

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

The body is that of an American Indian male appearing approximately the stated age. The body is clothed only in a pair of blue brief undershorts. Present with the body are a pair of gray colored jeans without belt and a pair of white socks with red and blue trim. Also present with the body is a piece of light green colored plastic material with a knot tied in it. This is reportedly the ligature with which the decedent hanged himself.

External examination of the body reveals an abraded ligature mark around the neck with upward angulation behind both ears. There are multiple superficial cuts of the skin of the forehead. These appear recent with dried blood on them. There are scattered small abrasions and contusions on the trunk and extremities which are documented by diagram. No other signs of significant external injury. No conjunctival petechiae. There are several small superficial lacerations of the left side of the lower lip on the vermilion surface and mucosal surface just inside the mouth. Teeth are natural without injury. Genitalia and anus normal without injury.