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2 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
3 NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
4 IN AND FOR SAINT LUCIE COUNTY  
5 STATE OF FLORIDA

6 CASE NO. 562011CF2340

7 STATE OF FLORIDA

8 Plaintiff,

9 vs.

10 TYLER HADLEY,

11 Defendant.

*Denny & the knife*

12 INTERVIEW OF: ROBERT PAUL

13 DATE: Not given

*Denny @ RP's house*

14 TIME: Not given

*4 p.m.*

15 PLACE: Not given

*Hadley parents alive  
after that.*

16 TAKEN BY: Plaintiff

17 APPEARANCES:

18 DETECTIVE MEYER  
19 St. Lucie County Sheriffs Office  
20 4700 West Midway Road  
21 Fort Pierce, Florida

1 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - okay. All right. Okay, so, okay, uhm,  
2 my name is Detective Meyer and I am sitting here with Robert Paul.

3 ROBERT PAUL: I am Robert Paul.

4 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. Give me the address here Robert.

5 ROBERT PAUL: [REDACTED]

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: And what's your date of birth?

7 ROBERT PAUL: June 30, [REDACTED].

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Can I get a - you got a phone number?

9 ROBERT PAUL: Yes ma'am.

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

11 ROBERT PAUL: [REDACTED]

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh-huh.

13 ROBERT PAUL: - [REDACTED]

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: [REDACTED]

15 ROBERT PAUL: [REDACTED]

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: [REDACTED], okay. All right, so you want to talk to  
17 me about, uh, were you at the party on Saturday night?

18 ROBERT PAUL: No, actually --

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

20 ROBERT PAUL: - I kind of had like a little get together at my  
21 house, because I always have them when my mom's working.

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. So you were not at the party?

23 ROBERT PAUL: No.

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: All right, and do you know Tyler?

25 ROBERT PAUL: No, I've never met him, but I have like, I have

1 a lot of mutual friends with him.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. Now, this is regards to Danny --

3 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

4 DETECTIVE MEYER: - that you want to talk to me about today?

5 ROBERT PAUL: Yes.

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, what is Danny's last name?

7 ROBERT PAUL: I don't really like know his last name, like I

8 --

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: How long have you known him?

10 ROBERT PAUL: I've known him probably for a few months.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

12 ROBERT PAUL: But our relationship pretty much is just like we  
13 usually only hang out when he wants to you know smoke or  
14 something.

15 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, smoke weed?

16 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

17 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

18 ROBERT PAUL: But other than that, I really don't like hang  
19 out with him --

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

21 ROBERT PAUL: - any other time than that, because we really  
22 don't have anything in common.

23 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. So you - it's not like you guys are  
24 bosom buddies.

25 ROBERT PAUL: No, he's just he lives right up the street and

1 --

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right, and when did you - when is  
3 - what - what you want to talk to me about, when did this take  
4 place?

5 ROBERT PAUL: All right, it happened around, well I can look  
6 in my phone right now because he - because he called me and told  
7 me that he - that he wanted to come over or when he was at my  
8 house whenever he came over really early. I got it in my call log  
9 I just have to find it.

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. So he called and wanted to come over?

11 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, because we hang - we hung - we hung out  
12 earlier that day.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, what day is this?

14 ROBERT PAUL: Uh, this is the day that - that it happened. I'm  
15 not - I can't - I really I just gotta look through my phone --

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, it happened on Saturday --

17 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, I know.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: That was day of your get together?

19 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, that's when I had that, and Danny came  
20 over earlier that day because he - him and McLove wanted to hang  
21 out and they wanted to smoke. So we hung out and then he told me  
22 about that I guess Tyler was having a party at his house and he  
23 told me that he used his dad's phone number when he put it on face  
24 book and I was - and I was like all right. He was like and he had  
25 just came from his house and he told a couple other people about

1 it the party.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Now wait a minute, okay, I - I don't - I  
3 need to know what you know.

4 ROBERT PAUL: Oh.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

6 ROBERT PAUL: All right.

7 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uhm, what we - what we read on face book is  
8 gossip and everything else okay, --

9 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: - so, uhm, as far as commenting.

11 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: Now if somebody makes a personal post like,  
13 uhm, Tyler posting his dad's number, --

14 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

15 DETECTIVE MEYER: - did you see the post?

16 ROBERT PAUL: No, because I don't I don't have him as a friend  
17 on face book.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, uhm, so you're telling - somebody said  
19 that - who was it that told you that he posted a party?

20 ROBERT PAUL: Uh, I didn't know he - oh, Danny told me that,  
21 yeah.

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so Danny told you this.

23 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah. But pretty much Danny told me everything  
24 that happened like before because I was - because he came over  
25 with McLoven early in the morning.

1 DETECTIVE MEYER: On Saturday?

2 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, like - like when, because I know it  
3 happened at like 4 A.M. like the cops came at like 4 A.M. until  
4 like and they actually like went to the house and stuff because I  
5 was - been updated on --

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, but that was 4 A.M. on Sunday?

7 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah - yeah.

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

9 ROBERT PAUL: On Saturday, but he came over that Sunday  
10 because it was early - early in the morning.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, but this early A.M. on Sunday now, not  
12 Saturday?

13 ROBERT Paul: Yeah, not Saturday.

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

15 ROBERT PAUL: No, and then he came over and they were - him  
16 and McLoven were acting weird and Danny wasn't wearing the same  
17 clothes that he was wearing earlier.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, but this is - this is another day.

19 ROBERT PAUL: No, this is the day that - the day that they  
20 said that it happened like at 4 A.M., because he came over  
21 like around 6:00.

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, nothing happened at 4 A.M.

23 ROBERT PAUL: No, when the cops showed up, because --

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: The only thing that happened --

25 ROBERT PAUL: - they --

1 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

2 ROBERT PAUL: - because they - because he told me that he  
3 wanted to come over and they didn't end up coming over till around  
4 6:00, and when they actually got to my house they told me - he  
5 asked me if I could turn on the TV and put it on the news and I  
6 was like - I didn't ask him why, I was just like, yeah, and I just  
7 put it on. And --

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, but by this time it's all on the TV.

9 ROBERT PAUL: No, not yet - not yet.

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: Yeah, it is.

11 ROBERT PAUL: Oh, well they didn't, but they didn't say  
12 anything yet, because they said they didn't have any like no  
13 information --

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, why were you concerned that he was not  
15 wearing the same clothes and what - what do you mean; he's not  
16 wearing the same clothes from when?

17 ROBERT PAUL: From when we had hung out earlier that day,  
18 because --

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, I - I'm confused Robert, hon you're  
20 telling me that he's at your house at 6 o'clock in the morning --

21 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: - okay, but you're saying that you hung out  
23 earlier than that?

24 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, and he, but he left - he left.

25 DETECTIVE MYER: Okay, so what time - what time did he leave?

1           ROBERT PAUL: He left around 9:30, because my mom said she was  
2 coming home at 10:00.

3           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so this is on Saturday night?

4           ROBERT PAUL: Yes.

5           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so Saturday night Danny was here?

6           ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

7           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

8           ROBERT PAUL: Up until 9:30 is when I kicked everybody out.

9           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so this is at your little get  
10 together?

11          ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

12          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so Danny was at your get together?

13          ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

14          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, uhm, so he was at - at your house?

15          ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, but he didn't show up until 3 - he called  
16 me at 3:36 --

17          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, now wait a minute stop, we - we -  
18 you're -- you're bouncing all over the place, okay.

19          ROBERT PAUL: Oh, I'm sorry.

20          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, well you're talking - we're - you're  
21 talking like Saturday night and Sunday are the same day and  
22 they're not.

23          ROBERT PAUL: I - I didn't go to sleep because --

24          DETECTIVE MEYER: I realize that but there's - there's you -  
25 this is not the same day to me, okay.



1 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: All right, so Saturday evening Danny comes  
3 to your house?

4 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: What time does Danny get here to your house  
6 on Saturday night?

7 ROBERT PAUL: I have it in my phone, I just, I really need to  
8 find this.

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

10 ROBERT PAUL: He - he came over - check my call log, because  
11 he wasn't using his phone.

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, why don't we step inside, uhm, it's --

13 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, --

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: - extremely warm out here. Okay, we'll just  
15 step right in here, okay - all right. Okay, is this your room?

16 ROBERT PAUL: No, it's - it's pretty much like just a free  
17 room, but -

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right, so you gotta slow down for  
19 me, okay. All right --

20 ROBERT PAUL: All right, this is my first time talking to a  
21 detective --

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, well, uhm, just - we just, uh, just  
23 need to slow down, okay. So Saturday in the evening, Danny was  
24 here?

25 ROBERT PAUL: Yes.

1 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, what time did he get here?

2 ROBERT PAUL: Danny got here approximately, you mean when he  
3 initially came over before the get together or --

4 DETECTIVE MEYER: Whatever.

5 ROBERT PAUL: All right, <sup>Danny</sup> he showed to my house around 4  
6 o'clock with McLoven and he told me that he had just left, uh,  
7 Tyler Hadley's house. I know exactly when he left Tyler Hadley's  
8 house, because he called me and told me he just left. But he told  
9 me he had just left at 3:36 on Saturday.

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so that would be in accordance with  
11 getting over here?

12 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, all right, so he's saying he left at  
14 3:36?

15 ROBERT PAUL: Yes.

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so he left Tyler's house at 3:36, did  
17 Mic (Phonetic) pick him up?

18 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, he walked to Northport and McLoven's, uh,  
19 grandfather picked them up and they both came to my house.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, hold up; okay, so walked to Northport,  
21 all right. And let's see here, he walked to Northport and Mic and  
22 his --

23 ROBERT PAUL: I know McLoven's real name.

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: - and his grandpa --

25 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, picked him up, --

1           DETECTIVE MEYER: Remember we're not jumping around, we're  
2 going in order.

3           ROBERT PAUL: All right - all right, I'm trying to just - I'm  
4 just trying to get it all back in my head, because I been - I  
5 honestly the first time I got to sleep was last night, because I  
6 was - went on my own little investigation, because like I thought  
7 --

8           DETECTIVE MEYER: Why would you do that, why wouldn't you just  
9 call us?

10          ROBERT PAUL: Because I didn't want to call you guys and tell  
11 you something that might like not even have ████████ to do with  
12 anything and just waste you guys time.

13          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right. Okay, so he said he tried  
14 the night before, he was standing over the bed, but he couldn't do  
15 it.

16          ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, and then --

17          DETECTIVE MEYER: What was next?

18          ROBERT PAUL: - and then pretty much after that, it was just -  
19 we were talking, I - I couldn't believe it even happened. I just  
20 kept like, just saying he really did this and after that the  
21 conversation pretty much changed from there.

22          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so when was it that you were quizzing  
23 him about what time he left?

24          ROBERT PAUL: That was --

25          DETECTIVE MEYER: You didn't tell me that part?

1           ROBERT PAUL: - that was, uh, I'm - I'm pretty sure it was  
2 earlier like after he had all ready left, he left that morning,  
3 because then they left around 8 o'clock because I told them I was  
4 going to sleep.

5           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right. People get confused on  
6 their times, --

7           ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

8           DETECTIVE MEYER: - okay.

9           ROBERT PAUL: Because I don't have - because he doesn't have  
10 his phone, so I was calling him and I was - had to talk to other  
11 people to --

12          DETECTIVE MEYER: Right, he felt that he left at 1:00 and it  
13 was actually 3:30, maybe right?

14          ROBERT PAUL: Yeah - yeah, because I'm not saying that he told  
15 me that he had anything - that he had anything to do with it, but  
16 he - ~~when he left in the morning, I found a knife in my bathroom~~  
17 and I don't - did not --

18          DETECTIVE MEYER: That was on Sunday morning?

19          ROBERT PAUL: Yes.

20          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

21          ROBERT PAUL: I didn't know where that knife came from or who  
22 it belonged to, but I took the knife and I got rid of it. Like I  
23 just walked up the street over to Preston and I threw it into the  
24 canal, because I didn't know like where it - like whose it was or  
25 what it was, but I saw it and I saw something on it that looked

1 like blood and I said, whoever left this here I don't want it at  
2 my house, because I don't know whose it is, who's touched it, or  
3 who left it here.

4 DETECTIVE MEYER: So instead of turning it over to law  
5 enforcement, knowing that somebody - that all this stuff is going  
6 on, you get rid of it?

7 ROBERT PAUL: I was afraid, I'm not even gonna lie, I was  
8 scared out of my mind - that - that Danny had actually did it and  
9 was at my house and I was trying to get all my facts straight  
10 before I was going to report anything. That's why I called --

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: So you walked up the street and you did  
12 what?

13 ROBERT PAUL: I threw it in the canal by Preston. But, and  
14 then I asked -

15 DETECTIVE MEYER: What did the knife look like?

16 ROBERT PAUL: It was a small silver knife with a confederate  
17 flag on it and a cannon.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. Did you call Crime Stoppers?

19 ROBERT PAUL: No, I did not, but I asked Danny about the  
20 knife, because I didn't - because I was asking him, because he  
21 told me it was his.

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: When did you call Danny and ask him about  
23 the knife?

24 ROBERT PAUL: As soon as I got rid of it I asked him about the  
25 knife and he told me that somebody tried to rob him the night

1 before and he used the knife on the person that tried to rob him,  
2 that was his explanation for it.

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. That it was it, you left it.

4 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, and then I - I just left it over there by  
5 the canal --

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so no one saw Danny walk into the  
7 bathroom with the knife?

8 ROBERT PAUL: No.

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, see that's something that's all ready  
10 that - that's something that's all ready now been misconstrued  
11 about this account.

12 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, but - but he told me that - that the knife  
13 was his and that he bought it from, uh, --

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, but somebody has passed on that this  
15 is the story that your telling them, was that somebody that you  
16 know saw him in your bathroom with this knife, and that didn't  
17 happen. You just found the knife and Danny was at the house, so  
18 you called Danny and asked Danny about it.

19 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so we've all ready got a little bit of  
21 a difference here. Okay, so and he used it on him, all right and  
22 that's the end of the conversation?

23 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, you didn't ask Danny anything more  
25 about it, did you ask him, you know, dude does this have anything

1 to do with Tyler?

2 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, I did, I said bro like you need to tell me  
3 now if you have anything to do with this bro, because I - because  
4 I really I said if you do you need to go and tell them what - what  
5 you know, because I know you know more than me, because you're the  
6 last person to see this man before he did this. I've never really  
7 been in trouble my whole life and just like shit like this like it  
8 just scared the living hell out of me.

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: What did he say when you said this to him?

10 ROBERT PAUL: He told me that he didn't have anything to do  
11 with it and he was like do you really think I would honestly kill  
12 somebody and then come hang out with you.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: What did he say - what did you say?

14 ROBERT PAUL: And I said, I don't know, I said I'm just trying  
15 to - he told me to go and take a shower and get some sleep because  
16 he knew I'd been up all night and he was like you just need to  
17 chill out man, you're really working yourself up about this.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Is all that you smoked is weed?

19 ROBERT PAUL: I smoked weed and I drank a lot, I --

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: What kind of drugs did you do?

21 ROBERT PAUL: That's - it - that's it, I --

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: No, tell me the drugs, I'm not here to jam  
23 you up over it, tell me the drugs that you did Saturday night?

24 ROBERT PAUL: I did some blow.

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so you had blow, weed, and alcohol?

1 ROBERT PAUL: That's it.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: No pills, no zannies, nothing?

3 ROBERT PAUL: No, I don't even [REDACTED] with those.

4 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

5 ROBERT PAUL: I used to - I used to be - I used to [REDACTED] with  
6 roxies and pills --

7 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. Well, I'm going to give you a little  
8 bit of information okay, and, uhm, I'm going to try to put you at  
9 ease, okay.

10 ROBERT PAUL: All right.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: Relax about Danny, okay. Danny left and was  
12 here at 4 o'clock. He said Tyler's parents came home and he was  
13 here at 4 o'clock, okay. Uhm, I know that his parents were alive  
14 after that.

15 ROBERT PAUL: Thank God Holy [REDACTED].

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. I don't want - you gotta quit with the  
17 conspiracy theories, okay. Do not screw with this, don't go  
18 running your mouth, okay. You just let this go all right, because  
19 I understand your concern and it is - it's absolutely phenomenal  
20 that you were willing to put - to go out on a limb like this and  
21 contact police, dude my hat is off to you, I commend you, it had  
22 to be very scarey to make that phone call.

23 ROBERT PAUL: It was.

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

25 ROBERT PAUL: Because this shit just like -



1           DETECTIVE MEYER: I know - I know, but the thing of it is, you  
2 have this horrible - horrible crime, you have all these people  
3 that know, you know that have been in and around and all about  
4 this --

5           ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

6           DETECTIVE MEYER: - and then so now it's like oh my God he's  
7 acting funny, oh my God he's acting weird, well is he you know,  
8 and like I said, it didn't seem like they cared. Well, some  
9 people - some people don't, okay.

10          ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, it's just how some people are.

11          DETECTIVE MEYER: Right - right, but the thing of it is you  
12 tuned into it, you clued into like man you know they - they wanted  
13 the news on, but it was all ready out. I got to the scene at 5  
14 o'clock in the morning, okay, and there's people out in the yards,  
15 all the kids had just left from the party, so all the kids are  
16 buzzing now, because man there's a shit load of cops over at  
17 Tyler's house, okay.

18          ROBERT PAUL: Yeah - yeah.

19          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so all the - all the, you know face  
20 book and anybody know what's going on and hey I heard this and hey  
21 I heard that and it's running rampid (phonetic) and I'm pulling up  
22 to the scene, okay. So, uhm, but - but, so it was all ready you  
23 know, like I said, you guys are all friends, you guys are all  
24 teenagers, so the cell phones were going, buddy. The cell phones  
25 were going --

1 ROBERT PAUL: I just didn't know who knew what.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: You're fine - you're perfect - you're  
3 absolutely fine, but I'm here to tell you that I can - you're  
4 telling me that Danny left, okay, and people get you know, he  
5 could have thought it was 1 o'clock in the afternoon, hell that  
6 could have been the time that he showed up there and he just  
7 didn't think he stayed that long, right?

8 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: That's feasible.

10 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: But he says that Tyler's parents got home  
12 and he left.

13 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: Mic picked him up and he left, okay.

15 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, that's good information, that's  
17 awesome information that's information that I can definitely use.  
18 Okay, but, uhm, you know, and then like I said, once the brain  
19 starts going and it starts entertaining this stuff --

20 ROBERT PAUL: It didn't stop.

21 DETECTIVE MEYER: - it makes it worse, okay.

22 ROBERT PAUL: I'm pretty sure doing that coke didn't help  
23 either, because I didn't sleep for like until last night --

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: Exactly, okay.

25 ROBERT PAUL: Because I only did it that night because I guess

1 Danny had got a hold of some and I was just like, the whole time I  
2 was just -

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so Saturday and Sunday you were all -  
4 you were all on the coke, right?

5 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah, I was --

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

7 ROBERT PAUL: No, not Sunday, just Saturday.

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Just Saturday, okay.

9 ROBERT PAUL: Just Saturday.

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: But that's enough to make this start  
11 playing.

12 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: But you're absolutely adamant of your times;  
14 you looked on your phone. 3:36 he called and said he just left  
15 Tyler's he was on his way over?

16 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

17 DETECTIVE MEYER: He got here around 4:00, he was here all  
18 night until 9:30, okay. 9:30 Tyler's party had all ready started.

19 ROBERT PAUL: Yeah.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so, uhm, that's what I'm telling you,  
21 okay. The fact that they left the house at 4:00, that's probably  
22 - that - that's right in the time line that Tyler's parents came  
23 home.

24 ROBERT PAUL: I just didn't want to like have something on my  
25 conscience and then not --

1           DETECTIVE MEYER: Dude, I'm telling you I - I think it's  
2 awesome, I'm very proud of you. This was very scary, but I  
3 needed to get everything out of you before I gave you that I - I  
4 know something different, okay. I know something different and I  
5 know everything was still okay at 4 o'clock and 4 o'clock Danny is  
6 here, okay, so that's - that's a cool thing. You know, the last  
7 thing you want is anybody to be a part of this.

8           ROBERT PAUL: Especially the man that just came over to my  
9 house like --

10          DETECTIVE MEYER: All right, but I can honestly tell you that  
11 at 4 o'clock that afternoon, everything was still cool, okay.

12          ROBERT PAUL: I really appreciate you coming over here to talk  
13 to me, because I was - you don't understand like I was just --

14          DETECTIVE MEYER: Well what I want you to do is --

15          ROBERT PAUL: - off the wall paranoid.

16          DETECTIVE MEYER: I want you to relax, okay. Who all did you  
17 tell that you suspected this?

18          ROBERT PAUL: I told pretty much the only person that I told  
19 was my brother and - and, uh, Mike.

20          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right, uhm, so and that's okay.  
21 Okay, but like I said, I can tell you without divulging my entire  
22 investigation, and I am the lead detective in this, okay, I can  
23 tell you without divulging my entire investigation, that at 4  
24 o'clock when Danny arrived here, everything was still okay over  
25 there, okay.

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ROBERT PAUL: All right.

DETECTIVE MEYER: All right, you did good.

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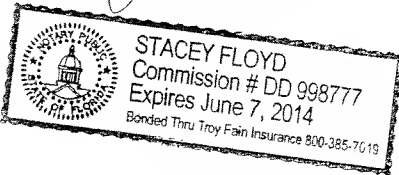
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NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR SAINT LUCIE COUNTY  
STATE OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 562011CF2340

STATE OF FLORIDA

Plaintiff,

vs.

TYLER HADLEY,

Defendant.

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*Deny  
the knife*

INTERVIEW OF: MM

*Michael Mandell*

DATE: Not given

TIME: Not given

PLACE: Not given

TAKEN BY: Plaintiff

APPEARANCES:

DETECTIVE MEYER  
St. Lucie County Sheriffs Office  
4700 West Midway Road  
Fort Pierce, Florida

1 DETECTIVE MEYER: Hey, there you are.

2 MM: You scared me.

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: Oh, why?

4 MM: Huh.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Why?

6 MM: Well, I didn't know who it was.

7 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh, you look.

8 MM: Yeah.

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: It's only me.

10 MM: I saw your red car.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh, okay. Now you - when you called me this  
12 morning you said you came across information from --

13 MM: Robert.

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, now you guys were just talking?

15 MM: Yeah, he just called - text me saying, uhm, --

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Just now?

17 MM: No, last night.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Oh, okay, last night.

19 MM: He said call me, it's important or --

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, let's go sit down. Go ahead.

21 MM: This is what he --

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right. Okay, tell me what it is  
23 that he said when you - when you called?

24 MM: He said that he thinks Danny has something to do with the  
25 - with the murder.



1 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

2 MM: But, --

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: And why does he say this?

4 MM: Because he said Danny was act - Danny was acting weird  
5 and all whenever he was over at his house and --

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: And when was he at his house?

7 MM: The day after.

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

9 MM: And he saw - he saw Danny going to the bathroom and he  
10 didn't know what he was doing and Robert Paul said one of his  
11 friends were over the house and he saw Danny with a knife.

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: Wait a minute, one of Roberts friends?

13 MM: Yes, he was in Roberts house.

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, who was that?

15 MM: I don't - I don't know.

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay so Roberts friend was there?

17 MM: Yes.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uhm, and saw Danny with a knife?

19 MM: Yeah, going to the bathroom and trying to wash it off or  
20 something. Uhm, and then Robert Paul said shortly after he - Danny  
21 left and Robert Paul found the knife in his room and Danny never  
22 mentioned the knife to him.

23 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so Danny left --

24 MM: Yes, --

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: - and then Robert found the knife?

1 MM: - and he said there was still blood on it.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, do you know if anybody called this in  
3 to Crime Stoppers?

4 MM: No.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, you don't know or you know that they  
6 didn't?

7 MM: No, they didn't.

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

9 MM: Uhm, --

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: All right, so Robert found a knife and it  
11 still and blood on it, okay.

12 MM: Yes.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: Now what we think is blood?

14 MM: Yeah.

15 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

16 MM: And then --

17 DETECTIVE MEYER: Now why was he thinking that Danny acted  
18 weird, what was - what - what gave him that impression?

19 MM: Well, he said that Danny knew way too much before the  
20 news even said anything. Like he was --

21 DETECTIVE MEYER: Everybody does though.

22 MM: Yeah.

23 DETECTIVE MEYER: I mean everybody does, because you talked to  
24 Jesse and Jesse was talking to the girls and the girls were  
25 telling everybody.

1 MM: Yeah, and Jesse --

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: So we can't - we just can't base it off of  
3 that; --

4 MM: Yeah.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Was there anything else or just the fact  
6 that he knew?

7 MM: Just the fact that well, the knife is the thing --

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so the knife is the big thing?

9 MM: Yeah.

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: So that's the big thing.

11 MM: And the second thing is, he - there's another friend,  
12 uhm, name - his name is Michael Juliano (Phonetic), he - Danny  
13 talked to him and Danny told him that he left Tyler's house at  
14 4:00, but Danny told Robert Paul that he left Tyler's house 1:00.

15 DETECTIVE MEYER: Yeah, but I have you there after 1:00,  
16 because if you were at work at 12:00 and you - you know drove down  
17 and picked up your girlfriend and you went all the way down, okay  
18 --

19 MM: Uh-huh, yeah.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: - by the time you called your dad to come  
21 get you, uhm, do you know what time that was by the way, do you  
22 still have it in your phone? We never did get down to that. Uhm,  
23 okay so then you called - you don't even call dad, you go and you  
24 start hoofing it down to Tyler's, knowing that Tyler lives just  
25 down the street.

1 MM: Yeah.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: You're tell me that you guys want to hang  
3 out for awhile?

4 MM: Yeah.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: So you hang out for awhile?

6 MM: Yeah.

7 DETECTIVE MEYER: Now who all is there?

8 MM: Me, Morgan, Tyler and Danny.

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so you decide to hang out for like an  
10 hour, so that would almost put - that would put you there after 1  
11 o'clock?

12 MM: Yeah.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: So, you're saying that Danny told you that  
14 he left at 1:00?

15 MM: No, he told or Pauley left at 1:00 and he told Michael  
16 Juliano, which is a friend that we both know, --

17 DETECTIVE MEYER: Right.

18 MM: - that he left Tyler's house at 4:00.

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so he's saying he left Tyler's house  
20 at 4:00 and he told who that he left at 1:00, Robert?

21 MM: Yeah.

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: He told Robert he left at 1:00. Okay, but  
23 like I said, he - he was still there when you left?

24 MM: Yeah.

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

1 MM: Uhm, do you - was it the 16<sup>th</sup> when --

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh-huh, the 16<sup>th</sup>. Because you said you hung  
3 out for a little bit and then you called dad - dad was there  
4 within ten minutes and you left.

5 MM: Yes.

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: And Tyler actually told you out on the front  
7 - was Danny out there when - when - when, uhm, he said that in  
8 front of Morgan and you, I guess you guys were inside the house,  
9 --

10 MM: About --

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: - that he told you about killing his parents  
12 again, wanting to kill his parents?

13 MM: Yes.

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: Danny was there too?

15 MM: I can't remember if Danny was in the room or not?

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right.

17 MM: That is not even, like here's the - here's December 6<sup>th</sup>  
18 or July 16<sup>th</sup> --

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh-huh.

20 MM: And there's - there's 1:14 A.M. and I'm going up and I  
21 don't even see his call.

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: Did, let me see go back. Oh - oh - oh.

23 MM: Whoa - whoa- whoa.

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: Whoa - whoa - whoa, okay.

25 MM: Too fast.

1 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so where we at?

2 MM: I don't know, --

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: Are we in July 16<sup>th</sup>?

4 MM: - keep going up until we see a date. Uhm, there you go -  
5 that's --

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: July 15<sup>th</sup>, okay.

7 MM: - yeah, so this is --

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: So this will be the 16<sup>th</sup>.

9 MM: Yes.

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so 19<sup>th</sup>, Jesse - Jesse - Jesse, who  
11 is, now wait a minute, where we at. This is the 15<sup>th</sup>?

12 MM: Yeah, that I know - I know this is the 16<sup>th</sup> because I  
13 just saw my Habitat for Humanity number right there.

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so now we're going into the day.

15 MM: Yeah.

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so now we're going into the day?

17 MM: Yeah.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, here we go, okay, so there's Morgan,  
19 this is - what's the 12 o'clock number?

20 MM: Yeah.

21 DETECTIVE MEYER: So you called Danny three times while you  
22 guys were at the house together?

23 MM: Huh?

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: It says here at 1 o'clock P.M. on the 15<sup>th</sup>,  
25 you called Danny three times while you guys were in the house

1 together.

2 MM: That wasn't - that must have been before we got to the  
3 house.

4 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so you weren't even at the house until  
5 1:00?

6 MM: I guess not. I know I left the Habitat for Humanity  
7 around 12:00 and I picked up Morgan, --

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh-huh, --

9 MM: - so what time --

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: - okay, uhm, what's this number right here?

11 MM: That's Jesse, my friend.

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: All right, so at 11:23 you call Morgan,  
13 Morgan calls you - you call her back - you call her back again.

14 MM: Yeah, she - I had to wait for her for awhile, she was  
15 getting ready.

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so then you - you what, call Danny?  
17 Yeah, you call Danny three times, it doesn't look like he's  
18 answering though; 1:00 - 1:01 - and 1:04.

19 MM: Well, no that one that means I messed his call.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

21 MM: And then --

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: So you call him back - you call him back and  
23 then -

24 MM: Yeah, because he - he was telling me Tyler said that we  
25 could go over his house and hang out.

1           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right, and then you call Morgan  
2 again at 1:06; 1:07 you call Danny?

3           MM: Yeah, --

4           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, at 1:20, what's this [REDACTED] number?

5           MM: This - that's Tyler's dad's --

6           DETECTIVE MEYER: That's Tyler's dad's number.

7           MM: This must have been right when I picked up Morgan.

8           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

9           MM: Okay, my - my timing must have been off.

10          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

11          MM: Okay.

12          DETECTIVE MEYER: You call mom at 2:30?

13          MM: 2:30, that's when I told my mom that my car broke down.

14          DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh-oh, get your screen back. Okay, so you  
15 called - you called mom at 2:30.

16          MM: Yeah.

17          DETECTIVE MEYER: So from 1:00 to 2:230, you're at Tyler's  
18 house?

19          MM: Yeah.

20          DETECTIVE MEYER: So that there alone you can dispel what -  
21 whatever Danny told Michael. If he told Robert he left at 1:00  
22 you know that - that's not true anyway --

23          MM: Yeah.

24          DETECTIVE MEYER: - because you were there from 1:00 to 2:30.

25          MM: Yeah, I didn't even get there until after 1:00.



1           DETECTIVE MEYER: Right you didn't even get there until after  
2 1:00. So you call mom at 2:30 - 2:40, where we at?

3           MM: All right go back to - it went back to today.

4           DETECTIVE MEYER: All right, so you're at Tyler's from 1:00 to  
5 2:30 so I don't know, maybe Robert just misunderstood him when he  
6 said 1 o'clock, because that just doesn't even make any sense.  
7 Why would he tell somebody --

8           MM: Yeah.

9           DETECTIVE MEYER: - he left at 1:00 when he knows he's there  
10 with you, --

11          MM: Uh-huh.

12          DETECTIVE MEYER: - okay, so if you left at 2:30 and he was  
13 still there and you're saying that his parents weren't home at  
14 2:30 when you left?

15          MM: No.

16          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so that means 2:40, uhm, dad picked  
17 you up, okay, and then, uhm, Danny was still at the house, so it's  
18 probably closer to what he told Michael, that he left at 4:00.

19          MM: Yeah.

20          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. So, uhm, then the suspicion, okay so  
21 the suspicion was the time thing, but maybe he told Robert he left  
22 after 1:00 you know, it's hard telling.

23          MM: Yeah.

24          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so we'll get that cleared, I'll go  
25 over and talk to Robert here in a second, I'll get that cleared

1 up. Uhm, and it could, I mean it's one word, I left after 1:00, I  
2 left after 1:00.

3 MM: Yeah.

4 DETECTIVE MEYER: Right. Okay, so we'll get that cleared up,  
5 but just based off of your phone records right there we know dern  
6 good and well that you had to wait for Morgan to get ready. You  
7 left at 12:00, so let's say it took you fifteen minutes to get to  
8 Morgan's, you had to wait for her to get ready, so you didn't even  
9 leave from Morgans until a little after 1:00.

10 MM: Well, yeah, the Habitat for Humanity is pretty much right  
11 across the street from her house.

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, well all right so it took you less  
13 than five minutes to get there, --

14 MM: Yeah.

15 DETECTIVE MEYER: - but you said you had to wait for her for  
16 awhile to get ready.

17 MM: Yeah, I was waiting for awhile.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, were you waiting out in your car?

19 MM: Yes.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, all right, so we had to wait for her,  
21 so it's - it's a probability that you didn't leave, at 1:06 you  
22 call her going hey, where in the hell are you at?

23 MM: Well, at 1:06 I called her and said are you ready yet and  
24 she said, yeah, come like - she's coming out.

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - okay, all right. So you leave the

1 house at 1:00.

2 MM: Yeah.

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so then that's more - that's more on  
4 your time line isn't it?

5 MM: I gotta look and see when Tyler called me, because when  
6 Tyler called me I know I was coming down St. James almost at  
7 Airoso.

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, all right, so go back to that. So now  
9 we know that you're almost at the house. But we still, based on  
10 your phone calls alone, you're at the house, sometime after 1:00 -  
11 quarter after 1:00 - 1:20 to 1:30.

12 MM: Yeah.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: You said you hung out about an hour so 1:20  
14 - 2:30 is your hour.

15 MM: Yes.

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: So you were right on your time frame, you  
17 were just off on your time.

18 MM: Yeah.

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: But Rob, uh, Danny could be too, so we'll  
20 figure out, okay. It still doesn't make any difference, Danny was  
21 still there after you left, so Danny was at least there from 2:30  
22 to 4:00.

23 MM: Okay, so 1:20 is when Tyler called me and I was almost  
24 there.

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

1 MM: I was coming up to Airoso and St. James.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - okay, so Tyler called and you were  
3 coming up to - you were actually driving up to Airoso and St.  
4 James?

5 MM: Yeah.

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right. Okay, so this is - this is  
7 at least meshing out a little bit closer than what we thought, --

8 MM: Yeah.

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: - but that's a cool thing. Okay, so we have  
10 Danny at the house from 2:30 to 4:00, because we at least know  
11 that he told Michael, he had two different times, but we know this  
12 one cannot be right.

13 MM: Yeah.

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: That's based on your phone.

15 MM: Yeah.

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: And when you and Morgan were there, so we  
17 know that this can't be right, whatever it was and whatever  
18 purpose there's no reason for it.

19 MM: Yeah.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: So this is probably closer to it. So Danny  
21 left at 4:00, so we need to figure about the knife issue and see  
22 what's going on there. Where does and you say it's Danny Roberts?

23 MM: Danny Roberts, I'm think - I'm thinking it's Danny  
24 Roberts, but it could be Danny Andrews, because it's a common last  
25 - it's a common name.

1 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, do you know where he lives?

2 MM: Yeah.

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, give me that.

4 MM: Do you know where - do you know where Preston - well if  
5 you go down Airoso, turn right on Calmoso (Phonetic).

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, wait a minute, Airoso and then right  
7 on Calmoso, --

8 MM: Yes.

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: - okay.

10 MM: And then you make a left onto Preston.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, I know where I'm at.

12 MM: And then a left onto Atlas, it's the last one before  
13 Verada, the last street. Turn on it - it's the second house on the  
14 left.

15 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. What's that - give me is it orange?

16 MM: It's green.

17 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, second house on the left?

18 MM: Yes.

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right.

20 MM: Well, if you go to Robert Paul's first, he lives like one  
21 street away, Robert Paul does.

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right, we'll go do that, all  
23 right. Is that Miss Morgan?

24 MM: Huh?

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: Is that Miss Morgan?

1 MM: No, that's my sister.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Oh, okay, all right. So we'll get that, so  
3 it's not quite so off as we thought, okay.

4 MM: Yeah.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay and that's okay and that's - that's  
6 cool, that's cool, but we definitely want to check out absolutely  
7 everything.

8 MM: Yeah.

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uhm, I got one more question for you okay,  
10 and I need you to be honest with me. You - you're doing okay,  
11 right, okay.

12 MM: Yeah.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: I've got a Victim Advocate that's gonna make  
14 contact with you guys all right, uhm, take her help, okay. Uhm,  
15 what she can do is she can - she can give you the name of somebody  
16 to go talk to, okay. I know you love Morgan, I know you love your  
17 mom and dad, okay, but Mike this is doing something, okay. You  
18 can't take away shit that you see.

19 MM: Yeah.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: It's gonna be up there for a long - long  
21 time.

22 MM: Yeah.

23 DETECTIVE MEYER: Go talk to somebody that doesn't know you.  
24 Go talk to somebody that's not gonna think gosh he's crying or  
25 gosh he's mad, go talk to somebody that's gonna let you be

1 yourself and vent and scream and cry and tell them that you're  
2 scared and you don't have to worry about maintaining your  
3 composure. Do that, go talk to somebody because when you do that,  
4 I don't care how many buddies you bullshit with, I don't care how  
5 many times you cry on Morgan's shoulder, I don't care how many  
6 times you vent to your mom and dad, you're going to feel better by  
7 telling somebody that - because they can be honest with you.

8 MM: Yeah.

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: They can talk to you very matter of fact,  
10 you feel the need to be strong for Morgan. You feel like you need  
11 to be a man in front of your dad. In front of a counselor you  
12 don't have to do any of that, dud and it will really, you will be  
13 amazed at how much better you will deal with this. Okay - all  
14 right.

15 MM: Okay.

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: All right, because I don't like you being  
17 scared.

18 MM: Uh-huh.

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: All right, here's one thing that I need to  
20 know from you, okay. I need to know exactly how many people you  
21 told at the party that you think Tyler killed his parents and I  
22 need to know who you might have showed the bodies to? Not  
23 necessarily going into the rooms, but opening up the door?

24 MM: My moms calling. Hello.

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

1 MM: Hello.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Let her know I'm here.

3 MM: Yeah - yeah, the - the detective is here, she's just  
4 asking me a few more questions.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Hi mom.

6 MOM: She's there now?

7 MM: Yeah.

8 MOM: Tell her I said hi.

9 MM: All right.

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: Hi mom.

11 MOM: Hi, how you doing?

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh, we're doing good - we're doing good, I'm  
13 just checking on him.

14 MOM: Okay, good. (Indiscernible).

15 MM: All right, love you.

16 MOM: All right, I love you.

17 DETECTIVE MEYER: And so, uhm, the reason I'm asking it's not  
18 because I think you were lying to me or anything like that.

19 MM: Uh-huh.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: I know you were scared shitless, okay.

21 MM: Uh-huh.

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: And I know that this screwed with you bad,  
23 all right and I totally get that, all right. But what I need to  
24 know, is I need to know exactly everybody that I need to talk to.  
25 And here's the thing, the fact that you felt like you had -



1 exactly like you said that you told Jesse; you were just  
2 overwhelmed, you were totally overcome by all of this, you don't  
3 know what the hell to do and you felt the need to just - you had  
4 to get like some support.

5 MM: Yeah.

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, and that's cool, that - that doesn't  
7 mean that you did anything wrong or anything bad or anything like  
8 that, okay. But I just need to know because I need to start  
9 following up on all this, okay.

10 MM: well, I told - I told Justin (indiscernible) --

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: He was the first one that you told, right?

12 MM: Yeah, and --

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: Is that right?

14 MM: Yeah, and I when I was telling him I kept stressing,  
15 don't, please don't tell anyone, I don't everyone at - I don't you  
16 to tell someone and they tell everyone at the party and it creates  
17 this huge --

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: But you know that it's going to.

19 MM: Right.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, right - right.

21 MM: And I tell him not to tell anyone. And he came - he came  
22 to the party with a friend Deserie (Phonetic), and he told me  
23 that's the only person that he told at the party.

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right, what else?

25 MM: And right before I left I told one other person, his name

1 - his name is Ryan (Indiscernible), I told him, listen man I don't  
2 know you that well, I hung out with you a couple times, I just  
3 want to let you know that you might want to get out of here  
4 because something bad's happened.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Well, who all was there when you told Ryan,  
6 was --

7 MM: No, it - it was just me and him. After - after I told -  
8 when I told Ryan that's when everyone all ready got up and went to  
9 a different party, there was about I think there was a few people,  
10 less than ten after everyone left.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: Did Ryan tell anybody?

12 MM: Huh, no. Ryan left at the same time I did, he was  
13 walking down the street at the same time.

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, when - did Ryan believe you or did you  
15 feel the need - did he - did he go look in the back door?

16 MM: No, he didn't look in the back door, he left same time I  
17 did, but he kept - he kept screaming at me saying; don't fuck with  
18 me --

19 DETECTIVE MYER: Uh-huh.

20 MM: - like he wouldn't believe me.

21 DETECTIVE MEYER: And I don't know why, but he kept saying -  
22 he kept saying if you're gonna kill me Mike just do it - I don't  
23 know, maybe he was all freaked out about everything. He was  
24 really messed up, --

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

1 MM: - but.

2 DETECTIVE Meyer: (Indiscernible) uhm, I'm gonna go back, uhm,  
3 okay; was Ryan with anybody?

4 MM: Huh?

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Was Ryan with anybody?

6 MM: When he came to the party his older brother and his  
7 brother's friend was there --

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Yeah.

9 MM: - but they - they left after like an hour, they didn't  
10 know anything about it.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, and you never once - and I know this  
12 is very - very important, this is very - very important this is a  
13 huge thing, okay, did you open the door and point out dad's legs  
14 and the blood to convince somebody that you weren't fucking with  
15 them, that you really think that Tyler killed his parents and that  
16 everybody needed to get the hell out?

17 MM: Yeah.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Who did you show?

19 MM: I don't know his last name, his name is Dustin.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, was this before Ryan or before Jesse  
21 or when was it?

22 MM: No, this after Jesse left. Jesse left and I - and I was  
23 there alone, no one to talk to.

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

25 MM: I showed - I showed Dustin - Dustin.

1           DETECTIVE MEYER: Tell, now wait a minute - stop; okay, so you  
2 tell Jesse, okay and, uhm, you tell Ryan or Ryan is the last  
3 person you tell?

4           MM: Ryan is the last person I tell. I told Jesse --

5           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so Dustin is actually in between here?

6           MM: Yeah.

7           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.: When I tell Jesse, he's saying, uhm,  
8 he went - went up to Tyler and told him that his mom is mad at him  
9 and he's in trouble and he has to go home, that's what he told  
10 Tyler, that's why he told Tyler and he left, he didn't tell him  
11 the real reason.

12          DETECTIVE MEYER: His mom was mad?

13          MM: Yeah.

14          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right. So now you are - you've  
15 all ready had the garage conversation and the whole nine yards,  
16 right?

17          MM: Oh, yeah.

18          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, who took the picture of you guys out  
19 in the garage?

20          MM: I took it myself, I was --

21          DETECTIVE MEYER: Were you, is that when you were having the  
22 conversation?

23          MM: That was after, remember I told you after I looked at the  
24 body I brought Tyler in there, I told him - I told him you really  
25 did it, you really killed your parents.

1           DETECTIVE MEYER: Hey can I call you back.

2           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. No, I don't know that you actually  
3 told me you guys went back to the garage.

4           MM: Oh.

5           DETECTIVE MEYER: After you looked at the body, you got Tyler?

6           MM: Yeah, I - I got Tyler and I kept telling him, why didn't  
7 you just run away man, why didn't - if you hated your parents so  
8 much why don't you just run away? Why would you do something like  
9 this?

10          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. Now you told him, you looked at him,  
11 you took him back to the garage and you said, dude you did it?

12          MM: I said you really killed - you really murdered your  
13 parents, you did this?

14          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. What did he say?

15          MM: Huh?

16          DETECTIVE MEYER: What did he say?

17          MM: He, I don't know if he was smiling or saying or he said,  
18 yes I don't know.

19          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, did he nod, you just can't - you don't  
20 remember the response.

21          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

22          MM: And I told him - I told him I said this is probably gonna  
23 be the last time I see you.

24          DETECTIVE MEYER: You asked, now wait a minute, did you ask  
25 him, because I keep making you stop, so I get you out of order

1 okay, so let's go back through here. You - you took him back to  
2 the garage, you said you really murdered your parents, you did  
3 this and you can't remember his response. Uhm, I mean, is this  
4 when you told him why didn't you run away when you started with  
5 this?

6 MM: Yes - yes, well I was saying well I'm like I was ask - I  
7 was thinking to myself like how can getting in an arguments with  
8 parents go to this level, how - how --

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: You're asking him all these things?

10 MM: No I didn't ask him, I was just thinking it.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, rattle off the things that you ask  
12 him.

13 MM: Okay.

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: You know, you're like why didn't you run  
15 away, why --

16 MM: Yes, I said why didn't you run away and he said he tried  
17 that before.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

19 MM: And then af- after that - that was pretty much it, I  
20 just said let's take a picture and he said let's take a bunch of  
21 pictures, but I only took one, and shortly after that - that's  
22 when the police knocked at the door for the - oh no, that couldn't  
23 have been that because I talked to him about that before I even  
24 showed Dustin.

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so you just came out of the garage?

1 MM: Yeah.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

3 MM: And I must have went back to the party for a few minutes  
4 and then --

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: And this is it though, this is - you took  
6 him back to the garage --

7 MM: Yes.

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: - and can you think of anything else that  
9 was said?

10 MM: No, that's all I can - that's all that happened --

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: So it was quick?

12 MM: Yeah, it was real quick.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right.

14 MM: Then I - I saw Dustin out front, he had just showed up to  
15 the party and I was like and that was when Tyler, when Dustin  
16 came, that's when Tyler left to go get more beer, like I told you,  
17 and --

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: Do we still know whether or not he went with  
19 anybody?

20 MM: No, I didn't see him go anywhere.

21 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

22 MM: I didn't see him get into the car.

23 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

24 MM: Uh, he asked me and Dustin to watch the house for him.

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

1 MM: As soon as Tyler left, I was like Dustin come here.

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

3 MM: And I - I all I did was open, I didn't even say a word, I  
4 just walked him back there open the garage or --

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: You didn't tell him, you didn't tell him  
6 what you were about to show him?

7 MM: I said this is - all I did was say this is serious. I  
8 didn't say any other words as we were walking there. I opened the  
9 door --

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: And the house is full of people?

11 MM: Yeah.

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

13 MM: I opened the door, he looks down, he sees the leg and --

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: What are you telling him at this point?

15 MM: Huh?

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: What are you telling him at this point?

17 MM: He was - I didn't tell him nothing. He - he came up to me  
18 and said all right listen Michael, I was never here, I don't want  
19 anything to do with this.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: What all did he see?

21 MM: Huh?

22 DETECTIVE MEYER: What all did he see?

23 MM: Well, I opened the door because he could have saw the -  
24 he saw the bed --

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: That's okay, and I realize that, but I've



1 got a lot going on, I will be over there in just a few minutes,  
2 okay. Just - just bear with me, okay. Thank you, all right.  
3 Doesn't make any difference. I'll be over there in a little bit  
4 though, okay. I will - I will. Thank you.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. He says - you open the door, now how  
6 far are you able to get it open?

7 MM: Just the same amount as the last time,

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

9 MM: - because his dad was right there in the way.

10 DETECTIVE MEYER: What did he say to you?

11 MM: He said --

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: Did you point anything out to him, did you  
13 say anything?

14 MM: I opened the door and I pointed my flashlight like at the  
15 body, at his leg. You couldn't see his whole body, you could only  
16 see the leg when the door was open.

17 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

18 MM: And that's - that's when he told me --

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: Did he ask you what was going on, who did -  
20 who is this - who did this?

21 MM: No. He didn't all - as soon as he saw it he said I was  
22 never here, I'm getting out of here. And then he - well I don't  
23 know how he got there, but he walked down the driveway and he just  
24 left.

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: That's it, he just left you standing there?

1 MM: Huh?

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: Well, we - we walked out to the front  
3 together, that's --

4 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so you shut it back up?

5 MM: Yeah, we walked up to the front and that's when he said,  
6 I was never here.

7 DETECTIVE MEYER: What are telling him at this point, are you  
8 saying anything to him?

9 MM: No, I'm still - I'm not really talking. I wasn't my  
10 normal self after that, I really wasn't.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, uhm, who else did you show?

12 MM: That's it.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: What happened after Dustin left?

14 MM: After Dustin left, I stayed at the party still like I  
15 told you before.

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh-huh.

17 MM: And we just stayed at the party until the party showed up  
18 for the noise and then --

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: What were you doing?

20 MM: Huh?

21 DETECTIVE MEYER: What were you doing at the party?

22 MM: Just talking and bullshitting.

23 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, you didn't tell anybody else?

24 MM: No, I really, that's literally it. I didn't tell anybody  
25 else.

1           DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right. Uhm, okay, uhm, since I've  
2 left you the last time, now you're saying you're bullshitting and  
3 you're talking at the party. Uhm, was the party all ready  
4 starting to wind down? Do you remember what time everybody really  
5 started leaving?

6           MM: Uh, no, well I'd say it was around 3:00, because --

7           DETECTIVE MEYER: The police were there when everybody was  
8 there?

9           MM: No, the police came about five or ten minutes after, if  
10 you can find out when the police showed up for the nosie complaint  
11 --

12          DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh-huh.

13          MM: It was about five or ten minutes after everyone left.  
14 Everyone said let's go to Maggie's house and they all went to a  
15 different party I guess. There was till less than ten people  
16 there, not every single person left.

17          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so maybe ten people left?

18          MM: Uh-huh. The only ones I knew there was Tyler and Ryan  
19 that were left.

20          DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so it was after the police showed --

21          MM: Yeah.

22          DETECTIVE MEYER: - up okay and then you have and then you  
23 talked to Ryan?

24          MM: Uh-huh.

25          DETECTIVE MEYER: How long after the police left?

1 MM: Huh?

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: How long after the police left did you talk  
3 to Ryan?

4 MM: Like within like the first couple of minutes after they  
5 left, that's when I was - that's when me and Ryan went to Tyler.  
6 Like right after I told Ryan, I said we need to get out of here,  
7 we went up to Tyler and said we're leaving and Tyler said no,  
8 stay. And Tyler went back to making his food and as soon as he  
9 turned around we went out to the garage and then went around and  
10 left.

11 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. Uh, so within a couple of minutes of  
12 (indiscernible) leaving, where were you and Ryan at when you had  
13 the talk with Ryan?

14 MM: About?

15 DETECTIVE MEYER: About what had happened.

16 MM: After I left or before I left?

17 DETECTIVE MEYER: Well, you said that, uhm, let's see here --

18 MM: I told you he was talking to me while we were walking  
19 saying --

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: Yeah, well you said that you walked up to  
21 Ryan and you said that you might want to go and you said everyone  
22 was pretty well gone and that you and he left together.

23 MM: Yeah.

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: So, uh, when you told him you might want to  
25 go - what was it - where were you guys at when you told him that?

1 MM: Right in front of the front door, the same place we were  
2 when Tyler came up to us or when we went up to Tyler and said that  
3 we're going. Like right when you walk in the front door there's a  
4 big cabinet or shelves --

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh-huh.

6 MM: That's where we were standing.

7 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, and what all did you tell Ryan when  
8 you were standing there?

9 MM: I told him that, I can't - I think I told him Tyler did  
10 something bad, we needed to go and while we were walking down the  
11 street I - I told him what he did. And he - that's when he kept  
12 saying don't fuck with me and --

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: Where did you lose Ryan when you were  
14 walking?

15 MM: Huh?

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Where did you lose Ryan when you were  
17 walking?

18 MM: Well, he lives - he lives by the Sunoco behind there and  
19 he went to Sunoco and I parted my ways, uhm.

20 DETECTIVE MEYER: And this is very important; is this - is  
21 this, like I said, I know I'm talking to you the day after, I know  
22 you called Crime Stoppers, Crime Stoppers you were very worried  
23 and upset. I totally get that, okay, so I knew that more things  
24 were gonna come back to you. But if things come back to you - you  
25 have to call me --

1 MM: Yeah, --

2 DETECTIVE MEYER: - okay, because I need - I need anything and  
3 everything that happened. The last thing that I want to do is be  
4 surprised by something you know that somebody else tells me, okay.

5 MM: Yeah.

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, so, uhm, if you're - if you're being  
7 straight with me and you're being completely honest with me and  
8 these are the people that you told, okay, if there's anybody else  
9 then I need to know and I need now, because I don't want - and I  
10 don't want any surprises, I need to know what you did.

11 MM: Okay, uhm, I told - when I went to the Police Station I  
12 told you I walked home because Ryan didn't want his name being  
13 used, --

14 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

15 MM: - that's why I never told you his name. And I didn't  
16 walk home all right me and Ryan told me he could get me a ride; we  
17 went to his - where his brother and his friend worked so you can  
18 take that --

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: That's okay - that's okay, that's all  
20 right. So you went to where; his brothers?

21 MM: Well I don't know if it's his brother's house, but his  
22 brother and his brother's friend was there, they were the two that  
23 were at the party earlier. And he, uhm, --

24 DETECTIVE MEYER: Did you tell them?

25 MM: Huh?

1 DETECTIVE MEYER: Did you guys tell them?

2 MM: Yeah, Ryan told them.

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: Who were they?

4 MM: Uh, I don't know his brother's name.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, what did we tell them?

6 MM: Huh, he - he just said that - that you know that party  
7 you were at, there was dead bodies there and then they weren't -  
8 they I don't if they - I don't think they believed him at first,  
9 but then he kept freaking out about it. And then they dropped -  
10 they dropped me off right on Bayshore and then they went  
11 someplace.

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: What did you do for two hours, because you  
13 said you left the party and then it took you a couple hours to get  
14 home?

15 MM: What do you mean?

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: You said that it, like you I think when I  
17 talked to you on Sunday you thought you had left at 2:00, you  
18 think it was after that; so you went to wherever they were, you  
19 walked -

20 MM: Yeah.

21 DETECTIVE MEYER: - to wherever Ryan's brother and his friend  
22 were.

23 MM: It only - it only like ten minutes after we left the  
24 party to get there.

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right. Do you know where it was?

1 MM: Uh, well if you - if you go down Twilight the side Sunoco  
2 is on --

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh-huh.

4 MM: - uhm, you make the first right and then the first left,  
5 it's the last house on the right.

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: And you say first right - first left --

7 MM: And then the last house on the right.

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, and then Ryan told them, hey you  
9 remember that party, there were dead bodies there and they gave  
10 you a ride home?

11 MM: Yeah.

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: So how long after you left the party do you  
13 think it took you to get home? I mean did you guys hang out there  
14 for awhile?

15 MM: At Ryan's or --

16 DETECTIVE MEYER: Uh-huh, wherever this house was?

17 MM: - no as soon, pretty much as soon as we got there we told  
18 them and left.

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. Did you confirm anything that Ryan  
20 said, I mean were you just like, yeah?

21 MM: Oh no, he was talking to his brother, I was out front. I  
22 don't really know exactly what he said to his brother.

23 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

24 MM: And I - the longest we were gone before I got home would  
25 have to be like fifteen minutes top --



1 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay.

2 MM: - because it doesn't take that long to walk there.

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay - all right. Okay - all right.

4 Anything else?

5 MM: No, I'm being - I'm sorry I --

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: No you're okay - you're okay.

7 MM: - told you - I'm being completely honest with you this --

8 DETECTIVE MEYER: And I know people ask to be left out of it  
9 and everything else, but when you get into a situation like this,  
10 regardless of whether or not people want to be left out or not,  
11 you can't do that. Is that Robert?

12 MM: Yeah.

13 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, tell him I'm leaving.

14 MM: Hello - hello, yeah. Yeah, I - I gotta give you a call  
15 back, all right. That was actually Ryan right on the phone, I  
16 thought it was Robert Paul.

17 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. Is Ryan okay?

18 MM: Yeah, he --

19 DETECTIVE MEYER: What's he saying?

20 MM: Well, I don't - I don't - I don't know, he said that the  
21 cops are looking for him. I guess he thought he was gonna ask me  
22 if I gave his name or something.

23 DETECTIVE MEYER: No - no.

24 MM: Okay.

25 DETECTIVE MEYER: And here's the thing I all ready knew about

1 Ryan, okay.

2 MM: Okay.

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: So when he calls back and says dude did you  
4 give them my name you can just say dude they had your name.

5 MM: Yeah.

6 DETECTIVE MEYER: And you can leave it at that. It didn't come  
7 from you, I got the honesty out of you.

8 MM: Do you want his phone number?

9 DETECTIVE MEYER: No, we've all ready - like I said, we've all  
10 got his phone number, okay.

11 MM: Oh.

12 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay. The thing of it is - is that what you  
13 need to tell him is that, uhm, you know just say look dude I  
14 talked to the detective, she all ready had your name before she  
15 talked to me. Just talk to them, you ain't got nothing to hide,  
16 tell them what you know, okay.

17 MM: Okay, yeah.

18 DETECTIVE MEYER: That's the best thing that he can do for  
19 himself, okay. Because the more he doesn't want to talk to us and  
20 he doesn't want to get involved, the worse it make it - why; you  
21 guys did nothing wrong.

22 MM: Yeah.

23 DETECTIVE MEYER: Okay, if nobodies got anything to hide and  
24 nobody did anything wrong, then don't worry about it. Come in,  
25 tell us what you know, and that's it - done.

1 MM: Yeah, that's just - a lot of people are just simply  
2 scared of the police.

3 DETECTIVE MEYER: Why - I'm a nice person.

4 MM: I know, I'm - I'm not, I'm just saying.

5 DETECTIVE MEYER: I'm gonna conclude this interview with Mike,  
6 uh, at this point, and the time is going to be 11:26 and my  
7 interview is completed with Mike Mandell.

8 (Thus the interview was concluded)

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I, Cherry Kelly, hereby certify that I transcribed the preceding interview of MM numbered 2 through 37 inclusive, and that the transcription constitutes to the best of my ability a true record of the interview as taken from an electronic recording.

Cherry Kelly  
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STATE OF FLORIDA  
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 2012, by Cherry Kelly, who is personally known to me and who did take an oath.

Stacey Floyd  
Notary Public, State of Florida at Large.

