

FOSTER DEATH - CRIMINALISTS - GENERAL

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From: Chuck

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re: Homicide Consultants

Due to the continued concerns and questions regarding whether we have done everything possible in the Foster death investigation, specifically with regards to the physical evidence, a possible recommendation would be to obtain the services of a panel of "outside" homicide experts/consultants. The consultants would primarily be used to review all of the interviews and physical evidence to identify any potential investigative leads or forensic examinations that we may have overlooked. Additionally, the consultants could be asked to formulate a conclusion as to whether the evidence overwhelmingly indicates suicide, and whether we have been able to conclusively rule out homicide. Also, if it is still an issue, the consultants could address the findings and conclusions in the Western Journalism Center report of 4/27/95.

I would recommend a panel of at least three consultants for the review. The following is a list of experienced, well-respected homicide consultants:

Henry Lee
Vernon Geberth
Ronald Holmes
Dr. James Fox, Northeastern University, Criminology Dept.
Robert Hazelwood
Vincent DiMaio

I am familiar with all of the above individuals from their various articles and books about death investigations, and forensic techniques in death investigations. Their teachings and theories are the most modern, and consistent with "real-life" death investigations, that I am familiar with. I can obtain additional names from Behavioral Sciences, if necessary.

Chuck