

THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE

STATUS: CLOSED

ORI #: WA0340000
OWNER: CLARK A 1S15

OFFENSE REPORT 20-006168

Report Type OFFENSE REPORT	Report Date/Time 03/08/2021	Reporting Officer CLARK A 1S15			
Incident Type FRAUD	Incident Date/Time 12/14/2020 09:03:00	Originator (if different) CLARK A 1S15			
Occurred From Date/Time 10/19/2020 08:00:00	Occurred To Date/Time 10/19/2020 17:00:00	Arresting Officer			
Location	Address 10302 189TH LN SW ROCHESTER, WA 98579	Beat D	Location Grid	X AA	Y 05
Short Synopsis VOTER FRAUD, REQUEST CASE BE SENT TO THE YUMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN ARIZONA, FOR REVIEW					

Crimes

Type	Section	Description	Committed By	Counts	UCR	NCIC
F	9A.60.020	FORGERY	1.<UNKNOWN SUSPECT>	1	250	2502

Involved Party

Party # 1	Party Type OTHER VICTIM	Party Name STATE OF WASHINGTON				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business	DOB	Age
Gender	Race	Hair	Eyes	Height	Weight	DL #	State	
Home Address		City		State	Zip	Phone		
Business Address		City		State	Zip	Bus.Phone		
VICTIM INFO [VICTIM TYPE] SOCIETY/PUBLIC INJURY TYPE NONE								

Party # 2	Party Type VICTIM	Party Name PHILLIPS, DONNA RAE				<input type="checkbox"/> Business	DOB 6/30/1956	Age 64
Gender F	Race	Hair	Eyes	Height	Weight	DL #	State	
Home Address 10302 189TH LN SW		City ROCHESTER		State WA	Zip 98579	Phone		
Business Address BL		City		State	Zip	Bus.Phone		
VICTIM INFO [VICTIM TYPE] INDIVIDUAL NOTES DECEASED								

Party # 3	Party Type WITNESS	Party Name PHILLIPS, MICHAEL WAYNE <input type="checkbox"/> Business				DOB 1/14/1955	Age 65
Gender M	Race	Hair	Eyes	Height	Weight	DL #	State
Home Address 10302 189TH LN SW		City ROCHESTER	State WA	Zip 98579	Phone		
Business Address		City	State	Zip	Bus.Phone		
OTHER PHONE [CELL] (360) 878-3938 VICTIM INFO [VICTIM TYPE] INDIVIDUAL INJURY TYPE NONE							

Party # 4	Party Type INVOLVED PARTY	Party Name MILTON, LYNNETTE <input type="checkbox"/> Business				DOB	Age
Gender	Race	Hair	Eyes	Height	Weight	DL #	State
Home Address		City	State	Zip	Phone		
Business Address 2000 LAKERIDGE DR SW		City OLYMPIA	State WA	Zip 98502	Bus.Phone (360) 754-3355 X6228		
VICTIM INFO [VICTIM TYPE] GOVERNMENT							

Party # 5	Party Type INVOLVED PARTY	Party Name MONGIN, JACK <input type="checkbox"/> Business				DOB	Age
Gender	Race	Hair	Eyes	Height	Weight	DL #	State
Home Address		City	State	Zip	Phone		
Business Address 2000 LAKERIDGE DR SW		City OLYMPIA	State WA	Zip 98502	Bus.Phone (360) 786-5749		
VICTIM INFO [VICTIM TYPE] INDIVIDUAL INJURY TYPE NONE							

Party # 6	Party Type INVOLVED PARTY	Party Name MURPHY, DOROTHY ANN <input type="checkbox"/> Business				DOB 12/13/1949	Age 71
Gender F	Race	Hair	Eyes	Height	Weight	DL #	State
Home Address 10904 LONE TREE LN SW		City OLYMPIA	State WA	Zip 98512	Phone		
Business Address		City	State	Zip	Bus.Phone		
OTHER PHONE [CELL] (206) 819-6908 VICTIM INFO [VICTIM TYPE] INDIVIDUAL INJURY TYPE NONE NOTES DONNA'S SISTER							

Arrestees - Suspects - Offenders

Person # 1	Person Type UNKNOWN	Person Name [UNKNOWN PERSON]			Date of Birth	Age	
Sex	Race	Ethnicity			DL #	State	
Hair		Eyes	Height	Weight	SSN		
Home Address			City	State	Zip	Home Phone	
Employer Name					Occupation		
Business Address			City	State	Zip	Phone	
CRIME COMMITTED [TYPE] F [SECTION/SUBSECTION] 9A.60.020 [DESCRIPTION] FORGERY [STATUTE CODE / ID] RCW C [COUNTS] 1 [ATTEMPTED/COMPLETED] COMPLETED [CRIMINAL ACTIVITY] CULTIVATING/MANUFACTURING/PUBLISHING [CRIME COMMITTED ON] [TYPE] VICTIM [NAME] PHILLIPS, DONNA RAE AGE: 64 [PARTY NOTES] DECEASED							
RELATIONSHIP [OTHER VICTIM 1] BUSINESS: STATE OF WASHINGTON [RELATIONSHIP] RELATIONSHIP UNKNOWN [SUSPECT 1] UNKNOWN PERSON							

Property

Num. 1	Category COUNTERFEITEL	Type IDENTITY-INTANGIBLE	Description NIBRS		Value \$0.00	Recovered Value	
Serial NO.		Markings	Qty	Size	Color		
Owner		Address		City	State	Zip	Notified No
Property Stolen							
Property Recovered							
Found By			Found By Location				

Modus Operandi

PROPERTY ATTACKED OTHER
WHERE OCCURRED RESIDENCE/HOME

<i>Additional Case Data</i>

Case NO. 20-006168	Title		Case Type	Court File Date
Case Group	OCA No.	Case Manager CLARK, ALAN P 1S15		Assign Date 03/12/2021 11:38:22
Crime Report No.		Lead Procecutior		
Copies Sent To	Case Status CLOSED		Clearance REFERRED [DATE] 03/12/2021	Disposition VALID [DATE] 03/12/2021
Reviewed By		Reviewd By Date		
Consolidation File No.	Prosecutor		Further Action	

<i>Narrative Data</i>

No.	Description	Author
20-6168		CLARK, ALAN P



THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INCIDENT REPORT

Year-Case Number: 20-6168
Detective: A. Clark
ID Number: 1193
Date: 03/08/21

Person(s)/Items Entered

WACIC:

NCIC:

Signed Stolen Attached:

List other documents attached reference case:

- Donna Phillip's DOL and voter registration information
- copy of security envelope
- copy of ballot
- copy of Michael Phillips DOL and voter registration information
- Copy of Michael Phillips security envelope

Narrative:

On December 9th, 2020, Lieutenant Cameron Simper requested I investigate a possible voter fraud that was discovered by the Thurston County Elections Office.

On December 10th, 2020, I contacted Elections Supervisor Lynnette Milton via the phone. I identified myself to her and explained the reason for the call. Ms. Milton informed me as the Elections Supervisor, some of her duties are the following: supervise employees, oversees voter registration and processing, signature verification process and budget. Ms. Milton explained that the elections office suspects two mail in ballots for the November 2020 election as being possibly fraudulent. Ms. Milton recommended me contacting Elections Specialist Jack Mongin for further details regarding this issue.

I contacted Elections Specialist Jack Mongin at which time I identified myself and explained that I had previously spoken with Elections Supervisor Lynnette Milton. Mr. Mongin advised that his duties as an Elections Specialist are ensuring ballots are sent out to voters as well as conducting the signature verification process. Mr. Mongin proceeded to explain that on November 18th, 2020, the Thurston County Elections Office received word from the Elections Manager that the Secretary of State did not release a pending deceased list for October 2020. According to Mr. Mongin, once the data for the deceased list was available, this information was used to compare it to the statewide voter registration system. The data was used to see all the voters who returned a ballot for the November 3rd, 2020, general election. It was discovered that there were potentially 13 deceased voters with their corresponding envelopes that were located.

Mr. Mongin explained that upon comparing signatures on the ballots to the registrations and date of death's, 11 of those 13 ballots appeared to have been signed prior to their dates of death, making them valid. Mr. Mongin said the remaining two signatures who were for a Jeffrey Martin and a Donna Phillips, appeared suspicious.

According to Mr. Mongin, on September 2nd, 2020, Donna Phillips and Michael Phillips came to the Thurston County Elections Office and filled out voter registration forms and listing their address as 10302 189th Ln SW Rochester, Washington. Mr. Mongin also advised that on September 23rd, 2019, Donna Phillips registered to vote through the Washington State Department of Licensing. Donna Phillips registered voting address was listed as 10302 189th Ln SW in Rochester, Washington. According to Mr. Mongin, the Thurston County Elections Office received a phone call from a person who identified herself as Donna Phillips who wanted to provide a seasonal address of 10154 South Summer Ave in Yuma, Arizona. This person identifying themselves as deceased Donna Phillips, requested a ballot be mailed to her seasonal address in Yuma Arizona which was done. I asked Mr. Mongin what the verification process is for this type of a situation and he said they would have had to have known the date of birth.

According to Mr. Mongin, a ballot for Donna Phillips and a ballot for Michael Phillips were mailed 10302 189th Ln SW. Mr. Mongin said that Michael Phillips returned his ballot on October 12th, 2020, at the Rochester Fire Station 3 drop box. Mr. Mongin said, Donna Phillips's Rochester ballot was not returned however her ballot that was mailed to Yuma Arizona was returned through the mail on October 19th, 2020. Mr. Mongin said that Michael Phillips's ballot along with the ballot mailed from Arizona were accepted and were processed through the signature verification process.

Mr. Mongin said on November 17th, 2020, Donna Phillips's voter status had been changed from active to pending deceased after discovering a date of death of September 16th, 2020. According to Mr. Mongin, On November 18th, 2020, the ballot processing team re-compared the signatures on Donna's envelope. Mr. Mongin also advised that Michael Phillips's envelope was also pulled for re-examination and the signatures were compared to their voter registration signatures. According to Mr. Mongin, after their careful review they believe Michael Phillips's envelope signature matches the handwriting on Donna's registration form. A check was conducted to see how many people are registered to vote at 10302 189th Ln SW and the 10154 South Summer Avenue address in Arizona and discovered no other voters used these addresses.

I viewed Michael Phillips and Donna Phillips's voter registration forms, their DOL forms as well as their ballot envelope signatures. It appeared Michael Phillips signatures appeared to be similar however Donna's ballot envelope signature

was obviously different from her DOL and voter registration signatures. I contacted the Thurston County Coroner's Office and confirmed that Donna Phillips died on September 16th, 2020, in Lewis County, Washington.

On March 8th, 2021, I attempted to contact Michael Phillips via the phone however he did not answer. I left a message identifying myself and requested he call.

On March 9th, 2021, at approximately 0741 hours, I received a voice mail from Michael Phillips. I listened to the message and heard Mr. Phillips identify himself and then say, "kinda think I know what this is pertaining to, I'll talk to you."

On March 9th, 2021, at approximately 1215 hours, I arrived at 10302 189th Ln SW to attempt contact with Michael Phillips. I knocked on the door and Mr. Phillips answered and allow me to enter inside to talk. I identified myself to Mr. Phillips and explained to him that I was conducting a fraud investigation involving his deceased wife's ballot being forged and mailed in. I asked Mr. Phillips what he meant by his message saying he believed he knew what this was about. Mr. Phillips said this is not what he was expecting. Mr. Phillips said he thought it was about credit cards or a large loan (\$27,000) that his wife apparently obtained prior to her death that he was unaware of.

Mr. Phillips confirmed that his wife Donna Phillips, died on September 16th, 2020. I asked Mr. Phillips if he recalls whether or not he received he and Donna's general election ballots in October, and he said yes, he does. Mr. Phillips said he recalls filling his out and then tearing Donna's up and throwing it away. Mr. Phillips said he recalls dropping his ballot off at the Rochester Fire Station drop box.

I asked Mr. Phillips if he or his wife Donna have ever owned any property in the Yuma Arizona area and he said no. I asked Mr. Phillips if he knows of anyone who owns property in Yuma Arizona and he said no. I asked if he has any family members who frequent Arizona and he said his sister in law Dorothy and her husband Dennis Murphy. Mr. Phillips said Dorothy and Dennis purchased a motorhome and spend a lot of time in Arizona and Southern California.

I showed Mr. Phillips a copy of Donna's ballot that was mailed from Arizona and he looked at the signature and said without a doubt that is not his wife's signature. I asked Mr. Phillips if he has any information as to who might have called requesting a second ballot for Donna and then forging the ballot and mailing it back and he said no. See Mr. Phillips recorded statement for further information.

On March 11th, 2021, at approximately 1000 hours, I contacted Dorothy Murphy via the phone regarding this case. I identified myself to Dorothy and explained the reason for the call. Dorothy advised she has spoken to her brother in law

Michael Phillips about this as well. Dorothy informed me that she is Donna's sister and her and her husband Dennis are "rain birds" however do not own property in Yuma, Arizona. I asked Dorothy if she has any information about who sent Donna's ballot from Arizona in October 2020 and she said no. I explained to Dorothy that this case would be sent to the Yuma County Sheriff's Office for further investigation.

I researched the address in Yuma Arizona and discovered it to appear to be a double wide modular home located within the Season's RV Village.

On March 11th, 2021, I contacted the Yuma County Sheriff's Office to verify jurisdiction over address: 10154 South Summer Ave Yuma, Arizona 85365. I was advised that this is within the jurisdiction of the Yuma County Sheriff's Office.

Since Donna Phillip's ballot was mailed to the Yuma Arizona address, fraudulently filled out and then mailed from Arizona, I request this case be forwarded to YCSO for further investigation.

I request a copy of this report be sent to the Yuma County Sheriff's Office.

Nothing further at this time.

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12/2/2020

VoteWA

Election: GENE



Voter Registration Reporting Election Management County Utilities Help

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DOB



Registrant ID 12481830

County Thurston

Status PENDING

PHILLIPS, DONNA RAE

DOB 06/30/1956 (Age 64)

Status Reason FEDERAL DECEASED

Registered Info	Ballot Info	Provisional	Voting History	Validations	Attachments	Activity	Correspondence
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Residence Address



10302 189TH LN SW
ROCHESTER, WA 98579

Mailing Address

10154 SOUTH SUMMER AVE
YUMA, AZ 85365

Update Record

Add To Race

This is a Seasonal Address

Seasonal Address

10154 SOUTH SUMMER AVE
YUMA, AZ 85365

From:
9/28/2020
To:
12/31/2020

SSN4:

WA DL/ID #:

Registration Date:

Effective Date of
Change:

Source of

Registration:

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9/21/2019

9/28/2020

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Gender:

Form Language:

Phone:

Mobile:

Email:

Previous Name:

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ENGLISH

District Type	District Name
Congressional	Congressional District 3
Legislative	Legislative District 20
Commissioner	Commissioner District No. 3
Commissioner	COMMISSIONER DISTRICT ALL COUNTY
Judicial	Court of Appeals, Division 2, District 2
Judicial	SUPREME COURT
Judicial	Thurston Superior Court
Port	Port Commissioner District No. 3
Port	PORT OF OLYMPIA
Public Utility	PUD Commissioner District No. 3
Public Utility	Thurston Public Utility District
School	Rochester School District No. 401
Fire	WEST THURSTON REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY ROCHESTER
Cemetery	Cemetery District No. 1 (Grand Mound)
Library	Timberland Library District
Other	THURSTON CONSERVATION DISTRICT
PRECINCT	Rochester 2

Election: G111

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DOB



Registrant ID 12481830
PHILLIPS, DONNA RAE

County Thurston
DOB 06/30/1956 (Age 64)

Status REGISTERED
Status Reason DECEASED

Registrant Info	Ballot Info	Provisional	Voting History	Validations	Attachments	Activity	Correspondence
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Create New Ballot

Current Ballots
No records to display.

Pending Ballots
No records to display.

Ballot Records for Past Elections

Election	County	Ballot Status	Ballot Sent	Ballot Record Created	Ballot Issuance Type	Ballot Issuance Method	Ballot Received	Political Party	Ballot Style	Ballot ID
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Ballot Tracking

Tracking Number	Tracking Status	Tracking History
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DOB



Registrant ID 12481830

County Thurston

Status **PENDING****PHILLIPS, DONNA RAE**

DOB 06/30/1956 (Age 64)

Status Reason **POTENTIAL DUPLICATION**

Registrant Info

Ballot Info

Provisional

Voting History

Validations

Assignments

Activity

Correspondence

Images

SIGNATURES

Signatures

Signature Source	Signature Date	Time Elapsed	Signature Notes	Not Legible	Is Default	
Signature	9/2/2020	0 Years, 3 Months, 1 Days				Edit
DLVR New	9/23/2019	1 Years, 2 Months, 11 Days				Edit

Signature Count: 2

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Election: GCM



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DOB



Registrant ID 12823067

PHILLIPS, MICHAEL WAYNE

County Thurston

DOB 01/14/1955 (Age 65)

Status ACTIVE

Status Reason ACTIVE

Registrant Info	Ballot Info	Provisional	Voting History	Validations	Attachments	Activity	Correspondence
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Residence Address

Mailing Address

Update Record

Add To Race



10302 189TH LN SW
ROCHESTER, WA 98579

10302 189TH LN SW
ROCHESTER, WA 98579

SSN4:

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Gender:

M

WA DL/ID #:

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Form Language:

Registration Date:

9/2/2020

Phone:

Effective Date of

9/2/2020

Mobile:

Change:

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Email:

Source of Registration:

Previous Name:

District Type	District Name
Congressional	Congressional District 3
Legislative	Legislative District 20
Commissioner	Commissioner District No. 3
Commissioner	COMMISSIONER DISTRICT ALL COUNTY
Judicial	Court of Appeals, Division 2, District 2
Judicial	SUPREME COURT
Judicial	Thurston Superior Court
Port	Port Commissioner District No. 3
Port	PORT OF OLYMPIA
Public Utility	PUD Commissioner District No. 3
Public Utility	Thurston Public Utility District
School	Rochester School District No. 401
Fire	WEST THURSTON REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY ROCHESTER
Cemetery	Cemetery District No. 1 (Grand Mound)
Library	Timberland Library District
Other	THURSTON CONSERVATION DISTRICT
PRECINCT	Rochester 2
PCO	154
PRECINCT SPLIT	0154.0

Default Statement

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Election: 61511



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Registrant ID 12823067

PHILLIPS, MICHAEL WAYNE

County Thurston

DOB 01/14/1955 (Age 65)

Status

ACTIVE

Status Reason

ACTIVE

Registrant Info	Ballot Info	Provisional	Voting History	Validations	Assigned Data	Activity	Correspondence
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Images

SIGNATURES

Signatures

Signature Source	Signature Date	Time Elapsed	Signature Notes	Not Legible	Is Default	
Signature	9/2/2020	0 Years, 3 Months, 1 Days				Edit

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Signature Count: 1

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Election: GEN1

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DOB



Registrant ID 12823067

County Thurston

Status ACTIVE

PHILLIPS, MICHAEL WAYNE

DOB 01/14/1955 (Age 65)

Status Reason ACTIVE

Registrant Info

Ballot Info

Provisional

Voting History

Validations

Attachments

Activity

Correspondence

Create New Ballot VOTED 10/12/2020

Current Ballots

No records to display.

Pending Ballots

No records to display.

Ballot Records for Past Elections

Election	County	Ballot Status	Ballot Sent	Ballot Record Created	Ballot Issuance Type	Ballot Issuance Method	Ballot Received	Political Party	Ballot Style	Ballot ID	
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Tracking Number

Tracking Status

Tracking History

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