



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

OFFICE OF THE CORONER

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DAVID J. STARK
CORONER

CORONER'S REPORT

Natural _____
Traumatic X
Undetermined _____

File # 104006

CC # 87-54

INVESTIGATOR: D.L. Matticks

DATE: January 9, 1987

PERSONAL DATA

Name of Deceased			First-Middle-Last		Date & Time of Death
			JULIANA A. Santillano		Found 1-9-87 0745
Sex	Race/Ethnicity	Birthplace	Date of Birth	Age	Citizenship
Female	Hispanic	Mexico	10-1-61	25	Mexico
Marital Status		Social Security #	Current Occupation	Name of Employing Company	
Never married		Unknown	Unemployed	NA	
Place of Death			Person Notified	Relationship	
Bird Sanctuary			Juana Santillano	Mother	
Street Address			Street Address		
25 yards E of STHWY 75, 1 mile North of Imperial Beach City limits			Same as usual residence		
City-State-Zip			City-State-Zip/Phone Number		
Coronado, California 92118			818-962-8315		
Decedent's Usual Residence			Next of Kin/Address/Phone Number		
15021 Olive Street Baldwin Park, California			Juana Santillano Mother 15021 Olive Street Baldwin Park, California (818) 962-8315		

Place of Injury: Undeterminable

INJURY INFORMATION

Date & Time of: Accident: Found 1-9-87, 0745
Specify: Accident - Suicide - Homicide - MVA, etc.

How Occurred: Self administered overdose, morphine.

At Work? No Employer Notified? N/A Law Enforcement Agency Coronado P.D. & Sheriff's Dept.

Report # 87-0122 Officer/Team # Officer J. Maggio, ID#1
87-15107 Sheriff's Homicide Team 2

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NAME: Juliana A. Santillano

Property: None Taken Cor to Fam Cor to PC Cor to PA X Info to PA LEA

PROPERTY

Vehicle:	Make	Model	Year	State & License #
			None	
Location of Vehicle:	Name of Towing Company		Address	Phone
			N/A	
Weapon or Other Property:	None			
Sponsor Info for Military Depn's:	Serial #	Rate	Branch	Duty-Station Command Notified?
	N/A			

Regular Physician Unknown Phone N/A Notified N/A

Current Physician None Phone N/A Notified N/A

Date Last Seen by Regular Physician Unknown

MEDICAL HISTORY

Current Medical History: None

Past Medical History (Include Surgeries): Chronic heroin abuser

Operations & Dates: None

Medications: Unknown

Hospitals: Unknown

Cause of Death: Acute morphine poisoning

Due To:

Due To:

Contributing AND/NOT Related:

Pathologist John W. Eisele, M.D. Disposition Rose Hills Mortuary, Whittier, CA

Date & Time of Call Arrived Completed

Informant Coronado Police Department 1-9-87 0815 0853 1236

Identification: Fingerprint comparison, C.I.I.

P: N C (LEA) D.R. Y (N) C.D. Y (N) E: (Y) N S.N.: Y (N) H (T) / (A) I G

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY: (SEE ATTACHED)

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JULIANA A. SANTILLANO

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Investigative Summary:

On 1-9-87, at 11:05 a.m., the undersigned viewed the nude decedent lying prone on a slight hill approximately five feet east of the parking lot at the Bird Sanctuary, South Bay Marine Biology Study Area, 25 yards east of State Highway 75 and one mile north of the Imperial Beach City limits, in Coronado. The right arm extended laterally and the left arm was extended along side the body with the dorsal surface of the left hand resting on the left hip. Both legs were flexed at a 90 degree angle at the hips. Abrasions were in the right side of the back extending from the mid back to the mid scapular region. The right elbow was abraded. A smaller abrasion was in the right cheek next to the corner of the mouth. At 12:01 p.m., closer examination of the decedent revealed the body to be cold to the touch and flaccid with fixed postmortem lividity in the posterior sections. Both eyes were cloudy. Insect activity was noted in the right chin. A slight bloody purge issued from the mouth onto the right side of the face. Numerous needle "track" marks were noted in both antecubital fossae. A tattoo of the name "DAVID" was in the dorsal aspect of the left thumb and a tattoo of the name "ALBERTO" was in the lateral aspect of the right shoulder. At 12:25 p.m., plastic bags were placed on the decedent's head, hands, and feet and she was transported to the Coroner's office designated as Jane Doe.

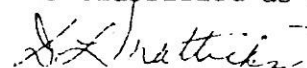
Commander Robert D. Paseman, City of Coronado Police Department, provided the following to the undersigned and personnel from the Sheriff's Department Homicide Team #3. On 1-9-87, at 7:45 a.m., Patricia Ann Flanagan, 3990 Old Town Avenue, San Diego, California, was walking on the side walk through the bird sanctuary when she observed the decedent as previously described. Mrs. Flanagan walked back to her pickup truck, drove to a telephone booth and called the Coronado Police Department. At 8:10 a.m., Patrol Supervisor, B. Abel and Officer J. O'Hara arrived on scene and confirmed expiration. The Coroner's office and Sheriff's Department were notified and the scene was preserved pending the arrival of the same.

The decedent was subsequently identified by fingerprint comparison.

In a telephone conversation with the decedent's sister-in-law, Theresa Murillo, 1515 Molino Avenue, Long Beach, California, the following was learned. The decedent had last been seen by the family just before Christmas, 1986. She called New Years Eve and had not been seen since then. She had a long history of chronic heroin abuse.

Autopsy and toxicological studies determined the cause of death was due to acute morphine poisoning. No trauma or injuries were noted.

The police investigation determined no criminal activity was involved in the decedent's death. Therefore, with the decedent's history of chronic heroin abuse and the results of the autopsy and toxicological studies, this death is classified as an accident.


D. L. MATTICKS, Deputy Coroner

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