- 1 Q. That was?
- 2 A. For the death of Yvonne Layne.
- 3  $\parallel$  Q. What happened during that interview?
- 4 | A. I had admitted to it.
- 5 | Q. You admitted to what?
- 6 | A. Killing Yvonne Layne.
- Q. Did you mention David Thorne during the course of that interview?
- 9 A. Yes, I did.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. What did you tell them?
- 11 A. I told them that he wanted me to do it and he had paid me to do it.
- Q. In regards to State's Exhibit 1, the knife
- that you used to kill Yvonne Layne, do you know how it ended up here in court today?
- 16  $\parallel$  A. I had told the police where it was.
- 17 | Q. Did you just tell?
- 18 A. I took them to it.
- Q. Would that have been the same day as when you were interviewed by them?
- 21 | A. Yes, sir.
- 22  $\parallel$  Q. And what happened when you took them to it?
- 23 | A. They found the knife.
- Q. Did you take them to any other piece of evidence?

- 1 | A. To my -- to the pants.
- Q. What had happened to the pants?
- 3 | A. What do you mean?
- 4 | Q. In other words, why did you have to take
- 5 them to the pants? What had you done with
- 6 the pants after the murder?
- 7 A. I had thrown them in the woods.
- 8 Q. Which woods?
- 9 A. The ones right off Lover's Lane.
- 10 | Q. I'm going to show you what's been marked
- 11 for identification purposes as 59A, 59B,
- 12 | 59C, 59D, 59E, 59F, and 59J. Ask you to
- 13 | look at those items.
- 14 A. (Witness complies with request.)
- 15 | Q. Do you recognize those photographs?
- 16 | A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 17 | Q. What are those photographs?
- 18 A. That's where I put the pants.
- 19 | Q. Sorry?
- 20 | A. Where I had put the pants.
- 21 | Q. And did you show them the pants the same
- 22 day as the knife?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, I did.
- 24 | Q. In the interview. What happened to the
- 25  $\parallel$  other clothing items that you were wearing?

- 1 A. I'm not sure.
- Q. Did you tell the police anything during the interview about the clothes?
- A. I told them that I had put them in a bag and gave them to David, but I didn't.
- 6 | Q. Sorry?
- 7 A. I said I had put them in a bag and gave them to David.
- 9 Q. Did you do that?
- 10 A. No, sir, I did not.
- 11 | Q. Why did you tell the police that?
- 12 A. I don't know.
- Q. Did you tell the police anything else that was false or wrong?
- 15 A. Yes, I told them that he had taken me to a

  16 friend's house, dropped me off there and he

  17 took me home.
- 18  $\parallel$  Q. When are you talking about?
- 19 A. After we went to the mall.
- 20 Q. You mean the first time you went to the mall?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. You told them that you went to a friend's house?
- 25 | A. Yes.

- Why did you tell them that? 1 Q.
- Just --2 Α.
- That's not true? 3 Q.
- No. 4 Α.

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- Anything else? 5 Q.
- Not that I recall. б Α.
- What then happened in regards to the legal 7 Q. system with your case?
- And tell us what happened? 10 Q.

I was put in jail.

- I was put in jail. 11 Α.
- Do you recall the specific offenses you 12 Q.
- were charged with? 13
- Yes. 14 Α.
- What were they? 15 Q.
- Murder for hire. 16 Α.
- And did you plead guilty to those specific 17 Q. charges? 18
- Yes, sir, I did. Α. 19
- And what was your sentence? 20 Q.
- Thirty to life. 21 Α.
- Did you face other potential sentences 22 Q.
- prior to pleading guilty? 23
- Yes, sir, I did. Α. 24
- What other potential sentences do you think 25 Ο.

1		you were facing?
2	Α.	Death row, life without chance of parole.
3	Q.	In regards to your life sentence with 30
4		years, did you make any agreement of what
5		you would do?
6	Α.	Yes, I did.
7	Q.	What did you agree to do?
8	Α.	I would testify truthfully.
9	Q.	You told us earlier why you agreed to kill
10		Yvonne Layne. Why did you actually kill
11		Yvonne Layne?
12	Α.	Because I wanted to be number one in
13		David's life and it was a way to prove
14		myself.
15	Q.	Did you get paid for it?
16	Α.	Yes, sir, I did.
17		MR. BAUMOEL: No further
18		questions.
19		THE COURT: Counsel approach.
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21		(A conference was held at the bench
22		outside the hearing of the jury.)
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24		THE COURT: I'm going to take a
25		recess now and let the jury go out first.

I want you to stay with the jury. If they			
go downstairs, clear out whose in the way			
and let them go first and get their			
coffee. And then go back upstairs. One of			
you stay with them. Go upstairs. None of			
them go downstairs unaccompanied. Keep			
everyone away from them. First in line.			
After they leave the room, we will take the			
Thorne down first.			

After they leave the room we will take Thorne down and we will take Joe down. Take your client down. We will keep the other one downstairs. Any other questions? Take about 20 minutes. Okay.

(Thereupon, the side bar conference ended.)

THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, we will go ahead and take our morning recess at this time.

Everyone in the courtroom stay where you are. It's about almost ten after. I'm going to have this break until about 10:30. So I'm going to give you

about 20 minutes. When you leave the courtroom if you want to go downstairs to get refreshments or something, I think Mrs. Cady is going to be with you and we are going to have you go to the head of the line and she is going to kind of make sure your path to the refreshment stand is open.

want. She will then take you back up to the third floor. If you do not want to go downstairs, and you have something on the third floor, Mr. Purses will take you up there. Once you get in there stay in that room and we will escort you back up. We will come in 20 minutes to get you, about 10:30. We stand in recess. Remember my admonitions.

(Thereupon, court recessed at 10:07 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m. and the following proceedings were had.)

(Defendant's Exhibits

I-M were marked for 1 identification.) 2 3 (The following proceedings were 4 had outside the hearing of the 5 6 jury.) 7 THE COURT: The Court is holding 8 9 in its hand a piece of discovery regarding a statement that John Marsh has made. 10 will mark it for the record. And the 11 defense is requesting that they be 12 permitted to show this to Joe Wilkes for 13 the purpose, and tell me if I am wrong, for 14 the purpose of whether or not he made a 15 16 knowingly and intelligent decision to plea. Is that the reason to show him 17 18 this? MR. KEITH: Well, yes. 19 understand, there is United States Supreme 20 Court law that says a person can make a 21 decision to plea in order to control what's 22 happening to them for a lesser penalty. 23 In this case the question is did 24

he make a decision to plea for a lesser

penalty being aware of that statement. 1 2 THE COURT: State? 3 MR. BAUMOEL: We are strongly opposed to that statement. Obviously, they 4 are trying to backdoor this information 5 in. They have gone through all the 6 7 Constitutional rights with him. They went through what he waived. It's just not 8 9 relevant. It's no motivation as to whether his credibility is truthful or not based on 10 11 this statement. 12 THE COURT: The Court finds first of all, the statement is clearly a 13 14 hearsay statement. We have been over this before. This is what John Marsh says some 15 other person said to him. And that's No. 16 17 That's not competent evidence. 1. 18 Secondly, nowhere in the statement is either David Thorne or Joe Wilkes even 19 implicated or mentioned in the statement. 20 21 Thirdly, the issue whether this individual made a knowingly and intelligent 22

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decision to plead is not your issue. The

Your concern of whether he made a knowingly

issue is his attorney and his counsel.

1	and intelligent decision is not your
2	concern and it's not the jury's concern.
3	That's a legal decision. And if he wishes
4	to make a move on his plea based on that
5	that's another issue. You can mark it.
6	You can proffer after you're done here as
7	to what reason you would want to do this.
8	But I'm going to sustain the
9	objection. I'm not going to permit you to
10	show this to the witness, Joe Wilkes, nor
11	question him about it, nor any attempt to
12	get this information through any door back
13	or sliding door, trap door. Do I make
14	myself clear?
15	MR. HAUPT: Yes, Your Honor.
16	THE COURT: You can mark it. We
17	will preserve it for the record.
18	Just mark that.
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20	(Defendant's Exhibit
21	N was marked for identification.)
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23	(Thereupon, the jurors were
24	returned to the courtroom
25	at 10:36 a.m. and the following

1 proceedings were had.) 2 3 THE COURT: Mr. Keith. 4 MR. KEITH: Thank you, Your 5 Honor. 6 CROSS-EXAMINATION 7 BY MR. KEITH: 8 Q. Mr. Wilkes, my name is George Keith. 9 not believe we have ever met before; is 10 that correct? 11 That's correct, sir. Α. 12 Q. You testified here in this courtroom today 13 that you cut a woman's throat because you 14 wanted David Thorne to like you; is that 15 correct? 16 Α. Yes, sir. 17 You testified here today that the only time Q. 18 you told the police something that was not 19 true was where you had gone at a specific 20 time and who with; is that correct? 21 Α. Yes. Everything else you told them was true and 22 Q. 23 accurate; is that correct? As I recall. 24 Α. 25 Tell us once again how old you are? Ο.

- 1 | A. Nineteen.
- 2  $\parallel$  Q. Nineteen today. Back on March 31st you
- 3 | were 18?
- 4 | A. Yes, sir.
- 5 | Q. You turned 19 in June?
- 6 | A. Yes, sir.
- 7  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Did you begin school for the 1998-1999
- 8 school year?
- 9 | A. Yes, sir, I did.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. When did you leave school?
- 11  $\parallel$  A. I'm not exactly sure.
- 12  $\mathbb{Q}$ . You told the police you dropped out with
- two months left to go. Was that accurate?
- 14  $\parallel$  A. Approximately that time.
- THE COURT: Let me ask you to
- 16  $\parallel$  move that mic up just a little bit. It's
- turned. Let's see if that's better.
- 18 BY MR. KEITH:
- 19  $\parallel$  Q. So would you have graduated in June of
- 20 | 1998; is that correct, or 1999?
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22 | Q. Approximately eight months ago; is that
- 23 correct?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. You dropped out two months earlier. That

- would have been about April the 1st of 1999; is that correct?
- 3 | A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. What school were you going to when you dropped out?
- 6 A. Walnut.
- 7 Q. Mr. Wilkes, you have told us that at the age of 12 you were adopted by I believe Sterling and is it Brenda Wilkes?
- 10 | A. Yes, sir.
- 11  $\parallel$  Q. Where did they live at that time?
- 12 A. Atwater.
- 13 | Q. Where in Atwater?
- 14 A. 6942 Waterloo Road.
- Q. How far is that from the intersection of Waterloo Road and State Route 44?
- 17 | A. Quite aways.
- 18 | Q. How far?
- 19  $\parallel$  A. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. And at the age -- did you go to live there
  at the age of 12, or did you live there for
  a period of time before they adopted you?
- 23 | A. No, I don't recall.
- 24  $\parallel$  Q. You don't know or you don't recall?
- 25  $\parallel$  A. From the age of 12. I've lived there since

- I have been 12 years old.
- Q. How long did they live at that address after you went to live there?
- A. Until approximately a year, year and-a-half ago.
- 6 Q. A year or year and-a-half from right now?
- 7 A. From now.
- Q. So they may have left there in January of 1999; is that right?
- 10 A. They moved out. They were living in my
  11 father's trailer in Randolph during when I
  12 dropped out.
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. When you dropped out?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. They were living in your father's trailer.

  Were you living there?
- 17 A. No, sir, I was not.
- 18  $\parallel$  Q. Where were you living in January of 1999?
- 19  $\parallel$  A. I'm not exactly sure.
- 20  $\parallel$  Q. Were you living there in June of 1998?
- 21  $\parallel$  A. I might have been. I don't recall.
- Q. Now we are going to go back now probably
  two and-a-half years, the 1997-1998 school
  year. Where did you go to school that
  year?

- 1 | A. I believe Waterloo. I'm not sure.
- 2  $\parallel$  Q. You believe Waterloo. You are not sure.
- 3 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Where did you go to school in the 1998-1999
- 5 school year?
- 6 | A. I went to Walnut School.
- 7  $\parallel$  Q. When did you start there?
- 8 A. In Ravenna. I'm not exactly sure.
- 9 Q. Tell us again how long you were at
- Maplewood Joint Vocational School?
- 11 A. For approximately maybe a month to two months.
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. Why did you leave?
- 14 | A. I got kicked out.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. Why did you get kicked out?
- 16 A. Because I got into a fight.
- 17 | Q. Who did you fight with?
- 18 A. Some kid in my class.
- Q. Do you know his name? Was the fight in the classroom?
- 21 A. It was, yeah.
- 22 | Q. During class?
- 23 | A. Um-hmm.
- 24  $\parallel$  Q. And you can't tell us if that was 1997,
- 25 | '98? Can you tell us if it was in January

- 1 of '99?
- 2 | A. No, sir, I'm not sure.
- $^3 \parallel Q$ . Well, you went to live at the home of Brent
- 4 and Karen Enoch on Saturday afternoon March
- 5 the 27th of 1999; is that correct?
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- 7 Q. And where did you live immediately before
- 8 | that?
- 9 | A. In Kent.
- 10 | Q. Where?
- 11  $\parallel$  A. Down by the Country Manner at an apartment.
- 12  $\parallel$  Q. The apartments on Spaulding Drive?
- 13 A. I'm not sure. I don't know the name of the
- 14 room.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. That is the west end of Kent almost to
- 16 || Stow, is it not?
- 17 | A. Yes, sir.
- 18 | Q. And how long had you stayed there?
- 19 | A. Couple of weeks.
- 20 | Q. Couple weeks. Did you have a car at that
- 21 time?
- 22 A. No, sir, I did not.
- 23  $\parallel$  Q. Where were you working at that time?
- 24  $\parallel$  A. I did not have a job.
- 25 || Q. Okay. You say a couple weeks. Are you

- saying two weeks, three weeks, how long?
- 2  $\parallel$  A. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. Okay. Who lived in that apartment?
- 4 A. My ex-girlfriend's brother and his wife.
- 5  $\parallel$  Q. What were their names?
- 6  $\parallel$  A. I don't remember their names.
- 7  $\mathbb{Q}$ . What is the name of your ex-girlfriend?
- 8 A. Jenna Hillis.
- 9 Q. Where had you met her?
- 10 A. I have known her ever since I have been
- 11 younger through her brother.
- 12  $\parallel$  Q. Now, you moved into her brother and his
- wife's apartment; is that right?
- 14 | A. Yeah.
- 15 Q. Did they have children?
- 16 A. Yes, they did.
- 17 Q. Where did you sleep?
- 18 A. On the couch.
- 19 Q. How did you eat?
- 20 | A. There.
- Q. You didn't have a job at that time, you
- 22 didn't have a car; is that right?
- 23 | A. That's right, sir.
- 24  $\parallel$  Q. Before you lived there where did you live?
- 25 | A. On South Chestnut.

- 1 | Q. In Ravenna?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 | Q. Near the old hospital?
- 4 A. The old hospital right across the road from it.
- 6 Q. What we call the administration building?
- 7 | A. Yes.
- Q. Do you know where Eadie's is now that is closed?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 | Q. How far was it from there?
- 12 | A. Right up the road. It was a block.
- Q. Let's go back to Kent for a minute. At
  2:00 in the morning on March 27th you start
  frantically calling a number of people
- 16  $\parallel$  looking for help for a ride; is that right?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- Q. Why is it that you suddenly need a place to stay so bad?
- 20 A. Because I had got into a fight with my girlfriend's brother and his wife.
- 22  $\parallel$  Q. What were you fighting with them about?
- A. Because he asked me if his wife was cheating on him and I told her the truth.
- 25 Q. You got into a domestic argument in the

- middle of the people you were living with?
- 2 | A. Pretty much.
- $^3 \parallel \mathsf{Q}.$  So before that you lived on South Chestnut
- 4 | Street. Who did you stay with there?
- 5 A. Dave Moffit, Hasty Moffit.
- 6 | Q. David Moffit and who?
- 7 A. Hasty.
- 8 | Q. Hasty like Hasty Pudding?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. And who were they?
- A. Hasty was a friend of mine and Dave was her dad.
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. How long did you stay there?
- 14 | A. I'm not sure.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. Were you there for Christmas?
- 16 | A. I don't recall.
- Q. You don't know where you were on Christmas
  Day of 1999?
- 19 A. I know where I was Christmas Day.
- 20 || Q. Where were you Christmas Day?
- 21  $\parallel$  A. I know I was with my parents.
- Q. Were you staying at their residence at that time?
- 24  $\parallel$  A. No, sir, I was not.
- 25 | Q. Where did you go home to from there?

- 1 | A. Hasty's.
- 2  $\mathbb{Q}$ . So you lived with them from at least
- 3 Christmas through sometime in March; is
- 4 | that correct?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. And why did you leave there?
- 7 A. There was no reason.
- 8  $\parallel$  Q. You just pack up and moved to Kent?
- 9 | A. Yep.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. Okay. Now, how did you eat while you were
- 11 | living at Hasty's?
- 12 A. Her dad.
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. Did you have a job or a car at that time?
- 14 | A. No, sir.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. Before you moved to Hasty's, where did you
- 16 | live?
- 17 A. I do not recall.
- 18 Q. You don't recall?
- 19 | A. No, sir.
- 20 | Q. And you don't recall when you left your
- 21 | parents' home; is that right?
- 22  $\parallel$  A. No, sir, I do not.
- 23 | Q. You indicated that your adoptive mother
- 24 cosigned for an automobile for you in
- 25 | January of 1998; is that right?

- 1 | A. Yes, sir.
- $^{2}$  Q. And you had an accident on State Route 14
- somewhere east of Streetsboro; is that
- 4 correct?
- 5 | A. Yes, sir.
- $6 \parallel Q$ . And as a result of that you went to the
- 7 hospital; is that correct?
- 8 | A. Yes, sir.
- 9  $\parallel$  Q. And you have told others and told the
- 10 prosecutor that your family was angry about
- 11 | that; is that right?
- 12  $\parallel$  A. Yes, sir, they were.
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. Now, as part of having the vehicle were you
- going to make payments on that vehicle?
- 15 | A. Yes, sir.
- 16  $\parallel$  Q. So in January you had a vehicle, but no job
- and somebody else was feeding you; is that
- 18 || right?
- 19  $\parallel$  A. I just lot my job lost the day that I had
- 20 got my car.
- 21 | Q. Where were you working?
- 22 A. I was working for Michael Sabaro.
- 23 | Q. Who?
- 24 | A. Concrete guy out of Brimfield.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. How did you lose your job?

- A. It was during the wintertime and there was concrete and they usually stop people from working during the winter and that's what happened.
- Q. So you worked up into January and then lost your job; is that right?
- 7 A. (Indicating.)
- 8 | Q. I didn't hear your answer?
- 9 | A. Yes, sir.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. How long did you work for Michael Sabaro?
- 11  $\parallel$  A. I'm not exactly sure.
- 12  $\parallel$  Q. Was it two years, three years?
- 13  $\parallel$  A. It wasn't even a year.
- 14 | Q. And what hours did you work?
- 15 A. I'm not exactly sure.
- 16  $\parallel$  Q. What days of the week did you work?
- A. Monday through Friday, sometimes even Saturdays.
- 19  $\parallel$  Q. What time did you start in the morning?
- 20 A. I do not recall. I usually got off around anywhere between four and six, but I don't
- 22 recall when I started.
- 23 | Q. What time did you finish?
- 24 A. Around four or six.
- 25 | Q. What did you make as an hourly wage?

- A. I'm not exactly sure. I think it might have been \$7.25.
- 3 | Q. I can't hear you.
- 4  $\parallel$  A. \$7.25 might have been.
- 5  $\parallel$  Q. Did you work 40 hours a week?
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- 7 Q. When did you start that job?
- 8 | A. I don't recall.
- 9 Q. What did you do during the summer of 1998?
  10 Did you stay with your parents?
- 11  $\parallel$  A. I don't recall that summer.
- 12  $\parallel$  Q. Where did you work during that summer?
- 13 A. I'm not sure, but that might have been the summer that I worked at East Park.
- Q. How old were you when you worked at East Park?
- 17 A. Seventeen. I think 17 or 18.
- Q. Well, the summer of 1998 since you were born in 1980 you were 18, so you didn't work at East Park that summer, did you?
- 21 || A. No. I didn't have a job that summer then.
- 22 | Q. And where did you live once again?
- 23 A. I do not recall.
- Q. Okay. You don't know where you lived, who fed you or how you caused that to happen;

- is that right?
- 2 | A. No, sir, I do not.
- Q. When you worked for Michael Sabaro and you lived at I guess it's the Moffits, did you pay them any kind of rent?
- 6 A. No, sir.
- Q. You had a job and an income and you didn't pay for any of your keep; is that right?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. You did have money, because you made about \$300 a week before taxes. Did he pay you cash or a paycheck?
- 13 A. A check.
- Q. You probably took home about \$225 a week, didn't you?
- 16 | A. Yes, sir.
- 17 | Q. And you didn't have any living expenses?
- 18 | A. No, sir.
- 19  $\parallel$  Q. How long did that go on for?
- 20 A. Until the end of January, beginning of December. I mean end of December,
- 22 beginning of January.
- Q. So you bought a car, you wrecked it. I

  assume as part of the car loan you had to
  get insurance, didn't you?

- 1 Α. Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. The insurance protected the car, didn't it?
- 3 Α. Yes, sir.
- 4 So that accident was not going to cost your Q. 5 mother any money, was it?
- It did. She got it all back. 6 Α.
- 7 From the insurance company? Q.
- 8 Α. Yes.
- 9 Okay. And you're saying at that point the Q. 10 family that you can't remember when you left lived with abandoned you; is that 11 12 correct?
- 13 Α. Yes, pretty much.
- 14 What changed about your relationship? Q.
- 15 Α. What do you mean?
- 16 Well, you weren't living at their house, Q. 17 they weren't providing you with support, 18 and other than having cosigned for the loan 19 apparently you were living based on the 20 generosity of others; is that correct?
- 21 Α. Yes, sir.
- 22 Once again what then changed about that Q. 23 relationship?
- 24 Α. I don't understand.
- 25 Well, how did they abandon -- what were Q.

- they doing before the accident that they ceased to do afterwards?
  - A. Be a family.
- 4 | Q. How so?

- A. Help me out at a point in time, I'm not sure how long I did, but I stayed there.

  When I bought my car I was staying there.
- Q. Now, you were staying there sometime in

  January. This is in your adoptive parents

  trailer in Ravenna?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12  $\parallel$  Q. What trailer park are they in?
- 13  $\parallel$  A. It's in Randolph. It was right off 44.
- 14 | Q. Down by the fairgrounds?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 Q. So when you told us you were living at the
  17 Moffits that was not correct; is that
  18 right?
- 19  $\parallel$  A. I was not at that point in time.
- Q. What point in time did you go to the Moffits?
- 22 A. Christmas Day.
- 23  $\parallel$  Q. Where were you living before then?
- 24  $\parallel$  A. With my parents.
- 25 | Q. Why did you leave there?

- Because me and my mother got into an 1 Α. argument. She kicked me out. 2
  - She kicked you out and then a week Q. and-a-half later she cosigned for a fairly new car?
- We got into an argument in December. Α. kicked me out. We was still talking. She 7 cosigned for my car. And after that, she 8 never talked to me.
- You were working at Michael Sabaro's 10 Q. concrete at least from sometime in the fall 11 of 1998 through January; is that right? 12
- Yes, sir. 13 Α.
- You worked generally a 40 hour week; is 14 Q. that right? 15
- Yes. 16 Α.

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- Okay. Essentially, you told us that you 17 Q. had been doing drugs, acid and cocaine, LSD 18 and cocaine? 19
- Yes, sir. 20 Α.
- When did you first start using cocaine? 21 Q.
- I do not recall. 22 Α.
- Would you have been 14, 15, 16? 23 Q.
- I'm not exactly sure. 24 Α.
- Would you have been living at home at that 25 Q.

- 1 time?
- 2 | A. No.
- 3 | Q. Would you have been going to school at that
- 4 | time?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 | Q. And when did you first start using LSD?
- 7 A. Approximately three or four years ago.
- 8 Q. Three to four years ago, so somewhere
- between the ages of 15 and 16; is that
- 10 || right?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. Now, when did you start drinking?
- 13 | A. I was 12 or 13 years old.
- 14 Q. How regularly did you drink over the next
- six or seven years?
- 16 A. Quite often.
- 17 | Q. Once a week, twice a week, every day?
- 18 A. Whenever there was a party.
- 19 Q. Whenever you had access to it? In other
- 20 words, you had access to it. What about
- 21 | marijuana? Did you smoke marijuana?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. You never smoked marijuana?
- 24 | A. I have.
- 25 | Q. Just not as regularly as these other

- 1 things?
- 2 | A. No.

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- 3 Q. How regularly did you use cocaine?
- A. It wasn't -- it was every now and then, not very often.
  - Q. You have told us that you spent time with David Thorne over a couple of years; is that right?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Did you ever know him to use any of these substances?
- 12 A. He told me he used cocaine before and acid,
  13 yes.
- 14 Q. Did you see him do those things?
- 15 | A. No, I didn't see him.
- 16 Q. Did he ever do them in your presence?
- 17 | A. No, sir.
- Q. Did you see any evidence of him suffering from a hangover, the disabilities that go with those things?
- 21 A. No, sir.
- Q. So during the time you knew him you had no reason to believe he was involved in that, right?
- 25 | A. No, sir.

- Q. You have no reason to believe he was involved in that?
- 3 | A. No, sir.
- Q. Now, when did your adoptive mother and father split up?
- 6 A. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. Well, I think that you said either the

  September after the summer of 1997 or 1998

  you had lived where you could, you weren't

  sure which summer it was. But that they

  split up the summer of either 1997 or

  1998. You don't remember which one; is

  that correct?
  - A. No, sir, I do not.
- Q. Was it the summer you worked at the East

  Park or was it the summer --
- 17 A. Yes, it was the summer I worked there.
- Q. So they split up the summer of 1997; is that right?
- 20 A. There it is.

- Q. You lived in his trailer in Ravenna for a period of time; is that right?
- 23 A. He had an apartment at that point.
- 24 0. Where was that?
- 25 A. It was on Highland.

- 1 Q. In Ravenna?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 | Q. That's a little further uptown than the
- 4 | Chestnut Street address?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 Q. So you lived on Highland. How long did you
- 7 live there?
- 8 A. I'm not exactly sure.
- 9  $\parallel$  Q. Where did you go from there?
- 10  $\parallel$  A. I was living with my ex-girlfriend on
- 11 Hazen.
- 12 | Q. Who was your ex-girlfriend?
- 13 | THE COURT: Repeat your answer.
- 14 A. I said that I was living on Hazen at a
- 15 different apartment.
- 16 Q. That's H-a-z-e-n?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 | Q. Okay. Which ex-girlfriend was that?
- 19 | A. Her name was Debbie.
- 20 | Q. And her last name?
- 21 A. Grafton.
- 22  $\parallel$  Q. Okay. And so this is the summer you are 17
- 23 || into the fall. You are living with Debbie
- 24 || Grafton; is that right?
- 25 | A. Yes, sir.

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- 1 | Q. Did you have an automobile at that time?
- 2 | A. No, sir.
- 3 | Q. Did you have a job at that time?
- 4 | A. Around that area I was working at East
- 5 Park. I don't know what time though.
- 6 | Q. Did Debbie have a job?
- 7 | A. Yes, sir.
- $8 \parallel Q$ . How old was Debbie?
- 9 A. Twenty-three.
- 10 Q. Who paid the rent?
- 11 | A. She did.
- 12 Q. And did you own an automobile through that
- period of time?
- 14 A. No, sir, I did not.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. Now, the two cars you have told us about,
- 16 | you said that was a Volkswagon Rabbit; is
- that right?
- 18 | A. Yes, sir.
- 19  $\parallel$  Q. What year was that again?
- 20 | A. I want to say an '87. I'm not exactly
- 21 | sure.
- 22 | Q. You have testified on direct it was an '87
- or '88; is that right?
- 24 | A. Yes, sir.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. And when was that purchased once again?

- 1 | A. Not too long before I got my new car.
- 2 | Q. So sometime November or December of 1998?
- 3 A. Anywhere in October to December.
- 4  $\parallel$  Q. And you say that \$300 was given for that?
- 5 | A. I'm pretty sure. I'm not exactly sure.
- 6 | Q. Whose name was it titled in?
- 7 A. I think it was in mine.
- 8  $\parallel$  Q. Did you have insurance for that?
- 9 | A. Yes, sir, I did.
- 10 | Q. You did.
- 11 | A. Yes.
- Q. So you had that car maybe in October, maybe
- in December. You were not sure. Had you
- ever had a car at your own disposal before
- 15 then?
- 16 | A. No, sir.
- Q. Before the summer of 1997 do you know where you lived?
- 19 A. No, sir, I do not.
- Q. Do you know when you went to your adoptive
- 21 father's apartment in Ravenna?
- 22 | A. No.
- 23 | Q. You have indicated to us that your birth
- 24 parents were some people named Brown in
- 25 Dover?

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- 1 | A. Brown, yes.
- 2 | Q. You were born in Dover, Ohio?
- 3 | A. Yes.
- 4 | Q. There are a lot of people in Ravenna named
- 5 Brown. Were they related to any of those
- 6 | people?
- 7 | A. Not that I know of.
- 8  $\parallel$  Q. Not that you were aware of?
- 9 | A. No.
- 10 | Q. So Bo Brown, Doug and Robert, you don't
- 11 know that they were kin to you; is that
- 12 || right?
- 13 | A. Not that I know of.
- 14 | Q. So you owned this VW until December and
- then your mom put it in a junkyard?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. Why?
- 18 A. Because it didn't run.
- 19 Q. How long did it run for?
- 20 A. From when I bought it until about
- 21 December. I always had problems with it.
- 22  $\parallel$  Q. Couple of weeks, a month?
- 23 | A. Probably about a month or two.
- 24 | Q. You had the accident. You went to Robinson
- 25 | Memorial Hospital. How long were you in

- 1 | the hospital?
- 2 A. Just for the day for about five hours.
- Q. As long as it took for them to see you and
- 4 | stitch you up?
- 5 | A. Um-hmm.
- 6 | Q. Where did you go home to from there?
- 7 | A. I went to my friend Samantha Pegg's house.
- 8 | Q. You went to Samantha Pegg's house?
- 9 | A. Yes.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. How long did you stay there?
- 11  $\parallel$  A. Just the day.
- 12  $\parallel$  Q. And then where did you go?
- 13 | A. Back to Hasty's.
- 14 | Q. Back to Hasty's.
- 15 | A. Um-hmm.
- 16  $\parallel$  Q. So before that you had been living at
- 17 || Hasty's? .
- 18 | A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. Other than the job at East Park and the job
- 20 | with Sabaro Concrete, have you had any
- 21 | other jobs?
- 22 A. Worked for my family.
- 23  $\parallel$  Q. What did you do for them?
- 24 | A. Mowed grass, helped my grandpa fix houses.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. Things around the house, in other words, as

- 1 | part of the family?
- 2 | A. Yes.

- Q. Now, the Enochs when you moved in there the end of March, there were two things going on in terms of your working, wasn't there?
  - A. I don't know, sir.
- Q. Let me ask you a better question. You
  moved in with the Enochs. You were asked
  to help Brent Enoch on a side job putting
  dry wall and refinishing the basement of a
  residence in Tallmadge; is that correct?
- 12 | A. Yes, it is.
- Q. And they also got you a job with somebody,

  I'm not certain who it was, a relative or a

  good friend working as a landscaper, did

  they not?
- 17 A. Yes, they did.
- 18  $\parallel$  Q. When did you start the job as a landscaper?
- 19 | A. I am not exactly sure.
- Q. Well, we know you didn't start it before

  March the 27th. Would you agree with that?
- 22 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And how long after March the 27th would you have started it?
- 25  $\parallel$  A. It was in April sometime.

- 1 | Q. And how long did you work that job?
- 2 A. I do not recall.
- Q. Well, did you work it for two weeks, two
- 4 months?
- 5 | A. At least two months.
- 6 Q. For two months?
- 7 | A. At least.
- Q. Did you continue to work at that job after you left the Enoch residence?
- 10 | A. Yes, I was there at least for two months.
- Q. When did you come to quit working at that job?
- 13 A. I moved out of the area and moved back into Ravenna.
- Q. Out of the area and into Ravenna. How far is it from Ravenna to the Enochs?
- 17 A. I'm not exactly sure. Probably about I
  think it's 15 miles from Atwater to
  Ravenna.
- Q. It would be a 20, 25 minute drive; is that right?
- 22 | A. Yes.
- Q. So you moved back into Ravenna. Where did
  you move to at that time?
- 25 A. My friend Herb Stacy's house.

- 1  $\parallel$  Q. How long did you stay there?
- 2 A. Maybe two weeks.
- $3 \parallel Q$ . Then where did you go?
- 4 | A. I moved down to Hazen.
- 5 | Q. Who did you live with there?
- 6 A. Girl named Jennifer Beckwirth.
- 7 | Q. How long did you stay there?
- 8 | A. Until I was arrested.
- 9 Q. So from March to July 14th you kind of know where you were; is that correct?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- Q. Before that you are really not certain of any dates, places or time; is that right?
- 14 | A. No, sir.
- Q. And you did not have transportation of your
- own other than maybe for a month
- and-a-half; is that right?
- 18 | A. No, sir.
- Q. You have learned to ask people for things you need; is that correct?
- 21 | A. Yes, sir.
- 22 | Q. I couldn't hear you.
- 23 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. You learned to ask them for rides, food, clothing, places to live, whatever it is

- you need; is that correct?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Let's take a step back. When did you first meet David Thorne?
  - A. It was approximately four or five years ago.
- 7 Q. Where at?

- A. The first time I met him one of his -- I

  was with one of his friends Marty and we
  had went to his house.
- Q. You had gone to David Thorne's house with Marty?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14  $\parallel$  Q. You didn't meet him at a party?
- 15 A. That's when I first met him, was at his house, but I never talked to him or nothing after that.
- Q. You just met him. When was the next time you saw him?
- 20  $\parallel$  A. At a party at Jim Brennan's house.
- Q. So if you had told somebody that you had
  met him first at the party at Jim Brennan's
  house, that would not be correct; is that
  correct?
- 25 A. No, it wouldn't.

- Q. Where were you living at that time four or five years ago?
- 3 A. With my mom.
- 4 | Q. And your dad?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6  $\parallel$  Q. Where at, in Atwater?
- 7 | A. In Atwater.
- 8 Q. How far away from where David Thorne's 9 house was?
- 10  $\parallel$  A. Approximately two to three miles.
- 11 Q. Two to three miles. And how long did you live within two or three miles of him?
- 13 A. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. You met him at his house briefly, you then met him at a party. When did you see him next?
- 17 A. It wasn't too long after that, within a couple days.
- 19  $\parallel$  Q. Where did you see him at?
- Amy. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. This would have put you at 14 or 15 years old; is that right?
- 24  $\parallel$  A. About that, yes.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. You meet him and then see him again with

- Josh and Amy. Where is that at?
- 2  $\parallel$  A. I'm not exactly sure.
- 3 | Q. Is it a church, is it a grocery store, is
- 4 | it at his house?
- 5 A. It wasn't in his house.
- 6 | Q. You don't know where?
- 7 A. No.
- 8  $\parallel$  Q. When is the next time you go to his house?
- 9 A. I'm not exactly sure.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. How do you get there?
- 11 | A. (Indicating.) I don't recall.
- 12  $\parallel$  Q. How did you get invited? Do you just go
- there or are you invited, is there a
- 14 | function?
- 15 | A. I don't recall.
- 16  $\parallel$  Q. Okay. Did you go there to ask him for
- something, do you know?
- 18 | A. No.
- 19 Q. No. You say at some point he becomes your
- teacher or trainer; is that right?
- 21 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And that you and he tried to get together
- once a week; is that right?
- 24 | A. Yes, sir.
- 25 | Q. After a while that didn't work out so well;

- is that right? I didn't hear an answer.
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. For how long did you go to his house once a week?
- 5  $\parallel$  A. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. Was it for a period of weeks, days, or years?
- 8 A. Maybe a month or two.
- Q. Okay. At that time you probably could walk to his house, you could show up there, couldn't you?
- 12 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Okay. Later it became somewhat harder to get yourself to his house; is that right?
- 15 | A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. I can't hear you.
- 17 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. You say he was training you in his basement; is that right?
- 20 | A. Yes, sir.
- 21 Q. The shoot fighting is combination, there is
  22 some kick boxing, there are grappling holds
  23 like judo on the floor, a whole number of
  24 things that go on; is that right?
- 25 | A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. How do those events end? What are the ways
  2 they can end?
  3 A. Tap outs, pass outs.
  4 Q. There is five ways it can end. Do you know
- Q. There is five ways it can end. Do you know the five ways?
- 6 A. I only know two of them.
- 7 Q. What -- first of all, let's go into the
  8 grappling and floor wrestling. What kind
  9 of holds did you learn? What were the
  10 names?
- A. Achilles hook, leg bar. I don't remember all of them.
- Q. What about standing things? What did you learn?
- 15 A. Tai kicking.
- Q. Did you do the wrestling on the floor in the basement?
- 18 | A. Huh?
- Q. Did you do this wrestling on the floor in the basement?
- 21 | A. Yes, sir.
- 22 Q. What's that surface?
- 23 | A. It's cement.
- 24  $\parallel$  Q. How many times were you at that house?
- 25  $\parallel$  A. I'm not exactly sure.

- 1 And do you know the people who lived there? Q. 2 Α. Yes. 3 Do you know their names? Q. 4 Α. No, I do not. 5 You don't know their names? Q. 6 Α. No. 7 How many times did you see them, every time Q. 8 you went there? 9 Α. Not every time. 10 Were there times you went there and David Q. 11 wasn't there and his grandfather and grandmother greeted you at the door? 12 13 Α. Yes. 14 THE COURT: Speak up. 15 THE WITNESS: Yes. 16 BY MR. KEITH: 17
  - Q. Sometimes you would try to get into their garage and they made you sleep in a car; do you remember that?
- 20 | A. Huh?

- Q. Do you remember the grandfather -- you
  tried to get into his garage late one night
  because you didn't have a place to stay?
- 24 A. No.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. You don't recall that?

- 1 | A. No.
- 2 | Q. I don't hear you?
- 3 | A. No.
- Q. Does that mean it didn't happen or does that mean you don't recall?
- 6  $\parallel$  A. No, that means that it wasn't like that.
- 7  $\parallel$  Q. It wasn't like that.
- 8 | A. No.
- 9  $\parallel$  Q. Tell me how it was.
- 10 A. I was staying in the basement with David
  and I wanted to see my girlfriend and my
  girlfriend came over and he told me that he
  wasn't going to let me back in the house if
  I went out, that I would have to gloop in
- I went out, that I would have to sleep in his car.
- 16 Q. Is that how it was?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 Q. The wrestling with David -- let me ask you
  19 this: In 1998, how often did you go over
  20 to David's house to wrestle?
- 21 A. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. Would it have been four times, five times?
- A. I don't recall. It was many more than that.
- 25 | Q. Was it --

- 1 | A. I don't recall.
- 2 | Q. You don't know? I would like to take you
- | 3 | | forward a little bit to July the 14th of
- 4 1999. Apparently the Alliance Police show
- up at the Hazen Street residence and ask
- 6 you to come to the Ravenna Police
- 7 Department with them; is that right?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. How many police officers show up?
- 10 | A. Four.
- 11 | Q. Four. How many cars?
- 12  $\parallel$  A. I think two. I'm not sure.
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. How do you get to the Ravenna Police
- 14 Department?
- 15 A. They take me.
- 16 Q. In one of the cars?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18  $\parallel$  Q. Do they handcuff you?
- 19 | A. No.
- Q. They take you there. They take you to the
- police department. They don't really tell
- 22 | you the truth about why they want to talk
- to you; is that right?
- 24 A. Not exactly.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. They leave you with the impression it's

A. Yes.

- Q. Once you get there, they go through with you at some point a form, they read you your rights commonly called the Miranda rights, but it says that you are not under arrest. Do you remember that?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Before you get to that point -- when they
  10 do that they turn on a tape recorder, don't
  11 they?
- 12 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Before you get to that point, how long did they talk to you?
- 15  $\parallel$  A. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. Well, give us your best recollection. Talk to you for five minutes, ten minutes, a half an hour, an hour? How long do they talk to you?
- 20  $\parallel$  A. Approximately a half an hour.
- 21  $\parallel$  Q. Before they turn on the tape recorder?
- 22 | A. Yes.
- Q. And what words did they say to you? What did they tell you before they turned on the tape recorder?

- 1 What they were there for. Α.
- 2 What else did they tell you? Q.
- 3 That David -- that David asked for immunity Α. 4 in order to give evidence on me.
- 5 David asked for immunity in order to give Q. 6 evidence on you?
- 7 Α. Yes.
- 8 Q. They tell you that?
- 9 Α. Yes.
- 10 So at the time they turn the tape recorder Q. 11 on that's what you believe; is that 12 correct?
- 13 Α. Yes.
- 14 You have no way of knowing whether or not 15 that's true, but just they have asked you 16 to believe that; is that right?
- 17 Α. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. What else did they tell you?
- 19 They told me what happened and how I did it Α. 20 and was showing me pictures.
- 21 They told you what happened, how you did it Q. 22 and was showing you pictures?
- 23 Α. Um-hmm.
- 24 Q. They told you a lot of information 25 about that crime scene, didn't they?

- 1 | A. Yes.
- Q. After they begin to interview you they tell
  you a lot of information about that crime
  scene, don't they?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- Q. At some point in the interview they tell you that you grabbed her hair, don't they?
  - A. Yes.

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- 9 Q. Did you ever tell them that or did they tell you that?
- 11 A. They came to me. They were the ones that stated to me.
- Okay. Now, during that interview, the 13 Q. 14 prosecutor went through with you for a 15 minute the things that you told them that were not true. First that you told them 16 that your clothes, you put them in a bag 17 18 and gave them to David. That was not true; 19 is that correct?
- 20  $\parallel$  A. No, that was not true.
  - Q. And then you told them that David had taken you to a friend's house. Is this at some point in the afternoon of March the 31st or when was that?
- 25  $\parallel$  A. He did not take me to a friend's house. He

Department did you think you were free to

They told me I was in a lot of trouble.

Told you to stand up for yourself, didn't

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- I do not recall. Α.
- Q. I am going to hand you what has been marked as Defendant's Exhibit I, which is the transcript of your taped statement on July the 14th of 1999 and for the moment I want you to just hold on to it, all right?
- 8 Α. Yes, sir.
- 9 I would like to simply look over the first Q. 10 page. Are you able to read well enough to 11 read this?
- 12 Α. Yes, sir, I am.
- 13 Would you read it over and tell us what it Q. 14 says? No, just read it over. I will ask 15 you a question. I apologize. This is the 16 very first page.
- 17 (Witness complies with request.) Α.
  - Are you ready? First sentence says that it Q. is July the 14th and it is 1309 hours. you understand that to be about 1:09 in the afternoon?
  - Α. Yes, sir.
- 23 Q. Now, looking at that paragraph, the last 24 sentence says you know that you are not 25 under arrest at this time; is that correct?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Go to page 2. Would you briefly review that. Is that simply a review of your rights?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
  - Q. Now, I would like you to set that aside. I want to ask you if you told them the truth during that interview?
- 9 | A. Yes.

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- 10 Q. They came and got you on July the 15th and
  they took you to the Alliance Police

  Department. By then did you know how much
  trouble you were in?
- 14 | A. Yeah.
- 15 Q. Had you been to court yet?
- 16 A. No.
- Q. You had not yet been to court. Had you talked to a lawyer?
- 19 A. No.
- 20  $\parallel$  Q. And why did you continue to talk to them?
- 21 | A. I don't know.
- Q. I'm going to hand you what is marked as
  Defendant's Exhibit J, which is your
  statement of July the 15th of 1999. I'm
  going to ask you to hold on to that. All

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	1	right?
	2 A.	Yes, sir.
	3 Q.	Now, on July 15th, 1999, they took you
	4	there once again. They turned on a tape
	5	recorder, didn't they, at some point?
	6 A.	Yes, sir.
	7    Q.	How long were you at the Alliance police
3	8	station before they turned on the tape
9	9	recorder?
10	)   A.	I'm not exactly sure.
11	II .	THE COURT: Speak up.
12	Q.	How long, do you know?
13	Α.	I'm not exactly sure.
14	Q.	How long do you think?
15	A.	Anywhere between 15 minutes to a half hour.
16	Q.	How much of that time did they spend
17		talking to you?
18	Α.	Most of it.
19	Q.	Most of it. Once again did they tell you
20		information about this situation?
21	Α.	I don't recall.
22	Q.	You don't recall what they said to you?
23	Α.	No, sir, I do not.
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Did they ask you questions?

When they turned on the recorder.

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- Q. Did they before they turned on the recorder?
- $3 \parallel A$ . Not that I recall.
- Q. Now, let's take a step back. Were you straight and sober when you got arrested on July the 14th?
- 7 | A. Yes, sir.
- 8 Q. Were you -- certainly you were straight and sober by the time you got to the Alliance Police Department on the 15th; is that right?
- 12 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Okay. Now, do you recall a time, and it's
  my understanding it may have been in
  August, about a month and-a-half or a month
  later that you met with Dennis Barr from
  the Stark County Prosecutor's Office?
- 18 A. (Indicating.)
- 19  $\parallel$  Q. Do you recall that?
- 20 | A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 21 || Q. Where did this meeting take place at?
- 22 A. Portage County Jail.
- 23  $\parallel$  Q. He came to the Portage County Jail?
- 24 | A. Yes, sir.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. And that was in August?

1 | A. Yes, sir.

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Q. And he took a statement from you. Had you entered a plea of guilty at that time?

THE COURT: Go ahead.

- Q. Had you entered a plea of guilty to anything at that time?
  - A. Not that I recall.
- Q. Okay. When did you finally go to court toenter a plea of guilty?
- 10  $\parallel$  A. It was after I gave that statement.
- 11  $\parallel$  Q. After you gave that statement.
- 12 A. Yes.

- Q. Okay. I'm going to show you now what is marked as Defendant's Exhibit K. It is entitled State of Ohio versus Joe Wilkes,
  Judge Reinbold, plea of guilty. Would you look at that, please.
- 18 | A. (Witness complies with request.)
- 19  $\parallel$  Q. Do you recognize that document, sir?
- 20 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. I would like you to go to the last page
  that you have in your hands. Look to the
  lower left-hand corner. Does it say page 8
  there?
- 25 A. Yes, sir, it does.

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- 1 Q. And do you see your signature on that
- 2 paper?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 4 | Q. And is it dated September 27th, 1999, at
- 5 the top?
- 6 A. Yes, it is.
- 7 | Q. So you went into court, plead guilty at the
- 8 end of September, but they came out to meet
- 9 | with you in August; is that right?
- 10 | A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. Set the paper down.
- 12 | A. (Witness complies with request.)
- 13 | Q. That meeting was at the Portage County
- Jail; is that right?
- 15 | A. Yes, sir.
- 16 | Q. And who was present at that meeting?
- 17 | A. I think it was Detective Mucklo, myself, my
- 18 lawyer Steve LoDico.
- 19 Q. It would be Dennis Barr?
- 20 A. Dennis Barr.
- 21 | Q. Who is Dennis Barr?
- 22 | A. The prosecutor.
- 23 | Q. He wanted to hear your story; is that
- 24 right?
- 25 MR. BAUMOEL: Objection, Your

1 Honor. 2 THE COURT: Overruled. 3 BY MR. KEITH: 4 Q. Is that right? 5 Α. Right. Who actually did the interviewing of you? 6 Q. 7 Α. I don't recall. Who asked you the questions? 8 Q. 9 I'm not exactly sure. I think that was his Α. 10 name. Mr. Barr has short, straight, very dark 11 Q. 12 hair and he does not have any facial hair. He has a very youthful face. Is that who 13 14 you recall? 15 Α. I don't recall a face. 16 In any event, they take a statement from Q. you on that date; is that correct? 17 18 Α. Yes. 19 Q. You tell the truth? 20 Α. Yes, I do. 21 And then later apparently these two folks Q. sitting at the table here come out to the 22 23 Portage County Jail to interview you and they get a statement from you; is that 24 25 right?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 || Q. Do you tell them at the time the truth?
- 3 | A. As I recall, yes.
- Q. Now, the first time you tell anybody about drugs and all this is the end of August; is
- 6 that right?
- 7 A. I'm not exactly sure.
- 8 | Q. You don't remember?
- 9 | A. No.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. Did you tell the officers -- in the first
- statement that was taped did you tell them
- everything that was important?
- 13 A. As I recall.
- 14  $\parallel$  Q. Were drugs important to this?
- 15  $\parallel$  A. I was not thinking about it at the time.
- 16 Q. Say what?
- 17  $\parallel$  A. I was not thinking about it at that time.
- 18 Q. When is the first time you tell anybody you spent the night at some point in time at
- Yvonne Layne's house?
  21 A. I'm not exactly sure.
- 22 Q. If I told you the first time we have any
- mention of it is in your statement in
- January of this year to the prosecutors
- here in the room, would I be incorrect?

- 1 A. I'm not sure.
- Q. Okay. What did you tell people about that earlier?
- 4 | A. Excuse me?
- Q. Well, you told the prosecutors here that
  you had seen Yvonne Layne on three
  occasions. Once when you went with David
  and saw Eric. What was his last name?
- 9 A. I don't recall.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. It's Eric, right?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- Q. Eric Cameron. And once when you went there
  in September the night on the couch; is
  that right?
- 15  $\parallel$  A. It was me and Mr. Thorne.
- 16  $\parallel$  Q. Right?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Your behavior was to be there and be on the couch overnight, was it not?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- Q. And then one time you went all by yourself. David didn't take you, did he?
- 23  $\parallel$  A. No, he didn't.
- Q. Okay. First time you explain those three things to anyone was in your conversation

- with these folks; is that correct, or am I mistaken?
- 3 A. I'm sure it was.
- Q. Okay. Do you recall what you told the police about it on July the 14th?
- 6 | A. No, I do not.
- Q. I would like you to pick up your statement of July the 14th.
- 9 A. (Witness complies with request.)
- 10 Q. I would like you to look at the top of page 11 | 12.
- 12  $\parallel$  A. (Witness complies with request.)
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. You see the pop of page 12?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Your statement of July the 14th. Begins

  with an answer and then there is a

  question. "Okay. Joe, you had been to the
  house before; is that correct?" You see
  that question?
- 20 | A. Yes, sir.
- 21  $\parallel$  Q. What is your answer?
- 22 A. "Once, now twice."
- Q. Okay. There is no indication of your
  having spent the night, your having gone
  there on your own or anything else, is

- 1 | there?
- 2 | A. No, sir.
- Q. Okay. Is it possible you have been there more often than just these three times?
- 5 | A. No, sir.
- Q. Not at all. Not during any of this period where you don't know where you ate or who lived with; is that right?
- 9 | A. Not that I recall.
- 10 Q. When did you first meet Yvonne Layne?
- A. When me and David went to her house to pick up Brandon.
- 13 | Q. How old was Brandon?
- 14 | A. I do not know.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. What year was that in?
- 16 A. I don't recall.
- 17  $\parallel$  Q. Where did you go with Brandon?
- 18 A. I'm pretty sure back to David's house.
- Q. And Eric Cameron was at Yvonne Layne's house at that time; is that right?
- 21 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And he was angry with David Thorne being there, was he not?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. You described they almost had a fight at

- 1 some point, didn't you? 2
  - Α. An argument.
- 3 Q. You go there on another occasion and you 4 spend the night. That might have been a 5 memorable experience. Why didn't you tell 6 the police about that on July 14th?
- 7 I don't know. Α.
- 8 Q. They didn't tell you about it, did they?
- 9 Α. No, they didn't.
- 10 Q. Okay. And then you go there on another 11 occasion. Who drives you there at that 12
  - time?
- 13 Α. I did. That was the point in time that I 14 had my '96 Metro.
- 15 Q. You drive yourself there?
- 16 Α. Yes.
- 17 So that must be in that two week window in Q. 18 January; is that right?
- 19 Α. Yes.
- 20 Q. You don't have any problem getting there?
- 21 Α. No.
- 22 Who else goes with you? Q.
- 23 My friend Samantha Pegg. I don't recall Α. 24 who all was with me. There was quite a few 25 people in the car.

- 1 | Q. And did they stay in the car?
- 2 | A. Yes, they did.
- $3 \parallel Q$ . You go in to see her?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 Q. Eric Cameron is there at that time?
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- 7 | Q. How long do you stay?
- 8 A. Approximately maybe ten to 15 minutes.
- $9 \parallel Q$ . Is he angry at you?
- 10 | A. No, sir.
- 11 Q. How often before that did you go spend the night?
- 13  $\parallel$  A. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. Well, was it in the summer of 1998, was it in the fall of 1998, when was it?
- 16 A. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. Do you know when David began to visit with his son?
- 19 A. No, I do not.
- Q. Well, sir, was it recent enough that you remembered how to get there all on your own; is that correct?
- 23 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Okay. And you went there, you spend the night. You told us that at some point Amy

- 1 Davis approached you about that; is that 2 right? 3
  - Α. Yes, sir.

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- And when she approached you if I understand Q. it correctly, you said you were rude to her?
- 7 Yes, sir, I was. Α.
- 8 You were rude to her and she hasn't thought Q. 9 much of you since then; is that right?
- 10 Α. That's true.
- 11 Q. What did you do or say to be rude to Okay. 12 her?
- 13 I don't recall my exact words. Α.
- 14 Q. You don't recall your exact words.
- 15 Α. No, I do not.
- 16 What were they in response to? Why were Q. 17 you rude to her?
- 18 It was about Yvonne and me and David being Α. 19 there at Yvonne's house. And I pretty much 20 told her it was none of her business and if 21 we had I wasn't going to tell her. 22 hasn't really cared for me ever since.
  - Q. So you didn't step into that domestic argument; is that right?
- 25 Α. That's right.

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- 1 Once again you can't tell us if that was a Q. 2 year ago, two years ago, three years ago, 3 you don't know, do you?
  - Α. No, I don't.

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- Okay. Take you to the date of the event of Q. all this. Your statement is that sometime -- I guess sometime before the afternoon you and David Thorne meet up on March the 31st; is that right?
- 10 Α. Yes, sir.
- 11 Now, you have been staying at the Enochs Q. 12 since the 27th, which is a Saturday, so the 13 28th is a Sunday, Monday is 29th, Tuesday 14 is the 30th, Wednesday is the 31st; is that 15 right?
- 16 Α. Yes, sir.
  - Q. And sometime on that Wednesday you and David meet up and he drives you to the Carnation Mall; is that right?
- 20 Α. Yes, sir.
- 21 Q. And from there you go into the Carnation 22 Mall, you rent a room, you buy gloves?
- 23 Α. Yes, sir.
- 24 But you don't buy the knife because you're Q. 25 in a hurry at this particular time; is that

- 1 | right?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. You want to get back out, you're going to
- 4 kill somebody later in the day and you are
- in a hurry; is that correct?
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- $7 \parallel Q$ . Okay. And David, then you go run his
- 8 errands with him, things more important
- than buying a knife for this murder?
- 10 | A. Yes, sir.
- 11 | Q. Excuse me?
- 12 | A. Yes, sir.
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. What errands are there? What is more
- 14  $\parallel$  important than this little event?
- 15 | A. I don't recall.
- 16  $\parallel$  Q. You don't know.
- 17 | A. No.
- 18  $\parallel$  Q. All right. What time do you get back to
- 19 the Enochs house?
- 20  $\parallel$  A. It had to be around I would say anywhere
- between 4:00 and 6:00 on. It's when Mr.
- 22 Enoch got off -- Brent got off work.
- Q. Anywhere between 4:00 and 6:00. Okay. How
- long are you there before you leave again?
- 25 | A. At the Enochs?

- 1 Q. Yes.
- 2 I don't know. Α.
- 3 Well, in any event, when do you next leave Q. 4 the Enochs?
- 5 Α. When I left with Brent Enoch to drop off 6 some dry wall.
- 7 Q. Where do you go to do that?
- 8 Α. Up in Tallmadge.
- 9 Okay. And how long does it take? Q.
- 10 Α. I'm not exactly sure.
- 11 And how many sheets of dry wall is it? Q.
- 12 Α. I do not recall.
- 13 Q. You don't recall how many sheets of dry 14 wall. How long does it take to unload?
- 15 Anywhere between half an hour and an hour. Α.
- 16 Then where did you go next? Q.
- 17 Then we were -- he was going to take me out Α. 18 to the mall and I stopped and used the 19 phone, the pay phone.
- 20 You stopped and used the pay phone. Q.
- 21 Α. Yes.
- 22 Q. You said you got a page, but you don't know 23 whose phone call you were returning; is 24 that correct?
- 25 Α. That's right.

- 1 Q. But the records of that pay phone might
  2 tell us what call you made. Do you know
  3 that? You wouldn't know that, would you?
  4 I'm sorry?
- 5 A. I'm sure I would.
- 6 | Q. What call you made?
- 7 A. I'm sure the phone would.
- Q. In any event, why did you tell Brent Enoch you wanted to go to the Carnation Mall?
- 10 A. Because I was supposed to meet David out there.
- 12  $\parallel$  Q. For what reason?
- 13 A. Because we was going to go back to his
  14 house and clean the garage.
- Q. That's what you told him. What did you tell Karen Enoch?
- 17  $\parallel$  A. The same thing as I recall.
- Q. Okay. And so you were very sure that Brent Enoch drove you to the Carnation Mall on that date; is that right?
- 21 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Okay. I would like you to look at your statement of July the 15th.
- 24 A. (Witness complies with request.)
- Q. And I would like you to look at the first

1 paragraph, which is your answer to a 2 question, okay? 3

- Α. Yes, sir.
- 4 Let's go back to the bottom of page 3. Q. 5 were asked a question did you stay in the 6 I would like you to read your whole 7 answer there all the way down to where the 8 next question is asked on the next page. 9
  - Α. He had dropped --
- 10 Just read it to yourself, make sure you're Q. 11 familiar with it. Don't read it out loud.
- 12 Α. Yes, sir.
- 13 Have you read it? Q.
- 14 Α. Yes, sir.

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15 Okay. Would you agree that the last --Q. 16 essentially the last two lines or sentences 17 say then David had come back and picked me 18 up later. On he took me out there before 19 he went to shoot fighting class. Then he 20 picked me up from Brent's house and Brent 21 witnessed -- Brent Enoch and Summer and 22 Karen were home. They witnessed that he 23 picked me up. 24

That's describing him taking you to the Carnation Mall on the evening --

- 1 | A. Yes, sir.
- 2  $\parallel$  Q. -- Of March 31st.

THE COURT: Just a minute.

 $4 \parallel$  Folks. Please. He was talking over you.

Let him -- he was answering while you were

6 still talking.

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BY MR. KEITH:

- Q. Sorry, Your Honor. Please finish your answer.
- 10 A. I think that was a mistake from earlier
  that morning. When I had this statement I
  was recalling the day and I do not recall
  the whole day. And that was a mess up
  because he had picked me up earlier that
  morning.
- Q. Wasn't true, was it? You told them something that was not true?
- 18 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. At that point you don't know if they had ever talked to Brent, Summer or Karen Enoch, do you?
- 22  $\parallel$  A. No, sir, I do not.
- Q. Let's move on to page 8 of the same statement. Are you at page 8?
- 25 | A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. Would you read for yourself the whole page. 2 Α.
  - (Witness complies with request.)
- 3 Did you read it? Q.
- 4 Α. Yes.
- 5 Q. And can you tell us or do you agree that 6 page also says that David dropped you off 7 at the Carnation Mall that evening and 8 picked you up the next morning?
- 9 Α. Yes, sir, it does.
- 10 Okay. So once again that was not true, was Q. 11 it?
- 12 No, it was not. Α.
- 13 You had told us you got to the Carnation Q. 14 Mall and went to the room. You went down 15 through the lobby, you go to some double 16 doors which are sort of to the left after 17 you walk into the lobby. The swimming pool 18 is over to your left and you go through 19 some double doors into the Carnation Mall; 20 is that right? 21
  - Α. Yes.

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MR. BAUMOEL: Your Honor, I would ask for a reference as to which time we are talking about.

25 THE COURT: That would be helpful.

BY MR. KEITH:

- Q. This is after you return that evening
  whomever may have brought you; is that
  right? Do you recall that? You come back
  to the Carnation Mall, you rented a room
  about 1:00. You come back that evening
  later after you have left. Do you recall
  that?
- 10 | A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 11 Q. You recall you testified that you went to
  12 your room, then you went back down through
  13 the lobby into the mall and to the K-Mart?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Do you remember that. And you met somebody you knew in the K-Mart, somebody named Web?
- 17 | A. Yes, sir.
- 18  $\parallel$  Q. They were there while you bought the knife?
- 19 | A. Yes, sir.
- 20  $\parallel$  Q. You had some conversation with them?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. You are sure that was on that evening?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- THE COURT: Speak up.

- Q. You then walk out of the K-Mart and as you're walking through the food court you see who?
- 4 A. Christopher Campbell.
- 5 Q. Where do you know Christopher Campbell from?
- 7 A. Maplewood.
- Q. And he is with a woman or a girl, a younglady?
- 10 A. Yes.
- Q. Is that right. Would you remember her if you saw her again?
- 13 A. Possibly.
- Q. Were you sitting at the food court or were you walking through?
- 16 A. I was walking through.
- 17  $\parallel$  Q. And how did you greet Christopher Campbell?
- A. I had saw him and I walked up to him and he
  was -- as I recall, he was sitting at a
  table. I sat down, was smoking a cigarette
- with him.
- Q. And how long were you there once again?
- 23 A. I'm not exactly sure.
- Q. And what was the nature of the conversation?

- 1 | A. I do not recall.
- Q. Well, if I told you that you told him that
- you got paid \$300 up front, would that
- 4 refresh your recollection?
- 5  $\parallel$  A. No, sir, it would not.
- 6 | Q. Could you have told him that?
- 7 | A. I could have.
- Q. Could you have told him you were there to
- 9 do a hit for your girlfriend?
- 10 A. I could have.
- 11  $\parallel$  Q. Okay. Could you have shown him the knife?
- 12  $\parallel$  A. Yes, it's possible.
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. Okay. You have no recollection of that
- 14 | event?
- 15 A. No, sir, I do not.
- 16  $\parallel$  Q. How were you dressed at that time?
- 17  $\parallel$  A. I had on a black wind pants and I'm not
- sure, but I'm pretty sure I still had my
- Nike jacket on.
- 20 | Q. Nike jacket?
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22 | Q. When you say pants, are you saying black
- 23 | wind pants?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25  $\parallel$  Q. W-i-n-d, because I can't understand that.

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You started out today telling us you were 1 Q. 2 telling the truth except for those two 3 things you remember. 4 Α. As I recall. Why are you not sure if you are telling the 5 Q. 6 truth? 7 MR. BAUMOEL: Your Honor, may he 8 finish his answer? 9 THE COURT: Okay. Be quiet. 10 Overruled. Keep going. 11 BY MR. KEITH: 12 Why are you not now sure? Did you lie to Q. 13 them? No, I didn't lie. There was some things 14 Α. that I didn't state there that weren't 15 16 exactly true. Some things that were not exactly true? 17 Q. 18 MR. BAUMOEL: Is that a 19 question? 20 THE COURT: Sustained. Make the 21 objection, Mr. Baumoel. 22 MR. BAUMOEL: Yes, Your Honor. 23 BY MR. KEITH: 24 Tell us again what things were not exactly Q. 25 true?

- A. Him dropping me off at my friend's house, and I don't remember.
- Q. You also told them that you gave him a bagful of clothes?
- 5 A. Yes, sir, I did.
- 6 Q. That wasn't true?
- 7 A. No, it wasn't.
- 8 Q. Now, you had on a nylon wind breaker.
  9 Whose was that?
- 10 A. That was my friend Summer Enoch's.
- Q. And you had on a shirt, I think we have pictures of it. You had on a shirt; is
- 14 A. (Indicating.)

- Q. Weren't you shown a picture of a white Nike shirt this morning?
- 17 | A. That was the jacket.

that right?

- 18 Q. That was the jacket.
- 19 A. Yes, sir, it was.
- Q. Okay. And then you had on black pants; is that right?
- 22 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And the black pants end up the far side of Ravenna over -- what was the name of the road?

- 1 | A. Lovers Drive.
- Q. Lovers Lane. And that is out actually on the northwest side of Ravenna, is it not?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 Q. How did you get there?
- 6 A. I do not recall.
- $7 \parallel Q$ . Who drove you there?
- 8 A. I do not recall. Somebody did --
- 9 Q. I'm sorry. You do not recall. Somebody
  10 did?
- 11 | A. Yes.

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- 12 Q. How did you get these pants you were

  13 concerned with being bloody out there to

  14 get rid of them? What did you tell these

  15 people?
  - A. Nothing. I was -- I was with my friend that lives in the house there the day before that and I told her that I was going to come out. She told me to come out about 8:00. And she told me to knock on the bedroom window because she had been asleep. And I walked around the house and I don't recall who dropped me off. I walked around the house. I disposed of the pants and knocked on her window.

- Q. When was that, on April 1st, April 2nd, when was that?
- 3 A. I'm not sure.
- Q. Had you gone there for that purpose? Did
  you just happen to have the pants with you?
- 6  $\parallel$  A. No, I had the pants with me.
- Q. Okay. So at that point you are carrying them around with you?
- 9 | A. Yes.
- Q. What about the wind breaker? What did you do with the wind breaker?
- 12 A. Summer has got it.
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. What did you do with the shoes?
- 14 A. I don't know.
- Q. Where did the shoes come from? How did you get those shoes?
- 17 A. I don't know. I don't know.
- 18 Q. Did you steal them?
- 19 A. No, I didn't steal them.
- 20 | Q. Did you ever steal anything?
- 21 A. Yeah.
- Q. Okay. Did you ever steal and not get caught?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. You always got caught?

- 1 A. No, I have stole stuff and not got caught.
- 2 | Q. Did you ever tell lies and not get caught?
- 3 | A. Yeah.
- 4 Q. I'm going to show you now what has been
- 5 marked as Defendant's Exhibits L and M.
- 6 Would you look at that, please.
- 7 | A. (Witness complies with request.)
- Q. Have you had an opportunity to review those, sir?
- 10 | A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. The first page is a complaint that accuses
- you on January 21st of 1999 of stealing a
- pair of shoes?
- 14 | A. Yes, sir.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. The second page is where you are sentenced
- 16 | to jail and suspended when you pled guilty
- 17 | to that; is that right?
- 18 | A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. Okay. That wasn't the pair of shoes you
- 20 had on?
- 21 | A. No, sir, I was -- I did not receive those
- 22 shoes. I was -- there were multiple
- 23 friends with me and they got busted and I
- 24 was already out of the store and one of my
- 25 friends snitched on me so I had to return

the shoes and so no, it was not those. 1 You put them on, walked out of the store 2 Q. with them and got caught later; is that 3 right? 4 Yes, sir. 5 Do you have in front of you the plea that 6 Q. we talked about? 7 Yes, sir, I do. 8 Α. Did you read that before you signed it? 9 Q. Yes, I did. 10 Α. Did you go over it with your lawyers? 11 Q. Yes, sir. Α. 12 13 Q. And they talked to you about the evidence in the case; is that right? 14 15 MR. BAUMOEL: Objection, Your 16 Honor. THE COURT: Are you going from 17 the plea agreement? 18 MR. KEITH: Yes. Or I'll 19 withdraw that question. 20 BY MR. KEITH: 21 Before you entered into this plea agreement 22 Q. you talked it over very carefully with your 23 lawyers; is that right? 24 Yes, sir. 25 Α.

- Q. And you became aware of the things that could potentially happen to you, did you not?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And you were offered this plea agreement if you testified truthfully; is that right?
- 7 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. I want to look at the page that says page 5 at the bottom.
- 10 A. (Witness complies with request.)
- 11 Q. You got that page in front of you?
- 12 | A. Yes, sir.
- Okay. You understand that for what you 13 Q. 14 were accused of you could be sentenced to die in the electric chair, to life with no 15 possibility of parole, in other words, you 16 would leave prison when you died finally, 17 18 30 full years and then perhaps parole, but 19 there is no guarantee or 25 years and perhaps parole, but there is no guarantee; 20 21 is that correct?
  - A. Yes, sir.

Q. And you're satisfied that you understood
all of that when you entered into that
agreement; is that right?

1 Α. To the best of my ability, yes. 2 An part of the reason for this agreement is Q. 3 the second full paragraph on page 5, is it not? Read that. 4 5 (Witness complies with request.) Α. 6 Yes, sir. 7 The Defendant shall testify truthfully and Q. with complete disclosure in any and all 8 other proceedings concerning the death of 9 Yvonne Layne. Is that the first sentence? 10 Yes, sir. 11 Α. The second sentence says if the Defendant 12 13 fails to testify truthfully and with complete disclosure in any and all 14 15 proceedings concerning the death of Yvonne Layne, the State of Ohio may void this plea 16 .17 agreement; is that correct? Yes, sir. Α. 18 Now, the judge doesn't get to void it, does 19 Q. That's not your understanding, is it? 20 he? MR. BAUMOEL: Objection. 21 THE COURT: Overruled. 22 THE WITNESS: I don't know. 23 BY MR. KEITH: 24 Mr. Haupt and I can't void it, can we? 25 Q.

- 1 A. I don't know.
- 2 | Q. You don't know.
- 3 | A. I don't know the law.
- 4 | Q. What does it say?
- THE COURT: That's his answer.
- BY MR. KEITH:
- 7 | Q. Well, sir, let me ask you, when you signed
- 8 that agreement, you were making an
- g agreement with the prosecutor, were you
- 10 | not?
- 11 | A. Yes, sir, I was.
- 12 | Q. You did it to control what was happening to
- you, didn't you?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 | Q. And as part of that, you have to repeat the
- words that they want, do you not?
- 17 A. No, I do not.
- 18 | O. You don't?
- 19 A. The words that I stated are the words that
- I have to state.
- 21 | Q. The words that you stated are the words
- 22 | that you have to state. Which set of
- words, which time?
- 24 A. The truth.
- 25 Q. The truth.

THE COURT: Caution on the 1 2 comments, Mr. Keith. 3 MR. KEITH: Excuse me? THE COURT: Caution on the 4 comments after the answer. 5 6 MR. KEITH: I apologize, Your 7 Honor. 8 THE COURT: Just a caution. 9 BY MR. KEITH: 10 Did you and David Thorne ever discuss any Q. 11 of this in front of any third person? No, sir. 12 Α. 13 Q. Did any person ever see David Thorne give 14 you money? No, sir. They never saw it, but he did. 15 Α. Wait a minute. Once again, your testimony 16 Q. 17 was you went and you cut Yvonne Layne's throat because David Thorne wanted you to 18 19 do it; is that correct? 20 That is correct. Α. Because he would feel good about the 21 Q. result; is that correct? 22 That is correct. 23 Α. MR. KEITH: Can I have a moment, 24 25 Your Honor.

1 THE COURT: You may. 2 3 (Thereupon, a discussion was held off the record.) 4 BY MR. KEITH: 5 Mr. Wilkes, from what age do you think you 6 Q. 7 had to learn to take care of yourself? Pretty much since I have been born. 8. And you have told lies to take care of 9 Q. yourself; is that correct? 10 To a point, yes. 11 Α. You have stolen to take care of yourself; 12 Q. 13 is that correct? To a point, yes. Α. 14 And you have never hesitated to impose on 15 Q. others or ask others for help; is that 16 correct? 17 That is correct. Α. 18 The Enochs take you in at 2:00 on a 19 Q. Saturday afternoon, into their home, they 20 feed you, they house you, they do your 21 laundry, they get you a job, and they give 22 you some expectations of your behavior. 23 They want to help you and follow some rules 24 around their home, did not they? 25

- 1 | A. Yes.
- 2 | Q. And they don't want a whole gang of kids
- 3 | running around their house or their yard?
- 4 | A. Very true.
- 5 | Q. And you don't respect any of that, do you?
- 6 A. I respect the fact -- I respected they did
- 7 want a bunch of people around their house.
- 8 Q. You didn't respect it enough to follow the
- 9 rules, did you?
- 10 | A. I never had a bunch of people around their
- 11 house.
- 12 | Q. Okay. You didn't hesitate to ask David
- Thorne for help, did you?
- 14 | A. No, sir.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. You didn't hesitate to start banging on his
- 16 answering machine at 2:00 in the morning on
- 17 | March the 27th, did you?
- 18 | A. No, sir.
- 19 Q. You didn't hesitate to call Karen Enoch at
- 20 2:00 this same morning and ask her to come
- 21 to Kent to get you, did you?
- 22 | A. Yes, I did.
- 23 | Q. You did that thing?
- 24 A. Yes, I did.
- 25 | Q. Right. Okay. You have been in jail now

- since July the 14th; is that right?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 | Q. And you have access to a telephone, do you
- 4 | not?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 | Q. And you have called people from the pay
- 7 phone both in the Stark County and Portage
- 8 County Jails; is that correct?
- 9 A. That is correct.
- 10 | Q. And you have talked to a Tad Simmons? Do
- 11 you know him?
- 12 A. (Indicating.)
- 13 | THE COURT: You got to answer.
- 14 His question is a Tad Simmons.
- 15 | Q. Would you have talked to any person named
- Tad having made a call from the jail?
- 17 | A. Ted no, but it was Tad.
- 18 | Q. Tad?
- 19 | A. Yes, Tad Simmons.
- 20 Q. Tad Simmons. Tad. Would you have told Tad
- 21 | that you shouldn't have pled guilty?
- 22 | A. Yes, sir.
- 23 | Q. Okay.
- 24 MR. KEITH: I have no further
- 25 questions. Thank you, Your Honor.