

Name: KIMBERLY MARION WALKER Case Number: #14-00474	POST MORTEM EXAMINATION REPORT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER STATE OF MARYLAND	PAGE 1
--	---	-----------

A partial autopsy was performed on the body of KIMBERLY MARION WALKER at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner for the State of Maryland on the 15th day of January 2014.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

The body was that of a well-developed, well-nourished, African American female clad in a thin black sweater, pink bra, grey sweatpants, grey underwear, black socks, and black boots with a grey wool lining. The body weighed 202 pounds, was 5'10" in height and appeared compatible with the reported age of 36 years. The body was cold. Rigor was present to an equal degree in all extremities. Lividity was present and fixed on the posterior surface of the body, except in areas exposed to pressure. Injuries are described below (see "Evidence of Injury"). The scalp hair was short, black, and curly. The irides were brown. The corneae were clear. The conjunctivae were tan. The sclerae were white; there was drying artifact of the medial right sclera. The external auditory canals, external nares and oral cavity were free of foreign material and abnormal secretions. The earlobes were pierced. The nasal skeleton was palpably intact. The lips were without evident injury. The teeth were natural and in good condition. Examination of the neck revealed no evidence of injury. A 1/8" area of hyperpigmented skin was on the left lower chest. No injury of the ribs or sternum was evident externally. The abdomen was soft. Dried blood was on the hands. The fingernails were intact. A 1 x 1/4" area of patchy hypopigmented skin was on the anterior aspect of the mid right thigh. A 2 x 3/4" geographic area of purple-maroon skin discoloration was on the medial aspect of the proximal left thigh. Three scars (1/8" to 1/4") were on the left knee. Tattoos were noted on the lateral left arm, lateral left hip, left upper back, and midline of the lower back. The external genitalia were those of a normal adult female. Other than the presence of tattoos, the posterior torso was without note.

EVIDENCE OF THERAPY

EKG pads were on the chest and abdomen.

THIS IS A CERTIFIED COPY
OF RECORDS OF THE
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER
STATE OF MARYLAND
DATE 5/13/14 mg

Name: KIMBERLY MARION WALKER

Case Number: #14-00474

POST MORTEM EXAMINATION REPORT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER
STATE OF MARYLAND

PAGE

2

EVIDENCE OF INJURY

I. CONTACT GUNSHOT WOUND OF THE HEAD:

A gunshot entrance wound was on the right temple, located 5" below the top of the head and 4" right of the anterior midline. The defect measured 5/8" after reapproximation. Extending from the defect margins were multiple stellate lacerations ranging in length from 1/16" to 1/4". A 1/16" dried abrasion collar was present. Soot deposition was identified on the soft tissue margins of the entrance wound as well as on the outer table of the bone surrounding the entrance wound through the skull. No gunpowder stippling was identified on the skin surrounding the entrance wound. The wound path was through the skin and soft tissues of the right temple, junction of the right temporal and frontal bones of the skull, dura mater, lateral aspect of the right temporal and frontal lobes of the brain (at the Sylvian fissure), inferior aspect of the bilateral frontal lobes and inferior tip of the left temporal lobe. A small jacket fragment was recovered from the soft tissues of the left temple (in the area of the entrance wound). One deformed, separated bullet core and jacket, as well as one small jacket fragment were recovered from the left side of the cranial cavity in the area of the lateral left frontal and temporal lobes. The fragments and separated bullet were secured in labeled evidence envelopes. The wound path was directed right to left and slightly front to back. Additional injuries included fractures of the right orbital bones (with a caving-in effect of the right eye), comminuted fractures of the mid portion of the anterior cranial fossa (including the cribriform plate and extending posteriorly to include the sella turcica with injury to the pituitary gland), a hinge fracture of the cranial base (extending from the entrance wound involving the junction of the right frontal and temporal bones, through the sella turcica, and along the posterior aspect of the left middle cranial fossa), subarachnoid hemorrhage (more pronounced overlying the lateral left frontal and temporal lobes, and the lateral right frontal, parietal, and temporal lobes, grey matter contusions of the inferior right temporal lobe, white matter contusions of the right side of the pons, and hemorrhage along the wound path.

II. ADDITIONAL INJURIES:

A 1/2" grey contusion was on the lateral aspect of the distal right arm. Two grey contusions (1/4" and 1 x 1/2") were on the antero-lateral aspect of the distal left leg.

Name: KIMBERLY MARION WALKER Case Number: #14-00474	POST MORTEM EXAMINATION REPORT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER STATE OF MARYLAND	PAGE 3
--	---	-----------

INTERNAL EXAMINATION:

HEAD: (CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM)

See "Evidence of Injury". The scalp was reflected. The calvarium of the skull was removed. The leptomeninges were thin and delicate. The cerebral hemispheres were symmetrical. Coronal sections through the cerebral hemispheres and transverse sections through the brain stem and cerebellum revealed no non-traumatic lesions. The brain weighed 1270 grams.

Name: KIMBERLY MARION WALKER Case Number: #14-00474	POST MORTEM EXAMINATION REPORT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER STATE OF MARYLAND	PAGE 4
--	---	-----------

PATHOLOGIC DIAGNOSES

- I. CONTACT GUNSHOT WOUND OF THE HEAD:
- A. Entrance: right temple; soot deposition in the soft tissue and bony margins
 - B. Injury to: skin, soft tissues, skull, and brain
 - C. Recovered: one jacket fragment from the soft tissues of the entrance wound; one deformed separated bullet core and jacket and one jacket fragment from the left cranial cavity (between the brain and skull)
 - D. Direction: right to left and slightly front to back
 - E. Associated injuries: right orbital bone fractures, fractures of the cranial base (including a hinge fracture), subarachnoid hemorrhage, contusions of the pons and right temporal lobe, and hemorrhage along the wound path

DO NOT DUPLICATE

OPINION:

This 36 year old, African American female, KIMBERLY MARION WALKER, died of a CONTACT GUNSHOT WOUND OF THE HEAD. Investigation is consistent with a self-inflicted injury. The manner of death is SUICIDE. Postmortem toxicology testing for alcohol was negative. Postmortem toxicology testing for drugs was negative.



Donna M. Vincenti, M.D.
Assistant Medical Examiner

David R. Fowler, M.D.
Chief Medical Examiner

Date signed: 0-21-14

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL
EXAMINER
STATE OF MARYLAND
900 W. BALTIMORE STREET
BALTIMORE, MD 21223

TOXICOLOGY

REPORT OF FINDINGS

Case # **14-00474** Lab # **14-0216**
Deceased Name **Walker, Kimberly Marion**
If Previous Unknown
Medical Examiner **Donna M. Vincenti, M.D.**
Autopsied by **Donna M. Vincenti, M.D.**
Jurisdiction **Prince George's**

Specimen Submitted	Test	Results
Blood Heart	Volatiles	Ethanol Negative
Blood Heart	Drug Test (comprehensive)	Negative

14-00474

DO NOT DUPLICATE

Toxicologist



Medical Examiner

