

TRANSCRIPT OF TAPED INTERVIEW OF ANTHONY RIOLLANO
INTERVIEW CONDUCTED BY DETECTIVE PELTON
CASE NUMBER 06-100229

Today's date is October 25, 2006. The time is 5:25 AM. I'm at the Orange County Sheriff's Office Central Ops, 2500 West Colonial Drive in Orlando. This is gonna be reference to case number 06-100229 in a incident that occurred at The Doll House, 5570 South OBT, Orlando, Florida at approximately 2:15 AM this morning. I am with witness Anthony Riollano...

Q Did I pronounce that correct?

A Yes you did.

Q Spelling of the last name is R-I-O-L-L-A-N-O. He resides at 3121 Marshfield Preserve Way in Kissimmee, Florida, 34746. His date of birth is 06-23-79. DL number is R450000792230. Telephone number 407-288-3465. He owns a business here in town called Opt One which is O-P-T One Data, 7600 Southland Blvd, Orlando, Florida, 32809. Business number 407-517-6990. Um...Anthony before we get started would you raise your right hand for me please? Do you swear that the testimony you're gonna give me today is gonna be the truth as you know it?

A Yes.

Q Okay. Um...before we get started, um...are you under the influence of anything right now? I...I know you came from the Doll House, how many drinks did you have prior to the club...leaving the club tonight?

A Um...couple of, ah...couple of glasses of champagne.

Q Okay. Would you consider yourself to be intoxicated at this point?

1 A Um...I wouldn't...I wouldn't drive right now.

2 Q Are you coherent...

3 A So...

4 Q ...and understand why...

5 A Yes I...

6 Q ...you're here...

7 A Yes I...

8 Q ...and...and...

9 A Yes I do.

10 Q Okay.

11 A I am coherent and I do know why I'm here.

12 Q And you can articulate my questions to you and be able to respond to me and tell

13 me what happened...

14 A Yes I can.

15 Q ...tonight? Okay. Um...tonight, um...what time did you arrive at the Doll House?

16 A I would say it was approximately about 11:30 at night.

17 Q Okay and who was with you?

18 A Um...William Troy which is my business partner.

19 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

20 A Which is, ah...apparently the deceased. Um...there were also two gentleman

21 that were with me, um...Francisco and Dray.

22 Q Okay. Are they...how are they acquainted with you?

23 A Ah...friends.

24 Q Okay. Andre Blanco is who you're referring to as Dray?

25 A Yes:

1 Q Okay. And how long have you known Andre?
2 A Known Andre for I would say at least...at least five years.
3 Q Okay. Is he connected with your business or...
4 A Yes. He does work for us.
5 Q Okay. And Francisco, um...is his...is it Gotay...G-O-T-A-Y?
6 A Yes.
7 Q Okay. And how long have you known him?
8 A For about fifteen years.
9 Q Okay. Is...did you grow up together or business partners as well or what's your...
10 A Both.
11 Q ...relationship?
12 A Both. Um...he does work for us and, um...I've...I knew him previously to that by
13 being a friend, um...for the past fifteen years.
14 Q And, ah...William Troy, how long have you known him?
15 A Known William Troy since, ah...2004 so two years.
16 Q How did you become acquainted? Was it the business that brought the two of
17 you together?
18 A Actually no it was, ah...through Francisco that we became acquainted.
19 Q Okay.
20 A Um...he...he...he met William Troy brought him to our...we used to live together
21 me and Francisco.
22 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
23 A Ah...he brought him to the house and the relationship started from there.
24 Q Okay. Now the four of you, did the four of you drive...ride together tonight to the
25 Doll House?

1 A Yes we did.

2 Q Okay. And that was the...is it the...either a silver or a light green Chrysler 300?

3 A Yes.

4 Q Okay. And who...who drove up to the club, whose the car belong to?

5 A Um...Dray drove up to the club which would be Andre Blanco, um...I would
6 assume that the vehicle belongs to him.

7 Q Okay. It came back to a...it's a registered to a Gloria Hernandez. Is that his
8 girlfriend or some...

9 A I have no idea.

10 Q ...relation?

11 A I...I do not know.

12 Q Okay. Um...but it's a car you've known him to drive on more than one occasion?

13 A Yeah.

14 Q Okay. Um...so all of you get up to the club tonight about 11:30. You go into the
15 club, did all four of you stay at the club until it closed?

16 A Ah...yes.

17 Q Okay. During that time that you were in the club did you, um...become
18 acquainted or, um...have...have any sort of, um...communications with anybody
19 else in the bar? Any other patrons?

20 A Um...I did not and I don't recall seeing any of them having any kind of relations
21 with any other, um...male members at the club.

22 Q Okay. Were you all sitting together?

23 A Yeah.

24 Q Okay. Um...all of you drinking?

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1 A Ah...for the most part, yeah. I mean we had a, ah...we ordered a bottle of Molet
2 Chadron which is champagne.

3 Q Uh hum, (affirmative) Were you celebrating something tonight or just a...a night
4 out?

5 A Well just a...basically a night out. We came from the, um...Orlando Magic game,
6 we have season tickets, me and, ah...William Troy have, ah...season tickets to
7 the Orlando Magic game. Ah...for the most part we purchased the, ah...the
8 tickets, ah...for our company.

9 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

10 A Ah...to be able to provide, um...I guess incentives to our employees, ah...so that
11 way they can do better, close more deals.

12 Q So the four of you went to a Magic game prior to coming to the Doll House?

13 A Yeah.

14 Q Tonight. Okay. Um...whenever you got ready to leave were...and the four of
15 you all walked out together?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Okay. Did you notice anybody else walking out with you?

18 A No.

19 Q At what point was there contact made with the suspect?

20 A Um...from what I, you know, from what I recall is outside in the parking lot.

21 Q Okay. The four of you are walking together to the car, to Andre's car.

22 A To the vehicle, yes.

23 Q Right. Was the...and I'm...he's a black Hispanic? Did he speak Spanish?

24 A Who?

25 Q The suspect.

1 A I don't remember him speaking Spanish at all, no.
2 Q So you believe him to be a black male?
3 A Light skin black male, yes.
4 Q Okay. Were they parked near where you guys were parked?
5 A Um...what I recall is that the vehicle was driving...was already in...they were
6 already in the vehicle, the two suspects, I guess.
7 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
8 A They were already in their vehicle. They drove up about...I would say about six
9 or seven parking spots to the left hand side of where our vehicle was parked at.
10 Q To the south of you, okay.
11 A Okay. And they both jumped out of the vehicle. So he was...
12 Q When you say they both can you describe...you're talking about the black male
13 and then there was a...
14 A A female, ah...light skin, ah...black female.
15 Q Okay.
16 A That jumped out of the vehicle as well.
17 Q So they park and both of them exit their vehicle?
18 A Yes.
19 Q And what happens at that point?
20 A Um...it all happened very quick, ah...but from what I recall there was an
21 altercations that occurred. Ah...they jumped out of their vehicle, we were
22 walking towards or vehicle.
23 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
24 A Um...they came up towards us and, um...at least towards them because, I mean
25 I...I really...but they...they came up towards us and the altercation begun.

1 Um...what I recall was the female screaming out you guys are too slow.
2 Something about you guys are too slow for some reason. I...I don't...I don't know
3 why she said that. She kept screaming you guys are too slow. They both
4 jumped in the vehicle, okay, I was...

5 Q Back in their vehicle?

6 A Back in their vehicle which was a gray Acura from what I...what I...what I can
7 tell.

8 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

9 A Um...I try to look at the tags, at the license plate. There was no license plate, it
10 was just a white piece of paper looked like it was a dealer type of, ah...type of...

11 Q Paper tag?

12 A Not even a paper tag. It looked like one of those dealer, like just white piece
13 of...I don't know...it...I couldn't even read any numbers on it. Okay.

14 Q Okay.

15 A Um...there was some other people that were out there, I couldn't tell you who it
16 was but they were also trying to look at the tag. Um...then a pickup truck from I
17 guess the, ah...one of the employees at the...at the...at the place of...at Doll
18 House.

19 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

20 A Um...I saw, you know I heard chase 'em...chase 'em, something like that. And
21 the pickup truck went chasing after the vehicle.

22 Q Okay.

23 A Okay. Um...after I saw that I was trying to look at the license plate. Ah...when I
24 saw...I couldn't see any kind of license plate, tag or anything like that. The
25 vehicle took off. The, ah...the...the pickup went chasing after him. There was

1 nothing...anything else that I could do as in regards to the vehicle so I turned
 2 around and I looked at the people that I were with...that I was with and all I kept
 3 hearing was he's stopped...you know they're stopped. Um...one gentleman
 4 screaming, ah...he was jabbing...he was stabbed in the face, um...William Troy
 5 was laid out on the ground. Ah...the other two victims were, you know, coherent
 6 walking around, ah...with a lot of blood was coming outta their face. Um...saw
 7 William Troy on the ground and once I heard they were stabbed I kind of started
 8 looking around and I saw, you know, stab wounds, ah...where...would be close
 9 to his heart, um...as well as another on the...on the other side...on the left side
 10 of his chest and, um...I think one...and I'm not exactly sure but I...I believe there
 11 was one in his belly, ah...towards the right hand bottom side. Um...he was
 12 basically incoherent, I was trying to talk to him to keep him coherent.

13 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

14 A Um...I don't know how this came around but there was a...a...a big thick paper
 15 towel that was somehow around the scene.

16 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

17 A I don't know who provided that or what. Um...there was a big thick paper towel
 18 and I was keeping that over the stab wound that was over his...around his...his
 19 right...the right side of his chest. Okay.

20 Q Okay.

21 A Where...very close to his heart. Um...so I was trying to keep pressure on that,
 22 ah...in order to stop the bleeding as much as possible. It wasn't really bleeding
 23 as, you know, as profusely as you would think, um...but I was...I was trying to
 24 keep that pressure on there just to, you know, try to wait for the ambulance to
 25 come...

1 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

2 A ...and assist him. Um...I was trying to keep him coherent, talking to him,
3 um...speaking to him, you know, letting him know that I was there for him.
4 Um...also the other victims were also trying to do that as well. Um...

5 Q Did he make any statements?

6 A No.

7 Q Okay.

8 A He was unable to. He was unable to speak. His eyes were rolling back into the
9 back of his head. Um...you know I...I was trying to keep him around. He...he
10 would look at me but he couldn't speak.

11 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

12 A Um...he was, ah...he was, ah...he was, ah...breathing in a manner you can kind
13 of tell that he was struggling to breathe. Um...

14 Q Let me back up for a second. When, um...when the four of you are coming out
15 of the club and you're walking toward the vehicle did you make it to your vehicle?

16 A I...I personally did not.

17 Q Okay.

18 A I don't re...I...I don't...I did not walk up to the vehicle and open the door
19 (inaudible) no.

20 Q Okay. Did any of the others?

21 A I...I couldn't...I couldn't tell ya.

22 Q Okay. What I'm trying to do is visualize where each of you guys were at the time
23 that the incident took place. I know that the driver side door of the Chrysler was
24 standing open, um...at the scene.

25 A Okay.

1 Q Um...so when the four of you are all walking out was, um...Troy...or William...or
2 Andre or Francisco or...any of ya all ahead of one another and would have
3 been...I mean why...why single out William? I mean why is...

4 Q What do you mean single out?

5 A Well he's the one who...who sustained the...the worst of the injuries. What...I
6 mean what other communications were going on there? Was the...was the black
7 male making any statements? You said you recall the female making a
8 statement. What about the black male?

9 Q That...that was...that was during the actual altercation. That was actually,
10 um...towards the end of the altercation when she was getting back into the
11 vehicle that I heard her saying you guys are too slow. It wasn't dur...you know...it
12 wasn't like before or after...I remember, you know, her getting into the vehicle
13 or...or approaching the vehicle and kind of getting into it and saying you guys are
14 too slow, you guys are slow. Jumping into the vehicle and speeding off. Okay.
15 Um...as in regards to us approaching the vehicle I couldn't tell you, you know,
16 who approached the vehicle or not but what I recall is when I was approaching
17 the our vehicle that I recall seeing the ve, you know, the other car...

18 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

19 A ...ah...pulling...pulling up and parking.

20 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

21 A Okay. Making an attempt to park, get out of the vehicle, okay, approach us while
22 we were going towards our vehicle.

23 Q Okay.

24 A Okay. And then during that I guess the altercation occurred. Okay. I...

25

1 Q How well was it lit? Would you...could you have seen anything in...in either of
2 the female or the males hands as they were approaching you?

3 A If I would have paid attention yes I would have been able to see but I...I did not
4 pay attention to was in their hands.

5 Q Okay. Can you describe the, um...the black male for me?

6 A Um...black male, ah...light skin, ah...probably around six foot tall, um...not...not
7 a heavysset person so I would say probably around 185 pounds maybe, 195
8 pounds top, you know, somewhere around there. Um...had a plaid shirt...

9 Q Long sleeve, short sleeve?

10 A Short sleeve, blue jeans, um...I would say that they were a light color, you know,
11 not...not...not a dark...I...I...I...you know to be honest with ya I couldn't really tell
12 ya exactly color his jeans were but you know they were...they were...they
13 were...looked like they were faded jeans.

14 Q Okay. What about his hair?

15 A Short.

16 Q Short cropped or short dreds or short...

17 A Ah...no short cropped as in shaven where he would have like a...what they
18 would call I guess a...a low top fade.

19 Q Okay. How old would you say he was?

20 A I would say in his, ah...older twenties, early thirties. Um...you know these
21 days...but yeah I would say definitely in his, you know, in his twenties, later
22 twenties.

23 Q And he was the driver of this...

24 A Yes he was.

25 Q ...Acura? What color did you say the Acura was?

1 A Ah...gray...ah...silver gray. More of a silverish looking color. Silver gray color
2 Acura.

3 Q Two door or four door?

4 A Four door.

5 Q And then the female, what can you tell me about her?

6 A Female had, ah...black hair.

7 Q Long?

8 A No it was, ah...I would say a little bit longer than shoulder length. I believe she
9 had a black...a black shirt on with a...ah...coat over it like a, you know, not...not
10 a heavy coat but I would say more of like a, ah...ah...a zip up type of sweater.
11 Um...

12 Q Dark...did you say...

13 A I...I...I think it was a red color.

14 Q And how was her hair, was it, um...

15 A Straight.

16 Q Okay.

17 A Straight black, yeah.

18 Q Was she wearing pants or a skirt or...

19 A Ah...no, jeans.

20 Q And you said she was light skin black female?

21 A Yeah and she...she wasn't a short female. She would prob...you know...like
22 what you would consider a taller female, you know the average, ah...I think is like
23 five two or something like that. So she would be, um...she was probably in the
24 five six to five eight area. Something like that.

25 Q How old would you say she was?

1 A She was in her twenties. I couldn't tell you early or late but she definitely looked
2 she was in her twenties.

3 Q Do you recall...
4 (phone rings)
5 ...seeing either of those people in the, um...in the club?

6 A No.

7 Q (answering phone...I'm in a interview. Right.) Um...so you don't recall seeing
8 them in the club at all that night or that you.. .

9 A No, we...we didn't really have any kind of contact, I mean with...with people that
10 were in the club. We were off in a...in a corner.

11 Q Uh hum, (affirmative) :

12 A Um...you know the four of us with, um...

13 Q You think these people...

14 A ...the employees (inaudible).

15 Q ...would have been in the club?

16 A I...you know I would assume so. I mean if they were leaving the parking lot like
17 that, yeah.

18 Q So they weren't coming into the parking lot they were...when you first saw
19 them...cause you said they pulled in and it looked like they parked to the south of
20 you.

21 A What...what...what I...what I saw was that the ve...they were already in their
22 vehicle, they were in the parking lot. I couldn't tell if they were pulling away or
23 just arriving.

24 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

25

- 1 A But they were in the vehicle. The vehicle appeared to be leaving. Um...well
2 I...to be honest with ya I couldn't really tell ya if they were leaving or arriving. But
3 anyway the vehicle pulled...you know...was ...was coming up and they parked
4 right there. The gentleman jumped out...both of them actually jumped out...
- 5 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 6 A ...and that's when the altercation occurred. They approached us and...
- 7 Q When you first saw them in the parking lot cause you...there's more than, um...I
8 mean there's several entries and exits to that...that, ah...parking lot there. When
9 you first saw them prior to them actually coming to a stop were they coming from
10 the north going to the south and then parking or could they have been coming
11 from the area where that valet was and going maybe in a west direction? Um...
- 12 A Lets see, OBT runs north and south...
- 13 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 14 A ...correct?
- 15 Q Correct.
- 16 A Alright. The Doll House is on the, ah...west side.
- 17 Q Correct.
- 18 A Correct? Okay. Um...it appeared to be, ah...they were entering the west, like
19 coming from OBT, ah...I couldn't tell you which direction they were coming from
20 but they were coming from, you know, they...they appeared to be coming from
21 that...that...that west entrance that's right there, um...right along the south side
22 of Doll House.
- 23 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 24 A South, you know, Doll House sits...the front of Doll House sits, ah...towards
25 OBT.

1 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

2 A Okay. On the south side of OBT they appeared to be coming through that

3 entrance. Or not...not the...

4 Q Okay.

5 A ...entrance but coming, you know, coming in that direction from that entrance.

6 Q Okay.

7 A Um...what I recall, you know, just being...sitting at the...at the scene for about a

8 hour or so and I saw the actual, you know, the ah...parking lot and they were

9 coming from where, you know, that...that south entrance and then they...they

10 parked where...where the Chrysler was at.

11 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

12 A Ah...the Chrysler was pulled up into that...

13 Q The Chrysler was facing north. I mean...I'm sorry...facing west.

14 A West. Okay. They pulled up facing west as well but about five or six vehicles

15 south of us.

16 Q Okay. Were there any cars in between you?

17 A No, not that I recall, no.

18 Q Okay. Do you recall there being any cars...any other cars in the parking lot

19 period?

20 A Yeah, there was vehicles in...in the parking lot, yeah sure.

21 Q Um...did they make contact with anybody else prior to the altercation with you

22 guys?

23 A Not that I know of.

24 Q Did it appear to you that when they did come into the parking lot that their focus

25 was having some sort of confrontation or communication with you guys?

- 1 A Not that I recall, no. All...all I remember is that they...they...they pulled up...they
2 pulled up, they jumped out of the vehicle, approached us and that's when the
3 altercation occurred.
- 4 Q Okay. They both approached you.
- 5 A Ah...they both jumped out of the ve...ah...the exited the vehicle.
- 6 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 7 A And approached us, yes.
- 8 Q Okay. When they first approached you where were you in relation to...I mean...
- 9 A I would say about...I was about four cars north of their vehicle so...
- 10 Q Alright. This is...I'm not a very good drawer but I'm just trying to get an
11 illustration. This is your vehicle.
- 12 A Yeah.
- 13 Q Here. You're telling me that the...and this...this is west, this is north and south
14 and this is the Trail out here.
- 15 A Okay.
- 16 Q And here's the Doll House. When...you're telling me that their vehicle was
17 probably four or five positions to the south of you, correct? Facing same
18 direction.
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q So you 're putting their...their vehicle here. Both...
- 21 A And then there's two rows of parking spaces...
22 (Nextel beeps)
- 23 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 24 A ...along that...along that...that area right there.
- 25 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

- 1 A We were in the most westerly position of that...that one row. They pulled up to
2 the, ah... I guess (inaudible)...
- 3 Q So they were... maybe further back here?
- 4 A Well you know there...there's a row of parking. You have a row here...
5 (phone rings)
6 ...and there's a car here and a car here.
- 7 Q Excuse me.
8 (phone rings)
9 (answers phone...Duwana Pelton. Okay. Alright, thanks bye. Ah...wait down
10 there, I'm in a interview. Soon as I'm done I'll come down. Thanks. Hey I'm in a
11 interview.) Okay so they weren't directly in line, the front of their...
- 12 A No.
- 13 Q They were more to the...to the east of you.
- 14 A Yeah...yeah, the...the...
- 15 Q Southeast.
- 16 A ...little parking spot right, you know, the...the most easterly parking spot right
17 behind us.
- 18 Q Okay. So they were more back here. And you say the...the...the black male
19 and the black female, they both exit the vehicle.
- 20 A Ah...the black male came behind the vehicle.
- 21 Q Okay. Black female...where...at this point where are you...the four of you guys?
- 22 A I can tell you where I was at. Um...obviously somebody went to go towards the,
23 ah ...the...the vehicle is...there's a door that's open.
- 24 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 25 A I...I'm not sure if that happened before or after the...

- 1 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 2 A ...altercation. Might have happened after to...to get some kind of, you know,
3 maybe a tee shirt or something to...to hold...
- 4 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 5 A ...you know the blood that was, ah...exiting from the, ah...the victims. Um...but
6 I...I would say we were around this area right here, about maybe two...two car
7 spaces away from our vehicle.
- 8 Q Okay.
- 9 A So we were walking like this coming around...
- 10 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 11 A Okay. Coming up to our vehicle. Cause actually probably one car space. So
12 you're coming around here and...
- 13 Q All four of you together.
- 14 A Um...yeah well when...when I noticed the vehicle coming up I know that the
15 majority of us...I couldn't tell you where exactly everybody was because I wasn't
16 paying attention to every single person that was around me.
- 17 Q Well you're...you're talking about you and three guys. You and three...
- 18 A Yeah.
- 19 Q ...guys all going to the car.
- 20 A Yeah, exactly.
- 21 Q Is it not safe to assume that all four of you are...
- 22 A Approaching...
- 23 Q ...together...
- 24 A Yeah.
- 25 Q ...approaching your car.

1 A Yes...yes.

2 Q Okay.

3 A Alright.

4 Q I know the area, I saw the area where there's blood and so forth so I know where
5 that altercation ended.

6 A Okay.

7 Q Where were each of the guys? Where...first of all point...where were you when
8 the...when the black male and black female came here and they...they confront
9 you guys at this point prior to you ever making it to the car. Is that my
10 understanding? I mean is that accurate?

11 A Prior to us making it to the car yes they did approach us prior to that.

12 Q Okay. Did the black male make any statements to you as he was coming up
13 here?

14 A Not that I recall, no.

15 Q Do you recall seeing either of them with a weapon as they were approaching
16 you?

17 A I...I did not pay attention to what was in their hands. Um...easily they could have
18 had a weapon in their hands.

19 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

20 A Um...but I...I did not pay attention to what was in their hands. I did not realize,
21 ah...that...nobody realized that they were basically stop until after the altercation
22 basically occurred.

23 Q So it's the black male that is the one that has the weapon?

24 A The black male was the one that was the most involved in the altercation.

25 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

1 A The black female, um...was somewhat involved in the altercation but the black
2 male was the one that had the most contact with everybody so yeah.

3 Q Did she have a weapon?

4 A I do...

5 Q When you say she was involved.

6 A ...(inaudible)

7 Q How...how as she involved?

8 A Sh...she was screaming and...and...and like I saw her jumping around from
9 place to place. I...I...I don't recall her actually being...you know she was
10 involved in the altercation but I couldn't tell ya if she had a weapon in her hand or
11 not. Like...again like I said I didn't look at their hands to see if they had a
12 weapon or not. I didn't...

13 Q Did she...did she strike or did she touch any of you guys at any...at any point?
14 Did she touch you?

15 A She...she was trying to, ah...to strike people, yes. Both of them were striking
16 people.

17 Q With their hands or did they...

18 A Yes.

19 Q Did you get struck?

20 A Um...I...I was trying to stop the altercation. Um...I...I...I don't recall getting hit or
21 anything like that, no.

22 Q How were you trying to stop it?

23 A I was trying to, you know, tell them all to calm, you know, to kind of stop and calm
24 down and just whatever you know and just...

25 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

1 A It's nothing, just, you know just whatever and...and...and during the altercations
2 I...I was trying to pull my friend, you know, whoever was closest around me, my
3 friend, I tried to pull him off and push 'em to the side and, you know. Even the
4 female I tried to pull her off and pull, you know, pull her to the side and...and the
5 male, I was trying to push away. You know what I'm saying? Things of that
6 nature so...

7 Q William...when you say you were trying to get them all to calm down...

8 A Yeah.

9 Q So what was William doing?

10 A Um...they were all involved in an altercation. So...an...an altercation, you know,
11 where they basically fighting.

12 Q Okay but what was the altercation from?

13 A To be honest with ya I don't know. I didn't ...I didn't...I didn't see anything...

14 Q You were there, you're hearing 'em talk. I meant...

15 A I...I was walking up...

16 Q ...were they trying...were they...were they trying to rob 'em? Were they trying
17 to...were there...was some accusations or in...insults made to the female? Is
18 that what there the thing started or...

19 A I...I can...I can...I can tell you this there was no robbing involved, there...you
20 know, the black female and male were not trying to rob us or anything like that. I
21 think it more so involved, you know, an altercation between the two gentleman
22 as in the black male and...and somebody from...I...I...to be honest with ya I
23 couldn't tell you how the whole thing started but I know it wasn't about no
24 robbery. You know what I mean?

25 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

1 A It was more in the sense of you know a...a...two males or you know whatever
2 the case may be getting into some kind...kind or word situation.

3 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

4 A And...and...and us approaching our vehicle. The black male stopping, getting out
5 of his vehicle, approaching us and then the altercation started.

6 Q You understand my confusion here. If...if these people...if there wasn't
7 something that happened inside the bar that started...got this thing heated, got
8 it... I mean to just think that somebody in a parking lots gonna come in, they're
9 gonna park and then all of a sudden they just pick up...decide hey I'm
10 gonna...that looks like a good group of guys to go fight with. I think I'm gonna go
11 fight. Something precipitated this altercation. That's what I need to find out.

12 A May...maybe Francisco and Andre could help you with that but to, you know, for
13 me to sit here and tell you that I know exactly what happened...

14 Q I'm not asking you to tell me exactly.

15 A Yeah.

16 Q I'm asking you to tell me what you perceived happened.

17 A Okay. When...when we were leaving the club...

18 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

19 A ...okay...Doll House there...there did not...there...there was no...there was
20 nothing that I saw or observated that showed that there was something that
21 started inside of the club.

22 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

23 A Okay. Um...maybe he was picking up a girl that worked there and one of
24 our...you know...one of the guys that was with us was talking to the girl and he
25 got upset or something like that I...I...I don't know. I did not see that. Okay. I

1 couldn't tell you exactly but...but I know that when we were inside of the club
2 there was nothing that started inside of the club.

3 Q Does the girl work at the club? Was she...

4 A I have no idea. I did not see her inside of the club working, no.

5 Q Okay. You understand that I'm just...I'm not here to judge your friends or you or
6 anything else. I am just...this man stabbed and killed your friend. Okay.

7 That...we can see that. But I need to be able to figure out was this something
8 that was premeditated, was this planned, were they waiting for you guys to come
9 out? Why target you guys? That's what I'm trying to figure out here.

10 A That...that...this...and this is my, um...opinion from the facts that I can, you
11 know, that...that I saw when I was there.

12 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

13 A Um...to be honest with you I mean you know when we were inside of the club
14 there was no altercations going on. Okay. There was nothing between us or
15 somebody else that happened and if something like that would have happened
16 believe...it...it would have gotten back to... we would have known about it.

17 Q Right.

18 A You see what I'm saying? Because that...that's just the way things go inside of a
19 club. If one of your friends get into something you know what's going on.

20 Q Right.

21 A Okay. So we were exiting the actual club, um... me and William I believe were
22 the last ones to leave.

23 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

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25

1 A Okay. We were closing out a tab, he was speaking out to one of the...he was
2 speaking to one of the girls inside of the club. Ah...actually he knows several of
3 the girls there because he goes there on a, you know, frequently. Okay.

4 Q Okay.

5 A I don't go there frequently. Okay.

6 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

7 A He goes there frequently, I...to be honest with ya I haven't been in a club like that
8 in probably over a year. Okay.

9 Q Okay.

10 A So it was my first time ever going into Doll House. Alright. He's known there.
11 He knows some of the girls that work there. So while we were inside of the club
12 it was me, him...I remember Andre and Francisco kind of exiting the club. Me, I
13 told Will lets go. Me and Will exited the club. While we were, you know, we were
14 walking out everything was fine. Um...we, you know, as we were...as we were
15 going towards the vehicle all I remember was, you know, I guess words being
16 exchanged between us and the vehicle. I...I don't know if they were in the club or
17 not. I don't recall seeing 'em in the club. Okay. But I remember them being in
18 the vehicle pulling up, there...there was words exchanged. The vehicle stopped,
19 pull...you know...stopped and...and parked. Exited out of the vehicle,
20 approached us, you know, I...more words were exchanged and then an
21 altercation begun.

22 Q When you first saw them when you're coming out and you said that as the car's
23 coming there were some words exchanged. What words?

24 A I have no idea since I...I wasn't paying attention to it. All I saw...all I was worried
25 about was seeing the vehicle, knowing that there was something going on, hey

1 just, you know, just... At that time I thought maybe they were just talking but I
2 saw the vehicle stop and I say, man, you know what I'm saying? I was trying to
3 talk to you know everybody and just you know whatever and kind of calm down,
4 you know, it...it's not... I don't know what they were arguing about. Okay.

5 Q Did it appear to you that...that William knew these people?

6 A No.

7 Q That he recognized 'em or... Maybe not be friends with them but because he
8 goes to that club on a regular basis could he have been acquainted with them in
9 some way?

10 A It...it didn't appear that way. It wasn't like oh, you know, I know him or something
11 like that. That...that I did not hear, you know. I...I...again I don't recall exactly
12 every word that was exchanged but I don't recall anything here and
13 say...insinuating or...or...or you know something that I would you know kind
14 of...you know...insinuate as to them knowing each other. Having a...a previous
15 relationship or previous...what you would call beef or problems in the past.

16 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

17 A I...I did not see that.

18 Q Okay. Have you ever know William to get into any sort of altercations with
19 anyone, you know, have a little bit to drink maybe, you know, I mean...come on
20 we're going, we... You go to the club, you guys are having a great night out,
21 there was probably some flirting whatever with...I mean you go into that club to
22 have a good time. Anybody take offense, any women take offense to anything
23 that was happening that may have come back and said hey this guy disrespected
24 me, um...and then this...this is the reason that this guy's coming out and
25 confronting you men?

1 A No. Not at all. I mean, um...you know he know several of the females there.
2 Ah...to be honest with you I mean it...it...I can base...if...if you were to put the
3 females that were generally around us...

4 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

5 A ...I...I can tell you which ...which females were around us to the most...you
6 know...for the most part so, um...there were security...you know there that knew
7 him that were saying hello and all like that and there was no problem with...you
8 know...security didn't approach him, say hey you're doing this wrong, you're
9 acting wild, none of that was happening. You know we were just having a good
10 time, you know and...and that was it. I...I...I do not recall seeing those people
11 inside of the club or having any kind of altercation inside of the club. Ev...even
12 seeing her inside of the club I don't recall.

13 Q Okay. Does William carry a weapon on him?

14 A No.

15 Q No knives, no guns, no anything.

16 A No. Not at all.

17 Q What about Francisco and Andre?

18 A No.

19 Q How can you be certain?

20 A From...from the times that I have been with 'em I have never seen them with a
21 weapon. Um...I...I do not go out that much. Like, um...you know, I'm married, I
22 have a wife...

23 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

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1 A Um...I...I...I go to church every Sunday, okay. Me and my wife are going
2 through some problems so I happen to go out tonight because we went to a
3 Magic game.

4 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

5 A Um...but from previous ti...previous times being out with them, ah...Francisco I
6 know for fifteen years, Andre I've known for over fi...probably about five years,
7 ah...William Troy I've know for two years. It's not these people that I just met.

8 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

9 A I...I've been out with them before...before I was married, ah...while I was...you
10 know...while I was going out with them and I've never known them to carry
11 around a weapon.

12 Q Okay. Francisco and, ah...Andre, they both get stabbed when this is going on
13 as well...and then as well as William. Did you sustain any injuries at all?

14 A No.

15 Q Okay. Um... the injuries that were sustained all came from the black male that
16 you can... You didn't see the female at any point with a weapon in her hand.

17 A No.

18 Q Okay. Was she trying to...I mean what...describe her role in this.

19 A She was participating in the altercation as in, ah...physically trying to harm
20 others, swinging on them. Ah...swing...

21 Q She was trying to hit them with her hands?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Um...was it because the three of them were in an altercation with the black
24 male?

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1 A Well, um...it happened so fast to be honest with you I...I couldn't tell you exactly
 2 if all three of them were trying to altercate with them. You know what I'm saying?
 3 I...I...I know that, you know, he...he approached us to start an altercation. I was
 4 trying to stop it. I'm not sure if they were or if they were trying to participate in the
 5 altercation. I'm not exactly sure. I couldn't tell you that.

6 Q Did any of the...your friends...did they...were they able to strike either the female
 7 or the black male at all?

8 A I'm pretty sure the strike the black male, yeah. You know I...I'm not exactly sure.
 9 I mean...but you know if you have a guy coming up to you and you know they
 10 may have seen the knife. You see what I'm saying? They may have been trying
 11 to stop him from...from, you know, stabbing, ah...William. You see what I'm
 12 saying?

13 Q Did you see...

14 A So...

15 Q ...the knife at any point?

16 A No.

17 Q Even when the...once you see blood did you...you not...

18 A No.

19 Q ...did you not see a knife at all?

20 A I did...I did not see the blood and...and I didn't know the extent of
 21 what...what...the...the injuries that had occurred until after they...they drove off.
 22 You see what I'm saying? Because I'm...I'm...I'm sitting there and...and
 23 I'm...I'm...dur...during the altercation I'm trying to stop everything from going on.
 24 Okay. I'm not, you know, I'm looking at the vehicle and seeing them, you know
 25 trying to stop it. She's screaming out you know you guys are too slow.

1 She's...she's going into her vehicle so I see okay vehicle. I hear stabs in the
2 back, I hear oh this guy got stabbed... stabbed in the face. I hear...I hear all this
3 stuff.

4 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

5 A Okay. I hear them towards the end saying of William, you know, not William but I
6 hear them saying I'm stabbed in the face.

7 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

8 A He's stabbed in...in...in the stomach. Okay. My first reaction is let me get as
9 much information off of this vehicle as possible. You see what I'm saying? So I
10 try to look at the license plate of the vehicle. Obviously I already know what they
11 look like. I look at the vehicle to see the make and, you know, try to get an idea
12 what the vehicle looks like. And then my next step is to look at the actual license
13 plate of the vehicle. There was also others that ...that were doing the same
14 thing. They were looking at the vehicle. They were looking at the license plate
15 and I'm sure you have statements of other people that were working there
16 that...that told you the same thing. And then I saw a pickup truck going after the
17 vehicle. I mean you know speeding off right after the vehicle. I can hear the tires
18 screeching and everything.

19 Q Right. But when...so you're trying to get the information off the vehicle, is that
20 when...were the...the four of them still fighting, all of the...the altercation's going
21 over here, you try to get to that vehicle...

22 A No.

23 Q ...to find out the information?

24 A No. No. This is af...after they...they appro...they went back towards their
25 vehicle to leave. Okay. They were...they were...

1 Q And that's when this female said...

2 A Yeah I...I remember her specifically, okay, whether she said it before I...I'm not
3 exactly sure but I remember specifically what I heard was when she was like at
4 the door.

5 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

6 A Cause I looked at her and I said...and she...no, I didn't say anything. She was
7 saying you guys are too slow, you guys are too slow and I was wonder
8 what...why she saying we're too, you know, you're too slow. So she gets in the
9 vehicle, he gets in the vehicle and I heard stabbed in the background. So
10 my...oh maybe that's what she's talking, you know, stabbed in the background.
11 So I look at the vehicle, you know, so that way I can try to see what's going on.
12 Um...I look at the vehicle and I look at the...the license plate to try to see and
13 there was no license plate, it was just a white piece of paper that looked like a
14 license, you know, a tag. And then there was other people looking at it and they
15 sped off and that's when I turned back around towards, you know the people that
16 I was with and I started attending to them.

17 Q The black male never made...

18 A As you can see I have blood all over...

19 Q ...the black male...

20 A ...all over me.

21 Q ...never made any kind of statements.

22 A Not that I recall no. I did not hear him speaking. So I couldn't tell you what his
23 voice sounds like.

24 Q During the time that they're fighting did you hear any of your friends say
25 anything?

1 A No.

2 Q They're not...they're not saying anything?

3 A I...I...I...to be honest with you I...I don't recall. It...it...you know this...this
4 happened over probably...I mean it happened very quickly so I couldn't tell you
5 whether it was, you know, fifteen seconds or thirty seconds but I can tell you
6 what, it didn't happen for minutes. You know what I mean? Like didn't happen
7 for five minutes where the people were sitting there fighting and...and all this
8 was happening. This happened very quickly.

9 Q Well I...and I realize that but a lot of times when you're in a...in a traumatic
10 situation such as that for you guys...especially once some injuries are sustained
11 you start seeing blood things tend to...in your mind it's like you hear victims say
12 everything was like in slow motion. That's why you perceive that it takes us
13 forever to get to you. To render aid, to get, you know, to assist. For you to be
14 that close to where the...these...I mean this guy is, you know, he's got a knife,
15 he's able to stab William, he's able to stab Francisco, he's able to stab,
16 um...um...Andre...how did you get by without getting stabbed? I mean I'm
17 not...I...

18 A You know what? To be honest with you...

19 Q ...I'm trying to perceive where...

20 A ...let...let...

21 Q ...how did that happen cause...

22 A Okay.

23 Q ...apparently this guy is on a rampage.

24 A Yup...you...

25 Q So how did you escape injury?

1 A The only thing that I can...the only thing that I can say...I spoke to my wife later
2 on and she said she was praying me for the whole night.

3 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

4 A That's the only thing that I can explain as to why I did not get hurt in that
5 situation. Okay. I was trying to stop the...the altercation from occurring. I...I
6 recall specifically grabbing the female, okay, trying to stop her, put her to the
7 side. By the time I went to go towards the male I...I...I mean it happened so
8 quickly I...I don't recall as in, you know, whether I, you know... I...I remember
9 pushing the...the male of...

10 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

11 A ...and...and you know he may have been busy with William or with somebody
12 else. You know what I'm saying? So he didn't see that I was approaching him
13 so, you know, God willing that I didn't get...that I didn't get, you know, hurt with
14 this. But that's the only thing that I can explain as to maybe he was you know
15 busy with somebody else. I...you know I was pushing him away. I grabbed his
16 girl first, I remember grabbing the female first and saying hey, you know, get
17 away whatever. And then pushing him away and then them going to into their
18 vehicles.

19 Q Grabbing her and saying this is between them, you stay outta it.

20 A Not...trying to say hey listen, lets stop... You know what I'm saying? Just...I...I
21 couldn't tell you exactly what I said but I was grabbing her away from the
22 altercation and I was trying to stop him from the altercation and stop my friend...
23 And basically I was trying to stop everything from happening and...and...and
24 that...that's all...that's... I mean it happened so quick I...I couldn't tell you
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1 exactly every single little, you know, little point of it. But I can tell you the most
2 part of what occurred.

3 Q You're...you're certain robbery wasn't a motive. You're certain that you didn't
4 have any sort of altercation with these people in the club prior to this escalating
5 out into the parking lot or in the parking lot. Why do you think you guys were
6 targeted? I mean you've gotta have...

7 A It...it...it could have been as easy as the guy pulling into the parking lot maybe
8 possibly almost hitting one of the people that are with him, you know, saying
9 something as hey you almost hit me, what the hell is going on? You know what
10 I'm saying? Why you driving like that? You know what I'm saying? The other
11 guy saying of fuck you ,whatever the case may be.

12 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

13 A Saying some kind of words towards the other person and...and then just...just
14 from that altercations have occurred so...

15 Q That's what I'm...

16 A Okay.

17 Q ...I'm trying to get around to.

18 A I understand.

19 Q I...I know...I've seen people...we have road rage all the time.

20 A Mmmm.

21 Q You know. People will...will shoot and kill you for cutting 'em off in traffic.

22 A Yeah.

23 Q So that's why I...I'm trying to put this picture together.

24 A Yeah.

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1 Q Robbery is definitely not a motive and you didn't have any sort of altercation with
2 him prior in the club.

3 A Mmmm.

4 Q Then yeah I can see you guys coming out, if they pull through the parking lot and
5 they're driving crazy somebody flipping off hey, you know, mother fucker what
6 are you doing? You almost run me over.

7 A Yeah.

8 Q Then they gotta pull over and they gotta get out and they gotta have... Is that
9 how this thing played out?

10 A It...it...it could have been a possibility, yes. I couldn't say exactly, maybe you can
11 ask Francisco or Andre as to the exact (inaudible) but you know, I...I couldn't tell
12 you because I wasn't paying attention to that point. What I...what I...what I
13 started noticing was the vehicle pulling up, stopping, getting out and coming out
14 to the car. You know, coming towards us.

15 Q You said...you said William was...was more with you cause you guys took care
16 of the tab so...

17 A Uh hum, (affirmative)

18 Q ...you two were kind of like...

19 A No, no that...that was exiting...I was just trying to explain the...the scene.

20 Q Right.

21 A When we were leaving the club. So as we were leaving we were altogether but
22 when we were exiting the actual physical building...

23 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

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- 1 A ...okay, me and Will were the last ones to leave. Dray and...and...and Andre
2 and...and, ah...Francisco were ahead of us and then they waited for us at the
3 front of the club and we kind of got together, we was walking out...
- 4 Q You're all walking in the parking lot.
- 5 A Exactly.
- 6 Q At the same time.
- 7 A Exactly.
- 8 Q And all in the same group.
- 9 A Yeah, I...I...you know I don't remember what... you know I probably was
10 speaking to somebody then, you know, that happened. When I...when I turned
11 over to see what was going on I see the vehicle pulling up. Okay, not parked
12 already. Pulling through the drive, you know, like next to us. You know what I'm
13 saying? The car was right next to us and then pulling into the parking spot and
14 getting out and then you know it all started.
- 15 Q Okay. So before tonight you've never seen either one of those...the black
16 female or the black male.
- 17 A No.
- 18 Q And to your knowledge you...or do you even know if William, Andre or Francisco
19 had any prior contact or were acquainted with these two people in any way?
- 20 A No. To the best of my knowledge no.
- 21 Q Okay.
- 22 A I...I can't speak for them but you know, for the best of my knowledge no. There
23 was nothing that insinuated that they knew each other from previous...
- 24 Q Okay.
- 25 A ...situation.

- 1 Q As far as your making contact with either of these two suspects your only
2 contact was with the female when you grabbed her to try to pull her away to keep
3 her from striking any of the...your friends.
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q Was there any...did you make any physical contact with the black male?
- 6 A I...not that I recall. I may have trying to protect my friends but not that I recall.
- 7 Q I mean your hands. Any...did you punch, did you...
- 8 A I...I...I may have. You know I just...I...I don't recall so... What I remember...like
9 I said the...the actual altercation is I couldn't ...I don't know if there was a, you
10 know, a knife that he was holding, um...you know, I...it happened very fast. It's
11 not something that happened for a long time.
- 12 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 13 A Um...you know I...I would just to guesstimate probably forty five seconds of time.
14 You see what I'm saying? Maybe a minute the most.
- 15 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)
- 16 A It wasn't a...a long thing that happened. Um...you know I know I remember I
17 grabbed the...the female, pushed her away, um...I remember grabbing the male
18 trying to push him away. Ah...whether I...whether I tried to defend myself, you
19 know, cause I saw him swing at me I...I...I don't recall but, um...I remember
20 trying to break it up, trying to break it apart and then the next thing I remember
21 was hear...you know...hearing her say those words, getting back into their
22 vehicle, hearing stabs in the back and then you know the rest of it like I told ya.
- 23 Q Okay. Um...when you see them going back to their vehicle, um...
24 (unknown voice)
- 25 Q (inaudible)

1 (Detective Pelton)

2 Q Almost done.

3 (unknown voice)

4 Q Okay.

5 (Detective Pelton)

6 Q Um...

7 (unknown voice)

8 Q (inaudible)

9 (Detective Pelton)

10 Q Alright. When you see them going back to the vehicle do you at that point see
11 him with a weapon in his hand?

12 A No. At no time do I...do I notice the, ah...the...the two suspects with,
13 ah...weapons in their hands.

14 Q So when they leave the park...they get in the car and they leave the parking lot
15 which direction do they go out of the parking lot?

16 A They drive towards the south side of Doll House.

17 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

18 A There's a...a...a street, I don't know what street it is but there's a...there's a
19 street right there.

20 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

21 A Um... they made a left to go towards...

22 Q The Trail.

23 A ...Orange Blossom Trail and then they made a right going south on Orange
24 Blossom Trail and the pickup truck right behind them.

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1 Q Okay. Um...once the detective arrived on the scene, Detective Phelan, he took
2 you...transported you to an area where deputies had a vehicle stopped. Did you
3 recognize that vehicle as being that same Acura?

4 A Um...it...you want...in detail? Um...when we first approach the scene where
5 they had I guess apparently pulled over...

6 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

7 A ...ah...the vehicle the, ah...Orange County Sheriff was behind the vehicle so I
8 never saw the vehicle when we first approached, okay.

9 Q Okay.

10 A We were about probably...I don't know twenty, thirty feet behind the, ah...police
11 officer's vehicle. Ah...he brought the suspect over, um...probably within about
12 fifteen feet or so, ah...from where we were at. I...I looked at the...the,
13 ah...suspect that they pulled out...

14 (unknown voice)

15 Q Ohhh...sorry.

16 (Detective Pelton)

17 Q That's alright.

18 A Um...they then pulled out the female, I observed the female. Um...

19 Q Did you recognize that female as the same female that...that was...

20 A Both...

21 Q ...in the parking lot?

22 A ...both the male and the female, yes.

23 Q Okay. And then...

24 A Clearly I...I was able to tell that was 'em.

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1 Q Okay. And at some point you saw the car prior to leaving whatever, you saw that
2 that was their car?

3 A When we were...

4 Q That was the...

5 A When we were leaving the scene I asked him to drive by the scene...

6 Q Uh hum, (affirmative)

7 A ...make a U turn.

8 Q Okay. And you recognize that vehicle as being the one. We're almost done.

9 A Okay. Um...

10 Q So you positively identified the vehicle as being the one that was driven by the
11 black male and black female.

12 A Yes.

13 Q Who injured your friends and you recognize both...you positively identified both
14 black male and black female as the two who caused those injuries.

15 A Yes.

16 Q Okay. Is there anything else that we haven't covered here tonight that you wanna
17 tell me with regards to this incident?

18 A No, I think we've gone over in detail.

19 Q Okay. Um...everything at this point that you've given me has been the truth as
20 you know it so help you God?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Okay. This will conclude the interview, the time is 6:18 AM.

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25 **THIS TRANSCRIPT HAS BEEN REVIEWED FOR ACCURACY**

1 of the interview which was sworn before me.

2 Signed this 6th day of November, 2006.

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5 DETECTIVE PELTON, OCSO DEPUTY SHERIFF

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