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8	Defendant.		
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VOLUME V 1 DAY 3 2 3 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017 4 5 THE COURT: We're about two or three minutes until 9:00. There's been a motion filed that 6 I think we need to take up prior to the jury 8 returning. It was filed today. State get a copy of it? 9 10 GENERAL HAGERMAN: Yes, sir. THE COURT: All right. Defendant want to 11 be heard on their motion? 12 13 MS. THOMPSON: Yes, sir, Your Honor. 14 THE COURT: Basically saying my 15 instruction didn't go far enough concerning hearsay, 16 which is not hearsay. 17 MS. THOMPSON: Right. I didn't want a hearsay instruction, I wanted a limiting instruction, 18 19 Your Honor, saying that they can't use it for the 20 truth of the matter. That what they heard people say 21 needs to come in only to put things into context. 22 THE COURT: All right. State got any 23 problem with me further instructing them? 24 GENERAL NICHOLS: No, sir. 25 THE COURT: I will say I instructed them

yesterday, gave them the definition that if something 1 is offered by a third party that they will not 2 3 consider that for the truth of it, okay? GENERAL NICHOLS: Well, I guess if that 4 5 was going to be the instruction, I probably would have -- want to weigh in, because sometimes things 6 are offered by third parties that we actually are 8 offering for the truth. THE COURT: Well --9 1.0 GENERAL NICHOLS: You know under the --THE COURT: -- they didn't object for 11 12 some things. GENERAL NICHOLS: Right. 13 THE COURT: But I am going to say that if 14 something I instructed them came from a third party 15 that was not offered for the truth of the statement 16 17 that they shall not consider it. GENERAL NICHOLS: Will you finish it off, 18 19 or give them the end of it that there are going to be 20 times when it is offered for the truth, because otherwise, you know, all the hearsay exceptions go 21 22 out the rule -- I mean, go out the window. THE COURT: I can't deal with exceptions 23 now. I will instruct them at the appropriate time. 2.4 25 GENERAL NICHOLS: Okay. Thank you.

THE COURT: If something falls under hearsay exception, I will tell them they can consider it, okay?

GENERAL NICHOLS: Uh-huh.

THE COURT: All right. Bring our jury

in.

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When I gave them the definition, actually I would have thought they would have inferred that, but I'll make it clear.

Bring the jury, please.

(WHEREUPON, the jury returned to the courtroom, after which the following proceedings were had:)

THE COURT: Be seated, please.

Let me first start out by thanking you for your sacrifice. I don't know about you, but I rest better in my own bed and my surroundings, so I appreciate the sacrifice that each of you are making in order to discharge your civic responsibilities.

So I want to start out by saying that.

Second thing, I instructed you yesterday concerning hearsay. That's a third party makes a statement out of court, and I instructed you that if it's not offered for the truth of that statement, sometimes it can come in because that's outside the

classic definition of hearsay. In other words, to suggest why someone did something. That statement to them is not offered for the truth of it.

I did not tell you, but I am telling you this morning, you cannot consider that as evidence. If it's not offered for the truth of it, you cannot consider it for evidence. You just cannot consider it for any evidentiary value, okay? Because that's offered to explain why someone did something, and then we might further get into things in this trial, and if necessary, I'll go into more detail.

These things are basically people get in law school. But in addition to things not meeting the definition of hearsay, there are certain legal exceptions to hearsay. And if they come in, I will further instruct you as to whether you can consider that or not. Do each of you understand that?

THE JURY (in unison): Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Okay. State all right?

GENERAL NICHOLS: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Defendant all right?

MS. THOMPSON: Yes, Your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. We had a witness.

Let's get Mr. -- you got further questions for Mr.

25 Weber?

MS. THOMPSON: Yes, Your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. Mr. Weber, you were placed under oath yesterday, your testimony remains under oath, okay?

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Be seated. Okay. You can continue your cross.

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CROSS-EXAMINATION

QUESTIONS BY MS. THOMPSON:

- 11 Q. Mr. Weber, yesterday we were talking about
- 12 | the fact that you had called the AT&T Emergency
- 13 | Service Center in order to begin the ping locate on
- 14 Ms. Bobo's telephone?
- 15 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 16 Q. And that was a call that you -- that the
- 17 | sheriff's department made from the dispatch center;
- isn't that correct, or the sheriff's department?
- 19 A. I believe that would be correct, yes, ma'am.
- 20 Q. And it's automatically -- all those calls
- 21 | that go in through those lines are automatically
- 22 recorded on the 911 system?
- 23 A. It is to my knowledge they were, yes, ma'am.
- Q. Yes. So I have a recording of that 911 call.
- 25 | Initially you had the dispatcher, is it a Judith that

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works in the office that made the call?
 1
      A. I believe she was one of the dispatchers
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      there I am sure.
      Q. Okay. So she started the initial call, and
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      you were standing there, and then you took over at
 6
      some point?
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      A. Yes, ma'am.
                 MS. THOMPSON: I would like to play that
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      call now. This is technical, so we've not rehearsed
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      this.
11
                 (Technical difficulty.)
             Okay. Then let's pop it out and let's pop it
12
      into my Mac. See, I said we hadn't rehearsed.
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14
                 (Technical difficulty.)
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                 (WHEREUPON, the 911 call was played to
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      the jury.)
      BY MS. THOMPSON:
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      Q. Okay. So that was an accurate reflection of
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      the phone call that day; is that right?
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      A. Sounded accurate, yes, ma'am.
21
            And at some point you heard the AT&T person
22
      give a location of Holladay Circle?
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      A. I heard him give a lot of locations, pings
24
      and numbers.
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      Q. And the -- I guess the 911 operator was
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- asking if they had an address, and you said -- it was coming back with an address, and he -- he was trying to give the closest address possible, and he said
- 4 Holladay Circle?
- 5 A. Okay.
- Q. So -- and he also said at some point that the phone was pinging over by Interstate I-40?
- 8 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 9 Q. And -- but at that time, you did not send a 10 group of officers up that direction; did you?
- 11 A. No, ma'am.
- Q. Matter of fact, once you got these two readings, the latitude and longitude readings, you
- 15 A. I relayed the information that I was given to officers to try to go to certain locations, yes,

didn't send officers to those readings; did you?

17 ma'am, I did.

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- Q. Okay. But as you know, officers did not go to those readings within the first hour?
- A. Ma'am, I don't know. I was clearly at the dispatch center and obtaining the information as to what officers -- if any went there, I don't know.
- Q. Okay. And then let me -- and since
 yesterday, you had an opportunity to review the
 report that you prepared in this case; didn't you?

- 1 A. Yes, ma'am, I looked at it this morning.
- 2 Q. As a matter of fact, you, as the first
- officer on the scene, were charged with making the
- 4 | preliminary investigation report in the whole case?
- 5 A. Yes, ma'am. I have to start a case so we can
- 6 have a case number for follow-up things, just like
- 7 | the AT&T track.
- 8 Q. Okay. And so in your report that you filled
- 9 out, on the very first page under the accused suspect
- 10 other category, you actually put Clint Bobo's name in
- 11 there; didn't you?
- 12 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 13 | Q. And then on the second page, you wrote out a
- 14 narrative?
- 15 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 16 Q. And a narrative is just a brief paragraph of
- 17 | kind of what had occurred?
- 18 A. Just a brief summation, yes, ma'am.
- 19 Q. Okay. And you wrote this -- do you remember
- 20 what day you actually sat down and wrote out the
- 21 report?
- 22 A. No, ma'am. I mean, a lot of that stuff was
- 23 kind of running together. I mean, there was a lot of
- 24 | things going on during that time.
- 25 Q. So you're saying it was all kinds of

- 1 information coming in?
- 2 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 3 | Q. Okay. And because of it all, it's possible
- 4 | that it was several days until you wrote out the
- 5 report?
- 6 A. There may be a timestamp on the report, I
- 7 don't know.
- 8 Q. Okay. If there's not a timestamp on the
- 9 report, then no telling when it was actually typed
- 10 into a computer?
- 11 A. It would have been -- they are pretty quick.
- 12 It's not going to be a week later or anything like
- 13 | that. It would have been within the first day or so,
- 14 because other people are going to need that case
- 15 | number for their files also.
- 16 Q. Okay. And you put down in your report that
- 17 upon arriving at the scene, you spoke with the
- 18 brother, Clint Bobo --
- 19 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 20 Q. -- who reported the victim, Holly Bobo -- of
- 21 | the reported victim, Holly Bobo?
- 22 A. Sounds right.
- 23 Q. And you're saying that Mr. Bobo gave you a
- 24 verbal statement that he was asleep in the home and
- 25 heard a scream?

- A. If that's what I put down, that's what he told me, yes, ma'am.
- 3 Q. But it's possible that you got that part
- 4 confused, because it's the neighbor that heard the
- 5 scream?
- 6 A. It's possible. If it's in my report,
- 7 unfortunately, that's what I typed up, so that's what
- 8 I have to stand by.
- 9 Q. But you were -- you didn't have any specific
- 10 notes from when you spoke to Clint Bobo first thing
- 11 that day; did you?
- 12 A. No, ma'am. The statement form that I gave
- 13 him, I don't know whatever happened to it.
- 14 Q. Okay. So the -- you would agree with me that
- 15 whatever piece of paper you gave him that day to fill
- 16 out has been lost at this point?
- 17 A. I would say that I never gained possession of
- 18 it back that day, no.
- 19 Q. Okay. Because you didn't review that paper
- 20 | in preparation for your testimony today?
- 21 A. No, ma'am, I have not seen that paper.
- 22 Q. Okay. And so you also put down that Clint
- 23 | Bobo checked outside the home, and he saw his sister
- 24 | in a pink shirt and light-colored blue jeans walking
- 25 | into the woods?

- 1 A. That's the description he would have given
- 2 me, sounds right.
- 3 Q. Okay. But he had also told you that he had
- 4 seen his sister kneeling down speaking to somebody
- 5 | outside the window; didn't he tell you that?
- 6 A. I don't remember that.
- 7 Q. Okay. So it's a detail you don't remember
- 8 today?
- 9 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 10 Q. And Clint Bobo advised you he didn't think
- 11 | much about his sister heading into the woods with her
- 12 boyfriend?
- 13 A. Seems like that's right.
- 14 Q. Okay. He explained to you that the boyfriend
- 15 was a turkey hunter?
- 16 A. I do recall that, yes.
- 17 Q. At some point he realized what was happening,
- 18 and he called 911?
- 19 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 20 | Q. Upon arrival at the scene, you put down that
- 21 | you did locate and photograph some blood inside the
- 22 carport?
- 23 A. That's what I put, yes, ma'am.
- 24 | Q. Okay. So yesterday when you said you didn't
- 25 | take pictures, you did, in fact, take some pictures?

- 1 A. It says that. I don't know whatever happened
- 2 to them. But it does say that, so I imagine I would
- 3 | have. Probably on my cell phone, because that would
- 4 have been what I would have had on me at the time. I
- 5 don't carry around a camera with me, so.
- 6 Q. Back in 2011, did you have a cell phone that
- 7 took pictures?
- 8 A. It was a department-issued iPhone, yes,
- 9 ma'am.
- 10 Q. Okay. That part you remember?
- 11 A. What?
- 12 Q. You remember that you had a cell phone, an
- iPhone that took pictures?
- 14 A. I remember that I had a department-issued
- 15 iPhone. We all had them, yes, ma'am.
- 16 | Q. Okay. And then you -- it says that you went
- 17 | inside this home, and you're one of the people that
- 18 | cleared the house?
- 19 A. No, ma'am, I don't remember ever going in the
- 20 home.
- 21 Q. Okay. So it was only Jeremy Pratt that
- cleared the home?
- 23 A. I don't know that, ma'am. I did not go in
- 24 the home.
- 25 | Q. Okay. And you tried to get a dog up there,

- but they told you that there was going to be a
 significant time delay on the dog?
- A. I do remember trying to get a dog up there,
- 4 but I don't remember being told -- I did read that in
- 5 my report this morning. So obviously somebody did
- 6 tell me that.
- 7 | Q. Okay. And did you stay in your office to get
- 8 | the e-mails, or was that something you could get on
- 9 your iPhone, the e-mails from AT&T with the pings?
- 10 A. I believe I had to use a computer there at
- 11 dispatch, but I don't remember. I remember them
- 12 coming in by e-mail.
- 13 Q. Okay. And matter of fact, you were able to
- 14 | get four pings total; is that right?
- 15 A. I don't remember exactly how many, ma'am.
- 16 Q. Okay. Well -- and I take that back. The
- 17 very first locate on the phone that we heard there,
- 18 that locate -- there was no hit at the time. Did you
- 19 hear that?
- 20 A. I heard -- I heard him say that, yes, ma'am.
- 21 Q. And so then we heard two locates on the
- 22 telephone just then?
- 23 A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. And then they ended up sending you additional
- 25 | two more; isn't that right?

- A. Ma'am, again, I don't remember the number in
- 2 total. I remember some e-mails coming through, but I
- 3 don't remember how many.
- 4 Q. Okay. And at that point then, you did not
- 5 have the means by which to use this latitude and
- 6 | longitude information they gave you to find -- to
- 7 pinpoint it on the map; did you?
- 8 A. No, ma'am. I didn't have a GPS or anything
- 9 to use that information.
- 10 Q. Okay. And it never occurred to you when you
- 11 | were talking to the people on the phone to ask them
- 12 to update the system every one minute?
- 13 A. No, ma'am.
- 14 Q. You did hear the man say on the phone that he
- 15 was constantly refreshing the data to see if it had
- 16 | changed?
- 17 A. Ma'am, he never told me that.
- 18 Q. You didn't hear him on the phone just now say
- 19 | that?
- 20 A. I heard him on there say that, but he didn't
- 21 say that to me. So, no, ma'am, I was not aware that
- 22 you could do that.
- Q. Okay. At the very last when he said to you,
- 24 I've been refreshing, and then he said, oh, it's just
- 25 | changed, I've got a new reading for you. Did you

- 1 remember him saying that?
- 2 A. I remember him saying that.
- 3 | Q. Okay. And then you did a supplement to your
- 4 | report at a later date; isn't that correct?
- 5 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 6 Q. And in that supplement, you added all the sex
- 7 offenders that you had gone to visit?
- 8 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 9 Q. And you went to see sex offenders with Jeremy
- 10 Pratt?
- 11 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 12 Q. You teamed up together to do that?
- 13 A. We did team up for some of them. I think
- 14 John Riker, one of the other road sergeants, assisted
- 15 | with a couple also.
- 16 Q. Okay. And so in doing that, I'd like to pass
- 17 | to you some papers I have. I have some copies, and
- granted they're not a very good copy of some notes I
- 19 have here. Can you tell me if that's your
- 20 handwriting?
- 21 A. Some of it does appear to be my handwriting,
- 22 yes, ma'am.
- 23 Q. I think one of the problems with these notes
- 24 | is when they're copied, you can see a little bit of
- 25 what was on the back of the paper also.

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But would you agree with me that it appears
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- 2 | that these rough notes on the piece of paper I just
- 3 | handed you are the same -- is the same information
- 4 that eventually got transcribed into your supplement
- 5 | number one of your report?
- 6 A. I would say, yes, ma'am, some of the
- 7 information was transcribed into my report.
- 8 Q. Would it be helpful if I passed you a copy of
- 9 your report?
- 10 A. That would be fine, ma'am.
- 11 Q. And yesterday you testified that you kind of
- 12 | started with the sex offenders that were closest to
- 13 | the Bobo home; is that correct?
- 14 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 15 Q. Okay. So the first person there that you go
- 16 | see is John Turner, number one? It's probably easier
- 17 | if you look at the typed report.
- 18 A. His name is first on the list so I would
- 19 probably have to say that's about right.
- 20 Q. Okay. He lives on Eastwood. You know where
- 21 | Eastwood -- I'm sorry, he -- you located him at
- 22 Melton Lane?
- 23 A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Near Eastwood.
- Okay. The second person is on Maness Lane,

- 1 | that's close to the Bobo house; is that right?
- 2 A. I'm not sure mileage-wise, but it's within
- 3 the city limits of Parsons.
- 4 Q. That's Melvin Stegall, you checked on him?
- 5 | A. Melvin Stegall, yes, ma'am.
- 6 Q. Sorry, Stegall.
- 7 The next person is Timothy Wheat?
- 8 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 9 Q. Also on Maness Lane?
- 10 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 11 Q. Is it Michael Broughton?
- 12 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 13 Q. The fifth person is James Riddle?
- 14 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 15 Q. He's on Rosson Lane?
- 16 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 17 Q. Then you move over to Jeanette Holladay Road?
- 18 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 19 Q. And you know where Jeanette Holladay Road is
- 20 located?
- 21 A. I do.
- 22 Q. And it's close to the Bobo home?
- 23 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 24 Q. It's certainly closer to the Bobo home than
- 25 Adams Lane?

- 1 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 2 Q. And you checked on Eric Christianson?
- 3 A. That's what it says, yes, ma'am.
- 4 Q. Okay. And he was home when you got there?
- 5 A. That's what it says.
- 6 Q. And then the next person on the list is Terry
- 7 | Britt, number 7?
- 8 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 9 Q. And he was at 3138 Jeanette Holladay Road?
- 10 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 11 Q. He gave you his story of what he had been
- 12 doing that day. He said he woke up at 6:00 a.m.,
- wife woke up at 8:30-ish, and they left going to
- 14 | Allgoods in Camden to buy supplies for remodeling the
- 15 house?
- 16 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 17 | Q. And do you remember that upon arrival they
- 18 were unloading -- Jan and Terry Britt were unloading
- 19 a tub from a truck?
- 20 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 21 Q. And when you say truck, you mean a pickup
- 22 truck?
- 23 A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. And so you got there sometime that afternoon
- 25 | after approximately 2:00; didn't you?

- 1 A. I don't remember the exact time, ma'am.
- 2 | Q. Do you see a time written on your sheet,
- 3 under your handwritten notes? I couldn't find a
- 4 time.
- 5 A. Ma'am, I am struggling here. It's kind of
- 6 | copied over, and it's hard to read, but not that I
- 7 can tell, no, ma'am.
- 8 Q. Okay. And do you remember that -- deputy,
- 9 you had just mentioned another deputy who was also
- doing checks on sex offenders; do you remember that?
- 11 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 12 Q. And that other deputy, what was his name?
- 13 A. Jonathan Riker.
- 14 Q. And Mr. Riker, he was paired up with a second
- 15 | person also; wasn't he?
- 16 A. Ma'am, I am not sure. I don't know. I would
- 17 say probably.
- 18 Q. Okay. And so do you remember that they had
- 19 | already been by the Britt home that morning and
- 20 nobody was there?
- 21 A. No, ma'am.
- 22 Q. Okay. And there's a list, a time table that
- 23 was included in all -- well, I guess officers when
- 24 | they came in, then began to try to form some type of
- 25 | timeline and keep a record of who was doing what?

- 1 A. I would hope so.
- 2 Q. And you remember that you worked pretty late
- 3 that day?
- 4 A. I am sure I did.
- 5 Q. Okay. So if at 8:38 you were still out there
- 6 checking sex offenders, that would make sense to you;
- 7 | wouldn't it?
- 8 A. I'm sure. I don't remember getting a whole
- 9 lot of sleep there for about a week.
- 10 Q. Okay. And that day also you said that you
- 11 had gone, you initially were at the Bobo home, but
- 12 | you left some time that morning to go back to the
- 13 | Parsons or the Decatur County Sheriff's Department?
- 14 A. The dispatch center, yes, ma'am.
- 15 Q. Where is the Decatur County Sheriff's
- 16 Department?
- 17 A. It's on Main Street in Decaturville. I don't
- 18 know the numerical address.
- 19 Q. Okay. So in order to get there from the Bobo
- 20 home, you would have driven past the hospital, the
- 21 | Parsons hospital, is it Parsons or Decatur County
- 22 hospital that's there in Parsons?
- 23 A. Decatur County General Hospital.
- 24 Q. So you would have driven pass the Decatur
- 25 | County General Hospital going that direction?

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             Okay. That's the way you went that morning;
      isn't it?
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      A. I don't know, ma'am. I don't know which road
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      I took. I would imagine I took that road just
      because it's the main thoroughfare.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: Okay. If I could have one
8
      moment. No further questions, Your Honor.
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                  THE COURT: Further direct from the
      State?
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: Yeah, I have a few, a
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      few, Judge.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: Oh, I'm sorry, Your Honor.
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      I did want to put that phone call in.
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                  THE COURT: I wondered. Let's put the
      disk in. It will be Exhibit 37.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: Can we have his report put
      in also and his handwritten notes. He recognized
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      them.
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: If we may approach
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      with regard to that. I would like to address the
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      Court with regard to her introducing this report.
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      am getting the disk from Ms. Thompson presently.
                  THE COURT: The disk will be Exhibit 37.
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                  (WHEREUPON, the above-mentioned 911 call
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That's one way to go, yes, ma'am.

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1 was marked as Exhibit Number 37.) 2 THE COURT: You want to be heard on that? GENERAL HAGERMAN: Yes. May we approach? 3 4 THE COURT: Yes. Bring that with you. 5 (WHEREUPON, a conference was held at the bench between counsel and the Court.) 7 GENERAL HAGERMAN: What Your Honor has 8 and what Ms. Thompson is attempting to introduce is a 9 report that was used to refresh Mr. Weber's 10 recollection. It's plainly and clearly hearsay. 11 Should be --12 THE COURT: He used it to refresh his 13 recollection, so let it be entered as the next two 14 exhibits. So this will be 38 and 39. 15 (WHEREUPON, the above-mentioned document 16 was marked as Exhibit Number 38.) (WHEREUPON, the above-mentioned document 17 was marked as Exhibit Number 39.) 18 19 (WHEREUPON, the following proceedings 2.0 continued within the hearing of the jury:) 21 THE COURT: I'll tell the jury, those two 22 reports that have just been filed into evidence were 23 introduced for purposes of him refreshing his 24 recollection. They're hearsay and not to be 25 considered for the truth of it, okay?

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                  MS. THOMPSON: Which one is going to be
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                  THE COURT: The big one was -- or the
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      multi-page was on top, I think.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: Okay.
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                  THE COURT: And 39 is practically
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      illegible.
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: May I continue, Your
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      Honor?
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                  THE COURT: You may.
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                     REDIRECT EXAMINATION
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      QUESTIONS BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
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         I think you told us yesterday you're not a
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      cell phone expert?
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            No, sir.
      Α.
             That wasn't your job?
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      Q.
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             No, sir, it was not.
      Α.
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             So I am not going to try to make you one,
      Q.
20
      okay?
21
             But did you hear what I heard on that phone
22
      call?
23
             Yes, sir, I did.
      Α.
             AT&T guy couldn't give you an address; could
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      Q.
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      he?
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      Α.
            No, sir.
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             He couldn't tell you Holly's phone was here?
      Q.
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      Α.
             No, sir.
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      Q.
             At a place or on a road or anything like
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      that?
                  MS. THOMPSON: Your Honor, I am going to
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      object to the leading.
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                  THE WITNESS: No, sir, he could not.
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: I'll be mindful of it,
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      Judge.
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                 THE COURT: Okav.
      BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
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             Instead what did he tell you?
      Q.
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      A. Latitudes and longitudes of possible
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      locations.
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      Q. Did you hear him mention something about like
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      a radius?
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      A. Yes, sir. 4,000 kilometers. Approximately
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      two miles I believe is what I heard him say.
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            All right. So in a two-mile radius?
      Q.
             Yes, sir.
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      Α.
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             So you're talking about a two-mile swatch?
      Q.
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             Yes, sir.
      Α.
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             And not a place or a road?
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Α.

No, sir.

- 1 | Q. Did you hear him say anything about a city?
- 2 A. No, sir.
- 3 Q. Did you hear him ever mention Holladay,
- 4 Tennessee?
- 5 A. Not that I recall, no, sir.
- 6 Q. Did you ever hear him mention Interstate 40?
- 7 A. Yes, sir, I did.
- 8 Q. Do you know -- you were asked where Adams
- 9 Lane is.
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. And do you know who lives on Adams Lane?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 13 Q. Who?
- 14 A. Zach Adams and his grandfather.
- 15 Q. Adams Lane near Interstate 40?
- 16 A. It is, sir.
- 17 Q. It's right there; isn't it?
- 18 A. It's pretty close, yes, sir.
- 19 Q. Adams Lane near Holladay, Tennessee?
- 20 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 21 Q. Right there, right?
- 22 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- Q. Now, even though you weren't a cell phone
- 24 expert and they gave you these pings -- they e-mailed
- 25 you pings, right?

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              Yes, sir, they did.
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              Did you just ignore them?
      Q.
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              No, sir. We give the information to people
      Α.
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      that I thought would be useful to them.
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              Because that was your job?
      Q.
 6
      Α.
              Yes, sir.
 7
              Did TBI get them?
      Q.
              They did, yes, sir.
      Α.
 9
      0.
              Highway Patrol?
10
      Α.
              Highway Patrol did also, yes, sir.
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              Other people responsible for trying to find
      Q.
12
      her?
13
      Α.
              Other people that were trying to help us,
14
      yes, sir.
15
      Q.
              You went about your job?
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              Yes, sir, I did.
      Α.
              There's a list of sex offenders you talked
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      Q.
18
      to --
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              Yes, sir.
      Α.
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              -- is that right?
      Q.
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                   MS. THOMPSON: I object to the leading,
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      Your Honor.
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                   THE WITNESS: Yes, sir, there is.
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                   THE COURT: That was not leading.
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Overruled.

1 BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:

- Q. Did you talk to Terry and Janet Britt?
- 3 A. I did, yes, sir.
- 4 Q. You saw them that morning; is that right?
- 5 A. Yes, sir. At some point during that day I
- 6 did run into them.
- 7 | Q. You saw them doing something; is that right?
- 8 A. We --
- 9 MS. THOMPSON: Your Honor, I object.
- 10 THE COURT: All right. That is leading.
- 11 BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
- 12 Q. What did you see when you encountered them?
- 13 A. When Deputy Pratt and I pulled up into the
- 14 driveway of the Britt's home, they were outside
- 15 unloading a pickup truck with some remodeling
- 16 | supplies to their home.
- 17 Q. Previously the word tub is used; is that
- 18 right?
- 19 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. What do you mean by that?
- 21 A. A bath tub.
- Q. Okay. Stuff for the bathroom?
- 23 A. That's what it appeared to be, yes, sir.
- Q. Okay. Not like a big bucket or something
- 25 like that?

- 1 A. No, sir.
- 2 Q. You did all that after you had actually been
- 3 | at the crime scene where she was taken, right?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, that is correct.
- 5 Q. We talked about this yesterday; didn't we?
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- GENERAL HAGERMAN: Take a second, Judge,
- 8 I am sorry.
- 9 THE COURT: Well, the light -- okay, here
- 10 | we go.
- 11 BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
- 12 Q. While we're waiting for it to warm up, could
- 13 you describe for us on one of your things you did out
- 14 there was put up some crime scene tape?
- 15 A. Yes, sir, I did.
- 16 Q. Now, were you the crime scene officer?
- 17 A. I was the initial officer on the scene, sir.
- 18 Q. Do you know what I mean by that when I say
- 19 | crime scene officer?
- 20 A. A tech that examines --
- 21 Q. Absolutely. That's right.
- 22 A. No, sir, I'm not.
- 23 Q. You weren't doing that?
- 24 A. No, sir.
- Q. You weren't taking samples of blood?

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      Q. You weren't walking every step of the crime
      scene putting tape and everything?
      A. No, sir.
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                 MS. THOMPSON: Your Honor, I object to
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      the leading.
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                  THE COURT: Sustained.
      BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
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             Did you put some tape up, though?
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             I did at one point, yes, sir.
                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: If we can just resume
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      the lights, Judge, I'll pass him this in a moment.
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      We'll figure it out over the next break.
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                  THE COURT: Okay.
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      BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
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         I'll pass you what's been previously marked
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      as Exhibit 7.
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         Yes, sir.
      Α.
             All right. Do you see the tape that you put
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      up?
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             I see some crime scene tape, and that's the
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      area that I put it up, yes, sir.
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                 GENERAL HAGERMAN: May I approach the
24
      witness?
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      BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
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Α.

I was not.

Q. Can you show me the tape in the area that you put up?

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- A. Yes, sir. Over here next to -- there's an alleyway going down the carport, all right. Over here would be the door walking down into the carport where Holly's car would have been. Just to the left of that, there was some sort of decoration, and then the door going into the main entrance of the home on the back side. I tied the tape between there, strung out through here and back over to a brush -- small tree on the back corner of this right here.
- Q. Okay. And would you agree with me that you put tape that's stretched from the porch or from the carport -- I think it's more the porch than the carport all the way across this back area, it's a tree or something?
- A. I did. I carried it all the way across to the shed back here where you can see Clint Bobo's truck. I was trying to preserve this area just in case -- because we already observed the blood on the carport or in the carport, I should say. And then a spatter on the wall. So I was trying to preserve this area just in case there might have been some sort of indication of a trail in which way they had left outside of that area.

- Q. On the other side, it spans from some trees
- 2 or something over next to the carport all the way
- 3 | across to the other trees?
- 4 A. That's correct, sir.
- 5 \mathbb{Q} . Would you agree with me that you didn't put
- 6 any crime scene tape across the mouth of that
- 7 | carport?
- 8 A. No, sir, I did not.
- 9 Q. If somebody put crime scene tape across the
- 10 mouth of that carport, that would not have been you?
- 11 A. No, sir, that would not.
- 12 GENERAL HAGERMAN: Might I display this
- 13 to the jury, Your Honor?
- 14 THE COURT: You may.
- 15 | GENERAL HAGERMAN: State's Exhibit Number
- 16 7.
- 17 BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
- 18 Q. You can see the crime scene tape going across
- 19 the back yard; is that right?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- 21 Q. On both sides --
- 22 A. It covers up a big section of that driveway
- 23 | there at the end of the carport.
- 24 Q. But you can see that you didn't put crime
- 25 scene tape actually on the mouth of the carport?

No, sir -- yes, sir, you can see that. 1 Q. So if somebody later came on and did that, 2 3 that wasn't you? If it was there later, yes, sir, that was not 5 me. GENERAL HAGERMAN: That's all my 6 7 questions, Your Honor. 8 THE COURT: Further cross? 9 10 RECROSS-EXAMINATION 11 QUESTIONS BY MS. THOMPSON: Mr. Weber, you did not put up that crime 12 13 scene tape right away; did you? No, ma'am. I put it up after I noticed the 14 Α. 15 blood in the carport. 16 Q. First thing you did when you got there was 1.7 you handed Clint Bobo a form to fill out; didn't you? 18 No, ma'am. I spoke with Clint Bobo first, and then eventually during our discussions, yes, 19 20 ma'am, he was handed a form to fill out. He was handed the form to fill out --21 Q. GENERAL HAGERMAN: Your Honor, I'm going 22 23 to object. This goes beyond the scope of recross. 24 MS. THOMPSON: It does, Your Honor, 25 because --

BY MS. THOMPSON: 2 You gave him the form to fill out after Karen 3 Bobo arrived -- before Karen Bobo arrived? 4 I would say that was safe to say, yes, ma'am. 5 Α. And the crime scene tape was after that? 6 Q. 7 After what? Α. 8 You gave him the form to fill out. Q. 9 At which time, no. It would be hard pressed 10 to say. It all happened pretty quick within the same 11 moments therein. Once the blood was noticed, there 12 was several things that happened. I realized the 13 severity of what was going on and things started 14 happening a lot quicker. 15 But once you realized the severity of what's 16 going on, you still didn't go in the woods? 17 Α. No, ma'am. 18 MS. THOMPSON: No further questions. 19 GENERAL HAGERMAN: Nothing further, 20 Judge. 21 THE COURT: All right. Step down. 22 You're free to go or you can remain in the courtroom. (WHEREUPON, the witness was excused from 23 2.4 the stand and left the courtroom.) 25 THE COURT: Call your next witness.

THE COURT: She can.

GENERAL RAGLAND: Your Honor, can we have a minute to see if we can get the projector working because our next witness, we're going to use that.

THE COURT: Well, let's just utilize our time. We'll take a morning recess. Follow the rules I gave you at the outset, please. No discussion. The things that are on page one of your notebook. Leave your notebooks with us, and we'll take 15 minutes.

GENERAL RAGLAND: Thank you, Your Honor.

(WHEREUPON, the jury left the courtroom and a small recess was taken, after which the following proceedings were had:)

THE COURT: Everyone ready to proceed. If you are, I'm going to send for the jury. Close the door just a minute.

I want to say this. I feel like everyone has been very cooperative. I said there would be no placards, no T-shirts, no stickers, things like that in support of the victim's family. I instructed the sheriff if they saw any that they were to cover those. There were some yesterday, there were some today. I don't think it's the family. I think it's well-wishers from outside. One car was Chester County, one was Madison County. So just be aware.

Please cover anything that would indicate support for 1 2 anyone. If you don't, the sheriff will cover it. I Ź don't think it will be an issue because this jury is very closely guarded. They're on a bus where they 4 5 can't see out, and they come directly in the courtroom. But please, if you would, be cautious 6 7 about that. You folks can be seated until the jury comes in. 9 (WHEREUPON, the jury returned to the 10 courtroom, after which the following proceedings were 11 had:) 12 THE COURT: What a gentleman, thank you. 13 A JUROR: You're welcome. THE COURT: All right. Be seated, 14 15 please. 16 Birthday? I won't say anything else. 17 Mr. Scholl, birthday, yesterday? 18 MR. SCHOLL: Thank you, Judge. I 19 appreciate that. 20 THE COURT: All right. I'm Friday, and we're not going to sing, okay? 21 22 All right. Call your next witness for the 23 State. 24 GENERAL RAGLAND: Your Honor, the State 25 calls Special Agent Loren James.

1	THE COURT: She'll be going and coming,
2	okay?
3	(The witness was sworn.)
4	THE COURT: Be seated. State your name
5	and spell first and last.
6	THE WITNESS: My name is Lawrence James.
7	Lawrence, L-A-W-R-E-N-C-E, James, J-A-M-E-S.
8	THE COURT: Thank you. You may proceed.
9	GENERAL RAGLAND: Thank you, Your Honor.
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12	LAWRENCE JAMES,
13	was called as a witness and having first been duly
14	sworn testified as follows:
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16	DIRECT EXAMINATION
17	QUESTIONS BY GENERAL RAGLAND:
18	Q. Good morning, Agent James.
L9	A. Morning.
20	Q. You also go by Loren, L-O-R-E-N?
21	A. I do.
22	Q. Where do you work, Mr. James?
23	A. I am employed with the Tennessee Bureau of
24	Investigation.
25	Q. And what do you do for the Bureau of

- 1 Investigation?
- 2 | A. I am a special agent forensic scientist
- 3 | supervisor in the Memphis laboratory. I supervise
- 4 forensic scientists as well as forensic technicians
- 5 in the evidence receiving unit.
- 6 Q. Agent James, how long have you worked with
- 7 the TBI?
- 8 A. I've been employed with TBI since January of
- 9 | 1999, so a little over 18 and a half years.
- 10 Q. Both as special agent and as a forensic
- 11 scientist?
- 12 A. That is right.
- 13 Q. When did you become a supervisor of the
- 14 forensic scientists?
- 15 A. June of 2013.
- 16 | Q. Agent James, I want to ask you about your
- education and how you came to be a forensic
- 18 | scientist?
- 19 THE COURT: Let me hold you just a
- 20 minute. Stipulate?
- MS. THOMPSON: Yes, Your Honor.
- 22 THE COURT: All right. Stipulate that
- 23 he's an expert in the field of forensic science. You
- 24 can go into whatever you want to, but I was going to
- 25 give them an opportunity to voir dire if they weren't

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1 going to stipulate.
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- 2 GENERAL RAGLAND: I'll shorten it some
- 3 then.
- 4 BY GENERAL RAGLAND:
- 5 Q. Now, Agent James, tell the jury please where
- 6 you went to college.
- 7 A. I went to Union University.
- 8 Q. And you graduated with what degree?
- 9 A. A Bachelor of Science degree in biology.
- 10 Q. What year?
- 11 A. 1997?
- 12 | O. With honors?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And have you worked in the area of science
- and law enforcement for pretty much since that time?
- 16 A. Yeah, there were a couple of years when I was
- 17 | floating with grad school, but started working at TBI
- 18 | when I was 25.
- 19 Q. One of the areas that you're involved in is
- 20 forensic biology and DNA?
- 21 A. That's right.
- 22 Q. Tell the jury how you have experience in
- 23 those areas.
- 24 A. Yeah, my background is in forensic biology or
- 25 | DNA testing. I trained for approximately a year and

a half under the supervision of other qualified DNA analysts at TBI. During that time, I had hands-on experience with approximately 300 cases. I also spent a lot of time in the scientific literature. I had to prepare presentations for my peers to establish my grasp of the material. And at the end of my training, I had to complete a simulated case and defend my work in a simulated court environment.

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Also during my training, I completed the TBI's forensic scientist school. This was basically -- it was a six weeks course that gave me an overview of all the disciplines provided by TBI specifically within the context of applying those at crime scene processing.

And so when I completed that course, I was qualified by TBI to participate in the violent crime response teams for West Tennessee. So I have a slight working knowledge in some of those areas such as microanalysis or latent print analysis. My specialization is DNA. I still do some DNA testing on a good day if I get lucky and have enough time to do some of that.

I am also required to attend a certain amount of continuing education every year. Generally that takes the form of attending forensic conferences, or

sometimes we'll bring training in house within TBI and train our analysts within the discipline.

Besides that, I've completed training. I've been -- I've completed the FBI's DNA auditor program, which qualifies me to audit DNA laboratories. So that's kind of an overview of it.

- Q. Thank you, Agent James. How many number of serological and DNA examinations have you conducted over your time as a special agent forensic scientist
- 10 with TBI?

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- A. I stopped counting a long time ago. It's at least thousands if not tens of thousands of tests.
- Q. Have you ever been qualified as an expert in courts in Tennessee in forensic serology and DNA
- 15 | analysis?
- 16 A. Yes, sir, I have.
- 17 | Q. How many times?
- 18 A. I believe that I am at about 95 times right now.
- GENERAL RAGLAND: Your Honor, defendant's stipulation as to his qualifications, and I would tender him as an expert at this time.
- THE COURT: He's 96 now, okay.
- GENERAL RAGLAND: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 25 BY GENERAL RAGLAND:

- Q. Agent James, you talked about the violent
- 2 crime response team. Tell us some more about that.
- A. So TBI provides -- we offer the service of
- 4 | violent crime response team for West Tennessee.
- 5 Generally that entails responding to violent
- 6 crimes -- obviously violent crimes. Over 90 percent
- 7 of those, I would guess, are either homicides or
- 8 officer-involved shootings. Essentially what we do
- 9 is go -- we go into the scene that has been made
- 10 secure by the local agencies. We document in various
- 11 forms such as video, photography, things of that
- 12 | nature, sketches. We'll also collect evidence,
- 13 search the scene for any evidence that we can find.
- 14 | Package it, bring it back to the laboratory for
- 15 | testing, things like that.
- And then after the scene is over, the team
- 17 leader generates a narrative of what we did and
- 18 provides that to the investigators.
- 19 Q. Agent James, I want to take you back to April
- 20 | 13, 2011, were you one of the leaders of the violent
- 21 | crime response team on that day?
- 22 A. I was.
- Q. And were you dispatched to the Bobo home at
- 24 681 Swan Johnson Road in Decatur County, Tennessee?
- 25 A. I was.

Q. Please tell the jury what you did that day.

- A. The laboratory supervisor at the time called me that morning, he told me to get in contact with Brent Booth, one of our TBI agents. I called Brent, he told me that a young lady had been abducted, and that we were -- they had already done some searching of the scene, but they wanted specialized forensic assistance. And so I got three of my coworkers, and
 - Q. What did you do when you arrived at 681 Swan Johnson Road?

we drove to Decatur County.

A. I was briefed by Terry Dicus. He gave me an overview of what he knew of what they believed had happened. And he told me to -- that my job, my team's job was specifically to focus on the garage area, that was where Holly Bobo's car was and there was believed to be some probably important evidence in that area.

He told me that her brother had observed

Holly being led towards the woods behind her house

with a man in camouflage. And Terry told me that

they had already searched that area for footprints.

And of course, my team, we still went back there and
looked for anything. We were looking for blood. We

were looking for shoe prints, anything like that. We

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      were primarily working -- we were concerned with the
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      area of the garage, and later went -- did some work
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      inside the house as well.
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      Q. Were pictures taken of the surroundings so to
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      speak?
      A. Yes, photography and video were both
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      collected.
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                  GENERAL RAGLAND: May I approach the
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                  THE COURT: Yes. Are you going to put
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      them on the projector?
                  GENERAL RAGLAND: I want him to look at
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      them first.
                  THE COURT: Okay.
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      BY GENERAL RAGLAND:
      Q. Agent James, I'm going to pass you what's
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      been previously marked as Exhibits 3 through 13 and
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      ask you to testify to those.
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             These are photographs of the Bobo property.
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                 GENERAL RAGLAND: May I put these on the
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      overhead?
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1 THE COURT: Get the lights, please. 2 BY GENERAL RAGLAND: 3 Agent James, I will tell you that the jury 4 has already seen these, but I'll run through them if I could. Ask you to identify exhibit -- first is 5 6 Exhibit 3. THE COURT: Shoot, we're getting good with these lights. 8 9 GENERAL RAGLAND: Once I got the 10 projector turned on. 11 THE COURT: I'm not talking about you, 12 I'm talking about in here. 13 BY GENERAL RAGLAND: 14 What is that? Q. 15 That's a photograph of the Bobo home taken 16 from approximately the road leading into the 17 driveway. 18 Next exhibit, please. What's that? Q. 19 It's a photograph of the front door, the 20 entrance to the Bobo home. 21 Q. These are as they looked on April 13, 2011? 22 Α. Yes. 23 Next, please. What's that, Agent James? Ο. 24 Α. This is a photograph taken from behind the 25 house on roughly the north end facing back down the

- 1 driveway.
- Q. Next one, please. This one?
- 3 A. This is a photograph also taken from the
- 4 north end of the home showing the driveway going
- 5 around the back of the house.
- 6 Q. Next, please. This one?
- 7 A. This is a photograph from the north end of
- 8 the home, again, showing the driveway, going into the
- 9 carport area.
- 10 Q. Circling around the back of the house at this
- 11 time?
- 12 A. That's right.
- 13 Q. Next, please.
- 14 A. This is a, I guess, a garage or a shed that
- was behind the Bobo residence.
- 16 Q. Next, please. What do you see here?
- 17 A. This is the driveway. The carport would be
- 18 over on the right.
- 19 Q. Next, please.
- 20 A. Again, this is the driveway, roughly facing
- 21 north.
- 22 Q. Next, please.
- And this is a photograph of the alleged path
- 24 that Holly Bobo was seen being walked towards the
- 25 woods.

- 1 Q. Next, please.
- 2 A. This is the back porch of the Bobo residence.
- 3 Q. Is that the carport on the far end?
- 4 A. It is on the far end.
- 5 Q. Thank you. Next, please.
- What do we see here?
- 7 A. That's Holly Bobo's vehicle parked in the
- 8 carport.
- 9 Q. I want to put up these next two exhibits, 24
- 10 and 25. Let me ask you this, were pictures also
- 11 taken inside the house that day?
- 12 A. Yes, there were.
- 13 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as
- 14 Exhibits 24 and 25. What do we see here?
- 15 A. It's a clothes hamper in one of the bathrooms
- 16 in the house.
- 17 Q. Next, please. What is this?
- 18 A. Again, it's a close up of the clothes hamper.
- 19 There's some underwear that was collected for efforts
- 20 later.
- 21 Q. Let me show you -- pass forward what's been
- 22 previously been marked as Exhibit 26. Do you
- 23 recognize that?
- 24 A. I do.
- Q. What is that?

- 1 | A. This is a package that contains the underwear
- 2 | that's on the top of the dirty clothes stack there.
- 3 Q. Did you retrieve that underwear?
- 4 A. I did.
- 5 Q. Did you tag that underwear.
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 | Q. Did you later test that underwear?
- 8 A. I did.
- 9 Q. Was it in the same condition as when you
- 10 | tagged it?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. If I could have that back for the time being.
- 13 | Thank you.
- 14 Agent James, I am going to show you what's
- 15 been previously marked as Exhibits 27 and 28, please.
- 16 What do we see here in Exhibit 27?
- 17 A. This is a photograph that's taken from a
- 18 | birds-eye view looking down at the garage floor. You
- can see two steps up at the top of the frame that are
- 20 steps leading between the back door of the residence
- 21 and the garage. And basically you can also see the
- 22 | Mustang over in the lower left hand corner, it's her
- 23 car. So these were presumed blood drops, later
- 24 | confirmed to be blood.
- 25 | Q. I am going to pass you forward 12 pictures

and ask you to testify to them as well.

I'm sorry, the next one, please. Let me -- before you look at that, Agent James. What is this in Exhibit 28?

- A. This is another photograph taken from the south looking north. The steps leading up to the back door are at the far end of the frame. Obviously Holly Bobo's vehicle is in the frame. And it basically shows -- at least it gives an idea of the proximity of various blood -- where blood evidence was located at the scene.
- 12 Q. Okay.

- 13 A. You can see -- do you have a laser pointer?
- 14 Q. I do.
 - A. So basically these approximately right here is where the blood drops are -- end on the south end of that carport area. And there were blood droplets going -- there was a fairly large pool right here, and there was some up on the step as well. And so this photograph just kind of gives an area -- a representation of the area where the blood was contained.
 - Q. Thank you, sir.

If you'll turn to those additional pictures.

Do you recognize those, Agent James?

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      Q.
             What are those generally?
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      carport area.
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      that those be admitted into evidence as separately
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      numbered exhibits as we have done with the other
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      pictures.
                  THE COURT: How many?
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                  GENERAL RAGLAND: 12, sir.
                  THE COURT: All right. It will be 40
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      through 51.
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                  (WHEREUPON, the above-mentioned
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      photographs were marked as Exhibit Numbers 40-51.)
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                  GENERAL RAGLAND: Your Honor, I need to
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      show the defense attorney.
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              Permission to publish, Your Honor?
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                  THE COURT: Is that correct, through 51?
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                  THE REPORTER: Yes, sir.
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                  THE COURT: Okay.
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                  GENERAL RAGLAND: Can I publish, Your
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      Honor? Can I publish those exhibits?
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                  THE COURT: You may.
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                  GENERAL RAGLAND: Thank you.
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      BY GENERAL RAGLAND:
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- 1 Q. Agent James, we're now looking at Exhibit 40,
- 2 could you tell us what we see here?
- A. This is a photograph of Holly Bobo's vehicle as it was when I arrived on the scene.
- Q. Again, you took pictures of a number of areas of the house and the outside, is that what you
- 7 believed to be the crime scene?
- 8 A. That's right.

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- 9 Q. Next, please. Let's turn that one.
- This is Exhibit 41, Agent James, what do you see here?
- A. This is a photograph again of Holly's car

 parked in the carport and basically just giving kind

 of a proximity of how close it was to the walls.
 - Q. Were you interested in anything about the surface of the carport?
 - A. Well, yeah, definitely. We were -- the carport had a good bit of dust, dirt that had blown in. And so it was potentially a good surface for shoe prints, and that was definitely something that we wanted to be mindful of. And also, too, just the fact that it's close to the walls.

You know, when you're working crime scenes, you've got -- you work with what you've got. You make intuitive decisions. There was also definitely

an aspect that as close as that vehicle was to the walls, you know, someone may have brushed up against the vehicle or brushed up against the walls. Maybe, you know, maybe left a handprint or, you know, put their hand on the car. I mean, obviously the fact that blood is there indicates there was probably some sort of struggle. And so all of that kind of factors into our decision-making when we're looking for potential evidence.

- Q. Next, please. What do we see here?
- 11 A. This is a photograph of Holly's car taken 12 from the far side of the carport or garage area.
- 13 Q. Next, please. This one, sir.

A. That's a photograph taken from the front driver's side corner of the bumper. It was relevant because there was a good amount of dust on the car. I mean, the car had some dirt on it, which was good for us because we could see where contact had been made to it. So there was an area on that corner where the dust had been brushed off. Where something had obviously made contact with it. And so hopefully, you know, it could have been anything. It could have been, you know, the side of someone's leg. It could have been a hand as well that knocked that dust off.

So that ended up being -- I ended up taking a 1 swabbing of it in hopes that someone had put their 2 3 hand down on it or something like that. 4 0. Next, please. Agent James, this is Exhibit 44, what do you -- what did you see here? 5 6 This is a photograph that was taken of a 7 partial shoe print that we located in the garage. 8 It's got a ruler in it, because the idea is that 9 before we try to lift shoe prints, we try to 10 photograph, you know, with high quality, you know, high resolution camera for the purposes of comparing 11 12 if we have any shoes that become submitted later, so 13 we can make a comparison whether to eliminate or 14 include as a possible source of that shoe print. 15 Q. The fact that there is a ruler there trying 16 to get a more specific or precise measurement? 17 That's right. Yeah, it's -- the ruler is in Α. 18 there. It is placed in the photograph so there can 19 be a one-to-one comparison if you actually get a shoe 20 submitted at a later point. I said we earlier, I 21 mean, we have a specific unit in our national lab 22 that specializes in microanalysis in items such as 23 shoe tracks or tire tracks. 24 Was this picture taken with a camera and 25 tripod?

- 1 A. Yes, it is.
- 2 Q. Next, please.
- 3 A. What do we see here in Exhibit 45.
- 4 A. This is another some sort of print that I
- 5 | thought might have been a shoe. We saw this pattern.
- 6 | There's kind of like a cross hatch pattern, and I saw
- 7 | that pattern a couple of places on the garage floor.
- 8 Q. You're shoulder is hitting --
- 9 A. Thank you. Sorry about that.
- 10 Q. I'm sorry. State that again, please.
- 11 A. Yeah, so I believe that this was a shoe track
- 12 | that I observed on the garage floor. And this was --
- 13 I believe we saw this in a couple of locations, and
- 14 so it's just an attempt to photograph it. Hopefully
- 15 for -- hopefully obtain something of -- for
- 16 | comparison purposes.
- 17 Q. Do you have any observations or conclusions
- 18 here about the condition of the floor?
- 19 A. Well, just that the floor of the garage was
- 20 | quite dirty for better or worse.
- 21 Q. Next, please. This is Exhibit 46, please
- 22 | tell the jury what you see here.
- 23 A. Again, this is a photograph of a possible
- 24 | shoe track.
- 25 Q. Looked like pebbles or rocks or stones on the

1 floor?

- 2 A. Yeah, there's -- you can see dirt. I mean,
- 3 | obviously that track appears to be in dust.
- Q. Next, please. This is Exhibit 47. Tell the
- 5 jury what you saw here.
- 6 A. Again, this is a photograph. And I'll be
- 7 | honest with you, just looking at the photograph, I am
- 8 | not sure if there was any part of the shoe print
- 9 there. It definitely looks like something went
- 10 | through that dirt or dust that disturbed what was
- 11 there. But ultimately just looking at the
- 12 | photograph, I couldn't tell you right now if I think
- 13 | that's a shoe track or not. I think it's ultimately
- 14 just documentation that somebody was moving through
- 15 | the -- there was movement in and out of the garage.
- 16 Q. Again, what do you -- what conclusions do you
- 17 have about the conditions of the floor?
- 18 A. Yeah, there's like -- there were areas where
- 19 there was a lot of dirt.
- 20 Q. Next, please. This might be a little similar
- 21 to what you saw earlier in one of the other exhibits.
- 22 This is Exhibit 48. What is that? What are we
- 23 | seeing here?
- 24 A. So, again, this is a slightly zoomed in
- 25 | photograph of what I showed you earlier. You can't

- 1 | see the stairs very well anymore, but it's basically
- 2 | a photograph that contains most of the blood evidence
- 3 | that I observed around the vehicle.
- 4 Q. That's the front of the car?
- 5 A. Yes, this is the front fender on the left.
- 6 Q. Where are the steps?
- 7 A. The bumper, I mean.
- 8 Q. Where are the steps?
- 9 A. The steps are -- that concrete is the
- 10 | bottom -- I guess that's the first step right there.
- 11 Q. Thank you. Next, please.
- 12 Agent James, this is Exhibit 49, and there's
- 13 some Post-It notes on there, are those yours?
- 14 A. I did add those Post-It notes.
- 15 Q. They weren't in the original picture?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. What was in the original picture?
- 18 A. So this is a photograph taken slightly from
- 19 above. This is the step right here. First step,
- 20 Holly Bobo's car is right here, that's the bumper.
- 21 | And this is the wall of the house. And so basically
- 22 I was trying to give an overhead shot again of the
- 23 blood evidence that I observed at the scene.
- Q. This is looking down on the other side of the
- 25 car still at the front kind of on top of the step?

- 1 A. Yes, It's a little bit awkward. It's
- 2 definitely not parallel with the ground, but I was
- 3 doing the best I could standing on the stair.
- 4 Q. Those groupings have some importance with
- 5 respect to your scientific testing later; would they
- 6 not?
- 7 A. That's right.
- 8 Q. I'll come back to those in a little bit.
- 9 Let's see the next one, please.
- This is Exhibit 50. Again, those are Post-It
- 11 | notes you put on there?
- 12 A. That's right.
- 13 Q. Tell this jury what this view is.
- 14 A. So this is the stair going up to the back
- 15 porch. The wall would be on this side of the
- 16 | photograph. The vehicle would be on the left side of
- 17 | the photograph. This is a zoomed in area. There was
- 18 | a pool of a reddish brown stain that was close, you
- 19 know, within a couple of inches or so -- a few inches
- of the stair. And there are also some other blood
- 21 stains in this view. This one became -- it caught my
- 22 eye, and I could explain that later.
- Q. Let's go to the next exhibit, please.
- 24 A. Okay.
- 25 Q. Is that the one that caught your eye?

- 1 A. It did.
- 2 Q. Looking at Exhibit 51 here?
- 3 A. That's right.
- 4 Q. What is that? That's, again, your Post-It
- 5 note?
- 6 A. Yeah. It ended up being reported out on my
- 7 report as Exhibit 1E. Basically it's a blood stain
- 8 that was -- it appeared different from a lot of the
- 9 other -- many of the blood stains appeared to be
- 10 drops that were on the floor of the garage. This one
- 11 looked like a smear.
- 12 There were also -- I don't know how well you
- 13 can see it. This photograph is pretty -- its focus
- 14 | isn't the best. But there was one spot down here.
- 15 And this -- kind of an extended -- it almost -- it's
- almost like the stain together looked like an
- 17 exclamation point.
- So the thing that stood out to me was that
- 19 | there were like striations or lines that were
- 20 | observed. They looked as if some sort of -- some
- 21 | sort of pattern had been impressed on that stain.
- 22 don't know -- I called it ridge detail, because I've
- 23 got that terminology in my head from latent print
- 24 | examination, but ultimately, it looks to me like
- 25 | striations from fabric, like denim or -- I don't

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     know. I think my khaki pants that I wear to work
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     most days tend to have striations in them that are
     real subtle, but they would -- they look like that.
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- Q. Striations is a big word, is that kind of
- 5 like pattern?

- 6 Yeah, yeah, just parallel lines.
- 7 0. We'll come back to the blood in just a
- moment. I'm going to ask two more -- I'm going to 8
- ask you a question about two more photos. 9
- 10 GENERAL RAGLAND: May I approach? May I
- 11 have standing approval to approach?
- 12 THE COURT: Yes.
- 13 BY GENERAL RAGLAND:
- 14 Let me show you two more pictures and ask you
- 15 to identify those.
- 16 Α. Yes.
- 17 Q. What are those?
- 18 These are photographs that were taken of
- 19 Holly Bobo's car.
- 20 Do you recall if these were taken the next Q.
- 21 day?
- 22 They were taken the next day. Α.
- 23 GENERAL RAGLAND: Your Honor, State would
- 24 ask that these be entered into evidence as the next
- 25 two exhibits.

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                  (WHEREUPON, the above-mentioned
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      photographs were marked as Exhibit Numbers 52 and
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                  GENERAL RAGLAND: Can I publish those,
      Your Honor?
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                  THE COURT: You may.
      BY GENERAL RAGLAND:
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             This is Exhibit 52, Agent James, that's that
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      same Mustang?
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             In the garage, the carport the next day?
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             It is.
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             Is it in the same spot?
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      Α.
             Yes.
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             And what are you doing here? What were you
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      trying to do?
             So I had been called back to the scene
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      around -- involving a possible -- what appeared to be
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      a latent print on the hood. And so this is a
      photograph of the front passenger side fender near,
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      you know, the area of the -- where the hood kind of
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      curves down onto the side of the vehicle. Yeah, I
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      think the next photograph will explain it.
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- It will be kind of self explanatory. Α. there were --
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- This is the hood. You can see the wheel well down here. And this is -- this line right here is the hood. And there was a smear area right here that you can see, it's not small. It's really -- it's large. And likewise here, you can see where the dust kind of, you know, on this side the dust was totally wiped off. On this side, it was just disturbed a little bit, and there's a smear in there that -- it very much looked to be like a palm-sized smear. There was even ridge detail that was observed with
 - Thank you. I quess to say the easy way, you Ο. responded to the scene that day, and the next day you took pictures, took samples, and did crime scene investigation, and you also acted as a scientist
- 19
- after that, correct?

blood in it.

- 20 That's right. Α.
- 21 I want to go back and put back up Exhibit 49. Q.
- 22 Exhibit 49 has these Post-It notes that may 23 not be entirely clear, but when the jury gets it in 24 the jury room, they'll see. Tell them what will they 25 see.

A. Okay. So obviously blood evidence can be a valuable tool in terms of, you know, examining crime scenes and examining evidence. There was a good amount of blood here at the scene. My approach generally, speaking for myself and most of the people that I work with, we don't process every blood drop we see. We don't swab them individually. I might have had 50 or 60 blood drops here.

My approach, number one, I will just give you my mindset. The importance or the significance of blood evidence is to establish who was at a crime scene, who was bleeding at a crime scene. Obviously, if you've got a victim of a violent crime, a reasonable assumption is your victim is very possibly going to be bleeding at the scene. That's the case in the vast majority of the crime scenes I respond to.

At the same time my goal is to establish is to seek to put someone else, a possible perpetrator at a scene using DNA evidence. And so my approach here was to group these blood droplets, the blood stains into manageable group sizes that would allow me to cover most of what is represented here to test most of it, and at the same time not spend the next six months analyzing blood drops on the garage floor.

So what I did was group these into five different areas and collect a representative sampling of blood droplets from those areas. I told you earlier about the shape that looked like an exclamation point that looked like something had been pressed in to it and left the striations or the pattern in it. I sampled that one separately just because I thought it was interesting. You know, my feeling was either somebody knelt down onto a blood drop and smeared it a little bit, or it was already on somebody's clothing, and they knelt down and transferred it onto the ground. Either way, it was a different stain than most of the drops that I observed.

- Q. Which one is that?
- A. So you can't see it very well in this

 photograph, but it's roughly in this area right -
 actually I can see it. It's right there

 (indicating).
- 20 Q. Is that 1E?

A. That's 1E, yeah. I called it swab number 5 in my original notes, and when it got submitted to the laboratory, it became Exhibit E. I believe my report says, area with ridge detail. It's a swab from the floor of the garage, it says, area of ridge

detail.

There was another -- the first stain that I collected was roughly this area right here that encompassed this large pool right here (indicating). I mean, that was a fist size approximately blood stain. So not just a couple of drops.

- Q. That's 1A?
- A. That's 1A. And I called it a large stain on my report just to clarify.

There was another grouping of the second swabbing that I took was a grouping of what appeared to be blood drops that were over close to the wall. Again, thinking maybe if two people are scuffling in this area, maybe if both of them are bleeding or whatever, maybe one person's blood might be over here versus right here (indicating). So I took a sample right here (indicating) that became Exhibit 1B in my report. It says swabs from floor of garage near wall.

The third grouping was this far -- this is the furthest -- the grouping that's the furthest south. It roughly lines up with about the middle of the hood. I mean, that license plate on the front of her vehicle is a pretty good estimate of where those fell in the scheme of that area. And so I called

that -- that swabbing ended up being Exhibit 1C, swab
from floor of garage south end of the pattern.

And then the fourth stain, there was a grouping that was kind of in this middle area. And you can't see it very well. I was kind of disappointed in how the photographs came out, but there was a stain up here on the step as well, a good size stain. And so I swabbed that area along with those. So that was my fourth grouping, and I called that swab from floor of garage, stairs.

- Q. So let me see if I can summarize. This area is the area that had the placard with number one on it?
- 14 A. Right.

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- Q. You took five different swabs, 1A, B, C, D, and E?
- 17 A. That's right.
- Q. Tell the jury what it means to be taking a swab.
- A. Well, we use cotton swabs. They're glorified
 Q-tips on a wooden stick, swab on one end, just put
 some sterilized water on it to wet it, and then swab
 the surface of the area, in this case blood droplets.
 - Q. Let me pass you a --

GENERAL RAGLAND: Can we turn the lights

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      back on?
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                  THE COURT: Okay.
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      BY GENERAL RAGLAND:
              Let me pass you a paper bag and ask you if
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      you can identify this. Do you need some scissors?
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      Α.
             Do you want me to open them?
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      Q.
              Yes.
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      Α.
             Yeah, that would be great.
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              I do recognize the package.
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      Q.
             What is it?
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              This bag contains the swab samples that I
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      collected from the floor of the garage.
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              Those are the samples you collected and then
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      ultimately tested?
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              That's right.
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             The same condition that you took them in?
      Q.
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      Α.
             That's right.
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      Q.
             Are those those samples?
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             Yes, they are in here.
      Α.
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             It's those five?
      Q.
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             Yes.
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                  GENERAL RAGLAND: Your Honor, the State
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      would ask that the bag and its contents be marked and
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      admitted into evidence as the next exhibit.
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                  THE COURT: Be Exhibit 54.
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1 GENERAL RAGLAND: Agent James, let me go 2 ahead and get that marked. (WHEREUPON, the above-mentioned evidence 4 bag was marked as Exhibit Number 54.) GENERAL RAGLAND: Your Honor, may Agent 5 6 James just hold these up and publish them to the 7 jury? 8 THE COURT: He can. 9 BY GENERAL RAGLAND: 10 I told you to keep your gloves them. Just 11 pull them out and show them to the jury. 12 All right. So basically what I did was 13 take -- I've broken the sticks off of them, but every 14 one of these contains a pair of swabs and some 15 degree -- some of them still have a good bit of 16 sample left, and some of them -- I believe they're 17 mostly consumed on one of them or something like 18 that. But basically -- yeah, every one of these 19 little plastic petri dishes contains a pair of swabs, 20 and most of them have some reddish brown stain on 21 them. 2.2 Thank you. So you've been to the house, 23 you've taken pictures, you retained these swabs, and 24 you've obtained the panties, which are Exhibit 26, 25 correct?

- 1 A. That's right.
- Q. What was the purpose for getting all that?
- 3 A. So -- the panties specifically or the other
- 4 things or --
- Q. All of them. Let me ask you this: What were
- 6 you ultimately trying to get to?
- 7 A. Well, ultimately, like I said earlier, we
- 8 were wanting to hopefully establish a link with a
- 9 suspect whether through shoe prints or through blood
- 10 drops, grazing against the bumper of a car, things of
- 11 that nature.
- 12 Q. So you ultimately could do a DNA analysis?
- 13 A. Yeah, absolutely.
- 14 Q. Tell the jury what DNA is.
- 15 A. DNA stands for deoxyribonucleic acid. It is
- a chemical that's present in most cells in our body.
- Basically it's a chemical blueprint for everything
- 18 that goes on in our body. From how we process the
- 19 food we eat to how our body transmits nervous
- 20 | signals. There's also a component -- DNA is
- 21 inherited from our parents. We get half from our
- 22 mother, half from our father, and so even physical
- 23 characteristics. The fact that we look like our
- 24 | siblings or we look like our parents, you know, it's
- 25 attributable to DNA. It determines those

1 characteristics as well.

- Q. Do individuals have different DNA?
- A. Yes. Much like fingerprints, DNA is unique
- 4 to each individual with the exception of identical
- 5 twins. For my testing purposes, identical twins
- 6 | would not be distinguishable by DNA testing. But
- 7 besides that, as far as we know, we've never seen any
- 8 | two individuals have the same DNA profile.
- 9 Q. And how is -- how do you go about your DNA
- 10 testing? What do you do first? You got these
- 11 samples, what did you do first to start down this
- 12 path?

- 13 A. The first thing I do is called serology.
- 14 | Serology is just the identification of body fluids.
- 15 | Most of the samples that come into our laboratory
- 16 undergo some degree of determination of, you know, is
- 17 | there a body fluid here that might be relevant. And
- 18 so in this particular case, I did testing to
- 19 determine that, yes, indeed these stains that I
- 20 swabbed off of the floor of the garage, they are
- 21 blood.
- 22 Q. Let me interrupt you, you thought it was
- 23 blood?
- 24 A. Sure.
- 25 Q. But you did a test to determine that?

- 1 A. That's right.
- Q. And that test generally came back with blood?
- 3 A. That's right.

present in that stain.

4 Q. Okay.

A. Once I determined that a stain is blood, for example, I'll proceed with DNA testing at that point. DNA testing is -- it's a four-step process. The first step involves extracting DNA out of everything else it's on. I mean, in this particular case, I showed you that I've got cotton swabs. So what I would do is take a cutting from some of that stain and run it through a process where the DNA is removed from all the other -- the substrate or the cotton swab as well as the other biological debris that's

I run a second step that gives me an idea of how much DNA is present in that sample that I extracted. The third step is called amplification.

Basically it focuses or specifically isolates -- in 2011 we were looking at 13 specific areas on DNA.

When I say that, you know, I guess a lot of people think that maybe DNA analysis consists of sequencing or something like that. We don't do -- the testing that we do is we're pulling about -- we're basically looking at about 12 pages out of a War and Peace

novel. I mean, we're looking at a very small amount of the DNA, but there are 13 specific areas that are known to be highly variable in the human population.

Once I've done amplification on the sample, and I've made lots of copies of what I've already got, the last step is just putting it on a genetic analyzer that separates out DNA fragments by size, and then a attributes a DNA type to those DNA fragments. Once I have a profile that I've obtained from an item, then I am able to compare it back to DNA profiles that I've generated from reference samples from individuals in question.

- Q. Talked about a few pages of War and Peace, let me see if I can understand that. If you're looking at DNA attributes so-to-speak, there's many of them, correct?
- 17 A. That's right.
- Q. But at the time we're looking at 13 specific ones that can distinguish different people; is that correct?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 Q. Is that what you did here?
- 23 A. Yes.

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- Q. Is that what's typically done?
- 25 A. Yeah. Since 2011, we've gone from 13 to 15,

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      at. But that was the standard in the forensic
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      community at the time, and still is pretty
      representative of what's done.
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            Has to be able to see if a profile matches
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      someone or doesn't match someone, correct?
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             That's right.
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             Could be a suspect or a victim; could it not?
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             That's right. It may also be a mixture.
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      may have multiple people present in a profile.
             The TBI has protocols for this?
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      Q.
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      Α.
             Yes.
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             Were those followed in this instance?
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             Yes.
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      Q.
             I'll pass forward to you a document and ask
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      if you recognize it.
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             It's a copy of the report I generated.
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                  GENERAL RAGLAND: Your Honor, the State
      would ask this be admitted into evidence as the next
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      numbered exhibit.
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                  THE COURT: Be 55.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: Can I see a copy of that
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      just so I know?
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was marked as Exhibit Number 55.)

(WHEREUPON, the above-mentioned document

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- 1 BY GENERAL RAGLAND:
- Q. This is the report you prepared?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- $4 \quad Q$. It has a lab case number on it, the same as
- 5 on the swabs you took earlier?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. So you have these five swabs. You have the
- 8 set -- this pair of underwear. I want to switch for
- 9 a second and talk about the underwear. What did you
- 10 do with the underwear?
- 11 A. The underwear was collected in lieu of --
- 12 because I didn't have a reference standard from Holly
- Bobo. Generally --
- 14 Q. Let me interrupt you. What is a reference
- 15 | standard?
- 16 A. A reference sample -- a reference standard is
- a sample that's collected from a person of interest
- in a case. And generally that's done by a cheek
- 19 | swab. It's quick, easy. But that's assuming you've
- 20 got the person of interest available to collect a
- 21 sample from.
- 22 Q. So if I was a person of interest, what would
- 23 you do to get a reference sample from me?
- 24 A. Well, law enforcement would -- we actually
- 25 | provide kits for -- they're called buccal swab kits,

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     and it's just a pair of swabs, and they would ask you
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     to open your mouth, and they would swab the inside of
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     your cheek and then package that up and send it to
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            With one of those fancy Q-tip type things?
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- Yes. 6 Α.
- 7 That's a reference standard?
- 8 Α. Yes. Historically they've also collected 9 blood for that, but the cheek swabs are just less 10 invasive and don't require a nurse, and so that's
- 11 where most of law enforcement has transitioned at
- 12 this point.
- 13 At this point you didn't have any reference 14 standard --
- 15 Α. That's right.
- 16 -- or samples? Q.
- 17 Α. Yeah, both. I use them interchangeably.
- 18 Standard is kind of the word that implies, this is an
- 19 item of evidence that's specifically collected for
- 20 generating a profile as a reference.
- 21 So you didn't have that here, but you did
- have Holly's underwear? 22
- 23 That's right, yes. So obviously Holly was
- 24 missing. We didn't know -- we didn't know --
- 25 ultimately I had to find something personal of hers

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      that would generate -- that I could obtain a profile
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      from that would reasonably attribute to her. I
      looked at toothbrushes. And from what I remember,
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      there were several toothbrushes in there. I believe
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      it was a shared bathroom, and the investigator was
      out. Ultimately, she was the only young lady living
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      in the house as far as -- and using that bathroom.
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      And so just from many years of experience with
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      underwear, I expected to be able to get a profile out
      of it and I did.
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      Q.
             What did you do to get that profile, Agent
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      James?
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             I just took a cutting of the lining and ran
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      it through the same DNA process that I did with the
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      swabs.
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             That same four-step process?
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             That's right.
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      Q.
             After you took the cutting -- you actually
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      cut a piece of the fabric out?
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             Then ran your test on it?
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Yes.

It did.

Did it produce a profile?

Now, with respect to the blood, there were

- five different samples and each of those tested that
- they were, in fact, blood, correct?
- 3 A. That's right.
- 4 Q. Let's talk about 1A, we got back up on the
- 5 | screen. We don't have to darken the lights. 1A is
- 6 | at the bottom left?
- 7 A. That's right.
- 8 Q. Tell us what you did with respect to that.
- 9 Did you run that through the process, the DNA
- 10 process, too?
- 11 A. I did. I generated a DNA profile from that
- 12 sample.
- 13 Q. What was your conclusion to a reasonable
- 14 degree of scientific certainty?
- 15 A. The profile that I obtained was partial. In
- other words, there was indication that there was --
- 17 I'll just go on and tell you what my suspicion is.
- 18 Dirt is known to be -- is known to be something that
- 19 interferes with the DNA, specifically the
- 20 amplification process. So it became an issue on
- 21 several of these samples, but ultimately, I got a
- 22 partial profile, and that profile matched the profile
- 23 that I obtained from the Bobo -- the underwear that I
- assumed to be Holly Bobo's.
- 25 Q. And her mother identified -- well, you don't

- 1 know that. That was Exhibit 26 that you looked at
- 2 earlier.
- 3 A. Okay.
- 4 Q. So you have a profile -- partial profile,
- 5 | correct?
- 6 A. That's right.
- 7 Q. You got a partial profile off 1A?
- 8 A. (Nodded head affirmatively.)
- 9 Q. Correct?
- 10 A. That's right.
- 11 Q. Is it fair to say just because you see what
- 12 you think is blood, what tested presumptively to be
- 13 blood, you don't necessarily get a complete DNA
- 14 | profile from it in certain instances, correct?
- 15 A. Sometimes it doesn't. Yeah, sometimes, yeah.
- 16 You know, it's my feeling and opinion that the dirt
- 17 | interfered on this one.
- 18 Q. So you did get a profile from this underwear?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. That was based on using these 13 specific
- 21 markers on DNA?
- 22 A. That's right.
- Q. We talked about 1A. 1B, I want you to point
- 24 that out to the jury.
- 25 A. 1B is the area that's up close to the wall up

1 here (indicating).

really hear lyrics.

- Q. What was your result of the testing on 1B?
- 3 A. So the profile that I've got there, I
- 4 actually ran that sample three times. The first time
- 5 I got data that was below my reporting limit.
- Q. Tell the jury what that means, data below
- your reporting limit.

 8 A. Yeah, so the DNA profiles that I obtained
 - A. Yeah, so the DNA profiles that I obtained, there's kind of like -- we set a point. It's hard to explain, but I would -- if I could make an analogy, I would liken it to a radio signal for those of us who use radio. Where if you've got a little bit of signal, sometimes you can -- sometimes if you're rolling through the stations, you'll hear some stuff and you can pick up enough to know that it's a talk show or it's music or this or that, but you can't

There's a range where my instrumentation is similar to where we acknowledge, yeah, that is human genetic data that's being generated. But when you start getting down in these low levels of sample, you get interference. You get data that drops out.

Ultimately what I would say is the data is -- we've decided through our own internal studies that below a certain point, that data is questionable. It starts

1 to get gray. It's a gray area where we're hesitant 2 to use it. We certainly won't use it for inclusions. We might use it to exclude people if that's the case.

But this sample fell in that range where it was just low level. Again, my suspicion is the dirt was interfering. And ultimately, I ran it three times. Two of the times, I got data below the point where my laboratory allows me to interpret it. And one of the three times, my DNA ended up in it, which I think has happened twice in 18 years.

- Q. A sneeze or tear or something?
- 12 I don't know. There was a period -- we wear Α. 13 masks these days, because we've learned the hard way 14 that if you talk over something, you're liable to 15 show up on a piece of evidence or on an evidence
- 16 profile. But I did -- my DNA showed up on one of 17 these three examinations.
- 18 Let's go to 1C. You did the same sort of Q. 19 test on it?
- 20 That's right, same test.

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- 2.1 What were your results to a reasonable degree Q. 22 of scientific certainty?
- 23 The profile that I've got, it was a complete 24 profile, and it matched the profile that I got from 25 Holly Bobo's underwear.

- 1 Q. You were able to get a complete profile match by all those important markers? 3 Yes. Α. They gave you a result on all those markers. Q. 5 Right. Α. 6 Q. And it matched the profile that you obtained 7 from Holly's underwear? 8 Α. Yes. 9 THE COURT: Can you use the laser and
 - GENERAL RAGLAND: 1C.

show us, which that one -- that's D.

- THE COURT: C.
- THE WITNESS: C was the grouping that's
- 14 on the far south end.

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- THE COURT: Okay.
- 16 BY GENERAL RAGLAND:
- Q. What about 1D, same sort of analysis?
- 18 A. Yes, yes. 1D is the area on the step and
- 19 immediately below it. Kind of in the middle between
- 20 | the wall grouping and this large pool grouping.
- 21 Q. What was your conclusion to a reasonable
- 22 degree of scientific certainty?
- 23 A. Again, I got a partial profile from that
- 24 area, and it matched the profile from Holly Bobo's
- 25 underwear.

- Lastly, 1E, 1F, little striations you called 1 Q. 2 them?
- 3 That's right. The one that kind of resembled 4 an exclamation point that was right in the center 5 roughly. But yeah, I wasn't able to generate a DNA 6 profile that met my reporting limit.
- 7 Q. And again, that's because of -- what do you 8 think?
- 9 Again, just -- and I will say there wasn't as 10 much sample on -- I mean, it wasn't like droplets, 11 you know, like some of the other floor samples. I 12 still would expect to get a DNA profile from it. I believe -- it's my opinion that the dirt played a 13 14 factor in that.
 - Dust and those stones and other things we saw in the carport floor?
- Yes. 17 Α.

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- 18 You experienced that -- have you experienced 19 that during your work with the TBI on other cases?
- Yeah. It's not uncommon. I mean, there are several things that we know of that we encounter on a 21
- 22 regular basis. Leather gives us problems. Blue jean
- 23 dye, the blue dye in denim gives us problems.
- 24 Ultimately -- and I guess one of the frustrating
- 25 things is we've developed tools to cope with these

- issues that arise since then, but that's where I was in 2011. So I didn't go back and retest.
- 3 Q. So with respect to 1C, you said a DNA profile
- 4 matched the profile from the underwear?
- 5 A. That's right.
- Q. What is the probability of an unrelated individual having the same DNA?
- 8 A. Which exhibit are we on again?
- 9 Q. 1C.

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10 So probability of obtaining that 1C. Α. 11 profile, if I were to go out and randomly select out 12 of the population, I would expect to find that 13 profile approximately once in eight hundred and 14 twelve trillion, three hundred billion individuals 15 from the Caucasian population. I would expect to 16 find that profile approximately once in one 17 quintillion, two hundred and sixty quadrillion

individuals in the African American population.

In the Southeastern Hispanic population, I would expect to find it approximately once in three quadrillion, five hundred and ninety-five trillion individuals. And in Southwest Hispanic population, I would expect to find that profile approximately once in sixty-two quadrillion, six hundred and sixty trillion individuals.

2	A. Yeah, it is a lot.
3	Q. It exceeds the world's population; does it
4	not?
5	A. Yeah, it's how we report it just to summarize
6	it concisely.
7	GENERAL RAGLAND: Can I have just a
8	moment, Your Honor?
9	THE COURT: You may.
10	GENERAL RAGLAND: Pass the witness, Your
11	Honor. Thank you.
12	THE COURT: Why don't you kill that light
13	unless you're going to use it.
14	MS. THOMPSON: No, Your Honor.
15	THE COURT: All right. All right.
16	Cross-examination.
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18	<u>CROSS-EXAMINATION</u>
19	QUESTIONS BY MS. THOMPSON:
20	Q. I'd like to pass a bag up to you.
21	THE COURT: Has it previously been marked
22	or not?
23	MS. THOMPSON: It has not previously been
24	marked, sir.
25	THE COURT: So you want to identify it?

1 Q. That's a lot of zeros?

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MS. THOMPSON: Identify it.
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                 THE COURT: Does he need gloves?
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                 THE WITNESS: I think I'm okay. Do we
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      have some available? Are you going to want me to cut
      into it?
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                 MS. THOMPSON: Sure.
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7
                 THE WITNESS: Okay.
      BY MS. THOMPSON:
9
            Okay. So this bag -- let's see, I know it as
10
      Exhibit 5 --
11
      Α.
            Okay.
             -- so I'll pass it up to you.
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                 THE COURT: But that's not our exhibit?
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                 MS. THOMPSON: It's not our exhibit
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15
      number. It's just the number on --
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                 THE COURT: I'm trying to keep our record
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      straight.
                 MS. THOMPSON: Right. I think that's the
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      lab number, so let me pass it to you.
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20
      BY MS. THOMPSON:
      Q. Now, I'll tell you what I am looking at. I'm
21
      looking at a report. Do you have all your reports
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      with you?
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            I hope so. I am not -- I believe so.
      Α.
25
      Q. There are so many reports.
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1 Α. Yeah, it's overwhelming. I am looking at one, it's a microanalysis Ο. 3 report. It's dated 5/25/11. It's not a report you did, but this report is telling me I believe you 4 5 collected this bag. 6 Α. Okay. 7 Is that your writing on there? 0. 8 It is my writing. Α. 9 Q. Okay. Because I couldn't identify the 10 signature. It was a little scratchy. 11 Yeah. Α. 12 Q. Okay. THE COURT: Did we have scissors earlier? 13 14 THE WITNESS: I have them. THE COURT: Okay. 1.5 BY MS. THOMPSON: 16 17 Can you go ahead and open that bag for me? 18 I'll give you a hint, I think there's a pair of shoes 19 in there, is what I'm looking for. 20 I believe there may be --21 There might be other clothing, but I was 0. interested in the shoes. 22 23 Α. Okay.

Okay. And can you pull out the two shoes in

there for me? They're going to be D and E.

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- 1 A. All right. There's E. Here's D.
- 2 Q. Now, can you tell me what -- where you
- 3 | collected these items from?
- 4 A. I am going to have to look at my notes.
- 5 Q. These clothes were collected from Clint Bobo;
- 6 weren't they?
- 7 A. They were collected out of his room.
- 8 Q. Okay. Weren't they the clothes that he was
- 9 | wearing that morning?
- 10 A. I am not sure if I was privy to that
- 11 information or not.
- 12 Q. Okay.
- 13 A. We just found clothing in his room. I don't
- 14 remember.
- 15 Q. Clearly you didn't take all the clothing in
- 16 his room?
- 17 A. Definitely not.
- 18 Q. I mean, these, as far as you remember, the
- only clothes that were collected that day?
- 20 A. Right.
- 21 Q. Okay. And you would have took clothes that
- 22 | would have been relevant to the investigation?
- 23 A. Sure.
- Q. Not just any clothes that were laying around?
- 25 A. Right. I remember -- I remember looking

- 1 through his clothing for blood-stained items.
- 2 Q. Okay.
- 3 A. That's why the waders were collected.
- 4 | Q. Sure. In case somebody has changed before
- 5 you got there, and they had blood on their clothes?
- 6 A. Right.
- 7 | Q. And these shoes -- can you go ahead and open
- 8 | the two shoes, they're a left and a right Croc shoe;
- 9 aren't they?
- 10 A. I believe so. Actually there are two pairs.
- 11 So I've got -- this is Exhibit 5E and these are
- 12 Crocs.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. They don't look like it on the top, but
- 15 they're Crocs.
- 16 Q. Okay. The 5E was the one that I was
- 17 interested in anyway.
- 18 A. Okay.
- 19 Q. And tell me -- can you look at them again,
- 20 tell me what size did they say they are. Don't Crocs
- 21 have a size on them?
- 22 A. 9.
- 23 Q. 9, okay. It's not necessary we open that
- 24 then.
- 25 A. Okay.

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                  MS. THOMPSON: So, Your Honor, at this
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      time, I'd ask we put these into evidence. Since
 3
      they're all packaged in one bag, I don't know if we
      need to put the whole thing in.
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                  GENERAL NICHOLS: Just do that one?
                  MS. THOMPSON: Just do the whole bag in?
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 7
                  GENERAL NICHOLS: Uh-huh.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: Okay.
 9
                  THE COURT: Okay. The entire bag and
      contents will be moved into evidence, Exhibit 56.
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                  (WHEREUPON, the above-mentioned evidence
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      bag was marked as Exhibit Number 56.)
      BY MS. THOMPSON:
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            Now, Mr. James, did you do any of the crime
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      scene investigation when the State of Tennessee
      searched Terry Britt's home?
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            I did.
      Α.
18
             Okay. And you're familiar with that also;
19
      aren't you?
20
            Yes, ma'am.
      Α.
21
             Do you have your reports with you from that
      search?
22
23
            I do.
      Α.
24
             Okay. So what's the first date on one of
25
      those reports?
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- 1 A. I am not sure if -- okay, because I'm going
- 2 to get confused.
- \mathcal{G} Q. I won't go by the first date. What's the
- 4 | first date you pick up?
- 5 A. The first --
- 6 Q. There are multiple reports from the same day.
- 7 A. I am a little bit lost, because we weren't
- generating reports on crime scene responses at
- 9 that -- we weren't issuing violent crime response
- 10 | team reports in 2011 or 2012, and so --
- 11 Q. Okay.
- 12 A. -- I may have done work in the laboratory on
- 13 | stuff that was collected, and it's going to be in a
- 14 different location from my actual violent crime
- 15 response notes.
- 16 Q. Okay. So are you saying you didn't bring it
- 17 | with you?
- 18 A. I think I've got it, but I've got a lot of
- 19 paperwork that I am going to need some direction.
- 20 Q. Me, too. Okay. Well, we'll just start with
- 21 the search of Terry Britt's house. You remember this
- is a home that's owned by Janet and Terry Britt?
- 23 Yes?
- 24 A. Okay. I remember the property.
- Q. And they're husband and wife?

- 1 A. Okay.
- Q. And they lived there and close to the Bobo
- 3 residence, do you remember that part?
- 4 A. Well, no, because I -- I got there from an
- 5 airport. I drove from the airport to the residence,
- 6 and I couldn't get there again, but um --
- 7 | Q. Okay. So when you searched their home, some
- 8 of the things that you searched there were cars, do
- 9 you remember that you searched -- there were five
- 10 cars there?
- 11 A. What I remember is that we had numerous teams
- 12 and numerous agencies involved in that. And my
- 13 entire day was spent in one house.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. I don't believe I ever looked at vehicles.
- 16 Q. Vehicles, okay.
- Which part then did you participate in?
- 18 A. The residence.
- 19 Q. Okay. And there were multiple buildings
- 20 | there. Do you remember that there were multiple
- 21 buildings and then a big --
- 22 A. I believe there was like a semitrailer --
- 23 Q. Yes, semitrailer.
- 24 A. -- or a storage container, or a shipping
- 25 container may have been out there.

- 1 | Q. There was a semi truck/trailer that was a
- 2 refrigerator trailer, had very thick walls. Do you
- 3 remember that part?
- 4 A. Yes. And I didn't go in to it.
- 5 Q. Okay. And then there was like a mobile home
- 6 trailer that had a lot of items stored in it, did you
- 7 | go in there?
- 8 A. This is not the residence?
- 9 Q. Not the residence, no.
- 10 A. I don't believe -- I may have stepped in
- 11 there, but I really don't remember much about it.
- 12 Q. So you did go in the residence?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And do you remember finding some cell phones
- that were hidden in the residence in the bathroom
- 16 under some personal hygiene products?
- 17 A. I am sorry. I am refreshing off my notes.
- 18 Q. It's no problem. Take your time.
- 19 A. I have in my notes that there were three cell
- 20 phones that were collected. But they weren't
- 21 | collected by forensic personnel.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 A. Or at least, when I say forensic personnel, I
- 24 | mean my team, my coworkers. There was one TBI
- 25 | person, I believe, from Nashville, and there was an

- 1 | FBI employee that was involved in those.
- 2 Q. And there were some blonde hairs collected
- 3 there, were those collected by the forensic team?
- 4 A. I don't remember. I do have in my notes that
- 5 there was a possible hair collected.
- 6 Q. Okay. In your notes where was that
- 7 particular hair collected from?
- 8 A. (Reviews documents.)
- 9 Q. Can I ask you right now what is it that
- 10 you're looking at?
- 11 A. I am reading my narrative that contains an
- 12 overview of --
- MS. THOMPSON: I guess, Your Honor, at
- 14 | this time I would ask for Jenks material. I know I
- 15 | had asked yesterday and understood I had everything.
- 16 But I don't believe I have that narrative he's
- 17 | looking at. I'd like to have copies of his notes and
- 18 | narrative which may help me narrow my questions.
- GENERAL RAGLAND: Your Honor, it's the
- 20 | State's understanding that everything has been turned
- 21 over on multiple occasions. In fact, at the end of
- June, there was whole other run where the TBI lab
- 23 information was brought to Nashville, copied and made
- 24 available to the defense.
- MS. THOMPSON: And that is what I have,

Your Honor. And I don't believe I have a narrative from the Britt house. I know I would have read it and studied it and had it right here.

GENERAL NICHOLS: I think there's absolutely no objection on the part of the State for her to look at whatever she wants to. We stand by the fact that we've turned over everything we were provided. She can look at it. He's got it.

THE COURT: Okay. Let's hand it to the bailiff to hand it to her and you can examine it. If you haven't been able to find this, we'll run copies.

THE WITNESS: If it helps, that narrative is actually an extension of the original crime response from April 13, 2011.

15 BY MS. THOMPSON:

- Q. Okay.
- A. So if you've got the narrative for my original response on April 13, then the Britt portion of it starts on page 5.
 - Q. I thought you said you didn't used to do narratives from 2011 from --
 - A. We did -- we wrote narratives and we turned them over to the investigators, but about a year and a half or two years ago, we actually started issuing reports that are accessible in our LIM system

(phonetic). So they actually -- it's actually a report. It's not just a word document as it used to be essentially.

Q. Okay. What I have that I thought was from you was simply this Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, and then it's a brief crime scene description. It has a lot of drawings in here and

Investigation, and then it's a brief crime scene description. It has a lot of drawings in here and measurements of the home and some notes from that day, like what time you arrived, what time you went in to particular rooms, but I don't see anything at all in here from the Britt home. And I don't see any typed narrative in what I have. I have handwritten notes, because it looks like you were there the next day also. This is at the Bobo home?

A. That's right.

- Q. So if I could just see those papers then and maybe that will help me.
- 18 A. (Passes documents.)
 - Q. So it says that you found one possible blonde hair in the portion that you searched, but you weren't the person that tested that blonde hair; are you?
- A. Definitely not. I did find -- I've got

 mention of it. Ultimately what I have in my notes is

 that one of our agents, Mike Frizzell, was designated

- 1 as an evidence custodian for that day in relation to
- 2 | that specific search warrant. And so I've got that
- 3 | all evidence was turned over to him. So I don't even
- 4 have an evidence log from that day.
- 5 Q. Okay.
- 6 A. Which we would normally complete as part of
- 7 VCRT responses.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. And so --
- 10 Q. So he's the one that might have that evidence
- 11 log?
- 12 A. And it's --
- 13 Q. He's the one that would have done it?
- 14 A. I think so.
- 15 Q. Okay.
- 16 A. And what I would expect is that the bag would
- 17 | probably contain more information on where it was
- 18 | collected.
- 19 Q. That would contain what?
- 20 A. More information on where it was collected.
- 21 Q. Okay. Very good.
- 22 A. It's just kind of a typical --
- Q. Do you remember collecting a photocopy of a
- 24 | yearbook with a young woman's picture on it and
- 25 somebody had highlighted her name and then written --

- rewritten in highlighter her name out to the side?
- 2 A. That does ring a bell.
- 3 Q. I'll pass this up to you, it might help. If
- 4 I pass this back to you, it might help.
- 5 A. Okay.
- 6 Q. Okay. So yes, you do remember now a copy of
- 7 | the Scotts Hill yearbook page?
- 8 A. Not really.
- 9 Q. It's in your report?
- 10 A. It is.
- 11 Q. And you wouldn't put it in the report unless
- 12 | you had found it; is that right?
- 13 A. No. Actually there were a large number of
- 14 | people at the scene, and I was compiling notes that
- were generated from other people as well.
- 16 Q. What I mean is, you wouldn't have put it in
- 17 your report unless it had been recovered by somebody
- 18 there?
- 19 A. That's right.
- 20 MS. THOMPSON: No further questions, Your
- 21 Honor.
- 22 THE COURT: Further direct?
- GENERAL RAGLAND: Just a moment, please.
- GENERAL NICHOLS: Your Honor, may we have
- 25 | just a couple minutes just...

1 (Conference between assistant district 2 attorneys.) 3 GENERAL RAGLAND: Your Honor, thank you. The State has no redirect. 4 5 THE COURT: All right. Did you get all your stuff back? 6 7 THE WITNESS: Yes, I did. 8 MS. THOMPSON: I did put the -- I put the 9 shoes in, just making sure. 10 THE COURT: Yeah, the entire bag was put 11 in as Exhibit 56 that contains shoes, okay? 12 All right. You can step down, sir, you're 13 free to go. Thank you. 14 I don't guess you have a 10-minute witness? 15 GENERAL HAGERMAN: I don't think our 16 witness -- I don't know how tall he is, but I don't 1.7 think he'll be --18 THE COURT: I said 10 minutes, I didn't say a short witness. 19 20 GENERAL HAGERMAN: Exactly. I don't 21 think -- I didn't want to tell you short, but I think 22 he'll be relatively quick. 23 THE COURT: Al right. Let's call the 24 next one. 25 GENERAL HAGERMAN: Warren Rainey.

1	(The witness was sworn.)
2	THE COURT: Be seated. State your name
3	and spell first and last name for the court reporter,
4	please.
5	THE WITNESS: Warren Rainey, W-A-R-R-E-N
6	R-A-I-N-E-Y.
7	THE COURT: And you just well tell I
8	stole your ink pen 25, 30 years ago, but I did give
9	it back, right?
10	THE WITNESS: No, sir, that is incorrect.
11	He stole my ink pen and I did not get it back, but he
12	bought me one.
13	THE COURT: Okay. Okay.
14	THE WITNESS: That's the truth.
15	THE COURT: Some people never forget,
16	I'll tell you. That goes back many, many, many moons
17	ago.
18	THE WITNESS: A long time.
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20	* * *
21	WARREN RAINEY,
22	was called as a witness and having first been duly
23	sworn testified as follows:
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25	DIRECT EXAMINATION

QUESTIONS BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:

- 2 Q. Where do you work?
- 3 A. Tennessee Highway Patrol.
- 4 Q. How long have you been doing that?
- 5 A. 31 years.
- 6 Q. 31 years. What area of Tennessee do you live
- 7 in?

- 8 A. I live in Carroll County in Huntingdon.
- 9 Q. I want to ask you about April of 2011, okay?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. Did you take part at all in the search and
- 12 | investigation trying to find Holly Bobo?
- 13 A. For about 18 months.
- 14 Q. Just you or other members of the Highway
- 15 | Patrol?
- 16 A. In the beginning, it was anywhere from 12 to
- 17 | 15 members. And in the end, it was just a couple of
- 18 us.
- 19 Q. When did y'all first get started with it?
- 20 A. The very day.
- 21 Q. The day it happened?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- 23 Q. Y'all out scrambling and running?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. After that, still scrambling and running?

- 1 A. Every day.
- Q. At some point, did you have occasion to focus
- 3 on one Zach Adams?
- 4 A. Yes. Two occasions.
- 5 Q. Did you have an occasion to visit his home?
- 6 A. Twice.
- 7 Q. What brought you to his home?
- 8 A. Very soon after Holly was taken, I began
- 9 asking people for anyone who lived north of Parsons,
- 10 who had been in trouble, drug user, sex offender,
- 11 which I could look that up on the internet, which I
- 12 did, and I would ask anyone and one of the names that
- 13 | came up was Zach Adams.
- MS. THOMPSON: Your Honor, I object to
- 15 the hearsay coming in even though he's not saying --
- THE COURT: He -- this is not being
- offered for the truth, it's to show why he did what
- 18 he did, okay?
- MS. THOMPSON: I think it's --
- 20 THE COURT: Once again, the jury won't
- 21 | consider it in any way for the truth, it's just to
- 22 explain the officer's actions.
- 23 BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
- Q. Why north of Parsons?
- 25 A. I had mapped where Holly's cell phone had

- 1 | went, what direction. I knew where the evidence was
- 2 | collected, and when I drove those routes from their
- 3 house on Swan Johnson to get to this area on Yellow
- 4 Springs Road.
- 5 Q. Where is Yellow Springs Road?
- 6 A. It runs right beside the interstate, right
- 7 beside I-40.
- 8 Q. Is that in Holladay, Tennessee?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. You drove those routes?
- 11 A. And went to the last area in that area where
- 12 | a credit card receipt that she had signed was found
- in a man's yard. So in my mind, this someone knew
- 14 exactly where they were going, they knew these roads,
- 15 because I've worked in and out of this area for 25
- 16 | years. I don't know that I could drive through there
- 17 today without having a map.
- 18 Q. You were looking not for a tourist but
- 19 | somebody who knew these roads?
- 20 A. They had to know it.
- 21 Q. Someone in the area of Yellow Springs and
- 22 Holladay?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- 24 | Q. An area that you had been in years and years
- 25 and years?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. So what man did you go to? What men near
- 3 | Holladay did you go to?
- 4 A. Sometime around the second Saturday, I had
- 5 been speaking with FBI and the TBI and decided that I
- 6 was going to go to Zach's house, see if I could find
- 7 him at home.
- 8 Q. You said second Saturday, second Saturday
- 9 after what?
- 10 A. Second Saturday after the abduction.
- 11 Q. Which was on a Wednesday?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. So this would be about a week and a half
- 14 | after the abduction; is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes. To the best of my memory it was.
- 16 Q. To your knowledge was Zach Adams a local?
- 17 A. Yes. My troopers knew of him well.
- 18 Q. To your knowledge, does Zach Adams live near
- 19 Yellow Springs Road?
- 20 A. Not very far.
- 21 Q. North of Parsons?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Near Holladay, Tennessee?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Why did you go to talk to him?

- 1 A. His name kept coming up.
- 2 Q. What was your purpose in talking to him?
- A. Matter of fact just to knock on his door and see if he knew anything about this.
- 5 Q. And is that what you did?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Tell us what happened.
- A. Knocked on his door. I took a trooper with

 me. It was fairly early in the morning, not real

 early. The door opened up, and Zach came to the

 door, opened it up. He looked like he had just woke

 up, just got out of bed. Had on a pair of blue

 jeans, some kind of shoes, no shirt. I asked him to
- 14 step outside. Asked him what his full name was. He
- said, Zachary Rye Adams, what's this about. And I
- said, we're just -- let me ask you a few questions.
- And I said, do you own a cell phone. He said
- 18 he did. And I said, well, give me the phone number
- so I can put it on here. And he said, no, my
- 20 girlfriend's already gave that to them. I said, gave
- 21 what to who? He said gave my number to other
- 22 | agencies. I said, well, just give me your number so
- 23 that I can have it in case I want to talk to you.
- 24 And what's your address. And he said, wait a minute,
- 25 I need to get a shirt.

1 So he starts into the house to get a shirt, 2 well, I go in right behind him. We take about three, 3 four steps, he stops and turns around and he says, what are you doing? And I said, well, we're coming 4 5 in here to get a shirt. I am not going to let you 6 walk in here by yourself. And there was a shirt 7 laying on a pool table, I believe it was, and he got 8 it out. And he wanted -- he wanted me out of the house. So we went outside, and he put it on.

And he just -- he kept telling me that he didn't have anything to do with it, that his girlfriend had turned him in, and I could tell he was just visually shaken. He was scared.

- Q. Why did you come to the conclusion that he was scared?
- A. Because he was shaking.
- 17 Q. Shaking so much that you noticed it?
- 18 A. Oh, yes.

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- 19 Q. A lot or a little bit?
- 20 A. A lot.
- 21 Q. How long did that meeting last?
- A. It was pretty short. I went over and talked
 to his grandfather, because I kind of -- I wanted -I knew from looking on the internet, but I wanted to
 know where their property line was from the back of

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the house. His grandfather, very nice man, was very
 1
      helpful and then we left.
 2
 3
            Okay. And did you leave and just forget
      about it?
 4
 5
      Α.
             No.
 6
              Tell me what you left and did.
              When I drove down to the end of the driveway,
 8
      I was doing more driving looking out my left rearview
 9
      mirror than I was looking where I was going.
10
      live on a road, their driveway is very long.
                                                      We left
11
      from the grandfather's house, which is next door, and
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      I saw Zach in my mirror, and even keyed the radio up
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      and told the trooper behind me, look out your mirror.
14
      Zach ran. I am not talking a little jog, a little
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      sprint, wide open back to his house.
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      Q.
             Ran wide open?
17
             (Nodded head affirmatively.)
      Α.
18
             What did you think about that?
      0.
19
              Why does he need to get back to that house?
20
      Something is up.
21
              He had been shaking; is that right?
      Q.
22
             (Nodded head affirmatively.)
      Α.
23
              Yeah.
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Now running?

Yes, sir.

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Q.

Α.

- 1 Q. So what did you do next?
- 2 A. I went and hid up the road.
- 3 Q. You hid up the road?
- 4 A. I went up the road by the CV shop and hid. I
- 5 | wanted to watch. Told a trooper to go back down 641
- 6 toward Parsons and stop somewhere. I called -- I am
- 7 | going to say a command post, someone there, told
- 8 them, you need to get someone up here, because
- 9 there's -- I am very suspicious about Zach Adams.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. He's -- he's -- there's something here. And
- 12 about that time, a pickup truck pulled out and headed
- 13 towards Parsons.
- 14 Q. Pulled out of where?
- 15 A. Out of their driveway.
- 16 Q. Who was in the pickup truck?
- 17 A. Dylan.
- 18 Q. Dylan Adams?
- 19 A. Yes, sir. I did not know that at the time,
- 20 | but he left out of there so reckless, I had probable
- 21 | cause to stop him. So we had a trooper stop him
- 22 before he got to Parsons.
- 23 Q. So he took out driving fast out of that
- 24 place?
- 25 A. Oh, yes. And took back roads to get to

- 1 Parsons.
- 2 Q. And he was stopped later?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. All right. And what did you do?
- 5 A. Just continued to watch the house. And at
- 6 some point in this, I am not sure it was that
- 7 afternoon, but I described to the agents, the TBI
- 8 agents and FBI, but anyway, they came and talked to
- 9 him, someone did. I know Sheriff White was one of
- 10 them and someone in a suit from what I could see in
- 11 my binoculars was with him.
- 12 Q. So you're literally -- you're hid out with
- 13 | binoculars watching this place?
- 14 A. Oh, yes. So I assembled either that
- afternoon or the next morning -- I've been told it's
- the next morning, three K-9 teams --
- MS. THOMPSON: Objection, Your Honor.
- THE COURT: All right. He can't testify
- 19 to what he's been told.
- 20 BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
- 21 Q. If I ask you for an exact date when what
- 22 you're about to tell us happened, what would you tell
- 23 us?
- 24 A. I have absolutely no idea. I took reports,
- wrote reports, and I don't know what happened to

- 1 them.
- Q. Was it close in time to when you had
- 3 encountered him and he was nervous and he was
- 4 running?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And Dylan took off driving?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Within a day or two or three or weeks, which
- 9 one?
- 10 A. A day.
- 11 Q. So within a day?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Either that day or the next day?
- 14 A. Yes. I think it was the next day.
- 15 Q. What happened the next day?
- 16 A. I assembled a search team, three K-9 units
- 17 | with cadaver dogs and sent them -- showed them where
- 18 | the property line was, and I sent them all behind the
- 19 house. There's hundreds of acres of county property
- 20 back there and told them to go search.
- 21 Q. How about you? What did you do?
- 22 A. I think I went back around while they were
- 23 | searching, I know I did, to the front of the house
- 24 where I had been parked.
- 25 Q. Front of whose house?

- 1 A. Zach's just down the road.
- Q. Okay. Did you -- this next time when we got
- 3 dogs and searchers in the woods behind, did you
- 4 | encounter Zach at all at this time?
- 5 A. No, no, I did not.
- 6 Q. Okay. We're going to hear from one of those
- 7 searchers --
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. -- so I am not asking you -- you can't
- 10 | testify to things you didn't, you know, do.
- 11 A. Right.
- 12 Q. Okay. As a result of any of the searching,
- 13 the information that was conveyed to you, did you
- take any other step, what did you do next?
- 15 A. I went back. I had to go back to the house
- 16 to his house.
- 17 Q. Back to Zach's house?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. All right. What did you do at Zach's house
- 20 the second time?
- 21 A. Told Zach and his grandfather that a searcher
- 22 saw something behind the house.
- MS. THOMPSON: Your Honor, I am going to
- 24 object to the fact that he's talking about what he's
- learned from another person.

1 THE COURT: He can say what he said to 2 Zach. 3 MS. THOMPSON: Well, not if he's saying, 4 somebody told me and then he starts to say what somebody told him. 5 6 THE COURT: Then the jury will not 7 consider that for the truth. MS. THOMPSON: But it is for the truth. 8 9 He's telling Zach something. 10 THE COURT: Well, he can give Zach's 11 response then. BY GENERAL HAGERMAN: 12 Zach's response, whatever you told him. 13 I asked -- I asked Zach and Dick Adams for 14 permission to look at an area behind Zach's house. 15 16 Q. Okay. On the way to that area, did you 17 notice anything that you thought was odd? 18 Α. Absolutely. What did you notice? 19 0. 20 I went around the north side of the house 21 headed in the direction where this area was that I 22 needed to look at, and I noticed a mattress leaning

up against the house on the northeast corner.

Okay. Why did you find that odd?

Looked like a decent mattress to me. I could

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      describe it. Just don't know why if -- why you would
      lean a mattress up beside the house like that and
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      just -- and leave it.
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             It looked like a decent one?
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             Leaned up against the house that Zach lived
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             I walked down the hill behind his house,
      turned the corner, and this is right on the edge of
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      the county property. I noticed that someone had cut
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      a tree up high and it fell, and it was over a dirt
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      area about half the size of that table. I'm going to
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      say six foot by eight foot spot that was bare dirt
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      with no grass.
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      was a grave or something?
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But did you check it out?

Oh, yes.

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Did you dig? 1 Q. 2 Α. Yes. 3 MS. THOMPSON: Your Honor, I am going to 4 object to that leading question about the grave. 5 GENERAL HAGERMAN: Well, to establish 6 that it wasn't. I mean, I am attempting to be fair. 7 THE COURT: He can continue. THE WITNESS: Yes. 8 9 BY GENERAL HAGERMAN: 10 Did you establish that it was not? 11 Yes. I needed a shovel. And I asked Zach, and he went and got me one. 12 And you dug? 13 0. 14 Α. Yes. 15 Q. There was --16 I knew that it was no grave, it was roots on top of the ground. There's no way. 17 18 Saw a mattress, you dug, it's not a grave, so did you just leave and forget about it? 19 20 I spoke with him and his grandfather briefly, 21 and then I left and called a TBI agent. 22 Q. Did you tell them what you saw? 23 Absolutely. Α.

Did you still have people in the woods?

Yes. All but one. One hadn't come out.

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You still had one person in the woods? 1 Q. No. I had six, eight, ten in the woods, one 3 had to come out. Still watching? Q. A. Yes. 5 GENERAL HAGERMAN: That's all my 6 7 questions. THE COURT: We'll take lunch as soon as 8 9 we finish cross-examination. 10 11 CROSS-EXAMINATION QUESTIONS BY MS. THOMPSON: 12 So, Mr. Rainey, did you know Mr. Adams before 13 Holly Bobo disappeared? 14 No. 15 Α. 16 So you basically went around town asking who's the bad guy? 17 A. Yes. 18 Okay. And somebody -- based on what they 19 said, you decided you were going to focus on Zach 20 Adams? 21 22 Yes, because his name had come up several Α. 23 times. Okay. So were you aware that he was involved 24

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in methamphetamine?

- 1 A. I had been told that.
- 2 Q. So you show up to his house on -- what day of
- 3 | the week was it?
- 4 A. I do honestly believe it was a Saturday
- 5 morning.
- 6 Q. Saturday morning you show up at his house.
- 7 And this person who is involved in meth looks like
- 8 he's been asleep that morning, right?
- 9 A. Most definitely.
- 10 Q. And I see today you're wearing a highway --
- 11 is that the Highway Patrol, Tennessee Highway Patrol
- 12 uniform?
- 13 A. One of them, yes.
- 14 | Q. And when you showed up at his house, would
- 15 | you have had a Tennessee Highway Patrol uniform on?
- 16 A. Yes, as a utility.
- 17 Q. What do you mean as a utility?
- 18 A. It's a lot cheaper uniform than this one,
- 19 because we've been doing a lot of searching and it
- 20 tears them up.
- 21 Q. Okay. So you had --
- 22 A. BDUs.
- 23 Q. -- your outdoor uniform on maybe, is what you
- 24 call it?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Okay. But it still would have clearly
- 2 indicated you were law enforcement?
- 3 A. Absolutely.
- 4 Q. Absolutely. And you knock on his door cold
- 5 | call?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. He opens the door, and he looks to you
- 8 like he's sleepy?
- 9 A. (Nodded head affirmatively.)
- 10 Q. And he doesn't have a shirt on, just has on
- 11 | some pants?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. And you say first thing you notice about him
- is he's looking nervous?
- 15 A. Oh, yes, his eyes came -- he was not asleep
- 16 anymore.
- 17 Q. He opens the door and hears the police
- 18 | standing there, and his eyes are big you said?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And you said at some point as he's
- 21 talking to you, he begins to shake?
- 22 A. Immediately.
- 23 Q. Immediately. Police are at his door,
- 24 (indicating) and he opens the door, you've got on a
- 25 uniform. Do you have a gun when you are in your

- 1 uniform?
- 2 A. All the time.
- 3 Q. So you have a gun strapped to your waist?
- 4 A. Uh-huh, yes, ma'am.
- 5 Q. He good begins to shake?
- 6 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 7 Q. And so you're -- next thing you're asking him
- 8 | for is -- and you don't have notes of your activity
- 9 of that day with you; do you?
- 10 A. I turned them in.
- 11 Q. Okay. So the next thing that you ask him is
- 12 | you say well you want his telephone number?
- 13 A. I think something to that effect. His full
- 14 name, his address, his cell phone number.
- 15 Q. And he begins to get nervous when you ask for
- 16 his telephone number; is that right?
- 17 A. He was nervous when he opened the door.
- 18 Q. He begins to object to giving you his
- 19 telephone number?
- 20 A. Yes, he did.
- 21 Q. And he says that it's already been provided
- 22 to law enforcement?
- 23 A. He said his girlfriend had turned it in.
- Q. Now when you were there that day, had you
- been specifically told to go talk to Zach Adams?

- 1 A. Absolutely not.
- Q. So this is kind of what you're doing as a
- 3 | searcher, an assistant; is that right?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. And I mean, you're doing this out of
- 6 | the goodness of your heart, because you're wanting to
- 7 | help find this missing person; is that right?
- 8 A. I would have done anything to find her.
- 9 Q. Okay. And so you say you want his cell phone
- 10 number?
- 11 A. Uh-huh.
- 12 Q. And he does not provide it to you at that
- 13 | point; is that right?
- 14 A. Not at the beginning.
- Q. Okay. And he eventually provides it to you?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. He says, well, wait a minute, I need
- 18 to go get a shirt?
- 19 A. Uh-huh.
- 20 Q. Okay. And so he turns around and he starts
- 21 to walk back to get a shirt on?
- 22 A. Right, correct.
- 23 Q. And you, without invitation, step into his
- 24 house?
- 25 A. Absolutely.

- 1 | Q. And you recognize you have absolutely no
- 2 legal right to be in his house?
- 3 A. I wasn't going to go all the way through his
- 4 house, but I was not going to let a man that I did
- 5 | not know step in a house and obtain a firearm and
- 6 shoot me.
- 7 Q. Okay. But that's a position you put yourself
- 8 in?
- 9 A. Absolutely.
- 10 Q. Okay. And so you took it upon yourself to
- 11 | step on into his house?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Now, if somebody wearing a gun showed up at
- 14 | your house and began to walk into your house, you
- 15 | personally might -- let's say they're not wearing a
- 16 uniform, they just are standing there with a gun on,
- you might find it offensive for someone with a gun on
- 18 to step into your house without invitation?
- 19 A. It would probably cause me some concern.
- 20 | Q. Yes. So he turns around and says, wait, what
- 21 | are you doing?
- 22 A. Uh-huh, yes, ma'am.
- 23 Q. And for all you know, no telling what he had
- 24 | in his house, right?
- 25 A. I have no idea.

- 1 | Q. So you're certainly trying to imply here
- 2 | today that your suspicion is he had something to do
- 3 with Holly in his house?
- 4 A. When I went in the house, had nothing to do
- 5 | with Holly in his house.
- 6 Q. No, no, no.
- 7 A. It had to do with him obtaining a weapon.
- 8 Q. You're implying to the jury here today that
- 9 the reason he was so nervous was probably some kind
- of Holly evidence in his house? Is that what you're
- 11 trying to suggest?
- 12 A. No, ma'am.
- 13 Q. No?
- 14 A. I stepped indoor.
- 15 Q. I am not talking about why you went in the
- 16 house. You went in the house to make sure he wasn't
- 17 getting a gun to shoot you?
- 18 A. True.
- 19 Q. But what you're saying is the reason he was
- 20 so nervous, the reason he didn't want you in the
- 21 house, you suspect the reason he didn't want you in
- 22 the house was because there could have been or you
- 23 suspect there was either Holly's body in the house,
- 24 Holly alive in the house, or some kind of evidence
- about Holly in the house?

- 1 A. Any of the above.
- 2 Q. But that's your suspicion?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. And that's what you're clearly trying
- 5 to indicate to the jury here today?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. But you would agree with me it is just as
- 8 likely that he could have had all kinds of drugs in
- 9 the house and that might be why he would be nervous?
- 10 A. Absolutely.
- 11 Q. Because after all, you've already heard he
- was involved in methamphetamine and other drugs?
- 13 A. Oh, yes, I know that for a fact.
- 14 Q. So besides the fact that he might have been
- 15 | nervous about having Holly in the house, he could
- 16 have had marijuana plants growing in the house?
- 17 A. He probably could have, but I know where they
- 18 were.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 A. Hundreds of them.
- 21 Q. What?
- 22 A. I know where hundreds were right behind his
- 23 house.
- Q. Okay. Right behind his house. Is it close
- 25 to this clear plot of suspicious land you saw out

1 there?

- A. Looks like the county property was used to grow marijuana.
- Q. Okay. So he had hundreds of marijuana plants growing right behind his house?
- 6 A. Yes.

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7 THE COURT: Let's kind of move along.

MS. THOMPSON: Okay.

not to draw any inference whatsoever concerning the defendant's guilt or anything on this case based upon the fact that there might or might not have been marijuana plants on the property. That's not an issue before us. That's why I told her, please just move on.

16 BY MS. THOMPSON:

- Q. And then you say that there's this mattress that's outside that you thought looked like a perfectly good mattress?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, it's very possible that that mattress might have belonged to his girlfriend?
- 23 A. I have no idea who it belonged to.
- Q. Okay. And did you know at the time he had been living with a girlfriend on and off?

- 1 A. I have no idea.
- Q. Okay. So it's possible that that mattress
- 3 | might have been on its way to being moved out of the
- 4 house?
- 5 A. I find that highly unlikely.
- 6 Q. Highly unlikely that it's on its way to being
- 7 | moved back to a girlfriend's house?
- 8 A. Highly unlikely.
- 9 Q. Why do you find that unlikely?
- 10 A. The mattress was leaned up against the house
- 11 on the northeast corner. The carport is on the south
- 12 | side of the house.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. The front door is on the west side of the
- 15 house.
- 16 Q. Right.
- 17 A. This was near nothing.
- 18 Q. But the master bedroom is off the back, and
- 19 | it has a deck back there?
- 20 A. Ma'am, I don't know. It was at the far north
- 21 corner of the house.
- 22 Q. But the far north corner of the house would
- be where the deck and master bedroom were?
- 24 A. If it was going to be moved, why not leave it
- on the deck? You know --

- Q. Would you agree with me that people that use
- 2 drugs don't always make the best decisions?
- A. Oh, I know thousands of them that hadn't.
- 4 Q. That haven't made the best decisions?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. Okay. But you would agree with me that -- so
- you're also indicating here that you think that
- 8 mattress was outside the house, because it might have
- 9 had some kind of evidence about Holly Bobo on it,
- 10 some kind of Holly Bobo evidence related to the
- 11 mattress?
- 12 A. When I saw the mattress, it gave me the gut
- 13 | feeling of something is not right.
- 14 Q. Okay. And so you're thinking that somebody
- 15 | that has evidence to hide might hide that evidence
- 16 | outside?
- 17 A. Could, yes.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 MS. THOMPSON: If I can have just one
- 20 more moment.
- 21 BY MS. THOMPSON:
- 22 | Q. So when Dylan Adams' truck was stopped, there
- 23 | were -- you're aware of what came from that; aren't
- 24 you?
- 25 A. Yes.

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      related to the disappearance of Holly Bobo in Dylan
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                  MS. THOMPSON: That's all, Your Honor.
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                  THE COURT: Anything else?
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: No further questions.
                  THE COURT: All right. Take a lunch
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      in for you, so we'll confine it to an hour. Counsel,
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      be ready to go at 1:20.
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                  THE WITNESS: If I can get up, Your
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                  (WHEREUPON, at 12:19 p.m. a recess was
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                  THE COURT: Y'all ready to go?
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: Yes, sir.
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THE COURT: Everybody ready? 1 2 MR. SIMMONS: Yes, sir. 3 THE COURT: Send for the jury. (WHEREUPON, the jury returned to the courtroom, after which the following proceedings were 5 had:) 6 7 THE COURT: All right. Be seated, 8 please. 9 I want to make a general inquiry without 10 making any promises at this time. Do we have any Hardin County Tiger Football fans? 11 12 (Some hands raised.) Wow. We might see if we can get you folks 13 14 out there in the presence of guard, you understand, 15 you'll be isolated. But probably could put you on 16 the visitor's side. We play Southside. If you want 17 to go, there should be adequate place in the 18 visitor's side where we can put you without danger of 19 exposure. 20 All right. Number two, Saturday, Gainsville, 21 Florida, anybody know what's going on? They're 22 actually going to play the game in Gainsville. They 23 debated for a while. Comes on CBS at 2:30. Is there 24 interest in watching that? 25 (Some hands raised.)

Several of you. Now, what we'll end up doing on that, since it is a local affiliate, as long as the game is going on, the screen will be there. When they go to timeout or breaks, we're going to kill it just out of extra sense of precaution to make sure there's not something that flashes across the screen. There will be a guard there controlling. If they flash something while they're doing action, which I wouldn't suspect because we won't be in trial, avert your eyes and we'll take care of it, okay. We're going to try to accommodate those things, all right? How many we have on Hardin County Football? Four, five, six, seven, eight, nine. Wow, okay. I need to talk to our director of schools and get a little cooperation as well. All right. Let's -- did y'all have a good lunch? THE JURY (in unison): Yes, sir. THE COURT: Is that working out pretty good up there? THE JURY (in unison): Yes, sir. Very good. THE COURT: Rather than do that than up and about? Okay? Saves a little time. We're actually starting about ten minutes late, but a lot

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1 of times that happens. We're actually -- the pace is 2 moving along pretty good. I am time compulsive as 3 you folks know, and so far I am fine with our pace, 4 okay. I want both sides to have an adequate 5 opportunity to explore their theories of the case. I 6 am not going to try to cut them off, but I probably 7 don't need to play poker from up here. They can probably read me pretty well as long as I've been 8 doing it. So I think they'll keep it moving pretty 9 10 good, okay? 11 Call your next witness for the State. 12 GENERAL HAGERMAN: Brian Young. Brian 13 Young. 14 THE COURT: Come on in, face me, raise 15 your right hand, please. 16 (The witness was sworn.) 17 THE COURT: Be seated. I want you to 18 state your name for the record and spell first and 19 last. 20 THE WITNESS: Stephen Brian Young, 21 S-T-E-P-H-E-N, Young, Y-O-U-N-G. THE COURT: As you probably figured out 22 23 when you leaned up against it, that mic is -- it's 24 hot, so you can talk into it and it should amplify 25 you, okay?

1 2 STEPHEN BRIAN YOUNG, 3 was called as a witness and having first been duly sworn testified as follows: 4 5 6 **DIRECT EXAMINATION** QUESTIONS BY GENERAL HAGERMAN: 7 Can you hear me, Mr. Young? Q. Α. Yes. 9 10 Tell us, what do you do for a living. Q. 11 I am a commercial fisherman slash restaurant 12 owner. 13 You're a commercial fisherman, and you also Q. 14 got a restaurant; don't you? 15 Α. Yes. 16 Where is your restaurant at? Q. 17 Little Josh's in Parsons, Tennessee. Α. 18 Ο. In Parsons. 19 Do you remember back in April of 2011? 20 Α. Yes. 21 Did you take any part in the searches for Holly Bobo? 22 23 Yes. 24 And why did you take part in the searches for 25 Holly Bobo?

- 1 A. I knew the Bobo family some, and I also knew
- 2 Drew, which was Holly's boyfriend at the same time.
- 3 | Q. Have you ever had any military experience or
- 4 anything like that?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 O. What is that?
- 7 A. Army National Guard.
- 8 | Q. Were you ever called upon by law enforcement
- 9 in this case to help them search, to go to certain
- 10 places?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Do you know Warren Rainey with the Highway
- 13 Patrol?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. I want to ask you, did he have you on one
- occasion go in the woods behind Zach Adam's house?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Tell me what you saw that day.
- 19 A. That day when we first got there, Warren just
- 20 got through talking to Zach.
- 21 Q. All right. So Warren had gone to the house?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Where were you when Warren was at the house?
- 24 A. We was on the outside parameter. It was
- 25 actually six of us.

- 1 Q. Six of y'all?
- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. Were y'all in the woods or standing on the
- 4 street?
- 5 A. We were standing in the woods.
- 6 Q. Standing in the woods.
- 7 A. Or kneeled down in the woods actually.
- 8 Q. Kneeled down in the woods.
- 9 Is it fair to say hiding?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Did y'all have binoculars or anything?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Did you see Mr. Rainey talk to Zach?
- 14 A. No. He was on the opposite side of the
- 15 house.
- Q. What was the view that you had through the
- 17 | woods at that time?
- 18 A. Well, we couldn't see Zach at all at that
- 19 time. We were just supposed to be covering the
- 20 outside parameter of the house.
- 21 Q. Is that the back of the house or the side of
- 22 the house?
- 23 A. The back of the house.
- 24 Q. The back of the house.
- 25 At some point, were you notified that Warren

- 1 | Rainey had left the house?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 O. How was that done?
- 4 A. Warren had called us.
- 5 Q. Warren called y'all?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. What happened next?
- 8 A. Actually what we supposed to have done is
- 9 seen the movements of Zach, watch the movements of
- 10 Zach after Warren had left.
- 11 Q. All right. So y'all were there because
- wanted to see what Zach did after Warren left?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. What did Zach do after Warren left?
- 15 A. He come outside, went to the garage, got a
- 16 | vacuum out and started vacuuming a black pickup.
- 17 Q. Started vacuuming a car?
- 18 A. Pickup.
- 19 Q. Pickup. Started vacuuming out a black
- 20 pickup?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Where was that black pickup?
- 23 A. It was in the shed, in a green shed down
- 24 behind the house.
- 25 Q. And was he doing that slowly, fastly, or how

- 1 | would you describe it?
- 2 A. Slowly.
- Q. Where did he get the vacuum from, could you
- 4 tell?
- 5 A. I couldn't tell.
- 6 Q. How long did he vacuum that truck out for?
- 7 A. Approximately probably an hour and a half.
- 8 Q. An hour and a half. And the whole time y'all
- 9 were kneeled down in the woods?
- 10 A. Some of us was kneeled down, some of us was
- 11 still actually just combing through the back --
- 12 there's a big thicket probably 20 or 30-acre thicket,
- and some of us was still in movement back there
- 14 trying to find evidence.
- 15 Q. There was a thicket to contend with, too?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. After Zach got done vacuuming that car or
- 18 | pickup out an hour and a half, what happened next?
- 19 A. I had found a pair of surgical gloves and a
- 20 water bottle.
- 21 Q. Is that just some stuff you found in the
- 22 woods?
- 23 A. Northeast, probably northeast of the house,
- 24 the back of the house.
- 25 Q. Let me ask you: Did you ever see a mattress

- 1 at the house?
- 2 A. They was two mattresses leaned up against the
- 3 back of the house, yes.
- 4 Q. Two mattresses leaned up against the back of
- 5 the house?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Did you ever see Zach do anything with regard
- 8 to those mattresses?
- 9 A. I didn't but my partner did.
- 10 Q. Was this at the same time -- was this before
- or after the vacuuming of the car?
- 12 A. It was after the fact.
- 13 Q. After the vacuuming of the car?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. So you saw the vacuuming of the car, and then
- 16 | your partner saw whatever he saw afterwards?
- 17 A. Right.
- 18 Q. With regard to the mattresses?
- 19 A. Right.
- Q. You found some stuff in the woods?
- 21 A. I found a pair of surgical gloves and a water
- 22 bottle.
- 23 Q. Did you turn those in?
- 24 A. Yes. I had to meet Mr. Rainey at Teasers off
- of -- I'm trying to think of the name of the road.

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      Teasers. What kind of place is that?
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Did you ever see the dirt or whatever that

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had been disturbed behind the house? 2 Α. Yes. 3 Okay. Did y'all report that to Rainey? Q. Yes. 4 Α. Were you there when Rainey checked it? 5 Q. Yes. Α. 7 And you acknowledge it wasn't any sort of 0. 8 grave or anything like that? I can't say that. I don't know. 9 10 Okay. Did you see Rainey find anything Q. there? 11 12 Rainey wasn't actually with us. Rainey was 13 at the Teasers. 14 Later on? Ο. 15 Later on -- later on he come off of Duck Farm Road and met us on Duck Farm Road. They was actually 16 17 two -- two dog teams with us. 18 MS. THOMPSON: Wait. I thought he said they were asking. I just wanted to make sure it 19 20 isn't hearsay.

were two dog teams with him.

BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:

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GENERAL HAGERMAN: He just said there

MS. THOMPSON: Okay. Got it.

THE COURT: Okay.

1	Q. Other than the hour and a half of vacuuming
2	and whatever your partner saw, is that basically what
3	you observed Zach Adams do that day?
4	A. Yes. Supposedly what it was, my partner had
5	seen him
6	THE COURT: No, you can't say what your
7	partner saw or heard.
8	THE WITNESS: I'm just saying right.
9	GENERAL HAGERMAN: We can hear from them.
10	THE WITNESS: Why I was going to give the
11	gloves is what I'm saying.
12	BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
13	Q. All this happened when Rainey left?
14	A. Right.
15	GENERAL HAGERMAN: That's all the
16	questions.
17	THE COURT: All right. Cross.
18	MS. THOMPSON: Yes.
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20	CROSS-EXAMINATION
21	QUESTIONS BY MS. THOMPSON:
22	Q. Now, these things you're calling surgical
23	gloves, you're just talking about latex gloves;
24	aren't you?
25	A. Yes.

White latex gloves? 1 Q. 2 Α. Blue. 3 0. Blue latex gloves. And you're aware that they sell those at Home Depot? 4 Α. Yes. 6 People use them a lot if they're going to do something like paint? 7 Α. Yes. 9 And you might use them if you're going to Q. 10 change the oil in your car? 11 Α. True. 12 MS. THOMPSON: No further questions. THE COURT: None? 13 GENERAL HAGERMAN: No further questions. 14 15 THE COURT: All right. Thank you, Mr. 16 Young, you may be excused or you can join us in the 17 courtroom if you'd like. Or you can get out of here 18 and get back on the river, okay? 19 (WHEREUPON, the witness was excused from 20 the stand and left the courtroom.) 21 THE COURT: Next. GENERAL HAGERMAN: Matt Ross. 22 23 THE COURT: I can read him, he can't wait 24 to get out of here. It's not everybody's idea of fun 25 to come into the courtroom, let me just put it that

1	way.
2	Face me and raise your right hand, please.
3	(The witness was sworn.)
4	THE COURT: Be seated. State your name,
5	spell your first and last.
6	THE WITNESS: It's Matthew Ross,
7	M-A-T-T-H-E-W R-O-S-S.
8	THE COURT: Thank you. You can proceed.
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11	MATTHEW ROSS,
12	was called as a witness and having first been duly
13	sworn testified as follows:
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15	<u>DIRECT EXAMINATION</u>
16	QUESTIONS BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
17	Q. Mr. Ross, what do you do for a living?
18	A. I am a special agent with the FBI.
19	Q. How long have you been doing that?
20	A. Over 15 years.
21	Q. Where are you stationed at?
22	A. At our Memphis headquarters city location.
23	Q. All right. We're here to talk to you about
24	something that happened pretty far away from Memphis,
25	okay?

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1 A. Okay.
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- 2 Q. In April of 2011, were you involved in the
- 3 investigation in the search for Holly Bobo?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, I was.
- 5 | Q. How was it that you became involved in that?
- A. About a week after she had gone missing, both
- 7 | the TBI and FBI had opened cases. Our office in
- 8 | Memphis asked for volunteers to go to our Jackson
- 9 resident agency or to Decatur County to help with the
- 10 investigation.
- 11 Q. Did you know this area at all or know that
- 12 | area at all?
- 13 A. I was somewhat familiar with Decatur County.
- 14 | Prior to being an FBI agent, I was a special agent
- 15 | with the Tennessee Alcohol Beverage Commission. So
- 16 every summer we would spend, you know, a week or half
- 17 | a week in Decatur County doing marijuana eradication.
- 18 Q. I hope you don't know where Teasers is; do
- 19 | you?
- 20 A. I've heard of it.
- 21 Q. On April 23 --
- 22 | THE COURT: It used to have a worse name
- 23 | than that, let me just tell you that.
- GENERAL HAGERMAN: I think it was Bill
- Dundee's.

1 THE COURT: It was. Bill Dundee's. 2

BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:

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April 23rd --Q.

THE COURT: And before you get the wrong idea, I just pass it on the highway going to other courthouses that I serve, okay?

BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:

- April 23, 2011, did you have occasion to Q. speak with anybody involved in this Holly Bobo investigation?
- 11 Yes, I did. Α.
- What were you tasked with? What job did they 12 Q. 13 give you that particular day?
 - Well, when I got there, we were basically myself and several other agents, task force officers were told to just standby to help out, possibly cover leads that had been generated from case agents that were working the case. I guess that had been seven or ten days after she had gone missing.

And so we were just waiting around, and at one point someone came up to me and gave me an assignment, said, hey, we need you to go talk to this person or that person.

Who was the person that you were supposed to talk to?

- 1 A. The first assignment I was given was to go
- 2 | talk to an individual by the name of Zach Adams.
- 3 Q. Did you know Zach Adams at all?
- 4 A. No. Never heard of him. Didn't know him.
- 5 Q. Would it be fair to say you had limited
- 6 information at that time when you were going to talk
- 7 to him?
- 8 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 9 Q. All right. Tell us what -- did you go talk
- 10 to him?
- 11 A. I did.
- 12 Q. Tell us what happened when you went to him.
- 13 A. Myself, one of our task force officers from
- 14 Memphis, she was a Shelby County Sheriff's Deputy,
- 15 Anette Cotton, I believe the sheriff of Decatur
- 16 | County and a lieutenant from the Highway Patrol, I
- don't recall his name, we all --
- 18 Q. I think we just met him.
- 19 A. Okay. It might be him. I don't remember.
- 20 It's been a while.
- 21 We traveled to Zach Adams' residence, met him
- 22 there and just asked him what he knew about Holly
- Bobo, if he knew anybody that knew her, if he knew
- 24 anything about her disappearance, just -- and where
- 25 was he during the time she went missing.

- 1 Q. Did you notice anything about Zach Adams on
- 2 your visit?
- 3 A. Yes. As we talked to him, I noticed that he
- 4 | had some pretty visible scratches on his arms and
- 5 knees, I think, or leg area.
- 6 Q. And apart from noticing that, did you
- 7 document it sort of any other way?
- 8 A. I took photographs. I asked him if I could
- 9 take photographs of him and the scratches, and he
- 10 said, yes.
- 11 Q. Let me pass you a series of four photographs.
- 12 GENERAL HAGERMAN: May I approach, Judge?
- 13 THE COURT: You may.
- 14 BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
- 15 Q. Just look through them and tell me if you're
- 16 | familiar with what is pictured in each one.
- 17 A. Yeah, I am familiar with these.
- 18 Q. What are they?
- 19 A. These are the pictures that I took that day.
- 20 Q. The pictures you took that day?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Of Zach Adams?
- 23 A. Yes, they are.
- 24 Q. Can you see the scratches?
- 25 A. Yes, I can.

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GENERAL HAGERMAN: I would introduce
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      those as the next numbered exhibits, Your Honor.
                  THE COURT: I think we start with 57.
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      it will be 57, 58, 59, and 60.
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                   (WHEREUPON, the above-mentioned
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      photographs were marked as Exhibit Numbers 57-60.)
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: Publish these, Judge?
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                  THE COURT: You may.
      BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
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             It's going to be on the screen behind you.
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      Is that Zach Adams that day?
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             Yes, it was.
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             And this is over at his house; is that right?
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             That was Exhibit 60. This is Exhibit 57.
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      What can I see here?
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             There's pretty visible scratches on the
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      inside of his arm right there. There's a big scab or
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      scar up at the top.
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      Q.
             Can you see these linear scratches?
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             Yes, those, too.
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             Are these the scratches that you noticed?
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             This will be Exhibit 58, which is actually a
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      better picture if you see it in person. But is this
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- 1 | another angle of these linear scratches?
- 2 A. Yes. It's a little bit far away. You can
- 3 | see how long they go down in the arm.
- 4 Q. It should be his left; is that right?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. Maybe this will show up a little bit better
- 7 now, shows up a little bit worse.
- In person you can see it better; is that
- 9 right, agent?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- 11 Q. Than on this overhead. Linear scratches?
- 12 A. That's right.
- 13 Q. Down his left arm?
- 14 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 15 Q. And it looks like you also took pictures of
- 16 his legs; is that right?
- 17 A. Yes, I did.
- 18 Q. And I don't see much here. Did you notice
- 19 | anything on his legs?
- 20 A. Well, you can kind of see some bruising right
- 21 up under the knee and scratches a little bit on the
- 22 top of the knee.
- Q. Okay. But here, I don't see any of the long
- 24 linear scratches that were on his arms; is that
- 25 right?

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Okay. Did you ask him about these scratches?
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             Yes, I did.
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      Q.
             And did he tell you how he got these
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      scratches?
             He did tell me.
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             What did he tell you?
      Q.
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      after he had been arrested by the police somewhere, I
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      think, it was Henderson County or one of the nearby
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      counties. And that he had run through the woods
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      trying to escape and got cut up by a bunch of briers.
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             All cut up by briers or whatever?
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             That's correct.
      Α.
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             While he was running from the -- what did you
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      say?
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             He said the police.
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             The police.
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: No further questions.
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                  THE COURT: Cross.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: Yes.
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: If Ms. Thompson needs
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      a minute, I'm going to ask to pass these pictures
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      around anyway.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: I was going to use the
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That's correct.

pictures, so we'll just go ahead. 1 GENERAL NICHOLS: It just doesn't show 2 3 up. 4 THE COURT: We'll publish them at the end 5 of cross-examination. 6 7 CROSS-EXAMINATION QUESTIONS BY MS. THOMPSON: 8 9 I am going to try to stand over here where I 1.0 can run the machine. 11 Now, what kind of camera do you remember you 12 used to make these pictures? I believe it was my Blackberry cell phone. 13 Q. Cell phone. Okay, let's see. Let me try 14 15 zooming, maybe if I can zoom it a little, then I can tell if it's in focus or not. 16 17 Does that seem to be the best in focus to you 18 over there, Mr. Ross? 19 Yes, that's a little bit better. 2.0 Q. Okay. And he certainly seemed very happy 21 that day when he was talking to you? 22 He did have a smile on his face, yes. Α. 2.3 Yes. And the pictures you have here, they're Q. 24 just of one arm; isn't that right?

I believe so. I may have taken a picture of

- 1 | the other arm, but I don't recall seeing it in there.
- Q. Okay. And is that the front of his arm or
- 3 the back of his arm?
- 4 A. That's the front inside part, I believe,
- 5 right there.
- 6 | Q. Okay. Would you agree with me he's got a
- 7 | skinny, little arm there?
- 8 A. Well, I am kind of skinny, so he was a little
- 9 bit bigger than me.
- 10 THE COURT: I am not.
- 11 THE WITNESS: So I guess, it's all
- 12 relative but sure.
- 13 BY MS. THOMPSON:
- 14 Q. Okay. Let me see if I can zoom in on this
- 15 one, too.
- Now, of course, the picture itself is a
- 17 | little grainy. I mean, if you looked at the actual
- 18 | picture itself, it's a little, I'd say, digitized.
- 19 It's got the little kind of square chunks of color in
- 20 it; would you agree with me about that?
- 21 A. Yes. This picture up here does, yes.
- 22 Q. It's not like it's taken with a 35mm quality
- 23 camera?
- 24 A. No. Like I said, I just -- I took it with my
- 25 cellular phone at the time.

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1 Q. What we're looking at here, it seems like
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- 2 | there's -- I'll kind of point it out to you, this is
- 3 | a little bit of a round, a round bump almost; would
- 4 you agree with me?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. With a stab in the middle?
- 7 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 8 | Q. Okay. And it looks like it's definitely been
- 9 healing on the outside of the scab?
- 10 A. Yes, I would say that.
- 11 Q. And then it just has a little bit of a scab
- 12 left. The other ones, they're reddish, pink lines
- but they don't even have scabs left on them anymore;
- 14 do they?
- 15 A. They don't appear to, no.
- 16 Q. This one actually shows, maybe this one shows
- 17 | it a little closer up. Does that one actually show
- 18 it a little closer up?
- 19 A. Yes, a little bit.
- 20 Q. So they're really more kind of like scars
- 21 | rather than fresh scratches; is that right?
- 22 A. Well, they weren't old scars, they definitely
- 23 | would have happened in recent weeks.
- Q. Pinky, pinky scars, pink-colored scars?
- 25 A. Yes, they were pinked-colored scars.

- 1 Q. And you also -- you visited more than just
- Zach Adams; didn't you?
- A. Yes. I think -- you mean throughout the day?
- 4 Q. Throughout the day.
- 5 A. Yeah. I maybe talked to two or three other
- 6 people.
- 7 Q. Okay. They were just kind of dividing up
- 8 | work and everybody was getting a few people to go out
- 9 and try to find?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- 11 Q. And if you'll help me here kind of figure out
- 12 this Saturday -- April 23rd, that was a Saturday;
- 13 | wasn't it?
- 14 A. I think so.
- 15 Q. If Wednesday was the 13th, then we kind of
- add some days there, if you do your math and use some
- 17 | fingers, which I did, it's unfair because I was able
- 18 | to do it while I was sitting over there.
- 19 A. Okay.
- 20 Q. Saturday is the 23rd?
- 21 A. That sounds right. I believe so. I believe
- 22 | I remember it was a Saturday.
- 23 Q. Okay. And you were there -- so this would
- 24 | have been the second Saturday after she had
- 25 disappeared; is that right?

- 1 A. That would be correct, yes.
- MS. THOMPSON: We can turn the lights
- 3 back on now. I am finished.
- 4 BY MS. THOMPSON:
- 5 Q. And so -- and you actually filled out just
- 6 | a -- not even a formal report, but you just typed out
- 7 some paragraphs about what you did and who you talked
- 8 to?
- 9 A. Yes. I believe we filled out -- at that time
- 10 | it was called a lead sheet or something to that
- 11 effect.
- 12 Q. A what?
- 13 A. It was called a lead sheet, I believe is what
- 14 it was called. What we refer to it as.
- 15 Q. Okay. But your report here isn't on lead
- sheet, it's not on a lead sheet like worksheet, it's
- 17 | a typed-written report. Did you type this up?
- 18 A. No, I did not.
- 19 Q. Okay. So you filled out a lead sheet
- 20 somewhere?
- 21 A. Yeah, well -- I filled out like the top of
- 22 it. I believe Officer Cotton filled out the bulk of
- 23 | it.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. And then I believe, I'd have to see it up

- 1 | close, but I believe those are her notes.
- 2 Q. Okay.
- 3 A. Her typed notes.
- 4 | Q. So if -- but it would be accurate to say that
- 5 | it started -- your interview with him started about
- 6 9:25 in the morning?
- 7 A. That's right. I remember it being in the
- 8 morning. That's correct.
- 9 Q. Okay. And he -- Mr. Adams even gave you a
- 10 brief summary of what he said he had done that day?
- 11 A. Yes, he did.
- 12 Q. He said that he had gotten up about 10:00 or
- 13 | 10:30 in the morning?
- 14 A. That -- that sounds about right.
- 15 Q. On April 13, 2011.
- He said that there was no one in the house to
- 17 | verify what he had done?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- 19 Q. He said he and his brother, Dylan, had picked
- 20 up a friend, Shane, and then had gone to the Shell
- 21 station?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- 23 Q. He gave you his telephone number?
- 24 A. Yes, he did.
- 25 Q. There's a phone number and address. He even

- gave you his Social Security Number and his driver's
- 2 license number?
- A. I don't exactly remember that, but I am sure
- 4 he did.
- 5 Q. Okay. He disclosed to you that he had a
- 6 girlfriend, Rebecca Earp, or former girlfriend?
- 7 A. Yes, he did.
- 8 Q. He gave you consent to search his house?
- 9 A. He did as long as he was with me. He put
- 10 | that caveat on there. I'm just throwing that out
- 11 there.
- 12 Q. Right. He just wanted to walk around --
- 13 A. Right.
- 14 Q. -- with you while you searched it, but he
- invited -- he allowed you to search his house?
- 16 A. He did, yes.
- 17 Q. And he even allowed you to search underneath
- 18 his house in the crawl spaces?
- 19 A. Yes, he said we could look. We didn't
- 20 actually crawl under there. We just opened the door,
- 21 and just took a look inside.
- 22 Q. Matter of fact, you made a note that it
- 23 didn't appear -- it did not appear recently disturbed
- 24 under the crawl spaces?
- 25 A. That's correct, yes.

- Q. Okay. So looking at that, you chose not to
- 2 go down?
- 3 A. Right. On the outside of the -- you know,
- 4 | there's small doors that swing under the crawl space,
- 5 | didn't appear to be disturbed. You know, we opened
- 6 | the door, just took a look inside, didn't see
- 7 anything.
- 8 Q. Okay. And he voluntarily let you take
- 9 pictures of his arms and legs. He wasn't under any
- 10 | kind of warrant regarding that?
- 11 A. No, he consented to all that.
- 12 Q. And you were there until 10:55 a.m.?
- 13 A. That sounds about right, about an hour or so
- 14 we were there.
- 15 Q. Yeah, so 9:25 to 10:55, an hour and 20
- 16 minutes, 30 minutes?
- 17 A. (Nodded head affirmatively.)
- 18 Q. I have to use fingers. 30 minutes. Does it
- 19 | sound fair?
- 20 A. That sounds right.
- 21 Q. And at the same time, you also spoke to his
- grandfather, Dick Adams, and his brother, Dylan
- 23 Adams?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And they allowed you to look around Dick

I don't believe we looked in his house. 2 Q. But you would have been invited to? I mean, 4 they didn't prevent you from doing that? 5 Α. I don't know that we asked. Okay. And --6 0. MS. THOMPSON: No further questions. 7 8 THE COURT: Anything else? 9 GENERAL HAGERMAN: No questions, just to 10 publish these exhibits. THE COURT: All right. Step down and 11 12 you're free to go, thank you. (WHEREUPON, the witness was excused from 13 14 the stand and left the courtroom.) THE COURT: Bailiff, if you'll start 15 16 those with the jury. They can be -- they can pass 17 those among themselves. 18 Let's be getting your next witness while they're doing that. 19 20 GENERAL HAGERMAN: Chris Hill. 21 (The witness was sworn.) 22 THE COURT: Be seated. State your first 23 and last name and spell them for the benefit of the court reporter. 24 25 THE WITNESS: Chris Hill, C-H-R-I-S

Adams' house also?

1 H-I-L-L. 2 THE COURT: Okay. Let's hold up just a 3 minute and let them finish passing the photos. 4 Okay. Direct examination. 5 6 7 CHRIS HILL, was called as a witness and having first been duly 8 sworn testified as follows: 9 10 11 **DIRECT EXAMINATION** 12 QUESTIONS BY GENERAL HAGERMAN: 13 You probably sat longer while they're looking 14 at pictures, than you're going to have to sit for 15 this. 16 But where -- your name again? 17 My name is Chris Hill. Α. 18 And where do you work? Ο. 19 I work at Natchez Trace State Park. Α. 20 I want to ask you about April 4 of 2011, Q. 21 okay? 22 Okay. Α. Nine or eight or nine days before the 13th, 23 Q. which is the day that Holly Bobo disappeared. 24 25 Α. Okay.

- 1 Q. On April 4 of 2011, did you have occasion to
- 2 | come in contact with Zach Adams?
- 3 A. Yes, I did.
- 4 Q. And whereabouts were y'all?
- 5 A. It was a traffic stop on Highway 114 in the
- 6 park.
- 7 Q. Was it a routine traffic stop? I mean, did
- 8 it go routinely?
- 9 A. It did not.
- 10 Q. Okay. At some point what did Mr. Adams do?
- 11 A. He fled on foot.
- 12 Q. Was he pursued?
- 13 A. He was.
- 14 Q. Was he arrested?
- 15 A. Yes, he was arrested.
- 16 Q. Did you have occasion to observe him before
- 17 he took off running?
- 18 A. Yes, I did.
- 19 Q. And did you have occasion to observe him face
- 20 to face, body to body after he was arrested?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. I want to ask you, after that arrest, okay,
- on April 4 of 2011, did he have any long linear
- 24 | scratches down his left arm?
- 25 A. No, sir.

They weren't there? 1 Q. No, sir. 2 Α. 3 GENERAL HAGERMAN: No further questions. THE COURT: Cross. 4 5 6 CROSS-EXAMINATION 7 QUESTIONS BY MS. THOMPSON: 8 Okay. Now on April 4, 2011, this whole Q. incident began because there was a tree down, power 10 lines down due to a tree in the state park; isn't 11 that right? 12 Α. That is correct. 13 And you were actually there assisting some Q. 14 people with traffic and trying to direct them to get 1.5 around the power lines; weren't you? 16 We were -- yes, I was stopping traffic while 17 they worked on trees. 18 Q. Okay. And then suddenly this white car comes 19 up, and do you remember specifically what happened next? 20 21 A. I remember the vehicle drove down the wrong side of the road, passed the cars I had stopped. A 22 23 little bit of high rate of speed, and got to the tree 24 and turned around. I stopped the vehicle as it was

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coming back out then.

- 1 Q. Okay. So what happens is this car, and let's
- 2 be clear, do you remember what kind of car Mr. Adams
- 3 was driving?
- 4 A. It was a pickup truck. Without my notes, I
- 5 don't remember from six years ago the make or
- 6 anything.
- 7 | Q. Did you review this before you came today?
- 8 A. It's been a week or so since I looked at it.
- 9 Q. Okay. So if I told you you put down that it
- 10 was a white Nissan pickup truck. You even
- 11 | specifically put down that the tag was 574CBJ?
- 12 A. Okay.
- 13 Q. That would have been fairly accurate in your
- 14 report; wouldn't you assume?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. You wouldn't have a habit of putting down a
- 17 brand and color of pickup truck if it wasn't
- 18 | something you had observed?
- 19 A. Right.
- 20 Q. So this white pickup truck kind of comes up
- 21 and sees you stopped on the side of the road
- 22 directing traffic and he zips into the opposite --
- 23 | the ongoing traffic lane, passes you, tries to speed
- 24 on down, and then suddenly realizes he's blocked and
- 25 | can't get past the power lines; is that what

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- 2 A. Well, he -- he came around a whole line of
- 3 cars. I was at the front of the line. There was
- 4 probably half a dozen cars he came around to get to
- 5 where I was.
- 6 Q. So clearly, this person was driving
- 7 erratically?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Sped by a police officer?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And that's when -- when he realized he had to
- 12 turn around and come back is when you pulled him
- 13 over?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. And at that point then, you found there was a
- 16 camouflage bag on the floor of the car?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And you picked up the camouflage bag to see
- 19 what was in it?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And by bag, it's just a little, is it a
- 22 drawstring bag with materials in it?
- 23 A. It was like a fanny pack.
- Q. Okay, fanny pack.
- 25 A. Yeah.

- 1 Q. So you pick up this little fanny pack, you're
- 2 getting ready to open it to see what's in it, Mr.
- 3 Adams rips it out of your hands and takes off running
- 4 through the woods; doesn't he?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Clearly whatever was in that bag, he didn't
- 7 | want you to see it; did he?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And as he's running through the woods, he's
- 10 unzipping the bag and throwing things out of the bag?
- 11 A. Right.
- 12 Q. So you at this point are required to hightail
- 13 | it right after him?
- 14 A. Right.
- 15 Q. Try to catch him; isn't that right?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Did you know Mr. Adams before this?
- 18 A. No, ma'am.
- 19 Q. Okay. So you're chasing after him, you catch
- 20 him; don't you? You catch up to him?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. You had to tackle him to get him to the
- 23 | ground, right?
- 24 A. I shoved him to make him go to the ground.
- 25 Q. You shoved him to the ground. And then, I

- 1 | mean, it was a pretty physical arrest at that point;
- 2 isn't it?
- 3 A. Well, I mean, he went down fairly easy. You
- 4 know, he tried to scratch at my hand after I got him
- 5 down for just a second or two before he calmed down.
- 6 Q. He tried to scratch at you?
 - A. At my hands, yes.
- Q. Like with his fingernails?
- 9 A. Yes.

- 10 Q. Okay. And so at that point -- and you're
- 11 doing this in the woods, right, he's not running down
- 12 the road?
- 13 A. Right.
- 14 Q. It's through the woods?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. Okay. And do you remember what color shirt
- 17 he had on?
- 18 A. No, I do not remember.
- 19 Q. Do you remember what -- like long sleeve,
- 20 | short sleeve, what it looked like?
- 21 A. I do not remember.
- 22 Q. Do you remember what kind of pants he had on?
- 23 A. No, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. And then at that point you handcuffed
- 25 | him and you arrest him?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. And that white pickup truck that he was
- 3 driving, that Nissan pickup truck, it got impounded;
- 4 | didn't it?
- 5 A. As I recall, the Henderson County Sheriff's
- 6 Department was there as well, and I think they took
- 7 | an interest in the truck.
- 8 Q. Okay. So he didn't get to drive that truck
- 9 home that day?
- 10 A. No, ma'am.
- 11 Q. Now, after you had physical -- that's -- you
- 12 | kind of went full hands on with Mr. Adams, right,
- 13 | pushing him to the ground? Did you fill out an
- 14 incident report about the physical contact you had
- 15 | with him?
- 16 A. That was included in the incident report for
- 17 | the whole event.
- 18 Q. So under your department regulations, you're
- 19 | not required to fill out a special physical contact
- 20 report when you have full hands on contact with a
- 21 potential arrestee?
- 22 A. No, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. So you didn't fill out anything other
- 24 than just this arrest report and what happened right
- 25 here; isn't that right?

2 Okay. Under what conditions are you required to fill out a full hands on report? If there was an injury or if we had to use 4 5 some type of weapon. Q. Okay. And then that goes in your record, 6 too; doesn't it? 7 Α. Yes. 8 9 So you would prefer not to have those filled Q. 10 out; wouldn't you? 11 It really would make no difference to me. Α. 12 Q. No? 13 A. (No response.) 14 MS. THOMPSON: May I have one minute? 15 further questions. 16 THE COURT: Anything else? 17 GENERAL HAGERMAN: Just real quick. 18 19 REDIRECT EXAMINATION 20 QUESTIONS BY GENERAL HAGERMAN: 21 Q. We talked about impounding the truck, right? 22 Α. Yes. 23 Did you say something about that? Q. 24 As I recall, the local sheriff's department 25 talked about it. I believe it was released just a

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Α.

That's correct.

- 1 day or two later.
- 2 Q. It was released just a day or two later?
- 3 A. That's as I recall.
- 4 MS. THOMPSON: Your Honor, I object to
- 5 him speculating. If he knows, that's one thing, but
- 6 | if he's just speculating, I object to that testimony.
- 7 GENERAL HAGERMAN: May I ask him?
- 8 THE COURT: You may.
- 9 BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:
- 10 Q. Are you just guessing, or is this something
- 11 you checked on for me?
- 12 A. I am just going off my memory.
- Q. On your memory?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. So you're not just guessing?
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. Are y'all in business of seizing cars as park
- 18 rangers?
- 19 A. Our department does not typically seize cars.
- 20 Usually we hand those cases over to the sheriff's
- 21 department to take care of.
- Q. And then the cars are released?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. As a police officer, do you try to take note
- 25 after you arrest somebody, especially if you had to

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      put your hands on them, as to their physical
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      condition?
             Absolutely.
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              Why do you do that?
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              Because don't want any chance of any kind of
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      contamination between any kind of bodily fluids they
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      may have, actually --
              So you're looking for blood --
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             Right.
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              -- and whether or not blood has been
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      transferred?
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      Α.
             Exactly.
              How about to ensure the person doesn't claim
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      you did something that you didn't do?
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      Α.
              Right.
             Do you try to protect yourself, too?
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      Ο.
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              Yes, yes.
      Α.
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      Q.
              And so if you had seen bloody, linear
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      scratches, is that something you would have taken
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      note of?
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             Absolutely.
      Α.
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      Q.
             But they weren't there?
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              Right.
      Α.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: I do have follow-up.
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                  THE COURT: Okay.
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RECROSS-EXAMINATION

QUESTIONS BY MS. THOMPSON:

- Q. I am going to ask you about this truck now.
- 5 You said Henderson County Sheriff's Department is the
- 6 one that came and impounded the truck; isn't that
- 7 | correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. Do you remember specifically who the
- 10 registered owner of that truck was?
- 11 A. I don't remember the name. I believe it was
- 12 Mr. Adams' grandfather.
- 13 Q. And so how was it that you happen to remember
- 14 that?
- 15 A. It's in my mind.
- 16 Q. Okay. Was that something that you had
- 17 discussed with the district attorney? Did the
- 18 district attorney tell you that?
- 19 A. No, ma'am.
- 20 Q. But you weren't involved, because it's --
- 21 because you're a park ranger, you wouldn't have been
- 22 | there when the truck was released?
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 Q. And actually you don't even know -- do you
- 25 know where it was towed to?

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It would be speculation.
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             Okay.
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      Q.
                  MS. THOMPSON: No further questions.
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                  THE COURT: Done?
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: Done.
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                  THE COURT: All right. Thank you, Mr.
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      Hill, you're free to leave if you'd like.
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                  (WHEREUPON, the witness was excused from
      the stand and left the courtroom.)
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                  THE COURT: Call your next.
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: Christee Clenney.
                  THE DEPUTY: What was that last name?
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: Clenney.
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                  (The witness was sworn.)
                  THE COURT: Be seated. State your name,
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      first and last, and spell it, please, for the benefit
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      of the court reporter.
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                  THE WITNESS: Christee Clenney,
      C-H-R-I-S-T-E-E C-L --
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                  THE COURT: E-E?
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                  THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.
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                  THE COURT: Okay.
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                  THE WITNESS: C-L-E-N-N-E-Y.
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1 2 CHRISTEE CLENNEY, 3 was called as a witness and having first been duly sworn testified as follows: 4 5 DIRECT EXAMINATION 7 QUESTIONS BY GENERAL HAGERMAN: Sounds like there are a lot of Es in your 8 Ο. name? Yes. 10 Α. 11 Q. Christee with two Es? 12 Yes. Α. 13 THE COURT: I had written down I-E is the 14 reason I had to redo it. 15 THE WITNESS: It's happened a lot. BY GENERAL HAGERMAN: 16 17 What do you do for a living, Ms. Clenney? 18 I am an RTI and testing coordinator. Α. What does that mean? 19 20 Well, I've been in the school system teaching 21 for 20 years, now I help with response intervention 22 and the testing data along with some other jobs. 23 What schools have you taught around here? Parsons Elementary School, and I was the 24 25 Learning House Pre-K. I was a Pre-K teacher for ten

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      years, and now I am at Decaturville.
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              April of 2011, where were you living?
      Q.
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              I was living on Myracle Town Road in Darden.
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             Myracle Town Road?
      Q.
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      Α.
             Yes, sir.
             It's in Darden?
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             Yes.
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      Q.
             A few miles from Parsons?
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      Α.
             Yes.
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              Are you familiar with the street, Swan
      Q.
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      Johnson?
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             Yes, sir.
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             Does Myracle Town run into it?
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             Yes.
      Α.
15
      Q.
             All in the same little neighborhood?
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      Α.
             Yes.
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             Are the roads big and wide, or are they
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      small?
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              They're narrow.
      Α.
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             Are the roads frequent traffic all the time
21
      or no?
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              No, not really. Not a lot of traffic.
      Α.
23
              Something notable or strange happen to you
      Q.
24
      one morning?
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Yes.

- 1 Q. All right. Well, tell us what you were doing.
- A. Okay. I had been recovering from neck 4 surgery, so I was out of work for six weeks, and I
- 5 had been walking every morning, somewhere between
- 7:30 and 8:30 every morning. And so after a few 6
- 7 weeks, I -- well, one morning I was walking, and I
- would always walk to Swan Johnson Road.
- 9 So you walk in your neighborhood?
- 10 Yes. Well, I would walk on Myracle Town Road Α.
- 11 to Swan Johnson Road, and I would stop there and go
- 12 back to my house. And I would usually do that about
- 13 three times, because that was about three miles.
- 14 That was part of my rehabilitation for the neck is
- 15 what he wanted me to do.
- 16 And so one morning, I walked to Swan Johnson,
- 17 I was on my way back, and I just heard a loud truck.
- And so I turned around and there was one idling on 18
- Swan Johnson Road. And I heard it --19
- 20 Q. At this point, is that anything particularly
- 21 strange?

- Well, I mean, I wasn't alarmed at that 22
- 2.3 moment. I mean, I just turned -- I heard it is why I
- 24 turned around, and you know, I like to get out of the
- 25 road completely when cars are coming up and down, so

- 1 I was just kind of looking backwards. And then it
- 2 sat there for a few seconds, and that was kind of
- 3 | weird to me, because I continued to hear it.
- 4 Q. Where was it at, physically?
- 5 A. It was physically like at the very end of
- 6 Swan Johnson Road where the stop sign was.
- 7 Q. Do you know the Bobo's, do you know Karen and
- 8 Dana Bobo at all?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Do you know where they live?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. How far away from their house would it have
- 13 been?
- 14 A. I mean, it's probably -- I am not sure, but
- 15 | it might be a half to three quarters of a mile from
- 16 | that stop sign.
- 17 Q. Less than a mile?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. A half to three quarters?
- 20 A. Right, right. I never did continue -- I
- 21 never walked down that road all the way, I would just
- 22 walk to the edge of it. But I know that they live
- 23 | just not very far down that road.
- Q. So your health walk, rehabilitation walk is
- 25 | from your house, up Myracle Town until it hits Swan

- 1 Johnson Road?
- 2 A. Right.
- 3 Q. And the Bobos live a little bit up Swan
- 4 Johnson?
- 5 A. On the left, yes.
- 6 | Q. All right. The car is idling there, it's a
- 7 | loud -- what kind of truck did you say?
- 8 A. It was a white -- I didn't -- I didn't, you
- 9 know, register what kind -- it was a full sized white
- 10 truck.
- 11 Q. Pickup truck or like SUV?
- 12 A. A pickup truck.
- 13 Q. Pickup truck, okay. What happened?
- 14 A. And so then it turned right, it was going
- 15 really slow. And I just, you know, kept walking
- 16 straight ahead. And then I heard it turn around, and
- 17 I knew where they turned around at. It's probably at
- Box Road is what I was figuring. But I could hear
- 19 it. It was loud enough that I could hear it turn
- 20 around. And I thought, oh, that truck is coming
- 21 back. I still wasn't real alarmed, but I thought it
- 22 was weird because it had idled by so slow. And I had
- a hoodie on. And then it came really slow back. And
- 24 | I just kind of kept my head straight and walking.
- 25 | Q. At this point, were you alarmed at all?

- A. I was a little bit thinking, what are they
 doing? Because I am used to seeing the same vehicles
 at that time. People are going to work or the same
 people that you usually see coming by, it's not -you don't see a whole lot of new vehicles, and people
 don't just kind of cruise around that early in the
 morning, especially somebody -- you know, a young man
- 9 Q. You don't have tourists driving up and down
 10 Myracle Town Road --
- 11 A. No, no.

or something.

- 12 Q. -- or Swan Johnson?
- 13 A. No. It's not a happening place.
- 14 Q. So this truck is coming back at you?
- 15 A. Right. So then I am starting to, you know,
- 16 think this is kind of weird. But then when I heard
- 17 it turn around again at Swan Johnson Road, I really
- 18 did start thinking, okay, now, what should I do.
- 19 Q. You had heard this thing idling there at
- 20 | Myracle Town and Swan Johnson?
- 21 A. (Nodded head affirmatively.)
- 22 Q. You had heard it turn around at what you're
- 23 | quessing is Box Road?
- 24 A. I was guessing that that's where -- because
- 25 | there's not many turn around places that's in a row,

- 1 | and there's not --
- 2 Q. Then you heard it turn around again?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. How about now, are you starting to wonder
- 5 | about this?
- 6 A. Yes. I was getting -- I was getting really
- 7 | alarmed. And I was even thinking about like, you
- 8 know, would I go out to the woods, you know, what
- 9 | would I do. I mean, I was actually thinking about
- 10 what would I do if something happens.
- 11 Q. You were walking by yourself?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. With a hoodie on?
- 14 A. Yes. I had a red hoodie on, I remember
- 15 exactly what I had on.
- 16 Q. All right. What happened next?
- 17 A. And then he drove really slow, and he
- 18 | actually looked over and he was looking, like, out
- 19 his window to talk to me. He said, did I scare you?
- 20 And I just like, nah, I'm good. And then he said,
- 21 | well, I didn't mean to scare you. He said, I thought
- 22 | you was a girl that I knew that lived around here.
- 23 He said her name, and then I was just like, no, I
- 24 | don't -- I don't know her, or I don't know.
- 25 And then he kind of laughed and he was like,

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well, did I scare you? He said, well, I didn't mean to scare you. He kind of laughed or chuckled and then he went on after that.
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- Q. As a result of that, what did you do?
- 5 A. I texted my husband at the time and told him
- 6 that something really weird just happened with a
- 7 | white truck, and then he called me whenever he got a
- 8 chance, and I just -- I told him the story of it.
- 9 And I just said it wasn't your normal little, hey, I
- 10 | thought you were somebody else. So he got me some
- 11 mace that day to start taking, and my dad actually
- 12 | had brought me a gun he had, but then he also bought
- 13 | me one that he thought would be better to take.
- Q. But you made it home safe that day?
- 15 A. Yes, I did.
- 16 Q. Were you aware that Holly Bobo was kidnapped
- on Swan Johnson April 13 of 2011?
- 18 A. (Nodded head affirmatively.)
- 19 Q. Were you aware of that?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Around 8:00 in the morning; were you aware of
- 22 | that?

- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Would you have been walking on a weekday or
- 25 | weekend?

- 1 A. I always did it on the weekdays for sure, and
- 2 I did a lot of weekends also. But I walked -- I
- 3 | would plan to walk after everybody left for school
- 4 and was out the door. And I thought most of the
- 5 traffic to school was gone, so.
- 6 Q. How long before was this compared to when
- 7 Holly was taken?
- 8 A. It was days before. I don't know. I said it
- 9 could be anywhere between several -- I mean, seven to
- 10 ten or twelve days, it was within that time period.
- 11 Q. So you're certain it wasn't the day before?
- 12 A. Oh, no, it wasn't. It was not.
- 13 Q. It was a week, you said, did you say --
- 14 A. I am thinking it was past a week. I mean, I
- 15 | am not positive on the exact days, because really, I
- mean, I just didn't think about trying to remember
- 17 | what day it was. I mean, I just wish I would have.
- 18 | O. So when did this strange incident, when did
- 19 it sort of come to light afterwards?
- 20 A. Well, when I heard about that, and I had told
- 21 my coworkers about the truck, the white truck also at
- 22 the Pre-K. I was working in the Pre-K. And they had
- 23 mentioned -- a couple of them was like, what about
- 24 that white truck. And I'm like, yeah, I know. You
- 25 know, there could be a connection.

And so -- because we just heard about it that 1 2 day, but still that was like -- it had just come out, 3 like, she's missing. And I think a lot of people 4 were still thinking, well, you know, she's going to 5 be found, you know, like, you know, really quick is what we were all praying for. And then when we got 6 7 home, my husband and I, we had talked about it, and 8 that morning there was a road block at the end of the 9 road, the next morning, and he had mentioned to the 10 police officers or whoever was there at the end of 11 the road about the white truck. And so they had --12 whenever I got up there, I told them about it also. 13 So after Holly is taken a day, two days, did 14 you --15 It was -- we talked about it that day. 16 it was whatever the day the road block was, which I 17 am not positive exactly --18 Q. After she was taken, there were road blocks 19 at various places? 20 Α. Yes. 21 All right. And so you got to this road Q. 22 block, and did you tell the policeman or whoever 23 about this? 24 Yes.

What did he tell you to do?

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Q.

- 1 A. He said they would be contacting me.
- 2 Q. So you gave him your information?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Was your -- is it ex-husband now?
- 5 A. Uh-huh, yes.
- 6 Q. Was your husband with you then?
- 7 A. He was in the truck in front of me, so he
- 8 wasn't with me when I gave that information, no.
- 9 Q. Y'all were driving?
- 10 A. Separately, yes. Because we -- he was going
- 11 to a different place than I was, different school.
- 12 Q. Gotcha. Did the investigators get in contact
- 13 with you?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. What happened once they got in contact with
- 16 you?
- 17 A. Well, that day -- I am almost positive it was
- 18 | that day, but I'm not 100 percent sure. They brought
- 19 pictures to my -- to the Pre-K and asked me to come
- 20 out and look at them. And I think it was the TBI
- 21 that came.
- 22 Q. Did you see the man from the truck in those
- 23 pictures they brought to you?
- A. No, I didn't.
- Q. What happened next?

- 1 A. They said that they would be contacting me
- 2 | about coming to the police station to look at more
- 3 pictures maybe out of the inmate lineups or whatever.
- 4 Q. Did you go to the police station and look at
- 5 different pictures?
- 6 A. Yes. And I had my husband at the time meet
- 7 | me there and he went with me.
- 8 Q. So you and your husband?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Did y'all meet with police officers there?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. You said you looked at different pictures.
- 13 | Did you recognize anybody?
- 14 A. No, I didn't know who anybody was.
- 15 Q. You didn't know who anybody was?
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. Did you -- were there any pictures that
- 18 | caught your attention, how about that?
- 19 A. Yes. I pointed to one that I thought looked
- 20 like the guy that was in the truck.
- 21 Q. And in fact, did you look through a series of
- 22 pictures even after you thought that was the guy?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And describe how you kept on coming back to
- 25 that one picture.

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Well, I was looking through, and I'm like,
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      yeah, he looks like this. And then I said -- I
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      continued to look and there was other ones that had
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      that kind of look with the same color hair. And I
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      was going, yeah, these have that look, too, but then
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      I said -- going back to the front, that one was the
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      one that I thought looked mostly like him.
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             Who was that person?
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             Well, and I wouldn't have known it, but my
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      husband was there with me and he said --
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                  MS. THOMPSON: Your Honor, I am going to
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      object.
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                  THE COURT: She can't say what her
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      husband said.
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                  THE WITNESS: Okay.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: At this point, may we
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      approach, Your Honor?
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                  (WHEREUPON, a conference was held at the
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      bench between counsel and the Court.)
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                  MS. THOMPSON: Your Honor, I've looked
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      through the reports that I have an issue. Is she
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      going to do a photo ID?
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                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: No, there is no photo
24
      ID.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: Okay.
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1		GENERAL HAGERMAN: There's no written
2	docum	entation or anything.
3		MS. THOMPSON: Okay. I haven't gotten
4	anyth	ing.
5		GENERAL HAGERMAN: There is no proof.
6		MS. THOMPSON: Okay.
7		THE COURT: All right.
8		(End of bench conference.)
9	BY GENERAL HAGERMAN:	
10	Q.	Did you say your husband recognized the guy
11	you picked out?	
12	Α.	Yes.
13	Q.	He was there with you, standing next to you?
14	Α.	Yes.
15	Q.	What was his name?
16	Α.	My husband's name.
17	Q.	Uh-huh.
18	Α.	Timothy Clenney.
19	Q.	Timothy Clenney?
20	Α.	Uh-huh.
21		GENERAL HAGERMAN: That's it, Judge.
22		THE COURT: Cross.
23		
24		CROSS-EXAMINATION
25	QUEST	IONS BY MS. THOMPSON:

- 1 Q. So your husband is Tim Clenney --
- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. -- is that what you said?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 THE COURT: I think ex-husband.
- 6 THE WITNESS: My ex-husband, yes.
- 7 BY MS. THOMPSON:
- 8 Q. Sorry, yes.
- Now, you gave this report, the road block, if
- 10 there is a report that says that this was on April
- 11 | 19, 2011, when you gave this information at a road
- 12 block, does that seem right to you?
- 13 A. Ma'am, I have no idea. I am not sure exactly
- 14 how many days.
- 15 Q. Five or six days after Holly disappeared?
- 16 A. I am not sure.
- 17 Q. Within a week of the time she disappeared?
- 18 A. I would think so. But again, I just don't
- 19 have any idea how many days -- what day that was on.
- 20 Q. Okay. So your memory has kind of faded since
- 21 then?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And at the time, you said that the person was
- 24 driving a full size, white, pickup truck, do you
- 25 remember saying that?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. At one point, you said it was a nicer
- 3 | model pickup truck; do you remember that?
- 4 A. I don't remember. I don't remember exactly
- 5 | what all I said to be honest with you on that. I
- 6 don't remember what I said on that.
- 7 Q. Do you remember now that it was a nicer, full
- 8 | size pickup truck?
- 9 A. I just remember it being a white, full size
- 10 | pickup truck, yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. Do you remember saying that the
- 12 person -- the man you saw weighed between 180 and 190
- 13 | pounds?
- 14 A. I just don't remember.
- 15 Q. Okay. You don't have a memory now of how
- 16 | much that person weighed; do you?
- 17 A. No. I have a look of what they looked like,
- 18 | but I don't remember a weight.
- 19 Q. Right. But the look that you have now, what
- 20 this person looked at is after you've looked at lots
- 21 and lots of photographs; would you agree with me?
- 22 A. Are you talking about at the time or now?
- Q. No. The look you have in your memory now is
- 24 | after you have looked at photographs. Clearly your
- memory now is after you've looked at photographs?

- 1 A. Yeah.
- 2 Q. Yes? And you've thought about it a lot in
- your head. A lot of thinking about it and what
- 4 was -- trying to remember?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. Do you remember saying that it had
- 7 happened two to three weeks before the day of the
- 8 road block?
- 9 A. No. I don't remember exactly what I said on
- 10 the time.
- 11 Q. Okay. If it would have happened two weeks
- 12 before the road block, and the road block -- if it
- 13 | happened two weeks, you said -- tell me again what
- 14 | you said earlier about how close in time it was to
- when Holly disappeared?
- 16 A. It was several days. I don't know exactly.
- 17 | I am estimating. So this is not a fact, but I would
- 18 think it would have been anywhere between a week to
- 19 | two-week period time, you know. I have averaged it,
- 20 | it was like ten or twelve days, you know, but I
- 21 | didn't know for a fact.
- Q. Okay. But if the report said the 19th,
- that's probably right because there would be no
- 24 reason for them -- you didn't report this more than
- once to the road block, right?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 | Q. So if there is a report that says it's on the
- 3 | 19th is when you gave this information at the road
- 4 | block, that would most likely be correct?
- 5 A. I would think -- whatever -- I mean, I am not
- 6 disputing.
- 7 Q. Right, okay. So you're not disputing that?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. And if at the time you said that this
- 10 | incident with the white pickup truck had occurred two
- 11 to three weeks earlier, your memory then was
- 12 certainly better than your memory is now?
- 13 A. I mean, I would think it would be, too.
- 14 Q. Right. So that was probably accurate
- information from you at the time, two to three weeks
- 16 | earlier?
- 17 A. I can't imagine me saying three weeks, but I
- don't -- I can't imagine me saying three weeks
- 19 | earlier, because that would have been way past what I
- 20 | would think that it would have been.
- 21 Q. Do you remember --
- 22 A. I don't ever remember saying three weeks as a
- 23 matter of fact.
- 24 Q. You don't? Okay.
- Do you remember saying that the person was in

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       their early to mid 20s?
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       Α.
             Yes.
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             And do you remember saying light brown hair?
      Q.
 4
              Uh-huh, yes.
      Α.
 5
              Yes?
      Ο.
 6
      Α.
              Brown hair, yes.
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              Well, do you remember saying light brown
      Q.
      hair?
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             I don't remember saying -- like, specifying
10
      light brown hair, but I remember saying there was
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      brown hair, yes.
12
      Q.
             Okay. Do you know Lori Kennamore?
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      Α.
             No.
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             No?
      Q.
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      Α.
             I don't.
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                  MS. THOMPSON: No further questions.
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                  THE COURT: Anything else?
                  GENERAL HAGERMAN: No, Judge.
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                  THE COURT: All right. You can step
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      down. You're free to go.
                   (WHEREUPON, the witness was excused from
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      the stand and left the courtroom.)
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                  (End of Volume V.)
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