PEOPLE v. MARCUS HALE

MASTER ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

Murder | Prior-Murder Special-Circumstance Allegation | Potential Capital Matter

SINGLE ADMINISTRATIVE SOURCE OF TRUTH | LIVING RECORD | PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION VERSION

Field	Current Administrative Entry
Court	Superior Court of California, County of Lassen (fictional)
Case No.	26CR00412; D.A. No. 26-0947; institution incident SVR-25-0318; coroner Log 41207 (all fictional)
Client	Marcus Hale, CDCR No. CT-2210 (fictional), Sierra Valley State Prison (fictional); in custody, held without bail
Counsel of Record	Elena R. Castillo, Attorney at Law, State Bar No. 999234 (fictional)
Prepared By	VdVLaw Case Cartographer
Record Date	August 21, 2026 (demonstration setting: the review package was delivered August 20, 2026; the October 15, 2026 preliminary hearing is a future event in this record)
Current Version	v1.1 public demonstration (built October 15, 2026; corrected October 16, 2026)
Purpose	Administrative control of case status, special-circumstance and capital-status transition, team, experts, discovery, records, deadlines, decisions, authorizations and work product for a fictional matter, in the VdVLaw Master Administrative Record format.

CAPITAL STATUS: SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE ALLEGED | DEATH-PENALTY ELECTION NOT ESTABLISHED. The complaint alleges a prior-murder special circumstance under Penal Code section 190.2, subdivision (a)(2). No source entered in this record establishes that the People have elected to seek death; the Quick Reference and Summary state that no penalty election has been announced (Q-005). Update only from a filed notice, court record, prosecutor communication or other identified source.

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USE RULE: This file is an administrative control record. Detailed evidence analysis stays in the source-

controlled Hale audit (document 03) and the Summary (document 02). Do not use this record to replace the underlying pleading, report, record, expert file or discovery source. In this demonstration, no audio was heard, no video was viewed and no photograph was inspected at full resolution; the registry marks those limits source by source.

FM.1 How to Maintain This Record

1. Do not delete old entries. Close, supersede or correct them with a date and source so the history remains visible.

2. Use stable IDs. Never renumber an existing EXP, PR, EP, Q, DEC, INV, SRC, MED or CAP entry to make a list look cleaner. The Hale registries in use are EP-001 to EP-011, PR-001 to PR-007, Q-001 to Q-008 and DEC-001 to DEC-005.

3. Every material status change identifies the date, the source and the person who entered it.

4. An expert stays a candidate until the record contains the retention or appointment event. A contact is not a retention.

5. For every expert opinion, preserve exactly which materials and versions the expert received and when.

6. Do not convert a special-circumstance allegation into a death-penalty election. Enter capital status only from an identified source.

7. Anything uncertain remains labeled REPORTED, UNVERIFIED, NOT ESTABLISHED or NOT LOCATED IN THE PRODUCTION REVIEWED. "Not located" never means missing, destroyed or withheld.

01. Current Case Status

CASE PHASE: PRE-PRELIMINARY HEARING, ARRAIGNED ON THE COMPLAINT. Complaint filed June 3, 2026 (D1 Bates 000001-000007); arraignment June 5, 2026; preliminary hearing set for October 15, 2026, 8:30 a.m., Dept. 2. Any post-arraignment filing must be entered from the court record before being treated as current. (Sources: Case Constants; 01 Quick Reference v2.0; 02 Summary v2.0.)

Field	Current Administrative Entry
Case Name	People v. Marcus Hale (fictional)
Court	Superior Court of California, County of Lassen; Hon. K. Marsh (fictional)
Case Number	26CR00412; D.A. No. 26-0947 (fictional)
Counsel of Record	Elena R. Castillo, State Bar No. 999234 (fictional)
Prosecutor	Deputy District Attorney M. Okafor (fictional)
Client Custody Status	In custody, held without bail, Sierra Valley State Prison, CDCR No. CT-2210 (fictional). Housing and visit logistics for any expert evaluation: TO VERIFY from a current source.
Decedent	Renee Hale, 59, the client's wife; died during a family visit in Family Visiting Unit 3; pronounced 2:36 a.m., March 19, 2025 (fictional)
Principal Current Charge	Count 1: Penal Code section 187, subdivision (a), murder; degree not specified in the complaint.
Special-Circumstance Status	Penal Code section 190.2, subdivision (a)(2), prior murder conviction, alleged in the complaint with prior-conviction and strike allegations. Certified prior records NOT LOCATED IN THE PRODUCTION REVIEWED (EP-010).
Capital / Death-Penalty Election	NOT ESTABLISHED. No election announced (Q-005).
Next Appearance	Preliminary hearing, Thursday, October 15, 2026, 8:30 a.m., Dept. 2 (demonstration setting).
Client Communication	The client has raised self-representation (Faretta) and concern about the pace of the work. A plain-language status letter is drafted for counsel review (document 07; DEC-003).

01.1 Front-Page Open Items

Priority	Open Item	Why It Controls Administration	Source / Owner / Due
1	Penalty election status	A special-circumstance allegation alone does not establish that the People have elected death; team, funding and mitigation planning turn on it (DEC-004).	Counsel-to-counsel; court status date | Owner: counsel | Due: before October 15, 2026
1	First-autopsy support package, including the body diagram	The homicide opinion rests on findings that cannot be mapped or given to an expert without it (EP-001).	PR-001 to the District Attorney; PR-002 Letters B and F | Owner: counsel | Due: now
1	March 18, 2025 medical-response records (patient-care report, vitals, ECG, signed refusal, dispatch and gate records)	Created before any homicide theory existed; the corroboration test for the illness episode (EP-003).	PR-003, PR-004 | Owner: counsel | Due: with PR-001
1	Certified records of the alleged prior conviction	Controls the section 190.2(a)(2) predicate, the prior and strike allegations and the exposure picture (EP-010).	PR-006 | Owner: counsel | Due: now
2	Expert phase authorization (forensic pathology; cardiology or internal medicine)	Experts must be instructed from source materials; nothing can begin until counsel decides (DEC-001, DEC-002).	Counsel decision | Owner: counsel | Due: before the hearing

2	Client status letter and Faretta discussion	The client's question is pending; the draft takes no position and waits for counsel (DEC-003).	Document 07 | Owner: counsel | Due: next client visit

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02. Charging, Special Circumstance and Penalty-Election Status

CONTROL RULE: This section separates what is charged from whether the prosecution has elected to seek death. A change in either status receives its own dated entry and source.

02.1 Charging Snapshot

Item	Current Entry	Source Status	Controlling Source to Attach / Cite
Murder charge	Penal Code section 187, subdivision (a), murder of Renee Hale; degree not specified. Exposure: first degree 25 years to life; second degree 15 years to life (section 190, subdivision (a)).	ESTABLISHED BY THE FILED COMPLAINT (as alleged)	Complaint filed June 3, 2026, D1 Bates 000001-000007
Special circumstance	Penal Code section 190.2, subdivision (a)(2), prior murder conviction. If first degree and found true under section 190.4: death or life without parole (section 190.2, subdivision (a)).	ALLEGED; PREDICATE UNVERIFIED (EP-010)	Complaint D1 000001-000007; prior-conviction abstract copies D1 000701-000709; certified records NOT LOCATED (PR-006)
Prior-conviction and strike allegations	Pleaded on what appears to be the same prior conviction; consequences under sections 667 and 1170.12 not calculated pending verification.	ALLEGED; NOT CALCULATED (EP-010)	Complaint; certified prior record (PR-006)
Death-penalty election	No source entered establishes an election to seek death.	NOT ESTABLISHED (Q-005)	Filed notice, written prosecutor election, court minute order or documented counsel communication

02.2 Capital-Status Milestones (CAP)

CAP ID	Milestone / Event	Status / Date	Source / Citation	Notes / Next Action
CAP-001	Special-circumstance allegation under section 190.2(a)(2)	ALLEGED | Complaint filed June 3, 2026	D1 Bates 000001-000007	Verify the predicate from certified records (PR-006, Q-006) before treating it as established.
CAP-002	Prosecution death-penalty election / notice	NOT ESTABLISHED	No source entered; Quick Reference and Summary record no announcement	Do not infer from the special-circumstance allegation (Q-005).
CAP-003	Court treatment / designation as a capital case	NOT ESTABLISHED		Enter only from the court record.
CAP-004	Capital-qualified second counsel / team appointment status	NOT ESTABLISHED		Track any appointment order, scope and effective date.
CAP-005	Capital-specific expert / mitigation funding orders	NOT ESTABLISHED		Link each order to the EXP or AUTH entry it authorizes; mitigation-readiness planning proceeds meanwhile (DEC-

				004).

02.3 Capital Transition Checklist

[x] Current operative pleading saved and source-controlled (complaint, D1 000001-000007).

[ ] Exact special-circumstance language and count entered from the pleading: TO VERIFY against the filed text.

[ ] Death-penalty election status documented from source: NOT ESTABLISHED.

[ ] Current counsel / co-counsel appointment status entered: counsel of record entered; second counsel NOT ENTERED.

[ ] Investigator and mitigation roles identified, if appointed: NOT ENTERED.

[ ] Expert authorization / funding process entered for each expert: pending DEC-001, DEC-002.

[ ] Prior-case certified records requested / received / indexed: PR-006 drafted, not yet authorized (DEC-005).

[ ] Developmental, school, medical, mental-health and correctional records tracking opened: pending DEC-004.

[ ] Client access and evaluation logistics confirmed from current facility: TO VERIFY.

[x] Capital-status change communicated in the front-page dashboard (this version).

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03. Calendar and Procedural History

03.1 Known Procedural Events

Date	Event	Result / Status	Source	Follow-Up
March 17 to 19, 2025	Family visit, Family Visiting Unit 3; March 18 medical evaluation with documented refusal of transport; March 19 client reports finding the decedent unresponsive; CPR and AED used; pronounced 2:36 a.m.	ESTABLISHED for the March 19 response (M1 MED000418-MED000466; D1 incident package 000212-000388); March 18 response REPORTED, records NOT LOCATED (EP-003)	02 Summary section 2; 03 Audit section 1	PR-003, PR-004
April 14, 2025	First autopsy	Opinion: manual neck compression; coroner homicide ruling followed. Support package NOT LOCATED (EP-001).	F1 F000001-F000034	PR-001; PR-002 Letters B and F
June 3 and June 9, 2025	Client interviews (two)	Working transcripts consistent on the major sequence; one post-discovery handling detail differs (EP-004). Original audio not heard.	I1 items 1 and 2	PR-007; Q-003
February 10, 2026	Defense-requested re-examination	Inconclusive (prior autopsy, embalming, tissue removal, decomposition); significant cardiac disease documented.	F1 F000035-F000061	DEC-001
June 3, 2026	Complaint filed	Count 1 murder; section 190.2(a)(2) special circumstance; prior-conviction and strike allegations.	D1 Bates 000001-000007	Enter any amended pleading from the court record.
June 5, 2026	Arraignment	ESTABLISHED (Case Constants; Quick Reference). Plea and minute details NOT ENTERED.	Case Constants	Enter from docket.
June 8 to August 20, 2026	VdVLaw discovery review period; package delivered August 20, 2026	Quick Reference, Summary, held audit, draft client letter and draft preservation letters delivered for counsel review.	Case Constants; documents 01, 02, 03, 07, 08	Decisions DEC-001 to DEC-005 pending

03.2 Court Calendar and Deadline Register

CAL ID	Date / Time / Dept.	Event / Deadline	Source / Computation	Owner / Status
CAL-001	October 15, 2026, 8:30 a.m., Dept. 2	Preliminary hearing	01 Quick Reference v2.0 (demonstration setting)	Counsel | SET
CAL-002	15 days after PR-001 is sent (date NOT ENTERED)	Informal discovery request matures for court enforcement (Pen. Code section 1054.5, subdivision (b))	Computed from the date PR-001 is served; PR-001 not yet authorized (DEC-005)	Counsel | PENDING
CAL-003	14 days after each preservation letter is sent (dates NOT ENTERED)	Written preservation confirmation requested from each custodian (Letters A to F)	Document 08 letter text	Counsel | PENDING
CAL-004	NOT ENTERED	Penalty-decision status date, if the court sets one	Q-005	Counsel | TO VERIFY

DEADLINE RULE: Every deadline entry states how it was computed or which order, rule or minute entry supplied it. If the source date changes, update the deadline and record the prior date in the change log.

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04. Defense Team and Experts

04.1 Core Team

Role	Name / Organization	Status	Authority / Contact	Notes
Counsel of Record	Elena R. Castillo, Attorney at Law, SBN 999234 (fictional)	ACTIVE	Counsel record; contact details on file (fictional)	Lead case contact for VdVLaw; all decisions DEC-001 to DEC-005 are hers.
Second Counsel / Co-Counsel		NOT ENTERED		Do not assume appointment; capital-qualified second counsel would follow an election (CAP-004).
Investigator		NOT ENTERED		
Mitigation Specialist		NOT ENTERED		Mitigation-readiness planning is a pending decision (DEC-004).
VdVLaw Legal Support	Robert van der Vijver, VdVLaw Case Cartographer	ACTIVE	Attorney-directed support under counsel direction	Not an attorney and not counsel of record.

04.2 Agency, Court and Records Contacts

ID	Person / Office / Role	Phone / Email	Matter / Last Contact	Next Follow-Up / Notes
CT-001	Hon. K. Marsh, Superior Court, County of Lassen, Dept. 2 (fictional)	On file (fictional)	Preliminary hearing October 15, 2026	
CT-002	Deputy District Attorney M. Okafor (fictional)	On file (fictional)	No contact entered	Recipient of PR-001 (informal discovery letter) once authorized
CT-003	Warden and Litigation Coordinator, Sierra Valley State Prison (fictional)	On file (fictional)	No contact entered	PR-002 Letter A
CT-004	Lassen County Sheriff / Coroner's Office, custodian of coroner records, Log 41207 (fictional)	On file (fictional)	No contact entered	PR-002 Letter B
CT-005	Fire and emergency medical services provider (fictional)	On file (fictional)	No contact entered	PR-002 Letter C; PR-004
CT-006	County communications and dispatch center (fictional)	On file (fictional)	No contact entered	PR-002 Letter D
CT-007	Messaging service provider, legal compliance (fictional)	On file (fictional)	No contact entered	PR-002 Letter E (voluntary preservation request)
CT-008	Examining medical examiner's office, contract forensic pathology provider (fictional)	On file (fictional)	No contact entered	PR-002 Letter F
CT-009	Institution health-care administration and Health Information Management (fictional)	On file (fictional)	No contact entered	PR-003
CT-010	Insurance carrier (fictional)	NOT ENTERED	No contact entered	PR-005
CT-011	Superior court of the originating county for the alleged prior (fictional identifiers)	NOT ENTERED	No contact entered	PR-006

EXPERT CONTROL RULE: Candidate lists are research leads only. No candidate becomes RETAINED, APPOINTED, DESIGNATED or TESTIFYING without a dated source entry. For every expert opinion, maintain the exact-materials ledger.

04.3 Experts in the Record and Expert Candidates (EXP)

EXP ID	Name / Field	Side / Status	Known Record Point	Source / Notes
EXP-P001	Examining pathologist, first autopsy (not individually named in the delivered package)	PROSECUTION SIDE / COUNTY EXAMINATION	April 14, 2025 opinion: manual neck compression, resting on conjunctival petechiae and focal neck-muscle hemorrhage. Support package NOT LOCATED (EP-001).	F1 F000001-F000034; exact review set used before finalizing NOT ESTABLISHED
EXP-P002	Re-examining pathologist (not individually named)	DEFENSE-REQUESTED EXAMINATION / NOT A RETAINED TESTIFYING EXPERT ON THIS RECORD	February 10, 2026: inconclusive; significant cardiac disease documented.	F1 F000035-F000061
EXP-C001	Forensic pathologist, to be instructed from source materials	CANDIDATE ROLE ONLY; NO CANDIDATE NAMED; NOT RETAINED	Needed for the petechiae, neck-finding and treatment-artifact questions (EP-001, EP-002).	DEC-001 pending; DEMONSTRATION PLACEHOLDER for the candidate list
EXP-C002	Cardiology or internal-medicine consultant	CANDIDATE ROLE ONLY; NO CANDIDATE NAMED; NOT RETAINED	Pre-visit symptoms, the March 18 episode, documented cardiac disease.	DEC-002 pending; DEMONSTRATION PLACEHOLDER for the candidate list

04.4 Exact Materials Provided to Expert

EXP ID	Date Sent	Source / Bates / Exact Version	Sender / Receipt Confirmed	Purpose / Opinion Stage
		NO MATERIALS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED TO ANY EXPERT ON THIS RECORD		Ledger opens with the first transmittal after DEC-001 or DEC-002

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05. Discovery and Source Registry

05.1 Discovery Production Log

PROD ID	Date / From	Description	Bates / File Range	Media / Storage	Status
PROD-001	Date NOT ENTERED / District Attorney production as received by counsel	Repository of 11.84 GB: 4,126 Bates-stamped document pages; 642 medical pages; 2 autopsy reports or reviews and 3 toxicology or laboratory packets; 97 call files; 8 recorded interviews; 19 video files; 108 audio files; 236 photographs; 11 digital and administrative exports	D1 000001-004126; M1 MED000001-MED000642; F1 F000001-F000119; source IDs C1, I1, V1, A1, P1, X1	Repository; VdVLaw working indexes built over it	REVIEWED (June 8 to August 20, 2026); completeness points open (05.3)

05.2 Source Registry (SRC)

SRC ID	Source / Location	Date / Version	What It Establishes	What It Does NOT Establish
D1	Documents, 4,126 Bates pages	Complaint 000001-000007; incident and investigation package 000212-000388; family-visiting application and approval 000401-000466; count, log and movement excerpts 000502-000517; coroner correspondence 000601-000640; prior-conviction abstract copies 000701-000709	The complaint and its allegations; the incident and investigation package; the visit approval and screening trail; count and log excerpts for the overnight; two-person occupancy of Family Visiting Unit 3	Completeness of the overnight timeline (full count, tower and gate logs not located); the special-circumstance predicate (certified records not located, EP-010)
M1	Medical, 642 pages	MED000001-MED000642; March 19 response and pronouncement MED000418-MED000466	The March 19 response: unit call, CPR and AED use, pronouncement at 2:36 a.m.; visiting-related screening; fragments referencing a March 18 evaluation	The March 18 response itself (patient-care report, vitals, ECG, signed refusal not located, EP-003); the decedent's cardiac history beyond the partial set gathered by the coroner
F1	Forensic: 2 examinations; 3 laboratory packets	First autopsy F000001-F000034 (April 14, 2025); re-examination F000035-F000061 (February 10, 2026); toxicology and laboratory F000062-F000119	The first-autopsy opinion; the re-examination's limits and its documentation of significant cardiac disease; negative screens in the produced toxicology	The mapped location and character of the neck findings (body diagram not located, EP-001); separation of treatment artifacts from findings (EP-002); any laboratory result independently establishing an assault (EP-007)
C1	Calls, 97 files (95 unique after duplicate control)	Pre-visit calls at index entries 41 to 58; machine-generated working transcripts	What the working transcripts report, subject to audio verification (EP-009): pre-visit symptoms, home reading pulse 118 and BP 154/92, the dinner plan, relationship friction, one insurance reference	Any confession, threat or stated plan to end the relationship (none appears); quotation-grade wording; the insurance reference as a motive (EP-005)
I1	Interviews, 8 recordings with working transcripts	Client interviews items 1 and 2 (June 3 and June 9, 2025); six witness and staff interviews	A consistent major sequence across the client's two interviews; staff accounts of the response	Which handling account is accurate (EP-004); demeanor characterizations
V1	Video, 19 files	Index only	Existence and general subject:	Nothing from content (none

			unit exterior, corridor and response-period coverage references	viewed, EP-009); referenced overnight corridor coverage not clearly among the 19 files (Q-007)
A1	Audio, 108 files	Index only: 97 calls, 8 interviews, 3 radio or dispatch excerpts	Existence and general subject	Nothing from content (none heard, EP-009)
P1	Photographs, 236 indexed	Index groups: 31 emergency-response, 118 scene and unit, 64 autopsy, 23 administrative	Group counts and timing from the index; the index identifies no weapon	Findings from photographic content (none inspected at full resolution); artifact-versus-finding questions (originals with timing metadata not located, EP-008)
X1	Digital and administrative exports, 11	Messaging export; visiting-system extracts; phone-system logs	The messaging exchanges with emotional language; visiting-system extracts; phone-system logs supporting the call index	Authorship of particular messages (account-access records not located, EP-006); completeness of the export against the source systems

05.3 Completeness Reconciliation

Category	Report / Manifest Says Exists	Production Reviewed	Difference / Issue	Status / Resolution Source
Call files	97 files in the production	95 unique; two are byte-identical duplicates of other files (EP-011)	File counts overstate the evidence; quantitative statements use 95.	RESOLVED IN THE REGISTER; carried for transparency
Audio total	108 files	97 calls + 8 interviews + 3 radio or dispatch = 108	None	RECONCILED
Photographs	236 files	31 + 118 + 64 + 23 = 236	Originals with timing metadata not located (EP-008)	OPEN | PR-007
Video	19 files	19 files indexed; referenced overnight corridor coverage not clearly among them	Reconciliation open (Q-007)	OPEN | PR-002, PR-007
First-autopsy support package	Referenced by the autopsy report	Not in the set	Body diagram, notes, photograph log, original images, histology, specimen inventory not located (EP-001)	OPEN | PR-001, PR-002
March 18 medical-response records	Referenced in both client interviews and in medical fragments	Not in the set	Patient-care report, vitals, ECG, signed refusal, dispatch and gate records not located (EP-003)	OPEN | PR-003, PR-004

05.4 Prior-Conviction Predicate Records

PRIOR CASE LEAD: The complaint's prior-conviction abstract copies (D1 000701-000709) appear to plead the same prior murder conviction for the special circumstance and for the separate prior-conviction and strike allegations, which may be proper pleading. The originating court and case number are fictional identifiers not entered here. This record treats the predicate as a lead until certified records are obtained and indexed (EP-010; Q-006; PR-006).

Record	Request Status	Receipt / Certification	SRC ID / File Location	Notes
Charging document /	PR-006 drafted; NOT	NOT RECEIVED		

information (prior case)	AUTHORIZED (DEC-005)			
Verdict forms or plea record	PR-006 drafted	NOT RECEIVED		
Judgment / minute orders	PR-006 drafted	NOT RECEIVED		
Abstract of judgment	Copies in the production; certification NOT ESTABLISHED	Uncertified copies only	D1 000701-000709	Do not treat as verified (EP-010)
Commitment	PR-006 drafted	NOT RECEIVED		
Appellate opinion(s) / remittitur, if any	NOT ENTERED	NOT RECEIVED		Existence NOT ESTABLISHED

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06. Preservation and Records Tracking

PR REGISTRY RULE: PR numbers cover preservation, records, subpoena and custodian activity. Record recipient, purpose, service, response and closure. Never mark evidence missing merely because it has not been located in the production reviewed. No destruction is asserted anywhere in this record.

06.1 PR Master Register

PR ID	Recipient / Custodian	Purpose / Records	Sent / Served / Response	Status / Proof / Next Step
PR-001	District Attorney, County of Lassen (fictional)	Informal discovery letter (Pen. Code sections 1054.1, 1054.5(b)): complete first-autopsy support package including the body diagram; original interview recordings; March 18 medical-response records; incident, count, tower and gate records for Unit 3; laboratory and toxicology source packets; photograph originals with metadata; confirmation of completeness on the no-laboratory-proof point	NOT SENT	DRAFTED; AWAITING COUNSEL AUTHORIZATION (DEC-005). Urgency: first; the hearing date controls.
PR-002	Custodians identified in the record (six letters, A to F; see 06.2)	Preservation of originals: media, logs, specimens, histology, native files, account records; retention schedules; prior preservation, export, overwrite or disposal history	NOT SENT	DRAFTED (document 08); AWAITING COUNSEL REVIEW AND SIGNATURE. Urgency: now; retention degrades.
PR-003	Institution health-care administration and Health Information Management (fictional)	March 18 response records; visiting-related screening; the decedent's institutional-contact medical pages; outside medical, cardiology and pharmacy records through the route counsel directs	NOT SENT	DRAFTED; AWAITING AUTHORIZATION. With PR-001.
PR-004	Fire and emergency-response unit; outside EMS provider if any; dispatch (fictional)	Run record, patient-care report, CAD, radio traffic, refusal documentation, native ECG or monitor data if it exists	NOT SENT	DRAFTED; AWAITING AUTHORIZATION. With PR-002; equipment data cycles.
PR-005	Insurance carrier (fictional)	Policy, face amount, ownership, beneficiary designations, applications, change history, payment records, claim activity	NOT SENT	DRAFTED; AWAITING AUTHORIZATION. After PR-001 framing.
PR-006	Superior court of the originating county for the alleged prior (fictional identifiers)	Certified copies of the judgment, abstract, plea or verdict record and commitment for the alleged prior murder conviction	NOT SENT	DRAFTED; AWAITING AUTHORIZATION. Now; central to the penalty posture (Q-006).
PR-007	District Attorney and institution custodian of media (fictional)	Media originals: the 8 interview recordings, priority call audio, the 19 video files and any referenced corridor coverage, photograph originals with timing metadata; hash-verified copies under a media-handling protocol counsel approves	NOT SENT	DRAFTED; AWAITING AUTHORIZATION. After the PR-001 response.

06.2 Preservation Letters (PR-002 execution set, document 08)

Letter	Custodian (all fictional)	Core Subject	Status
A	Warden and Litigation Coordinator, Sierra Valley State Prison	All institutional records and media: video, phone system, logs, health care, fire response, incident file SVR-25-0318, visiting system	DRAFT FOR COUNSEL REVIEW; NOT SENT
B	Lassen County Sheriff / Coroner's Office (Log 41207)	First-autopsy support package, retained specimens and slides, re-examination materials; routing to the examining office	DRAFT; NOT SENT
C	Fire and emergency medical services provider	March 18 and March 19 response records, native monitor and ECG data, refusal documentation	DRAFT; NOT SENT
D	County communications and dispatch center	CAD entries, recorded lines, radio traffic for March 18 and 19, 2025	DRAFT; NOT SENT
E	Messaging service provider	Account, subscriber and access records; content preserved pending legal process (voluntary defense request)	DRAFT; NOT SENT
F	Examining medical examiner's office (contract forensic pathology provider)	Original April 14, 2025 examination materials: diagrams, notes, photographs, histology, retained specimens	DRAFT; NOT SENT

Custodian follow-up log: NO CONTACT ENTERED. Each letter asks for written confirmation within 14 days of sending and for the retention schedule by category.

06.3 Mitigation-Readiness Record Domains

QUALIFIER: Mitigation-readiness planning is a pending counsel decision (DEC-004), recommended now because the records, history and staffing it requires cannot be assembled quickly after an election. No developmental, mitigation or historical fact about the client is entered in the Hale demonstration files, and none is invented here.

Domain	Request / Location Status	Source / Date / What Received	Gaps / Follow-Up	Expert Sharing
Birth / family / social history	NOT OPENED (pending DEC-004)			
School / special education / testing	NOT OPENED (pending DEC-004)			
Medical / neurologic / psychiatric / psychological	NOT OPENED (pending DEC-004)			
Correctional / classification / mental-health records	NOT OPENED (pending DEC-004)			
Prior criminal case counsel / expert / mitigation files	NOT OPENED; prior-case certified records are PR-006			
Family / collateral interviews	NOT OPENED (pending DEC-004); the client was asked for names of anyone the decedent spoke with about her health (document 07)			

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07. Medical, Pathology and Forensic Evidence

07.1 Record Gaps and Unconfirmed Items

Item	Status in the Review	Why It Matters Administratively	Request / Source to Track
First-autopsy body diagram	NOT LOCATED IN THE PRODUCTION REVIEWED (EP-001)	The claimed neck findings cannot be mapped or given to an expert with precision.	PR-001; PR-002 Letters B and F; Q-002
First-autopsy dissection notes, photograph log, original images, histology, specimen inventory	NOT LOCATED (EP-001)	Foundation of the homicide opinion.	PR-001; PR-002 Letters B and F
Treatment and post-mortem artifacts (CPR, AED, airway, movement, embalming) against the neck findings	UNRESOLVED (EP-002)	The re-examination attributes its own limits partly to these artifacts; separating artifact from finding needs source materials and an expert.	PR-001, PR-004; DEC-001
March 18 patient-care report, vitals, ECG, signed refusal, dispatch and gate records	NOT LOCATED (EP-003)	Created before any homicide theory existed; tests the natural-cause question from a neutral source.	PR-003, PR-004; Q-001
Native ECG or monitor data from the March 18 evaluation	EXISTENCE NOT ESTABLISHED (Q-008)	Equipment data cycles; may no longer exist.	PR-004; Letter C
Retained specimens, histology slides, paraffin blocks	EXISTENCE NOT ESTABLISHED	Subject to periodic disposal review; needed for any independent pathology review.	PR-002 Letters B and F
Photograph originals with timing metadata	NOT LOCATED (EP-008)	The emergency-response group postdates the medical intervention; artifact analysis requires timing.	PR-007
Exact review set used by the first-autopsy pathologist before finalizing	NOT ESTABLISHED	Required for meaningful expert-opinion source control.	PR-001; PR-002 Letter F
Death certificate / manner determination	Coroner homicide ruling REPORTED (Case Constants; Summary); certificate itself NOT ENTERED	Separates cause, manner and later administrative determinations.	Coroner correspondence D1 000601-000640; TO VERIFY
Laboratory result independently establishing an assault	NONE IN THE PRODUCED PACKETS (EP-007); scene index identifies no weapon	The physical case is, at present, the pathology dispute itself.	PR-001 completeness confirmation

07.2 Pathology, Toxicology and Biological Evidence Register (MED)

MED ID	Item / Specimen / Record	Custodian / Date	Source / Bates / Status	Expert Sharing / Issue / Follow-Up
MED-001	First autopsy report	County coroner, Log 41207, through the contract examining office; April 14, 2025	F1 F000001-F000034 | PRODUCED; support package NOT LOCATED	EP-001, EP-002; not yet shared with any defense expert
MED-002	Defense-requested re-	February 10, 2026	F1 F000035-F000061 |	Inconclusive;

	examination report		PRODUCED	significant cardiac disease documented; DEC-001
MED-003	Toxicology and laboratory packets (3)	NOT ENTERED	F1 F000062-F000119 | PRODUCED; negative screens	Aliquots, worksheets and instrument data: preservation requested in Letters B and F
MED-004	March 19, 2025 response and pronouncement records	Institution health care; fire and emergency-response unit	M1 MED000418-MED000466 | PRODUCED	CPR and AED use documented; pronouncement 2:36 a.m.
MED-005	March 18, 2025 evaluation and refusal records	Institution health care; fire and EMS; dispatch	NOT LOCATED IN THE PRODUCTION REVIEWED (EP-003)	PR-003, PR-004; Q-001, Q-008
MED-006	Decedent's outside medical, cardiology and pharmacy records	Outside providers (not identified in the package)	Partial set gathered by the coroner in M1; balance NOT LOCATED	PR-003 through the route counsel directs
MED-007	Retained tissues, specimens, slides and blocks	Coroner / examining office	EXISTENCE NOT ESTABLISHED	Letters B and F ask that nothing be released or destroyed while the case is pending

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08. Audio, Video and Transcript Control

08.1 Known Media and Transcript Work Product

Item	Administrative Fact	Current Control Point	File / Index Reference
Working transcripts of the 97 calls and 8 interviews	Machine-generated search aids, reviewed for speaker continuity; no audio was heard in preparing the package (EP-009)	No quotation, impeachment use or content assertion may rest on a transcript without verification against the original recording	VdVLaw working transcripts and call index (C1 entries; I1 items 1 to 8)
Duplicate-controlled call register	97 files; 95 unique after duplicate control (EP-011)	Quantitative statements use 95	Call register
Photograph index	236 photographs in four groups (31, 118, 64, 23); none inspected at full resolution	Indexed for expert review; originals with timing metadata requested (PR-007)	P1 index
Video index	19 files; none viewed; referenced corridor coverage not clearly among them (Q-007)	Reconciliation open	V1 index

08.2 Media Master Register

MEDIA ID	Original File / Type	Date / Source / Custodian	Transcript / Verification	Notes
C1	Prison call audio, 97 files (95 unique)	Institution phone system; produced in the repository	Working transcripts; NOT VERIFIED against audio (EP-009)	Pre-visit calls at index entries 41 to 58; one insurance reference (EP-005)
I1	Recorded interviews, 8	Investigation package; client interviews June 3 and June 9, 2025; six witness and staff interviews	Working transcripts; NOT VERIFIED; original audio requested (PR-007)	Handling-detail difference between the two client interviews (EP-004)
A1	Radio or dispatch excerpts, 3	Produced in the repository	NOT HEARD	Dispatch and radio originals are PR-004 and Letter D items
V1	Video, 19 files	Institution cameras; produced in the repository	NOT VIEWED	Corridor coverage question (Q-007); Letter A item 1
P1	Photographs, 236	Incident investigation, autopsy and administrative sets	Indexed only; originals with metadata NOT LOCATED (EP-008)	PR-007
X1	Digital and administrative exports, 11	Messaging export, visiting-system extracts, phone-system logs	Authorship and completeness NOT ESTABLISHED (EP-006)	Letter E

08.3 Clip, Link and QR Control (demonstration clips)

The three clips below are synthetic demonstration media created for the Hale portfolio. They are not case evidence, not transcripts and not recordings from any real matter. The media file controls over every written summary. Ranges and durations are taken from the controlling media volume (v2.0).

CLIP ID	Source / Start-End	Description	Link / QR / Test Date	Working / Notes
DEMO-	HALE_DEMO_AUDIO_01_Pre	Pre-Visit Symptoms and Home Monitor	Browser-play	SYNTHET

TC0000000001	Visit_Call.mp3 | 0.000-17.084 seconds | 17.084 seconds	Reading. Simulated description: a pre-visit call reflects Renee reporting dizziness, palpitations, nausea and a home monitor reading; Marcus suggests getting checked if the symptoms continue.	link and QR in the media volume; website link TO VERIFY at build	IC; audio clip 01
DEMO-TC0000000002	HALE_DEMO_AUDIO_02_Dispatch_Response.mp3 | 0.000-7.680 seconds | 7.680 seconds	Dispatch Response to Family Visiting Unit 3. Simulated description: dispatch traffic directs a medical response to Family Visiting Unit 3 for an adult visitor reporting dizziness and chest discomfort.	Browser-play link and QR in the media volume; website link TO VERIFY at build	SYNTHETIC; audio clip 02
DEMO-TC0000000003	HALE_DEMO_VIDEO_01_Corridor_Animation.mp4 | 0.000-14.000 seconds | 14.000 seconds	Corridor Response Sequence, Animated Demonstration. Simulated description: an intentionally simple animated corridor view depicts responder arrival and movement near the family-visiting area during the fictional medical-response sequence.	Browser-play link and QR in the media volume; website link TO VERIFY at build	SYNTHETIC; video clip 03; non-photorealistic

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09. Open Questions, Evidence Problems and Decisions

09.1 Evidence Problem Log (EP)

EP ID	Issue / Defect	Why It Matters / What Resolves It	Source / Linked IDs	Status
EP-001	First-autopsy support package (body diagram, dissection notes, photograph log, original images, histology, specimen inventory) not located	The homicide opinion cannot be mapped, given to an expert or tested without it. Resolves: the complete package from the coroner and the District Attorney.	F1; PR-001, PR-002; Q-002	OPEN
EP-002	Treatment and post-mortem artifacts unresolved against the claimed neck findings	The re-examination attributes its own limits partly to these artifacts. Resolves: support package, responder records, expert review if authorized.	F1, M1; PR-001, PR-004; DEC-001	OPEN
EP-003	March 18 medical-response records not located	Both interviews describe the episode; the records predate any homicide theory. Resolves: institution health records, fire and EMS records, dispatch and gate logs.	M1, D1; PR-003, PR-004; Q-001	OPEN
EP-004	The two client-interview working transcripts differ on one post-discovery handling detail	Characterized by the investigation as an inconsistency; cannot be evaluated without the original recordings and responder observations.	I1; PR-001, PR-007; Q-003	OPEN
EP-005	Insurance policy, ownership, beneficiary designations and change history not located; one call reference only	A reference is not a motive; ownership and change history could support either side. Resolves: carrier records.	C1, X1; PR-005	OPEN
EP-006	Account-access and authorship records for the messaging exchanges not located	Emotional language is evidence of friction in that exchange only. Resolves: provider account records; access logs.	X1; PR-002 Letter E	OPEN
EP-007	No laboratory result or other physical evidence in the production independently establishes an assault; no weapon in the scene index	The physical case is the pathology dispute itself. Resolves: completeness confirmation from the District Attorney.	P1, F1; PR-001	OPEN
EP-008	Photograph originals with timing metadata not located; emergency-response group postdates the medical intervention	Artifact-versus-finding analysis requires timing. Resolves: originals under a media-handling protocol.	P1; PR-007	OPEN
EP-009	Working transcripts are machine-generated; no audio heard, no video viewed	No quotation or content assertion may rest on a transcript or index line without verification. Resolves: verification against originals as each use arises.	C1, I1, V1, A1; PR-007	OPEN (standing control)
EP-010	The same prior conviction appears pleaded for the special circumstance and for the prior and strike allegations; certified records not located	The predicate, the potential capital exposure and the separate sentencing consequences all rest on the same unverified prior. Resolves: certified records from the originating court.	D1 000701-000709; PR-006; Q-006	OPEN
EP-011	Two of the 97 call files are byte-identical duplicates	File counts overstate the evidence; the register carries 95 unique calls.	C1	RESOLVED IN THE REGISTER

09.2 Open Question Log (Q)

Q ID	Question	Why It Matters / Likely Source	Owner / Opened	Status

Q-001	What do the March 18 responder records show: vitals, rhythm, the evaluation and the documented refusal?	Institution health records; fire, EMS and dispatch records (PR-003, PR-004)	VdVLaw / August 20, 2026	OPEN
Q-002	Where is the first-autopsy support package, and what does the body diagram map?	District Attorney and coroner production (PR-001, PR-002)	VdVLaw / August 20, 2026	OPEN
Q-003	What do the original recordings show on the handling detail, in the client's own words?	Original interview audio (PR-007)	VdVLaw / August 20, 2026	OPEN
Q-004	What are the institution's family-visiting medical-response and visitor-screening procedures, and what do the records show was done?	Policy production and the visiting file (PR-001, PR-002)	VdVLaw / August 20, 2026	OPEN
Q-005	Will the People seek death? What is the timeline for the decision?	Counsel-to-counsel; the court may set a status date (DEC-004 proceeds meanwhile)	VdVLaw / August 20, 2026	OPEN
Q-006	Do certified records verify the alleged prior murder conviction, and does the record support each pleaded use of it?	Certified records from the originating court (PR-006)	VdVLaw / August 20, 2026	OPEN
Q-007	Which staff responded overnight, what did each observe, and does the referenced corridor video exist?	Incident package follow-up; preservation and media requests (PR-002, PR-007)	VdVLaw / August 20, 2026	OPEN
Q-008	Does native ECG or monitor data exist from the March 18 evaluation?	Fire, EMS or institutional equipment records (PR-004)	VdVLaw / August 20, 2026	OPEN

09.3 Decision Log (DEC)

DECISION RULE: Record a decision only after counsel or the identified decision-maker actually makes it. Never convert a draft, suggestion or unanswered question into an approval. The five entries below are recommendations for counsel to accept, modify or reject; no decision has been recorded.

DEC ID / Date	Decision	Decision-Maker / Source	Reason / Conditions	Affected Items / Status
DEC-001 / opened August 20, 2026	Whether to retain a forensic pathologist now, instructed from source materials rather than summaries, for the petechiae, neck-finding and treatment-artifact questions	Counsel of record	EP-001, EP-002	EXP-C001; AUTH-001 | PENDING, NO DECISION RECORDED
DEC-002 / opened August 20, 2026	Whether to retain a cardiology or internal-medicine consultant on the pre-visit symptoms, the March 18 episode and the documented cardiac disease	Counsel of record	C1 pre-visit calls; F1 re-examination; EP-003	EXP-C002; AUTH-002 | PENDING
DEC-003 / opened August 20, 2026	How to handle the client's Faretta question: whether to send the drafted status letter, adapted as counsel sees fit, and how to structure the discussion	Counsel of record (the self-representation choice itself belongs to the client, counsel and the court)	Document 07 takes no position and gives no legal advice	Document 07 | PENDING
DEC-004 / opened August 20, 2026	Mitigation-readiness planning while the penalty decision is pending: records, history and staffing that would be needed if death is sought	Counsel of record	Q-005; CAP-002	Section 06.3 domains | PENDING
DEC-005 / opened August 20, 2026	Whether to authorize the full records and preservation plan (PR-001 through PR-007) now or in stages	Counsel of record	The October 15, 2026 hearing date controls; retention degrades	PR-001 to PR-007; AUTH-003 | PENDING

09.4 Witness and Interview Registry

WIT ID	Name / Role	Statement / Testimony Source	Contact / Interview Status	Subpoena / Court / Notes
WIT-001	Marcus Hale, client	Two recorded interviews, June 3 and June 9, 2025 (I1 items 1 and 2), working transcripts	Interviewed by the investigation; original audio NOT HEARD (EP-004, EP-009)	Client; attorney-client communication drafted (document 07)
WIT-002 to WIT-007	Six witness and staff interviewees (not individually named in the delivered package)	I1 items 3 to 8, working transcripts	NOT CONTACTED by the defense on this record	DEMONSTRATION PLACEHOLDER; responder observations needed for EP-004 (Q-007)
WIT-008	Institution staff and responders present overnight March 18 to 19, 2025 (not individually named)	Incident package D1 000212-000388; M1 MED000418-MED000466	NOT CONTACTED	Q-007; identify from the incident package follow-up

Investigation register (INV): NO INVESTIGATION TASK ENTERED; no investigator is appointed on this record.

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10. Authorizations and Next Actions

FUNDING RULE: This section tracks authority. Amounts, fee caps, invoices and payments are kept out of the public demonstration version; the format carries them in the full record.

10.1 Expert and Investigation Authorization Register (AUTH)

AUTH ID	EXP / INV / Purpose	Request	Authority / Approval / Terms	Expiration / Status
AUTH-001	EXP-C001 forensic pathologist (DEC-001)	Recommended August 20, 2026	NOT AUTHORIZED; no court order or counsel approval entered	PENDING
AUTH-002	EXP-C002 cardiology or internal-medicine consultant (DEC-002)	Recommended August 20, 2026	NOT AUTHORIZED	PENDING
AUTH-003	Records and preservation plan PR-001 through PR-007 (DEC-005)	Recommended August 20, 2026, in the staged order shown in Section 06	NOT AUTHORIZED	PENDING
AUTH-004	Mitigation-readiness planning and staffing (DEC-004)	Recommended August 20, 2026	NOT AUTHORIZED	PENDING

10.2 Next Administrative Review Checklist

[ ] Enter counsel's decisions on DEC-001 to DEC-005 with dates and sources; open AUTH entries accordingly.

[ ] Send PR-001 and enter the date; compute the 15-day enforcement date (CAL-002).

[ ] Counsel reviews, adapts and signs Letters A to F; enter sending dates and the 14-day confirmation dates (CAL-003).

[ ] Confirm whether any death-penalty election or capital-case designation now exists (CAP-002, CAP-003, Q-005).

[ ] Verify the exact special-circumstance language and count against the filed pleading.

[ ] Send PR-006 and index the certified prior-conviction records on receipt (EP-010, Q-006).

[ ] Open the exact-materials ledger for any expert who receives case material (04.4).

[ ] Reconcile Section 07 open items against any new production.

[ ] Enter any new preservation, records, subpoena or discovery activity into the PR and production logs.

[ ] Confirm current custody location and evaluation logistics before any expert visit.

[ ] Enter the preliminary-hearing result and any post-hearing pleading from the court record.

[ ] Enter all new deliverables and superseded versions before circulating the next package.

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11. Version Control and Update Log

11.1 Controlling-Document Register (DOC)

DOC ID	Document	Version / Date / Status	Supersedes / File Location	Notes
DOC-001	Case Constants and Counsel Details (document 04)	Opened August 20, 2026; updated August 21, 2026 | INTERNAL	Held by VdVLaw	Internal anchor sheet; not published. Every constant in this record traces to it.
DOC-002	Case Quick Reference (document 01)	Binder v2.0, September 11, 2026 | DELIVERED (Word and PDF)	Supersedes the August 20, 2026 Quick Reference	Three-page hearing sheet
DOC-003	Summary of Discovery Review (document 02)	Binder v2.0, September 11, 2026 | DELIVERED	Supersedes the August 20, 2026 Summary	
DOC-004	Detailed Source Review and Evidence Audit (document 03)	August 20, 2026 | HELD; counsel copy on request	Hale sample folder	Carries EP, Q, PR and DEC registries in full
DOC-005	Draft Client Status Letter, Faretta discussion (document 07)	August 20, 2026 | DRAFT FOR COUNSEL REVIEW		DEC-003
DOC-006	Draft Preservation Letters A to F, PR-002 execution set (document 08)	August 20, 2026 | DRAFT FOR COUNSEL REVIEW		PR-002
DOC-007	Master Transcript Summaries and Source-Controlled Demonstration Clips	Browser-links v2.0, September 9, 2026 | DELIVERED	Supersedes the September 2026 non-browser version	Three synthetic clips (08.3)
DOC-008	Case Discovery Overview (one page)	September 11, 2026 | DELIVERED		Inventory figures match DOC-001
DOC-009	This Master Administrative Record, public demonstration version	v1.1, October 16, 2026 | CURRENT	Supersedes v1.0, October 15, 2026	Built from DOC-001 to DOC-008 only

11.2 Administrative Record Change Log

Version / Date	Entered By	Sections Changed	What Changed / Why	Sources / QC
v1.0 | October 15, 2026	VdVLaw Case Cartographer	All	Initial public demonstration version. Structure follows the VdVLaw Master Administrative Record format (seventeen sections) merged into eleven for a public reader: team and experts combined (04); discovery and prior-case predicate combined (05); preservation and mitigation domains combined (06); EP, Q, DEC and witness registries combined (09); authorizations and next review combined (10); funding amounts, transmittal register and billing references omitted from the public version. Every entry taken from the Hale fictional demonstration files; unsupported fields marked NOT ESTABLISHED, NOT LOCATED, TO VERIFY, NOT ENTERED or	Hale documents 01 to 04, 07, 08, the media volume v2.0 and the Discovery Overview | Term scan for real-matter names completed

			DEMONSTRATION PLACEHOLDER.	
v1.1 | October 16, 2026	VdVLaw Case Cartographer	11.1; Sources	Corrections before recirculation. DOC-002: the Case Quick Reference is a three-page hearing sheet (v1.0 said two pages). DOC-001 and Sources: the internal file name and folder path of the Case Constants sheet removed from the public version; the sheet stays internal and is cited by title only. DOC-009 updated to this version.	Hale document 01 (page count checked) | Term scan for real-matter names completed

11.3 Status and ID Key

Code / Status	Meaning
ESTABLISHED	Supported by an identified source entered in the record.
ALLEGED	Pleaded by the prosecution; not verified by a source beyond the pleading.
REPORTED	A person or source reports it, but the underlying record or fact may still require verification.
UNVERIFIED / NOT ESTABLISHED	Do not state as fact until a source resolves it.
NOT LOCATED IN THE PRODUCTION REVIEWED	Not found in the reviewed production; does not mean the item does not exist, was destroyed or was withheld.
NOT ENTERED / TO VERIFY	No entry yet; confirm from a current source before relying on it.
DEMONSTRATION PLACEHOLDER	A field the fictional Hale files do not support; left visibly empty rather than invented.
OPEN / PENDING	Administrative action remains outstanding.
CLOSED	Resolved; retain the entry and closure source.
SUPERSEDED	Replaced by a later controlling entry or document; never delete the history.
EXP	Expert or consultant.
PR	Preservation, records, subpoena.
EP	Evidence problem.
Q	Open question.
DEC	Decision.
INV	Investigation task.
SRC	Source.
MED	Medical, pathology or biological evidence item.
CAP	Capital-status event.
AUTH	Authorization.
CAL	Calendar or deadline entry.
WIT	Witness or person.
CT	Contact.
DOC	Controlling document.

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