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## Ohio family of four found shot to death

### The Associated Press

**STRONGSVILLE, Ohio** — A family of four that was having financial and legal problems was found shot to death in their home Friday morning in an apparent murder-suicide.

Police Chief Charles W. Goss said the bodies were found by a family friend who entered the house after finding it unlocked with no one around.

Chief Goss said Daniel Todt, 45, apparently shot his 48-year-old wife, Rebecca, and children Dominique, 16, and Nathaniel, 13, before taking his own life.

The husband and wife were both attorneys.

Chief Goss would not say where the bodies were found in the home in this fast-growing community near Cleveland.

No suicide note was found.

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Cuyahoga County Coroner Elizabeth K. Balraj concluded that Daniel Todt shot himself last week after killing his wife, Rebecca, and their children, Dominique, 16, and Nathaniel, 13. Strongsville police declared the case closed.

Police Chief Charles Goss said Daniel Todt, a lawyer who was facing disbarment, had financial and legal problems that may have clouded his reasoning. Police listened to a cassette tape recording in the hope that Todt may have left an audio suicide note, but they found nothing. Police also confiscated a computer from the home but were still deciding yesterday whether to scan it for a suicide message.

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