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Suppl reports prepared at request of Asst. Solicitor Nelson. Contains DUI expert report and report of girlfriend witness. Handed to Dentons and attorney at meeting at Sheriff's Office on 10-30-12 by Nelson. He thought Sheriff had already sent to us.

JEFFERY LEWIS THOMAS

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ON 08-17-2012 AT 2038 THE CHARLESTON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS DISPATCHED TO A FATAL COLLISION INVOLVING A VEHICLE AND BICYCLIST NEAR THE JAMES ISLAND COUNTY PARK. AT 2125 DEP. MARTIN WAS NOTIFIED BY CONSOLIDATED DISPATCH THAT THE CHARLESTON CITY OFFICERS ON SCENE HAD DETERMINED THAT THE COLLISION HAD NOT HAPPENED IN THEIR JURISDICTION. DEP. MARTIN AND SGT. GRIMSLEY MET THE CITY OF CHARLESTON OFFICERS AT RIVERLAND DR AND CENTRAL PK RD WHERE THEY HAD TRAFFIC DETOURED. THE CITY OFFICERS POINTED TOO A WHITE MALE SUSPECT AND WHITE FEMALE WHO WERE STANDING BY A BLACK FORD EXPLORER ANDHE STATED THAT THE SUSPECT HAD DROVE UP AND ADVISED THAT HE WAS THE PERSON WHO HAD STRUCK THE BICYCLIST. DEP. MARTIN WAS ADVISED BY SGT. GRIMSLEY TO MIRANDIZE THE SUSPECT(THOMAS, JEFFERY) WHICH WAS DONE. SGT. GRIMSLEY WENT TO THE COLLISION SCENE WHICH WAS NEAR THE JAMES ISLAND COUNTY PARK TOO MEET WITH SEVERAL WITNESSES AND THE DEPUTY CORONER(KELLY KRAUS) WHO WAS ALREADY ON SCENE. DEP. CRAVEN ARRIVED ON SCENE AND TALKED TOO THE SUSPECT (THOMAS, JEFFERY) AND TRIED TO DETERMINE IF THE SUSPECT WAS IMPAIRED. DEP. CRAVEN DETERMINED THAT THE SUSPECT(THOMAS, JEFFERY) WAS NOT IMPAIRED AND THAT HE WOULD BE PLACED UNDER ARREST FOR LEAVING THE SCENE OF AN ACCIDENT WITH DEATH. DEP. MARTIN TRANSPORTED THE SUSPECT(THOMAS, JEFFERY)TOO THE CHARLESTON COUNTY DETENTION CENTER. SGT. GRIMSLEY AND DEP. CRAVEN THEN CONDUCTED THE TRAFFIC INVESTIGATION OF THE COLLISION.

Girlfriend that returned with Thomas to scene. No prior ID or reports of this material witness before Denton family demanded answers.

ON 10-08-2012 AT 1630 DEP. MARTIN ARRIVED AT 1801 HUNTINGTON DR WHICH IS THE RESIDENCE OF MRS. JENNIFER GOINS WHO IS A FRIEND OF THE DEFENDANT (THOMAS, JEFFERY) ON THE NIGHT OF THE FATAL COLLISION THE DEFENDANT HAD LEFT THE SCENE AND WENT TO MRS. GOINS RESIDENCE AND HAD RETURNED TO THE SCENE WITH MRS. GOINS IN THE VEHICLE. UPON ARRIVAL AT THE RESIDENCE MRS. GOINS WAS NOT AT HOME AT THAT TIME DEP. MARTIN HAD OBTAINED A WORK NUMBER FOR MRS. GOINS WHO WORKS FOR SANTEE COOPER. AT 1640 DEP. MARTIN REACHED MRS. GOINS AT HER WORKPLACE BUT SHE STATED THAT SHE NEEDED TO BE CALLED BACK ON HER CELL PHONE IN 10 MINUTES SO SHE COULD GO TO A CONFERENCE ROOM FOR PRIVACY. DEP. MARTIN CALLED MRS. GOINS BACK AT APPROXIMATELY 1655 AT WHICH TIME SHE STATED THAT HER ATTORNEY (MICHAEL COLEMAN) ADVISED HER NOT TO SPEAK TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND WE WOULD HAVE TO SET UP AN APPOINTMENT WITH HIM TO SPEAK WITH HER. AT THAT TIME OUR CONVERSATION ENDED AND AT 1716 DEP. MARTIN CALLED ATTORNEY COLEMAN AND GOT HIS ANSWERING SERVICE WHERE A MESSAGE WAS LEFT FOR A RETURN PHONE CALL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOR A MEETING WITH HIS CLIENT.

AT 1709 DEP. MARTIN LEFT 1801 HUNTINGTON DR AND DROVE TO JERVEY ST AND THEN MADE A LEFT TURN ONTO ORANGE GROVE RD AND MADE A RIGHT ONTO HWY7 AND THEN MERGED ON HWY171 THEN MADE A LEFT ON SC61 AND THEN A RIGHT TURN ONTO WESLEY DR AND THEN MERGED ONTO FOLLY RD AND MADE A RIGHT TURN ONTO MAYBANK HWY AND PROCEEDED TO TURN ONTO WOODLAND SHORES DR AND MADE A LEFT TURN ONTO RIVERLAND DR AND ENDED AT THE COLLISION SCENE. THAT ROUTE ENDED AT 1733 WITH A TOTAL DRIVE TIME OF 24 MINUTES AND A DISTANCE OF 8 MILES.

AT 1734 THE ROUTE STARTED BACK TO 1801 HUNTINGTON DR. DEP. MARTIN LEFT THE COLLISION SCENE AND PROCEEDED ON RIVERLAND DR AND MADE A RIGHT TURN ON MAYBANK HWY AND THEN MADE A LEFT ONTO FOLLY RD AND THEN MERGED ON WESLEY DR AND MADE A LEFT TURN ONTO SC61 AND THEN MERGED ONTO HWY171 AND THEN MERGED INTO SC7 AND MADE A LEFT TURN ONTO ORANGE GROVE RD AND THEN A RIGHT TURN ONTO JERVEY ST AND ENDED AT 1801 HUNTINGTON DR. THE ROUTE ENDED AT 1756 A TOTAL OF 22 MINUTES OF DRIVE TIME AND 8.6 MILES. WITH A TOTAL TIME OF 46 MINUTES TO THE SCENE AND BACK.

DUI expert narrative during  
Video of Thomas & girlfriend.

ON 08-17-2012 AT RIVERLAND DR AND CENTRAL PK RD DEPUTY CRAVEN ARRIVED ON SCENE AT APPROXIMATELY 2203. AT APPROXIMATELY 2204 DEPUTY CRAVEN STARTED TO INTERVIEW THE SUSPECT (THOMAS, JEFFERY) AT 22:04:38 SUSPECT (THOMAS, JEFFERY) STATED THAT HE HAD STRUCK THE VICTIM (DENTON, MATTHEW-LEWIS) THE SUSPECT (THOMAS, JEFFERY) AT 22:05:09 STATED THAT HE WAS AT A RENTAL ON FOLLY BEACH. SUSPECT (THOMAS, JEFFERY) STATED THAT HE HAD A COUPLE OF DRINKS ON THE BEACH 3 TO 4 HOURS PRIOR TO THE COLLISION 22:05:50 ON THE VIDEO. AT 22:07:34 SUSPECT (THOMAS, JEFFERY) STATED HE HAD THE DRINKS AROUND 1700. AT 22:19:03 DEPUTY MILZ OF THE TSU ARRIVED ON SCENE. AT 22:21:28 OF THE VIDEO THE SUSPECT (THOMAS, JEFFERY) STATED THAT THE COLLISION HAPPENED ABOUT 2015. AT 22:23:43 THE SUSPECT (THOMAS, JEFFERY) WAS PLACED UNDER ARREST. AT 22:26:30 ON THE VIDEO THE SUSPECT PASSENGER (GOINS, JENNIFER) STATED THAT THE SUSPECT (THOMAS, JEFFERY) HAD PICKED HER UP FROM HER RESIDENCE AND STATED TO HER THAT HE HAD HIT SOMEONE AND TOGETHER THEY RETURNED TO THE SCENE. VIDEO ENDS AT 22:34:41.

INCIDENT SUPPLEMENT

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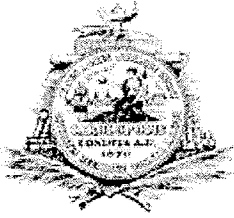
INCIDENT TYPE: FATAL COLLISION  
 INCIDENT LOCATION: RIVERLAND / CENTRAL PARK  
 SUSPECT: THOMAS, JEFFERY

DUI expert report. Why done 10-5-12 and not with initial reports?

NARRATIVE

ON THE ABOVE DATE AND TIME THE R/D RESPONDED TO THE INCIDENT LOCATION TO ASSIST DEP. MARTIN AND SGT. GRIMSLEY WITH A FATAL COLLISION. THE R/D ARRIVED AND SPOKE TO THE SUSPECT TO DETERMINE IF HE WAS DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED. THE R/D DID NOT OBSERVE ANY OBVIOUS SIGNS OF IMPAIRMENT WITH THE SUSPECT AS HE WAS TALKING TO THE R/D. THE SUSPECT STATED THAT HE WAS TRAVELING ON RIVERLAND DR FROM FOLLY BEACH AND STRUCK A BICYCLIST, HE STATED THAT HE GOT OUT OF HIS VEHICLE AND BEGAN "WORKING" ON THE VICTIM. THE R/D ASKED THE SUSPECT WHERE ON FOLLY BEACH HE WAS COMING FROM AND HE STATED THAT HE HAD A RENTAL HE WAS STAYING IN. THE R/D ASKED THE SUSPECT IF HE HAD ANYTHING TO DRINK ON THIS DATE, THE SUSPECT STATED THAT HE HAD "A FEW" ON THE BEACH 3-4 HOURS PRIOR TO THE INCIDENT. THE R/D ASKED THE SUSPECT TO PERFORM SFST'S AND HE STATED THAT HE WOULD SUBMIT TO A BLOOD DRAW BUT DID NOT FEEL AS THOUGH HE COULD COMPLETE SFST'S DUE TO HIS EMOTIONAL STATE. THE R/D DID NOT BELIEVE THAT THE SUSPECT WAS DUI AT THE TIME OF THIS COLLISION. AT THIS TIME THE R/D ADVISED SGT. GRIMSLEY OF THE ABOVE AND IT WAS DETERMINED TO PLACE THE SUSPECT UNDER ARREST FOR LEAVING THE SCENE, THE R/D ASSISTED DEP. MARTIN IN PLACING THE SUSPECT UNDER ARREST. THE R/D THEN ASSISTED SGT. GRIMSLEY IN FINISHING MEASUREMENTS OF THE SCENE, AFTER THIS WAS COMPLETED THE R/D LEFT THE INCIDENT LOCATION. NOTHING FURTHER.

PROPERTY EST.	TYPE (GROUP)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	TOTAL VALUE	JURISDICTION OF THEFT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY		
	STOLEN							N/A		
	DAMAGED							JURISDICTION OF RECOVERY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY		
	BURNED									
	RECOVERED									
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	REPORTING OFFICER(S)			DATE	BADGE NUMBER	APPROVING OFFICER			DATE	BADGE NUMBER
	C. CRAVEN			10/05/12	9916					
FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATION <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO										



## CHARLESTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

### INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** 10/3/12  
**TO:** Lt. Scarborough, CCSO  
**FROM:** PO S. Ryan *S. Ryan*  
**SUBJECT:** Bicycle Fatality on Riverland, 8/2012

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On the date and time in question Reporting Officer Stephen Ryan, "RO", was in patrol on James Island. RO was dispatched to a vehicle accident involving a vehicle and a bicycle that had occurred at James Island County Park, which is in the City of Charleston. RO was advised of possible injuries and therefore requested that EMS and Fire be dispatched. While responding to the Park driving South on Riverland Dr., RO observed two vehicles pulled off to the side of the road and two males standing outside of their vehicles.

RO pulled over and observed a white male, unconscious, laying on his back in the marsh, partly submerged, "victim". RO entered the water and removed the victim, placing him on the side of the roadway. RO attempted to give aid. When Fire arrived on scene, Fire attempted to give aid, and RO dispatched the description of the driver of the vehicle to other Officers.

The two witnesses were separated as soon as it was possible, each stated that when they stopped they observed a parked vehicle facing North on Riverland, and a white male in the marsh with the victim, "Driver". The Driver was attempting to perform CPR on the Victim. Witnesses stated that as they arrived the Driver went back to his vehicle and left.

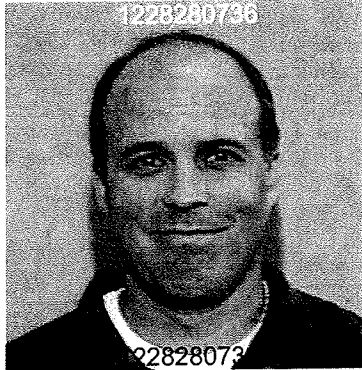
**The accident did not occur at James Island County Park.** The incident occurred approx. a quarter mile North of the Park. **The victim was found at an isolated part of the road, the only nearby landmark was a sign across the street advertising for James Island County Park, which the witnesses used as a reference when calling 911.**

After attempting to give aid and dispatch the Driver's description to other Officers, RO and other Officer's on scene attempted to determine the jurisdiction of the incident location and the exact address of the accident. The incident was determined to have occurred in Charleston County, the Charleston Sheriff's Office was then contacted and advised.

City Officers had blocked traffic at Riverland/Camp and Riverland/Central Park. While at the scene of the accident, RO and on scene Deputies were advised that Driver had arrived at Riverland/Central Park with his wife. RO never saw or spoke to the Driver. RO did observe Driver's vehicle at Riverland/Central Park, it had heavy front end damage and the windshield was damaged on the passenger side.



# 3 YEAR DRIVER RECORD



<b>Customer No:</b> 25860524	<b>Driver License No:</b> 3291424	
<b>Name:</b> THOMAS, JEFFERY LEWIS		
<b>Address:</b> 1589 OAKHURST DR		
<b>City:</b> MT PLEASANT	<b>State:</b> SC	<b>Zip:</b> 294668782
<b>County:</b> CHARLESTON	<b>Sex:</b> M	<b>Driver Training:</b> Y
<b>DOB:</b> 03/23/1966		
<b>Status - DL:</b> NO SUSPENSION		<b>CDL:</b> NO DISQUALIFICATION

## License Information

Type	Class	Function	Issued	Expires	First Issued	Restrictions	Endorsements
<b>Current</b>							
DL	D	Renewal	05/20/2005	03/23/2015	01/19/1995	Y	N
<b>Prior</b>							
DL	D	Renewal	03/27/2000	03/23/2005	01/19/1995	Y	N

**Current Restrictions:** A Corrective Lens

## Point Summary

**Total Current Points:** 0  
**Driver Credit:** -0  
**Adjusted Current Points:** 0

**ACC:** REPORTABLE

**Accident:** 08/17/2012

**Accident Case Number:** 12061202

**Accident Jurisdiction:** SC **Acc Loc Ref:** SCHDPT

**Contributed:** Y

**Bodily Injury:** Y

**Posted:** 09/07/2012

**FR-10 Audit Number:** D-127277

**History:** N

**Property Damage:** >= \$1000

**End of Report**





# 3 YEAR DRIVER RECORD



<b>Customer No:</b> 23457481		<b>Driver License No:</b> 7430320	
<b>Name:</b> GOINS, JENNIFER SMITH			
<b>Address:</b> 1801 HUNTINGTON DR			
<b>City:</b> CHARLESTON	<b>State:</b> SC	<b>Zip:</b> 294073120	
<b>County:</b> CHARLESTON	<b>Sex:</b> F	<b>Driver Training:</b> N	
<b>DOB:</b> 10/27/1978			

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**Status - DL:** NO SUSPENSION      **CDL:** NO DISQUALIFICATION

## License Information

Type	Class	Function	Issued	Expires	First Issued	Restrictions	Endorsements
<b>Current</b>							
DL	D	Renewal	08/14/2012	10/27/2022	04/06/1994	N	N
<b>Prior</b>							
TA DL	D	Returned	06/07/2012	06/07/2013	04/06/1994	N	N
TA DL	D	Original	06/07/2012	06/07/2013	04/06/1994	N	N
DL	D	Renewal	10/05/2005	10/27/2015	04/06/1994	N	N
DL	D	Modify	04/16/2011	10/27/2015	04/06/1994	N	N
DL	D	Returned	10/05/2005	10/27/2015	04/06/1994	N	N
DL	D	Renewal	08/25/2000	10/27/2005	04/06/1994	N	N
DL	D	Duplicate	05/21/2001	10/27/2005	04/06/1994	N	N

## Point Summary

**Total Current Points:** 0  
**Driver Credit:** -0  
**Adjusted Current Points:** 0

## SC Driver License Surrendered

**License Type:** TA DL      **Class:** D      **Function:** Original  
**Date Surrendered:** 08/14/2012  
**Reason for Return:** ANOTHER SC LICENSE ISSUED

**Posted:** 08/14/2012  
**Issued:** 06/07/2012

**Returning State:** SC

### 3 YEAR DRIVER RECORD

Customer No: 23457481

Driver License No: 7430320

Name: GOINS, JENNIFER SMITH

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**VIOL:** 421 - Speeding 10-mph or less

**Ticket#:** 97167FD

**Violation:** 10/15/2010      **Conviction:** 11/04/2010

**Recd:** 11/23/2010

**Post:** 01/05/2011

**ACD:** S51   **Conviction Loc Ref:**

**Conviction Reference:**

**Conviction State:** SC

**Court Type:** MUN

**Violation Points:** 2    **Current Points:** 0

*End of Report*