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INTERVIEW WITH LIEUTENANT JEFFREY MELLIES

Q=Sergeant Lizzie Handras

A=Lieutenant Jeffrey Mellies

A1=(Vincent Castilla)

Q: The following will be a sworn recorded statement taken by Sergeant Lizzie Handras, CCN 9984, of the Broward Sheriff's Office. I'm the lead investigator in charge of this internal investigation. You are being questioned as a subject employee in an official investigation by the Broward Sheriff's Office. Mmm. This statement will be taken in reference to the Division of Internal Affairs Case Number IA2021-0074, regarding a complaint that has been made against you for allegedly violating the sheriff policy manual. This statement will be taken from Lieutenant Jeffrey Mellies, CCN 10131. This statement will commence on October 25, 2021, at approximately 12:14 pm. This interview's being conducted at Public Safety Building, Internal Affairs Room Number 2. Also resent is Sergeant Christopher Sutter, CCN 14701, and Fraternal Order of Police Representative (Vincent Castilla). Your statement is being recorded. Lieutenant Mellies, would you state your full name, classification, CCN and your current assignment?

A: Jeffrey Robert Mellies, Lieutenant with the Broward Sheriff's Office, CCN 10131. I currently work for Support Services Division, Special Operations Group.

Q: Okay. Have I identified myself as a law enforcement officer?

A: Yes.

Q: And do you understand this?

A: Yes.

Q: As a law enforcement officer, I'm empowered to administer oath. Do you understand this?

- 43 A: Yes.
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- 45 Q: Please raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear - do you swear or affirm
46 that the statement you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth and
47 nothing but the truth?
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- 49 A: Yes.
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- 51 Q: Let the - let the record state that Lieutenant Jeffrey Mellies has been sworn in.
52 It - has raised right hand, is now sworn in. Lieutenant Mellies, this is an
53 official proceeding, and if you knowingly provide false information during
54 this proceeding, that will constitute perjury under the Florida state statute. Do
55 you understand?
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- 57 A: Yes.
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- 59 Q: Can you tell me in your own words what perjury is?
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- 61 A: Lying.
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- 63 Q: Okay. Lying under oath. And right now you are under oath. Sheriff policy
64 manual states, SPM 2.25.4, in part, employees will promptly obey a
65 supervisor's lawful orders. This includes orders relayed from a supervisor by
66 an employee of the same or lesser rank, and an internal affairs investigator
67 when conducting an official internal af- investigation. SPM 2.5.2, employees
68 will not knowingly make any false or inaccurate verbal or written
69 communication in any official matter. SPM 2.11.2, Alpha, employees will not
70 interfere with investigation of cases assigned to other employees. SPM 9.1.3,
71 employees - employee investigations remain open and confidential until final
72 disci- discipline is rendered. No participant, including complainants, subject
73 employees, investigators, and witnesses will disclose any information about
74 the investigation until it is closed and is public record. Do you understand
75 this?
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- 77 A: Yes.
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- 79 Q: Prior to this statement you were provided with an index containing the
80 complaint form and all evidence related to the case, to include a sworn
81 recorded - inclu- a sworn recorded statements. Did you have time - an
82 opportunity to - to review all this evidence?
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- 84 A: Yes.

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86 Q: Okay. Do you have any questions so far before...

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88 A: Uh, we do have one.

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90 A1: Yeah. If you don't mind ma'am, I have just one question...

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92 Q: Mm-hm.

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94 A1: ...on one of the documents on here. Um, on July 16th of '21, um, Lieutenant
95 Mellies was, uh, given notice of this internal affairs investigation. And the
96 memorandums - memorandum says, uh, it will serve as a re-notification. Um,
97 he was never - he's telling me he was never notified in the first place. This
98 says it's a re-notification as if it was re-opened again, the case?

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100 Q: It was...

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102 A1: And...

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104 Q: It was no - it was not re-notif- it was not - it was, um, reassigned to me. It was
105 officially assigned to - originally assigned to Sergeant Sutter. Then it was - it
106 was - when they say, um, re-notification, but I have the re-notification in the
107 file of when it was assigned to me. Did that not get copied on there? On the -
108 on - on...

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110 A1: It - I just - the way it sounded as if it was a re-opened...

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112 Q: No, no it's not a re-opened case. It's not a re-opened case. It's just the same
113 case. It was initially assigned to, um, Sergeant Sutter. Then, um...

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115 A1: Okay.

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117 Q: ...it came - it came - it left him. He never did anything with it. It was only with
118 him for a few days. And then when I came in the unit, it was assigned to me.

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120 A1: Okay.

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122 A: All right. The - the only confusion therein lies, is that this is the same case
123 number that was assi- attached to a citizen contact from last year, from
124 December of last year, involving the same complainant, Ms. Fair. The only
125 difference is the date. So the 2021 is 2020, 00, was it 74?

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127 Q: No.
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129 A: Yeah.
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131 Q: This was - mine is different from, um, I know the PII, the case that was the
132 citizen complaint.
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134 A: Mm-hm.
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136 Q: That was, um, triple 03, I believe.
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138 A: Okay. They have it on here as I think something else. I just wanted to make
139 sure...
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141 Q: Mm-hm.
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143 A: ...citizen contact report, CC2- 2020-0074.
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145 Q: Mm-hm.
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147 A: This is Internal Affairs Case...
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149 Q: Mm-hm.
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151 A:2021-0074.
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153 Q: That - what it was, it was a typo and the - on this, Lieutenant, so I had to sign
154 off on it again because it was a typo in the date. It was a typo on there - on the
155 - on when it was sent out and I caught the typo, so I had to send it back to her
156 and make sure that - make sure that it was supposed to be 2021, not 2020. And
157 it came back as it was 2021 with just a clerical typo on that.
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159 A: Okay.
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161 A1: Good.
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163 Q: Okay? All right. Okay. Are we clear on that one?
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165 A: Guess so.
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167 A1: Mm-hm.
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169 Q: Okay. All right. Uh...
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171 A: Obviously, you understand my concern on that?
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173 Q: No, no I understand...
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175 ((Crosstalk))
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177 Q: ...100%.
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179 A: Being drug out from last year because this has been going on for a while.
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181 Q: No, I understand 100%. And, um, no, that is - that's why it was like that,
182 because it - it was an - a - a clerical error on - when it went into the system.
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184 A: Okay.
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186 Q: And - yes.
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188 A: I at it too it.
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190 Q: 'Cause I thought - I looked at it too and I'm like whoa. Okay.
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192 A: Appreciate you clarifying that.
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194 Q: Yeah. And, um, is this your signature on the Garrity index? Is that...
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196 A: It...
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198 Q: ...your signature?
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200 A: ...it is.
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202 Q: Okay. Is this your signature on the, uh, the seal, the - the conclusion of the -
203 the con- the continuation of the Garrity and if it was two pages?
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205 A: Yes.
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207 Q: Okay. And for the Garrity rights warning, is this your signature?
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209 A: Yes.
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211 Q: Okay. And the notice of non-disclosure and confidentiality, that's your
212 signature?

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214 A: Yes.

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216 Q: Okay. And okay, and this is your signature?

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218 A1: Yes ma'am, I - I...

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220 Q: Mr. (Castilla)?

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222 A1: ...witnessed 'em.

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224 Q: Your representative here, serving as a representative. Okay. Chris can you
225 sign this as a witness that this is their signature please? This is an internal - i-
226 internal administrative investigation. It is not a criminal investigation. You
227 will be asked questions specifically dir- directed, and narrowly related to the
228 performance of your official duties and fitness for office. You are required to
229 be truthful and answer all questions honestly and in accordance with Broward
230 Sheriff's Office policy. You are required to give a statement for administrative
231 purposes. This is - this is a compelled statement. You are being ordered to
232 give this statement. If you refuse to testify or answer questions, you will be
233 subject - you will be subject to administrative charges, which could result in
234 your dismissal. You are entitled - you are entitled to the right to have an
235 attorney or representative present during this - during this questioning. Do you
236 understand?

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238 A: Yes.

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240 Q: You are entitled to all - all the rights and privileges guaranteed by the laws of
241 the State of Florida and Constitution of the United States, including the rights
242 not to compel you to incriminate yourself. Therefore, if the scope of this
243 inquiry involves criminal activity, neither your statement nor any information
244 or evidence which is gained by reasons of such statements, can be used
245 against you in any subsequent criminal charges, except for perjury obstruction
246 of justice charges. These statements, however, may - may be used against you
247 in relation to sub- subsequent administrative charges. Lieutenant Mellies, how
248 long have you been employed with BSO?

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250 A: BSO, going on 22 years. 10 years prior with that, with North Miami Beach, so
251 31, almost 32 total.

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- 253 Q: Okay. And your current assignment, sir?
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- 255 A: I work for support services overseeing Special Operations Group, which is
256 Viper, BET, and the CST sergeants.
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- 258 Q: And how long have you been in that assignment?
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- 260 A: Uh, little over two years.
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- 262 Q: Okay. Have you always been with the Department of Law Enforcement in
263 your entire time here?
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- 265 A: Yes, ma'am.
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- 267 Q: Okay. What is your knowledge of, um, DAVID, NCIC, FCIC? When I say
268 knowledge, like when and when not to use the application?
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- 270 A: Well it's to be used for work-related business, not for personal.
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- 272 Q: Okay. Have you received and understood the training that is pertains to that -
273 these applications?
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- 275 A: Yes.
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- 277 Q: Okay. And can you explain how do you go about getting access to DAVID, as
278 far as, um, as when it - as far as testing or how do you go about getting...
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- 280 A: Well, initially when you're hired, I believe you're - you're signed up for it
281 through the state. You'd have to take a - a test. It - you go through a course
282 and then you pass the test and they give you, uh, a certification allowing you
283 access, uh, limited access, which means you can't enter anything. You can just
284 query things.
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- 286 Q: Mm-hm.
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- 288 A: Uh, I believe you have to renew it every two years, if I'm not mistaken. Uh, I
289 usually get notice from the department saying, "You have to go to the - go to
290 the site and take the course again," and do that. Um...
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- 292 Q: Okay.
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- 294 A: ...I don't recall last time I actually did it.

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296 Q: Okay. You answered my next question. Okay. Are you, um, aware of all the,
297 um, that all queries are recorded?
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299 A: Absolutely.
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301 Q: Okay. And have you read and acknowledged the - the legal - there's a legal,
302 um, page that comes up, uh, that it's a legal DAVID usage and, you know how
303 we click on it before we can go into - are you - you aware of that?
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305 A: It comes up every time before you make any queries.
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307 Q: Okay. How often would you say you utilize this application during your shift,
308 or doing your course of - the course of your day?
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310 A: Well, throughout my career, I've run thousands of people, tags, people...
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312 Q: Mmm.
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314 A: ...vehicles, uh, all kinds of stuff. Since making - since becoming a lieutenant,
315 very - very infrequently.
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317 Q: Okay. What is your relationship with, um, Whitney Fair?
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319 A: Currently, she is my next door neighbor.
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321 Q: Okay. What is your relationship with Ms. Wendi Anderson?
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323 A: She was my wife's employer at one point, at the (B Ocean Rec Bar).
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325 Q: And what was your relationship with Ms. Janelle Smiley?
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327 A: Just an acquaintance.
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329 Q: Okay. Through you or through your wife or?
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331 A: Through my wife.
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333 Q: Okay. Okay. And how long have you known them? M- we start with Ms. Fair,
334 how long have you known Ms. Fair, Whitney Fair?
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336 A: Um, I don't know. Probably since 2017.

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338 Q: Mmm.

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340 A: Haven't had any contact with her whatsoever until - since 2018, up until
341 Easter Sunday of this year.

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343 Q: Okay. And what about, um, Ms. Anderson?

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345 A: Haven't had any contact with her since 2018.

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347 Q: When - when - how long have you known her?

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349 A: Uh, my wife started swimming at the show, maybe 20- late 2015, '16. I
350 actually have a time line that I have written out.

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352 Q: Mm-hm.

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354 A: That I unfortunately didn't bring with me. But I can get that to you.

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356 Q: Mm-hm.

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358 A: Kind of what's going on here.

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360 Q: Okay. And, um, Ms. Janelle Smiley?

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362 A: I - I wouldn't know her if you put her in front of me right now.

363

364 Q: Okay.

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366 A: I mean, I - I knew her, maybe for a couple of months. That's my recollection.

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368 Q: And as a couple months, meaning that she - did she work with your wife or?

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370 A: Yes.

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372 Q: Okay.

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374 A: And that was back in, uh, 2018. I haven't had any contact with any of them.

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376 Q: Okay. Has either of the women ever mentioned ever been a subject of an
377 investigation that you were lawfully conducting, or?

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379 A: What do you mean?

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381 Q: Have they been in - in - have there been a reason that their name would be,
382 um, a part of an investigation that you were doing, or you conducted...

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384 A: Yes.

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386 Q: ...officially in a - on official duty? Like you conduct an investigation
387 involving them?

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389 A: Yes.

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391 Q: Involving Whitney Fair?

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393 A: Yes.

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395 Q: On official duty?

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397 A: Well, in anything that I do is official. I'm a police officer 24/7.

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399 Q: Mm-hm. Okay. What was the, um, you saw that with the notes and the - and
400 all the, um, documentation that in the in query that you ran them, um, back in
401 2018 you ran Ms. Fair, um, on DAVID.

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403 A: I...

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405 Q: You remember - you remember...

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407 A: ...I - I don't recall running Ms. Fair on DAVID.

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409 Q: Did you ever do like you said that, um, they were a - a part of your
410 investigation. And what type of investigation were they a part of? Or what
411 Ms. Fair - we start with Ms. Fair. What part of - what type of investigation
412 was Ms. Fair a part of?

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414 A: Okay. So we have to go into it a just little - trying to be as brief as I can. So
415 my wife was swimming at the (B Ocean) swim show, in a mermaid show.
416 While she was there - it was basically like a hobby. While she was there, she
417 worked for Marina, or Wendy Anderson. She calls herself Marina. One of the
418 other swimmers wound up being Whitney. She came in later on. My wife took
419 her under her wing and taught her and provided a lot of, uh, clothing and
420 things to her. And then Janelle came in towards the end, Janelle Smiley. So

421 during the course of this, she would swim on the weekends. I would go with
422 her, my wife. And I would attend these shows and I would watch and I would
423 help in any way that I could. I helped the women set - set things up, the props
424 and things like that. Um, I acted as kind of like a quasi volunteer security, just
425 watching out for them up at the pool so that nobody would - would interfere
426 with them or come down, or any of the drunkards would come down and try
427 and mess with them because they were wearing bikini tops and dressed as
428 mermaids.

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430 Q: Mm-hm.

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432 A: Um, during the course of this relationship, um, and knowing these women, a
433 lot of different things started to come to fruition. A lot of different suspicions
434 started arising. Whitney Fair, for one, Whitney never had any identification.
435 Whitney never talked about her personal life. Whitney didn't have a car. She
436 had no husband, she had no children and she had no job. Um, things started
437 going missing from the rooms where the women would change and things like
438 that, personal items. Um, so at one point, without hearing and coming into all
439 this information, it dawned on me. I said, "You know what? This isn't normal
440 for somebody to be -" oh, and she was living in a pool house. She was living
441 in a one bedroom house, which was a pool house, basically, um, with no
442 telephone, no anything. So I said to myself, "You know what? I've been
443 around a long time. This isn't normal. This woman's hiding from something."
444 So I had reason to believe that she may have had warrants, and I wanted to
445 know what was going on with her. So I had my administrative assistant, or, uh
446 - uh, investigative aide, Tracy Campbell...

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448 Q: Mm-hm.

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450 A: ...perform a FCIC NCIC check on her. I don't recall asking for a DAVID
451 check, but I do recall asking to find out whether she was, you know, had any
452 warrants or - or things like that. And that was how she be- uh, I checked on
453 her. Um, Janelle, Janelle was sitting at the bar and she would get drunk every
454 night, and she would propositioned people that were men that were at the bar.
455 And she was telling people that she was involved in multiple vehicle
456 accidents. That's the reason she was later, she wouldn't show up and different
457 things like that, and she specifically said that she believes her license was
458 suspended. She was driving the other women around with the show and to
459 make sure that she wasn't driving on a suspended driver's license, I queried
460 her name through DAVID. The interesting thing about that is, is that it came
461 back that she was valid, and I actually told her after the query was done, "Hey,
462 your license is valid, but if you keep wrecking into other cars, it's going to get

463 suspended so you better relax." And Wendy, Wendy, when I saw the DAVID
464 notices come through and, you know, you have to - our tech reaches out to us,
465 uh, Mr. Griffin, and he asks if they can release the information, if there's any
466 pending investigation or whatnot going on that would prohibit the information
467 from being released. And I said, "No, there's no investigation going on," but I
468 - I - trying to think why her tag would have been run. The only thing I can
469 think of is I do recall I was the Pompano Beach Patrol Commander on
470 midnights on or about that time. I do you recall seeing her driving in a - er, not
471 seeing her, but seeing the vehicle that I thought was hers.

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473 Q: Well, who is her? Which one...

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475 A: Wendy.

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477 Q: ...are we talking about?

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479 A: Mar- Wendy. Driving northbound on Federal Highway, just past Atlantic. She
480 was speeding and it - and it caught my eye. I was in the middle of something,
481 so later on during the night I said, "You know what? That might be her,"
482 because I knew that she lived up that way some place. So I drove around
483 through the neighborhoods. I found the car. I ran the tag to confirm it was her.
484 It came back to her. And the specific reason for doing that was for the specific
485 reason that we're here now. I'm up in Pompano. I know she lives up there.
486 And I wanted to know where she lived so that if a call came out in that area, I
487 wouldn't go anywhere near it. Or, I would have the heads-up that she was
488 there, because I knew that at some point they would try and turn this around
489 and throw blame against me for something.

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491 Q: And you said that was when you were in Pompano? That was for, um, Ms.
492 Anderson?

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494 A: I believe so, yes.

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496 Q: Wendy Anderson?

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498 A: Mm-hm. Yeah it's - it's been going on almost four years now, so I believe
499 that's - that's what it was.

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501 Q: And you're saying that you - the reason you ran - you ran each of them, while
502 you was on official duty? Is that - is that...

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- 504 A: Well, yeah, I consider anything that I do official duty as long as it's not done
505 for, uh, personal reasons. You know? Trying to find out where somebody
506 lives so I can go to their house to harass them or ask them on a date or
507 something along those lines, that would be personal.
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- 509 Q: The code that - that was used was, um, what was the reason that you used the
510 code that you used? You used, um, criminal investigation.
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- 512 A: I've u- I pretty much use that for everything. I've been a criminal investigator,
513 CID, for more than half of my career. And everything that I run is just
514 criminal investigations. It's just habit. I - there's a whole slew of other codes,
515 but I just - that was my routine. I would always put down criminal
516 investigation. Thought it was a catch all for everything.
517
- 518 Q: Well we have, um, are you aware that there is like other - like you do put in
519 other inte- physically type something in?
520
- 521 A: I don't recall. It's been a long time since I've even seen that.
522
- 523 Q: Okay. Were you trying to be misleading when you used criminal investigation
524 code?
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- 526 A: No. Everything's a potential criminal investigation until it's not, in my
527 opinion.
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- 529 Q: Other than, um, Ms. Campbell, Ms. Tracy Campbell, did you ask anyone else
530 to run these, um, Ms. Fair or Ms. Anderson or Ms. Smiley?
531
- 532 A: Not to my recollection, no.
533
- 534 Q: When you, um, gained the information from the DAVID queries and NCIC,
535 FCIC, what did you do with that information?
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- 537 A: Nothing. Well, I told Ms. Smiley that her license was valid. And I never had
538 any contact with Wendy after that. And I had no contact with Whitney in
539 regards to that.
540
- 541 Q: And I think you already answered this, but is - my question is, um, is this
542 information used for the purpose - or, a purpose other than law enforcement?
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- 544 A: Absolutely not.
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546 Q: Did your wife ever ask you, 'cause I know that she's a ru- she used to, um,
547 work with them and they have had some dealings with each other, but did
548 your wife ever ask you to run Whitney Fair, Wendy Anderson, or Janelle
549 Smiley?
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551 A: No she did not.
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553 Q: Did she ever ask you to like check on them and see what you can find on them
554 or anything in that language, or anything like that?
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556 A: No.
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558 Q: Um, what other - other than like - I know you said it's your official duties and
559 you're always on duty, and if you want to find out anything else about
560 someone, what other means could you have used for that?
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562 A: You could do a private query. You could - you could - you could pay for a
563 service to - to query somebody.
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565 Q: And are you familiar with like information being on Google or anything like
566 that?
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568 A: Yeah, you can find out anything about anybody. That - that's my wife's
569 business though. She does all that.
570

571 Q: Mmm.
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573 A: I try and stay off the internet.
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575 Q: Are you aware that the agency is penalized by FDLE for anyone misusing
576 DAVID?
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578 A: Yes.
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580 Q: Are you, um, you understand like I know they have the preamble when you
581 log on, um, you understand that the, um, any misuse that was bill - any misuse
582 with the, um, with the DAVID system can, um, result in revolting, you know,
583 you can't - you no longer have the access to it? You familiar with all of that?
584

585 A: Yes, I am.
586

587 Q: Okay. How can you assure that the - assure the agency that this would never
588 happen again as far as like going through DAVID or just for if you're, uh, do a
589 round - I know you're around, it's your wife's bu- your wife's job and you
590 having suspicions about and you're - you're not - you said if you're on duty
591 24/7. But, um, under the colors of the agency, were you working under the
592 color of the agency when you did those queries?
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594 A: I think I'm always working on the colors of the agency. I'm a sworn deputy
595 sheriff for Broward County. I don't find this any different than if a neighbor
596 comes across the street and says, "Hey this car's been parked on my lawn for a
597 week. Can you check it out for me?" They know that I'm a - that I'm a law
598 enforcement officer. So I run the tag to find out whether it's stolen or not. It's
599 the same principle. If my neighbor next door, I think that there's something
600 going on and I see some activity or whatnot and or - whatever, if I see
601 somebody and I have some reasonable suspicion that there may be something
602 going on with them, it's not only my obligation but it's - it's, uh, I - I'm
603 allowed to do that. The difference is you can't use it for personal use. Again,
604 personal use would be prime example with the FHP trooper that, uh, people
605 got in trouble with years ago where they Googled - they - they checked her
606 name to find out who she was. Or, a deputy stopping an attractive female and
607 running her information to find out where she lives, later to show up at her
608 house. They ask her out on a date or something along those lines. That's
609 personal use. That's prohibited. Or even to go one step further, if a relative
610 asks you to check their driver's license. You're not supposed to be doin' that.
611 That's personal use.
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613 Q: Okay. And I - so I'm going to go into the - one of the, um, Facebook's
614 complainant say something about Facebook. I'm going to ask you, um, do you
615 still have a Facebook account?
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617 A: Yes.
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619 Q: Is it public or private?
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621 A: It's private. It's always been private.
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623 Q: When you say always, like how long have you had that account, um,
624 Lieutenant Mellies?
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626 A: I don't know. It's been a while.
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628 Q: If you had to guess, more than 10 years, more than...

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630 A: 10 years probably. Yeah, 2010, 2011, '12, somewhere in there, say is about
631 right.

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633 Q: Mm-hm.

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635 A: Actually you know what? There was a long time there that I had it on public,
636 because I didn't know you could put it on private. I'm not really good with
637 that. So I - I a- in all honesty, it may have been on public for a long period of
638 time. But, uh, years ago I took down any information that even affiliated me
639 with the sheriff's office, law enforcement in any - in any way, shape or form.
640 So there's no pictures of me on there in uniform. It doesn't say where I work or
641 anything along those lines.

642

643 Q: Okay. There was a, um, how often - I'm going to ask you this. Like how often
644 do you - I know you said that you - you think you may have gotten Facebook
645 account back in 2010, 2011, somewhere along in there. Um, and how long
646 from - from that point and when you found out okay, I - I can make this
647 private, so how long did you - how long has it been private? Let me ask that.

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649 A: I think it's been private right about the time when all this anti-police sentiment
650 started picking up over the last couple years.

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652 Q: Mmm.

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654 A: If I - if I had to guess. I'm just - that's just a...

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656 Q: Yeah, no.

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658 A: ...in all honesty I don't remember 100% but I know for a fact that when all this
659 really started kickin' up, and all the rioting and stuff like that, I said you know
660 what, this is - let's just put it on private 'cause I don't want to take the chance
661 of, you know, this - anybody seeing anything or misconstruing something or
662 whatnot.

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664 Q: Okay. There was a, um, a Facebook posting depicting a highway, um,
665 California highway patrolman, um, on the ground with what appeared to be a
666 suspect. Do you recall that?

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668 A: I saw it...

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670 Q: You saw it on there?

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672 A: ...I saw it. Yep.

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674 Q: Okay. Um, was that your original post?

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676 A: It look - it looks familiar. I don't really recall though because the - from the
677 date on it, it looked like it's 2012. It's almost 10 years, 13 - 11 years ago. I
678 don't recall that, to be honest with you.

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680 Q: Yeah. What was you - if you can think back, what was your intention when
681 you re- when you reposted that?

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683 A: I don't - I honestly don't recall. Um, I'd have to really, really go back and
684 figure out what was going on in the nation about that time, or what was
685 happening. Um...

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687 Q: What do you believe in your own words, what do you believe that that post
688 meant?

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690 A: If you mess with law enforcement, there are consequences.

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692 Q: Mm-hm.

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694 A: So, um, obey lawful commands, otherwise you might wind up on the ground.

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696 Q: That's what your interpretation of what you...

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698 A: Correct.

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700 Q: ...thought it meant?

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702 A: Correct.

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704 Q: Um, did you intend for this post to be offensive to anyone?

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706 A: No. My - the intent was basically I think if I remember correctly what it was
707 about was to stand up for law enforcement, and our profession.

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709 Q: If somebody would have told you that - or would have brought it to your
710 attention that they found it offensive, what would your actions have been?

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712 A: Depends on who the person was. But, most likely I would have taken it down.
713 But again, you're looking at a post from 2012.
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715 Q: Now do - someone would've brought it to your attention that it was offensive,
716 you would have taken it down?
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718 A: Most likely, yes.
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720 Q: Um, do you...
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722 Q1: Mind if I ask...
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724 Q: ...mind if...
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726 Q1: ...you one question?
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728 A: Sure.
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730 Q: Yes, sir.
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732 Q1: Um, relating back to the, um, the DAVID queries for Whitney Fair, Wendy
733 Anderson, or is it Janelle Smiley? Um, is there any, um, reports or any
734 documentation, um, as far as any investigations that you were conducting
735 that's in relation to any of those DAVID inquiries at that time?
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737 A: No.
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739 Q1: Okay. Um, was there case ever opened up, any type of report or anything?
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741 A: No.
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743 Q1: Okay. That's all.
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745 A: Oh.
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747 Q: Um, Mr. (Castillo), you don't have any...
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749 Q2: I - I just wanted to check...
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751 A: Yeah, I...
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753 Q2: ...with, uh, Lieutenant...

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755 A: ...I just wanted to a- I know you're probably familiar with - with some of this,
756 and I won't take up a lot of your time, but I just want - I want you to know for
757 the record, I want the board to know for a record, what is actually going on
758 here. My wife worked at this show for about right - right - right around three
759 years.

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761 Q: What show?

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763 A: Uh, the (Be) Ocean Mermaid show. Um, it was more of a hobby than anything
764 else. She took a - a real liking to it. My wife's a fire fighter for Coral Springs,
765 Parkland. Um, so that's her profession. This is a - was a hobby. Um, she
766 wasn't even really getting paid at first. Um, so she would go there on the
767 weekends and Wendy Anderson taught her how to swim and stuff like that.
768 And she, over the course of the years, became a fan favorite. My wife is very
769 artistic, so she started making all the costumes for all the women. We got into
770 it, uh, over the span of her career there, we got into it in several thousands of
771 dollars into, uh, costumes and helping the girls out. We used to have all these
772 women over to the house and have parties and - and different things like that.
773 My wife would give them - let - let them go through her closet. She'd give
774 them clothes and things like that. Whitney was - has been over to the house
775 with her dog. Um, fast forward, my wife, because the two of us, we were
776 there, and again I wasn't there operating any capacity other than a loving
777 husband, but I was there helping her out. And management saw what my
778 wife's capability was and they came to her and asked her if she'd be willing to
779 take over the show, which would mean Wendy would be kicked out. We
780 turned it down, but word got back to Wendy that this was what was going on.
781 And this started the downward spiral. Eventually my wife was fired from the
782 show. Whitney had a lot to do with that. All these women were our friends
783 when they thought that we were going to take over the show. But as soon as
784 they found out that we weren't, it was flipped, right? Um, these three women -
785 so - so, we have no contact with them from 2018, my wife left the show. I
786 think it was August of 2018, if I'm not mistaken. So there's no contact
787 whatsoever. My wife, being a woman, is on the internet a lot. She sees them
788 and how - how they do things and they were taking credit for different things
789 that she had designed and things like that. So she was - she was firing back at
790 them with some - with some stuff. Um, no threats, nothing of any violence,
791 but basically just calling them out for being the frauds that they were. Fast
792 forward to 2019, we decided you know what? We need a change of pace. We
793 were living out west. I'm working here on the PSB. I said, "Let's - let's move
794 east, Fort Lauderdale," 'cause we're here at Los Olas all the time. We find a
795 beautiful home over in Victoria Park. Uh, we go in, we sign a lease, 'cause we

796 didn't want to buy because we're sh- gonna retire. Uh, lo and behold, Whitney
797 is the next door neighbor. We had no idea that she lived there, none. We saw
798 her out walking the dog and then my wife was like, "Oh my God, this is - she
799 lives next door. She's in the pool house." She lives in a pool house. Like, "All
800 right. Well, whatever." We didn't say anything to the landlord. We didn't have
801 any contact with her at all. We said, "Listen. We're adults. We'll live here."
802 She minds her business, we'll mind our business, end of story. No problem.
803 Nothing. We're there through, I - again, I got a whole timeline, but basically
804 we're there for six months, six, seven months.

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806 Q: Mm-hm.

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808 A: Her house is right next to our house. There's a floodlight that keeps going on
809 and off, all night long, shining down into our yard. I called the landlord on
810 multiple occasions and ask him to do something about it. He doesn't. Um, so
811 one night there's nobody home, I can't get in touch with anybody, I hop the
812 fence with my intention to unscrew the lightbulb, to remedy the situation.
813 Well, it's not a - it's not a lightbulb. It's a ring camera. Okay? And this ring
814 camera is pointed directly into our backyard, where my wife and I spend a lot
815 of our time under the tiki hut, where we've had intimate moments together,
816 um, and everything else. So we find out that it's a ring camera. We make
817 multiple - this is our tiki hut. On the other side of that was the ring camera. So
818 she was looking straight down into our yard. And it was directed straight
819 down into our yard.

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821 Q: Mmm.

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823 A: In fact, the police report that Fort Lauderdale wrote, the officer said there's no
824 reason for it to be there other than to - to spy on us. So I made multiple
825 attempts to get it rectified with the landlord. And I even quoted him the video
826 of where's the statute. And I said, "Please, you - it, uh, if you don't have this
827 rem-" um, we thought it was a - a - we thought she lived in the pool house.
828 Um, Whitney. There were - this structure here is a two-level and it's broken up
829 into apartments. The top and the bottom. On the top was a - a Hispanic
830 gentleman. We thought the camera belonged to him. And we've got all kinds
831 of documentation here going back and forth with the landlord saying, "Look,
832 why is he spying on us? Why does he have a camera here? Please tell him to
833 take down the camera." And the landlord's like, "Well, we'll - we'll - I'll look
834 into it. I'll look into it. I'll look into it." I finally reached out to him and said,
835 "Listen," we finally found out from the maintenance guy, around August or
836 September, that they weren't his cameras 'cause he had moved out. They're
837 Wendy's cameras - or, not Wendy's, Whitney's cameras. And Whitney had

838 now moved into this bottom floor here and so she could be - she's no longer
839 living in the pool house. She moved closer to us. Somebody who's supposedly
840 afraid of us moved closer to our fence line. So we told the landlord, we said,
841 "Listen, we - there's bad blood there. This can't be going on. And this is video
842 voyeurism. She's watching us. We're - we're - this is ridiculous. If you don't
843 have it removed, I'm going to escalate it. I'm going to call Fort Lauderdale."
844 That was on July 2nd - or, I mean, sorry, September - correction, December 2,
845 2020. He says, "Okay. I'll take care of it." That night, December 3rd, around
846 midnight, Whitney calls Fort Lauderdale to make a police report, claiming
847 that I'm harassing her and I trespassed on her property. She wanted to beat us
848 to the punch. So, December 4th, Fort Lauderdale shows up at my house. The
849 detective serge and the detective of the K-9 unit, wanting to speak to me about
850 harassing Ms. Fair, and jumping the fence. When I explained to them what
851 was going on, mind you when I jumped the fence and t- and figured out it was
852 a camera, I subsequently put a note in the mailbox f- for the guy, saying,
853 "Hey, I have a problem with your ring camera. Contact me." I can't, you
854 know, there's a gate there. I couldn't get in to knock on his door. He's never
855 home. So being the - the mischievous person I am, I jumped the fence and
856 then I left a note for the guy. Long story short, Fort Lauderdale comes on the
857 4th. I show them basically what's going on. They're like, "You've got to be
858 kidding me." They went over and talked to her and they convinced her to
859 lower the camera, because she won't take it down, and now it's right up
860 against our fence, aimed down at the ground where she can still audio record
861 us and hear us.

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863 Q: This was shown to Fort Lauderdale. I know there's...

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865 A: Oh...

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867 Q: ...a police report and...

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869 A: Yep.

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871 Q: ...Fort Lauderdale, I - I've - I do have a copy of the...

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873 A: Yep.

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875 Q: ...police report.

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877 A: And I've got supplement that I just filed just recently. And I know this - again,
878 I've been doing this job for 31 years. It - it's ridiculous that I'm even seated
879 here. It's ridiculous that we're waited - wasting our time on this. I believe it's a

880 waste of time. But you got to understand what's really going on here. What's
881 really going on here is like a mean girls type of - type - type of thing. These
882 three women are all best friends. They have nothing to do with their lives
883 other than harass, stalk and cause us problems. Their main goal in life, and
884 they've told people this, is to get us fired. They get off on this. They're
885 enjoying it and they are weaponizing our agencies against us. Whitney Fair
886 has not only made a complaint against me, she's made a complaint now with
887 my wife's fire department for the same stuff. Oh she's - my wife's bullying her,
888 allegedly. Fort Lauderdale would not arrest me for trespassing, jumping the
889 fence. She got pissed. We wouldn't do anything either. So now she started this
890 campaign, and Janelle even said in there that she's only doing this because of
891 Whitney, she started this campaign now to try and find another way to try and
892 screw me over. So here's your complaint. Here's one of your complaints. This
893 is Miss Smiley. She's a prostitute. She's got a fans only page. These were
894 given to us by friends. This is one of the things where she's basically anti-cop.
895 She calls us gatekeepers, says we should all be fired, and basically hates us.
896 And this is a copy I'll leave with you.

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898 Q: Mm-hm.

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900 A: Um, another one, no justice, no peace. Saying this about Janelle. So this is
901 Janelle, Marina, Wendy, and Whitney. Janelle, Marina - er, Whitney, Janelle,
902 Marina. Whitney, Marina, Janelle. Whitney, who's so afraid of us, after she -
903 she s- puts this up on social media towards my wife, after she files a, uh, IA
904 complaint with her fire department. So that's your complainants. She's been
905 systematically terrorizing us for the past two years, by doing a whole myriad
906 of different things. She's got at least 11 cameras, ring cameras, pointed at our
907 property. She records us day and night. One of her cameras, is actually
908 pointed directly towards, it's angled at an angle now where she can look right
909 into our kitchen when our back door is open. She puts flood lights on. It looks
910 actually worse in person. So again, her house, our fence line, our tiki hut.

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912 Q: When you say her?

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914 A: Uh, Whitney's. Oh, and she subsequently over the past six to seven months,
915 she was living downstairs. She's now moved upstairs where there's a big
916 picture window that looks directly over into our yard. And she's up there with
917 cameras all the time. Um, so the night that she's questioning she probably - I
918 don't know if she gave you a videotape or not, but there's - we have - the only
919 time we've had any confrontation with her at all was Easter Sunday night. My
920 wife and I were at home. And all of a sudden the entire house is lit up in blue
921 circus lights. So this is our house here. These are the circus lights that I'm

922 talking about. Our entire house is lit up in circus lights. The view from fence
923 line, our fence line, her lights. Our windows coming in from their lights. Our
924 backyard, her lights. Again, it looks better when you see it in person. Just
925 again, I want you to see kind of (unintelligible). Um...

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927 Q: Is this a rent - are you own your home or this a rental?

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929 A: The same landlord owns both properties, so we rent and the landlord next door
930 owns that property. There's a main house, there's a pool house and there's
931 these two, which is a double story, one and two, that he rents out as
932 apartments. She's moved all over the place. They've now made it into an Air
933 BNB that she's supposedly the manager of. But she still lives upstairs where
934 she can look at us, all the time.

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936 Q: Prior - and I - let me - let me just re- I'm just trying to read and write.

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938 A: Sure.

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940 Q: Um, prior to moving at your address in, um, uh, what is it?

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942 A: 409?

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944 Q: Victoria Park.

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946 A: Yes, ma'am.

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948 Q: Did you have any contact with, um, Whitney Fair to know that she lived in
949 Victoria Park, or?

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951 A: Nope.

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953 Q: Did your wife at any point know that she lived in Victoria Park?

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955 A: At one point when they were friendly, Whitney reached out to my wife when
956 she knew that we were thinking about leaving and said, "Hey, my landlord has
957 the main house of this property for - for rent. Do you want to come and look at
958 it? But you have to share a pool and a common dish- and a common washing
959 machine," all this stuff. And we're like, "No. We're not even - we're not even
960 interested in that." Excuse me. She sent her a picture of the property, that my
961 wife was able to find at one point. We had no clue when we moved into this
962 property until we started researching later on, we're like, "Oh my God, this is

963 the property. This is the same property." We ca- ho- what are the odds that we
964 would move next door?

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966 Q: And your wife never went - you or your wife never went to her house...

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968 A: Never.

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970 Q: ...prior to that?

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972 A: Never. So in the meantime, again, with all this going on, we've spent
973 thousands of dollars. This is my front door, ring camera, ring camera, ring
974 camera. This is the fence, her - her property's on the other side. We actually
975 had to put up like camouflage, so you couldn't look through the chain-link
976 fence so we could sit out there, because we'd sit out there and she would
977 videotape us. We're sitting out there having cocktail. We had to put up, uh,
978 curtains to block her view into our property. That's her property looking into
979 ours, her camera that she has right now, um, you know, there's a view of the
980 fence line. This is our back door. Her camera is angled right into our back
981 door. So when our back door is open, she can look at us standing in our
982 kitchen. She's going to claim that she put up a lot of foliage on the other side
983 of the fence here to block our view into her yard. But it's just quite interesting
984 that she left a little gap right here where her camera can look right through
985 into our yard.

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987 Q: When did you move over there Lieutenant Mellies?

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989 A: November of 2019. So here is our property. I know it's a tough photo to see.
990 But that's her property. We had a nice easygoing vibe going on with the
991 candles and stuff like that. Really loved our home 'cause we've done a lot to
992 this property. And people look at us like we're crazy, but we're like we have to
993 live here. So we put a lot of money into this house. And we had a nice, easy,
994 chill vibe going on. Like a manor type of vibe. And then she goes and does
995 that. The only house on the block that has the circus lights, turned up to
996 volume 20.

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998 Q: But you both are renting. You're both - you're - you're...

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1000 A: Yep.

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1002 Q: ...the Mellies family and Mrs. Fair...

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1004 A: Correct.

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1006 Q: ...you both are renting.

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1008 A: And the landlord is aware of all this. Now, again, we didn't say anything to
1009 him until the police report started flowing. The landlord's aware of all this
1010 now. But he refuses to get involved because number one, he's getting his
1011 money from us, and number two, um, he is making money with her now with
1012 the Air BNB.

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1014 Q: Let me ask you this. Um, I found another question.

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1016 A: Sure.

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1018 Q: Um, prior to, um, the - the bad blood, so to speak...

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1020 A: Mm-hm.

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1022 Q: ...when you first moved over there, I know you guys would have - your wife
1023 would have, um, said you guys would give them clothes or stuff like that. Did
1024 they ever come to your house, to ha- Whitney Fair, Wendy Anderson, or
1025 Janelle Smiley come to where you currently reside now in, um, Victoria Park?
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1027 A: No, ma'am. No.

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1029 Q: Have they ever been at any point in time...

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1031 A: We haven't had any contact with any of them since 2018, for the most part, up
1032 until we moved in here. And again, we only had contact with Wendy - or, uh,
1033 Whitney, sorry, it's confusing, when we went outside to look at the lights. And
1034 then she came up from around the corner with her boyfriend at the time, and
1035 she instigated with us. Now that's not on her recording, but we're staying on
1036 our property, on the sidewalk, and she walked up to us and basically was like,
1037 "What are you going to do about it?" And we told her, "Hey, why is this - this
1038 looks like a - like a brothel. What is wrong with you?" And even plead with
1039 her, "Please, we just want to be left alone. You stay on your side of the fence.
1040 We'll stay on our side of the fence." And then the boyfriend got involved and
1041 started being derogatory towards me and the profession, "Oh look at law
1042 enforcement at its - at its finest," and this, that and the other. And I told him, I
1043 - I cursed him out, I said, uh, "I don't know what you want me to do, but," and
1044 he got all that on video. The following day, I go over to try and smooth things
1045 over, because I looked out the window about 10 o'clock and I saw her out on
1046 the f- on the front driveway, talking to two males, one of which I thought was

1047 the landlord. I said, oh perfect opportunity. Let me go over and talk to (Scott),
1048 who's the landlord, talk to her at the same time. And try and just be done with
1049 all of this ridiculousness. This is after she tried to have me arrested for the -
1050 for the trespassing complaint. I walked up onto the driveway about 3' from the
1051 sidewalk. I realized it wasn't (Scott). It was two maintenance guys. But she
1052 was there. And I said, "Hey, can we talk?" And tried to have a conversation
1053 with her. And, uh, it wasn't going anywhere. I plead with her. I said, "Please.
1054 Stop all this ridiculousness." I said, "We're - we're not going to mess with you.
1055 Just stop all this with the police and everything else. Stop with the lights."
1056 And then she accused me of - she says 100s of hours of videotape of me
1057 leering into her windows. And at that point I said, "You know what? We're
1058 done talking. Have a nice day." Walked back out. And I was 3' onto her
1059 driveway.

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1061 Q: Okay.

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1063 A: Three steps onto her driveway. She called the police immediately after that,
1064 and tried to make another complaint and have me arrested for trespassing. All
1065 of this occurred with the initial PII, that was done. When that was closed out,
1066 she got upset, and that's when this reign of ridiculousness started. So, that's the
1067 whole back story behind this. She is not going to stop until I'm fired and my
1068 wife is fired. Um, she's told everybody that'll listen that's the whole motive
1069 behind t his.

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1071 Q: Okay. Um, Lieutenant Mellies, where did you - in 2018 - what was your
1072 assignment in 2018?

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1074 A: Uh, I was promoted to lieutenant and I was in Pompano Beach shift
1075 commander up there.

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1077 Q: From what - from what, um, month to what month? And - and 2018, you -
1078 entire 2018 you were in Pompano?

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1080 A: No, it was, uh, I think it was August or September that I was promoted. I'd
1081 have to check to be honest with you.

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1083 Q: Okay. And in 2018?

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1085 A: Yes, ma'am.

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1087 Q: What was your assignment and, um, in Weston?

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1089 A: I was a criminal investigation supervisor for five - I was up there for five
1090 years.
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1092 Q: What was, uh, one minute. From when to when were you in Weston again?
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1094 A: Until I was promoted. Um, I was promoted in 2018, so 2013.
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1096 Q: All right. Okay, when you said 2018, that's when you was promoted to
1097 lieutenant you're talking?
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1099 A: Yes.
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1101 Q: Okay. My - I'm sorry. I apologize for that.
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1103 A: Yeah.
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1105 Q: I did ask you and then - okay, so 2013 through 2018 you were in Weston?
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1107 A: Yes, as a CI sergeant.
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1109 Q: Okay. That's when...
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1111 A: I was promoted to lieutenant and I went to Pompano.
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1113 Q: Okay. Okay. And then Ms. Campbell worked under you?
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1115 A: She did.
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1117 Q: She worked under you.
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1119 A: Fantastic employee.
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1121 Q: Okay. And she - did she - and you said you don't remember, you don't recall,
1122 um, having her run Ms. Smiley? Or you said you did rec- not Ms. Smiley, Ms.
1123 Fair?
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1125 A: No, I re-...
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1127 Q: NCIC...
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1129 A: ...I rem-...
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1131 Q: ...FCIC?
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1133 A: I remember having her run...
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1135 Q: Okay.
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1137 A: ...because I didn't have capabilities to run anybody. All I could do was
1138 DAVID. So I remember asking her to run her, because I was really suspicious
1139 that she had outstanding warrants. That there was something going on with
1140 her. When she came - I - I don't remember asking her to run her through
1141 DAVID though, 'cause I don't re- remember ever seeing a DL photo of her.
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1143 Q: Mmm.
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1145 A: Or any type of DAVID response.
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1147 Q: Okay. And did - you ran her through DAVID. And did you not...
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1149 A: Mm-mm.
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1151 Q: ...did you n- you never ran her through DAVID?
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1153 A: Not to my knowledge, no. I didn't know who she was. I didn't ha- I - I just - I
1154 really, honestly, didn't have all that much information on her.
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1156 Q: And when we say her and her, that - we're talking about Whitney Fair?
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1158 A: Mm-hm.
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1160 Q: Okay. And 'cause I'm just thinking back and making sure I'm covering it, on -
1161 and Ms. Janelle Smiley, did you ever run her through DAVID?
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1163 A: Yes.
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1165 Q: That - that was...
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1167 A: And that was because I thought that she was driving on suspended license.
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1169 Q: Okay.
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1171 A: And again, which I find is interesting, because now they're going to claim how
1172 many years, almost four years after the fact, that they didn't have any

1173 knowledge that I was - how would they know to pull their - their DAVID
1174 records? If I hadn't have told her that I ran?
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1176 Q: Did you tell Ms., um, Ms. Anderson that you ran her?
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1178 A: No, because I didn't run her specific. I che- I believe I checked her license
1179 plate. I queried everything I think at the same time, I believe.
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1181 Q: Mmm.
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1183 A: But no, by that time we weren't even on speaking terms.
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1185 Q: Okay. And did you - you told Ms., um, Fair that you ran her?
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1187 A: No.
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1189 Q: Do you have anything else you want to (unintelligible) Chris?
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1191 Q1: Yeah. With the - with Ms. Smiley, did you - you said that she - you thought
1192 her license was suspended? Did she ask you to run her license?
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1194 A: No.
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1196 Q1: Okay. Is there anything about her that you, uh, remembered why her license
1197 would've been suspended?
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1199 A: Well she was constantly showing up late or calling out sick to her
1200 performance, and part of the reasons were, and one of the emails that I have
1201 here, "I got in a car accident on my way to the show. My car isn't driveable."
1202 So that's one things that we were able to dig up. So she was telling everybody
1203 she was involved in multiple accidents. And she said she thought sh- her
1204 license was suspended. And I said, again, sorry for rambling on with all this
1205 stuff before, but I just wanted you to have the back story. This is a systematic
1206 effort on the part of these three to harass my wife and I. For no apparent
1207 reason other than A, cause us grief, harass us, and then maybe trying to get
1208 some money now through this DHS and deed stuff.
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1210 Q: Mmm. Okay. And reference to the - the DAVID portion of it, um, there were -
1211 would you do anything differently than you did, um, during this time?
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1213 A: Nope. Absolutely not.
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1215 Q: And as far as the - you said the meme was that re-posting of - you said
1216 somebody would - would have brought it to your attention that was offensive
1217 you would have...
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1219 A: Most likely, yes.
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1221 Q: Okay.
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1223 A: Again, I don't post all that much. You'd have to really go back to 10 years to
1224 find something that I supposedly posted. That's - that's - I think it's pretty good
1225 nowadays.
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1227 Q: Mmm.
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1229 A1: No, ma'am.
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1231 Q: Okay. Pursuant to the policy of the Broward Sheriff's Office, you shall not in
1232 any manner interfere with this administrative investigation. Except as
1233 authorized or required, you shall not contact persons involved in this
1234 administrative investigation. You shall not discuss, reveal, disseminate
1235 information concerning this administrative investigation before it becomes
1236 public record. This statement concludes on October 25, 2021, at
1237 approximately 1:06 pm.
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1240 This transcript has been reviewed with the audio recording submitted and it is an accurate
1241 transcription.

1242 Signed _____