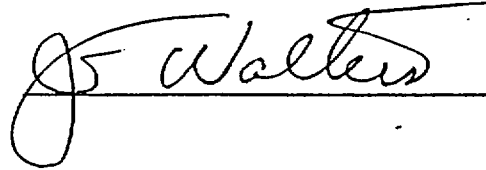
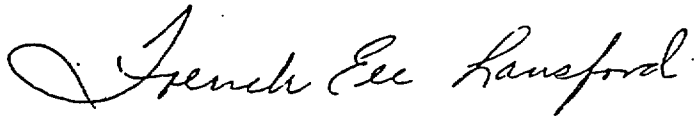


I, JIM WALTERS, SHELBY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATOR, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE INTERVIEW OF PAT SWINEY ON THE TENTH OF DECEMBER, NINETEEN HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN.

  
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Sworn and subscribed to this 18th day of December, 1987



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WHERE is Patrick's SIGNATURE?

J.W. - OK, IT'S RUNNING NOW?

S.O. - YEA.

J.W. - THIS IS AN INTERVIEW WITH PAT SWINEY AT THE ALABASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT. THE TIME IS 10:39 P.M. THE PEOPLE PRESENT AT THIS INTERVIEW ARE MYSELF, SGT. JIM WALTERS, CHIEF DEPUTY JAMES JONES, LT. STANLEY OLIVER/ALABASTER POLICE DEPT. AND PAT SWINEY. MR. SWINEY, HAVE YOU BEEN ADVISED OF YOUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS?

P.S. - YES.

J.W. - I PRESENT TO YOU A STATEMENT THAT I READ TO YOU AND ADVISED YOU TO READ. THE FORM THAT YOU SEE, IS IT THE SAME FORM THAT YOU READ AND SIGNED?

P.S. - YEA.

J.W. - OK, PAT, DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING RIGHT UP FRONT, OR DO YOU WANT ME TO ASK YOU SOME QUESTIONS? WE'VE GOT A LOT OF THINGS TO TALK ABOUT.

P.S. - WHATEVER.

J.W. - OK, WELL, LET ME START WITH THIS, PAT, AH, OBVIOUSLY WE'VE HAD A SHOOTING DOWN AT SAGINAW. AH, ALABASTER PARAMEDICS RECEIVED A CALL FROM MRS. CARTER, TO COME DOWN THERE. BOBBIE CARTER, HUH?

P.S. - ROBBIE.

J.W. - AH, I'M SORRY, I MEAN, ROBBIE CARTER. I UNDERSTAND THAT SHE'S RELATED TO YOU? WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP?

P.S. - SISTER.

J.W. - OK, SO JUST TO BEGIN THE CONVERSATION HERE, OF COURSE WE'RE INTERESTED IN HOW SHE KNEW TO CALL AND SEND SOMEBODY DOWN THERE. OBVIOUSLY YOU HAD A CONVERSATION WITH HER? OK, DO YOU WANT TO CLUE US IN ON WHAT THE CONVERSATION WAS?

P.S. - I JUST CALLED HER.

J.W. - WHAT DID YOU SAY?

J.J. - WHERE DID YOU CALL HER FROM, PAT?

P.S. - I THINK ... I'M NOT REALLY SURE. I THINK I CALLED HER FROM THAT LITTLE CRYSTAL, AH,, SERVICE STATION THERE AT AH, BESIDE THE WAFFLE HOUSE. I'M NOT SURE. TO BE HONEST, TO BE PERFECTLY HONEST WITH YOU, I DON'T KNOW.

J.J. - AFTER YOU CALLED HER, THEN YOU WENT DOWN TO ROBBIE'S HOUSE?

P.S. - YEA.

J.J. - WAS ROBBIE STILL THERE WHEN YOU GOT TO HER HOUSE?

P.S. - YES.

J.J. - THEN THAT'S WHEN YOU TOLD ROBBIE WHAT HAD TAKEN PLACE?

P.S. - I DON'T KNOW.

J.J. - IN YOUR OWN WORDS, THE BEST THAT YOU CAN RECALL, CAN YOU TELL US WHAT YOU TOLD ROBBIE?

P.S. - I DON'T REMEMBER.

J.J. - AH, HAVE YOU GOT AN IDEA OF WHAT YOU MIGHT HAVE SAID OR WHAT DO YOU THINK THAT YOU SAID OR YOU EVIDENTLY, YOU INDICATED TO HER THAT THERE WAS A PROBLEM DOWN AT, AT --

P.S. - I DON'T KNOW WHAT I SAID.

J.W. - DID YOU TELL HER THAT THERE HAD BEEN A SHOOTING DOWN THERE?

P.S. - I DON'T KNOW.

J.W. - YOU DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING YOU TOLD HER?

P.S. - NO.

J.W. - YOU DON'T HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT THE CONVERSATION WAS?

P.S. - NO.

J.W. - OK, DO YOU REMEMBER WHAT TIME IT WAS WHEN YOU CALLED HER?

P.S. - I DON'T HAVE THE SLIGHTEST IDEA.

J.W. - OK, DO YOU REMEMBER BEING, IS THAT YOUR HOUSE DOWN AT THE SCENE?

P.S. - PARDON ME?

J.W. - IS THAT YOUR HOUSE? DO YOU LIVE IN SAGINAW?

P.S. - YEA.

J.W. - OK, AH, YOU DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING THAT WENT ON THERE THIS EVENING?

P.S. - I REMEMBER GOING DOWN THERE TO CHECK ON MY DOGS.

J.W. - ABOUT WHAT TIME WAS THAT, PAT?

P.S. - I DON'T HAVE THE SLIGHTEST IDEA.

J.W. - WELL, WAS IT DAYLIGHT OR DARK?

P.S. - DARK.

J.W. - IT WAS ALREADY DARK?

P.S. - YEA. I SAW THE TWO OF THEM TOGETHER AND THAT WAS THE LAST THING I REMEMBER.

J.W. - OK, WHO WAS THE TWO OF THEM? NOW WILL YOU TELL US WHO YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT HERE?

P.S. - MY WIFE AND HER EX-HUSBAND.

J.W. - AND WHAT IS HER NAME AND HIS NAME?

P.S. - HER NAME IS BETTY ANN AND HIS NAME WAS RONNIE PATE.

J.W. - OK, DID YOU GO IN THE HOUSE WHEN YOU WENT DOWN THERE?

P.S. - I DON'T KNOW.

J.W. - YOU DON'T? WELL, YOU SAID YOU SAW THEM TOGETHER NOW, SO IN OTHER WORDS --

P.S. - I SAW THEM THROUGH THE WINDOW.

J.W. - OK, YOU JUST LOOKED INSIDE AND SAW THEM?

P.S. - YEA.

J.W. - OK, DID YOU EVER AT ANYTIME, GO INSIDE?

P.S. - I DON'T KNOW.

J.W. - YOU DON'T? AH, PAT, WHEN YOU WENT DOWN THERE TO FEED YOUR DOGS, IN OTHER WORDS, THAT'S THE ONLY INTENTION YOU HAD, WAS TO GO AND FEED YOUR DOGS?

P.S. - YEA.

J.W. - OK, AT WHAT POINT, DID YOU ALREADY HAVE YOUR GUN WITH YOU THEN?

P.S. - NO, IT WAS IN THE TRUCK.

J.W. - IT WAS IN THE TRUCK. SO, WHEN YOU GOT DOWN THERE TO FEED THE DOGS AND YOU OBVIOUSLY WERE OUTSIDE AND YOU LOOKED IN THE WINDOW AND YOU SAW YOUR WIFE AND THIS PATE FELLOW IN THERE, SO AT THAT POINT, WHAT HAPPENED?

P.S. - I DON'T KNOW.

J.W. - YOU DON'T REMEMBER WHAT YOU DID OR WHAT YOU THOUGHT OR WHAT HAPPENED OR ANYTHING AT THAT POINT?

P.S. - I DON'T KNOW.

J.W. - YOU DON'T REMEMBER GOING OUT TO THE TRUCK AND GETTING YOUR GUN?

P.S. - I DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING AND I'M NOT HANDING YOU A BUNCH OF BULLSHIT. I'M TALKING FRIENDS TO FRIENDS. I DON'T KNOW, I HONESTLY TO GOD, DON'T KNOW.

S.O. - PAT, ARE YOU SAYING THAT WHEN YOU SAW THEM, YOU JUST WENT MAD?

P.S. - I DON'T KNOW. I'LL BE HONEST WITH YOU, I DON'T KNOW. AND I'M TELLING YOU HONESTLY, I DON'T KNOW.

J.J. - PAT, YOU CAN UNDERSTAND FROM OUR POINT ---

P.S. - I UNDERSTAND.

J.J. - YOU'VE BEEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND YOU ---

P.S. - I UNDERSTAND, BUT I JUST FLAT FUCKING DON'T KNOW.

S.O. - WELL, PAT, THAT GUN, THAT YOUR MOTHER GIVE ME, SHE SAID SHE GOT IT FROM YOU, RIGHT? THAT IS YOUR GUN?

P.S. - THAT'S MY GUN.

S.O. - SHE GOT IT FROM YOU TONIGHT, AND HID IT, RIGHT?

P.S. - AND WHAT?

S.O. - HID IT.

P.S. - HID IT?

S.O. - YEA.

P.S. - I DON'T KNOW THAT SHE HID IT.

S.O. - WELL SHE GOT THE GUN --

J.J. - SHE PUT IT OUT OF SIGHT. YOU KNOW, SHE WAS CONCERNED AND SHE PUT IT OUT OF SIGHT, IF NOTHING ELSE.

P.S. - I DIDN'T REALIZE THAT, CAUSE I LEFT IT IN MY TRUCK. I DON'T ---

J.J. - OBVIOUSLY, IT'S KIND OF HARD FOR US TO UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW, YOUR NOT BEING ABLE TO REMEMBER ANYTHING. YOU KNOW, THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE SAYING. BUT, AH, AGAIN, YOU WENT TO THE HOUSE THAT YOU HAD BEEN LIVING IN. YOU AND BETTY HAD HAD SOME PROBLEMS, OBVIOUSLY, AH, YA'LL HAD SOME PROBLEMS RECENTLY?

P.S. - THAT'S TRUE.

J.J. - OK, HAD SHE ASKED YOU TO LEAVE OR ---

P.S. - I DON'T WANT TO GO ANY FURTHER NOW.

J.J. - YOU DON'T WANT TO GO ANY FURTHER ON YOUR AND BETTY'S PERSONAL PROBLEMS --

P.S. - I DON'T WANT TO GO ANY FURTHER PERIOD.

J.J. - OK, YOU WANT TO TERMINATE THE INTERVIEW AT THIS TIME?

P.S. - YEA, YEA, IT DIDN'T REALLY HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH, AH, IT REALLY DOESN'T MATTER, BUT, PARTICULARLY, I DON'T KNOW. I MEAN THAT VERY SINCERELY, FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART, MAYBE YOU CAN'T COMPREHEND IT, YOU CAN'T COMPREHEND IT. I KNOW YOU CAN'T, BUT I DON'T KNOW. I JUST, FROM THAT POINT IN TIME WHERE TO WHEN I SAW THE TWO OF THEM, I DON'T KNOW.

J.W. - OK. IS THAT ALL YOU'VE GOT TO SAY ABOUT IT THEN?

P.S. - I MEAN THAT VERY SINCERELY.

J.J. - YOU STATED EARLIER THAT YOU WANTED TO END THIS DISCUSSION AND SO FORTH AND THAT IS WHAT YOU WANT TO DO AT THIS TIME? HAVE YOU SAID ALL THAT YOU CAN REMEMBER AND ALL THAT YOU WANT TO TELL US ABOUT? AND YOU WANT TO TERMINATE THIS INTERVIEW?

J.W. - OK, AT 10:46 P.M. THIS INTERVIEW WILL BE COMPLETE.

J.W. - SGT. JIM WALTERS

S.O. - LT. STANLEY OLIVER

P.S. - PAT SWINEY

J.J. - CHIEF JAMES JONES