

South Carolina Department of Natural Resources



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Record of Interview: Dr. Mark Mercier

Ref: 19-02-0944

Beaufort, SC

On 04/11/19 I met with SCDNR Attorney Craig Jones, Attorney Chilton Simmons and SLED Agent Chandler Horney at the Beaufort Memorial Hospital located at 955 Ribaut Road Beaufort, South Carolina.

The meeting was to interview Dr. Mark Mericer who was the doctor on duty in the ER at Beaufort Memorial Hospital the night of a fatal boating accident in Archers Creek near Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, Beaufort South Carolina. Dr. Mercier stated that he assisted with one of the patients from the boating accident who was admitted to the hospital's ER by the name of Paul Murdaugh. Dr. Mericer stated that he was called into the room of Paul Murdaugh who was, "being unruly and uncooperative" with the medical staff who were trying to help him. Dr. Mericer also stated that as soon as he saw Paul, he could tell that Paul was clearly intoxicated. Dr. Mericer stated that Paul was slurring his speech and unsteady on his feet. Dr. Mercier stated that because of the severity of the boating accident in which Paul Murdaugh had been ejected from the boat and the uncooperative behavior that Paul displayed, he as the doctor classified Paul to be a trauma patient in the ER. Dr. Mercier stated that trauma patient tests was administered on Paul Murdaugh as with all trauma patients, so that the medical staff could evaluate Paul's possible injuries. Dr. Mercier stated that he observed a SCDNR officer in the ER speaking with the patients involved in the boating accident but he did not actually speak with the officer.

Dr. Mercier stated that he observed Connor Cook another one of the patients in the ER involved in the boating accident was classified as a trauma patient. Dr. Mercier observed Connor as having a quieter and more cooperative demeanor during his test and evaluation. Dr. Mercier stated that Connor did not give the medical staff any trouble while they were trying to treat him. Dr. Mercier stated that because of the injuries that Connor suffered to his face and jaw from the boating accident he had to have surgery.

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On April 11, 2019 Special Agent Chandler Horney with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division and Investigator Damian Yongue and Attorney Craig Jones with the South Carolina Department of Resources met at the Administrative office of Beaufort Memorial Health in Beaufort to interview Dr. Mercer, the doctor from the morning of the boat accident, at 2:30 pm. Dr. Mercer stated he could absolutely tell Paul Murdaugh was intoxicated, he was slurring his speech, he would almost fall over anytime he tried to stand, and his general demeanor was that of an intoxicated individual. He stated after 20 years in emergency medicine "you just know". He was brought in to look at Paul only because of how unruly of a patient he was being.

He flipped back through the medical records and informed us that Paul's diluted urine levels can tell you a person is dehydrated, which can happen from intoxication but is not necessarily what that level means. He also stated that Paul was negative for all drugs, despite telling them he had been drinking and had done lots of drugs. The drug test does not screen for everything, but it screens for all major drugs. He also stated Paul was wet and told them he had landed in the water when the boat crashed.

Dr. Mercer told officers that he did not order blood to be taken from Morgan Doughty because she was calm, was acting normal, and admitted to drinking, but was pleasant, additionally he had no worry of there being a deeper injury. He stated you have to be more vigilant with intoxicated people because they may be more seriously hurt and not even know it due to their level of intoxication. He did not engage her about the boating accident details because it was not relevant to the injury.

The Doctor told officers that Connor Cook was nice and not unruly. He stated the reason he had his blood drawn was because he was heading for surgery on his jaw and that intoxication level is necessary before anesthesia can occur.

Dr. Mercer stated the officers at the hospital did not ask for blood to be drawn from any of the individuals, the tests were ordered before officer's even arrived at the hospital.



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On April 11, 2019 Special Agent Chandler Horney with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division and Investigator Damian Yongue and Attorney Craig Jones with the South Carolina Department of Resources met at the Administrative office of Beaufort Memorial Health in Beaufort to interview Physician's Assistant Kristen Callaghan "Strickland", the PA from the morning of the boat accident, at 4:00 pm.

Callaghan stated she was under the impression Paul Murdaugh was driving the boat. When Connor Cook came in with his girlfriend Miley Altman, she went into his room and asked what happened. Miley told her about the accident and Connor nodded in agreement to everything Miley was saying. Miley told her that Paul was driving the boat, that they had been going too fast and she had no time to do anything but scream before they collided with the pylon. Miley also stated that the driver of the boat, as well as Mallory, had been the only two thrown from the boat. Callaghan said Miley seemed very sure of what she was saying, and Connor never corrected any statements she made. Callaghan noticed Connor and Paul's dads speaking in the hallway shortly before Connor's dad came into his room. Connor was speaking to law enforcement at the time and his dad made a signal across his neck like he wanted Connor to stop speaking. She informed us that Connor's blood draw was ordered later than Paul's when it was determined he would need surgery at MUSC and they would need that information.

She went to see Paul after finishing with Connor, he was so unruly and unresponsive to her questions that she had to go get Dr. Mercer to help. Callaghan stated his father and grandfather were in the room when she came in with Dr. Mercer and every time they entered the room, the three occupants got unusually quiet. She stated Paul's father was aware he had blood drawn, and told them to do whatever they had to do. Paul would not tell her anything about the accident. Paul was clearly intoxicated and his "Altered mental status" is what lead to his blood being drawn immediately after being seen in order to make sure there were not more serious injuries that he could not determine due to his level of intoxication. She said this is standard for a trauma patient which Paul was considered to be.

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PA Strickland also stated that a SCDNR LE officer came into the room to speak with Connor about the accident. PA Strickland observed Connor's dad who was standing behind the officer, "give a gesture," to Connor (Not to say anything to the officer). She also observed Connor's dad and Paul's dad talking outside the rooms in the hallway.

PA Strickland then described her interaction and treatment with Paul Murdaugh. PA Strickland stated that from initial contact she could tell that Paul was intoxicated. She stated that Paul was being loud, had slurred speech, unsteady on his feet, and very uncooperative to the medical staff that was trying to help him. PA Strickland stated that Paul was asked if he had been drinking and he stated "Yes, all kinds of alcohol." PA Strickland stated that Paul was also asked about any possible drug use and Paul stated "Yes, all kinds of drugs."

PA Strickland stated that because Paul wasn't cooperating with her, she asked Dr. Mercier's to come into the room where Paul was being evaluated to assist her. PA Strickland stated that when she and Dr. Mercier returned to Paul's room, Paul's father and grandfather were in the room with Paul. PA Strickland explained the possible injuries to the family (Paul's father and grandfather). PA Strickland stated that it was Paul's father and grandfather who calmed him down and told him to cooperate with the medical staff.

After this interaction with Paul, PA Strickland stated that she ordered tests to be run on Paul and that she classified Paul as "Altered Mental Status." PA Strickland stated that Paul was classified as such because of his actions and the degree of the accident whereby he was thrown from the boat. PA Strickland stated that she had test run because Paul could possibly be a patient for internal injuries as a result of the boating accident.

Ms. Strickland stated that she watched Paul's father walking up and down the hallway and that Paul's father appeared, "to be on edge." He was checking the "tracker board" that shows all the patients who were in the ER with their location inside the ER.

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PA Strickland treated some of the patients admitted to the ER from the boating accident. PA Strickland stated that Connor and Miley two of the people who were on the boat were in the same room together when she saw them. PA Strickland also stated she questioned Connor and Miley about the accident so she could learn of any injuries aside from the visible injury to Connor face area. PA Strickland stated that Miley vocally answered the questions she asked, and that Connor shook his head in agreement answering the questions she asked.

PA Strickland stated that Miley told her that they hit a bridge and that Paul was driving the boat. PA Strickland also stated that Miley told her that she and Morgan were in the front of the boat under a blanket. PA Strickland also stated the Miley told her that Connor, Anthony, and Mallory were in the back of the boat. PA Strickland stated that Miley stated that Mallory, Anthony and the operator of the boat were all thrown in the water.

PA Strickland stated that Miley told her that, herself, Morgan, and Connor stayed in the boat after the accident, but that Mallory was missing. PA Strickland stated that Miley admitted that they all had been drinking alcohol. PA Strickland stated that Connor was cooperative and quiet and that he did not show any signs of a concussion or memory loss. PA Strickland ordered tests for Connor because of his mandible fracture requiring surgery and that Connor was transported to MUSC for that procedure.

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Case Number: FA19-190

EVIDENCE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS TRANSFER SHEET

DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS

CD W/ Autopsy Images
Blood Spot

Transferred By: Raven Gervais

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Karen Dennis

(SIGN)

Representing: MUSC Forensic Pathology

Transferred At: MUSC Medical & Forensic Autopsy Section

Date: 3/4/2019

Transferred To: Michael Bock

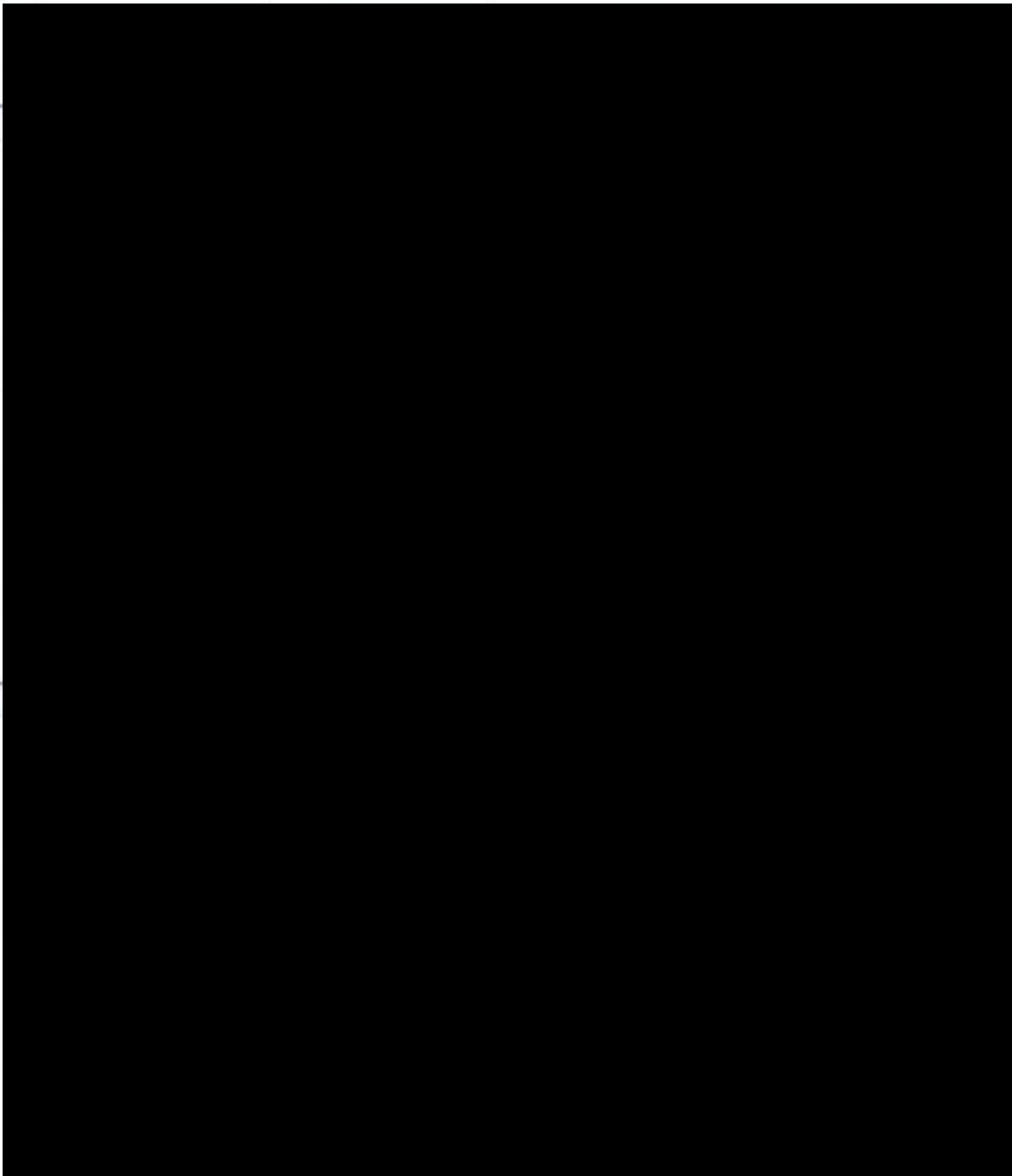
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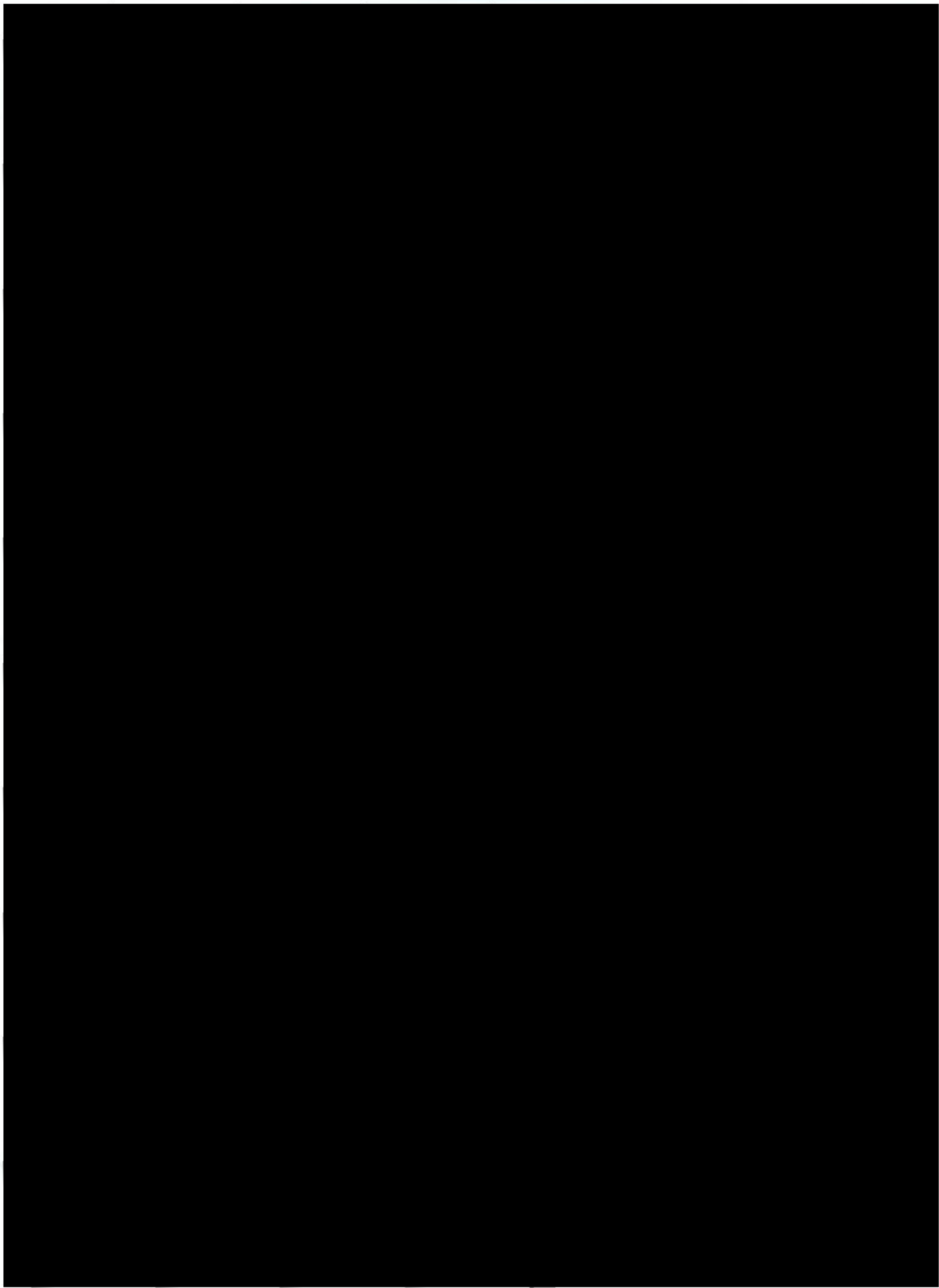
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SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT



DIVER'S NAME: Bradley Miller TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: 4

BODY OF WATER: Archer Creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: 2/28/19 TIME: 7:30 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: 2/28/19 TIME: 11:30 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 16 HRS

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: SCDNR

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: D. Rogers, W. Bowers, E. Gantt, C. Britt, D. Lynch

DIVES MADE: 1 BOTTOM TIME: 1 HR

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/28/2019	1 HR	21FT	1 FT	Mild	75/60	Wet

TOTAL DIVES 1 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 41 = TOTAL LOGGED 42

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 1HR + PREVIOUS TOTAL 55HR = TOTAL LOGGED 56HRS

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Ran search line with Didson looking for victim of a boating accident. No body found



SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES



AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT

DIVER'S NAME: Bradley Miller TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: 4

BODY OF WATER: Archer Creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: 2/24/19 TIME: 9:00 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: 2/24/19 TIME: 11:00 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 14 Hours

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: SCDNR

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: W. Bowers, K. Chavez, J. Davis, D. Lynch

DIVES MADE: 1 BOTTOM TIME: 1 HR

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/24/2019	1 HR	21FT	1 FT	Mild	70/63	Wet

TOTAL DIVES 1 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 40 = TOTAL LOGGED 41

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 1HR + PREVIOUS TOTAL 54HR = TOTAL LOGGED 55HRS

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Ran search line with Didson looking for victim of a boating accident. No body found



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AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT



DIVER'S NAME: CODY BRITT TEAM #: N/A

LOCATION: COUNTY: BEAUFORT DISTRICT: REGION 4

BODY OF WATER: BATTERY CREEK

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Feb 25, 2019 TIME: 0330 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Feb 25, 2019 TIME: 2330 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 20

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: DNR

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: LARRY RODGERS, M. NORRIS, J. HAWKINS, W. BOWERS

DIVES MADE: 1 BOTTOM TIME: 1

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/25/2019	1/DAY	20FT	5	Moderate	72/58	WET

TOTAL DIVES 1 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 0 = TOTAL LOGGED 1

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 1 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 0 = TOTAL LOGGED 1

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

SET UP SEARCH LINE UNDER THE BRIDGE IN CREEK ON BASE SIDE. WORKED LINE FOR W.BOWERS FOR HIM TO RUN DIDSON. I THEN RAN SEARCH LINE UNDER THE BRIDGE. IN PM I RAN AERUS FROM THE BOAT IN THE CREEK ON THE RIVER SIDE OF THE BRIDGE.



SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY
DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT



DIVER'S NAME: CODY BRITT TEAM #: N/A

LOCATION: COUNTY: BEAUFORT DISTRICT: REGION

BODY OF WATER: BATTERY CREEK

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Feb 28, 2019 TIME: 0330 ☒ AM ☐ PM
ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Feb 28, 2019 TIME: 2330 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 20

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: DNR

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: L. ROGERS, B. MILLER, W. BOWERS, J. B. SMITH, E. GANT, D. LYNCH

DIVES MADE: 3 BOTTOM TIME: 3

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/28/2019	5/DAY	10	3FT	Moderate	72/58	WET
2	02/28/2019	5/DAY	10	3FT	Moderate	72/58	WET
3	02/28/2019	5/DAY	10	3FT	Moderate	72/58	WET

TOTAL DIVES 3 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 0 = TOTAL LOGGED 3

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 3 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 0 = TOTAL LOGGED 3

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

SET UP AND RAN SEARCH LINE UNDER THE BRIDGE IN CREEK. RAN AURUS FROM RIVER SIDE TO BRIDGE AND FROM BRIDGE APPROX. 500 YARDS TOWARD LANDING SIDE. OPERATED BOAT ON THE RIVER JUST OUT THE CREEK FOR VISUAL SEARCH.



SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY
DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT



DIVER'S NAME: Daniel Lynch TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: Four

BODY OF WATER: Archers Creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Feb 24, 2019 TIME: 0930 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Feb 24, 2019 TIME: 2100 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 11.5 Hrs

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: DNR Investigations

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☒ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☒ (please describe) Body Recovery

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: Willis Bowers, Kendal Lownsbury, Bradly Miller, Jason Davis

DIVES MADE: 2 BOTTOM TIME: 1.5

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/24/2019	Day	22ft	1ft	Strong	68/58	wet
2	02/24/2019	day	20ft	2ft	slack	68/58	wet

TOTAL DIVES 2 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 7 = TOTAL LOGGED 9

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 1.5 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 7.5 = TOTAL LOGGED 9

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

A key west collided with the bridge that leads to Paris Island over archers creek and ejected multiple passengers, one passenger was never found and we were called to help recover the body.



SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT



DIVER'S NAME: Daniel Lynch TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: Four

BODY OF WATER: Battery Creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Feb 28, 2019 TIME: 0630 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Feb 28, 2019 TIME: 2000 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 13Hrs

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: DNR Investigations

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☒ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☒ (please describe) Body Recovery

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: Dwayne Rodgers, Willis Bowers, Eric Gant, Cody Brit, Bradley Miller

DIVES MADE: 3 BOTTOM TIME: 3

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/28/2019	Day	15ft	2ft	Moderate	68/58	wet
2	02/28/2019	Day	17ft	2ft	Moderate	70/58	wet
3	02/28/2019	Day	15	2ft	Moderate	70/58	wet

TOTAL DIVES 3 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 12 = TOTAL LOGGED 15

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 3 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 13 = TOTAL LOGGED 16

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

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AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT

DIVER'S NAME: Dwayne Rogers TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: 4

BODY OF WATER: Archer Creek and Broad River

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: 2/25/19 TIME: 800 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: 3/3/19 TIME: 330 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 80

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: SCDNR

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: Dwayne Rogers

Willis Bowers, Kendall Chavez, JB Smith, Eric Gantt, Gabriel Gilmore, Ezra Arnold, Matt Owen, Ron Hedden, JC

Hough, Mike Norris, Daniel Lynch, Jason Davis, Jordan Hawkins, Cody Britt, Bradley miller and Preston Garner

DIVES MADE: 0 BOTTOM TIME: 0

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
0							

TOTAL DIVES 0 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 305 = TOTAL LOGGED 305

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 0 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 333 = TOTAL LOGGED 333

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Supervised a dive assignment in Beaufort Co. for a missing boater from a boat accident that occurred in Archer Creek When a boat struck a bridge piling. We made multiple dives during the 8days and used both sonars. We search approx. 2miles of waterway by diving and sonar. The victim was found on the 8th day at approx. 230 PM.



SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY
DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT



DIVER'S NAME: EZRA ARNOLD TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: BEAUFORT DISTRICT: _____

BODY OF WATER: BATTERY CREEK

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Feb 26, 2019 TIME: 7:30 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Feb 26, 2019 TIME: 9:30 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 14

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: ROGERS

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: ROGERS, BOWERS, SMITH, HEDDEN, GARNER, GILMORE, ARNOLD

DIVES MADE: 1 BOTTOM TIME: 1hr

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/26/2019		21	1FT	STRONG	70/58	WET

TOTAL DIVES 1 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 56 = TOTAL LOGGED 57

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 1 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 51HRS = TOTAL LOGGED 52HRS

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

DIVE WITH DIDSON FOR WHITE FEMALE FROM BOATING ACCIDENT. USED DIDSON FROM BOAT TO LOOK FOR VICTIM



SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT



DIVER'S NAME: Gabriel T Gilmore TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: N/A

BODY OF WATER: Archery Creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Mar 1, 2019 TIME: 0330 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Mar 2, 2019 TIME: 2359 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 33.00

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: _____

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: D, Rodgers W, Bowers

Hedden, R

DIVES MADE: 0 BOTTOM TIME: 0

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT

TOTAL DIVES 0 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 96 = TOTAL LOGGED 96

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 0 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 5308 = TOTAL LOGGED 5308

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Bridge at Malecon DR to Paris Island
Dive for missing 19 year old boat accident victim
Ran Didson in Jericho Island area



SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT



DIVER'S NAME: Gabriel T Gilmore TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: _____

BODY OF WATER: Battery Creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Feb 26, 2019 TIME: 0330 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Feb 27, 2019 TIME: 2100 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 16 (day1) + 14 (day2) = 30 total

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: _____

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: D Rodgers, W Bowers, J Smith

DIVES MADE: 3 BOTTOM TIME: 180 mins

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/26/2019	60 min D	17 ft	1 ft	2 knts	50/59	wet
2	02/26/2019	60 min D	17ft	1 ft	6 knts	50/59	wet
3	02/27/2019	60 min D	19ft	1 ft	2 knts	50/59	wet

TOTAL DIVES 3 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 93 = TOTAL LOGGED 96

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 180 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 5128 = TOTAL LOGGED 5308

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Bridge on Malecon Dr to Paris Island
Search for boat accident victim (19 year old girl)
Ran Didson on search line plus on boat with spot checks



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AQUATIC INVESTIGATIONS AND RECOVERY
DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT



DIVER'S NAME: Davis, Jason S TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY Bamberg DISTRICT _____

BODY OF WATER: Battle creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED 1000 2-24-19 TIME 1000 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED 2-24-19 TIME 08:30 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS _____

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: SCDNR

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID ☐ BOAT ACCID ☒ EVIDENCE ☒ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: Willis Bowers

Kendall Lowinsbury, Daniel Lynch, Bradley Miller

DIVES MADE: 2 BOTTOM TIME: 2 HRS

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM-D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP A / W	EXP SUIT
1	2-24-19	1.0hr	20ft	2ft	mod-high	61°f	wet
2	2-24-19	1.0hr	20ft	2ft	mod-high	61°f	wet

TOTAL DIVES 2 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 0 = TOTAL LOGGED 2

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 2hrs + PREVIOUS TOTAL _____ = TOTAL LOGGED _____

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Search for missing person in Battle creek



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DIVER'S NAME: Judson Smith TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: _____

BODY OF WATER: Archer Creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: 2-26-19 TIME: 0500 ☐ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: 2-28-19 TIME: 2000 ☐ AM ☐ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 42

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: Dwayne Rogers

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: Dwayne Rogers, Willis Bowers

Mike Norris, JC Hough, Ron Heddon, Gabriel Gilmore, Daniel Lynch, Cody Britt, Preston Garner, Ezra Arnold,

Bradley Miller,

DIVES MADE: 2 BOTTOM TIME: 2hrs

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02-26	D	20ft	1.5ft	Y	68/58	Wet
2	02-27	D	20ft	1.5ft	Y	68/58	Wet

TOTAL DIVES 2 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 74 = TOTAL LOGGED 76

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 2hrs + PREVIOUS TOTAL 66hrs = TOTAL LOGGED 68hrs

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Search river with sonar. Utilize Marine Resource Division tow fish to clear entire length of Archers creek.



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DIVER'S NAME: Jordan Hawkins TEAM #: N/A

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: Region 3

BODY OF WATER: Archers Creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: 2019-02-25 TIME: 4:30 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: 2019-02-26 TIME: 9:00 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 16.5

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: SCDNR

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: D.Rodgers, W.Bowers, M. Owen, M. Norris, C.Britt, J. Hawkins

DIVES MADE: 2 BOTTOM TIME: 3 HRS

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/25/2019	Day	16ft	0	Moderate	70/58	Wet
2	02/25/2019	Day	20ft	0	Moderate	70/58	Wet

TOTAL DIVES 2 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 5 = TOTAL LOGGED 7

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 3 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 4 = TOTAL LOGGED 7

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Search for missing 19 y/o white female who was missing after a boat accident on 02/24/2019 at approximately 0230 hrs in Archers Creek. Searched on the south side of the bridge that enters into Parris Island. I searched in between the pilings of the bridge. Visibility was 0, it was difficult to read gauges. The bridge area was searched using jack stays. The bottom was muddy with rocks in the center of the bridge. Also, dive team members used the Didson and Aires to perform a surface area search. We were unable to locate the body.



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DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORT

DIVER'S NAME: C. Kendall Chavez TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: _____

BODY OF WATER: Battery Creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Feb 24, 2019 TIME: 9:00 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Feb 24, 2019 TIME: 12:00 ☒ AM ☐ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 15:00

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: SCDNR

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: K. Chavez

W. Bowers, D. Lynch, J. Davis, B. Miller

DIVES MADE: 0 BOTTOM TIME: 0

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM-D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT

TOTAL DIVES 0 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 156 = TOTAL LOGGED 156

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 0 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 141:30 = TOTAL LOGGED 141:30

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Divers conducted jack stays above the bridge to below the bridge, as well as several searches of the area using the Didson Sonar. No recovery made.



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DIVER'S NAME: G. M. Norris II TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: beaufort DISTRICT: 4

BODY OF WATER: Battle creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Feb 25, 2019 TIME: 430 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Feb 25, 2019 TIME: 1100 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 18.5

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: D Rodgers

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☐ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: D Rodgers

M. Norris, J. Hawkins, C. Britt, W. Bowers, M. Owen

DIVES MADE: 2 BOTTOM TIME: 2

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/25/2019	D	24	1	MOD	75/59	WET
2	02/25/2019	D	1	1	MOD	75/59	WET

TOTAL DIVES 2 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 45 = TOTAL LOGGED 47

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 2 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 61 = TOTAL LOGGED 63

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Battle creek Beaufort searched for missing 19 WF involved in a boat accident at main gate of Parris Island. Search line search of area west of bridge with Didson. Surface Search of area west of first location with Didson and Aries sonar.



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DIVER'S NAME: G. M. Norris II TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: beaufort DISTRICT: 4

BODY OF WATER: Battle creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Feb 27, 2019 TIME: 430 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Feb 27, 2019 TIME: 1000 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 17.5

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: D Rodgers

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☐ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: W. Bowers

M. Norris, J. Hough, G. Gilmore, R. Hedden, J. Smith

DIVES MADE: 1 BOTTOM TIME: 1

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM-D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	02/27/2019	D	24	1	MOD	75/59	WET

TOTAL DIVES 1 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 47 = TOTAL LOGGED 48

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 1 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 63 = TOTAL LOGGED 64

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Battle creek Beaufort searched for missing 19 WF involved in a boat accident at main gate of Parris Island. Search line search of area east and west of bridge with Didson. Surface Search of area with Didson and Aries sonar.



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DIVER'S NAME: Ron Hedden (9) TEAM #: N/ALOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort County DISTRICT: N/ABODY OF WATER: Battery CreekDATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: 2-26-2019 TIME: 02:30 ☒ AM ☐ PMASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: 2-27-2019 TIME: 22:00 ☐ AM ☒ PMTOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 17 (Day#1) + 15 (Day#2) = 32

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: _____

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: D. Rodgers, W. Bowers, J.B. Smith, G. GilmoreDIVES MADE: 3 BOTTOM TIME: 210 mins.

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	2-26-19	60 min D	21 FT	1 ft	2 knt	50 / 58	Wet
2	2-26-19	60 min D	26 Ft	1 ft	6 knt	50 / 58	Wet
3	2-27-19	90 min D	24 FT	1 ft	2 knt	50 / 59	Wet

TOTAL DIVES 3 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 9 = TOTAL LOGGED 12TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 210 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 926 = TOTAL LOGGED 1,136

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Battery Creek Bridge on Paris Island Marine Corp. Base searching for a 19 year old victim of a boating accident. I worked three visual searches on search lines plus I worked with the Ditson and Aris from the boats for several hours scanning the area of Battery Creek up & down stream of the bridge.



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DIVER'S NAME: Ron L Hedden (9) TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: N/A

BODY OF WATER: Archery Creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: Mar 1, 2019 TIME: 0230 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: Mar 2, 2019 TIME: 2359 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 34.00

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: _____

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: D, Rodgers W, Bowers

Gilmore GT

DIVES MADE: 1 BOTTOM TIME: 90 min

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	03/01/2019	90 min D	10 FT	0	6 knts	65 / 59	wet

TOTAL DIVES 1 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 12 = TOTAL LOGGED 13

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 90 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 1136 = TOTAL LOGGED 1226

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Bridge at Malecon DR to Paris Island
Dive for missing 19 year old boat accident victim
Ran Didson in Jericho Island area



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DIVE ASSIGNMENT REPORTDIVER'S NAME: Ron Hedden (10) TEAM #: N/ALOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: N/ABODY OF WATER: Battery CreekDATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: 3/01/2019 TIME: 02:30 ☒ AM ☒ PMASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: 3/02/2019 TIME: 23:59 ☐ AM ☒ PMTOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 34 Hrs

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: _____

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐OTHER ☒ (please describe) _____DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: D. Rogers, W. Bowers, Gab Gilmore,DIVES MADE: 1 BOTTOM TIME: 90 mins

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM-D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	3-01-2019	90 mins D	10 ft	0	6 Knts	65 / 59	Wet

TOTAL DIVES 1 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 12 = TOTAL LOGGED 13TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 90 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 1136 = TOTAL LOGGED 1,226

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Bridge at Malecon Dr to Paris Island
Dive for missing 19 year old boat accident victim
Ran Didson in Jericho Island Creek Area



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DIVER'S NAME: Willis Bowers TEAM #: _____

LOCATION: COUNTY: Beaufort DISTRICT: _____

BODY OF WATER: Archer creek

DATE: ASSIGNMENT COMMENCED: 2-24-19 TIME: 8:00 ☒ AM ☐ PM

ASSIGNMENT CONCLUDED: 3-2-19 TIME: 10:00 ☐ AM ☒ PM

TOTAL ASSIGNMENT HOURS: 98

ASSIGNMENT REQUESTED BY: Beaufort County

ASSIGNMENT PURPOSE: SWIM ACCID. ☐ BOAT ACCID. ☒ EVIDENCE ☐ TRAINING ☐

OTHER ☐ (please describe) _____

DIVERS ON SITE: D/S SUPERVISOR: All Divers on various days

DIVES MADE: 5 BOTTOM TIME: 5

DIVE #	DATE	BOTTOM--D / N	DEPTH	VIS.	CURRENT	TEMP: A / W	EXP. SUIT
1	2-24-19	D	25	0	Swift	75/59	wet
2	2-24-19	D	25	0	Swift	75/50	wet
3	2-24-19	D	25	0	Swift	75/59	wet
4	2-25-19	D	25	0	Swift	80/59	wet
5	2-25-19	D	25	0	Swift	80/59	wet

TOTAL DIVES 5 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 100 = TOTAL LOGGED 105

TOTAL BOTTOM TIME 5 + PREVIOUS TOTAL 103 = TOTAL LOGGED 108

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AND RESULT:

Responded to boating incident with one person missing in Archer creek. Covered under bridge and throughout archers creek with jack stays and sonar. Used side scan imaging through marine biologist division. body was located eight days after incident floating above broad river landing.