## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This investigative report pertains to the case conducted by the Tarpon Springs Police Department concerning the death of Shawn McMillan.

On October 3, 2001, Special Agent (SA) John Halliday met with Crime Lab Analyst (CLA) Lynn Ernst. The meeting concerned the examination of the interior of the vehicle belonging to Rita Nordmark. The vehicle was located in the secure garage area in the FDLE Lab.

CLA Ernst will prepare a report concerning her involvement with the processing of the vehicle. CLA Ernst showed SA Halliday the results of her examination. A synopsis of which is described as follows:

She was able to locate several blood drops forming a pattern of high velocity spatter located on the right rear interior window of the vehicle. One drop of blood even contained a small follicle of hair that appeared to be blonde or light brown in color. The blood spatter is consistent with what has been reported as possible back spatter from the entrance wound in the right portion of the victim's head. The spatter was consistent in that the directionality appears to be almost perpendicular to the area of the victim's head area. Additionally, there were two drops of blood noted on the right rear passenger door handle which appear to be dropped blood possibly coming from the victim's head. The directionality appears to be from a source above that door handle.

It should be noted that the hair was collected for evidentiary purposes. The findings of the spatter were visible with the naked eye and tested positive for human blood. Photographs were taken of this spatter area along with other spots that were possible bloodstains and the sight of a burn (possible cigarette) in the right rear passenger's seat of the vehicle.

CLA Ernst advised that she would develop all photographs she took in addition to the photographs that were on the floppy disks (4) turned over to FDLE by Detective Sgt. J. Allen MacKenzie.

Additionally, it should be noted that CSA Ernst was going to overnight mail the victim's clothing to CLS Leroy Parker in the Orlando FDLE Lab. CLS Parker has extensive knowledge and experience in the blood spatter identification field.

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**Description:** 

Consultation with Lab Analyst Lynn Ernst

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It should be noted that the owner had the vehicle allegedly detailed on September 4, 2001 by an unknown detail shop. It should also be noted that the victim's long sleeve shirtsleeves may have been turned inside out when the victim was attended to at Helen Ellis Hospital.

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