

STEVENS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
TAPE RECORDED STATEMENT

DB Okay, this is the ugh... taped recorded statement audio and visual ugh...
Statement of Dane M. Williams. The date is 10-13 of the year 2000. The time is
now 1719 hours. I am Detective David C. Baskin of the Stevens County Sheriff's
Office. This statement is being recorded at Clark County Sheriff's Office in the
Central Precinct.

There are three persons present in the room. For the purpose of voice
identification, would each person present please state your name.

DW Dane Williams

JC Sgt. Jim Caruso

DB Detective Dave Baskin
Okay Dane, do you understand that this tapement... statement is being recorded?

DW Yes.

DB Would you give your full name and spell it please?

DW Ugh... Dane Matthew Williams
DANE MATTHEW WILLIAMS

DB Would you give your address please?

DW Ugh... my current address I believe is 7313 158th Avenue Vancouver,
Washington 98660.

DB And your home phone number?

DW Ugh... 360-882-0416.

DB Do you have a work phone number?

DW Yes I do. It is 503-643-8998.

DB Okay, and your date of birth?

DW 12-09-72.

DB Okay Dane, you must understand your constitutitonal rights before we ask you
any questions. Your constitutional rights are as follows:

You have the right to remain silent. Any statement that you make can and will be used as evidence against you in a court of law. You have the right at this time to have an attorney of your own choosing and have him or her present before or during any questioning or the making of any statements. If you cannot afford to hire an attorney, you are entitled to have one appointed for you by a court without cost to you and have him or her present before and during questioning or the making of any statements. If you decide to answer any questions now or without an attorney present you will still have the right to stop the answering at any time until you talk to an attorney. You have the right to exercise any of the above rights at any time before or during any questionings and the making of any statement.

You understand each of these constitutional rights I have explained to you?

DW Yeah.

DB Are you willing to sign a form at this time acknowledging your constitutional rights have been read to you?

DW I will.

DB Are you also willing to waive your constitutional rights at this time and sign such waiver on this form?

DW Yes.

DB Okay. The waiver reads:
I have read or have had read to me the above explanation of my constitutional rights and I understand them. I have decided not to exercise these rights at this time. Any statements made by me are made freely, voluntarily, and without threats or promises of any kind and if you would, Dane, I'll have you sign that right there. Okay, Sgt. Caruso I'll have you sign that as a witness. Okay, I'm gonna date it 10-13-2000. Time 1722 hours. Location the Clark County Sheriff's Office.

Okay, understanding these rights you are making a statement freely, voluntarily, and without threats or promise of any kind.

DW Yeah.

DB Okay, I also want to add at this time that Dane is not a suspect in this case at this time. He is giving a statement as a witness. Okay, we're talking to Dane today about a double homicide that happened in Stevens County, Washington, ugh... on or around the dates of June 11th ugh... Dane can you just kinda give me a run down of what happened ugh... and we'll kind of go along and ask and answer questions as we go here...

DW Okay...

DB So ugh...let's start the ugh... the Barter Fair that occurred June 10th and 11th in ugh... Northern Stevens County.

DW Okay, ugh... I was at the Barter Fair Saturday evening ugh... For approximately about an hour time ugh... while I was there ugh... I had spoke with Jeff Cunningham and ugh... Chewie ugh... they had some concerns, actually Jeff did about Nick being there ugh... basically what was said is... "There is something that needs to be done about him being here." Ugh... they basically... their concerns was he was a narc.

DB Okay, ugh... do you know what Chewy's name is?

DW John Grange.

DB Okay, how did you get to the Barter Fair?

DW Ugh... Saturday evening I got to the Barter Fair by John Grange. He drove me there.

DB Okay... Okay, you say you were only there for about an hour?

DW Yeah.

DB Okay, how did you get home that night?

DW Ugh... I was drove back by John.

DB Okay, and anything else said that night?

DW Ugh... no. I basically heard that and I didn't wanta be a part of their dealings as far as how their family is or you know, whatever was going on, it didn't concern me so I didn't want to be around then.

DB Okay, and what happened on Sunday?

DW On Sunday I went out to the Barter Fair. I was drove by Janelle. I don't recall her last name ugh... a friend of my mom's and step father's ugh... she drove me out to the Barter Fair. I showed up at the parkin' lot... realized I didn't bring my wallet or my cigarettes or anything... wasn't prepared ugh... at that time I saw Chewy coming out of the gate ugh... going to his vehicle so I got a ride home... decided to bag the Barter Fair at that point and he had dropped me off at my house and I went inside... started playin' play station with my brother... he told me to come over in a bit...

DB Who is he...?

DW Ugh... Chewy...

DB Okay... Chewy say anything about ugh... Jeff or... or Nick or Josh on that ride home that day...?

DW No, he didn't...

DB Okay, ugh...

DW I believe now I think about it... I believe he did comment as far as that they were gonna scare the crap out of 'em as far as that goes...

DB Them being...?

DW Ugh... Nick... I'd... I had no idea who Josh was at the time.

DB Okay...

DW I didn't even know he was even around...

DB Was Chewy ugh... sober...?

DW Ugh... he was... I believe he was sober... I believe he was stoned actually.

DB He had smoked some marijuana...?

DW Yeah, he looked stoned... I didn't witness him doin' it, but he was usually stoned all the time so...

DB Okay... Okay, ugh... about what time did you get back to your.... your ugh... cabin...?

DW I would say anywhere from twelve to one o'clock in the afternoon. (Y)

DB Okay, and this cabin is ugh... located on Hamlett Road...?

DW Yes it is.

DB And that's in northern Stevens County...?

DW Yep.

DB Okay... okay, you ugh... said you played play station with your brother...

DW Mm Hmm...

DB Your brother is how old?

DW Ugh... 15 now...

DB Okay, and his name is...?

DW Jake Cameron...

DB Okay, and you didn't go back to the Barter Fair on Sunday...?

DW No.

DB Okay, what else happened on Sunday...?

DW Ugh... Sunday I took off ugh... playin' play station with my brother... probably about 2... 3 hours later... I don't even know exactly how long ugh... time went by ugh... but I had walked over to the Crown Creek cabin, which Chewy and Jeff lived there ugh... came up from the back side of the cabin ugh... witnessed Chewy's vehicle being parked ugh... on the same side as I come up... I guess the left side of the cabin if your lookin' at it ugh... from the front ugh... it was hidden, you know, behind the house... not behind the house, but to the side out of sight from the front view of the house...

DB Okay...

DW Ugh... I walked up... saw Nick... saw Josh there... Nick said hi to me or I forget the gesture that, you know, he gave... as soon as I walked up Jeff was comin' down the steps ugh... he had a pail... he was or just a pan... a cookin' pan goin' down to the creek to get water for rice ugh... at that time when he got to the bottom of the steps he nudged his head forward and basically turned his back to them and ugh... kinda pointed me down the hill to walk down with him ugh... at that time I walked down to the creek with him... he said that ugh... we're gonna scare these guys ugh... we're just gonna scare the crap out of 'em about threaten them or whatever ugh... to let 'em know that, you know...

DB And this was Jeff Cunningham that was tellin' you this...?

DW Yes...

DB Okay...

DW Jeff was...
As soon as... as soon as we touched the base of the creek we heard gun shots go off ugh...

DB Okay...

DW Basically I ran back up the hill... we both did... at that point, Chewy had the rifle in his hand... said, "Jeff come on..." Ugh... basically by meaning, you know, help him out as far as that goes... I took off runnin' the other way like I was gonna go back to my cabin ugh... to half... basically didn't even get to the creek... thought about how my life might be in jeopardy ugh... from what I've seen ugh... I don't know how many times I ran back and forth ugh... confused ugh... ended up runnin' back up the sec... the... I don't know what time it was, but when I came back up... Chewy was loadin' the last body... the bodies were loaded ugh... bascially he was walkin' d... I don't... the thing of it is I don't remember what time that I ran up the hill and back... I don't remember ... I do know the last time I came up and I did get in the passenger's side of the rig... the bodies had already been loaded ugh...

DB Okay, the first time you came up the hill with Jeff, ugh... what happened at that point?

DW I glanced over and saw Josh's body lying there dead mo... motionless...

DB Okay...

DW On the ground, blood comin' out of his forehead and out of his face...

DB Okay, and you saw Chewy ugh... John Grange ugh... with the rifle in his hand...?

DW Yes.

DB Was it in his right hand?

DW I can't recall...

DB Okay, ugh... did he do anything else with the rifle at that time...?

DW Ugh... He just pointed it up at Jeff and said, "Come on"...

DB Okay... What did he want Jeff to do...?

DW Umm... I'm not sure, but I... he wanted Jeff to dispose of the bodies...

DB Okay...

DW That's what I got out of it...

DB How many shots do you think you heard while you were down there ...?

DW I think I heard ten shots...

DB Ten...?

DW Ugh... I'm not quite sure, but he did unload an entire clip...

DB Okay ugh... what kinda gun did Chewy have in his hand...?

DW It was a 22 caliber rifle.

DB Okay, was that a semi-automatic rifle...?

DW Yes...

DB Okay, can you describe it at all...?

DW Ugh... it had a black stock... it was new... brand new and silver colored barrel.

DB Okay, do you know where Chewy got that rifle?

DW I believe at WalMart...

DB Okay, did he purchase it?

DW No he didn't. His father did.

DB Okay and do you know about when his father purchased that rifle?

DW Ugh... about two... about two weeks before this all took place.

DB Okay ugh... you felt the rifle had been emptied or the clip had been emptied...

DW Mmm hmm... I heard a couple clicks after the initial gun shots.

DB Okay ugh... do you know if Chewy ever made any attempt to reload the rifle?

DW Mmm... I don't think he did...

DB Okay, ugh...

DW Actually I'm sure he didn't...

DB Okay, after ugh... you and Jeff arrive back up near the cabin, you saw the bodies and you turned around and ran back down to the creek.

DW Yeah...

DB Okay, and that's when you were confused... didn't know what to do at that point...

DW Yeah, I... I'd never seen anyone killed before... I...

DB Okay...

DW I was in shock basically...

DB What did ugh... what'd Jeff do...?

DW Ugh... Jeff proceeded to help him with the bodies...

DB Okay, and do you know what they did with the bodies...?

DW They threw them in the back of the ugh... Nick's pickup or his blazer or whatever...

DB Okay, can you describe Nick's truck...?

DW Charcoal grey...

DB Was it a ugh... a pickup or a...?

DW It was a blazer...

DB A blazer...

DW Mmm hmm...

DB Okay ugh... okay, what'd ya do then...?

DW As far as well... the bodies were loaded in the vehicle ugh... Chewy said, "You guys are gonna go bury the bodies." Ugh... I jumped in the passenger's seat ugh... I was confused... I looked back, saw Nick's body ugh... looked up, saw the top of Josh's hair and just said, "Forget this ugh... Fuck this. I'm not... this... I'm not a part of this." And took off and sprinted to my mother's house ugh...

DB Okay...

DW I stopped at my mom's... it was in the summer... it was hot... I got somethin' to drink and from there I jogged home ugh... sat down, played play station with my brother and just ugh... had a few drinks... try to relax...

DB Okay, did you see who actually put the bodies in the vehicle?

DW Ugh... I watched Chewy walkin' down with one body ugh... down the hill right above the fire pit... it was wrapped in a blue blanket ugh... he had the body over his shoulder wrapped in a blanket... I have no idea which one it was.

DB Okay, ugh... do you know how the bodies were positioned in the vehicle...?

DW Yeah, ugh... when I looked back I looked back... first person I seen was Nick and his head was forward pressed against the passenger's seat and ugh... Josh's body was laying backwards with his head towards the rear of the vehicle.

DB Okay, did you notice anything else in the back of the vehicle at the time...?

DW Ugh... no, just that they were wrapped in blankets...

DB Okay, ugh... was this a enclosed vehicle...?

DW Yeah...

DB It wasn't like a pickup truck with the back open...?

DW No, it was a blazer...

DB Okay...

DW A hard top blazer...

DB Okay, were the... was the tailgate down or up or how did they get the bodies in...?

DW I... I don't remember... It musta been down ugh... there was a window spot... I don't know if they push 'em through there.... By the time, I got back and I jumped in the passenger seat, it was all closed up...

DB Okay...

DW I'm not sure if the window was down or not to the tailgate.

DB Okay, do you even get started down the road when you got in the vehicle...?

DW No.

DB Or you just...?

DW I jumped in there... I couldn't a been in there more than 2 seconds...

DB Yeah...

DW I turned and saw the bodies and it just... it sent a shock to my system to the point where I... I didn't want to be around...

DB Okay, and that's when you took off runnin' back to your...?

DW Yep...

DB When you stopped to be at your folk's house... to your house...

DW Yep...

DB Okay ugh... you were there for how long playing play station with your brother?

DW Two or three hours at least... it was gettin' closer to dark...

DB Okay, about how long were you at the... at the cabin on Crown Creek ugh... from the time you...

DW While this took place...

DB You... you... yeah...

DW Probably ten minutes at the most...

DB Okay, so you arrived and...

DW (Several words not able to understand)... took place...

DB You immediately went down to the creek with Jeff...

DW Mmm hmm... As soon as I got there...

DB And then the shots rang out and it was a very...

DW It was...

DB Short time period...

DW Yeah...

DB Okay, ugh...

DW I didn't wanta stick around ...

DB Okay, you got back to your cabin... what happened from that point...?

DW Ugh... well about three hours later ugh... I had a few drinks... I was playin' play station with my brother and ugh... about three hours later he has to leave ugh... when it starts to get dark... he don't have a headlight on his motorcycle...

DB Okay...

DW Ugh... so I don't... I don't know if he had took off yet or he was in the process of takin' off, but Chewy and Jeff showed up at my cabin ugh... they showed up at the cabin... basically I loaded my shotgun when I heard their vehicle comin' up the road ugh... sat up there... my brother wasn't in the house ta see this happen ugh... but I was worried... I wasn't sure cuz I ran off... I didn't stick around... did... do what he said he wanted me to do ugh... I basically was in fear for my life and I just wanted some protection near me if... in case somethin' went down at my cabin... I could protect myself basically.

DB Great ugh... how did they get to your cabin...?

DW Ugh... they drove his Bronco...

DB This was...

DW Chewy's vehicle...

DB Chewy's Bronco... Okay, what happened from that point when they got there...?

DW Well they came in ugh... basically ugh... Jeff told me where they took the vehicle basically... they said it was behind Jeff's cabin up on top of the mountain ugh... they said that they emptied ugh... five gallon tank a gas into the vehicle and lit it on fire... they didn't specify who or what... it was just a lot of we's...

DB Okay...

DW As far as that goes...

DB Did Jeff say anything about the vehicle or what happened to it or anything like that...?

DW Yeah, they said they lit it on fire... they parked it up top... way beh... behind the cabin... top of the mountain...

DB Okay... say anything else about the vehicle as far as the contents or ugh... did he describe that at all to ya...?

DW No, he just said they burnt it... said all the evidence was gone...

JC Who said all the evidence was gone...?

DW Jeff...

JC Okay...

DB Ugh... do you know what happened ta the... ta the 22 rifle that Chewy had...?

DW Yeah, I was told ugh... I asked Jeff what happened to it and I was told that it was buried ugh... in the back of the cabin ugh... there was a hole dug by the butt of the gun and he buried the gun. I believe that not to be true... I believe he buried it, but as far as where it was... I kinda felt like he was liein'... cuz I don't believe he trusted me...

DB Okay, and you think this was ugh... same rifle that ugh... Chewy's father had bought for him a couple weeks previous...?

DW Definitely...

DB Okay, had you seen that ugh... weapon at the cabin before...?

DW Yeah, I've seen it once before... when it was first bought ugh... a few weeks prior to all this taking place ugh... they were shootin' garbage out of the A frame that's next to the cabin...

DB Okay...

DW Ugh...

DB Where would they shoot from...?

DW Ugh... the porch and down below the porch in front of the cabin itself...

DB Okay, did they ever have any other weapons there at the house...?

DW Not that I know of... they had my 22 caliber rifle ugh... I don't know if it was a couple weeks prior to Chewy's dad getting there or the week of Chewy's dad getting there, but they didn't have a weapon there fer, you know, game and whatever they wanted ta kill out there ugh... I let 'em borrow my rifle... they had returned it though before he got his other rifle...

DB Okay, well... what else happened there at the... at your cabin on Sunday night...?

DW Ugh... Sunday night... sat there ugh... basically he kind of explained ugh... that... that he had shot 'em ugh... that was already out in the open and Jeff told me that the gentleman... the other guys name was Josh and that he had a young kid... just had a kid and ugh... at that point, I didn't wanta hear no more about it ugh... told him to shut up... I don't wanta talk about it anymore ugh... a few hours later... closer to eleven... twelve at night... ten... eleven... it was later on in the evening ugh... Miaja came up... I don't know her last name... Miaja came up to see Jeff ugh...

DB Okay, was... how was she related ta the...?

DW Jeff's ex-girlfriend...

DB Whole thing... Jeff's ex-girlfriend...?

DW Yeah...

DB Okay, and what happened from there...?

DW Ugh... her and Jeff took off immediately after that went back to the Crown Creek cabin stayed the night there...

DB Okay, and that left just you and...?

DW Chewy...

DB Chewy at your residence... ugh... what happened during that time frame when it was just you and... you and Chewy...?

DW Mmm... not a whole lot ugh... right... basically after they left I went up to bed... he asked me about my gun ugh... kinda why, you know, why have the gun out in the open which I wasn't accustomed to doin' that and I don't remember the excuse I gave him ugh... I kinda beat around the bush as far as excuse cuz I didn't want him to think, you know, that I was in fear or, you know, whatever to, you know, make him paranoid...

DB Yeah...

DW Of me, you know, saying anything like I am now ugh... I took the gun with me up to my bedroom... put it right beside my bed and ugh... basically slept with one eye open most of the night... I mighta got an hour an a half ... two hours of sleep that night...

DB Okay, ugh... did he ask you anything while you were there at the cabin or any conversation 'er...?

DW I believe he asked if I'm... you know, he asked several times... I don't know exactly when or how many times throughout this entire statement he asked me, but he asked me a lot of times,... "Am I cool with everything...? Am I be able to handle this?" And you know, go on...

DB Okay...

DW With things...

DB He... You were... felt like he was kinda feelin' ya out to...

DW Yes...

DB See if he could trust you...?

DW Definitely...

DB Okay...

DW Which made me more paranoid...

DB Okay, ugh... okay what happened... this is... that was Sunday night and you guys went to bed ugh... what happened ugh... the next morning...?

DW Oh next morning I got up ugh... early in the morning... 6:30... 7:00 o'clock ugh... he got up when I go up ugh... he took off said he was gonna go to Portland... he was gonna take off... he left... I don't remember... I don't remember if they walked over or they drove over that night... I just don't remember for some reason ugh... I kinda think his vehicle needed to be push started to start in the first place...?

JC Whose vehicle...?

DW Chewy's start... Chewy's vehicle...

JC Okay...

DW Anyway they took... Chewy took off... went back over to the cabin ugh... packed all their stuff up... showed up at my place probably about a couple hours ugh... I went with 'em... I wanted to get out of the area for awhile ugh... I had really no intentions, at that point, of moving at all ugh... I just packed my clothes ugh... some cash I had ugh... got in the vehicle with Jeff, Chewy, and Miaja and headed down the road towards Portland ugh... we dropped Miaja off at... the only way I know of him is Chicken Farmer Ron which sounds radiculous, but we dropped her off there and basically drove straight through to Portland ugh... we made some stops for gas and stuff like that but...

DB Ugh... while you guys were either drivin' to Portland or... or talkin' before... did ugh... Chewy say anything about ugh... family or ugh... ?

DW All they...

DB Why... why this had happened...?

DW Not really specifically ugh... the reason it happened... would ugh... that I... the conclusion I came to anyway is that they thought Nick was a narc which, I find out that he is ugh... they figured that Josh is a narc as well and basically they didn't want that to be a part of their family... they don't want narc's in their family because half of the family deals drugs ugh... I believe all the family deals drugs ugh... I believe that's the reason why they murdered 'em...

DB Okay, what happened once you got to Portland...?

DW Ugh... we got to Portland ugh... they dropped me off at Rob's house... a friend of mine previously to this all happening... dropped me off basically at the door step... they didn't even go in... they took off from there and I have no idea where they went...

DB Okay, what did you do at... once you were at Rob's there...?

DW I told Rob what happened ugh... explained to him what happened... he was shocked to hear that it actually happened ugh... in a way I guess he kinda sounded like he kinda knew somethin' was gonna happen... I don't know if he knew exactly that... I don't know how, you know, I don't know Rob super well to be able to speculate that, but ugh... he was very... very shocked that they actually went through with it...

DB Okay, and then what'd ya do from there...?

DW Ugh... from there I went to sleep that night...

DB Okay, ugh... anything more said about that at Rob's house...?

DW No, Rob didn't wanta talk about it again...

DB Okay...

DW He's... he basically felt the same way I felt about it... except he had a lot more probably to worry about that I did at that time cuz he understands that I don't, you know, I don't know the family... I don't know their situations or anything...

DB Okay, ugh... what happened the next mornin' when you got up...?

DW Ugh... next morning I got up I took off and I went to look for a car... I wanted to get the hell outta there...

DB Okay, and you had money to buy a car...?

DW Yes I did...

DB Okay, then what'd ya do...?

DW Ugh... well walked for miles and miles... looked at different car lots ugh... ended up goin' to East Side Auto Sales ugh... found a red Porsche... decide to buy... it was a good price... had low miles... bought the car ugh... before I bought the car, I didn't have a drivers license... I had to go on a test drive... he wouldn't allow me to drive the car on the test drive... I only had about three thousand dollars on me at the time ugh... we didn't wanta spend more than that... the gentleman that owns the car lot drove me back to Rob's apartment... that's where the rest of my money was... in my bag ugh... got the rest of the money... went back to the place purchased the car cash and took off from there back to Rob's to get my stuff...

DB Okay, ugh... do you know about where Rob's apartment was...?

DW Ugh... on Powell there... boy I don't know the name of it... there's some strip club that's ugh... right on Powell and there's a high school or an elementary school one of the two now I think about it...

DB Okay, ugh... you got your things from Rob's house and then what did ya do...?

DW Ugh... I went to Tri-Cities... went to Kennewick, Washington to go visit my dad... I just kinda wanted ta... I don't know if it was a moral thing or what it was... I just kinda want ta be by my dad...

DB Okay, ugh... had you met Rob before...?

DW Yeah...

DB Where'd ya meet Rob...?

DW Ugh... I met Rob at a Barter Fair about a year previous to this... was introduced by Jeff...

DB Okay, did ugh... you mentioned earlier that Rob had come to visit you at some point... do you remember when... when that was or...

DW Ugh... later on that spring...

DB That would in the spring of...?

DW I believe it was 99...

DB Okay, that was ugh...

DW Spring of 99 I think...

DB Barter Fair...

DW Yeah, spring Barter Fair...

DB Okay, was that 99 or 2000...?

DW Let's see... 90... 99...

DB Okay...

DW (Not able to understand-covering over each other)

DB How did Rob get there...?

DW He got there by bu... I... I'm not really sure... I'm not thinkin' real straight ugh... yeah, it was 99...

DB Okay, it was a... a year before the... the guys got killed or was it that same spring that...?

DW Actually it was that same spring... it was 2000...

DB Okay, ugh... how'd he get to your house...?

DW Ugh... big old school bus...

DB Okay, about what time is that spring Barter Fair... do you remember...?

DW Second week of April every year...

DB Okay, ugh... what happened while ugh... they were here...?

DW Oh they came up ugh... he bought some pot from me ugh... they brought a bunch of people with 'em ugh... we end up havin' a party and ugh... there were several people there I didn't know... I knew a few of 'em... maybe a hand full of 'em ugh... basically there... they have a bunch of wolves ugh... chewed my dog up pretty badly... so I was kinda sour about the whole scene... about them bein'

there... so I didn't want 'em stayin' at my house... really comin' in my house... and the party took place outside of my cabin...

DB Okay, ugh... who all was there...?

DW Ugh... that I knew... Shadow, ugh... I had met Nick then... it's the first time I'd met Nick ugh... Rob, ugh... Nick's girlfriend... I don't remember any... Lokee or Loki or somethin' like that... let's see... Stratch and ugh... that was about it that I knew personally...

DB Was Chewy there...?

DW Yeah, Chewy was there also...

DB And Nick was there...?

DW Yeah...

DB Okay, oh... (Not able to understand)

DW That's when I first met Chewy as well...

DB First time you had met Chewy was...?

DW Yeah...

DB Was that time...? Okay, was Nick with them or had he come to the Barter Fair on his own or was he with 'em in the bus...?

DW He... No... He did drive up by himself... him and his girlfriend...

DB Okay and his girlfriend was...?

DW Lokie...

DB Okay...

DW Lokee or somethin' like that...

DB What happened at the party... anything...?

DW Ugh... they had a nitrous tank hangin' out the back of the bus and ugh... basically everyone was doin' nitrous other than me... was watchin' people pass out and kinda be idiots it's... and I'm not into that... I was basically drinkin' and smokin' pot so...

JC Does scratch go by any other names that you know of...?

DW Yeah, Sasquatch...

JC Do you know his real name...?

DW No, I have no idea... never has revealed that to me anyway...

JC What's he look like...?

DW I'd say he's about 5'10"... about 250 pounds ugh... got his tattoos down his arm... he's a tattoo artist... at least he claims to be ugh... let's see... has a goatee... a kinda wrap around mustache ugh... goatee, you know, just a... not a full goatee just a, you know, chin beard or whatever and ugh... usually wears all black....

DB Huh... you know the whereabouts of... of a Jeff Cunningham or Chewy or Sasquatch... any of those people now...?

DW I have no idea... I know Chewy is in Portland...

DB Okay...

DW I do believe that because when we came back ugh... I think about... before the drive... when we all got in the rig, he was gonna stay there as far as Portland... I think that's where his family is so...

DB You don't know where Jeff Cunningham is...?

DW I have no idea...

DB At this time...?

DW I had Rob call me and ask me where Jeff was... He paged me and I called him back and asked me where Jeff was... I have no idea where he is...

DB Do you know what Rob's last name is...?

DW I thought it was Schultz...

DB Okay, can you describe Rob...?

DW Yeah, Rob... I'd say is about 5'9" ugh... he's probably fu... probably 240 to 255 pounds... about the same size as scratch ugh... he has brown hair ugh... very frizzy... he usually has it back and kinda like a ball in the back of his head ugh... wears a lotta tie dyes... usually shorts ugh... Birkenstocks and ugh... he basically

has ugh... I don't know if it's a scar or what... he has a wentz I guess you could say... I don't know if it's his left or right eye... I believe it's his right eye that he has a wentz in..

DB He wear glasses at all...?

DW Mmm... no...

DB What kind of vehicles does Rob have...?

DW Ugh... Rob has a Jeep Cherokee and a bus that I know of...

DB Okay...

JC What color's the Jeep Cherokee...?

DW Ugh... he told me it was grey and has bad rear end damage... said he got hit by a drunk driver...

JC Did you ever see... did you ever see the Cherokee...?

DW No, I've never seen the rig...

DB Ugh... getting' back to where the bodies were at the cabin... can you kinda give me a idea of where...?

DW Actually I....

DB They were when you came...

DW No... Let me...

DB Runnin' up the hill...?

DW Let me get straight with this... I did see Rob's vehicle ugh... I met him for lunch after he did page me... I think about it ugh... Off of Hawthorne... I think it's a Y Café or somethin'... I met him there ugh...

DB This is Portland...?

DW Yeah, that's in Portland... two months ago...

DB Okay...

DW After he called me... He called me... I talked to him... he told me he was gonna be at this café a day or two later and I showed up there maybe five minutes... I

didn't even eat lunch... I just showed up to talk to him ugh... On the phone he expressed bein' paranoid about, you know, me basically ugh... the family so called... they see me as kind of a prepie kid ugh... I guess what they... their term is a Custy ugh... I don't know exactly what that means ugh... but I did... I think it was two or three or maybe a week later I showed up at the café and he was there umm... talked with him for maybe five minutes... nothin' was uttered about what happened or anything like that he just basically how ya doin'... you know, what's goin' on...

DB Okay...

DW But I left that out of my previous statement...

JC Wh... why do you think that... that he wanted to meet you then...?

DW I think he wanted to see where I'm at... see if I was nervous ugh... see if I've talked to any authorities I think to be honest with ya...

DB You mentioned a couple times during the statement about family...

DW Mmm hmm...

DB Can you kinda explain what that means a little bit...?

DW What I know of it is basically family is hippie family ugh... old dead heads basically that follow the Grateful Dead around everywhere nationally ugh... I think they have all met through dead concerts ugh... that's why they're so spread out as far as California, Oregon, Washington... I don't even know what other states it goes into... I wasn't very informed... they didn't wanta tell me too much about it ugh... but what I do know is they take care of any problems within... especially people that narc ugh... people that have been busted for drugs... it's all speculation on their part... they don't even know what's goin' on ugh... but the usual way that I was told from Jeff, but half of what Jeff said's bullshit ugh... is they take liquid or crystal LSD and they basically, you know, pat someone on the neck with it or grab their arm or somethin' and what I was told is it basically stupifies you for the rest of your life... you're basically a druelin' mess... vegetable I guess...

DB Okay...

DW Ugh... Jeff said that, you know, in past...

DB (Covered over by DW-word not able to understand)...

DW They have taken care of people the way...

DB (Covered over by DW-word not able to understand)

DW They took care of those two guys...

DB Really... okay, ugh... do you know what the... the family does that they're so worried about bein' narced off...?

DW Drugs... they deal drugs...

DB Do you now what kinda drugs...?

DW LSD, ta marijuana, to I don't even know what else...? Those are the two major ones that I know of ugh... I believe the LSD has dropped off recently ugh... basically I think because of Nick's bust... because he got busted for LSD so I think it paranoid them and they are, you know, kinda... how there term is... "They shut off the faucet". That's the the term I heard...

DB Ugh... gettin' back to the bodies ugh... at the cabin, when you got to the cabin that afternoon, did you see Chewy there ugh.. previous to the shots being fired...?

DW No I didn't... I had no idea where he was actually...

DB (Interrupted by DW-not able to understand)...

DW I was wanderin' that and I think that's why Jeff waved me down towards there because he didn't want me to, you know, where the heck is Chewy at, you know, now that I think about it that's probably why he got my attention as soon as I walked up before I even had a chance to say anything to Nick and Josh that were standin' there...?

DB Ugh... when you came back up from the creek after the ugh... shots were fired... where was Chewy standin' in relation...?

DW He was standin' just...

DB To the cabin...

DW Right in front of the walking path that goes up from the garden... it goes up the hill ugh... and towards the middle of the cabin... he was standin' right in the middle of the path...

DB Okay and he had the rifle in his hand...?

DW Yes, he did...

DB At that time...? Okay, when you got there where'd... where did you see the bodies of Josh and Nick?

DW Okay, I seen Josh's body ugh... laid out backwards ugh... that was the first time I came up... I didn't notice Nick's body at all... well I didn't really look for it... all I did is glance over and basically saw Josh laying with his feet towards the fire and gunshot holes in his head...

DB Okay, was he face up...?

DW Yes.

DB Okay, and you didn't see Nick... Nick's body at that time...?

DW No... I... I know he was right there... the reason I say that he is... was face down in the fire is cuz I didn't see him... I believe he was face down in the fire... that's why I believe that anyway...

DB Was the fire goin' at the time...?

DW Yeah, it was smoldering...

DB Okay, it wasn't a raging flame, but...

DW No...

DB Just kinda smoldering...

DW It was just smoldering...

DB Okay, and was... you know you saw gunshot wounds to Josh's forehead and face...?

DW Yes.

DB Okay, and ugh... earlier you mentioned that Chewy was comin' down the hill with a... with a body over his shoulder...?

DW Yes, he was...

DB Ugh... where in relationship to the cabin is... where's he comin' down from...?

DW Ugh... behind the fire ugh... between the fire and the steps there is a hill that goes up and I don't... I think they were confused after they killed the... after Chewy killed the guys, that they drug 'em off first and then right after that, you know,

picked 'em up and put 'em in there, but he was comin' down the hill with the body wrapped in a blanket...

DB Okay, and it was over his shoulder...?

DW Yeah, I didn't see why they were comin' down from the hill... I... I had no idea why... I didn't know what the hell they were doin' basically... I just know that's what I saw when I came back up one of the times...

DB Anything else, Jim, that you want to add to that...?

JC Yeah, I want to ugh... I had showed you some photo lineups here...

DW Mmm hmm...

JC And we're gonna go... that your pager...?

DW Yeah...

JC Okay... this is a photo lineup with Jeff Cunningham in it and you identified that picture with... is that your initials there...?

DW Yes.

JC Okay, and we did the same with a photo lineup of Chewy or a John Grange...

DW Mmm hmm..

JC Are those your initials there...?

DW Yes, it is...

JC All right... I had also showed you a picture of this cabin... Is that the Crown Creek cabin that you guys were at...?

DW Yes, it is...

JC Okay, ugh... did you ever see Jeff or Chewy ugh... with Nick and Josh at the Barter Fair...?

DW No, I didn't...

JC Did they ever tell you that they had been with them at the Barter Fair...?

DW I believe Jeff had warned Nick to leave...

JC Okay...

DW Warn... actually I know he... he warned Nick to leave... he told me that...

DB Why... why would he have warned him to leave...?

DW Because he was ugh... basically they have been friends for years... what I was told and that he was worried somethin' was gonna happen to Nick as far as him gettin' beat up or threatened or what... I don't think he wanted to see that happen...

JC Do you know if anyone invited ugh... Nick and Josh over to the Barter Fair...?

DW I don't know if they were invited ugh... they musta been...

JC Okay...

DW I... I don't know if they knew how to get there...

JC Okay, ugh... you had said earlier you... that he said he shot 'em...? Who said who shot him...?

DW He said, he shot 'em...

JC And you had said earlier in your statement that he said he shot 'em... when we were talking about who shot Nick and Josh... Did...? Who told you that... that someone had shot...?

DW Oh.... Jeff told me that...

JC Okay... that... that's what I wanted...

DW Oh okay, yeah... I'm sorry...

JC Okay, ugh... so Jeff told you that who had shot...?

DW Mmm hmm...

JC Okay, that 'er that Chewy had shot... I should say... Now you said when you... in... in our...

DW Chewy also told me he shot 'em...

JC Okay, Chewy also told you that he shot 'em...

DW Mmm hmm...

JC When you first got to the cabin and you saw Chewy's vehicle parked there...

DW Also one thing I wanta mentioned... I don't remember if he told me he did shoot 'em in the head or that he just shot 'em... I kinda think that he told me he shot 'em in the head... that they were head shots...

JC Head shots...?

DW Mmm hmm...

JC Okay, when you... when you got to the cabin and you saw Chewy's vehicle parked there...

DW Mmm hmm...

JC You didn't see Chewy, but you saw Nick and Josh standing...

DW Yeah...

JC There...? Ugh... as you approached their location... where was Jeff...?

DW Jeff was on the bottom of the steps...

JC Okay...

DW Walking down the steps towards the bottom...

JC With what...?

DW With a pan...

JC Okay, and did he greet you in any way or did he give you any kind of communication at all...?

DW Not until he got off the steps... when he walked off the steps, he walked basically in front of them... in front of me walkin' up and nodded his head towards the creek...

JC Okay,

DW Like this...

JC Can you show the video camera how he nodded his head... He...

DW He basically was walkin' this way and he nodded like this way... turned his back and kinda... I don't know if it was two fingers or one fingers... he just kinda

made a hand gesture that obviously wouldn't be obvious to them towards the water down at the creek...

JC Okay...

DW To walk with him...

JC And you... you knew what he meant when he did that... when you saw it... you knew he wanted...

DW I knew some w... I knew somethin' was up...

JC He knew that you knew that he wanted you to follow...?

DW Mmm hmm...

JC Okay...

DB About how far is the creek from the cabin...

JC Jeez... maybe a hundred yards...

DB Okay...

JC Now when you went to the cabin and when you saw Jeff and you guys went down to the creek... were you sober that day...?

DW Yeah, I was... (Not able to understand)

JC Had you smoked any marijuana...?

DW No, my...

JC Taken any acid...?

DW No, my brother doesn't like it... I don't hang out with my brother when I'm stoned...

JC Okay, so you were sober...?

DW Mmm hmm... I've been stoned around my brother before, but I try not to cuz I know he doesn't like anything to do with that stuff so...

DB Okay...

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JC Do you know...? Do you know what ugh... what brought Nick and Josh up to that cabin on Crown Creek on Sunday...?

DB Ugh... I be... what I was told is there was gonna be a drug deal... I believe it was mushrooms that they were gonna buy...

JC Do you know who told you that that they were...?

DW Jeff...

JC Did he tell you what quantity or how mu...? What kinda dollars we were talkin' about...?

DW There was no specified amount...

JC Do you know who was gonna buy and who was gonna sell...?

DW I have no idea...

JC Okay...

DW I think Jeff was gonna sell it, but I didn't know exactly which one of the two were gonna buy it...

JC Okay, did Jeff have mushrooms...? Did you ever see mushrooms...?

DW Huh huh...

JC That he had that night...?

DW No, not that day at all...

JC Ugh... when you and Jeff went down to the creek ugh... did he say anything to you when you guys were goin' down there...?

DW Yeah, when he was walkin' down he said, "He is gonna scare the shit out of these guys... let's get out of the way... let's go down here..." We were walk down... I was like, "What's goin' on...?" and he repeatedly told me, he's gonna scare the shit out of 'em ugh... make sure that, you know, they don't come around here... that they don't go around family members any more and that they this and that ugh...

We had stopped talking... well he had just blurted that out and by the time we got to the creek after talkin' about that ugh... we heard the gun shots as soon as we hit the creek...

JC Was there any doubt in your mind when you heard gun shots that they were gunshots...? Have you been around guns...?

DW Oh yeah...

JC Your life...? You were certain they were gunshots...?

DW One hundred percent positive they were gun shots...

JC Ugh... you knew the direction that they came from...?

DW Yeah...

JC Was there any doubt in your mind that those were coming from the Crown Creek cabin area...?

DW No, because when I ran back up the first time usually the basement has a piece of plywood in front of it and now that I... I remember runnin' back and forth... I knew that he came outta there just from seein' the plywood on the ground...

JC Who came out of there...?

DW John Grange...

JC Okay, so you're sayin' when you first got to the cabin that plywood wasn't up there...

DW No, I believe it was up there...

JC It was up there...?

DW Mmm hmm...

JC Okay, so do you think he was... you think he was maybe hiding underneath...?

DW I think... I'm ac...

JC The lower porton of the cabin...

DW I'm actually positive he was in the lower portion of the cabin...

JC Did Jeff ever say that's where he was...?

DW No...

JC You just pretty certain that... cuz... he wasn't up... upstairs... you never saw him come down the stairs...?

DW John...?

JC Yes...

DW No, I didn't...

JC Okay, ugh...

DW I was just about to say... where is Chewy, when I walked up...?

JC Okay, and then that's when you were given the hand sign ta...

DW Yeah, first he gave me a head sign... "Come on... follow me..."

JC Okay, what were gonna do now is... were gonna stop the small tape recording...

DW Okay....

JC And were gonna turn the tape over...

DW (covered over by JC-not able to understand)

JC All right... and were still gonna be... continue to be video taped by this machine while I do this...

DW Okay...

JC All right...

DB The time is ugh... 1803 hours...

JC Okay, the ti...

DB And were turnin' the tapè over...

JC Okay...

DB Okay we're... again we're startin' the mini cassette tape recorder again at 1803... be stopping the ugh... video camera and turnin' the tape over on that also... or puttin' a new one in... whatever you do... turn them over or just put new ones in...? I think ya gotta put a new one in... don't ya...

JC Is that what it is...?

DB Yeah, I don't think you can turn 'em over... there's only one side...

JC Well then we must be at the forty-five minute mode then... I mean we must be at the ninety minute mode... so I guess we don't have to turn it over...

DB Okay...

JC Okay, so we'll just fire right back up again and I am a technical genius...

DB And hopefully this turns out... okay, I think we're rollin' again...

JC No we're not...

DB No we're not... okay, now we're rollin' again...

DW It's amazing on how (Not able to understand)...

DB Yeah, ugh... Dane, let me clarify one point here about ugh... today's events ugh... Sgt. Caruso and I had stopped by your residence earlier in the day and talked to a roommate of yours named Earl...

DW Long (Not certain on name spelling) yeah...

DB And ugh... we told 'em we were interested in talkin' to ya...

DW Mmm hmm...

DB And left a card with Earl...

DW Mmm hmm...

DB And Earl called you at work...?

DW Yes, he did...

DB And then you returned home and recontacted us to come talk to you...

DW Actually I called from work ugh... he read off the number... asked, "What is goin' on...?" I let him know exactly what this is about ugh... I called three of the numbers that he gave me off the card and ugh... my first indication was to play stupid ugh... didn't take me long to decide otherwise... took off from work ugh... returned home immediately after I made the last call...

DB Okay, and we contacted you at your residence and then made arrangements to come down here to this room...

DW I came home and saw the card... No one was there... I called it again and spoke with ugh... dispatcher or whoever... secretary.... Somebody and just let 'em know that I have some information that you guys know... I know why you're here... da da da da ugh... she said, "I'll try and get ahold of 'em." And you guys called me back while I was on the other line with my real dad...

DB Okay... all right... any other questions...?

JC Yeah, I have a few more ugh... when ugh... did they ever ask you to help them dispose of the bodies...?

DW Yeah, he said, "You guys..." "You guys are burying the bodies..."

JC Who said that...?

DW John...

JC John said that to you and...?

DW Jeff...

JC Jeff... and he said what now...?

DW He said, "You guys are buryin' the bodies..."

JC Okay... Did he give you anything ta... ta dig a hole with...?

DW Mmm.... Not that I remember...

JC Okay...

DW No, actually he didn't give me anything to dig anything with...

JC What d... what did he tell you to do then...?

DW Ugh... he just... he told us to bury the bodies... I jumped in the rig ugh... I don't know what the hell I was thinkin'... turned around and I looked at the bodies and just said, "Fuck this... I don't wanta be a part of this... I'm outta here."

JC What did you see when you... when you looked...?

DW Ugh... at first I saw Nick's head... gunshot wounds all through his head and looked back further and saw Josh's blonde dreadlocks and blood all threw 'em...

JC Who else was in the car with you...?

DW Jeff was in the driver's seat...

JC Was he there in the car before you got in...?

DW Yeah...

JC Did he say anything to you...?

DW No...

JC How long did you stay in the vehicle...?

DW Oh, maybe two seconds... I jumped in the vehicle, turned around and looked and jumped out and took off...

JC Okay...

DB Ugh... Did anybody ever say anything about why this happened or what was gonna happen as a result of this ugh... were they gonna to be compensated in any way...?

DW I believe there was one conversation... I don't know when it took place at all about the family will take care of me or I'm gonna be compensated eh... I think it was more to the point of the families got me taken care of...

DB All right...

DW The families gonna take care of me...

DB How would they...? How would the family of taken care of 'em...?

DW I don't know... I... I would say probably money or drugs... the best, you know, my knowledge...

DB You never heard any specified amount...?

DW Never heard any specified amount or, you know, when or what exactly...

JC Did you know if anybody picked up the shell casings after the... the shooting (Not able to understand)...?

DW I'm not sure about that...

JC Did you ever have any indication ugh...?

DW They said the evidence was gone so I guess... I have an idea that they did clean up the scene...

JC Okay, did... any idea in what order Nick or Josh was shot...?

DW I believe Josh was shot first... that's what I was told...

JC Who told you that...?

DW It was either Jeff or Chewy... I'm not sure... I kinda believe it was Chewy ugh... now that I think about it more I think he did tell me they were head shots and that he took Josh out first... I think Jeff said that... actually Jeff said the same thing, but I think it was upon Chewy tellin' him... It was either Chewy told Jeff and told me or Chewy told me. I don't remember what sequence it took place...

JC Did they ever tell you where they got the gas to pour...?

DW No, they didn't tell me where they got the gas... I believe it was probably still there at the cabin...

JC Okay, and...

DW I think it was (Not able to understand)...

JC You never saw a gas tank or a hose or anything like that there...? What exactly did you say when you were in the car and you turned around and saw the bodies and then you got out of the car... what exactly did you say ta... ta Jeff and Chewy...?

DW I said, "Fuck this... Fuck this... This has nothin' to do with me. I don't wanta be a part of it." And I took off. I didn't say any words after that... I was just... I turned around... I felt the shock go through my body ugh... basically I was shakin' all the way to my mom's as far as running ugh... when I slowed down and stopped at my mom's... had a drink... that's why I jogged back over to my place and I walked up the driveway ta kinda calm myself down before I got in front of my brother. I didn't want him to, you know... when I... basically when I worry or I stress, I show it more than anybody that I know...

JC You went to your folk's place and got some water...?

DW Mmm hmm...

JC And then...? And how did you get there...?

DW I ran...

JC You ran... then you ran to your... your house on Hamlett...?

DW Jogged slower than I ran to my mom's house...

JC Jog... okay... still scared...?

DW Yeah...

DB About how long did it take ya to run to your cabin...?

DW Take probably five minutes to my mom's... probably about ten minutes... fifteen minutes total...

DB Okay...

DW Between the two, I'd say...

JC Was anybody at the Hamlett cabin when you got there...?

DW Yeah, my brother Jake...

JC Your brother all right... How long did he stay...?

DW He was there most of the day ugh... He stayed 'til just dawn... I'd say 7:30... 8:30 at night... whenever it gets dark there in the summer... I mean he stays right until it starts gettin' dark... like I said before because he don't have a headlight on his motorcycle and he's... he had... that's the rules... he has to be home before dark... so he's not drivin' out in the dark...

JC How old's your brother again...?

DW Fifteen...

JC Fifteen... anyone come by the cabin that night...?

DW Mmm yeah, Jeff and Chewy and Miaja...

JC All three together...?

DW No...

JC Okay, and wh... who came... who showed up first...?

DW Jeff and Chewy showed up first...

JC What were they driving...?

DW Ugh... that's the thing right now that I'm thinkin' of... I don't know if they drove up... actually I do believe they drove up because I heard a vehicle and that's when I grabbed my shotgun...

JC Why did you grab a shotgun...?

DW Umm... I was in fear for my life basically... I didn't know what was in store... cuz I took off... I didn't help 'em out... that's originally why I jumped in the vehicle ugh... I actually had thoughts of helpin' 'em out with it, until I saw the bodies and thought about it, you know, that it's none of my business... it had nothin' to do with me ugh... you know, just bottom line I'm... I'm not that kind of person...

JC Did... Did ya know ugh...? Wa... when they got to the cabin did Jeff tell you how they disposed of the bodies...?

DW Yeah, he told me they took 'em up behind the cabin... way up top of the mountain and ugh...

JC We being...?

DW Jeff and Chewy...

JC Okay...

DW And ugh... they dumped five gallons of gas inside the vehicle and lit it...

JC Did he say who poured the gas in the vehicle...?

DW No, he didn't...

JC Did he say who lit the vehicle...?

DW Nope...

JC Did they say...?

DW We...

JC Did he say anything about anything else about the fire...?

DW Nope...

JC Anything about destr... destroying evidence...?

DW Oh, they just said all the evidence was gone... there was nothin' to worry about...

JC Who said that...?

DW Jeff...

JC Okay...

DW They both mighta said it, but I remember Jeff sayin' it specifically...

JC All right ugh... What...? Did they ever tell ya what they did with the murder weapon...?

DW Yeah, they buried it ugh... I was told it was buried in the back of the cabin ugh... dug with the butt of the gun into the ground and buried...

JC Okay and did anybody ever tell you that you were in danger or not in danger...?

DW Well I do remember them just discussing about family and stuff that, you know, we're gonna take this to our grave ugh... you know, they can get to you no matter where you're at and they just kind of explained... they didn't threaten me directly ugh... but they did... indirectly they did threaten me...

JC You felt threatened...?

DW Yes...

JC What did you feel...?

DW I feel...

JC Would happen...?

DW I feel that this testimony I'm giving... if the right people find out that I give this testimony, they will seek after me and try to kill me and I believe that a hundred percent that they will... if they find out that basically I'm a narc... if you put it that way...

JC You said Miaja came over...?

DW Yep...

JC About what time...?

DW Eleven... ten... eleven... twelve... later in the evening... few hours after they got there...

JC What happened when she got there...?

DW Oh, she got there... they were there for about five minutes... she came in and talked to Jeff ugh... just came in and said hi to us... just kinda normal as usual ugh... when I see her and her and Jeff took off not more than five... maybe ten minutes later...

JC Did he say where they were goin'...?

DW Yeah, they were goin' back to the cabin... back to the cabin...

JC Did they say what for...?

DW No, we pretty much figured they wanted to be alone...

JC Okay, were they gettin' along well...?

DW Yeah, they were just friends at that point... I don't believe there was any activity other than a friendship goin' on...

JC Okay...

DW That I know of...

JC Do you know what she drove up to the cabin in...?

DW Yeah, it was a tan Toyota...

JC Okay, did ugh... so it was just you and Chewy in the cabin then...?

DW Yeah...

JC Okay, ugh... what'd you guys talk about...?

DW Didn't talk about a whole lot of anything... actually he... he brought it up once... I don't remember exactly what he talked about, but I told him... I don't wanta talk about this no more ugh... I absolutely don't wanta talk about it... I don't wanta hear about it... whatever ugh... I went to bed shortly after Miaja left...

JC Any other weapons in the cabin...?

DW Yeah, 22 caliber rifle and a 12 gauge pump shotgun...

JC Where were they at...?

DW Ugh... 12 gauge pump was next to me ugh... basically Chewy before I went to bed kinda was askin' questions about the shotgun, you know, why I had it out... it wasn't normally out in the open ugh... I... like I said before... I don't remember exactly how I, you know, went around the bush on, you know, talkin' about that or tellin' him why I had it out... I think he kinda knew that I was worried ugh... I just... the way I figured it was, you know, he killed someone, you know, two people that he didn't really even know and, you know, what... you know, he didn't even really like me that I didn't think so... I was worried about my safety... I took my shotgun with me to bed... those were the only discussions I remember that took place... I didn't have a whole lot to say...

JC Okay, what time did you ugh... anything else happen that night...?

DW Nope...

JC All right... you woke up the next morning...

DW Mmm hmm...

JC Tell us what happened then...?

DW Woke up the next morning ugh... either 6:30 or 7:00... I usually got up at that time ugh... he woke up the same time I did and ugh... he said they were goin' to Portland... I don't remember if that was discussed the night before... so much had happened... I don't remember ugh... I know it was discussed that morning... he said he was goin' to Portland ugh... he took off, went over to his cabin... I believe he did drive over, cuz I believe the vehicle was there...

JC Whose that...?

DW Chewy's vehicle...

JC Okay, who took Chewy's vehicle...?

DW Chewy did...

JC Chewy did... okay, and you went... he went to what cabin...?

DW Ugh... he went over to the Crown Creek cabin...

JC Okay, and what wer... what did you do...? Were you by yourself then...?

DW Yeah...

JC What did you do...?

DW I packed my clothes... I was gonna go with 'em... get out of the area...

JC Okay...

DW I didn't wanta be around...

JC Okay, when did he come...? Did Chewy come back by himself...?

DW No, he came back with Jeff and Miaja...

JC With Jeff and Miaja...?

DW Yeah, he packed everything...

JC So they were all... so it's you, Jeff, Miaja, and ugh... Chewy...

DW Mmm hmm...

JC And did you all get in the rig to take off or...?

DW Yeah...

JC Where'd ya go...?

DW Took off to Portland ugh... stopped at Chicken Farmer Ron's again ugh...
dropped Miaja off and ugh... drove to Portland...

DB Did you ugh... while you were enroute back to Portland, did you see ugh... that
22 rifle in the... in the car...?

DW No...

DB You pretty sure it got...?

DW I'm very sure...

DB Disposed of...?

DW It got disposed of up there...

DB Okay...

DW I believe it to be around the cabin somewhere... if it's not buried in back of the
cabin where they said it was, I know it's in the area somewhere... I just have a
feelin' that it is...

DB The cabin on Crown Creek...?

DW Yeah, they... their just stupid... John's really a stupid person... I don't think he, you know, huhh... he don't have any sense...

DB Okay...

JC What did Rob say when you guys... you guys came to Portland...?

DW Mmm hmm...

JC And you were dropped off where...?

DW At Rob's apartment...

JC And you don't know what the address is, but you think you could probably find it again...

DW Yeah, I could find it...

JC What did he say when ugh...? What did he say to you...?

DW I showed up ugh... walked in... I didn't probably look right to him... he said, "What's up man...?" You know, kinda as far as not just... "What's up...?" or "What's up...?" you know, as far as what's goin' on...? what are your...? You know, "Why do you have that look on your face...?" basically and ugh... I basically told him what happened ugh... I... in a way I kinda think he was already told previously ugh... he knew we were on our way there ugh... I think he was called at a gas station somewhere along the way... I don't remember when or you know, how long enroute we were ugh... but I told him what happened and ugh... he ugh... looked really shocked as far as I can't believe they actually did that and ugh... he didn't wanta talk about it again... he basically felt the same way I did ugh... I don't wanta hear about it... I don't wanta talk about it...

JC Okay, and the other... the... really the last thing that I've got is ugh... you said the... the... how were the bodies loaded in ta the... the Bronco...?

DW The bodies were loaded... Nick's head was pressed against the passenger's seat and Josh's head was towards the rear...

JC Okay, and did you tell us that they were wrapped in blankets...?

DW Yes.

JC Do you remember wh... what ugh... you... was... did you see Chewy or Jeff carrying a body...?

DW I saw Chewy carryin' a body...

JC And what color was the blanket he was carryin'...?

DW It was blue...

JC Any idea where the blankets came from...?

DW No I don't... I... I believe they came from the cabin... I'm not sure...

JC Any idea whose body...?

DW No...

JC Chewy was carrying...?

DW I have no idea... when I glanced back, I didn't notice the color of the blankets ugh... the only thing I was really lookin' at was the dead bodies and the bullet holes in their head...

JC Okay, do you know if anybody went back up to the Crown Creek cabin to clean up... ? to...?

DW Mmm... I don't know... I don't...

JC I mean...

DW You mean that day or that night...?

JC Yeah, I mean shortly thereafter... anybody that you know of go up there ta take care of any kind of evidence or....?.

DW Not that I know of...

JC Make sure...

DW If they did, they did it the next morning...

JC Okay...

DW When they wanted to take off...

JC Okay...

DB Anything else...

- JC No, go ahead...
- DB I don't have any further questions, do you...?
- JC Not right now...
- DB Okay, ugh... do you have anything else that you'd like to add to this statement...?
- DW Let me think for a minute... I just... I want... I wanta be clear... I don't wanta run over my story and sound like a bunch of bull shit... I want it clear the first time so there's no loop holes and there's, you know, I want it to be straight...
- JC Are you here on your own...?
- DW Yeah, I'm here on my own... I... I... since then I... I don't sleep very well at night ugh... every morning... every morning that I get up... especially in the morning... I drive to work I... I think about it... it goes through my head... it's burned into my eyes to the point where I see it all the time... it flashes ugh... it's usually at the wrong times ugh... I discussed it with my girlfriend... she didn't wanta hear about it, of course, but I figured that if she was gonna be with me and I had a feeling in the back of my mind this was gonna come about ugh... that she should know ugh... she had a real problem with it for a month... we didn't see each other that month or much that month and ugh... I guess she kinda just put it out of her mind as far as her able to move on with this... I don't know what's gonna happen after this with us... I don't know what's gonna happen to my friendship with my roommates... any of it ugh... but all I know... it wasn't right... first of all there's no reason to kill anybody and ugh... second of all it's... it's real hard to live with ugh... Josh being killed for no apparent reason and ugh... he has a kid... cuz I have a kid on the way and I just can't imagine, you know...
- JC I'm gonna ask you a real obvious question here... but I want... I wanta hear your answer... why didn't ya report this when it happened...?
- DW If I'd a reported it when it happened, I basically would be in fear for my life and I... right now I'm feared for my life ugh... I have... I don't know... I just have this feeling that they know that you guys are on to 'em ugh... I think they're gonna come lookin' for me... I'm not sure that's true... I don't have a hard feelin' like I should watch out tonight ugh... but I have a feeling that as soon as they have in... in... ind... any indication... they're gonna come lookin' for me and I don't know if their gonna come talk to me... I kinda doubt it, cuz... first of all I was looked as someone that wasn't in the family... I was looked as someone that just knew Jeff... everyone met me through Jeff ugh... just some preppie yuppie kid... that was originally from the city... I just had cool parents... whatever the hell that means...

JC Oh... when you say they... who do think...? If somebody was gonna come after you, who do you think would come after ya...?

DW Family in Portland... I don't know specifically...

JC Do you know names...?

DW No...

JC Specific names...?

DW I don't know who...

JC How far...? How far outreaching do you think this family goes...?

DW To the best of my knowledge from Portland, Eugene, San Francisco Bay area, and they've said in ever... every major city they have family that knows one another from the Grateful Dead Tours tourin' around, you know, east coast family ugh... just family everywhere...

JC Okay...

DW A lot of it was said from Jeff... Jeff liked to talk a lot... he said they had family everywhere... just from the Dead Tours and how many years, you know, that the close knit group of people have been tourin' around that they basically could find you anywhere you're at and I was told that ugh...

If I'd a said somethin' right away and you guys woulda took in John... took in Jeff... of course, you'd have to take in me ugh... for questioning... I feel that ugh... you know, that my life was in jeopardy... I was kinda hopin' this would never come about ugh... I had a feelin'... I knew it was going to basically in the back of my mind... I was just basically hopin' and prayin' it wouldn't so... I just wouldn't have to be involved with this no more... it would just go away...

JC Okay...

DW I had a feeling it wasn't going to... so...

JC Do you have anything else you want to add...?

DW Upon John Grange's arrest, I guess now it's video taped and ugh... you know, your Captain's gonna see it and the DA or whatever ugh... I wanta be notified ugh... I... all serious... I can't stress how serious I am that I'm scared that they will come after me as soon as he gets arrested their gonna know exactly who said what and whoever else you guys interviewed ugh... I would... if they know them,

they should fear too ugh... because these people are stupid... there on drugs... I mean serious drugs... they don't care, you know, it's just a family code and that's all they believe in... they seriously believe in it... they don't flake from their family... I mean there...

DB Right... okay...

DW I wanta be protected...

JC Okay...

DB Okay, okay... there is some questions here at the... that I have to read on the statement here... it says ugh...

#1 Do you have anything else that you would like to add to this statement?

DW Not at this time...

DB Okay, have any threats or promises been made to you since we started this interview...

DW Absolutely not...

DB At any time during this statement have you asked the questioning or taping be stopped...?

DW No...

DB Ugh... at any time during this statement have you requested an attorney...?

DW Nope...

DB Okay, there's a little blip down here that I... have you read... it says... I ugh... just put your name in there... if you'd read that statement into the tape...

DW For some reason, it's more nerve racking with two tapes on.... I don't know why... sign here too...?

DB Yeah...

DB/JC Covering over each other....

DB Read that statement in...

DW The bottom one here...?

DB No, this one that says... Start with... I.

DW Yeah, I already read that...

DB Okay, read it out loud for the tape if you would...

DW Oh okay, I Dane Williams declare that the facts stated on this tape are true and correct ugh... to the best of my knowledge... my statement has been made freely, voluntarily, and without threats or promises of any kind...

DB Okay, and then if you'd sign the bottom of this statement... okay... Sgt. Caruso I'll have you witness that and with that we will conclude this statement. It is 1826 hours on 10-13-2000.

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