown hair.

Information about her is listed on the Crime Stoppers Web site — www.stopcrime.org. Friends and family members have hung posters throughout the University District; the posters offer a \$5,000 reward for her safe return.

"For each day that passes, the chance that she's alive gets lower and lower. It's critical we find her now," Estep said.

Also hoping for the best but fearing the worst is the family of Anthony J. Luzio Jr. He disappeared July 4 in Delaware County, but the sheriff's office there has not determined that foul

play was involved.

"We have nothing to indicate anything bad has happened to him," Sgt. Randy Pohl said.

Luzio hasn't called or made contact with friends, his parents said. Neither his credit cards nor his health-insurance card has been used. And no money has been withdrawn from his bank account.

His father, Anthony J. Luzio Sr., is a sergeant with the Columbus Division of Police, and officers have helped search woods and the Scioto River near the younger Luzio's Powell apartment.

Family members began looking for him after he didn't show up at a family cookout on July 4, nor at his job as a security guard. Friends saw Luzio at an early-morning July 4 party in Powell. He left about 4 a.m.

His mother, Carla Luzio, said she wakes up around that time every morning, thinking about her son.

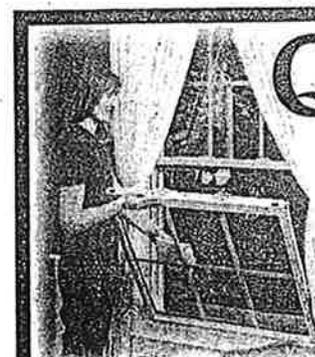
Often she dreams of him. Either the police have come to the house to report that he's dead, or he returns and says he's OK, that he just needed to get away.

"And then I wake up," she said, "and find out he's not here.

Dispatch reporter Matthew Marx contributed to this story.

Information about Julie Popovich, Anthony J. Luzio Jr. and other missing persons is available at www.ohiomissingadults.com. Anyone with information about the killing or disappearance of Jonathan Sheasby is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 614-645-TIP (8477).

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Joe Mammanna, left, yesterday added \$50,000 to the reward money in the case of Julie Popovich. The Reynoldsburg woman was last seen Aug. 11.

Man thinks \$50,000 may lead to tips on woman

Missing 20-year-old latest case in which Philadelphia resident has offered reward

By John Fuddy
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

A Philadelphia philanthropist who has gained fame for putting "bounties" on the heads of crime suspects is offering a \$50,000 reward in the case of a missing Reynoldsburg woman.

Joe Mammanna said he learned about the disappearance of Julie Popovich, 20, on Monday while watching Fox News. Popovich, a model and former Pickerington High School student, was last seen Aug. 11 at Ledo's Lounge in the University District.

The reward, announced yesterday by Central Ohio Crime Stoppers, is the largest private contribution in the local program's history, executive director Kevin Miles said.

"Big rewards draw a lot of attention," Mammanna told *The Dispatch* by phone from Philadelphia. "Money's a big motivating factor. It turns mothers against sons and sisters against brothers."

He said he has been offering reward money for about a decade, including \$100,000 that recently led to an arrest in the slaying of LaToyia Figueroa, a pregnant Philadelphia woman

ment called a cop the Friday to ask about the reward. He said the boyfriend, Stephen Poaches, asked him to move the corpse of the missing pregnant woman. Police set a trap for Poaches and arrested him beside the corpse Saturday.

"I don't call it reward money," Mammana said. "I call it bounty money. I'm a vengeful person. I don't believe in an eye for an eye. I believe in two for one."

He said he has offered \$250,000 toward the reward fund in the disappearance of Natalee Holloway, an Alabama teenager missing in Aruba since May 30.

He made his donations anonymously to Philadelphia's Citizens Crime Commission until February 2004, when he stepped forward to put "a \$10,000 bounty" on the heads of those involved in a gun battle outside a Philadelphia elementary school, where a 10-year-old boy died in the crossfire.

"Just bring these cowards in strapped to a horse, ankles to wrist," he told *The Philadelphia Daily News*.

Popovich was seen leaving Lido's Lounge, 2608 N. High St., with a man whom witnesses thought she knew, Columbus police said.

"When I saw it pop up on Fox News, I thought, 'This is ridiculous,'" Mammana said. "Every time I turn around, someone else is missing."

Popovich's father, grandfather, stepmother, stepsister, aunt and godmother attended the news conference announcing the reward, but did not speak to reporters.

A businessman whose investments include suburban real estate and dairy and egg farming, Mammana said he began using his wealth to fight crime in Philadelphia because he wanted to give back to the community.

He began branching out to other communities because "it didn't seem fair to concentrate on one area," he said.

"I do this because it gives me a sense of well-being that I'm doing good."

Anyone with information about Popovich's disappearance is asked to call Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at 614-645-TIPS. She is among 40 missing adults profiled at ohiomissingadults.com, a statewide Crime Stoppers Web site.

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UPDATE

Julie Popovich

Homicide detectives investigating the disappearance of Julie Popovich have located the person of interest in previous releases. Earlier news releases indicated that detectives needed to speak with a dark skin male in his 20's. The male was last seen speaking with Julie at the bar.

Detectives spoke with the male on Thursday, August 25. We will not identify the male since he is **not** a suspect. He has cooperated with the investigation. Police, however, are still interested in speaking with anyone who saw Julie on the 11th in the Ledo's bar. Witnesses can remain anonymous by calling 614-645-TIPS, or may call homicide detectives directly at 614-645-4730.

The investigation continues.

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