



ACTIVITY: Fishing

CASE: [GSAF 1995.07.03](#)

DATE: Monday July 3, 1995

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Gulf of Mexico off at Smuggler's Cove at Cat Island, Harrison County, Mississippi, USA.

NAME: Cheryl Lowman

DESCRIPTION: She is a 32-year-old female from Gulfport.

BACKGROUND

MOON PHASE: First Quarter, July 5, 1995

NARRATIVE: It was the fourth day of the Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo. Cheryl Lowman and her husband were fishing with their friend, Darrel Biggerstaff, aboard his 24-foot Hurrigan. Cheryl had hooked and boated the shark. As the hook was being removed from the shark's mouth, it swung around and bit her leg.

INJURY: Minor laceration to her leg.

FIRST AID: Her husband put a bandage on her leg and she continued fishing.

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SPECIES: The incident involved a small blacktip shark, the first of 11 blacktip sharks she caught the same day.

SOURCE: Al Jones, The Sun Herald (Biloxi, MS), July 4, 1995, page D1

NOTE: This was a provoked incident; it involved a hooked and boated shark.