

1 **IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

Court of Appeals of New Mexico  
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2 **STATE OF NEW MEXICO,**

3 Plaintiff-Appellee,



Mark Reynolds

4 v.

**No. A-1-CA-40724**

5 **JOSEPH VALLEJOS,**

6 Defendant-Appellant.

7 **APPEAL FROM THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHAVES COUNTY**

8 **Dustin K. Hunter, District Court Judge**

9 Raúl Torrez, Attorney General

10 Lindsay Stuart, Assistant Attorney General

11 Santa Fe, NM

12 for Appellee

13 Bennett J. Baur, Chief Public Defender

14 Joelle N. Gonzales, Assistant Appellate Defender

15 Santa Fe, NM

16 for Appellant

17 **MEMORANDUM OPINION**

18 **ATTREP, Chief Judge.**

19 {1} Defendant appeals his convictions for involuntary manslaughter and

20 tampering with evidence. [CN 1] In our notice of proposed disposition, we proposed

21 to reverse Defendant's conviction for tampering with evidence for insufficient

22 evidence [CN 5-6] and affirm Defendant's conviction for involuntary manslaughter.

23 [CN 2-5] The State has responded to this Court's notice of proposed disposition,

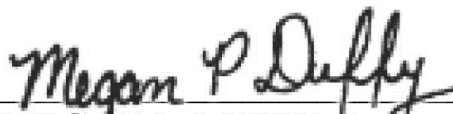
1 stating that it will not be filing a memorandum in opposition to that disposition.  
2 [State's Resp. 1] Additionally, Defendant responded to our proposed disposition also  
3 stating that he will not be filing a memorandum in opposition. [Defendant's Resp. 1]  
4 Accordingly, for the reasons stated in our notice of proposed disposition, we reverse  
5 Defendant's conviction for tampering with evidence, affirm his involuntary  
6 manslaughter conviction, and remand this case to the district court for further  
7 proceedings consistent with this opinion.

8 {2} **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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**JENNIFER L. ATTREP, Chief Judge**

11 **WE CONCUR:**

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13 **JACQUELINE R. MEDINA, Judge**

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15 **MEGAN P. DUFFY, Judge**