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## OFFICERS FORMAL REPORT

Case#: 467819

rpt date: 10/07/12 20:17

reported: SUNDAY 10/07/12 20:15

ucr: 150 SUSP ACTIVITY-PERSONS

location: 70 EAST ST

follow up by: (D) ETECTIVE BUREAU

case status: OPEN

officer:

rpt status: COMPLETED

review officer: 13 SGT PHILLIPS

comp/vict notify: No cir/involve type:

sup review officer:

complaint: WALK IN REPTS SUS ACTIVITY

reporting officer: 250 OFF QUINLAN

assignment: C

car: P134

second officer:

sup/back-up:

\*\*\* NAMES \*\*\*

type mast# name/add 

phone

dob

INVOLVED( 147431 BOUSQUET, HELEN

14 M ST HAMPTON NH 03842

REPORTING 147432 EVANS, BRIAN K

382 COMMONWEALTH AV apt: 55 BOSTON MA 0

## \*\*\* NARRATIVE \*\*\*

On Sunday October 7, 2012, I spoke with Brian Evans at the Methuen Police station who was alleging that his mother, Helen Bousquet (DOB died last week as a result of negligence at the Holy Family Hospital. Evans stated that his mother had gone to the Holy Family last Tuesday October 2, 2012 for a scheduled knee replacement surgery, to be performed by Dr. Ronald Marvin, an orthopedic surgeon on staff at the hospital. The surgery was to begin at approximately 0800 or 0900 hours on that day and lasted two hours and ten minutes, according to Evans. Following what appeared to be a successful surgery and initial recovery, Evans related that Bousquet was moved to an inpatient room for observation and rehabilitation and was not on a heart monitor and was not provided a sleep apnea machine, which Bousquet needs. Evans related that her sleep apnea condition and the medications she takes for her heart condition were known to the hospital and were part of her file.

Evans stated that he had a cold the day of the surgery and the nursing staff advised against him visiting Bousquet while she was in the hospital until his illness cleared up. Because of this, Evans only spoke with Bousquet over the telephone periodically on Tuesday and Wednesday. He said she had been joking about felling "loopy" due to pain medications she was taking, but other than normal discomfort post-surgery and the desire to get released from the hospital, she felt ok and felt nothing out of the ordinary.

Evans received a phone call from the hospital at 2100 hours on Wednesday October 3 in which he was told Bousquet had gone into respiratory failure and was moved to ICU. He immediately went to the hospital and after speaking with an ICU nurse (name unknown) learned that Bousquet was found not breathing in her bed at 2100 hours and was last checked at 2000 hours, at which time she appeared to be fine. He stated the nurse told him Bousquet had stopped breathing sometime during that hour but was unsure when as her lungs filled up with fluid. It was at this time, Evans stated he learned Bousquet had not been on a constant heart monitor and was not provided a sleep apnea machine despite being on morphine, which caused an irregular sleeping schedule. He also said that Bousquet was sleeping flat on her back when she was supposed to be partially sitting up to sleep.

He asked the ICU doctor (name unknown) why this was even with her past medical conditions being known and her being overweight. He stated the doctor told him he did not know why she was not being monitored and that she should have been. Evans stayed with Bousquet in ICU overnight and on Thursday spoke with Dr. Marvin, the knee surgeon and asked him why she wasn't being monitored in her room. He was again told by Dr. Marvin that he did not know and that she should have been, given her medical history.

At some point early Friday morning, Bousquet coded in the ICU and resuscitation was attempted by hospital staff. These attempts were ultimately unsuccessful and Bousquet was pronounced deceased at 0315 hours on Friday October 5, 2012, according to Evans. Evans related that he was in the room while staff was working on Bousquet and he asked a "Boston doctor who was there observing" what happened and why his mother was not monitored and he allegedly told him, she should have been.

Evans told me that he refused to allow an autopsy to determine a cause of death and Bousquet "was probably already cremated by now."

The details of this were related to Sgt. Phillips. Sgt. Phillips spoke with Det. Sgt. Himmer who advised that CID would follow up on this with the DA office to determine a course of action. A copy of this report will be forwarded to CID.CID INVESTIGATION