

Q John, I've explained to you they've uncovered a body. They say it was under the area that the dining room table was and you started to explain to me--well, let me ask you this--that area under the place where the dining room table was it accessible by way of the crawlspace?

A No.

Q Now, do you recall if that floor was ever up, if you had ever removed it, or what type of work were you doing?

A I'm not sure. We tore, we took all the tile off the floor when we recarpeted.

Q Now when you say "we", who are you talking about?

A Michael Rossi, I don't think Cram was there, but Michael Rossi was there.

Q And we were talking about taking up the floor, would you describe exactly which floor you are talking about, John, or which room?

A The living room--the back room of the house--the largest room in the house, 22 x 16. The floor was spongy and rather than pull out the floor--whoever built it didn't, didn't cross brace the joyce okay, and in doing so, the floor was spongy in the center. In other words, if you jumped on it the whole flo-floor would vibrate. Uh, around, I think '76, 1976, I put a new floor in. By doing this I could cross brace it. In other words the joyces were running from the north to the south and I, I put uh 2 x 4 joyces at 16 inches apart and I ran them from the east to the west, going across the floor in the other direction. On top of that I put a layer of, I believe it was 3/4 inch plywood and on top of that, we put on carpeting, we laid carpeting on top.

Q When that floor was up do you remember burying anybody down there?

A The floor was never taken out. This is in the living room.

Q How the hell did a body get under the section they're talking about?

A You're talking about the dining room?

Q Yeah

A I, I'm leading up to the dining room, I'm in the living room...

Q Alright.

A I, so we recarpeted it and, uh, the step-off was only approximately a couple of inches. Before we put the floor in, the step-off, you'd step off from the dining room into the living room, you'd step down approximately 6-1/2 inches, 7 inches. It was a step that everybody kept fallin' over, cause they didn't realize, ya know, ya stepped off like that when you came from the dining room to the living room. So I thought it would alleviate the problem by raising the floor. I raised the floor and recarpeted. But in doing so, from the dining room side, the two air vents that went into the living room floor were at, at that 6 inch level from where that step had, in fact it came out right where the step was--so we took the tile and stuff off the floor in the dining room--when I say "we", that was done by Rossi, Michael Rossi, and I think Rick, Randy Stewart. Anyhow, we took that out and.....

Q Is Randy Stewart alive?

A To the best of my knowledge, yeah, he lives on Higgins off of Narragansett.

Q The reason I ask is that in one of the statements that I read, you mentioned that somebody that's dead may be named Randy or David.

A I did?

Q Well, when you get to the statements, I'll point it out to you. Go ahead.

A When that dining room floor was up, we removed the floor. Michael Rossi then proceeded to put uh, all we did was put the duct work out on the sidewalk and made it come up through the, through the floor.

Q Did you have to remove the floor paneling in the dining room?

A Yeah.

Q How long did the removal job take, John?

A Uh.....I think Rossi took one day to do it.

Q Just one, the floor was only up one day?

- A Well, maybe two days, but I don't think, again, it might have been out two days. The floor was torn apart for more than one day, yeah.
- Q Alright. Assuming its two days or maybe longer, in that period of time did you bring anybody back to your house?
- A Not that I know of.
- Q Do you recall what day, month of '76 this was that you lifted the dining room floor?
- A I, I would think that it was '77, early '77.
- Q Would it be of corporate record in the corporate book that you used material?
- A No.
- Q Okay.