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CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
POLICE DEPARTMENT

DR# 93-0246

Sexual Assault Investigation
Subject

Division
Reporting Investigations Arrestee N/A

Date/Time of
Occurrence 1/18/93 approximately ID# _____
2100 hours

LOCATION: Clark High School
4291 Pennwood
Las Vegas, NV 89102
West side of school

SUSPECT: Black male adult
Approximately 6', 180 lbs.,
25 to 30 years old, wearing white
sweat pants, dark blue sweat shirt,
black beanie hat, and a Latin accent

VICTIM: Zold, Tami Lynn
White female juvenile
DOB: 11/11/76
5'3", 115 lbs, blond hair, blue eyes
ADDRESS: 4264 Silver Dollar #8
Las Vegas, NV 89102
PHONE: 227-0496

WITNESS: Vaughan, Angela
White female juvenile
DOB: 1/15/77
ADDRESS: 3150 S. Decatur, Apt. 291
Las Vegas, NV 89102
Witness living with victim

Date/Time of
Report 2/3/93, 0930 hours Officer R. Schell Per.No #143

Reporting Officer's Signature R. Schell #143 02-24-93
(Date)

Supervisor's Approval H. Horn 03-09-93
(Date)

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PERSON(S) CONTACTED #1: Schmidt, Dianne
White female adult
DOB: 12/15/51
5'5", 115 lbs., brown hair, brown eyes
ADDRESS: 4264 Silver Dollar #8
Las Vegas, NV 89102
PHONE: 227-0496

#2: Rivera, Damin
5'11", 165 lbs., black hair, brown
eyes
DOB: 11/30/74
ADDRESS: 4337 Silver Dollar #1
Las Vegas, NV 89102
PHONE: 364-8172

OFFICER(S) INVOLVED #1: R. Schell, P#143
CCSDPD Officer

#2: Detective F. Galey, P#2383
LVMPD

#3: Detective P. Bingham, P#3098
LVMPD

#4: Detective K. Petronek
LVMPD Sexual Assault Unit

DETAILS:

On 01/19/93, I was informed by Metro Sexual Assault Unit, Detective Kerry Petronek and Sgt. Lou Pascoe, that a sexual assault had taken place on the grounds of Clark High School, Monday, January 18, 1993, about 2100 hours. Being that the incident occurred on school property, they were turning the case over to School Police. Metro's officers, Detective P. Bingham, P#3098, and Detective F. Galey, P#2383, took the initial report, DR# 93-0118-1767, at University Medical Center. A copy of the incident report, medical information from UMC, and a property report are attached. The case was turned over to me to follow-up with the assistance of Metro's Sexual Assault Detective, Kerry Petronek. 21:00

On 01/19/93, I was informed by Det. Kerry Petronek that a B.M.A. fitting the description of the suspect was seen near the victim's apartment by the manager. He was acting suspiciously so she called Metro. Metro responded, field interviewed, and released. He was identified as Downing, Michael Anthony.

On Thursday, 01/21/93, at about 0813 hours, I met with the victim's mother, Dianne Schmidt, at her residence, 4337 Silver Dollar Avenue #8, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102. At this time I picked up the victim's clothing she wore during the assault. The clothing was in a plastic bag tied at the top. The clothing consisted of a pair of black pants, black suede

shoes (right shoe lace missing), and a pair of white socks. The clothing was taken to Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Criminalistics Bureau, 6765 w. Charleston Boulevard, to be placed in their drying room.

On Friday, 01/22/93, at about 1100 hours, Detective Kerry Petronek and I interviewed the victim, Tami Lynn Zold; witness, Angela Vaughan; and victim's mother, Dianne Schmidt, at Metro's Sexual Assault Unit, 415 S. 6th #102, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89101. Victim and witness statements were taped.

The victim, Tami, told us that she and her girlfriends, Tera and Angela, had left her residence at about 8:30 p.m. hours to walk Tera home. She said it took approximately 20 minutes to walk her home. Tami said that when they reached Tera's apartment at Shadow Ridge Apartments, a black male adult they didn't know, approached them and asked them if they had boyfriends. He then asked if they wanted a ride. When they told him no, he drove into the apartments' parking lot and did not make contact with them again. She stated that he was not the suspect. After the man left, Tera went into her apartment, and Tami and Angela began walking home.

Tami and Angela were walking northbound through the parking lot of Clark High School on the west side of the school when they saw the suspect walking fast southbound towards them. Angela made a comment to Tami that he looked scary. Tami said she thought because he was walking fast and had jogging pants on, that he was just walking and did not feel he was a threat.

When the suspect reached them, he grabbed them both by their arms walking them in front of him and told them not to look at him. He then took them to a secluded area next to the school building behind some bushes and told both of them to get down on their stomachs and not to move or he would kill them. The suspect put their coats up over their heads so they couldn't see, then took Tami's shoe lace out of her right shoe and tied her wrists together up above her head. The suspect asked, "Which one of you know Damin?" They said, "We both do." He then asked what their relationship was with him. They told him, "Just friends." He then took Tami's shoes, pants, and underpants off. Tami stated that she said something to him; she couldn't remember what. He told her to shut up, and hit her in the middle of her back. She said that his voice sounded like he was trying to disguise it. It was very low, and he had a Latin accent. The suspect then rolled her over on her back, began kissing her breasts, performed oral sex on her for about ten minutes then had penile vaginal intercourse with her against her will. Tami said that he did ejaculate inside her.

After the suspect was finished, he walked Tami about six to ten feet from where he had assaulted her to where there was rain water running from a drainpipe. She said that he took approximately ten minutes using the rain water to wash her vaginal area inside and out using his fingers. During this time, the suspect told her that he had nothing against her, but that was what she gets from hanging around Mexicans because Damin raped his sister. Suspect then took Tami back to where Angela was lying, put her underpants and pants back on her, and told them to lie back down on their stomachs and not to get up until they counted to a hundred then they could leave. He then took off. 10 min

After counting, Tami sat up and asked Angela if she was done counting. She then, without untying her shoe lace, slipped her hands out of it, put her shoes on, leaving the shoe lace. They hugged each other and cried for a short time as Tami told Angela what he had done to her. Afterwards they walked back to where they lived at 4264 Silver Dollar, Apt. #8. At first Tami told her mother that she had been in a fight, then later told her that she had been raped.

Tami's mother immediately took them to UMC where Metro was called by one of the nurses. Tami described the suspect as a B.M.A. with a Latin accent wearing white jogging pants, dark blue sweat shirt, dark blue or black beanie hat.

We then interviewed Angela who told us basically the same story except that she could not see anything because her head was covered, but she thought she knew what was happening to Tami because she heard Tami say, "Owah." She said she was unable to hear all of their conversation because of her head being covered; and when he walked Tami away from where she was lying, she could not hear any of the conversation.

We then spoke with Tami's mother, Dianne Schmidt. She stated that she believed the girls were telling the truth because of their physical and mental appearance when they got home. They were both wet and muddy, and both girls were very upset. She said that Tami looked like she had been crying. Mrs. Schmidt also made the comment that Tami had been after her for quite some time to move, that they were in a bad neighborhood.

On 01/22/93, a lab request was ordered for the sexual assault kit and clothing. Also a photo lab request form for photos of victim and crime scene was submitted. Lab results and photos are attached.

On 01/25/93, at about 1200 hours, Detective Petronek and I interviewed Damin Rivera at Clark High School. Damin stated that he was just friends with both Tami and Angela and that he knew of the incident because Tami had called him right after it happened. She told him that the suspect had told her he was going to kill him. Damin said he didn't know who the suspect could be nor did he know what he meant by telling Tami that he had raped his sister.

On 01/26/93, at about 1430 hours, I picked up the victim's clothing from Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Criminalistics Bureau. Clothing submitted for lab request.

On 01/28/93, at about 1400 hours, Detective J. Fox, P#469, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, and I conducted a photo lineup at Metro Sexual Assault Unit. Angela and Tami were unable to identify any of the six photos as being the suspect. Photo #2: Downing, Michael Anthony, who was seen by the manager of the victim's apartment on 01/19/93, was identified as looking similar to the suspect. (See attached results.)

No further information or leads at this time.