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I also talked to Tim Wilson, 813 Osage 452-8508 Wk: 663-9405. He says that He has known Bart for about 13 years and considers Him a friend. Misook came to Red Lobster about 4 years ago. Misook and Bart started to have an affair. both were married at the time. Tim had told Bart that this relationship would not work that they were starting there relationship on distrust. Bart had told Tim about Misooks temper. He told Tim that Misook had kicked Her daughter Michelle and at one time had kicked a door in. On one occasion She cut the wire on his computer. Tim say's that He saw Bart at Wal Mart a short time ago and Bart told Him that He and Misook was going to break up. Tim told Bart that was good because He had believed that Misook may have done harm to Chris. He felt that Misook was controlling and that She made all the decisions for Bart. He say's that they used to hang out quite a bit until Misook came along and that all changed. He also says that on one New Years they had plans and at the last minute Bart called up and canceled because Misook had made plans for them with Her friends. Tim states that Tita, Who he also knows, had a problem with Christina being with Misook and Bart. He also say's that Misook has been calling lately talking with His wife, Lang, on one of of the conversations Misook told Lang that If Bart hadn't left Her this would not have happened.

Tim say's that on the day of the death Bart called him at work and told him that Chris had died. Tim asked what happened and Bart said that He did not know. Yuman Aldridge was on another phone and Tim saw Yuman knell down to pray. Tim thought that the calls were related and later found that it was Misook calling about Chris. Tim thought it strange that Misook didn't mention that Chris had died. Tim say's that He later told his employee's. This is when Yuman found out that Chris had died. When Misook was talking to Yuman, Misook did not know that Chris had died.

Det. Arnold talked to Lang Wilson about the calls that She had gotten from Misook. It is the opinion of Tim and Lang Wilson that Bart is not responsible for this. They are more inclined to believe that Misook may have some level of responsibility for this. Tim said that He would be willing to talk with us further if we needed.

Det. Larry Shepard 2434

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On 06/17/98, at approximately 1715, I went to Avanti's to try and identify any employees that may have had contact with Bart McNeil and Misook Nowlin on 06/15/98. Both Misook and Bart stated that they went to Avanti's on that evening, and argued.

Upon my arrival, I was advised that Erica Polson was working that evening. I spoke to Ms. Polson. Erica stated that she was just working as cashier that night and she recalls them coming to the cash register. Ms. Polson stated that they were both standing at the register, and the female walked out, leaving the man standing at the cash register. Erica stated that the female returned and gave the male subject her check book. Erica stated that the male wrote the check, signed it, and then she signed it also. Erica stated that she did not see an argument but she did not see them in the dining area.

After speaking to Erica, I was informed by management that they would try and track down the waitress that waited on the couple, and they would contact me with that information. I was later advised that Robin Butler was their waitress. I called Robin and was able to talk to her.

Robin stated that their check was located in the restaurant and that they were at Avanti's at 1807 hours. Robin stated that she recalled the couple because they were arguing at the table. Robin stated that she did not know what the whole argument was about, but she did over hear part of it.

Robin stated that from the conversation she thought the female worked at some kind of phone company, she looked up his phone bill, and he had \$170.00 on a phone bill. Robin stated that she heard the male telling the female that just because she worked where she did, she did not have a right to look up his phone bill. Robin stated that this couple was unusual because most people try and hide their arguments when the waitress arrives but they did not. Robin stated that they also left after only being there approximately 15 to 20 minutes. Robin stated that they barely touched their food.

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Monday at Avant's and she got in his car and would not let him go get Christina and finally he talked her in to letting him go he told me she worked at Anderson Financial and got his phone records I said when I was working Monday night which is my Tuesday morning and I started talking about how hard in was raining thundering and it was doing that between 2 and 3 and he said I think that's the time she died because her shirt was wrapped around her chest but he did not know the shirt was wrapped around her chest until that morning we talked a little more about general things he started getting his things together to leave and then I was going to walk home he said no you are not going to walk so he gave me a ride home we didn't talk on the way home when we got to my house he told me he would fix my flat tire if I needed it I gave him a hug and told him to call me if me needed anything he told me no not to night maybe tomorrow and that's the last time I seen him or talked to him

Arnold: Shana did you go to Barton in court the next day?

Hamilton: I came in in the middle of it I saw him for like two seconds I didn't talk to him I was talking to his ex-girlfriend

Arnold: Did you have business of her own to take care of in the court house the day Barton was at court?

Hamilton: no

Arnold: why were you there?

Hamilton: for two reasons the first one was I didn't believe it I had to have out the second was because I believed he was innocent

Arnold: Did you know he was arrested?

Hamilton: yes I heard it on BNQ

Arnold: you said you talked to his ex-girlfriend how did you know she was his ex-girlfriend?

Hamilton: I didn't know she was with some blonde woman and walked up and asked if one of them was his ex-wife because I wanted to tell her how sorry I am and what ever her name is she jumped up and said I'm his girlfriend who are you I said I'm just a friend she asked me how old I was I told her 22 and she said oh Bart like young girls the other two girls went in the court room she asked me to sit down she started asking me if Bart still loved her and if he wanted to still be with her she just kept asking me questions asking me how I knew Bart if we had ever gone out and questions about how he treated her she was trying to get me to tell her other stuff Bart told me about how Bart has spilt personalities one minute he's nice the next he's mean then she told me how he accused her of killing his daughter and how she was going to help him out as much as possible and get money to get a lawyer cause she was working to jobs then we went in the court room and it was over and we came right back up she gave me her phone and told me to call her

Arnold: Shana have you and Bart ever had sex before?

Hamilton: No

Arnold: Has Bart ever asked for sex ?

Hamilton: no

Arnold: Shana did you know if Bart had any other girlfriends other then the one you talked to at court?

Hamilton: they were not really girlfriends they were more like one night stands

Arnold: no

Hamilton: no

Arnold: Shana did you make a crime stoppers report about Bart's ex-girlfriend Misook Nowlin?

Hamilton: no

Arnold: Shana is everything you said in the statement true?

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Shana E. Hamilton

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On 06 18 98, Deputy Coroner Becker and myself went to the Mclean Co. Sheriff's office to speak with Barton McNeil. This was at approximately 12:00p. We spoke to Barton in the interview room. I advised him that He was still under his Miranda Warning and asked him if he still wished to speak to us as I had some questions to ask. He said that he did not know if he did that we twist everything around and he knew he did not do very well on the interview and interrogation the night before. He said that he knew He "blew it" with his confrontation with Misook and things looked badly for him. He said that he had been up for about 40 hrs when we talked to him and hadn't eaten and that's why he didn't do very well. He said that maybe he should wait for an attorney. He then proceeded for about 5 minutes about Misook being responsible for this and how we had the wrong person and that we were fouling up the investigation. I then told him that I needed to know if he wanted an attorney or if I could ask him questions. I told him that I would ask the questions then he could decide if he wanted to answer. I then asked him again when Christina had ate, He said that she ate her happy meal at between 7:45p to 8:15p. I asked him if she had ate anything after that and He said that She had not. He said that the only thing she had was a couple of sips of his soft drink. I asked him again if he were sure She ate nothing after 8:15p at the latest and He said other than the pop he was sure.

I asked him where his vehicle was and he said that it was parked in the 700 Blk of West Front st. He said that I would believe this but I wouldn't park near his ex-wife's house He would park a couple blocks away because he didn't want Misook to be bothering him. After the interview Becker and myself did go to the 700 blk and find his vehicle.

Barton then went on about the police messing up this case that we needed to be out talking to Misook's ex-husband and checking other leads on Misook as she was the one who did this. When he was talking about Misook and how she wanted him and was obsessed with him he started to mimik how Mishook would cry. I did observe and told him that that was the same facial expressions and fake crying that he had given us on the night before. I told him that his crying were theatrics and he was showing this to me now as he was imitating Misook. After the interview Becker told me that when Barton did this fake crying it made the hair on his neck stand up as he recognized it as the same facial expressions and wailing without tears as the night before. Barton explained to me that his emotions were not on display for me and he would grieve in his own way privately. I told him that his emotions shouldn't be on display they should be genuine, that a reasonable innocent person would truly be grieving for there daughter and not if they were innocent be worrying about themselves. I told him that we did not believe that Misook was involved. He went on to say that Det. Wikoff and myself were sick motherfuckers to believe that he could kill or molest his daughter. He asked Becker about the molestation and Becker advised that there office was not sure at this point. Barton said well these motherfuckers accuse me of molesting my daughter and that her rectum is enlarged. I said to Barton that if was factual that her rectum was enlarged. He then started to wail again and said He could picture "Some Guy" standing over his daughter thunder and lighting and this person smothering her with a pillow and using a broomstick or something up her rectum. He said this Fucking Monster hurting my baby. After the interview I talked to Becker and asked him if he heard the same thing I did in that Barton said "Some Guy" standing over her. Becker said yes he did say that "Some Guy" was standing over her. This is inconsistent with his belief that Misook did the killing, as obviously Misook is not "Some Guy" He then asked have you measured the size of the rectum. Have you measured my Penis. Have you found any Broom handles.

I then told him that He was the one responsible for his daughters death. He advised that the only thing He was responsible for was not protecting her, for selling drugs when he was younger and for being an international playboy. He said that He would never admit to doing anything to his daughter. I told him that was true. He would never admit to it. That an innocent person would not say that he wouldn't admit to doing it they would say they didn't do it. He then started again about how the police were inept and we were not following leads to show that Misook was responsible for this. I then told him that the evidence has shown that we have the right person. He advised that he could get Misook to admit that she did this. Shortly after this we ended the interview as it was near time for his arraignment.

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cant they write a coherent report?

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Tita said Christine had never been sick. She said they said she had asthma but she did not think she had asthma. Tita said she and Barton separated in 1995 and got divorced in October of 96. She said Christine is always with her except when she works nights. Tita did say Christine had a dentist visit the day before (06/15/98). At 9:19 AM the Corner's Office took Christine's body out of the house. I gave both Tita and Barton one of my business cards and told them I would contact them later when we get more information. I cleared the scene at 9:30 AM.

On the evening of 06/16/98, I was paged by Sgt. McKinley. When I called in, I spoke to Lt. Butcher. He told me that McKinley and Det. Wikoff was talking to Barton in the interview room. He said Barton called the station saying that we should arrest him or his ex-girlfriend (Misook Nowlin) for murder. I told Lt. Butcher I would come in. I arrived at the station at around 9 PM; I saw Barton McNeil standing in the lobby of the station. I then went up to the detective's work area and spoke to Butcher, McKinley and Wikoff. They filled me in on what Barton had told them.

We then brought Barton back upstairs, he talked to me and Tom Sanders in the conference room. He said he feels Nowlin killed his daughter. He said Misook was obsessed with him and felt Christine was a link for him and his ex-wife. Barton then asked if we or the Corner's office took a pillow from the bedroom; he said one was missing. He said he sure when we did the autopsy on Christine it's going to show she died of affixation suffocation. He also said there would be no physical evidence. He then said that Nowlin climbed through the bedroom window and killed Christine. He based this idea on the fact that there were holes in the screen. When I was first at the scene, I did see one hole in the screen on the lower west side of the screen. He said we should go to Nowlin's apartment and check her garbage. He said he was sure we would have the pillow. He then changed up and said he did not think we would find anything because Nowlin was smart and meticulous. He mentioned how he and Nowlin have had several domestic problems in the past. He said one time she came at him with a knife. He also said one time he witnessed Nowlin kick her own daughter with all her might until her nose started bleeding. He said if we didn't arrested Nowlin we should arrested him because he was guilty of letting her in his house. Barton talked for an hour or so basically repeating this same story. Finally at about 10:30 PM, myself and Wikoff told Barton to go and get some rest. I gave him another one of my cards and told him to call me at 11 AM the next morning. An autopsy was scheduled for Christine the next morning (06/17/98) at 9 AM.

I'm arrested at about noon on the 17th
even though no investigation had ^{yet} taken place at all,
Misook hadn't even questioned, and no attempt to
prove or disprove my claims had been made.

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On 06/17/98, at approximately 1230 hours, Misook Nowlin came to BPD to speak with officers. Detective Wikoff and I interviewed Misook. Misook is the girlfriend of Barton McNeil, Christina's father.

Detective Wikoff explained to Misook that we were interviewing anyone that had a relationship with the child and wanted to ask her questions for the investigation into Christina's death. Misook agreed to talk to us.

Misook stated that she has known Barton for 4 years, and they lived together for 3 years. Misook stated that Barton moved out because he wanted to break off the relationship.

Misook stated that, on Monday morning, 06/15/98, she went to work at 0800 hours. Misook works at Bloomington Dental Lab. Misook stated that at approximately 1200 hours, she went home on her lunch break, as she takes lunch every day from 1200 hours to 1300 hours. Misook stated that she returned to work after lunch until 1700 hours.

Misook stated that she also works at Anderson Financial Network on the phones, in the evenings. Misook stated that on Monday evening she did not go to work at Anderson because she was too depressed about her problems with Barton. Misook stated that she called Barton and asked if he wanted to go to dinner. They agreed to meet at Avanti's. Misook stated that she told Barton to bring Christina along because Barton stated that he had to pick her up at 1800 hours.

Misook stated that after she got off work, but prior to going to dinner with Barton, her friend, Yuman Aldridge came over to her residence.

Misook stated that she went to Avanti's at approximately 1800 hours and Barton was waiting for her in the lot. Barton did not have Christina with him, and told Misook that he would pick her up later. Misook stated that while eating dinner she argued with Barton. Misook stated that Barton is always mad at her and this makes her upset. Misook stated that Barton told her that he did not want to see her. Misook stated that they argued through dinner, and when they prepared to leave, Barton stated that he did not have any money and wanted Misook to pay for dinner. Misook stated that she exited the restaurant and left Barton inside, but then walked back in. Misook stated that she gave Barton her check to fill out and she signed it. Misook paid for the meal.

Misook stated that she argued with Barton some more in the parking lot. Misook stated that Barton told her that he did not like her personality and told her that she always sneaks around. Misook stated that Barton then left to pick up Christina. Misook stated that she also left Avanti's and was traveling the same direction as Barton, south on Kelsey St. Misook stated that Barton pulled over on a side street and asked her why she was following him. Misook stated that she told him that there was smoke coming from the back of his car to which he stated that it was a problem with the engine. Barton then left to get Christina.

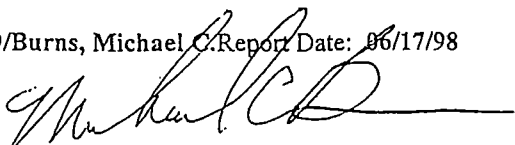
Misook stated that she went home, and at approximately 1930 hours, her friend Susie Kaiser came over. Misook stated that another friend, Don Wang, came over at approximately 2000 hours. Misook stated that she went to the Bowling and Billiards Center at ISU with Susie and Don. Misook stated that Don dropped her and Susie off at Misook's at approximately 2130 hours, then left. Misook stated that Susie stayed until approximately 2300 hours.

Misook stated that her brother called between 0030 and 0100 hours on Tuesday, 06/16/98, from Korea to get her sister's phone number. Misook stated that she went to bed and at approximately 0600 hours, her ex-husband, Andy Nowlin, stopped by and dropped off clothes for their child. Andy stayed for a short time then left.

Misook stated that she called Bart's house at approximately 0740 hours and the phone was busy. Misook then went to work at approximately 0800 hours. Misook stated that she called Bart back and a female answered. Misook stated that the lady on the phone must have thought that she was Christina's mother because she told her to come over to the house. Misook stated that Bart then got on the phone and she asked what happened. Misook stated that Bart told her not to worry about it and not to come over there.

Misook stated that she took an hour off work and went to Barton's. Misook stated that she stayed for 30-40 minutes in the car. Misook stated that she went back to work and went to Bart's again at 1200 hours. Misook stated that Bart was at the residence but did not want her to come inside. Misook stated that Bart was nice to her but asked her to leave him alone. Misook stated that Bart told her that he would call Misook tomorrow. Misook stated that she then left.

Misook stated that she then went home and called Bart's brother, Brett and informed him of the death. Misook stated that she called Yuman at approximately 0900 hours and informed her of Christina's death. Misook stated that she informed Don at approximately 1730 hours, and Susie at 1800 hours.



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I was made aware of a suspicious death of a 3 year old female by Det. Sgt. Maaks. She was the above Cristina McNeil. Sgt. Maaks advised that there was to be a staffing at 1:00p at the station with a representative from the coroners office. I attended the staffing which included BPD personnel, Coroner Tony Becker and S/A's Teena Griffin and Sandra Thompson.

Becker advised that Dr Hnilika had done an autopsy on Cristina and could find no natural cause for Her death. He also advised that Hnilika believed the cause of death to a asphyxiation. He also advised that there was abnormal dilation to the anus and blood in her urine. Dr. Hnilika believed the death to be a Homicide.

CST Sanders advised that in processing the scene he found that a window that the father had advised us that someone had come through to strangle Cristina, could not have been entered on the night of the murder as there were cobwebs on the window that ran from the window to the screen. We were also advised that Cristina had blood in her nose and blood on the bed near where her vaginal area would have been. We also were told that when rescue personnel arrived the father Barton (Bart) McNeil had to unlock the front door to allow them entry.

Barton had earlier on two separate occasions had talked to Detectives and told them that He believed his former girlfriend had entered through the window and suffocated his daughter. He told Detectives that we would find the cause of death to be asphyxiation and it was caused by a pillow. Barton advised this before the autopsy was performed. Barton was currently at the time of the meeting on his way to the station to be talked to by Detectives, as was the ex-girlfriend Mistook Nowlin, and the mother of the child Tita McNeil.

It was determined that Det. Arnold and I would interview Barton. We asked S/A Griffin if She felt there was cause for arrest if Barton did not confess to the crime and She advised that there was, Due to his inconsistencies and only He and Cristina being present during the time of offense.

Barton McNeil arrived and Det. Arnold and I took him to the interview room. I read Barton his Miranda warning at 2:47P. He waived his right to counsel and agreed to speak to us. I asked general questions of Barton at first and asked him to give me the order of events that occurred up to Him finding Cristina deceased. Barton say's that he picked up Cristina up at Her Mother's house at about 7:00P on Monday evening. They drove to Mcdonalds on Main St. in Normal. There Cristina got a happy meal and they drove home to 1106 N. Evans apt #2. Cristina started to eat her meal and about 8:30 to 8:45p she went to urinate in her potty chair. Barton states that He laid down on the couch and went to sleep for a couple of hours and Cristina looked at books while he was sleeping, He awoke around 10:30p and put Cristina to bed and He went to log on to his computer internet. He say's that he checked in on her at about 12:10p and She was looking at a book. He told her she needed to go to sleep. He say's that he went back to the Internet and went and checked on Cristina at about 2:00A. He believed that She was on her back, asleep. Barton states He went to sleep at about 2:45a. He say's that His alarm went off at 7:10A, He hit the snooze button and the alarm went off again at 7:19a. He say's that he got up and went to the rest room to relive himself and have a cigarette. On the way he went by Cristina's room and told her it was time to wake up. He didn't get a response but thought nothing of it. He then took his clothes off which he states were blue shorts, a blue stripped shirt and brief underwear. He then showered. He could not remember if He was clothed or not when he exited the bathroom. He say's that he believes that he had his work clothes on because he had to go to work. He went to Cristina's room and went inside. He went up to her and then saw that her eyes were partially opened. He then put his had on her stomach and She felt cold. He believed that she was deceased. He then went to the phone and called 911. When rescue personnel arrived He had to unlock the screen door for them to enter. He advised Arnold and I that he had left the inner door open and locked the screen door so he could hear the thunderstorm outside. He say's that he frequently locks the screen door. I asked him if he was sure it was locked and he had to unlock for the rescue personnel and he said he was sure. He had previously told Det. Wikoff that the front screen was locked.

I also asked Barton if he would sign a permission to search, specifically a computer that we wanted to download. It was told to us by Barton's ex girlfriend that Barton was heavy into pornography and used the Internet for it. He did agree for the police to retrieve his computer and download it.

I advised Barton that I had a problem with his accounts of what he believed had happened I told him that on the night in question it had rained very heavily, and for a person to come from the outside and through the window they would have to leave some trace. The carpets were dry. I also told him that we had forensic evidence to prove that the window had not been opened and that his idea of someone entering that way was not possible. He had on numerous occasions told us that

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He believed that His ex-girlfriend Misook Nolin, had entered the bedroom through the window and suffocated Cristina. When we advised him that we had evidence to prove that the window had not been opened He said that We were incompetent and that the forensic people were incompetent. He explained that He had found holes in the screen and that how entry was made. I again told him this was not possible. He then said that Misook must have come through the front door, I told him that this was not possible either as He had told us and other officers that when the rescue personnel arrived he had to unlock the front screen to allow them entry, So this would make it impossible for someone to enter through the front door. I also told him it would be had to believe that someone could come into apartment walk past him on the couch where he slept, go in and strangle his daughter and then walk out again past him. He advised me that He was a heavy sleeper and that it had stormed very badly that night with thunder and lightning. I again advised him that this would not be possible as the front door was locked. He then told us that the person may have come through another window in the apartment. This window is located in the front and has bushes in front of it. CST Sanders advised that when he did the initial crime scene He did not observe any disturbances in the bush's where someone would have had to step to get into that window.

I then told him that officers had done a neighborhood canvas and had spoken to two of his neighbors. One advised that She is right next door to him and that She is a very light sleeper and She had her window open the night in question because She heard the storm. She advised that if there had been anyone out there She would have heard them. Barton then said "you mean that fat black lady next door?" I've walked past her window before and saw her asleep and She didn't wake up. I then told him that there was another of his neighbor's in the building who stated that they had two dogs and that if anyone had been outside trying to enter the building that the dogs would bark. He said that he had not ever heard any dogs barking from the building. I then told him that the apartments were very small and the building was very small and it would have been difficult for some one to enter without anyone hearing it. I then asked him that if it were true that if no one came through the window and no one came through the front door would it be reasonable to believe that He was responsible for what happened to Cristina. He said that would be true but that was not the case. He said that Misook was the one responsible for this and that we were incompetent for not looking further into her involvement. He said that Misook was psycho and that He was trying to break it off with her and She went after Cristina to get back at him. I then told him that this was not a realistic scenario that an angry ex-girlfried would enter through a bedroom window and murder her boyfriends daughter for revenge. I asked him what his recent relationship was with Misook as we had statements form him that he had been with her the night prior to death and the Saturday before. He said that he had been with her on the previous Saturday, they had gone out to eat. I asked him if he had sex with her on Saturday and He said that he had. I asked why if He was trying to get rid of her why he would have sex with her. He got angry and said that He may be an international playboy, and a computer hack and intelligent but he did not kill his daughter. We had the wrong person and we needed to go and investigate Misook. I told him that we knew that he had dinner with her on the night that he picked up Cristina, at Avantis. I advised that this didn't sound like someone who was breaking off a relationship. I then told him as I had done previously that I believed that He was responsible for his daughters death. He denied that he had anything to do with it and that Misook was the one responsible for this.

Det. Arnold then advised Barton that there was also some things that weren't right with the body. Barton became very angry and said don't tell me that , don't tell me that she molested. We told him that we had not told him that He was the one who suggested this. We advised that there was bleeding from the vaginal area and that her anus was stretched out to an abnormal size. Barton started to wail and say that his daughter had went through pain. Barton wailed on several occasion's when questioning got to key issues. However Det. Arnold , myself and Det. Wikoff agreed that none of us ever saw a tear come from him.

He then brought up that Misook had a dildo and a vibrator and that if we checked her residence one would be missing. That this was pre-mediated by Misook and that She had used one of the devices on Christina to make it look like He sexually assaulted her. He told us that we were sick and that there was no way a father could do that to his child. I told him that yes there was and that we had evidence to prove that no one else had entered the apartment and He could be the only person responsible for what happened to Cristina. He said that He would never confess to this in a million years. I asked him what he thought should happen to a person who did something like this. He told me that He didn't believe in the death



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penalty and that the person who would do something like this should spend the rest of his life in jail. He then told us that we would probably use that against him because He didn't believe in the death penalty.

He had told us on several occasions that he believed that we had enough evidence to convict him but he wasn't the one who did it. He said that He thought that He could overcome two detectives but that he couldn't all of us and the forensic people. He advised us that we wanted a confession from him because it would be good for our careers, that we would get promoted if we got a confession.. We told him this was not the case, We had worked murder cases before and not been promoted. He then said that maybe if you want a confession so bad, maybe you don't have as much evidence as I think you have. I told him that I believed that we did have enough evidence to not only arrest him but to convict him. That we wanted him to admit to his actions so everyone involved knew why this happened.

He again went back to Misook and told us that if we wired him up he could get a confession from her, that if we would go after her as hard as we did him she would confess. He then said if you would give me 3 hours with her I could get her to confess. This went on for quite awhile, on several occasion He said that if he did this why don't we just give him our gun and he would shoot himself.

We ended the interrogation at about 9:00P. During the interview/interrogation Barton was given water on several occasions. He was also given a meal.

He had been advised earlier that he would be arrested due to the facts, forensics and inconsistencies. I then filled out a booking docket on him.

It was determined that we would keep Barton at the station and bring Misook in and speak to her again and advise he of the allegations being made. If Misook said anything that we needed to confirm or deny with Barton.

Misook did come in I asked her to tell me about Monday. She advised that She had dinner with Barton at Avanti's restaurant. They argued and she went home. She says that she was with a friend that evening till about 11:30 at her house then the friend went home. She states She went to bed and She got a call at about 12:30 to 1:00A. It was from her brother Dong Sun Kim, Seoul, South Korea. Ph: 011-822-252-5331. They talked briefly Dong got his other sisters phone number and they ended there call. She says that she then fell asleep and that She was awoken at about 6:00A by Her ex-husband who had come to the house to get clothes for there daughter. She states that She gets along with her ex-husband, Andy Nowlin, and that He has a key so he can let himself in to get items for his daughter. Nowlins lives in Heyworth His number is 309 473-3852. I then told her that Barton suspected her as being involved in the death of his daughter and that the death was not was not an accident or natural that if was a murder.. Misook became very upset. She denied any involvement and said that Christina was like a daughter to her. She said that She could not understand why He would blame her that she loved him and she would never hurt Christina. I told her that He believed that She climbed through window and murdered her daughter because she wanted to get back at him. Misook was crying and visibly shaken by the accusations. She said that He must be trying to cover up for something he did. She never would do anything like that She could not harm anyone. Barton had mentioned that He wanted to speak to Misook because he could get her to confess. I asked Misook if she wanted to see Barton. She said she did. I brought Det. Burns, Wikoff and Doza into the room in case of any physical confrontation. I then brought Barton into the room. Barton seemed startled that I would allow him to talk with Misook and when he entered the room Misook asked him why he was doing this that She loved him. Barton told her that she was a psycho bitch and that She murdered his daughter. He asked her if she had her "toy's" still at home. He said that she used one on Christina and then killed her. Misook told him that he was the psycho one and that he must have done something to his daughter and She could not believe he was trying to say that she did it. Barton told her that she had crawled through the window and suffocated his daughter. Misook told him again that he was the Physco. Barton then called Misook a psycho fucking bitch and said that he hated her and has hated her for 3 years and has been trying to get rid of her. At this point I believed that this was not going to be fruitful any longer. I then had Barton go back to his interview room. I asked Misook if she would be willing to take a polygraph test and she didn't understand what it was. I told her a lie detector test and she was adamant about taking one. I told her that she was free to go but that I would probably need to talk to her again at a later time. She then left. I was called about 5 minutes later and advised that Misook had passed out in the front parking area of the Police Dept. I went down there and Rescue personnel had arrived they advised that she was hyper ventilating. She was taken to the hospital. When She was on the ground having a hard time breathing and complaining of chest pains I could hear her saying that she couldn't believe Bart would say something like that. She was unaware that I was there as her eyes were closed because she was complaining of blurred vision.

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- 54) That later this same evening after I had picked up Christina for the evening, I spoke to Misook, Susi Kaiser, and Yuman Aldridge again by phone, that I again refused their demands that I come to Misook's apartment, and that I expressly stated my reasoning for not coming over was because I did not wish to expose Christina to Misook's unbalanced present state of mind.
- 55) That on Friday, June 5, I had a job interview at Bloomington's Applebee's Restaurant, though for a managerial position at their restaurant in Pekin Illinois.
- 56) That on this same Friday, the events of the day before were repeated in almost every detail in that Misook again missed work at both jobs, that she was repeatedly phoning me all day long at home and at work, that she was again accompanied at her home by both Susi Kaiser and Yuman Aldridge who were again spending the night with Misook, that Misook was again obviously drunk and suicidal, and that I again refused to see her due to Christina being present in my custody.
- 57) That at about 11:00PM later this same evening (June 5), Misook's ex-husband, Andy Nowlin, phoned me at home and asked me a bunch of questions as to what my plans were with respect to Misook. That I explained to him that I was trying ^{to} gently break up with Misook, that for Christina's sake I was intending on getting back together with Tita, and that during the course of this conversation I made numerous highly disparaging remarks about Misook as well as about her best friends, Susi Kaiser and Yuman Aldridge.
- 58) That during all of my contacts during these few days, Misook repeatedly insisted that I spend the night at her apartment this Saturday night (June 6) along with Christina, and that Misook repeatedly pleaded with me to allow her to pick up Christina before I got off work that day.
- 59) That Tita did grant permission, for the first and only time, for Misook to be allowed to pick up Christina for me.
- 60) That at Misook's week-long insistence, Misook did in fact pick up Christina from Tita's home at about noon on Saturday (June 6), and that

disappearance from the chat line. (PC ex. M2)

- 123) That I ceased my computing at about 2:00AM, that I then peeked into the bedroom to see if Christina was still awake, and that I then went to bed on the couch in the livingroom not far from the computer.
- 124) That I left the computer on and connected to the internet during the remainder of the evening running telephony and chat software in the event that Rosalita or another internet friend might try to page me.
- 125) That the computer harddrive automatically recorded any alterations in any computer data, no matter how slight, and time-stamped such changes.
- 126) That upon my awakening at about 7:20AM, I checked my Email as I always did first thing in the morning, especially since the computer was still running and connected to the internet; and that after using the restroom I checked the Email twenty minutes later as a matter of habit.
- 127) That my all-night internet connection was also a routine occurrence not at all exclusive to the night of Christina's death, and that records from my internet service provider showed that my internet connectivity and Email retrievals were no different on this day than they were on any other day.
- 128) That upon entering the bedroom to awaken Christina I observed that the Venician blinds covering the bedroom window were now in disarray.
- 129) That Christina was laying on the far side of the bed closest to the window and that her head was tilted to the side facing the window.
- 130) That I walked around the far side of the bed between the bed and outer wall, and in doing so stumbled over the

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On 06 20 98 I had Misook Nowlin come to the station so I could talk to her and have her answer some questions that I had for her. She arrived and I wanted to know where She worked and how to get a hold of her. She said that She works at the Bloomington Dental Lab and She can be reached at 662-1211. I told her that I had been to see Bart Mcneil and that while I was there She had been there to visit him with Barton's brother Brett. I was wondering why She was there after Barton had accused her to her face that She killed His daughter.

She said that She had contact with Brett, and Brett had come to town. Brett had told her that He knew that She didn't do it, that the cops had talked to him for 7,8,9 hours and He wasn't in his own mind and He had to say somebody did it. He offered to her that He didn't think that Christina died of natural causes and that She nor his brother had done anything wrong. Brett told Misook that Barton told him that someone had come through the window and told him about the holes in the screen and the fan laying on the floor. Brett told Misook that He told Barton to forget all that stuff that Misook didn't do it and that He told Barton that He thought it was from natural causes.

I asked Misook if Brett was still in town and She said that He was, He is staying at the Coachman Motel room 121. I called the Motel and Brett was not in. I left a message with the clerk, To have Brett call or page me as I wanted to speak to him. I got off work and was later called at home by Tommy Lee Walters He advised that Brett McNeil and His parents were there and wanted access to Barton's home. I advised that I didn't know if the scene was released and they would have to contact Det. Sanders. I then had Walters ask Brett if he had got my message and would He speak to me. Walters did ask and Brett replied that counsel had advised Him and His parents not to speak with us.

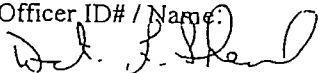
I then asked Misook about the sexual aids that She has. Barton had said in his interview that one of His scenarios was that Misook had used the sexual aids on Christina. I asked if She had the items and She said that She did and that they were at her home. I asked He when was the last time that She used them. She said one She hardly ever uses and hadn't used it for some time. The other She had used Monday night at about 11:30p just prior to her brother calling. I asked her if she had washed it after use and She said that she had. I had her take me to her home and She did turn over the two aids to me. One which was in a plastic bag is the one that She said that She had used on Monday night, The other was in a plastic box. I did take control of these aids. I placed them into evidence and sent them to the BPD lab to be sent in for DNA testing.

I then told Misook that I had problems when I called for her brother in Korea. I had apparently gotten Her father and He speaks no English. I asked her to call the number and if Her father or mother answered to ask them only to speak with Dong Sun. Then when Dong Sun answered the phone to speak in English. She did make the call. This call was placed at 1:00A Korea time. Her father answered and She spoke briefly in Korean, I did hear her say Dong Sun. This lasted about 10 seconds. Then I heard Her say in English, Dong Sun someone wants to speak to you, She then handed me the phone. I identified myself to Dong Sun. Dong Sun speaks fluent English. He has just recently moved to Korea from Champagne. and will be staying there till about Sept, then coming back to the states to go to school. I asked Dong Sun if he had spoken to Misook recently, He said that he had. I asked Him if He remembered when He talked to her and He said that He had called Her late Monday to early Tuesday, Between 12:00A to 12:30A. I asked Him the reason for the call and He said that He was trying to get His other sisters phone number from Her. He said they spoke briefly and ended the phone call. He then asked what this was about and I explained to him briefly what had happened and that Barton was accusing Misook for the death. He said that was ridiculous and offered that He had never cared for Barton. I then thanked him and ended the call.

I then asked Misook if She was still willing to take a polygraph and She said that She would. I told her that I would try to set an appointment for one and She again agreed. I will try to set up an examination for the week of the 23rd.

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Primary Person Involved: Nowlin, Michelle

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On 09 09 98 I was advised there was an investigation ongoing where Michelle Nowlin had been battered by Her Mother Misook Nowlin. I was advised by ASA Teena Griffin and DCFS caseworker Bethany Wenger. I was advised by Bethany that the reporter was Aissa Frazier, Principal of Heyworth. I was advised that Michelle had numerous bruises on Her legs and pelvic area. I was also advised that Michelle reported that Her mother had put her hand over her mouth and pinched off her nose and told her that She was going to kill her. Misook had allegedly used a wooden bar that was used for a paper towel holder to strike Michelle with. An appointment was made with Michelle's father, Andy to talk with Bethany Wenger and Myself at DCFS on Thursday Sept 10th.

On the 10th we did meet with Andy Nowlin. He advised that His wife Dawn had also noticed the bruise on Michelle's leg and that they were waiting to see what had happened. Andy's sister, Jeanne Frink, 609 Arrowhead Heyworth, Ph:473-3650 had also seen the bruises and took photo's of them. On 09-15-98 I did retrieve these photo's from Dawn Nowlin. I did place them into evidence. Andy states when He talked to Michelle about what had happened about how she was struck and putting the hand over her mouth Michelle had said that Her Mom had struck her with a wood stick several times. Andy states that Michelle was recanting Her story about he hand over the mouth story that She didn't feel that Her mother was trying to kill her. Andy went on to say that there was a misunderstanding about the bed. Misook had to do community service and She worked at the Salvation Army for the service. It was believed that Christina's bed went to the Salvation Army. Misook did buy a bed from there but it wasn't the one Christina died in. Christina is Misooks former boyfriends daughter who was murdered (See 98-4610). Andy had been to the States Attorney's office to apply for an order of protection and He did provide Bethany with a copy of that application. We set an appointment for Andy to bring Michelle to the Child Advocacy Center on Tues. the 15th of September. He said that He would comply. This date was set as it was the first day Andy would be able to get from work to bring Michelle.

Bethany advised me that She needed to speak with Misook to inform her about the investigation. I did get a hold of Misook and set up an appointment for Friday the 11th. Misook did show up at DCFS. This was non custodial and Misook was free to leave at any time. Bethany advised her of the investigation and they agreed to a safety agreement which Misook did sign. Bethany Wenger then asked what happened. Misook stated that She had Michelle for the weekend. She, Michelle and a friend, Don Wang, and His parents had gone out to Tachibanna restaurant. Misook say's that Michelle's behavior was bad and She was making sexual remarks that were not appropriate. When they got home don Wang had come to visit and Michelle was still acting up. Wang left and Misook said She was very angry and embarrassed. She got the stick from the paper towel holder and say's that She struck Michelle with it 2 times. She was very upset saying that She was sorry and that She knew that She was wrong. I told Her that I would be contacting Her after we spoke to Michelle to talk with her again.

We did speak with Michelle at the CPN. She relayed the same story about Don Wang and going to Tachibanna. She states that She was tired and She was acting up. When they got home Don left and Misook was very angry. She told Michelle to get the stick off the paper towel's, Michelle couldn't reach it so Misook got it. She states that Her Mom then struck her with the stick between 5 and 10 times, closer to 5 than 10. When asked about the hand over the mouth Michelle said that She was screaming very loudly and Her mom put her hand over her mouth and told her that She was going to kill her. She say's that Misook did not pinch off her nose so she couldn't breath. I then asked Her about the bed and she advised that She did not have the bed that t Her Mom had told Her that maybe Christina's bed was at the Salvation Army. This interview was recorded by CPN personnel and will be submitted later.

I then conferred with ASA Wong who was present and it was agreed that Misook would have to be arrested for the battery.

I called Misook of 09 16 98 and had her come to the station. She did arrive and I read Her her Miranda as I was going to get a typed statement. I did advised her when I called it was very likely She would be arrested and to bring 100.00 for bond. After the meeting at DCFS She advised me that She had went and seen an Attorney, Keith Davis to advise her on this matter and the McNiel murder. Davis advised Her not to speak to me about this matter. Misook told me that She would speak to me however I told Her that since She was represented and the e attorney had advised talking about this matter that we would not talk about it. She was then arrested for the Battery and taken to the county jail where She was processed and then bonded out.

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Primary Person Involved: McNeil, Christina

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I asked how She heard of Christina's death. Susie said that Misook had come to work and told her, She was shaking and very upset when she told Her. When Susie asked what happened Misook said that She didn't know.

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Now comes the People of the State of Illinois by Jennifer McCoskey, Assistant State's Attorney in and for the County of McLean, State of Illinois, and presents as Discovery Compliance herein the following:

1. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 412(a)(i), the State may call the following as witnesses:

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Bloomington, IL 61704

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Crest Hill, IL 60403

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Randall Wikoff
Dan Donath
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See exhibits 1-73 for statements or memoranda of statements of the above-listed witnesses.

2. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 412(a)(ii), see exhibits 1-73 for statements of the accused or codefendants. See #1 above for witnesses of the statements.

3. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 412(a)(iii), see exhibit 73 for a transcript of the grand jury testimony.

4. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 412(a)(iv), there are no reports of experts at this time.

5. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 412(a)(v), physical evidence may include: Ladies handbag purse, cash, ID cards-Misook Wang, green checkbook, blue/brown checkbook, digital media player, digital camera, microcassette recorder, purple cell phone-blackberry, cell phone-Samsung/sprint, white Phillips USB storage device, black USB storage device, grey/pink USB storage device, soil deposit from Mercedes, tape lift/driver's seat, tape lift/middle seat, tape lift/front passenger seat, tape lift/middle seat right, tape lift/rear cargo area, clothing/ladies sweater, driver's floor mat, passenger floor mat, print lift from Mercedes, charter bus brochure, 4 credit cards, pink post it note with writing, personal check, gas station receipt, bath towel, food wrapper bag, sweat jacket, swabbing from jacket, snoopy tank top, ladies underwear, torn calendar page, sewing needle with blood, sewing needle, dress pants, resident mail, Meijer receipt, torn receipts, swabbing/steering wheel, swabbing/drivers door handle, tape lift/driver's seat, Nike ball cap, bedding/sheets, blanket, women's swimsuit, latent lift/backdoor window, Mathewson case files, notes from investigation, receipt for Misook's breakfast, Wenlan Tyda field notes, DVD with garbage photos, notes from garbage analysis, crime scene log from conservation area, Chad Wamsley's notes, DVD surveillance video/interview with Givens, DVD Donovan Kim-Wang, photos of RAV-4 (disk), disk-surveillance video 1st State Bank, Uniden answering machine/cordless phone, Lowes receipt, answering machine recordings, McClusky field notes, Jie Chen interview, emails from Jie Chen (disk), printed copies of emails from Jie Chen, Linna's time card for 9/4/11, Buchanan field and interview notes, photo/car receipt/note, Don Wang's recorded interview (disk), disk-Lawrence Tyda's recorded interview, disk-Hau Hing Poon's recorded interview, Na Lin Rocha's recorded interview, 9/12/11 copies of search warrants, 9/20/11 copies of phone court orders, surveillance video-Lowes-shovel and tote purchase, request letter and subpoena to Lowes, interviews with Chambers and Smith (disk), search warrant-computers and cellphones 9/26/11, Wang permission to search form, Misook Wang PNC bank records, cab driver log sheet-Circle City, in addition to any and all evidence contained or mentioned in exhibits 1-73 as provided.

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See exhibits 1-102 for statements or memoranda of statements of the above-listed witnesses.

2. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 412(a)(ii), see exhibits 1-102 for statements of the accused or codefendants. See #1 above for witnesses of the statements.
3. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 412(a)(iii), see exhibit 73 for a transcript of the grand jury testimony.
4. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 412(a)(iv), there are no reports of experts at this time.
5. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 412(a)(v), physical evidence may include:
Ladies handbag purse, cash, ID cards-Misook Wang, green checkbook, blue/brown checkbook, digital media player, digital camera, microcassette recorder, purple cell phone-blackberry, cell phone-Samsung/sprint, white Phillips USB storage device, black USB storage device, grey/pink USB storage device, soil deposit from Mercedes, tape lift/driver's seat, tape lift/middle seat, tape lift/front passenger seat, tape lift/middle seat right, tape lift/rear cargo area, clothing/ladies sweater, driver's floor mat, passenger floor mat, print lift from Mercedes, charter bus brochure, 4 credit cards, pink post it note with writing, personal check, gas station receipt, bath towel, food wrapper bag, sweat jacket, swabbing from jacket, snoopy tank top, ladies underwear, torn calendar page, sewing needle with blood, sewing needle, dress pants, resident mail, Meijer receipt, torn receipts, swabbing/steering wheel, swabbing/drivers door handle, tape lift/driver's seat, Nike ball cap, bedding/sheets, blanket, women's swimsuit, latent lift/backdoor window, Mathewson case files, notes from investigation, receipt for Misook's breakfast, Wenlan Tyda field notes, DVD with garbage photos, notes from garbage analysis, crime scene log from conservation area, Chad Wamsley's notes, DVD surveillance video/interview with Givens, DVD Donovan Kim-Wang, photos of RAV-4 (disk), disk-surveillance video 1st State Bank, Uniden answering machine/cordless phone, Lowes receipt, answering machine recordings, McClusky field notes, Jie Chen

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF MCLEAN)

THE PEOPLE OF THE)
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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VS.)
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Misook Nowlin)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

NO. 2011 CF 800

SUPPLEMENTAL DISCOVERY COMPLIANCE PURSUANT TO RULE 412

Now comes the People of the State of Illinois by Jennifer S. McCoskey, Assistant State's Attorney in and for the County of McLean, State of Illinois, and presents as Discovery Compliance herein the following:

1. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 412(a)(v), physical evidence may include:


- Exhibits 378-532: Field notes from Investigation
- Exhibits 533-534: Circle City Cab Driver Log Sheet
- Exhibits 535-541: Emails from Jie Chen to Detective Buchanan with family photographs attached
- Exhibits 542-564: Letters
- Exhibits 565-585: Search Warrant Packet for Letter from Indiana

Specifically included in Field Notes:

- Exhibit 434: Property assessment data sheet
- Exhibits 435-436: Release of Mortgage
- Exhibits 440-441: Notice of Foreclosure
- Exhibits 442-444: Assignment of Mortgage
- Exhibits 445-449: Mortgage for 1920 Tracy Drive, Apt. 13, Bloomington
- Exhibits 450-453: Assignment of Mortgage
- Exhibits 454-460: Mortgage
- Exhibits 461-470: Emails to Rick Barkes
- Exhibit 472: Rental Car Receipt form Don Wang
- Exhibit 479-483: Driver's License Photos
- Exhibit 484: Information on 2008 Toyota
- Exhibits 485: Information on 2003 Mercedes
- Exhibits 487: Lowe's Receipts

See also disc labeled Hibachi Grill surveillance, included herein in addition to any and all evidence contained or mentioned in exhibits 378-585 as provided.

Respectfully submitted,


Jennifer S. McCoskey
Assistant State's Attorney

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July 20, 1998

DETECTIVE LARRY SHEPPERD
BLOOMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
305 S EAST ST
BLOOMINGTON IL 61701

Laboratory #M98-3094

NATURE OF INVESTIGATION: Homicide
VICTIM(S): Christina McNeil
SUSPECT(S): Misook Nowlin

REQUEST

At the request of Detective Larry Shepperd, the above listed suspect was examined by the polygraph detection of deception technique at the Morton Forensic Science Laboratory on July 15, 1998.

NATURE OF INVESTIGATION

The purpose of this polygraph examination was to investigate whether the above listed subject suffocated Christina McNeil on June 16, 1998.

RESULTS

During the course of the examination, the subject denied suffocating Christina McNeil and denied being present at Barton McNeil's apartment when Christina was suffocated. During the course of the polygraph examination, this examiner also experienced some communication difficulties with the subject.

There were erratic and inconsistent responses on the subject's polygraph records which preclude the examiner from rendering an opinion on the following questions:

On June 16 (1998) did you suffocate Christina McNeil at Barton McNeil's apartment? Answer: No

Did you suffocate Christina McNeil? Answer: No

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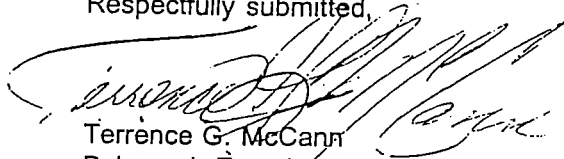
On June 16 (1998) did you enter Barton McNeil's apartment between
midnight and seven A.M.?

Answer: No

Were you at Barton McNeil's apartment when Christina was suffocated?

Answer: No

Respectfully submitted,



Terrence G. McCann
Polygraph Examiner

TGM:l



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DETECTIVE T E SANDERS
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STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
MCLEAN COUNTY

RE: Laboratory #M98-3094
Agency #98-004610

OFFENSE: Murder
VICTIM: Christine McNeil
SUSPECT: Barton McNeil

On August 5, 1998, Exhibit #2 was received at the Metro-East Forensic Science Laboratory in Fairview Heights, Illinois.

<u>EXHIBIT</u>	<u>ITEM SUBMITTED</u>	<u>FINDINGS</u>
#2.	One (1) window and screen assembly	The holes in the screen are characteristic of having been cut.

Should more information be required regarding the results of this analysis, please contact this examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas E. Gamboe, Jr.
Forensic Scientist III

TEG:t

cc: Morton Forensic Science Laboratory
McLean County State's Attorney's ✓

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(L1), (L2), and (L3) are all part of the same report/document. This pertains to the forensic examination of the aluminum bedroom storm window frame and assembly. Note that this report is made just a few days before the phone records are typed up (although phone records were actually obtained on July 24). This window frame/screen was sent to no less than 3 separate crime labs spanning several months. Yet these are the only pages disclosed about its examination.

Why are exams taking place at all? I thought the screen couldn't have been opened at all because of dust and cobwebs, right? Not so. Clearly the police are looking for some sort of evidence that the window HAD been opened. The labs certainly did not find any evidence, even cobwebs, proving the window screen hadn't been opened, otherwise the lab documents would have stated such. Yet all these documents show is that the screen had been cut by a knife. Big deal! You can tell that just by looking at it.

At all of these 3 separate labs, surely the screen & frame went through a battery of forensic examinations. Surely it was examined for fiber evidence. The sliding track was probably looked at to see recent evidence of scrapes from being opened. What caused the bending and bowing? Notice how jagged the holes are. Surely if someone stuck their fingers through the holes, their fingers would have become scratched leaving microscopic flesh debris on the sharp strain of the cut screens. Surely these exams were done, especially in a child-murder case. But I got no such reports. I have learned that the absence of reports about exams certain to have taken place speaks louder than these meaningless pages. The fact that the screen was cut is obvious. What it was cut with is unimportant.

By the way, none of these police reports were used as evidence during my trial. Smith totally ignored them.

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ILLINOIS STATE POLICE
Division of Forensic Services
Forensic Sciences Command

LABORATORY WORKSHEET

Date Examined: 8/7/98

Case No.: M98-3094

Exhibit/Item: #2 One (1) window and screen assembly

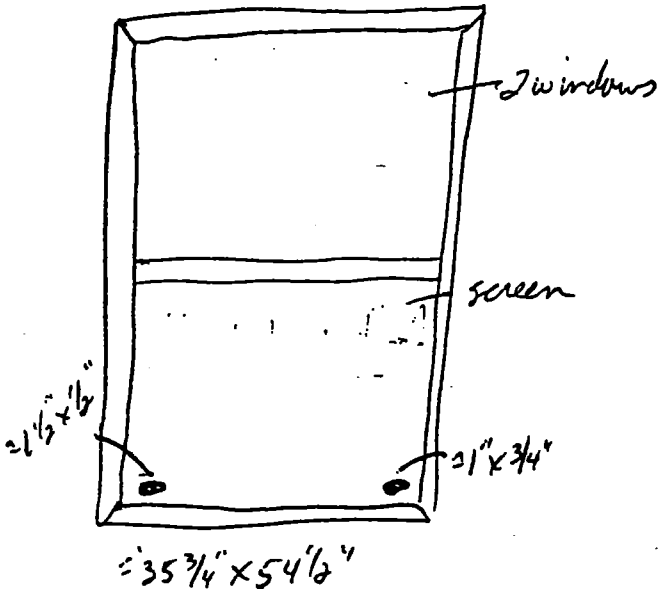
Source/Date Received: ET Dennis Hayland 8/5/98 (@ M.E. Lab) (in Mot Lab 7/16/98)

Description of Package: old BPB

Description of Markings as Received: on bag front

Laboratory Marks: CED 1 Tom bag front

Laboratory Examination:



- screen bears two (2) holes near the latches used to raise/lower screen
- microscopic exam revealed very straight edges on wire at holes, some striated markings and pretty straight lines between wire ends @ hole edge
- * screen appears to have been cut, probably by a knife type tool (does NOT give appearance of opposed jawed tools)
- photographed w/ Polaroid

LM
M98-3094
#2 Tom
edge

Conclusions: Screen appears to have been cut at area where holes are (by a knife type tool, poss. by)

Repackaging: OR/G Date: 8/7/98 Analyst: TG

Offense Description: First Degree Murder
Primary Person Involved: McNeil, Christina

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ORIGINAL

In response to a Subpoena issued by the Grand Jury I did receive Telephone information from GTE in regards to incoming and outgoing calls from 06-15-98 12:00A to 06-16-98 12:00A. These calls were from Barton McNeil PH:(309) 828-1873, Tita McNeil (309) 828-1772 and Misook Nowlini (309) 664-5717. I called all the numbers to determine who they were and they are as follows.

- 1. Misook To Information 06-15-98 10:35P
- 2. Misook to Information 06-15-98 10:41P
- 3. Tita to Information 06-16-98 3:29P
- 4. Bart to Information 06-16-98 5:22P
- 5. Bart to Police 06-16-98 5:23P
- 6. Tita to Philippines 06-16-98 6:41P
- 7. Misook to AT&T 06-15-98 7:09A
- 8. Misook to Andy Nowlin 06-15-98 7:05P Andy Nowlin is Misook's ex-husband and father of there Child Michelle.
- 9. Misook to Jane Frink 06-15-98 7:06P Jane is Andy's Sister and Misook's Ex-Sister in Law
- 10. Misook to Robert Nowlin 06-15-98 7:07P Robert Nowlin is Andy's father and Misook's Ex-Father in Law.
- 11. Misook to Andy Nowlin 06-15-98 8:22P
- 12. Misook to Information 06-15-98 10:35P
- 13. Misook to Information 06-15-98 10:41P
- 14. Misook to Unk cell Ph. 06--15-98 10:47P
- 15. Misook to Andy Nowlin 06-15-98 10:52P
- 16. Misook to Cellular One 06-15-98 11:42P
- 17. Misook to Glen Poors Automotive 6-16-98 5:11P
- 18. Misook to Andy Nowlin 06-16-98 5:22P
- 19. Misook to Jane Frink 06-16-98 5:23P
- 20. Tita To information 06-6-16-98 3:37P
- 21. Bart to Darden Restaurants 06-16-98 12:41P Spoke to Judy Snyder, This is the Benefits section of the corporation. They include Red Lobsters benefits, Snyder advised that Bart McNeil had no benefits after November of 1997 and they had to date paid him no death benefits.
- 22. Bart to Darden Restaurants 06-16-98 12:43P.
- 23. Bart to Darden Restaurants 06-16-98 12:48P
- 24. Bart To Disconnected 06-16-98 12:52P
- 25. Bart to Information 06-16-98 5:22P
- 26. Bart to Police 06-16-98 5:23P
- 27. Jeanne Aden to Tita 06-16-98 6:56P Co worker of Titas, called to offer condolences.
- 28. Jeanne Aden to Tita 06-16-98 6:57P

Officer ID# / Name:

Det. R. Skene

Report Date:

08-21-98

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Dear Bart, Please forgive me typing this, it's much easier for me to type than to write. You probably don't remember me, but I lived in an apartment across the hall from Misook in 1998. It was in the apartment building on Croxton. We both lived in the basement.

I saw you on the news last night, and learned that Misook had murdered her mother in law. I saw your family member say that they were trying to get your case reopened and that if anyone knew anything or had any information on your daughter's murder that they should step forward. I'm not sure that I have information that can help you, but I still felt you should know what I know. It may be one small piece to the puzzle of what really happened, but hopefully each piece will help you.

I was working 3rd shift at the post office at that time. I came home early from work one night, and while I was preparing for bed at approx 4 am, I heard noises in the hall... Since it was so late at night and there was no one living down there except Misook and I, I looked out the peep hole in the door and saw Misook, going through a storage closet in the hall. I thought it was strange that she would be looking through her closet that late at night, but I went to bed and didn't think much more about it. That next day she told me that your daughter had been murdered and that she thought you had done it. You were then arrested and convicted, but I always wondered if she had also been part of the crime because it was strange that she had been up so late that night looking through the closet. Since seeing you on the news, and learning she committed another murder, I have started thinking about it again. I don't know if this information can help you, but I wanted to let you know. I tried to contact your cousin Grace on Facebook but she has never responded to me. I also called the Bloomington Police Department to let them know what I saw, they took my information and said they would have a detective call me, but it's been 3 days and so far I haven't heard back from them. If you need to contact me, you can write back to me. If you're innocent, I pray that your case is reopened and that your conviction is overturned and that you finally receive justice. Please let me know if you think it would be helpful for me to talk to anyone about what I saw that night.

You're in my prayers,
Susanne Burns

Susanne Burns
1927 Midway
Normal, IL 61761

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Dear Mr. McNeil,

Tuesday, November 01, 2011

I hope this letter finds you well and staying strong. I've been keeping up with your case for a while now through the papers, and wanted to ask you a couple of questions. Just to give you a little background, I am an advocate for Jamie Snow, who was wrongfully convicted in 2001 for the 1991 murder of a gas station attendant in Bloomington. There is no physical evidence linking Jamie to this crime (although we have been fighting tooth and nail to have evidence recovered from the crime scene tested - to no avail), his conviction was primarily based on an eye witness who "suddenly" identified him 8 years later. This same "star witness" failed to identify him shortly after the crime in an in person line up, as well as numerous photo books over the years. In fact, in one session he identified two others and stated, "It's between these two", neither of whom were Jamie. Additionally, there was a litany of jailhouse snitches that testified against him, several have since recanted.

I've read the recent newspaper articles on your case, but we both know all too well that is never the full story. In our case, we have found a pattern of misconduct by detectives on the BPD as well as the state's attorney's office. I noticed your trial was held in 1998, during that time Charles Reynard was the SA. Jamie was prosecuted by Reynard as well as Assistant SA Teena Griffin. The detectives on his case were primarily Crowe, Katz and Barkes*. I am wondering if anyone of these folks worked your case, and if you are alleging misconduct (even if these detectives didn't specifically work on your case). You are probably aware of the Alan Beaman case (he was exonerated a couple of years ago), in which the state failed to provide the defense with information on an alternative suspect, as well as evidence on the travel "time line", e.g., if I remember correctly, they only turned over the time line that favored them - not the other experiments. Additionally, Eric Drew's case was remanded in appellate court (he chose to take a plea deal rather than a retrial) after the higher court found the testimony of Freitag* (the assistant SA on his original case - now a judge) and Katz "incredible." And it is - I have the transcripts of their testimony if you need them. They not only paid a witness, but gave him substantial favors (basically, a "get out of jail free card" because every time that dude got in trouble, Katz got him out until the day he testified for the state). Anyway, I was wondering if you have anything in your case involving a pattern of misconduct by the state, and if so, what are the allegations and who was involved from the state? I have no idea what will come of it, and I may be grasping at straws, but I guess it's better to reach out than to do nothing.

I hope to hear from you soon if you have any information to pass my way, and best of luck to you. I've read many wrongful conviction cases, but (to me), the most egregious cases involve crimes against children, and how incredibly painful it must be if that child is your own. Keep up the good fight and stay strong. And I hope that during your darkest hours, you remember that you are not only fighting for justice for you, but also justice for your daughter, and that thought keeps you moving forward.

Regards,


Tammy Alexander

P.O. Box 944

Collierville, TN 38027

my reply sent 11/23

* Det on Mi's case
★ Judge on Mi's case



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November 9, 1998

DETECTIVE T E SANDERS
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RE: Agency #98-004610
Lab #M98-3094

OFFENSE: Homicide
VICTIM: Christine McNeil
SUSPECT: Barton McNeil

RECEIVED: November 2, 1998

FROM: Evidence Locker #10

The following is a summary of the items submitted:

<u>EXHIBIT</u>	<u>ITEM SUBMITTED</u>
#4	Hair from victim's right hand
#5	Hairs from victim's left hand
#6	Victim's head hair standard
#19	Suspect's hair standards
	A. Head hair standard
	B. Pubic hair standard

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"microscopic and
consistent with
(a) similar to the
hair standard"

EXAMINATION AND RESULTS:

One head hair from Exhibit #4 and five head hairs from Exhibit #5 were microscopically consistent with the head hair standard from Christine McNeil and dissimilar to the head hair standard from Barton McNeil; therefore, these hairs could have originated from Christine McNeil and did not originate from Barton McNeil.

Please note that the hairs observed in Exhibits #4, #5, and #6 are of a mixed race origin, Caucasian and Mongoloid. Some of these hairs also had immature characteristics; this is commonly seen in hairs originating from a child.

Exhibit #19B was not examined.

were all hairs observed

at least some had been examined

Defence examination of Andy Nowlin, the exhusband of my estranged girlfriend, and father of their 8yr old Caucasian/Mongoloid child.

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1 Q I'd call your attention to the day before Mi Sook
2 was found -- I'm sorry, Christina was found dead and ask you
3 whether on that day you had seen personally or spoken over the
4 telephone with Mi Sook?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Do you remember about what time of day? Was that a
7 telephone call or personal visit?

8 A Telephone call the night prior.

9 Q About what time did you receive that call, if you
10 know?

11 A I'm going to say anywhere between nine to 10:30.

12 Q Okay. And what did Mi Sook tell you when she called
13 you?

14 A Exact things we talked about, I don't know. She was
15 just talking, just a variety of things.

16 Q Okay. Did she talk to you about any problems she
17 was having with her relationship with Barton?

18 A I believe so.

19 Q Do you remember any particulars of that?

20 A I think she said that he was going to leave her or
21 was moving out.

22 Q Even though you and Mi Sook had been divorced, you
23 still kept in touch with each other. She would call you, you
24 would talk with her?

Hairs CONT:

~~Either Christina is defending herself by pulling out her own hair while being attacked, or the hairs found in her dead hands do belong to her attacker - one that Christina loved and trusted - another Caucasian/Mongoloid child,~~

Andy's Mar. 4th '99 testimony: My appointed attorney, Smith, is asking Andy about the phone-plotting to frame me. The phone call actually took place at 10:52 PM (see phone records).

From line 14 onwards, Andy tries to evade the specifics of what the purpose of Misook's phone call was. Andy testified that Misook talked about the problems she was having with me 16, 17 and that I "was going to leave her." 20

Andy knows what Smith is getting at, but is being evasive. Note that in the police report about Andy's questioning (which I believe you have a copy of), Andy's whereabouts remain undisclosed throughout the night except for the changing of their Caucasian/Mongoloid daughter's clothing after the murder. Smith refused my own request to ask him this during this testimony.

1 Q Okay. Did you see him the day before Christina was
2 found dead?

3 A Yes, I do.

4 Q And where did you see him?

5 A I call him and I ask him to have dinner with me at
6 Avanti's, that spaghetti place.

7 Q Why did you want to have dinner with him?

8 A Well, that day before we have spend time together
9 and I kind of miss him and want to talk to him, you know, just
10 feeling I want to see him. And then, I don't know, I just
11 don't feel right. I asked him to have dinner with me, and he
12 say he going to come to see me. So we meet at Avanti's around
13 six o'clock.

14 Q At Avanti's?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Did you have dinner?

17 A Yes.

18 Q During the dinner did you have a discussion?

19 A Yes. Actually we have couple of discussions. I
20 discuss with him a couple of things. First of all, I think I
21 talked to him about the telephone bill, and actually I find
22 from his place I find from his E-mail stuff from his place,
23 and I asked him about you have girl friend in, I believe,
24 Malaysia, something like that, and you talk on telephone with

1 now. So my name is Mi Sook Kim now.

2 Q Where do you live?

3 A 1412 Croxton, Apartment 7, Bloomington.

4 Q Do you know Bart McNeil, the man sitting next to me?
5 Is that correct?

6 A Yes.

7 Q You dated him for some length of time. Is that
8 correct?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Subsequently you and he broke up. Is that correct?

11 A Yes.

12 Q And do you know he had a daughter by the name of
13 Christina?

14 A Yes.

15 Q You know she was found dead on the morning of June
16 16th of last year. Is that correct?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Now when was the last time that you saw Barton
19 before Christina was found dead?

20 A When I see Christina last time?

21 Q When did you see Barton?

22 A Barton last time?

23 Q Mm-hmm.

24 A I think that June 16th, lunchtime.