

03/19/94 WCMH CHANNEL 4
START 8:37AM

LADY S STATEMENT AFTER
CAPT. MIKE CORWIN GOT THREW WITH HER
35 DAYS LATER. POLICE HAVE CAR 15 DAYS
Before talking to Smathers
SHE NEVER I.D. CAR

8:48AM KEITH INTERVIEW

8:55AM- GRACIE KEITH INTERVIEW

9AM-PROTEST ZIP

9:02 PROTEST WHITE
ZINA SCOTT >>>

9:09AM STOP OITTO
RLB

Nancy Smathers

###SELECTED SEGMENTS WERE COPIED FROM THESE TAPES FOR INVESTIGATORY
USES, SCRUTINY, AND ANALYSIS.####
CAPT. RL BLANKENSHIP

03/18/94 *

CAPT. M. L. CORWIN

0750HRS. I CONTACTED NANCY SMATHERS, "THE PERSON WHO WITNESS THE
VEHICLE LEAVING THE SCENE AND GETTING STUCK IN THE SNOW BANK. I ASKED
FOR CLARIFICATION OF HER STATEMENT ABOUT THE PERSON REACHING OUT AND
GRABBING THE CAR FRAME AND ROCKING THE VEHICLE TO GET IT UNSTUCK. SHE
ADVISED IT WAS THE FRAME PART INFRONT OF THE DOOR, LEADING FROM THE
ROOF DOWN INTO THE CAR BODY, JUST WHERE WE FOUND THE PRINT ON THE
VEHICLE.

I ASKED HER ABOUT BEING ABLE TO RECOGNIZE THE PERSON IF SEEN IN A
PHOTO LINEUP. SHE ADVISED SHE HAD SEEN KEVIN KEITH'S PICTURE IN THE
PAPER AND IS 85% TO 90% SURE THIS IS THE SAME SUBJECT. SHE ADVISED SHE
WOULDN'T SAY 100% BECAUSE SHE WASN'T CLOSE ENOUGH TO SEE HIS EYE COLOR
OR OTHER DISTINGUISHING TRAITS. BUT KEVIN'S FACE AND BUILD ARE THE SAME
AS THE PERSON SHE SAW. SHE SAW KART WALKER AT PAY PHONE & PLASTER CAST

Police
MADE
NOT
Kevin

0800HRS. I CALLED FIRESTONE IN COLUMBUS AND NOBODY WAS IN YET,
REF. TRACING THE TIRES FOR US.

AT 0900HRS. I STOPPED AT GALION HOSPITAL AND SPOKE TO THE PATHOL-
OGY DEPARTMENT. ADVISED THEM WE NEEDED TO GET THE AUTOPSY REPORTS FROM
GALION WITHOUT ALOT OF DELAY AS NO WAIVER FOR TIME LIMIT ON THE COURT
CASE HAD BEEN DONE AND WE NEEDED TO PREPARE FOR SAME. THEY WERE ASKED
TO CALL THE FRANKLIN CO. MORGUE AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR US TO GET THE
AUTOPSY REPORTS.

0915HRS. I INTERVIEWED CAROLYN BOSTIC, MOTHER OF SHANNON BOSTIC
WHO IS RUDEL CHATMAN'S GIRLFRIEND, AT HER HOME. SHE ADVISED SHE WOULD
SPEAK TO ME AND TELL ME WHAT SHE KNOWS, BUT DOESN'T WANT HER NAME USED,
WHICH I ADVISED HER I COULDN'T PROMISE SHE WOULDN'T BE CALLED TO TES-
TIFY, AND WOULDN'T GIVE A WRITTEN STATEMENT. SHE EXPRESSED FEAR OF HER
SAFETY AND HER FAMILY'S.

SHE WAS ASKED ABOUT RODNEY MELTON TELLING HER HE WAS GOING TO KILL
RUDEL. SHE ADVISED THIS WAS PURLEY RUMOR AND SHE HAD NOT SAID THIS AND
RODNEY HAD NOT MADE THIS THREAT. SHE ADVISED SHE SAW RODNEY AT A MUTUAL
FRIENDS HOME, AFTER THE SHOOTING, AND RODNEY WAS CARRYING ON ABOUT HOW
HE WAS DISOWNING RUDEL AS A NEPHEW AND RUDEL'S ACTIONS HAD CAUSED THE
INNOCENT PEOPLE TO BE KILLED AND THE OTHERS TO BE SHOT AND SUFFER, AS
HE WAS A NARC. SHE ASKED ROONEY IF HE WAS GOING TO KILL RUDEL OR SHOOT