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Det. Hopewell #410

**Additional Officer:**

Det. K. Beler  
RPD

**Additional Others:**

Mendoza, Patty  
[REDACTED]  
(O/1's sister)

Rohn, Melissa  
[REDACTED]  
(Daughter of A. Romo and M. Romo)

Romo Jr., Alfred  
[REDACTED]  
(Son of A. Romo and M. Romo. [REDACTED])

Romo, Shaynna  
[REDACTED]  
(Youngest daughter of A. Romo and M. Romo)

**Evidence:**

1. Digital and audio recording of interview.

**Details:**

On November 16, 2011, Det. Beler and I contacted M. Romo at 4000 14<sup>th</sup> St in the City and County of Riverside. M. Romo works in a cardiology office at this location. When we exited the elevator on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor, M. Romo was waiting for Det. Beler and I.

We explained to M. Romo that there was an emergency at her residence and we needed to take her back to her apartment. M. Romo refused to go with us unless we told her exactly what had occurred at the apartment. I told her that RPD detectives had attempted to serve a search warrant at her residence. M. Romo asked me if her husband was okay. I told her I was not sure. At this point he was in their apartment and would not come out.

M. Romo told Det. Beler and I that A. Romo would not go to jail. She then asked if he had shot and killed himself. I explained to M. Romo that I did not know if he was hurt, but I did know that he was in possession of a shotgun when detectives arrived.

M. Romo agreed to accompany Det. Beler and myself to the police station so I could interview her. As we drove to the station, M. Romo asked me if she could call her attorney. M. Romo said she and her husband had spoken to an attorney a few days after [REDACTED] called A. Romo. M. Romo said the attorney told them the phone call from [REDACTED] had

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been recorded by the police. He told them the police would be coming to their house any day now to arrest A. Romo.

M. Romo contacted the attorney who asked to speak to me. I identified myself to the attorney. He asked me if A. Romo had been arrested and when he would be booked in jail. I explained to the attorney that A. Romo was barricaded in his apartment and had fired a shotgun at detectives when they made entry into the house. The attorney did not respond and I handed the phone back to M. Romo.

**Interview of M. Romo on November 16, 2011:**

I interviewed M. Romo in interview #1 at the Riverside Police Station. The interview was recorded on my digital recorder as well as audio and visually recorded onto the computer hard drive which I will retrieve at a later date.

I explained to M. Romo that detectives wanted permission to search her residence as well as her car. I told M. Romo the search warrant written by Det. Ellefson covered the search of her apartment for the molestation investigation, but we needed to search pursuant to the incident that occurred when the warrant was executed. M. Romo agreed to the search and signed the permission to search forms for both the residence and her vehicle.

M. Romo asked me if I had any news about her husband. Before I answered she said "you don't have good news for me, do you?" I said no. I told M. Romo that her husband was deceased. M. Romo began to cry. After a few minutes, I explained to M. Romo that I still needed to speak with her. She agreed to talk to me.

I asked M. Romo to tell me about her husband, A. Romo.

M. Romo told me that A. Romo had been upset for the past few weeks. She said he kept telling her that he did not want to go to jail. A. Romo said he was afraid that once he was in jail, he would never get out. I asked M. Romo to tell me about her husband.

M. Romo said her husband was "a great guy to me". They were married 41 years, 42 years in March. She said they had their "ups and downs" just like any other marriage. M. Romo then began to cry and said "I thought he loved me, why did he take his life away?"

I asked M. Romo if her husband had a job. She told me her husband used to work for the road department for the County of Riverside. He retired about 18 years ago. Since his retirement he has worked as a photographer. M. Romo said her husband photographs women who want to be models. He also shoots family portraits. A. Romo does not have a photography studio, he conducts his photo sessions at the park.

M. Romo told me she has 3 adult children. They are Melissa, 39 years, Alfred, 36 years and Shayna 25 years old. M. Romo said they have lived on Indiana Ave for about 5 years. Before that, they lived in a house on Lewis St in the City of Riverside. M. Romo said her family moved into the house on Lewis St when Shayna was 5 years old.

I asked M. Romo if A. Romo had medical problems. M. Romo said no. She then told me A. Romo had diabetes, but controlled it through diet and exercise. M. Romo said when her

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husband worked at the county yard, he used to drink a lot of "cokes". I asked M. Romo if her husband was ever prescribed anti-depressant medication and she said no.

M. Romo said her husband became depressed after [REDACTED] phone him 3 weeks ago. I asked M. Romo to tell me about the phone call.

M. Romo told me she came home from work on a Monday night about 3 weeks ago and A. Romo said he needed to talk to her. A. Romo told his wife that [REDACTED] had called him that morning when M. Romo was at work. He told M. Romo that [REDACTED] had accused him of molesting her. According to M. Romo, her husband said when he first answered the phone he thought he was talking to "Victor". The caller told him it wasn't Victor calling, but his [REDACTED]

According to M. Romo, A. Romo says [REDACTED] told him that she was no longer a virgin. A. Romo said to [REDACTED] that he was sorry, and then said "did your boyfriend do that to you?" A. Romo tells his wife that [REDACTED] it's your fault I'm not a virgin". A. Romo said he told [REDACTED] that he was sorry, but he didn't do anything to her. [REDACTED] replies that it happened when she was 9, 10, 11 or maybe 12 years old. M. Romo said her husband told [REDACTED] I didn't do that to you sweetheart" and then asked [REDACTED] why she waited so long to say something about it.

M. Romo told me when A. Romo asked why she waited so long, [REDACTED] told him "because I didn't know any better". M. Romo said her husband told [REDACTED] that she should have known right from wrong when she was 9 years old. He also told her he didn't understand why [REDACTED] didn't tell her mother or her [REDACTED]

M. Romo said [REDACTED] that she was a "cutter" because he molested her. M. Romo then defends her husband to me by stating that neither she nor A. Romo know what it means to be "a cutter". [REDACTED] told A. Romo that she needs to speak to a counselor.

According to M. Romo, her husband tells [REDACTED] that these are very serious charges and that he would go to jail. She said A. Romo asked [REDACTED] do you want me to go to jail?" [REDACTED] tells A. Romo, "I just want you to apologize". A. Romo says he told [REDACTED] "I am sorry, but I didn't do what you are accusing me of". A. Romo told his wife that [REDACTED] then hung up the phone.

I asked M. Romo if she and her husband discussed the phone call that evening. She said yes. M. Romo said neither of them could believe what [REDACTED] was accusing A. Romo of doing. M. Romo said it was now 7 years later and [REDACTED] should have said something earlier if it really happened. M. Romo said she asked her husband if he talked to [REDACTED] about waiting so long to tell anyone and then why she didn't tell [REDACTED]

M. Romo said [REDACTED] told A. Romo that she couldn't tell her mother because she is afraid of her mother. M. Romo said [REDACTED] is afraid of her mother because [REDACTED] is too strict with [REDACTED]

I asked M. Romo what her husband did about the phone call. M. Romo said A. Romo told her he was still not feeling good after having the flu and he couldn't hear very well during the call.

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M. Romo told me that same evening their youngest daughter, Shaynna came over to their house. She told Shaynna about the phone call and the allegations. Shaynna didn't believe her father molested [REDACTED]. M. Romo asked Shaynna to contact [REDACTED] and ask her to call M. Romo. M. Romo said Shaynna "texted" [REDACTED] and then spoke with her. M. Romo said when Shaynna spoke on the phone to [REDACTED] it sounded like [REDACTED] was "reading from a script. M. Romo then told me "it was probably recorded.

M. Romo said she told her husband they should probably get an attorney because of the allegations. On Thursday (same week), A. Romo contacted an attorney. The attorney met with M. Romo and A. Romo at their apartment on Friday afternoon.

According to M. Romo, after her husband described the phone call to the attorney, he told them that the call was "probably recorded because the police needed some evidence first and then will come knocking on your door". M. Romo said the police would probably come to their apartment to arrest A. Romo. M. Romo said this depressed her husband so much he wouldn't go anywhere.

I asked M. Romo if A. Romo ever talked to her about hurting himself. M. Romo said no. I then asked her if A. Romo ever talked about hurting someone else and she said no. M. Romo told me her advice to A. Romo was that they just needed "to pray".

M. Romo said her husband just walked around for those few weeks saying over and over again that he didn't want to be arrested. She told me A. Romo never said he would hurt himself or anyone else.

I asked M. Romo if A. Romo ever talked to her about what he was going to do if the police came to the house to arrest him. She said "no". M. Romo said she was so worried about him that she would call him every day during her break at work to see how he was feeling. M. Romo told me A. Romo said he was "reading on the computer".

I told M. Romo that when we first met her in the hallway at work, she made a comment to me asking me if her husband had killed himself. I asked her why she made that statement to me. M. Romo put her hand on her chest and said "I don't know, I just had a feeling that something was going to happen".

I asked M. Romo if she owned a .25 caliber handgun. She said yes. I then asked her she or A. Romo owned a shotgun and she said "yes, we have always had that". She told me the shotgun was kept in the closet "that I knew of" and did not know where the handgun was located. M. Romo said she hasn't seen either the shotgun or handgun for a long time. I asked her if they were kept "loaded" and M. Romo "not that I know of, but I am not there all day". I asked M. Romo if she knew if there were any shotgun shells in the house and she said "I thought he got rid of them".

M. Romo left the apartment at 5:15 am that morning. Before she left, A. Romo got up to use the bathroom and kiss her good bye. M. Romo said her husband then went back to bed. A. Romo was wearing black pajama bottoms and a t-shirt. M. Romo said she called A. Romo at 9:15 am but he did not answer.

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M. Romo told me she does not believe her husband, A. Romo molested [REDACTED]. She told me that when [REDACTED] was 9 years old, her family did not come to their house to visit very often. She said the "office door" was always open, so there was no way A. Romo could have done anything to [REDACTED].

I asked M. Romo if A. Romo had ever been physically violent in their marriage or with the family. M. Romo answered "No. One thing he never did was hit me. I told him that a man should never hit his woman and he agreed." She then said "unless she is really screwing around". (M. Romo's opinion of when a woman might be hit by her husband).

M. Romo said her husband "had his tempers" when the kids were growing up. To punish them, A. Romo would make the kids write "100 sentences". She said the only time she has ever seen her husband mad at someone was when he found a "drunk neighbor" in their backyard. A. Romo chased the man and yelled so much that his children started crying. According to M. Romo that is the only time she remembers her husband losing his temper.

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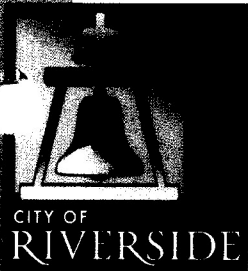
Type of Complaint OIS - OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING		Address 10406 Indiana Ave. Building Q Apt. 242			
Victim	DOB	Sex	Race	Address	
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Arrestee / Suspect	DOB	Sex	Race	Address	
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Finder	DOB	Sex	Race	Address	Phone No.

By Officer(s)	ID No.	Supvr. Approving	RMC/RSC Case No.	Property Clerk
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PERMISSION TO SEARCH

I hereby voluntarily authorize the Riverside Police Department, including any personnel officers may designate to assist, to search my residence, business, structures, or other real property located at:

10406 INDIANA AVE #242  
RIVERSIDE

and my motor vehicle(s), further described as:

CHEVY AVEO PET License# [REDACTED]  
License#

located at 4000 14TH ST. Riv.

and I authorize them to remove from my residence, business, structures, real estate, and/or motor vehicles any property whatsoever which they deem pertinent to their investigation, with the understanding that officers will give me a receipt for whatever is removed and I can stop the search and/or seizure at any time.

I am giving this written permission freely and voluntarily, without any threats or promises having been made.

\* I read the above and consent to the search \*

x MARGIE ROMO x [Signature]  
Please Print Your Name Signature

INVESTIGATOR: Hopwood ID# 410 X

DATE: 11/16/11 TIME: 11:10 CASE#

WITNESSES: