

STATE v. JACKSON YAZZIE

Figure 3

Officer Jackson and I were dispatched to 135 Front Street after 911 received a call from a woman named Sarah, who lived next door. Sarah told the 911 dispatcher that she heard yelling and sounds like “people and things falling” through the wall from the townhouse next door. She eventually heard a “thud” outside of the townhouse and a scream. She ran outside and found her neighbor Kim Soto sitting on the sidewalk and crying.

When we arrived, we found Kim on the sidewalk as described on the 911 call. Kim was crying and holding her leg, which was obviously broken. She also had a bruise and some scrapes on her face and complained of pain in her shoulder. Kim told us that earlier in the night, her boyfriend had slapped her, but she otherwise refused to answer any questions. My partner stayed with her and I went into the residence and spoke with Kim’s boyfriend, Jackson Yazzie. Jackson had no apparent injuries and was calmly smoking a cigarette in the kitchen. He stated: “That crazy bitch jumped off the roof. She is always wasted and nuts.” Jackson denied that anything physical happened with the victim, just that she gets loud and that they fight about money and her using drugs. I went upstairs and passed two bedrooms with female clothes, underwear, makeup, and hair products scattered all over the floor and beds. I also walked into the bathroom and noticed the window was wide open.

We interviewed the neighbor, Sarah, who mentioned that she frequently “sees girls coming and going from the house” and that she had heard arguing before. She thinks the girls are roommates of Jackson and Kim, but she doesn't know their names.

Jackson Yazzie was charged with misdemeanor assault and during booking he was found with \$750 in cash on his person.

The victim advocate in your office, Melanie, tried to contact Kim and reported that Kim was reluctant to speak with her. She doesn’t want Jackson to go to get in trouble.

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