



HOMICIDE/DEATH REPORT 2023-102-251

Report Date: 07/24/2023

Warning
Contains entities exempt from disclosure

Primary Information
Description: Drowning Death of Tafari CAMPBELL (DOB [REDACTED]) in Edgartown Great Pond
Dissemination Code: report respect the security of its associated case
Reporting LEO: Shaw, Dustin T. (MSP4036 / Cape & Island SPDU / Massachusetts State Police)
Backup LEO: Cosgrove, Richard (msp2330 / Cape & Island SPDU / Massachusetts State Police)
Report Status: Approved
Report Status Date: 09/19/2023
Approved By: MacDonald, Paul (MSP3639 / Massachusetts State Police)

Synopsis
On Sunday, July 23, 2023, Trooper Dustin Shaw responds to Edgartown Great Pond for the drowning death investigation of Tafari CAMPBELL (DOE [REDACTED]). CAMPBELLS deceased body recovered in Edgartown Great Pond on July 24, 2023 (41° 21.682'N/70° 32.968'W). OCME Accepts 2023-10316. No foul play or suspicious activity suspected.

Address #1 - INTERVIEW LOCATION #1 - [REDACTED]
Primary Information
Address: [REDACTED], Edgartown, MASSACHUSETTS 02539 UNITED STATES

Address #2 - LOCATION OCCURRED #1 - Edgartown Great Pond
Primary Information
Address: Edgartown Great Pond, Edgartown, MASSACHUSETTS 02539 UNITED STATES

Subject #1 - WITNESS #1 - [REDACTED]
Primary Information
Subject Name: [REDACTED]
Record Type: Person
Bio: [REDACTED] yr. old, [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
Birth Date: [REDACTED]
Juvenile: No
Personal Information
Height: [REDACTED]
Weight: [REDACTED]
Addresses
Relationship Address
HOME [REDACTED]
ADDRESS/RESIDENCE [REDACTED]



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Subject #2 - SUBJECT - PERSON RELEVANT/MENTIONED #1 - [REDACTED]

Primary Information

Subject Name: [REDACTED]
Record Type: **Person**
Bio: [REDACTED] yr. old, [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
Birth Date: [REDACTED]
Juvenile: **No**

Subject #3 - REPORTING PARTY #1 - [REDACTED]

Primary Information

Exempt From Disclosure: **YES**
Subject Name: [REDACTED]
Record Type: **Law Enforcement Official**
Juvenile: **No**

Subject #4 - REPORTING PARTY #2 - [REDACTED]

Primary Information

Exempt From Disclosure: **YES**
Subject Name: [REDACTED]
Record Type: **Law Enforcement Official**
Juvenile: **No**

Subject #5 - DECEASED - NON VICTIM #1 - Campbell, Tafari

Primary Information

Subject Name: **Campbell, Tafari**
Record Type: **Person**
Bio: [REDACTED] yr. old, **Black or African American, MALE**
Birth Date: [REDACTED]
Juvenile: **No**
Residence Status: **Resident**

Personal Information

Height: **511**
Weight: **200**
US Citizen: **Yes**
Deceased: **Yes**
Date Deceased: **07/24/2023 00:00**

Addresses

Relationship	Address
HOME ADDRESS/RESIDENCE	[REDACTED]



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Subject #6 - NEXT OF KIN #1 - [REDACTED]

Primary Information

Subject Name: [REDACTED]
Record Type: **Person**
Bio: [REDACTED] yr. old, [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
Birth Date: [REDACTED]
Juvenile: **No**

Personal Information

Height: [REDACTED]
Weight: [REDACTED]

Addresses

<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Address</u>
HOME ADDRESS/RESIDENCE	[REDACTED]

Telephones / E-Addresses

<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Number/E-Address</u>
USER	[REDACTED] (PHONE - CELLULAR)

Analysis Information

Homicide: **No**
Possible Manner Of Death: **Accidental Drowning**
In Custody Death: **No**
Exact Location Of Death: **Edgartown Great Pond (41° 21.687N/70° 32.967W)**
Possible Cause Of Death: **Accidents (unintentional injuries)**
Found Dead Date: **07/24/2023 10:00**
Medical Examiner: **Accept 2023-10316**
Autopsy Photos Requested: **Yes**
Next Of Kin: [REDACTED] ([REDACTED])
Next Of Kin Notified: **Yes**
Drug Addict: **No**
Drug Intoxicated: **No**
Hate Crime: **No**
Sex Crime: **No**
Juvenile Crime: **No**
Domestic Violence: **No**
Senior Abuse: **No**
Child Abuse: **No**
Gang Related: **No**



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Vehicle #1 - INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT #1 - PADDLEBOARD (11')

Primary Information

Vehicle Type: Watercraft (Boats/ Jet Skis)
Vehicle Description: SIC Tao Fit
Tag Number: PADDLEBOARD (11')

Comments

11' SIC Tao Fit-Tough Tec Paddleboard (Multicolor: White, Blue, Grey, Black, Red)

Property #1 - Under Armour Baseball Hat (Black)

Primary Information

Property Class: Evidence/Seized
Property Type: Clothing - Clothing accessory
Description: Under Armour Baseball Hat (Black)
Date Seized: 07/24/2023
Quantity: 1
Submitted To: Unit Evidence Locker (ACISS Bar Codes) (2023-102-251.1)
Remote Bin: Cape Islands Oak Bluff Temp
Location Found: Edgartown Great Pond (41° 22'02.9"N/ 70° 32'45.8"W)
Collected By: Shaw, Dustin T.
Collected Date/Time: 07/24/2023 09:10
Collected Location: Edgartown Great Pond, Edgartown, MA 02539

Comments

West Tisbury Firefighter Stephen Serusa recovers a black, Under Armour baseball hat in Edgartown Great Pond, floating in the marsh area of Turkeyland Cove (41° 22'02.9"N/ 70° 32'45.8"W) during search for Tafari CAMPBELL. Hat matches the description of CAMPBELLS hat he was last seen wearing. Hat later confirmed by witnesses to be CAMPBELLS.

Property #2 - DCSO Original 911 Audio Recordings

Primary Information

Property Class: Evidence/Seized
Property Type: Computer/Telecom - Flash Drive / SSD /HDD / CD
Description: DCSO Original 911 Audio Recordings
Date Seized: 08/09/2023
Quantity: 1
Submitted To: Unit Evidence Locker (ACISS Bar Codes) (2023-102-251.2)
Remote Bin: Cape Islands Oak Bluff Temp
Collected By: Shaw, Dustin T.
Collected Date/Time: 08/09/2023 10:15
Collected Location: 9 Flight Path, West Tisbury, MA 02575

Comments

1 USB flash drive containing two audio files (original 911 call and follow up call).



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Property #3 - CSSS Victim/Scene Photo Disc #1-1

Primary Information

Property Class: Evidence/Seized
Property Type: Computer/Telecom - Flash Drive / SSD /HDD / CD
Description: CSSS Victim/Scene Photo Disc #1-1
Date Seized: 08/03/2023
Quantity: 1
Submitted To: Unit Evidence Locker (ACISS Bar Codes) (2023-102-251.3)
Remote Bin: Cape Islands Oak Bluff Temp
Collected By: Shaw, Dustin T.
Collected Date/Time: 08/01/2023 09:30
Collected Location: 30 Riverside Dr, LAKEVILLE, MA 02347

Comments

One paper envelope containing Digital Video Disk (DVD-R-RW) Victim/Scene Photos.

Property #4 - CSSS Victim/Scene Photo Disc #2-1

Primary Information

Property Class: Evidence/Seized
Property Type: Computer/Telecom - Flash Drive / SSD /HDD / CD
Description: CSSS Victim/Scene Photo Disc #2-1
Date Seized: 08/03/2023
Quantity: 1
Submitted To: Unit Evidence Locker (ACISS Bar Codes) (2023-102-251.4)
Remote Bin: Cape Islands Oak Bluff Temp
Collected By: Shaw, Dustin T.
Collected Date/Time: 08/01/2023 09:30
Collected Location: 30 Riverside Dr, LAKEVILLE, MA 02347

Comments

One paper envelope containing Digital Video Disk (DVD-R-RW) Autopsy Photos.

Property #5 - USCG Station Menemsha Log Dated 24JUL23

Primary Information

Property Class: Evidence/Seized
Property Type: Documents and Representations - Document
Description: USCG Station Menemsha Log Dated 24JUL23
Date Seized: 08/15/2023
Quantity: 1
Submitted To: Unit Evidence Locker (ACISS Bar Codes) (2023-102-251.5)
Remote Bin: Cape Islands Oak Bluff Temp
Collected By: Shaw, Dustin T.



Massachusetts State Police

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Property #5 - USCG Station Menemsha Log Dated 24JUL23 - Continued

Primary Information - Continued

Collected Date/Time: 08/15/2023 14:45

Collected Location: 20 EDYS ISLAND WAY, CHILMARK, MA 02535

Comments

Tpr. Shaw retrieves US Coast Guard Station Menemsha Log dated "24JUL23" (1 page/double sided). Log signed by USCG Station Menemsha Command Staff.

Narrative begins on the following page.

1. On Sunday, July 23, 2023, at approximately 7:58 PM, I, Trooper Dustin Shaw #4036, assigned to the Massachusetts State Police-Cape and Islands State Police Detective Unit (SPDU) was notified by the Dukes County Regional Emergency Communications Center of a possible drowning incident that originated from a 911 call at [REDACTED] in the Town of Edgartown, on Martha's Vineyard, at 7:46 PM. The 911 caller was identified as [REDACTED], who identified himself as a United States Secret Service Special Agent. I am aware that [REDACTED] in Edgartown is a residence owned by [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) [REDACTED]. I was informed that two (2) people on paddleboards had entered the water at Edgartown Great Pond, from the shore of [REDACTED], and one person was unaccounted for after being witnessed in distress going under the water and never resurfacing. I was informed that a search and rescue operation was underway. I contacted Massachusetts State Police-Cape and Islands State Police Detective Unit Commander, Detective Lieutenant Richard Cosgrove # 2330, and advised him of the situation. Also notified of the incident were personnel from the Massachusetts State Police-Oak Bluffs Barracks.

2. At approximately 8:15 PM, I arrived on scene in the area of Edgartown Great Pond and was directed to the Incident Command Post (ICP), located at Wilsons Landing. Wilsons Landing is a dirt parking lot that allows boat access to Edgartown Great Pond. Edgartown Great Pond is an approximate 890-acre, brackish pond, located on the South Shore of Martha's Vineyard. The pond currently did not have open access to the Atlantic Ocean and has a maximum water depth of approximately 10-15 feet in some portions of the pond. Many residential homes abut the shoreline of the pond, and there are several coves and inlets throughout.

3. Upon my arrival at the ICP, I observed a large fire department, search and rescue, and EMS presence. I began speaking with Edgartown Police Sergeant William Bishop, who informed me that a search and rescue mission was currently underway for a missing paddleboarder in Edgartown Great Pond. Sgt. Bishop informed me that Officers from the Edgartown Police Department were conducting a door to door and shoreline search of the vicinity. Sgt. Bishop directed me to the incident commander, Edgartown Fire (EFD) Chief Alex Schaeffer. I located EFD Chief Schaeffer, and he informed me that two (2) paddleboarders launched two (2) separate paddleboards from the shoreline at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] in Edgartown. Tafari CAMPBELL (DOB [REDACTED]) was identified as the missing paddleboarder, and [REDACTED] (DOB [REDACTED]) was identified as the surviving paddleboarder. I was informed that CAMPBELL is the personal Chef of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and his family, and [REDACTED], is a staff member of [REDACTED] [REDACTED], thus the reason they were both at the [REDACTED] residence prior to the incident.

4. EFD Chief Schaeffer went on to explain that CAMPBELL and [REDACTED] were paddleboarding together when [REDACTED] observed CAMPBELL on the board, in the standing position and suddenly lose his balance and enter the water, and struggle to stay above water. Chief Schaeffer informed me that [REDACTED] observed CAMPBELL go under the water, and never resurface. [REDACTED] reportedly subsequently paddled back to shore to [REDACTED] and alerted a member of the U.S. Secret Service at a nearby security post. I was informed that USSS Special Agent [REDACTED] called 911 and

reported the incident to the Dukes County Sheriff Department Regional Emergency Communications Center. Simultaneously, U.S. Secret Service Rescue Swimmers immediately deployed from the shore at [REDACTED] and began searching the immediate area and underwater for CAMPBELL, subsequently not locating him.

5. CAMPBELL was described to me as a black male, approximately 40 years of age, and was reported to be wearing a black tee-shirt, black shorts, and a black baseball cap at the time he entered the water. I was informed that neither CAMPBELL, nor [REDACTED] were wearing personal flotation devices (PFD) at the time of the incident. I was informed that both CAMPBELL and [REDACTED] paddleboards had been recovered in separate locations along the shoreline on Turkeyland Cove, approximately several hundred yards from one another. EFD Chief Schaeffer informed me that fire department personnel and boats from the towns of Edgartown, Oak Bluffs (dive team), West Tisbury (dive team), and Tisbury were currently being deployed in the pond, and that a U.S. Coast Guard helicopter was en route to the scene. I offered all the assets and capabilities of the Massachusetts State Police to EFD Chief Schaeffer and EPD Sgt. Bishop, who requested MSP Airwing respond to the scene to assist. Also present on scene at the ICP was US Secret Service Assistant Special Agent In Charge ([REDACTED] Protective Detail), Special Agent [REDACTED] and Special Agent [REDACTED] (Boston Field Office).

6. At approximately 8:25 PM, I contacted the Massachusetts State Police Troop D Duty Office-Middleboro and spoke with Lieutenant Christian Theodore #3056 and advised him of the incident and requested the MSP Airwing respond to the scene. I was informed a short time later that the MSP Airwing would be en route from the Plymouth MSP Airbase to assist in the search efforts.

7. At approximately 8:40 PM, [REDACTED] [REDACTED]'s motorcade arrived at the ICP and I was introduced to [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. I (Trooper Dustin Shaw), along with EFD Chief Schaeffer briefed [REDACTED] [REDACTED] on the situation thus far, as well as the search and rescue efforts currently underway. A short time later, [REDACTED] arrived at the ICP and I was introduced to her. I observed that [REDACTED] was visibly emotional and was shaking from being cold and wet. I provided [REDACTED] with a jacket to warm up. In a preliminary conversation I had with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED], [REDACTED] informed me that when she initially observed CAMPBELL fall off his paddleboard, began splashing and became extremely panicked, yelling for help and subsequently went underwater very quickly. [REDACTED] stated that she immediately discarded her paddleboard and swam over to CAMPBELL as fast as she could in attempt to rescue him. [REDACTED] explained that by the time she reached CAMPBELL'S paddleboard, she was "too late", and he had disappeared into the extremely murky, very low visibility water. [REDACTED] stated that she then utilized CAMPBELL'S paddleboard and returned to the shore at [REDACTED] to alert the Secret Service and activate emergency help, as neither she, nor CAMPBELL had cellular phones with them at the time of the incident. [REDACTED] stated that she left CAMPBELL'S paddleboard on the shore and ran to the nearest U.S. Secret Service security post and reported the incident to the first USSS Special Agent she saw (Special Agent [REDACTED]).

8. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] informed me that he and [REDACTED], [REDACTED] were not present at their residence ([REDACTED] Edgartown) at the time of the incident and had been out for dinner, therefore, CAMPBELL would not have been working for the evening. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] thanked us for our efforts and departed the ICP a short time later.

9. At approximately 8:58 PM, I (Tpr. Dustin Shaw), along with [REDACTED] boarded a U.S. Secret Service boat, along with US Secret Service Rescue Swimmers; Special Agent [REDACTED] and Special Agent [REDACTED] began responding to the area [REDACTED] identified as her last known location, where she had observed CAMPBELL go underwater, in attempt to locate CAMPBELL. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] identified an area of the Edgartown Great Pond, approximately several hundred yards from the shore at [REDACTED]. This location was shared with personnel at the ICP. I also observed the two paddleboards, as identified by [REDACTED] that she and CAMPBELL had utilized. One of the paddleboards was on the shoreline/grass in front of [REDACTED] (CAMPBELL'S), and the other had washed up on the shore in front of 89 Turkeyland Cove ([REDACTED] [REDACTED]). See attached scene map. I observed both paddleboards to be "SIC Maui Tao Fit" brand, 11' foot x 34", multicolored (white, blue, grey, black, red), rigid, standup style paddleboards. CAMPBELL and [REDACTED] paddleboards appeared to be the same make, model, and size. One paddle appropriately accompanied each of the paddleboards, and neither paddleboard or accompanying paddles appeared to have sustained any damage.

10. At approximately 9:47 PM, several divers from local fire departments entered the water in the immediate area of the location, identified by [REDACTED], and began searching the water with negative results.

11. MSP Airwing (Air 4; Sgt. Gregg Spooner #3514, Tpr. Justin Grigg #3443) and USCG Jayhawk Helicopter (CG 6023) had arrived on scene and began their search efforts from the air. The visibility of the search area had become extremely dark due to the time of night and overall visibility of the pond had extremely diminished, requiring handheld spotlights and overhead helicopter spotlights/FLIR to be utilized in attempt to see into the water.

12. At approximately 10:35 PM, the US Secret Service boat that I was on, transported [REDACTED] back [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] returned to shore at this time.

13. At approximately 11:16 PM, I was transported back to the ICP on the US Secret Service boat, at which time the decision was made by Incident Commander, EFD Chief Schaeffer to suspend the search efforts for the remainder of the night. EFD Chief Schaeffer informed me that the search would resume the following morning (Monday, July 24, 2023) at 5:00 AM. EFD Chief Schaeffer also requested MSP Airwing return to assist with the search. EFD Chief Schaeffer informed me that two fire department dive boats would remain on scene in the Edgartown Great Pond and continue searching for CAMPBELL on a rotating basis throughout the overnight hours.

14. I cleared from the ICP at approximately 11:30 PM.

15. On Monday, July 24, 2023, at approximately 5:00 AM, I returned to the ICP at Wilsons Landing. Upon arrival, I was met by EFD Chief Schaffer and local multiagency fire/dive team members and EMS personnel. I was also met by USSS ASAIC [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] who introduced me to US Secret Service Special Agent in Charge (SAIC) of the Boston Field Office, SAIC Andrew Murphy, and US Secret Service Special Agent in Charge (SAIC) of the [REDACTED] Protection Detail, SAIC Ben Murray. I briefed both SAIC Murray and SAIC Murphy on the situation and search efforts thus far.

16. Arrangements were made for me to conduct an interview of [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] in Edgartown at approximately 8:00 AM.

17. At approximately 7:15 AM, MSP-DIS Major Michael Farley #2352, MSP-DIS Detective Captain Eric Benson #3389, and Cape and Islands SPDU Commander Detective Lieutenant Richard Cosgrove arrived on scene at the ICP and were briefed by me, and EFD Chief Schaeffer on the incident, search, and recovery efforts up to this point.

18. Throughout the morning, local fire department dive team members arrived on scene. Also assisting with the search and recovery was MSP Underwater Recovery Team (Lt. Andrew Popovich #3165, Tpr. Zachary Bolcome #3538, Tpr. Robert MacAleese #3635, and Tpr. Scott Viscardi #3898), MSP Airwing (Air 4; Sgt. Gregg Spooner #3514 and Tpr. Mason Oliveira #4579), Massachusetts Environmental Police, and US Coast Guard Jayhawk Helicopter (CG 6023). I contacted MSP Crime Scene Services Lieutenant Peter Bengston and requested a member of Crime Scene Services respond to the ICP. I was informed that MSP CSSS Trooper Jon O'Loughlin #3677 would be en route to Martha's Vineyard and respond directly to the ICP.

19. At approximately 7:50 AM, I (Tpr. Dustin Shaw), along with Major Farley, Det. Capt. Benson, and DLT Cosgrove departed the ICP at Wilsons Landing, en route to [REDACTED] in Edgartown.

20. At approximately 7:55 AM, we arrived at [REDACTED] accompanied by SAIC Murray and SAIC Murphy. Upon arrival at the residence, we were introduced to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] invited us into his residence, and we were directed into the office of [REDACTED], which was to be utilized to conduct the interview.

21. I began conducting the interview of [REDACTED] at approximately 8:05 AM. Present during the interview was me (Tpr. Dustin Shaw), [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Major Farley, Det. Capt. Benson, DLT Cosgrove, SAIC Murray, SAIC Murphy.

22. [REDACTED] explained that on Sunday, July 23, 2023, she began her day at approximately 8:00 AM, helping CAMPBELL in the kitchen at [REDACTED] in Edgartown. Throughout the day, and into lunch time, [REDACTED] said it was a quiet day, and she was helping CAMPBELL design his Instagram page.

23. ██████████ ██████████ explained to me that he and ██████████ ██████████ were scheduled to attend a dinner at a local restaurant on the evening of Sunday, July 23, 2023, and wouldn't be eating dinner at their residence, therefore, CAMPBELL would have had the evening off.

24. ██████████ explained that at approximately 6:10 PM, on July 23, 2023, she asked CAMPBELL if he wanted to go paddleboarding in Edgartown Great Pond, to which he agreed. At approximately 6:50 PM, ██████████ and CAMPBELL walked from the residence to the shoreline of Edgartown Great Pond and obtained two paddleboards and two paddles from the ██████████ property. ██████████ identified that CAMPBELL was wearing a black baseball hat, black t-shirt, and black workout style shorts. ██████████ stated that he was not wearing any shoes. ██████████ explained that CAMPBELL noticed that there were no leashes attached to either of the boards, however, he felt that they weren't necessary, and continued getting the paddleboards.

25. ██████████ ██████████ explained to me that CAMPBELL was an inexperienced swimmer, and that CAMPBELL had been attempting to teach himself to swim at the pool at the residence over the years. ██████████ also stated that CAMPBELL had told her in the past that he couldn't swim.

26. ██████████ explained that when she and CAMPBELL began paddleboarding, they both remained on their knees while they paddled in Edgartown Great Pond. ██████████ continued to say that at one point, she stood up on the paddleboard, and then saw CAMPBELL attempting to stand up on his board shortly thereafter. ██████████ stated that after approximately 30 seconds of standing, she observed CAMPBELL lose his balance on the board and saw him fall into the water. ██████████ stated that she yelled to CAMPBELL to grab onto the board in front of him, however, she observed quickly begin to panic while yelling for help. ██████████ stated that she left her board and attempted to swim to CAMPBELL to help him, however, she said by the time she reached CAMPBELL'S board it was "too late", and he went under the water. ██████████ stated that once she immediately couldn't locate CAMPBELL above or under the water, she returned to shore at ██████████ using CAMPBELL'S paddleboard, and ran to the nearest Secret Service security post at the residence and yelled for help. ██████████ reiterated that neither she, nor CAMPBELL had their cell phones with them while paddleboarding. ██████████ stated that Secret Service Rescue Swimmers immediately entered the water and were unable to locate CAMPBELL, however, observed his hat floating in the water nearby. ██████████ stated that neither she, nor CAMPBELL consumed any alcohol or drugs prior to paddleboarding.

27. ██████████ recollected that she saw CAMPBELL wearing his Apple Watch when they were paddleboarding and suggested to investigators that it could be used to possibly locate him. SAIC Murray confirmed that option had been explored and revealed CAMPBELL'S Apple Watch was producing an error type signal, as if it were damaged and/or not producing a signal.

28. I concluded the interview by answering any questions that ██████████ and ██████████ ██████████ had as it pertained to the investigation. The interview concluded at approximately 8:27 AM.

29. At approximately 8:32 AM, [REDACTED] agreed to again board a fire boat to assist with the recovery effort in attempt to provide a more precise location as to where she last saw CAMPBELL in the water, now that it was daylight. [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], investigators, and I departed the residence and walked down a long white boardwalk, to the shoreline of [REDACTED], to the edge of Edgartown Great Pond. Once there, a Fire Department boat arrived and picked up [REDACTED], who boarded the boat accompanied by several members of the fire department. [REDACTED], [REDACTED], fellow investigators, Secret Service personnel, and I remained on the shore.

30. [REDACTED] directed the fire boat to a location that she provided, to the best of her recollection as where she saw CAMPBELL go underwater. This location was marked with a buoy. [REDACTED] was transported by boat back to the residence a short time later.

31. MSP Airwing (Air 4; Sgt. Gregg Spooner #3514 and Tpr. Mason Oliveira #4579) and USCG helicopter (CG 6023) had arrived on scene and were overhead conducting search patterns at this time as well.

32. At approximately 8:56 AM, all investigators departed [REDACTED] in Edgartown and returned to the ICP. Upon our arrival back at the ICP, we were informed that the Massachusetts Environmental Police (MEP) had arrived on scene and deployed Side Scan Sonar equipment to the area [REDACTED] identified and were searching that area, which was approximately 100-200 yards from the shore at [REDACTED]

33. At approximately 9:10 AM, I was approached by West Tisbury Fire Department Lieutenant Stephen Serusa, who, while searching for CAMPBELL in Edgartown Great Pond, on board a WTFD boat, he recovered a black, "Under Armour" brand baseball hat that he had observed floating in the marsh area of Turkeyland Cove and provided Lat/Long coordinates: 41° 22'02.9"N/ 70° 32'45.8"W. (See attached scene map). Lieutenant Serusa transferred possession of the hat to me. I observed the hat to be all black, with a silver reflective "Under Armour" logo on the front. The hat was very waterlogged and had small pieces of what appeared to be sand and seaweed throughout. The hat matched the description of CAMPBELL'S (hat) that he was last seen wearing. I took custody of the hat and secured it in a Massachusetts State Police evidence bag. The hat was later confirmed by witnesses to be CAMPBELL'S. Hat submitted as evidence (2023-102-251.1).

34. At approximately 9:45 AM, I was informed that an area of interest had been identified by the MEP Side Scan Sonar, directly in the vicinity of where [REDACTED] identified last observing CAMPBELL. I (Tpr. Dustin Shaw) along with MSP Underwater Recovery Team members Tpr. Bolcome and Tpr. Viscardi boarded a Tisbury Fire skiff and responded to the area identified by MEP.

35. At approximately 9:58 AM, we arrived on location as outlined by MEP. MSP dive team members deployed into the water.

36. At approximately 10:00 AM, within minutes of entering the water, MSP divers recovered the body of a black male, fully submerged in the water at Lat/Long: 41' 21.682N/ 70' 32.968'W (See attached scene map). Divers estimated the water depth to be approximately seven to eight feet deep. I

observed the body of a black male removed from the water and placed onto the deck of the boat. The body showed obvious signs of death to include [REDACTED]. I observed the male to be approximately 6' feet in height and weighed approximately 220 lbs. I observed the male to be wearing a black t-shirt, black workout style shorts, and an Apple Watch on his left wrist, and a wedding band style ring on his left ring finger. The body appeared to be extremely waterlogged and showed signs of [REDACTED]. I observed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] emanating from the mouth and nose areas. I did not observe any signs of injury or trauma to the decedent. I believed this to be the body of CAMPBELL. CAMPBELL'S body was secured in a body bag.

37. At approximately 10:15 AM, I contacted the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) and reported the death to In-Take Specialist Jennifer Forde. IT-Specialist Forde accepted jurisdiction and provided OCME Case# 2023-10316.

38. We transported CAMPBELL'S body back to the ICP at Wilsons Landing and was met by MSP Crime Scene Services Tpr. O'Loughlin. At approximately 10:15 AM myself and DLT Cosgrove rolled CAMPBELL'S body and did not observe any trauma or injuries. Tpr. O'Loughlin took all necessary digital photography of CAMPBELL'S body, overall scene, and paddleboards.

39. At approximately 10:25 AM, US Secret Service Special Agent, ASAIC [REDACTED] made positive identification of the body recovered to be that of CAMPBELL. ASAIC [REDACTED], and other members of the USSS confirmed that CAMPBELL'S [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]), [REDACTED], had been notified of his death, and was en route to Martha's Vineyard.

40. Arrangements were made through the OCME Operations to transport CAMPBELL'S body from the ICP to the US Coast Guard Station Menemsha (Chilmark, MA). From the CG Station Menemsha, travel by USCG vessel to the US Coast Guard Sector Southeastern New England, CG Station Woods Hole, where OCME transport would be waiting to accept CAMPBELL'S body. The decision was made that I would accompany CAMPBELL'S body throughout the entire process until transfer to OCME was complete.

41. The Chapman Funeral Home arrived at the ICP and removed CAMPBELL at the request of the OCME and transported the decedent to the US Coast Guard Station in Menemsha (Chilmark). Upon arrival at Station Menemsha, CAMPBELL'S body was transferred on to US Coast Guard vessel 47236.

42. At approximately 12:26 PM, I boarded US Coast Guard vessel 47236, en route to Sector Southeastern New England-US Coast Guard Station Woods Hole. At approximately 12:56 PM, CG 47236 returned to Station Menemsha to speak with the [REDACTED] who had arrived at the dock. CAMPBELL'S body remained on board CG 47236. I met with CAMPBELL'S [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and other family members and representatives on the CG dock in Menemsha. [REDACTED] explained that CAMPBELL had taken swimming lessons in 2019 that consisted of one lesson a week, for six weeks and described his swimming ability as "not a great swimmer". At approximately

1:33 PM, I reboarded CG 47236 and departed CG Station Menemsha, en route to CG Station Woods Hole, with CAMPBELL'S body onboard, arriving at approximately 2:09 PM.

43. At approximately 2:21 PM, I transferred custody of CAMPBELL'S body to OCME technicians. CAMPBELL'S body was subsequently transported to the OCME-Sandwich Facility where a postmortem examination was to be conducted. I boarded CG 47236, en route back to CG Station Menemsha.

44. At approximately 3:09 PM, I arrived back on Martha's Vineyard, all assets secured.

45. On Tuesday, July 25, 2023, at approximately 9:00 AM, Cape and Islands SPDU Trooper Timothy Shield #4618 traveled to the OCME-Sandwich Facility for the purposes of attending and observing the autopsy of CAMPBELL. See Tpr. Shields attached report (2023-102-251/1). I was informed that a toxicology sample was obtained from CAMPBELL'S body and was submitted for analysis.

46. On July 25, 2023, at approximately 1:08 PM, I submitted a written request to the Dukes County Sheriff's Office-Regional Emergency Communications Center to obtain all audio 911 calls and CAD log notes pertaining to the drowning death of CAMPBELL. Upon receipt of a USB containing the requested audio files, the audio was reviewed by me and the USB drive was subsequently secured into evidence (2023-102-251.2).

47. On Friday, July 28, 2023, at approximately 11:59 AM, I interviewed US Secret Service Special Agent [REDACTED] who made the original 911 call to the Dukes County Regional Emergency Communications Center. SA [REDACTED] informed me that on Sunday, July 23, 2023, at approximately 7:45 PM, he was on duty, working the evening shift, as a Secret Service Special Agent, assigned to the [REDACTED] Protective Detail ([REDACTED]). SA [REDACTED] informed me that he was stationed in the USSS-Command Post at [REDACTED] when he abruptly received the following radio transmission from US Secret Service Special Agent [REDACTED] "Drowning, [REDACTED], [REDACTED]". SA [REDACTED] identified "Tafari" as CAMPBELL, and "[REDACTED]" as [REDACTED].

48. SA [REDACTED] informed me that upon hearing that transmission, he immediately called 911 at 7:46 PM on July 23, 2023, and began speaking with a dispatcher at the Dukes County Sheriff's Office Regional Emergency Communications Center. SA [REDACTED] identified himself and informed the dispatcher of a male drowning at [REDACTED] (See attached DCSO audio files).

49. SA [REDACTED] explained that he observed SA [REDACTED] on the surveillance cameras running toward the water on the backside [REDACTED]. Approximately three (3) minutes later, SA [REDACTED] stated that SA [REDACTED] ran to the USSS-Command Post and obtained the keys to the US Secret Service boat.

50. SA [REDACTED] informed me that he remained at the USSS-Command Post for the duration of the incident and stayed in communication and updated the Dukes County Regional Emergency Communications Center until first responders arrived.

51. I then interviewed US Secret Service Special Agent [REDACTED]. SA [REDACTED] informed me that he is a US Secret Service Special Agent-Rescue Swimmer and EMT. SA [REDACTED] explained that on Sunday, July 23, 2023, he was on duty, working the evening shift, assigned to a security post at [REDACTED], on a two-week temporary assignment on the [REDACTED] Protective Detail (PD). SA [REDACTED] informed me that at approximately 7:45 PM, he observed [REDACTED] run towards his post from a nearby path on the property that accesses Edgartown Great Pond. It should be noted that I am aware of the exact location of this post, however, for the purposes of this report as it pertains to the safety and security of a US Secret Service protectee, I have not included its exact location in the body of this narrative. SA [REDACTED] explained that he observed [REDACTED] to be very frantic, extremely emotional, waving her arms, and yelling "help, help, he drowned, the chef (CAMPBELL) drowned". SA [REDACTED] informed me that [REDACTED] said to him "it's too late he's already drowned". SA [REDACTED] informed me that he notified the USSS Command Post via radio.

52. SA [REDACTED] stated that he then ran down the shore at Edgartown Great Pond along with [REDACTED], entered the water, and began searching for CAMPBELL, however, was unable to locate CAMPBELL in the water. Upon SA [REDACTED] not being able to immediately locate CAMPBELL, he ran to USSS CP and obtained the keys for the US Secret Service boat and directed other Agents to get STAT kit (Medical Bag) and AED. SA [REDACTED] informed me that he, Special Agent [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] boarded the boat and drove to the location that [REDACTED] identified and continued their search for CAMPBELL by boat.

53. SA [REDACTED] also informed me that when he entered the water, he began diving and swimming attempting to locate CAMPBELL, however, was unable to locate him. SA [REDACTED] stated that he observed a black baseball hat floating in the water and confirmed with [REDACTED] that CAMPBELL had been wearing a black baseball hat prior to, and while paddleboarding.

54. SA [REDACTED] stated that he, SA [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] remained on the USSS boat in Edgartown Great Pond searching for CAMPBELL, subsequently picking me up at Wilsons Landing at approximately 9:00 PM to continue with the search and recovery efforts.

55. On Tuesday, August 1, 2023, Cape and Islands SPDU Trooper Shield obtained one envelope from the MSP Crime Lab that contained two MSP-CSSS disks of CSSS Tpr. O'Loughlin's digital photography. Envelope containing disks secured into evidence (Victim/Scene Photos #2023-102-251.3 and Autopsy Photos #2023-102-251.4) Tpr. Shield transferred the envelope to me on Thursday, August 3, 2023.

56. On Friday, August 18, 2023, I (Tpr. Dustin Shaw) was notified that the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) determined that Tafari J. CAMPBELL'S cause of death was a result of a drowning (submersion in a body of water), and the manner of death is accidental, as determined by OCME Dr. Anand Shah. According to Forensic Toxicologist Meaghan Ringel, she noted the presence of the following substances in CAMPBELL'S toxicology report; Caffeine. I obtained the autopsy and toxicology reports, see attached.

57. Upon speaking with OCME Dr. Shah, I was informed that as part of CAMPBELL'S autopsy he observed [REDACTED]. Dr. Shah also explained that [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED], all of which is evident and consistent with drowning. Dr. Shah did not observe any trauma or injuries to CAMPBELL'S body, except for a small, ½ centimeter abrasion on his upper lip.

58. On Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at approximately 4:45 PM, I traveled to [REDACTED] in Edgartown and met with U.S. Secret Service SAIC Ben Murray for the purposes of viewing Secret Service surveillance footage of [REDACTED], Edgartown, from Sunday, July 23, 2023. My attention was drawn to a specific section of surveillance camera footage, beginning at approximately 6:54 PM on Sunday, July 23, 2023, that captures a vantage point of the property of [REDACTED] in Edgartown, that displayed an expansive lawn landscape that consists of a boardwalk, shrubbery, grasses, and the shoreline of Edgartown Great Pond (in the background). It should be noted that I am aware of the exact location of this camera, however, for the purposes of this report as it pertains to the security of a US Secret Service protectee, I have not included its official title or exact location in the body of this narrative.

59. The following is a summary of my observations of the video footage provided to me from this specific vantage point and is not intended to be an exact depiction of the overall entirety of the surveillance footage from [REDACTED]. On Sunday, July 23, 2023, at approximately;

- 6:54 PM; two (2) individuals identified as CAMPBELL and [REDACTED] are observed walking on the boardwalk from the area of the residence, toward the shoreline of Edgartown Great Pond. Both CAMPBELL'S and [REDACTED] appearance and clothing are consistent with prior descriptions. Once near the shoreline, it appears that CAMPBELL and [REDACTED] obtain paddleboards and paddles from a small alcove near the shoreline, and subsequently enter the water.
- 7:40 PM; Secret Service Agent [REDACTED] (Rescue Swimmer) is observed running from his assigned post towards the shoreline of Edgartown Great Pond, utilizing his handheld radio.
- 7:42 PM; Agent [REDACTED] observed running from the shoreline of Edgartown Great Pond, towards the area of the Command Post.

- 7:43 PM; Agent [REDACTED] observed running back to shoreline of Edgartown Great Pond.
- 7:50 PM; USSS boat launches
- 7:57 PM; USSS vehicle/first responder vehicle arrives to the area of the shoreline of Edgartown Great Pond.
- 7:58 PM; First Edgartown Police vehicle arrives to the area of the shoreline.
- 7:59 PM; Second Edgartown Police vehicle arrives to the area of the shoreline.

60. A request has been made to obtain a copy of the above-described video and is pending its release as of the time of this report.

61. Based upon my above outlined investigation, observations, interviews, and review of all logs, audio files, and reports as it pertains to the death of Tafari CAMPBELL, in addition to the autopsy and toxicology results provided to me by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, it is my investigative opinion that the death of Tafari J. CAMPBELL is a result of an accidental drowning in Edgartown Great Pond, and is not criminal in nature, and foul play is not suspected. I respectfully request this case be classified as closed, pending any future information that would warrant it being re-opened.