



**ACTIVITY:** Surfing

**CASE:** [GSAF 1989.04.00](#)

**DATE:** April 1989

**LOCATION:** The incident took place in the Pacific Ocean at Kekaha Beach, Kaua'i, Hawaii, USA.

**NAME:** William P. Allen

**NARRATIVE:** He was paddling on his surfboard when his board was rammed by a shark.

**INJURY:** Minor scratches to surfer's thigh by the shark's teeth.

**DAMAGE TO SURFBOARD:** The skegs were knocked loose and a five-foot strip of fiberglass was torn off.

**SPECIES:** Not identified.

**SOURCES:** Jim Borg, page 77; Leighton Taylor (1993), pages 108-109