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Port St Lucie Police Department

Incident Offense

Case Number: 19983⁹ 02-0218

Incident Type ACA	Date 2-5-99	Time Received 1656	Time Arrived 1707	Time Cleared 1823	Zone & Sector 8-10
Location Of Incident 114 SW HAWTHORNE CIR PORT ST LUCIE		Date and Time Occurred 2-5-99 / 1656			

V: VICTIM/ W: WITNESS/ C: COMPLAINANT/ O: OTHER

Code C	WIF	DOB	Address	Phone
	STACEY SHARPE		337 NORTH 4TH ST FT PIERCE FL 34950	467-3780
Code W		DOB	Address	Phone
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Suspect #1

JUDITH LEEKEN
Address: 114 SW HAWTHORNE CIR

DOB: 4-25-45

Sex: W Race: F Ht: 5'8" Wt: 170

Clothing: [REDACTED]

Suspect #2

[REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

Sex: [REDACTED] Race: [REDACTED] Ht: [REDACTED] Wt: [REDACTED]

Clothing: [REDACTED]

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Narrative

I RESPONDED TO 114 SW HAWTHORNE CIRCLE TO MEET WITH CHILDREN & FAMILIES INVESTIGATOR STACEY SHARPE WHO IS INVESTIGATING A POSSIBLE CHILD ABUSE CASE AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS.

SHARPE HAD RECEIVED COMPLAINTS FROM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] STATING THAT JUDITH LEEKEN HAS AT LEAST 12 CHILDREN THAT SHE ABUSES.

I CONTACTED [REDACTED] BY PHONE AND SHE STATED THAT SHE MET LEEKEN IN THE GROCERY STORE AND BECAME FRIENDS OVER SOME MONTHS. LEEKEN CALLED ON [REDACTED] ONE DAY SAYING THAT SHE WAS HAVING PROBLEMS WITH CLAUDETTE JOHNSON, WHO LIVES WITH HER. LEEKEN ASKED [REDACTED] IF HER KIDS COULD STAY WITH HER UNTIL THE TROUBLE WITH C. JOHNSON PAST, [REDACTED] AGREED.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT LEEKEN BROUGHT 11 CHILDREN TO HER HOME, MOST OF THESE

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ARE MENTALLY OR PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED AND ONLY KNOWN TO HER BY FIRST NAME; [redacted] S YOA, [redacted] 2 YOA, [redacted] 19 YOA, [redacted] 17 YOA, [redacted] 10 YOA, [redacted] 7 YOA, [redacted] 4 YOA, [redacted] 1 YOA. [redacted] CARED FOR THE CHILDREN FOR AROUND A WEEK, STATING THAT [redacted] AND LEEKEN WOULD ONLY BRING BOLONGNA, BREAD AND CHEESE TO FEED THE KIDS. ON ONE OCCASION SHE OBSERVED LEEKEN HIT [redacted] IN THE HEAD WITH AN IRON CAUSING A FAIRLY SOVERE LACERATION WHICH NEVER RECEIVED MEDICAL TREATMENT. [redacted] ALLEGES THAT [redacted] (17 YOA) HAS ALSO ABUSED THESE KIDS. SHE HAS BECOME CONCERNED ABOUT THEM DUE TO FINDING OUT THAT LEEKEN DENIES CARRYING THE KIDS OR EVEN KNOWING OF THEM. [redacted] ALSO STATED THAT SHE KNOWS THAT LEEKEN MOVES THE KIDS FROM HOUSE TO HOUSE AND THAT THEY ALL SLEEP ON THE FLOOR. SHARPE AND I INTERVIEWED LEEKEN AND IN A SWORN TAPED STATEMENT SHE DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF THE CHILDREN IN QUESTION, HAVING NAMES OTHER THAN "JUDITH LEEKEN" OR ANY OTHER SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS. SHARPE WAS GOING TO CONDUCT INTERVIEWS WITH CHILDREN FOUND AT THE HOME DURING THIS CONTACT. (NONE OF WHICH ARE THE CHILDREN IN QUESTION) THE FOLLOWING WERE THE CHILDREN PRESENT: [redacted] BROTHER'S DAUGHTER, [redacted] WHO IS CURRENTLY IN THE MILITARY IN JAPAN. [redacted] AND [redacted] WHICH ALLEGEDLY BELONG TO CLAUDETTE JOHNSON. JOHNSON WAS NOT PRESENT TO INTERVIEW, NOR WAS [redacted]. [redacted] ALSO STATED THAT LEEKEN USES THE LAST NAME "JOHNSON." (10-54 29/49P) SHE COULD NOT BE RUN FOR A DRIVERS LICENSE DUE TO COMPUTERS BEING DOWN. LEEKEN HAS A CURRENT INJUNCTION AGAINST C. JOHNSON BOTH ARE 10-54 49/29P. I SPOKE WITH SGT BECK IN REFERENCE TO THIS REPORT AND WAS ADVISED TO REFER IT TO THE DETECTIVE BUREAU. THE CHILDREN IN QUESTION STILL ^{HAVE} NOT BEEN LOCATED NFI AT THIS TIME.

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FOLLOW UP
PORT ST LUCIE POLICE DEPARTMENT
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

993-02-0218

VICTIM:

[REDACTED]
Port St Lucie, FL

SUSPECT:

Judith Leeken
3245 SW Port St Lucie Blvd
Port St Lucie, FL

WITNESS:

[REDACTED]

WITNESS:

[REDACTED]

OTHER:

[REDACTED]

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This case was assigned on 02-11-99. On this date I ran an auto track on the suspect to locate any other information than what was reported in the original report. The report by Of. Conger said that there were witnesses that said the suspect had at least 12 children in her custody.

In speaking with [REDACTED] she said that she had met Leeken in a grocery store. While in the store the two of them began talking and found out that they had something in common. [REDACTED] told me that they were both from Trinidad. While still in the store, Leeken mentioned to [REDACTED] that she was having problems with another roommate and asked if [REDACTED] would watch her children for her. [REDACTED] told me that Leeken then brought 11 children to her residence. [REDACTED] could only provide the first names of the children to Of. Conger and investigator Sharp when they conducted the first interview. She still only had the first names of the children when I spoke with her. [REDACTED] told me that the children were at her residence for about a week before Leeken took them away. She has no idea where the children were taken. She did say that there was a female that took care of the children named [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] told me that the reason the report was filed was because she saw Leeken hit a male named [REDACTED] in the head with an iron. It was right after this that the children were removed from

her residence. [REDACTED] said that she has not had any contact with Leeken since the children were gone.

I contacted Stacey Sharpe from Childrens and Families and spoke with her about her investigation. In speaking with [REDACTED] she told me that Leeken had worked or lived in NY and NJ. I told Sharpe this information and she said she would contact her organizations in these states to see if Leeken was listed as a caretaker for children, or an employee of these states.

During the interview with Leeken she denied any contact with the children that [REDACTED] was talking about. Leeken said that she only took care of relatives children. These children were [REDACTED]. Another allegation by the complainant was corporal and excessive punishment. These children did not have any marks to indicate any type of punishment was used on them. All said that they were treated well and liked living with Leeken. All of these children advised that they did not know of any other children that Leeken might have been taking care of, nor did they know anyone named [REDACTED].

I remained in contact with Stacey Sharpe and was later advised that she had contacted several agencies in NY and NJ about Leeken. Sharpe advised that she could not find any information that Leeken was a foster parent, or guardian of any kind of children from these states. Sharpe told me that if Leeken was collecting money for taking care of children from these states, she would be registered somewhere. Sharpe also had no information on Leeken from FL either.

Between the dates of 02-17-99 and 04-02-99 I stopped by the residence of Leeken approximately 6 times. This was during the day or late in the afternoon on my way home. At no time during these stops was I able to recontact Leeken. I also drove by the residence without stopping approximately 15 times. These times were at 0730 Hrs. in the morning, 1300-1400 Hrs. during lunch hours, and between 1630 and 1800 Hrs. At no time while I drove by did I see any children, or adults.

I did speak with the original witness again the last week of March. Both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] said that they have had no contact with Leeken since they first reported the alleged abuse. [REDACTED] told me that the female named [REDACTED] does not live in the United States anymore, she is now back in Trinidad. Neither [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] have any idea as to how to contact [REDACTED]. They also told me that they do not know her last name or date of birth.

During this investigation there have been several inconsistencies noted. [REDACTED] told Of Conger that Leeken brought 11 children to her residence. [REDACTED] has told Stacey Sharpe that there were about 14 children. When the original complaint was called in, the victim was listed as [REDACTED]. When I spoke with the complainants they said the victim was [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] told Of Conger, Stacey Sharpe, and myself that the children were in her

residence for about a week. During the time that the children were at her residence she did not learn anything about them including last names.

When contact was made with Leeken she was cooperative but denied having anything to do with taking care of foster children. The complainants said that Leeken was working out of NY as a foster parent. This was shown to be false because investigator Sharpe was able to look up all appropriate information pertaining to foster parents or caretakers in the states of NY, NJ, or FL. There was no information on Leeken in any of these states.

The children that did stay with Leeken are in good health appear to be taken care of very well. All deny any use of corporal punishment and all stated that they do not know of any other children being taken care of by Leeken.

The investigation pertaining to Children and Families has been closed by Stacey Sharpe. Sharpe closed her investigation based on several factors. These were:

1. No prior reports or incidents
2. All children in the home are fine and not in foster care.
3. There were no indicators of cuts/punctures/bites, excess corporal punishment, confinement or bizarre punishment.
4. There are no records of Leeken as a foster parent in the states of NY, NJ, or FL.

Although [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] reported that Leeken had the children in [REDACTED] residence, no evidence of this has been located. Based on the investigations of Sharpe, Of. Conger, and myself, and the information obtained, this case will be closed as unfounded. A

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INVESTIGATING OFFICER: DETECTIVE JOHN HOLMAN #199 *JH*
DATE: 04-26-1999
SUPERVISOR: SGT. SCOTT BECK #190
APPROVED: _____
ATTACHMENTS: ORIGINAL REPORT

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O	[REDACTED] UNKNOWN	UNK	M		
O	[REDACTED] UNKNOWN	UNK	M		
O	[REDACTED] UNKNOWN	UNK	F		
D	[REDACTED] UNKNOWN	UNK	M		

Suspect #1	DOB	Sex	Race	Ht	Wt	Hair	Ey
Address	Phone	Clothing					

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suspect #1	DOB	Sex	Race	Ht	Wt	Hair	Eye
Address	Phone	Clothing					

suspect #2	DOB	Sex	Race	Ht	Wt	Hair	Eye
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