

**REPORT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
PUBLIC INQUIRY**

THE FATALITY INQUIRIES ACT

CANADA
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

WHEREAS a Public Inquiry was held at Provincial Court House

in the City of Medicine Hat, Alberta
(City, Town, etc.) (Name of City, Town, etc.)

on the 30th day of July, 1992 (and by adjournment

on the 31st day of July, 1992), before

J. Philip Wambolt, a Provincial Court Judge.

A jury was was not summoned and an inquiry was held into the death of

James Bruce McDowell 44 years
(Name in Full) (Age)

of 8 Rossdale Cr. S.E., Medicine Hat, Alberta and the following findings were made:
(Residence)

Date and Time of Death August 08, 1991

Place Foothills Hospital - Calgary, Alberta

Medical Cause of Death ("cause of death" means the medical cause of death according to the International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death as last revised by the International Conference assembled for that purpose and published by the World Health Organization — The Fatality Inquiries Act, Section 1(d))

Ischemic Encephalopathy as a consequence of Hypoxia associated with
recovery from General Anesthesia.

Manner of Death ("manner of death" means the mode or method of death whether natural, homicidal, suicidal, accidental or undeterminable — The Fatality Inquiries Act, Section 1(g))

Accidental

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CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH DEATH OCCURRED

Deceased underwent Appendectomy under General Anaesthesia August 2, 1991 -
Recovery impaired due to Hypoxia effecting damage to the Brain
resulting in him being Comatose.
Respiratory arrest followed. Death occurred in Calgary Foothills Hospital.

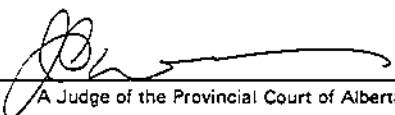
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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE PREVENTION OF SIMILAR DEATHS

I am unable to present any recommendations that would prevent
similar deaths.

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DATED this 12th day of February, 19 93.


A Judge of the Provincial Court of Alberta