



### Declaration of Coroner (when inquest not necessary)

I, the undersigned, \_\_\_\_\_, of the Province of Saskatchewan, do hereby declare that after an inquiry by me I am of the opinion that \_\_\_\_\_, born \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, Saskatchewan, died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, Saskatchewan, at the age of \_\_\_\_\_ years, the cause of death being \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 1. Statement of brief circumstances and medical cause of death

Inquest on Eric Peluso called about 2:30 PM who was found in a field face down at 926 51st St., East, Saskatoon, about 1:00 PM Thursday 29 November 1974. Tracks were leading up to the body. He had been discovered by two people who were walking across the field from a construction site toward the tracks existed. They called the alarm. Body was frozen quite hard, and finger print were not and took extensive photographs and explained a ditch nearby finding little immediate evidence. He was missing one shoe and appeared to have frozen to death. There was no ID on him at the time, and nothing to account for the death.

Body was taken to St. Paul's Hospital for autopsy. When he had thawed somewhat, autopsy was performed which revealed no obvious anatomical cause of death. Samples were taken for toxicology, likely died from exposure, possibly while inebriated. His Police and Family members later testified that he had been at a social gathering (Gallies) 24 November, being last seen alive about 10:00 PM that night. Wednesday 28 November had been quite mild, and he was therefore probably frozen by Tuesday the 27th, which for the time being was given as the probable date of death. He is known to have been ABQ from a Kitch home associated with Kilburn, being a young offender. The others who were with him on the night of 24 November were similarly ABQ, and therefore he is reluctant to come forward to give evidence. Police are still investigating.

A death certificate was signed and the body released for burial without inquest.

Cause of Death: Exposure  
 Manner of Death: Sexual Assault  
 Dr. John Stewart  
 138 Maple St. W. Sask., S4N 4W3

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Coroner, do hereby certify that I have read the above and that I am satisfied with the findings and conclusions herein.

*(Signature)*

Coroner

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby declare that I am a qualified medical practitioner or equivalent and I have read the above and I am satisfied with the findings and conclusions herein.