

**FIELD REPORT
NARRATIVE AND SUPPLEMENT**

CASE NO.

P96-21971

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DATE OF REPORT (mo./day/year) 12-26-96	TIME 1300	COMPLAINANT-VICTIM Ramsley
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NARRATIVE

X-STOLEN D-DAMAGED R-RECOVERED

DESCRIPTION	SERIAL	UCR	VALUE (LOSS)	RECOVERED
1 NARRATIVE: I responded to 755 15th st. in the city and county of Boulder, Colorado				
2 at approximately 0555 hours on the 26th of December 1996 on a report of a possible				
3 kidnapping. Upon arrival I met with a distraught Patricia Ramsey and her husband, John.				
4 John advised me that their six year old daughter, Jonbenet, was missing and that their				
5 nine year old son, Burke, was asleep upstairs. John directed me through the house and				
6 pointed out a three page handwritten note which was laid on the wooden floor just west				
7 of the kitchen area. He told me that his wife had found the note on the bottom step of				
8 a spiral staircase which led to the upper levels of the house. (I'm uncertain about who				
9 moved the note.) The note advised the Ramsey's that their daughter was in the possession				
10 of a group of suspects and demanded a ransom of \$118,000.00, to be delivered by a means				
11 detailed to them later in a subsequent telephone call.				
12 I spoke with Mr. and Ms. Ramsey while Burke continued to sleep. Ms. Ramsey told me				
13 that she had gone into JonBenet's room at about 0545 hours to wake her in preparation				
14 for a short trip the family was to take later that day. She found Jonbenet's room				
15 empty and then discovered the note as she walked down the stairs. She immediately				
16 called the police.				
17 A quick inspection of the interior of the house, as well as talking to Mr. Ramsey,				
18 indicated that there was no obvious signs of a forced entry or struggle. Mr. Ramsey told				
19 me that the house appeared to be locked up as it had been left. The Ramsey's have an				
20 alarm system inside of the house which was not engaged, as his normal for them. They have				
21 a small dog, but he had spent the night with a neighbor across the street, which is also				
22 normal. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey stated they had not heard anything unusual during the				
23 night. As there was no initial refuting evidence I advised SGT Reichenbach that it was				
24 possibly an actual kidnapping and we proceeded to control the scene as such, with SGT				
25 Reichenbach paging advocates, detectives, and crime scene investigators.				
26 Within fifteen minutes [redacted] and [redacted], and [redacted], all				

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NARRATIVE

X-STOLEN D-DAMAGED R-RECOVERED

1	DESCRIPTION	SERIAL	UCR	VALUE (LOSS)	RECOVERED
1	friends of the Ramsey's arrived at the house. By	0650	OFC Weiss	and	OFC Barklow were
2	photographing and fingerprinting areas of the house, and		OFC Veitch	had collected the	
3	ransom note. Reverend ██████████ of St. John's Episcopal church in Boulder came				
4	to the house at 0713, joining Victim Advocates ██████████ and ██████████ in the house with				
5	the others. Detectives Linda Arndt and Fred Patterson arrived at the house at about				
6	0810 hours.				
7	I was concerned with gathering information from Mr. and Ms. Ramsey. They told me				
8	that they had spent Christmas night with the ██████████, and that they arrived home at				
9	2200 hours. Mr. Ramsey said he read to both kids for a short time and then they were				
10	in bed by 2230 hours. Ms. Ramsey said that Jonbenet had been dressed in white long				
11	underwear and a red turtleneck. Jonbenet's and Burke's bedrooms are separate and are				
12	located on the second floor of the three story house, with the master bedroom on the				
13	top floor. Jonbenet's bedroom has an access door to a second floor porch which was				
14	locked and undamaged.				
15	As Mr. Ramsey made preliminary telephone calls to gather the demanded amount of				
16	money he told me that the only other people with keys to the house are their house-				
17	keeper, ██████████, and two relatives in Atlanta, Ga. Ms. Ramsey told me that ██████████				
18	██████████ had spoken to her by telephone on the morning of the 24th and asked for a loan				
19	of two thousand dollars. ██████████ had called again later that day and seemed upset about				
20	an arguement with her sister, and she made plans with Ms. Ramsey to come by the Ramsey's				
21	house while they were out of town and pick up a check which the Ramsey's would leave for				
22	them.				
23	When ██████████, Patricia Ramsey's mother, was advised by telephone of the				
24	incident, she asked that the officers on scene be told of ██████████ often				
25	commenting on how beautiful Jonbenet was and if Ms. Ramsey was concerned about her				
26	being kidnapped. Mrs. Paughs comments were relayed to me by ██████████.				

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1	DESCRIPTION	SERIAL	UCR	VALUE (LOSS)	RECOVERED
1	These factors relating to [REDACTED] were given to DET Arndt and she began to				
2	develop background information on [REDACTED]. Ms. Ramsey told me further that [REDACTED]				
3	[REDACTED] lived in Ft. Lupton with her husband, [REDACTED], and a 12 year old daughter,				
4	[REDACTED]. Hoffman also has two adult daughters in their twenties, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], and				
5	she rents the house she lives in from her sister. (Unknown name.)				
6	Two other possible suspects were given by the Ramsey's. One was an ex-employee				
7	who had been fired during the past summer, and had threatened to "bring down Access				
8	Graphics," Mr. Ramsey's business. His name is [REDACTED]. Mr. Ramsey contacted his				
9	personnel department to gather information on [REDACTED] for the detectives.				
10	The second person mentioned was [REDACTED] (H: [REDACTED]), who lives in				
11	Louisville. She was Jonbenet's nanny up until two years ago and had a very close				
12	relationship with her. This relationship was the only reason [REDACTED] was mentioned as				
13	the Ramsey's were trying to allow for all possibilities.				
14	Between times of consulting with the detectives and the family I walked through				
15	the lower level of the house and the garage, looking for obvious evidence. Although				
16	somewhat messy due to the season the residence did not look out of order. In the				
17	basement I attempted to open the door leading to the area where Jonbenet was ultimately				
18	found but it was secured by a wooden latch above the door. The door opened inward and				
19	I was looking for access out of the house. Since the door could not have been used				
20	for that purpose, and it was latched closed, I did not open it.				
21	Shortly after DET SGT Whitson arrived at the house, after 1000, I was released				
22	from the scene and went to the PD to begin the original report.				
23	Just after 1300 hours I heard radio traffic concerning a 911 call and the discovery				
24	of a code black body at the residence, and I returned to 755 15th with OFC Morgan. I				
25	spoke with [REDACTED], and he told me that Jonbenet had been found in the basement by				
26	Mr. Ramsey while [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and Mr. Ramsey were looking through the house. Mr.				

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	DESCRIPTION	SERIAL	UCR	VALUE (LOSS)	RECOVERED
1	<u>[redacted] told me that he had opened the door to that area earlier in the morning and had</u>				
2	<u>not seen Jonbenet's body inside. I secured the area around where Mr. Ramsey had laid</u>				
3	<u>the body and assisted in getting the family and friends out of the house to close</u>				
4	<u>the crime scene. I left the house for the second time at approximately 0345 hours, and</u>				
5	<u>OFCs Weiss and Schunk were securing the front and back, respectively.</u>				
6	<u>Burke Ramsey was awakened by his father shortly after [redacted] arrived and</u>				
7	<u>he was taken to the [redacted] residence as soon as he was dressed. I did not speak to</u>				
8	<u>him other than to walk him to Mr. [redacted] vehicle. He seemed confused and was crying.</u>				
9	<u>and Mr. Ramsey again told me that he had slept through the night</u>				
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11	<u>EVIDENCE: See PCR's concerning collection by OFCs Veitch, Weiss and Barklow.</u>				
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13	<u>CONCLUSION: Preliminary indications of the abduction of Jonbenet Ramsey from the</u>				
14	<u>residence give way upon the discovery of her body in the residence. A homicide</u>				
15	<u>investigation is begun and continued by detectives, with the reclassification of this</u>				
16	<u>incident to be forthcoming.</u>				
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