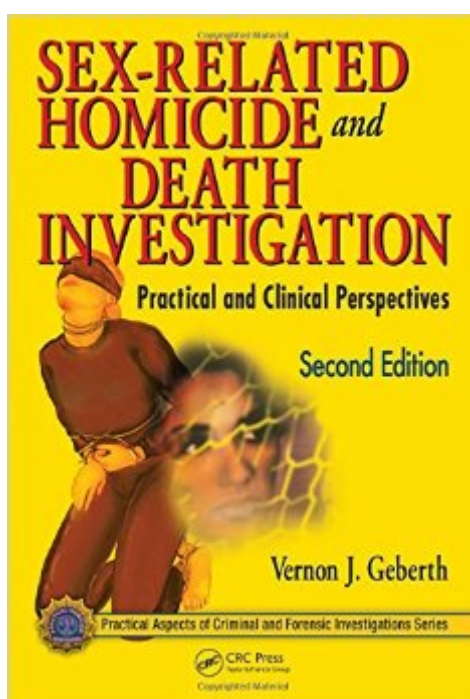


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# Sex-Related Homicide And Death Investigation: Practical And Clinical Perspectives, Second Edition (Practical Aspects Of Criminal And Forensic Investigations)



## Synopsis

Remember: Do it right the first time. You only get one chance. •Vernon J. Geberth, M.S., M.P.S., 1980, Homicide and Forensic Consultant, Author of Practical Homicide Investigation®®, and the Series Editor of Practical Aspects of Criminal and Forensic Investigations. In Practical Homicide Investigation, renowned author and investigator Vernon J. Geberth provided thousands of law enforcement professionals with invaluable techniques for investigation of sudden and violent death. Now he shares his practical and clinical expertise related to the unique characteristics of sex-related homicide and death investigations. Renowned for being THE definitive source on these types of cases, this volume has been revised and expanded to provide additional case histories to emphasize the essential procedures and techniques on which to build a solid, prosecutable case. This comprehensive volume is an incredible compilation that exhausts the subject. Vern's remarkable experience and unmatched expertise have given him unparalleled insight into the investigation of sexually deviant crimes and the psyche of those who perpetrate violent sex related crimes. •Michigan Assistant Attorney General Donna Pendergast Sex-Related Homicide and Death Investigation is truly a chronicle of practical and clinical case studies, combined with invaluable investigative guidelines, that takes the reader to another level of knowledge in this unique field. It represents an accomplishment that no other author has yet achieved. •Legendary criminal profiler Robert K. Ressler, commenting on the First Edition In typical Vernon Geberth style, we do not merely read of sexual murderâ |We are thrust into the horrorâ |transported to the crime scene. We live it, smell it, experience it and feel it. •From the Foreword by Larry Welch, Retired Director of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation Whatâ™s New in the Second Edition: A completely revised chapter on human sexuality and sexual deviance: Research versus Reality A completely revised chapter on the Significance of Fantasy in sex-related events A completely new chapter on the infamous 30-year BTK investigation New case histories and/or research added to fourteen of the fifteen chapters New research developed from the Working Group of Human Asphyxia (WGHA) A revised chapter on Criminal Personality Profiling and Investigative Analysis An analysis of the typology of offenders and the "Signature Aspect" of specific crimes A total of 386 full-color photographs and illustrations representing an additional 126 new photosVernon Geberth discusses the book in a video on the CRC Press YouTube channel. Vernon Geberth was recently interviewed for an article entitled, The Hunt for a Serial Killer: Revisiting the Gilgo Beach Murders.

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Vernon Geberth has provided law enforcement with another major contribution with his book "Sex-Related Homicide and Death Investigation-Practical and Clinical Perspectives." The text is specific to death investigation, up to date, state of the art, accurate and easy to read. Although the material is oriented towards the serious homicide investigator it is valuable to all police personnel (uniformed and non-uniformed), because of its valuable insight into crime scene investigation and preservation by the initial responding officers as well as its contribution to enhancing any officer who wishes to advance thru the ranks. In addition to providing valuable insight to the initial responding officers in the preservation of the crime scene it provides knowledge to ancillary police personnel as they may be called upon to assist the chief crime scene investigator. The case material is reflective of Geberth's remarkable insight into aberrant human behavior and the significance of such concepts as linkage and "linkage blindness" in investigative protocol. The concepts of "signature" and profiling are expanded and built on sound psychological principals. The assessment of psychopathy and sociopathic personality represents the latest understanding of both psychological and law enforcement perspectives. The section on child related homicide is especially timely and one of the most comprehensive presentations I have seen anywhere. In each section the author has integrated behavioral aspects with a contemporary analysis of state of the art criminal forensic techniques. He has consulted the major contributors to each subject allowing the reader a comprehensive view of the work of leaders in the fields of both law enforcement and psychology.

Sex-Related Homicide and Death Investigation: Practical and Clinical Perspectives is state of the

art. The key word in the title of Vernon's book is "Practical", as it is the key in his first book, Practical Homicide Investigation: Tactics, Procedures, and Forensic Techniques, and in his Practical Homicide Investigation Seminars. Vernon has combined his years of experience, training and research to present the reader with an integrated text to use in sex-related death investigations. From the case presentations and underlying methodologies to the reference lists for crime scenes and investigative follow-up, this book is an investigative aid that you will want to add to your crime scene kit. While the book looks great on your office shelf, its real value will shine in the trenches of the death scenes that you work. To solve murders, both traditional and bizarre, investigators look for the motives behind the crimes. We all know that sex is a dominant motive driving many of the murders that we investigate. The first two chapters of the book familiarize the reader with the investigative significance of sexual deviance and remind us not to let our logic impede our comprehension of the perp's logic that is driving the perpetrator during a murder. Vernon then takes us to the crime scenes of numerous examples of sexually-motivated deaths and, with the expertise that only a murder cop who has investigated and consulted on 8,000+ cases can do, explains the cases and the vital investigative strategies used to resolve the cases. Hopefully you will never be called to the scene of a homicide committed by a psychopathic sexual sadist such as David Ray in Chapter 12 or Bittaker and Norris depicted in Chapter 14.

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