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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
                 WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA
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   ESTATE OF KENNETH MICHAEL TRENTADUE,
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   by and through its Personal
   Representative, CARMEN AGUILAR
   Trentadue, et al,
                      Plaintiffs,
                                          )Case No. CIV-97-849-L
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   vs.
   UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al
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                      Defendants.
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DIRECT EXAMINATION OF KEVIN ROLAND

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may be a witness in this matter. You may be excused.
            THE WITNESS: Okay. Thank you.
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       (WITNESS EXCUSED.)
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            THE COURT: Call your next witness.
            MR. ADAMS: Kevin Roland, Your Honor.
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                          KEVIN ROLAND,
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   having been first duly sworn to tell the truth, the whole
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   truth, and nothing but the truth, testified as follows:
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            THE COURT: You may proceed, Mr. Adams.
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   Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Please state your name for the Court and
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    jury.
    A. Kevin Roland.
        How are you employed, Mr. Roland?
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        I'm currently the chief investigator for the State
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    Medical Examiner's Office in Oklahoma City.
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       Can you tell the Court and jury what you do as a chief
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    medical investigator for the ME's Office here in Oklahoma
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    City?
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    A. Well, my responsibilities are to supervise all the death
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    investigations that come under our jurisdiction.
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    supervise approximately 15 field investigators, oversee all
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    of the reports that come in from our county medical
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    examiners which are physicians in the state, which is
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    roughly 350 active physicians that do case investigations
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for us.

I am responsible for the training of all of the investigators not only the hiring, but the continuing education training. I am responsible for basically all of the either getting them into schools, doing some lectures to them, teaching mechanisms, and keeping up to date on the current forensic aspects, science, and things of that nature. I am responsible for supervising the clinical training of physicians and law enforcement people, college students that criminal justice majors, forensic science majors that do clinical rotations through our office, and I supervise their training as well.

And I am also responsible for providing a lot of continuing education training for law enforcement for the legal profession, for the medical profession as well. And basically, I supervise all of the operations, daily operations of all the deaths that are reported to the medical examiner to see to it that all investigative information is obtained and give him direction and guidance on further follow-up investigations.

- Q. Now, did you also hold the position of chief investigator for the medical examiner's office in August of 1995?
- 24 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Can you tell the Court and jury what your background is

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in regards to being qualified to be the chief investigator
   for the Medical Examiner's Office?
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       I went to work at the Medical Examiner's Office in
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   December of 1985 after having spent approximately three
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   years working in the funeral industry and had a lot of
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   affiliation and interaction with the Medical Examiner's
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   Office. I was hired there as a pathology assistant.
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   pathology assistant's job is that they assist the doctors on
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   the examinations of the body, assist on the autopsy,
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    actually be the one that makes the incisions, removes the
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    organs for the doctors, did the X-ray examinations,
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    responsible for helping of the collection of evidence from
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    the bodies in conjunction with the pathologist, was also
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    responsible for doing -- preparing the microscopic tissue,
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    the scientist called histology.
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I did that at the Medical Examiner's Office for two years, and then I was promoted to an investigator's position. During that time I had received my basic emergency medical technician certificate, passed the national registry because that's very important for what we do in that we have a lot of interaction with emergency departments, with paramedics, and we need have that knowledge to understand the differences and things that happen to a body in an emergency situation, so that we can try to be familiar with those procedures and see how they

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may effect what we are observing on the body. I was an investigator responsible for taking death calls where when a death was reported we would first have to determine does the circumstances of this death meet our statutory obligations, our statutory authority. Death is only a medical examiner case if it falls under the statutory guidelines as what we are authorized to investigate.

Upon making that determination if it is one that we are involved in, then an investigator will, if it's outside of a hospital setting, we will respond to the scene here in the metropolitan area. If it's at a hospital under certain circumstances we will go to the hospital, examine the body. Then go to the scene to see where the death where the incident began to try and follow through and account for everything that happened to the body.

We are also --- investigator is responsible for even in cases where the jurisdiction is declined, we are responsible for trying to coordinate with the physicians that should be certifying the death, answering questions they may have because oftentimes they are not sure themselves why it's not a medical examiner case. So there is daily education that goes on there.

An investigator works closely with the law enforcement agencies. We go to the scene. We obtain information from them as to what they know at that point in time about the

circumstances.

We also will examine the scene itself and examine the body, try to determine how the body and the scene, what is significant, what's not significant, what type of interactions that this person had with this environment to where they came from. And so we make preliminary diagnosis, preliminary interpretations. In cases, we are quite often the ones that give guidance as to whether or not it's a homicide, appears to be a homicide, or appears to be a suicide.

We help the law enforcement decide which direction to take. We obtain evidence from the body, trace evidence. We help collect obviously lots of history about the person. We also -- periods of time we used to do a lot of photography then we didn't. We are back to doing that now, but basically seeing to it, overseeing that the scene is documented well, that the scene is worked thoroughly. Then we prepare the case reports for the pathologist and all the paperwork in that, giving them the history. We assist the pathologist in the collection of further evidence at autopsy.

We're responsible for communicating with all the law enforcement agencies and other entities and family members and funeral homes and things of that nature in trying to get the case to it's final destination.

- If you could, Mr. Roland, would you explain to the Court 1 and jury your training and/or experience that qualifies you, what have you been to in regards to seminars, training and 3 experience that qualifies you to be the chief medical 4 examiner for the State of Oklahoma? 5
- Chief investigator. 6
- Chief investigator. 7 Ο.
- Don't want to step on Dr. Jordan's toes. 8
- I don't either. 9

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- First of all, you can't get any kind of degree that prepares you to be a -- a medical legal death investigator. There are no degreed programs in the country that you graduate with that type of degree that you are automatically qualified to be a medical legal death investigator. Most of what we do is something you get types of training that
- prepare you such as the -- we'll do blood pattern analysis 16 schooling. We go to homicide investigations school. We go 17 to technical investigations schools, a lot of on-the-job 18
- training. Most of it -- it's a continuous clinical type 19 setting, clinical learning process where you are observing 20
- wounds. You are observing injuries and things on bodies, 21
- and you are being taught by a forensic pathologist. 22
- Outside being a forensic pathologist, everything else 23 for lay people is pretty much on the job. I have been to 24
- numerous types of homicide investigation schools, 25

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sexual-related homicides, child abuse investigations, child
   death investigations, investigations of natural deaths,
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   suicide investigation schools. And there has been so many
   over the years, it's hard to recall them all, but well
   rounded and complete learning, and not only being trained by
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   law enforcement and different agencies and discipline such
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   as social workers that have expertise in certain areas.
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   There is a lot of what we do is you are learning on the job
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   under the supervision of a forensic pathologist.
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   Q. Are you certified by any boards or agencies or anything
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    like that?
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       Yes, I am a board registered medical legal death
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    investigator by the American Board of Medical Legal Death
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    Investigations. They are affiliate of the National
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    Association of Medical Examiners. This board registry is
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    something that was just developed to where death
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    investigators can get national certification, national
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     registration in our field for recognition. This is
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     something that just started two years ago.
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         Are you presently involved with that organization in any
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     way in regards to certifying other death investigators?
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         Yes, after completing the initial registry examination,
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     I was told I scored the second highest in the nation, so
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     they asked me to write 40 advance certification questions
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     for the upcoming certification event. They will start
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- giving that this spring. I have also been to the National
 Institute of Justice Train the Trainer Academy for the
 National Institute of Justice guidelines on death scene
 investigations. And currently there are only eight of us in
 the United States that has so far been through this
 schooling and certified in the medical legal death
 investigation.
- 8 Q. Outside of your of your duties as chief investigator for 9 the State of Oklahoma, do you teach any classes at OU or any other colleges or universities?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- MR. HANDLER: I am going to object. None of this
 is relevant. Mr. Roland has not been designated as an
 expert.
- THE COURT: Be sustained. Move on.
- Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, can you tell the Court and jury in regards to the Medical Examiner's Office what is the ultimate conclusion that the Medical Examiner's Office is trying to come to in regards to viewing a body, scene, and what else does that comprise of?
- 21 A. Our bottom line that we are trying to seek out is we are
- 22 trying to seek out and determine the cause and manner of
- 23 death. That is our statutory obligation.
- 24 Q. To come to that conclusion, what components or issues do
- 25 you as an investigator deem to be important to come to those

types of conclusions?

- Well, in every death we want to try to do a complete 2 scene investigation. You want to do -- to obtain as much 3 information, history, as much investigative information about the deceased, about the circumstances leading up to 5 the death, and then we have our autopsy examination. And in 6 the end, you have to take these different areas. You have 7 to have your history and circumstances. You have to have your scene investigation, and then your autopsy. And you 9 take all of these findings together to reach your final 10 conclusion. 11
- Now, are you the one that actually determined the cause 12 and manner of death or is that done by someone else? 13
- That is done by a pathologist. Α. 14
- Are you considered the ears and eyes of the pathologist? Ο. 15
- Yes. 16 Α.
- Mr. Roland, were you the chief investigator -- I think 17
- you already testified in August of 95? 18
- Yes. Α. 19
- Do you ever recall receiving a phone call or information 20
- about their being circumstances at the Federal Transfer 21
- Center on August 21, 1995? 22
- Yes. 23
- When did you first learn about anything happening at the 24
- Federal Transfer Center? 25

- 1 A. Approximately 6:30 in the morning of the 21st.
- 2 Q. How did you learn about this? Tell us what happened.
- 3 A. I received a call from my investigator Tammi Gillis
- 4 telling me she was on her way to the Federal Transfer Center
- 5 to investigate a death.
- 6 Q. That was about 6:30 a.m. on August 21, 1995?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. What is the next information or contact you had
- 9 regarding anything happening at the Federal Transfer Center?
- 10 A. Approximately 7:15, I received a second call from Tammi
- 11 Gillis stating she was at the transfer center and needed to
- 12 talk to me.
- 13 Q. Did you talk to her then?
- 14 A. Yes, I did.
- 15 Q. What actions did you take after that phone conversation
- 16 | with Ms. Gillis?
- 17 A. Well, at the time that we talked she explained to me --
- MR. BARON: Objection; hearsay, Your Honor.
- MR. HANDLER: Objection; hearsay.
- THE COURT: Be sustained.
- 21 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) If you can, what did you tell Ms. Gillis?
- 22 A. I told her that since they were going to leave the cell
- 23 secure, go ahead and bring the body to the office. I would
- 24 look at the body there, and we would make further decisions
- 25 at that time.

- 1 Q. And did the body arrive there at the Medical Examiner's
- 2 Office?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. For purposes of the Court and jury, where is that
- 5 located?
- 6 A. At 901 North Stonewall in Oklahoma City.
- 7 Q. Is that kind of over by the state capitol complex, all
- 8 those areas?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. Were you present whenever the body arrived?
- 11 A. Yes, I was.
- 12 Q. Approximately what time was that?
- 13 A. It was approximately 7:50 in the morning.
- 14 Q. On August 21, 1995?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. Tell the Court and jury what you did when the body
- 17 arrived.
- 18 A. When the body arrived, I went and did a preliminary
- 19 examination looking at the body to make my observations.
- 20 Q. What is a preliminary examination?
- 21 A. Well, at that point I wanted to look at the overall body
- 22 to see, to make some observations based on some things that
- 23 Tammi had told me. I wanted to see the body for myself. I
- 24 looked at the body. I looked at the amount of blood on the
- 25 body. I looked at some injuries to the body to see if I had

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some of the same observations that she had relayed to me on
   the phone.
      What were your observations of the body?
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      Well, I saw that the body, first of all, had a large
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   amount of blood on the body. There was bruising to the
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   knuckles. There was large lacerations to the neck.
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   were petechial hemorrhages on the body around the eyes and
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   around the cheeks, and that was my initial observations.
   Q. What did all those things tell you?
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            MR. HANDLER: Objection, Your Honor; calls for
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    expert opinion.
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                         Same objection, Your Honor.
             MR. BARON:
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             MR. ADAMS: He is the chief investigator, Your
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    Honor, and this during the scope and course of employment.
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             THE WITNESS: I can answer that for you, Judge.
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             THE COURT: You don't need to answer.
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             MR. BARON: Your Honor, they are attempting to
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    impeach his superior who they called as their expert witness
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    through this witness.
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              MR. ADAMS: I certainly am not attempting to
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     impeach his superior.
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              THE COURT: I didn't ask Mr. Baron. I didn't ask
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     Mr. Handler. I asked Mr. Adams is he listed as an expert
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     witness.
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              MR. ADAMS: He is not, Your Honor.
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- THE COURT: Objection sustained.
- 2 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) After observing the body, what did you
- 3 | do?
- 4 A. I then called Acting Warden Marie Carter.
- 5 Q. For what purpose?
- 6 A. To explain to her my concerns about the body and to ask
- 7 her if they were going to call the FBI to investigate.
- 8 Q. Tell the Court and the jury what you told Acting Warden
- 9 Marie Carter on August 21, 1995?
- 10 A. I told her that despite her not wanting to call the FBI
- 11 that I was calling the FBI.
- MR. HANDLER: Objection, Your Honor; calls for a
- 13 hearsay response.
- MR. BARON: Objection.
- THE COURT: Sustained. Jury disregard.
- 16 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, I don't want you to testify
- 17 what Ms. Carter told you. What did you tell Ms. Carter
- 18 without interjecting anything?
- 19 A. I am sorry. I was quoting word for word what I said.
- 20 am sorry.
- 21 Q. Did you tell Ms. Carter what you were going to do, if
- 22 anything?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. What did you tell her?
- 25 A. I told her I was going to call the FBI.

- 1 Q. After that phone conversation, what did you do?
- 2 A. I called the FBI.
- 3 Q. Who did you talk to at the FBI?
- 4 A. Supervisory Special Agent Hunt. I believe his name was
- 5 Richard Hunt.
- 6 Q. What was the purpose of calling Richard Hunt?
- 7 A. I called him to tell him that I felt that the FBI needed
- 8 to go out and investigate this death and investigate the
- 9 scene.
- 10 Q. Why?
- MR. HANDLER: Objection; calls for expert opinion.
- MR. ADAMS: It does not call for expert opinion.
- THE COURT: Objection will be overruled.
- 14 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Why?
- 15 A. Because I felt that the scene, number one, needed to be
- thoroughly documented. I had worked with the FBI in the
- 17 Oklahoma City bombing, worked very closely with their
- evidence people. I knew that they knew how the process a
- 19 crime scene. And that I felt that they needed to have their
- 20 investigators go out, and I specifically told Mr. Hunt that
- 21 they needed an independent agency investigating this death,
- 22 in my opinion.
- 23 Q. Why did -- did you go out to the Federal Transfer Center
- 24 after relaying this information to Special Agent Hunt?
- 25 A. No, I did not.

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Why not?
            MR. HANDLER: Objection; calls for hearsay
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   response.
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                        Why he did not go out there.
            MR. ADAMS:
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           THE COURT: Objection will be overruled.
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            THE WITNESS: I did not go out there for several
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   reasons, one of which was that with the body having been
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   gone that the documentation at the scene is worked properly
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   and photographed and diagramed and sketched that that
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    information that was there in the scene would be available
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    to us for review later. And two, I was very deeply involved
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    and had meetings scheduled that morning. We were working on
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    the aftermath of the Oklahoma City bombing, and we were in
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    the process of trying to get the unidentified leg
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    identified, and trying to get part of the all of the case
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    files and all of the information gathered together for the
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    judicial proceedings involving the Oklahoma city bombing.
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        (BY MR. ADAMS) Now, after that phone call with Special
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    Agent Hunt, what did you do next in regards to this matter?
        That afternoon I did briefly see the FBI technicians who
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     came over to the office to process Mr. Trentadue's body.
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         And who was that that you saw?
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         I saw Special Agent Neal Hunt and another Agent Felicia
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     and I am -- last name Mutual or something like that.
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     can't remember her last name was present, and while they
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- were processing the body I talked to them briefly.
- Is this while the autopsy is going on or after the
- autopsy? 3
- This is after the autopsy. Α.
- Were they there for any purpose? 5
- To photograph the body, to pick up the evidence that we 6
- had collected and submitted, and to take fingerprints of the 7
- body. 8
- What evidence did they pick up from the Medical 9
- Examiner's Office on August 21, 1995? 10
- Bear with me just a moment here. They picked up left 11
- and right nail clippings, scalp hair, pubic hair, boxer 12
- shorts, a ligature, a sheet, four tubes of blood, oral swab 13
- and a rectal swab. 74
- Did they take that with them on August 21, 1995? 15
- Yes, they did. 16
- What is the next contact with anyone that you had 17
- regarding this matter? 18
- On August 22, the following day, I received a phone call 19
- from Special Agent Jeff Jenkins of the FBI. 20
- Who is Special Agent Jeff Jenkins of the FBI? 21
- He identified himself as the agent that had been 22
- assigned this case. 23
- Did you have any conversations with him about this case? 24
- Yes, I did. 25 Α.

- 1 Q. Can you briefly tell us what you told Special Agent 2 Jenkins?
- 3 A. I told him that this death needed to be worked as a
- 4 homicide, that he needed to see to it that they interviewed
- 5 everybody involved, and just to work it like a homicide.
- 6 Q. And after this -- this would have been on the 22nd of
- 7 August of 1995?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. What is the next thing you recall happening in regards
- 10 to this particular case?
- 11 A. On August 28, I received a phone call from Jesse
- 12 Trentadue.
- 13 Q. What was the purpose of that phone call?
- 14 A. He called to let me know that the name that we had on
- 15 the death certificate was incorrect, that he was requesting
- 16 that we change the name to Kenneth Trentadue, and to tell me
- 17 about his concerns about the injuries to the body.
- 18 Q. What name did you have the body under?
- 19 A. We received the body as Vance Paul Brockway.
- 20 Q. So there was a phone call requesting that it be changed
- 21 to Kenneth Trentadue. Did you, in fact, confirm that change
- 22 or have the death certificate change?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Was there any animosity or anything going on in regards
- 25 to that conversation with Mr. Trentadue?

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MR. HANDLER: Objection; not relevant.
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            THE COURT: Be sustained.
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   Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) What else -- anything else about the
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   conversation that you had with Mr. Trentadue other than what
   you told us?
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            MR. HANDLER: Objection; calls for hearsay.
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            MR. ADAMS: I'm talking about what he said, Mr.
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   Roland said.
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             THE WITNESS: I told Mr. Trentadue we would be
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   doing everything possible to try to find out what happened
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   to his brother and that we would be available to talk to
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    him.
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       (BY MR. ADAMS) What is the next think you recall
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    happening in regards to the Trentadue case?
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    A. On September 1st --
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             THE COURT: What year?
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             THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. 1995. Jesse Trentadue
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    came to our office.
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    Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Was that an expected visit?
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             MR. BARON: Your Honor, I am going to enter general
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    objection as to relevance as to Mr. Lee. We are getting far
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     field.
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              THE COURT: What relevance to Mr. Lee does it
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     have?
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              MR. ADAMS: He is getting ready to testify about
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   some items that he received from Mr. Trentadue that go back
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   to --
            THE COURT: Objection will be overruled if we can
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   tie it up.
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                         I will tie it upright now, Your Honor.
            MR. ADAMS:
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   Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Did Mr. Trentadue bring anything with him
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   on this visit on September 1, 1995?
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       Yes, he did.
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       What did he bring?
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       He brought along some photographs of the body that they
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    had taken at the funeral home, and he brought along some
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    letters that Kenneth Trentadue had written to family
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    members.
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        And did the photographs that he produced to you, were
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    those important to you?
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        Yes, they were.
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        How were they important to you?
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              MR. BARON: Objection, Your Honor; he's not an
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    expert witness. He can't testify as to what the medical
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    meaning of these photographs would be. In addition, I guess
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     they are continuing trying to impeach their own expert
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     witness Dr. Jordan.
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              MR. HANDLER: Same objection, Your Honor; in
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     addition, we have objection to the photographs in a motion
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MR. ADAMS: I am laying the foundation, Your Honor,
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   is what I am trying to do.
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            THE COURT: Foundation for what, Mr. Adams?
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                        That he received these photographs.
            MR. ADAMS:
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   They were important to him in regards to him being the chief
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   investigator.
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             THE COURT: Objection will be overruled.
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   Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Did you receive some photographs, Mr.
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   Roland?
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        Yes.
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        Were they important to you as chief investigator?
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        I am going to ask to you refer to Plaintiffs' Exhibit
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    No. 297D.
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             MR. ADAMS: May I approach, Your Honor?
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              THE COURT: You may approach.
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              MR. HANDLER: Your Honor, the United States has an
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    objection to Exhibit No. 297. We filed a motion in limine
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     regarding these photographs that they do not accurately
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     depict the condition of the body while it was in the custody
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     of the Federal Transfer Center.
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              THE COURT: Counsel approach.
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         (FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD AT THE BENCH, WITH ALL
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     COUNSEL PRESENT, AND OUT OF THE HEARING OF THE JURY.)
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              THE COURT: Who took these photographs?
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MR. ADAMS: The photographs were taken by the family when the body was returned to California. The reason why this is important, Your Honor, is Dr. Smialek testified that he reviewed these photographs and he saw no other injuries other than what Dr. Jordan noted. Kevin Roland will testify that these are very important to him and were important to him in the investigation because after embalming and after time bruises become definite and definitive and they see in the photographs that they could not see in the autopsy.

They were important to him in the investigation and he maintained them in his case file and he had requested them from Mr. Trentadue and he received them from Mr. Trentadue, but it is something that they used and considered in his investigation.

MR. HANDLER: Your Honor, the only person -- Kevin Roland testified the only person who makes a determination of cause and manner of death and regarding injuries is Dr. Jordan. They had Dr. Jordan on the stand. Kevin Roland would be used in this manner to describe injuries that Dr. Jordan did not find on autopsy or missed, and they can't use this man as an expert, plus the facts that these photographs do not accurately depict the condition of the body.

The body went through an embalmer -- embalming from a

funeral service. They applied makeup, and the family scrubbed off all the makeup and presented the photographs to Roland. Jordan put significance on the photographs in direct testimony. They could have asked. Now they are trying to get through Kevin Roland which is improper.

MR. BARON: Your Honor, I join in that they're trying to back door some photographs that have no relevance to the case that they have produced because. They have to be interpreted by an expert medical doctor, not someone who is not an expert witness and does not have a medical degree, and by his own testimony could not do that.

Further, it goes that they are trying to use this witness to impeach Dr. Jordan, their own expert witness.

They are highly prejudicial and inflammatory. I don't know if Your Honor has seen these photographs, but they are very inflammatory.

MR. ADAMS: Your Honor, this is the chief investigator. He is the eyes and ears of Dr. Jordan and anything he gathered up in regards to this investigation certainly should be admissible.

Dr. Jordan and Dr. Smialek -- Dr. Smialek particularly testified there are no injuries in this photograph that were not depicted on the autopsy. All this is it gives the --

THE COURT: Mr. Adams, why didn't you ask the expert about the photographs if it figured into his

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decision? Why didn't you ask that?
           MR. ADAMS: First of all, I didn't -- I don't know
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   that Dr. Jordan ever saw these.
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                        Why didn't you ask him?
            THE COURT:
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                       Well, Your Honor --
            MR. ADAMS:
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            THE COURT: You are trying to make an expert out of
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   this witness sounds to me like.
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            MR. ADAMS: He is a fact witness, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: He is not a fact witness.
                                                    You are
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   asking his opinion on what these photographs showed up.
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             MR. ADAMS: No, I'm not asking him his opinions.
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    am asking is this what he received in his investigative
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    material and did he rely. I'm not asking, what your
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    opinions about the injuries or this injury. I am not asking
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    him that.
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             THE COURT: You told me that he was going to
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    testify regarding what these bruises that showed up later
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    and all this meant.
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              MR. ADAMS: No, he is going to testify that the
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     reason why these are important is because as time passes
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     that the bruises become more definitive and that's why they
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     are important to him as chief investigator. He is not going
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     to give conclusions about how they happened.
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              THE COURT: Why didn't you ask Dr. Jordan what the
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     importance of these photographs were if he saw them or
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considered them? I am having difficulty understanding what
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   the relevance of them are if Dr. Jordan looked at them.
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   was your expert.
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            MR. ADAMS: Your Honor, actually he was a fact
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                  I mean he was not designated by us as an
   witness also.
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            He was a fact witness.
   expert.
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                        You asked his opinion on a lot of
            THE COURT:
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   stuff.
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                         I know. They didn't object.
            MR. ADAMS:
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                         They did. The Court treated him as
             THE COURT:
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    expert.
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                         And he should be, Your Honor, I'm just
             MR. ADAMS:
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             THE COURT: I'm having difficulty what you are
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    asking this witness is why this is important that he show
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    up. If you want to just get the photographs introduced, you
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    can do that through whoever took them, and then the Court
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    will decide whether they have any relevance or more
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    prejudicial or probative and what relevance they do have.
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                         I think -- just so I'm clear, Your
              MR. ADAMS:
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    Honor, he is the chief investigator. He is the eyes and
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     ears of Dr. Jordan, and they were important to him.
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              THE COURT: Then they should have been important to
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     your expert, Dr. Jordan.
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              MR. ADAMS: To Dr. Jordan, I can't answer that
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question, why that particular question wasn't asked.
            THE COURT: He was your expert. You are asking
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   this person to render expert opinions. It sounds to the
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   Court
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   like --
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            MR. ADAMS: I'm not asking him that, Your Honor.
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   I'm not asking him to draw opinions or conclusions.
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            THE COURT: If you ask why they were important,
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   this is going to give an opinion.
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             MR. ADAMS: He is a fact witness.
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             THE COURT: That is not fact. That is opinion.
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             MR. ADAMS: They are important to him because they
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    show injuries. They show more definitive injuries. That is
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    not opinion. How is that?
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             THE COURT: Show what?
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                         Show the injuries are more defined.
             MR. ADAMS:
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    That's why they are important to him.
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                          There has been all kinds of testimony
              THE COURT:
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     regarding numerous injuries, Mr. Adams.
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              MR. ADAMS: What he will say the reason they are
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     important to him is because the bruising becomes more
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     definitive with time.
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              THE COURT: Then he is giving a medical opinion.
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              MR. ADAMS: He is not. It is what he observes.
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     is what he observing, not that it's an opinion. It's what
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he is observing.

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THE COURT: I am going to sustain the objection. I think you are trying to qualify him as an expert, and Dr. Jordan was the one to ask all of those opinions to, Mr. Adams.

MR. ADAMS: Well --

(THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD IN OPEN COURT, WITH ALL PARTIES AND COUNSEL PRESENT, AND WITHIN THE PRESENCE AND HEARING OF THE JURY.)

- 10 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, what, if anything, did Mr.
- 11 Trentadue give you on September 21, 1995?
- 12 A. He gave me photographs and letters from Kenneth
- 13 Trentadue to family members.
- 14 Q. That Kenneth Trentadue had written?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. What did you do with the photographs and letters that
- 17 Mr. Trentadue provided to you?
- 18 A. I reviewed them and then gave them to Dr. Jordan.
- 19 Q. Did you have any other conversations with Mr. Trentadue
- 20 on September 1, 1995?
- 21 A. We discussed his concerns about the case.
- 22 Q. I am not asking what he told you. I am just saying -- I
- 23 am asking first question is were there any other
- 24 conversations on September 1, 1995, other than what you told
- 25 us about him providing the photographs and letters. I am

- assuming there are conversations that go along with that,
- but anything else? 2
- I called and spoke with Special Agent Jenkins.
- What was the purpose of that phone call? 4
- To let him know that I had met with Mr. Trentadue 5
- because he told me that he had already met with Special 6
- Agent Jenkins that day and to set up a meeting with Mr. 7
- Jenkins for a later date. 8
- Now, after that conversation with Mr. Trentadue and with 9
- Mr. Jenkins, did you eventually go out to the Federal 10
- Transfer Center? 11
- Yes. Α.
- What day did you go out to the Federal Transfer Center? 12 13
- I believe the first time that I went to the Federal
- Transfer Center was on November 16, 1995. 15
- And what was the purpose of for you going to the Federal 16
- Transfer Center on November 16, 1995? 17
- To one, inspect the cell, number 2, to also try to 18
- obtain records that I had been trying to get about Mr. 19
- Trentadue. 20
- What records were you attempting to get in regards to 21
- Kenneth Trentadue? 22
- I was trying to obtain any medical history, any 23
- psychological history, basically any type of records that 24
- could help give me a time line and other things about the 25

- 1 history of Kenneth Trentadue from the time he was brought
- 2 into custody this time up until the time his death.
- 3 Q. Is that important to you?
- 4 A. Yes, it is.
- 5 Q. Had you ever requested them on any other occasions?
- 6 A. Every occasion that I worked an in-custody death.
- 7 Q. And did you -- so your purpose on November 16, 1995 was
- 8 to pick up medical records regarding Kenneth Trentadue?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Anything else you were doing out there on that day?
- 11 A. To inspect the cell.
- 12 Q. And who was out there with you?
- 13 A. Special Agent Jenkins met me, Captain Sheffer, and
- 14 Lieutenant Freeman, and Ann Tran, their attorney.
- 15 Q. The attorney for who?
- 16 A. For the Federal Transfer Center.
- Q. What were you going to do? Were you going to view the
- 18 cell?
- 19 A. Yes, sir.
- 20 Q. For benefit of the Court and jury, what floor is the
- 21 cell located on?
- 22 A. I believe it's the seventh floor.
- 23 Q. Did you go up to the cell?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. Did you say anything to any of the individuals on your

- 1 way up to the cell?
- 2 A. Yes, I did.
- 3 Q. What?
- 4 A. I was expressed my concerns about trying to explain some
- of the injuries to Mr. Trentadue's body. I was discussing
- 6 some of the theories I had heard talked about as to how some
- 7 of these injuries may have occurred, and I was asking
- 8 questions.
- 9 Q. Now, prior to going up to the cell on November 16, 1995,
- 10 were you given or shown any paperwork there at the Federal
- 11 Transfer Center?
- 12 A. Not prior to that date, no.
- 13 Q. On that day prior to going to the cell, had you seen any
- 14 paperwork yet?
- 15 A. No, sir.
- 16 Q. Now, tell the Court and jury when you arrived at the
- 17 cell, what you saw? First of all, was it secured?
- 18 A. Just locked.
- 19 Q. Was there any crime scene tape on it?
- 20 A. No, sir.
- 21 Q. Tell the Court and jury what you saw.
- 22 A. We walked into the cell. The cell was relatively
- 23 clean. There was a mattress on the bunk, things like that.
- 24 They showed me some writing on the wall.
- 25 Q. Now, what was your understanding in regards to whether

- 1 or not anyone else had occupied that cell since August 21,
- 2 1995, until November 16 of 1995?
- 3 A. They told me that -- I asked specifically that and was
- 4 told that numerous inmates had been in there somewhere I
- 5 just recall it was in the teens.
- 6 Q. So you said that you noticed or they pointed out some
- 7 | writing on the wall?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Can you tell the Court and jury what it said?
- 10 A. Something to the effect of my mind is no longer its
- 11 friend. It looked like to me at the bottom, looked like Tom
- 12 Linx.
- 13 Q. Tom what?
- 14 A. Linx, L-i-n-x.
- 15 Q. Did you request or advise anyone to do anything regards
- 16 to that writing?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. What did you do?
- 19 A. I asked Special Agent Jenkins if he would see to it that
- 20 it was photographed again, and to have their handwriting
- 21 experts try to analyze it.
- MR. BARON: Your Honor, without being repetitious I
- 23 would like to object as to relevance as to Mr. Lee. It's
- 24 getting a bit beyond and far.
- THE COURT: Be overruled.

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Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) And did -- was that actually
  photographed?
       Yes, it was.
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       Do you have a picture of that photograph?
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       Yes, I do.
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            MR. ADAMS: May I approach the witness, Your
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   Honor?
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   May we approach?
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        (FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD AT THE BENCH, WITH ALL
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   COUNSEL PRESENT, AND OUT OF THE HEARING OF THE JURY.)
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             MR. ADAMS: Your Honor, I found this out yesterday
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    when I was visiting with Mr. Roland and talking about his
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    testimony. He has a photograph of the writing on the cell
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    that has never been provided to us taken by the FBI. We
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    repeatedly requested for him to have all photographs taken
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    during the investigation. We have never seen the
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    photographs. It doesn't have any blood. The blood had been
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    removed.
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              MR. SCHLOSSMAN: I can show you that photograph.
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    believe we have that in our exhibit book. Would you like me
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     to get that?
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              THE COURT: What's the number?
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              MR. SCHLOSSMAN: I'm not sure. I'm going to have
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     to quickly review.
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              MR. HANDLER: Could I see it? I think it was
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produced.
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            MR. ADAMS: I have never seen it.
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            MR. SCHLOSSMAN: It's pretty substantial allegation
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   to make without checking out to it.
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                        I object.
            MR. ADAMS:
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            THE COURT: It's in their exhibit book. You were
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   furnished all their exhibits.
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            MR. ADAMS: Yes, Your Honor. I withdraw.
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            THE COURT: You want to introduce that exhibit.
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            MR. ADAMS: Yes, Your Honor, I do.
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             MR. HANDLER: The allegation about the blood we
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    already have evidence that the cell was cleaned.
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             MR. SCHLOSSMAN: I think we need the FBI
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    photographer that took this picture.
             MR. ADAMS: I don't object to it. I'm wanting to
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    get it in. It's their exhibit.
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             THE COURT: Okay, it's Defendant's what?
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                         509B.
             MR. ADAMS:
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             THE COURT: It will be admitted. Mr. Adams, I
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    would just say for the record throughout this case there has
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    been a lot of comments and allegations made, and you need to
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    be careful before you make those kind of statements.
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              MR. ADAMS: I agree, and I apologize to the Court
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     and Mr. Schlossman.
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              THE COURT: The Court has tried to ask Counsel and
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warn Counsel throughout this case for the last four years
  that they need to be more responsible in their allegations,
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  particularly as it relates to their fellow officers of the
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   Court. I would say this is another example that causes the
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   Court some concern.
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- MR. ADAMS: It is, Your Honor. I apologize and I apologize to Mr. Schlossman.
- 7 (THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD IN OPEN COURT, WITH ALL PARTIES AND COUNSEL PRESENT, AND WITHIN THE PRESENCE AND HEARING OF THE JURY.) 10
- Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, I am going to show you what 11 has been admitted as Exhibit No. 509B and ask you if this is 12
- the photograph that you saw on November 16, 1995? 13
- Yes, it is. 14
- Now, you testified that you requested the FBI to get the 15
- handwriting expert to look at this to see if they could 16
- determine who wrote it? 17
- Α. Yes. 18

- Now, we will come back to that in a minute. After --19
- anything else you noticed in the cell while you were up 20
- there on November 16, 1995 regarding the Trentadue case? 21
- A. Regarding the Trentadue case, no, other than I just made 22
- observations of the entire cell. 23
- Q. Okay, now, did you -- what did you do then; did you go 24
- back downstairs? 25

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. Were you given any paperwork when you went back
- 3 downstairs?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. What?
- 6 A. I was handed a file that I requested to look through to
- 7 and see what records that I may need copies of. Also
- 8 requested to see his order of detention or request for
- 9 special housing detention.
- 10 Q. What file were you given to look at on November 16,
- 11 1995?
- 12 A. I was handed -- I was handed what appeared to me to be
- 13 an original file from Ann Tran for me to look at.
- 14 Q. What specifically in the file were you looking for?
- 15 A. I was looking for medical records, any type of
- 16 laboratory testing, psychological history, and the detention
- 17 order.
- 18 Q. What were you looking for the detention order?
- 19 A. Because at that time I still didn't have an answer in
- 20 trying to obtain as much history, trying to find out why Mr.
- 21 Trentadue was in the Special Housing Unit, and I wanted to
- 22 see what their detention order stated for a reason.
- 23 Q. In the file, did you see an administrative detention
- 24 order?
- 25 A. Yes, I did.

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On the administrative detention order that you saw on
  November 16, 1995, would you tell the Court and jury what
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  was the reason for Mr. Trentadue being in the SHU unit?
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            MR. HANDLER: Objection, Your Honor; not relevant
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   and lack of foundation. It also calls for a hearsay
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   response.
                        Is that detention order in evidence
            THE COURT:
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   yet?
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                         I'm sorry.
            MR. ADAMS:
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                         Is it in evidence yet?
             THE COURT:
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                         I don't know if this one is.
             MR. ADAMS:
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    going to testify what it said, what he read on that day,
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    what he saw.
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             THE COURT: What is the exhibit number?
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             MR. ADAMS: We have a couple of them, Your Honor,
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    but the exhibit is Plaintiffs' Exhibit No. 1.
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              THE COURT: That has been admitted, hasn't it?
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              THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Yes.
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              MR. ADAMS: I am trying to give -- it is not going
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     to be the same.
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              THE COURT: What's the one you have that's
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     different?
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              MR. ADAMS: It doesn't have a reason on there.
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     you have an exhibit?
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               MR. BARON: Does it have an exhibit number?
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The one he saw?
            MR. ADAMS:
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            THE COURT:
                        Yes.
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                        I don't know what he saw. It's not one
            MR. ADAMS:
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   I have ever seen.
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            MR. HANDLER: Lack of foundation.
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            MR. ADAMS: I can clear it up this way, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT:
                         What?
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            MR. ADAMS: I can clear it up with a couple
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    questions.
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             THE COURT: Okay.
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    Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Did you see the original administrative
11
    detention order on November 16, 1995?
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        Yes.
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        I am going to show you what has been previously marked
    Q.
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    and received into evidence as Plaintiffs' Exhibit No. 1.
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             MR. BARON: Objection; lack of qualification. He
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    is not a questioned document examiner. He is not listed as
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    an expert.
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             THE COURT: He can testify as to what he saw as a
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     fact witness.
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                          That's true. Mr. Adams asked him if he
              MR. BARON:
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     saw the original.
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                          That's correct.
              THE COURT:
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                          That's the problem that I have.
              MR. BARON:
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                          I understand. That objection will be
              THE COURT:
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sustained. Mr. Adams, you need to rephrase the question.
  He doesn't know if it was the original or some other.
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   Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) What did you see? Did you see an
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   administrative detention order or November 16, 1995?
   A. Yes, I did.
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       Were you told whether it was a copy or original or
   anything like that?
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            MR. HANDLER: Objection.
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            MR. ADAMS: Not offered for the truth of the matter
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    asserted, but state of mind.
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             MR. BARON: Objection; hearsay and relevance. .
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             THE COURT: Be overruled.
             THE WITNESS: What I was shown was purported to me
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    to be the original documents.
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             THE COURT: By whom?
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             THE WITNESS: By Ann Tran, the attorney for the
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    Federal Transfer Center.
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              MR. BARON: Objection; hearsay.
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              THE COURT: Be overruled.
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     Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, what you saw on November 16,
     1995, did it have the reason of why Kenneth Trentadue was up
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     in the SHU unit?
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         No, it did not.
         I am particularly pointing to the highlighted portion of
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     Plaintiffs' Exhibit No. 1 where it talks about Vance
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- 1 Brockway going to the SHU unit. Was any of that typed on
- 2 the administrative detention order that you saw on November
- 3 16, 1995?
- 4 A. No, it was not.
- 5 Q. Now -- anything else? Did you retrieve the medical
- 6 documents that you wanted out of that file?
- 7 A. Yes, I did.
- 8 Q. After you reviewed the administrative detention order
- 9 that you testified about, what did you do, if anything, at
- 10 the Federal Transfer Center?
- 11 A. I left at that point.
- 12 Q. Did you again return to the Federal Transfer Center
- 13 sometime within about three weeks?
- 14 A. Yes, I did.
- 15 Q. On what day?
- 16 A. I returned on two occasions on December 14th.
- 17 Q. What year?
- 18 A. I'm sorry. 1995.
- 19 Q. On December 14, 1995, why did you go to the Federal
- 20 Transfer Center and who went with you?
- 21 A. The first time I went out I went out that morning to
- 22 obtain some samples of some cleaning agents that were used
- 23 to clean the cell. I was met out there at that time by
- 24 Special Agent Jenkins. I picked up the cleaning agents and
- 25 then I returned and went to the Oklahoma City Police

Department.

- Explain to the Court and jury why you went to go get the
- cleaning agents that were used to clean the cell? 3
- We were planning that afternoon to go into the cell and 4
- to process the cell with a chemical called luminol. Luminol 5
- is a chemical that will help detect the presence of blood
- and certain cleaning agents do react with the luminol 7
- chemical, and we felt it necessary to do a test of some 8
- areas cleaned in the lab with those cleaning agents to see
- how they react to the luminol, so we would know if they did 10
- react or not. 11
- And anything else about the first trip, is that all that 12
- you did? 13
- That's all we did. 14
- On the second trip to the Federal Transfer Center on 15
- December 14, 1995, what was the purpose of you going out 16
- there and who went with you? 17
- I went out there with Dr. Jordan, our chief medical 18
- examiner, several people from the Oklahoma City Police 19
- Department, Lieutenant Johnny Kuhlman, Elaine Taylor who is 20
- a forensic serologist, some of their technical 21
- investigators, and Special Agent Jenkins and Special Agent 22
- Tom Linn of the FBI. 23
- And do you recall approximately what time you arrived on 24
- the second occasion just approximately? 25

- Approximately two or three in the afternoon around
- two-ish. 2
- Did you all proceed up to the cell? 3
- Yes, we did.
- Q. Did you enter the cell on the second occasion on 5
- December 14, 1995? 6
- Yes. Α. 7
- On that day on December 14, 1995, had anything been done 8
- to the cell since you had been there in November of 1995? 9
- First observation was there was evidence tape on the 10
- door. We went into the cell, and it appeared the cell had 11
- been painted. 12
- The writing that you testified that you saw back in 13
- November of 1995, did you see that on the cell wall in 14
- December of 1995? 15
- A. No, I did not. 16
- And you said that you testified that you believed that 17
- the cell had been painted? 18
- Yes, sir. Α. 19
- Q. So then what did you do, if anything with regards to the 20
- luminol testing? 21
- MR. HANDLER: May we approach? 22
- MR. BARON: Objection. I was going to make the 23
- objection from here, but I guess he wants to approach. 24
- MR. HANDLER: Your Honor, I believe we are getting 25

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to expert testimony or about to testify about the luminoling
   of the cell showing to get expert opinions from this
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   witness.
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            THE COURT: Objection will be overruled. You need
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   to lay some foundation, Mr. Adams.
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            MR. BARON: I was going to go to relevancy as to
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   Mr. Lee. There is no suggestion that Mr. Lee had anything
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   to do with this.
            THE COURT: The objection will be overruled.
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   Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, have you been at any of the
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   seminars and schoolings that you've been to, have you been
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   trained in regards to luminol, what it is, what it does?
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      Yes, I have.
    Α.
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       Have you done any luminol testing prior to December 14,
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    1995?
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        Several times.
    Α.
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        Now, on this particular occasion, what, if anything, did
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    you do in regards and tell the Court and jury how it works,
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    what do you do to do the luminol testing?
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    A. Well, the first thing we did was began by taking
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A. Well, the first thing we did was began by taking complete photographs of the cell, the outside of the cell, everything on the interior of the cell, the technical investigators did all of their photography and did some diagrams and measurements of everything inside the cell. Then we proceeded to cover up the windows with a dark paper

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to try to prevent any outside light at that time, and to get all of the other areas of where light could come in from covered up.

Because when you do luminol, you need to do it in total darkness because what happens is when you start spraying the luminol, the liquid, it will then when it comes in contact with certain chemicals or agents such as blood, the design is that it will fluoresce blood droplets, even if they have been cleaned. You show the presence of blood, if it had been there at some time in the past.

Q. And did you do all of those things on December 14, 1995?

MR. HANDLER: Your Honor, could we approach?
THE COURT: Counsel approach.

(FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD AT THE BENCH, WITH ALL COUNSEL PRESENT, AND OUT OF THE HEARING OF THE JURY.)

MR. HANDLER: Your Honor, Counsel is going to ask
Kevin Roland whether or not the luminol reacted if it
reacted, and what he saw and that is clearly expert
testimony. He has not been designated as an expert on this
issue. He is going to testify where the blood was, where it
wasn't. He's going to say whether it looked like a
Christmas tree. That is expert testimony. He has not been
designated as an expert on the blood issues in the cell.

MR. ADAMS: Your Honor, he has been designated to

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testify about his findings. I am not going to get into a
  big detail with him. I'm going to ask about luminol on one
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  particular area about what the reaction, if any, did it have
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   and what happened in the cell.
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            THE COURT: Let me ask a question.
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   Oklahoma City police officer that you have?
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            MR. HANDLER: Tom Bevel is the expert on this
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   issue.
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                        What?
            THE COURT:
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             MR. SCHLOSSMAN: He was there.
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             MR. HANDLER: He was there during this test.
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             THE COURT: And you are objecting to his
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    testimony?
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             MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir.
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             THE COURT: What grounds?
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             MR. ADAMS: What was our objection on Bevel?
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             MR. SAMPSON: He did the work as a member of the
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    Oklahoma City Police Department. He was designated as an
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     expert. You may recall this. We tried to take his
     deposition, and so we have objected. It wasn't disclosed to
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     us.
              MR. HANDLER: He was always an expert on blood
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     spatter.
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              MR. SCHLOSSMAN: Blood, you have interaction, and
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     you have luminol.
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THE COURT: If he is not an expert, I don't want to get in this.

MR. ADAMS: I think they are trying to do a lot than I plan on doing. I don't intend to get into intent, whether the reactions in a particular area, was there reaction, not, what it all means.

MR. BARON: Reaction is expert.

THE COURT: Mr. Adams, you need to list your experts as experts, and he is an investigator and he made certain decisions and he did certain things like Mr. Bevel. That's why I asked if he was listed as an expert. I am going to let you go a little bit. I am going to overrule, but let's keep it to fact issues, and you are on the borderline or beyond it probably.

MR. ADAMS: Okay.

(THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD IN OPEN COURT, WITH ALL PARTIES AND COUNSEL PRESENT, AND WITHIN THE PRESENCE AND HEARING OF THE JURY.)

- Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, we were talking about you made the cell dark. Luminol was sprayed in that particular cell; correct?
- 22 A. Yes.

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- 23 Q. In that regard, then what happens are photographs taken?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. And what will a photograph show that was taken in the

- cell when it's totally dark?
- 2 A. You will see just the items, the areas that fluoresce,
- 3 that glow in the dark.
- 4 Q. Now, in that cell in 709A that's the cell that you are
- 5 luminoling; is that correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Is there a panic button or alarm button in that cell?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Can you tell the Court and jury where that is located in
- 10 that cell?
- 11 A. It's near the door going out the cell.
- 12 Q. Now, in your investigation, did you also receive any
- photographs that were reportedly taken by Lieutenant Freeman
- 14 on August 21, 1995?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Is that alarm button or panic button depicted in any of
- 17 those photographs?
- 18 A. No, it's not.
- 19 Q. Now, in regards to the luminol testing, could you
- 20 explain to the Court and jury what the alarm button or panic
- 21 button how big it is and what it's made of?
- 22 A. It's roughly -- the metal plate that is around it is
- 23 roughly four or five inches, kind of square rectangular type
- 24 shape as I recall.
- 25 O. Is it metal?

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Yes, it is.
      And will the luminol if there had been blood on the
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   metal and cleaned off, will it react to that?
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            MR. HANDLER: Objection, Your Honor.
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            MR. BARON: Objection, Your Honor
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            MR. HANDLER: Calls for expert opinion.
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            MR. ADAMS: I can ask it another way.
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   Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Was there any reaction in the luminol
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   test on the metal pad or button, the alarm button?
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             MR. HANDLER: Same objection.
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             MR. BARON: Objection.
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             THE COURT: Be overruled.
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             THE WITNESS: We did spray the actual metal plate
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    itself.
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       (BY MR. ADAMS) Why?
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        Metal will give you a false reaction.
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             MR. ADAMS: Your Honor, I would move into another
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    area for 15 or 20 minutes, and I didn't know if it would be
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    a good time for the Court or do you want me to keep going?
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              THE COURT: Oh, we will take a lunch break.
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     assume there will be some cross-examination, Mr. Handler?
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              MR. HANDLER: Yeah, maybe 20 minutes.
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              THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, we
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     will recess for lunch at this time and we will reconvene at
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     1:15, and I would again remind you of the same admonitions
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DIRECT EXAMINATION OF KEVIN ROLAND

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of not discussing the case with anyone or reaching any conclusions until you have heard all of the evidence. 2 will be in recess until 1:15. 3 All rise while the jury exits. 4 (THE JURY WAS EXCUSED FROM THE COURTROOM, AND THE 5 FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD IN OPEN COURT AND OUT OF THE 6 PRESENCE AND HEARING OF THE JURY.) 7 THE COURT: Mr. Roland, you are not to discuss the 8 testimony you have given here with any other person who may 9 be a witness in this matter. We will be in recess. 10 On an unrelated matter, Counsel, the Supreme Court has 11 issued its ruling in the presidential race. 12 We can go off the record.) 13 (AN OFF-THE-RECORD DISCUSSION WAS HAD.) 14 (A RECESS WAS HAD, AFTER WHICH THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS 15 WERE HAD IN OPEN COURT, WITH ALL PARTIES AND COUNSEL 16 PRESENT, AND WITHIN THE PRESENCE AND HEARING OF THE JURY.) 17 THE COURT: Be seated, please. You may proceed, 18 Mr. Adams. 19 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, you testified before we broke 20 that the second time you went up to the cell you conducted 21 luminol testing with some other individuals; do you recall 22 23 that?

After that was conducted, did you depart the Federal

- Transfer Center?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Did you ever have an occasion to go back out there
- 4 regarding Kenneth Michael Trentadue?
- 5 A. After the luminoling, I don't believe I went back out
- 6 there again.
- 7 Q. At some point in time did the Oklahoma City Police
- 8 Department become involved in the investigation of Kenneth
- 9 | Michael Trentadue?
- 10 A. Their crime scene unit, their technical investigations
- 11 unit did assist then and the homicide division became
- 12 involved later.
- 13 Q. Do you recall when the homicide division became
- 14 involved?
- 15 A. Not specifically when. I want to say it was probably
- 16 around 1997, I think.
- 17 Q. Did you interact or work with the Oklahoma City Police
- 18 Department?
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- 20 Q. Who with the Oklahoma City Police Department did you
- 21 work with?
- 22 A. Detective Randy Scott and Detective Gary Eastridge.
- 23 Q. What did you do with regard to this investigation; what
- 24 did you do?
- 25 A. Well, our first meeting with them was to brief them on

- 1 our concerns about the case, what we knew about the case and
- 2 about information that we wanted to try to learn some
- 3 answers to, and so we talked about that. As they developed
- 4 information, developed investigative findings, we have
- 5 corresponded quite frequently.
- 6 Q. Did you correspond with the Oklahoma City Police
- 7 Department more particularly Detectives Eastridge and Scott?
- 8 A. Yes, I did.
- 9 Q. Did you also have meetings with them?
- 10 A. Yes, I did.
- 11 Q. Discussing this case?
- 12 A. Yes, I did.
- 13 Q. At some point in time did Dr. Jordan -- first of all,
- 14 let me back up and ask you this. On the autopsy, at some
- point in time was that amended, the autopsy report?
- 16 A. Yes, it was.
- 17 Q. Do you recall when that was?
- 18 A. I can look at it and see. The final amendment?
- 19 Q. Yes, sir.
- 20 A. The final amendment actually the copy I have doesn't
- 21 have the final amendment. I think it was in 1998.
- Q. Were you present with the Eastridge and Scott and
- 23 Dr. Jordan when that decision was made?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. At any time in this particular case in the Trentadue

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case I am going to show you what has been introduced and
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   marked in evidence as 477 and ask, have you ever been told
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   that any blood in the cell on August 21, 1995 appeared as
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   Plaintiffs' Exhibit No. 477.
            MR. HANDLER: I am going to object to the lack of
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   foundation.
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             THE COURT: Be sustained.
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   Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Have you ever seen any photographs --
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   first of all, did you ever receive any photographs that
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   purportedly Lieutenant Freeman took on August 21, 1995?
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        I am going to ask you to look at the Exhibit 510B and
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    ask if that represents all the photographs you received as
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    the chief investigator in this case?
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        It's three photographs that I am not sure I have ever
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    seen.
             MR. ADAMS: May I approach the witness, Your
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    Honor?
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             THE COURT: You may approach.
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    Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, you picked out photographs
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    510B the photographs that Lieutenant Freeman took October
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    21, 1995, three photographs you don't believe you have seen
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    before. Do you have a specific recollection of seeing these
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     photographs before?
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     A. One in particular I know I have never seen before.
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- 1 other two, I am not certain.
- 2 Q. I am going with the one you know you have never seen
- 3 before. Would that be the one depicting the body or the one
- 4 of the cell?
- 5 A. The one of the cell.
- 6 Q. I am placing on the monitor the photograph you are
- 7 positive you know you have never seen before. Is this the
- 8 photograph that you know you are positive that you have
- 9 never seen before?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. How do you know that?
- 12 A. Well, the area of blood over it would be to the bottom
- 13 left of the screen in that area there, I have never seen
- 14 that area of blood before that showing that entire area
- 15 there.
- 16 Q. Is that significant to you in any way?
- 17 A. Yes, it is.
- MR. HANDLER: Objection, he is asking for expert
- 19 opinion.
- THE COURT: I don't think we are quite there yet,
- 21 Mr. Handler. Objection overruled
- 22 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Is that significant to you, Mr. Roland?
- 23 A. Yes, it is.
- 24 Q. On the other two, you just don't recall?
- 25 A. I just don't recall.

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Mr. Roland,
       Also in front of you is Exhibit No. 510A.
   those have also been admitted, and I'm going to represent to
   you those were Polaroids taken by Lieutenant Lee on August
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   21, 1995. Have you ever seen those Polaroids before?
       No, I have not. I have not seen these.
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       Now, in regards to your meetings with Detectives Scott
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   and Eastridge, were you ever told at any time there was any
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   blood spatter or cast off in the cell?
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             MR. HANDLER: Objection; calls for hearsay.
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             THE COURT: I'm not sure. Told by whom?
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             MR. ADAMS: By Randy Scott or Eastridge, the
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    Oklahoma City detectives.
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             MR. HANDLER: Calls for hearsay.
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             THE COURT: The objection will be sustained.
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    Q. (BY MR. HANDLER) Have you seen any photographs at all
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    that depict that you testified to that has the alarm or
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    panic button?
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        Are you talking about -- at the date of death or what?
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        That was a very poor question. In the Exhibit 510B the
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    Freeman photographs, do you see the portion of the cell in
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    those photographs that depicts the alarm or panic button in
    cell 709A?
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        No, I do not.
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         In the Lee Polaroids, the other exhibits, all the
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     Polaroids, do you see any photographs that depict a portion
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- 1 of the photograph that depicts the alarm or panic button in
- 2 | it?
- 3 A. No, I do not.
- 4 Q. In your investigation, what was your understanding --
- 5 was Mr. Trentadue hanging or not hanging in the cell when he
- 6 was found by the guards?
- 7 A. He was hanging.
- 8 Q. What is your understanding how he was removed or taken
- 9 down from that particular -- in the hanging?
- 10 A. That he was cut down.
- 11 Q. Have you ever seen any reports or talked to anyone
- 12 regarding any analysis of the fabric that was around Mr.
- 13 Trentadue's neck?
- 14 A. I have been told about the analysis.
- 15 Q. By who?
- 16 A. By Detectives Scott and Eastridge.
- Q. Was it regarding whether or not there were stress
- 18 fractures or whether or not there was a cut in the
- 19 ligature?
- MR. BARON: Objection; leading and hearsay. These
- 21 people --
- THE COURT: Be sustained.
- MR. BARON: These people --
- THE COURT: Be sustained.
- 25 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Have you ever seen any analysis or

- 1 reports whether or not there were any fingerprints on the
- 2 tube of toothpaste or the plastic knife in Kenneth
- 3 Trentadue's cell?
- 4 A. I have seen reports.
- 5 Q. Did you use those or did you divulge that information to
- 6 Dr. Jordan in regards to coming to the conclusion to the
- 7 cause and manner of death?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. What were the results of any fingerprints on the tubes
- 10 of toothpaste or the plastic knife in the cell?
- 11 A. I don't recall specifically at this time.
- 12 Q. Do you recall whether or not you saw any documentation,
- 13 under your direction you testified that you asked the FBI
- 14 agent to conduct a handwriting analysis on the writing on
- 15 the wall in cell 709A; do you recall that?
- 16 A. I recall asking them to do that.
- 17 Q. Do you know whether that was completed or done?
- 18 A. By the FBI, I am not aware of them doing that.
- 19 Q. I am going to ask you to look at Exhibit No. 120 in the
- 20 exhibit book.
- MR. ADAMS: May I approach, Your Honor, to assist
- 22 the witness?
- THE COURT: Yes.
- MR. HANDLER: Your Honor, the United States has a
- 25 hearsay objection to this exhibit.

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MR. BARON: I am waiting for it to come up on my
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   computer, Your Honor.
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           .MR. ADAMS: I'm sorry.
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            THE COURT: They have a hearsay objection.
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                        I want to see if that refreshes his
            MR. ADAMS:
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   memory in regards to that analysis. I wasn't going to offer
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   it yet.
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   Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, I asked you to look at the
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   second page of Exhibit No. 120, and I am on the wrong
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   exhibit, Mr. Roland, and I apologize for that. It's the
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    third page -- it's the second page of 120. Do you see that
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   paragraph there on the second page of Exhibit No. 120?
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        To yourself, would you read the last sentence and see if
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    that refreshes your memory as to whether or not a
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    handwriting analysis was completed by the FBI of the writing
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    on the wall?
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        Second page on 120?
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        Look at the third page.
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        Okay, I'm sorry. I don't think we are on the same page.
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    You said with regard to handwriting. Okay, I see where we
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     are.
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              MR. HANDLER: Your Honor, we would like to
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     interpose an objection; lack of foundation whether or not he
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     saw any of these reports.
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- THE COURT: Be sustained.
- 2 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Have you ever seen Exhibit No. 120
- 3 before?
- 4 A. I can't tell you for sure that I have seen it.
- 5 Q. Would it be important to you to know whether or not the
- 6 handwriting was to be able to be identified as Kenneth
- 7 | Michael Trentadue's or not?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Now, are you aware of any DNA testing ever being done on
- 10 the contents found in cell 709A?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Do you know what the results of those DNA analysis, what
- 13 | it is.
- MR. HANDLER: Objection; calls for a hearsay
- 15 response; lack of foundation.
- THE COURT: Be sustained. Need some foundation.
- MR. ADAMS: That's what I was trying to get to
- 18 whether or not he knew what the results were. I didn't ask
- 19 him whether or not he knew what they were.
- 20 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, are you aware of any analysis
- 21 done on any of the items removed from cell 709A?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Are you aware of a mattress being submitted for testing
- 24 out of cell 709A?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Did you review the report in your investigation in regards to what the analysis showed or what it concluded? 2 MR. HANDLER: Objection; calls for a hearsay 3 response. 4 THE COURT: Whether he viewed the report or not 5 doesn't call for hearsay. What the report says calls for is 6
 - hearsay. Objection will be overruled.
- THE WITNESS: I don't believe I have seen some of 8 the reports. 9
- Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Would it be important to you to know 10 whether or not someone else's DNA was found in cell 709A? 11
- Yes, it would be. 12

- Were you ever allowed to see or inspect the physical 13 evidence from A709 or 790A? 14
- MR. BARON: Objection; relevance. 15
- THE COURT: Be overruled. 16
- THE WITNESS: A couple of the items, yes. 17
- (BY MR. ADAMS) What couple -- what items were you 18
- allowed to view or inspect? 19
- A plastic toothpaste tube, and I believe what would be 20
- two tubes of toothpaste and a plastic knife. 21
- Anything else? Ο. 22
- Other than the ligature? 23 Α.
- That was purportedly around his neck. 24
- Yes, sir. 25 Α.

- Did you as the investigator review any records regarding Alden Gillis Baker? 2
- No, I did not. 3

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- May I have just one moment, Your Honor? MR. ADAMS:
- Yes. THE COURT:
- 5 MR. ADAMS: Pass the witness, Your Honor. 6
 - THE COURT: You may cross-examine. We need to stay
 - in the same order.
 - We decided to change the order. MR. BARON:
- 9 We need to stay in the same order. THE COURT:
- I am sorry, Your Honor I thought this 10 MR. BARON: 11
- would be more efficient. 12

CROSS EXAMINATION

- Q. (BY MR. HANDLER) Mr. Roland, you testified on direct 13
- examination that the Oklahoma City Police Department was 14 15
- investigating the death of Kenneth Michael Trentadue; 16
- correct? 17
- Yes. Α. 18
- Q. You also -- you had a good relationship with the 19
- Oklahoma City Police Department; is that right? 20
- Yes, sir. Α. 21
- In fact, you had worked with them on thousands of cases 22
- before that; is that right? 23
- Correct. Α. 24
- And as far as you know they provided you with 25

- information that they gathered during their investigation of Mr. Trentadue's death; is that right?
- 3 A. Yes.
- MR. ADAMS: Leading, Your Honor.
- THE COURT: Cross-examination.
- 6 THE COURT: Objection will be overruled.
- 7 O. (BY MR. HANDLER) They answered openly all the questions
- 8 you had with regard to your investigation of the death; is
- 9 that right?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Isn't it also true that you agree about with the
- 12 Oklahoma City Police Department that Kenneth Trentadue was
- alone in his cell for the 17 hours preceding his death?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. And you have no reason to question the evidence that the
- 16 Oklahoma City Police Department presented to you and the
- 17 Medical Examiner's Office with regard to the cause and
- 18 manner of Mr. Trentadue's death; is that correct?
- 19 A. Could you restate that, please?
- 20 Q. You have no reason to question the evidence that the
- 21 Oklahoma City Police Department presented to you and the
- 22 Medical Examiner's Office with regard to the cause and
- 23 manner of Kenneth Trentadue's death?
- 24 A. Not at the time, no, sir.
- 25 Q. And in fact, there is no evidence to suggest or

- 1 substantiate that Kenneth Trentadue's death should be
- 2 classified as anything other than a suicide; isn't that
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And isn't it also true that you did not receive any
- 6 evidence that any correctional officers attacked Trentadue
- 7 at the Federal Transfer Center at any point in time while he
- 8 | was there; isn't that correct?
- 9 A. Any evidence; correct.
- MR. HANDLER: No further questions, thank you.
- THE COURT: Now, Mr. Baron?

12 CROSS EXAMINATION

- Q. (BY MR. BARON) I take it that you and Dr. Jordan have a
- 14 lot of confidence in and respect for the Oklahoma City
- 15 Police Department homicide squad; is that correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. Also you have worked a lot with the FBI, haven't you?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. In particular with regard to the Oklahoma City bombing;
- 20 is that correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. And you know that the FBI has a technical unit that can
- 23 investigate a crime scene?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. And you would -- if that unit were activated rely on the

- 1 information that they furnished you?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Now, speaking of information being furnished to you, did
- 4 you ever at any time tell the Trentadue family or their
- 5 lawyers don't present any information to us?
- 6 A. To who?
- 7 Q. To you?
- 8 A. No, I did not.
- 9 Q. Now, you received everything that they presented to you,
- 10 didn't you?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And you considered it to the best of your ability,
- 13 didn't you?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. You were courteous to them. You were sympathetic to
- 16 them, and you received any and all information they provided
- 17 to you; is that correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. And in fact, didn't you receive a number of items that
- 20 they had obtained through discovery in this litigation?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And to your knowledge, they didn't withhold anything
- 23 from you, did they?
- 24 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 25 Q. They wouldn't have any reason that you know of, would

- 1 they?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Now, talking about death scenes, would it be fair to say
- 4 that your preference is that a death scene particularly in a
- 5 violent or unusual death be left and undisturbed until you
- 6 arrive on the scene?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. In fact, in hanging deaths, oftentimes you will arrive
- 9 and the body is still hanging; isn't that correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. In fact, as an investigator, you prefer it that way,
- 12 don't you?
- 13 A. Yes, if they're dead, yes.
- 14 Q. Absolutely. Because it allows you to conduct an
- investigation more thoroughly; isn't that correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Now, under Oklahoma law as you understand and teach it
- 18 in these courses you were telling us that you teach, could a
- 19 physician's assistant pronounce someone dead?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Under Oklahoma law as you understand it and teach it,
- 22 what is the requirement as to who can pronounce someone
- 23 dead?
- MR. ADAMS: Your Honor, I object. He is asking for
- 25 legal conclusions and also beyond the scope.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION OF KEVIN ROLAND

1	THE COURT: That will be sustained.
2	Q. (BY MR. BARON) Do you teach Oklahoma law in courses that
3	you provide to various law enforcement entities that you
4	have testified about?
5	MR. ADAMS: Your Honor, I object. I tried to get
6	into these and it was sustained. I object.
7	THE COURT: Mr. Baron, you objected to any
8	testimony regarding this is beyond the scope also.
9	MR. BARON: I was trying to.
10	THE COURT: I understand what you are trying to
11	do. The Court is going to sustain the objection.
12	MR. BARON: All right, then I will move on.
13	Q. (BY MR. BARON) Is it fair to say that you probably
14	talked to Jesse since his brother's death, Jesse Trentadue,
15	80 to 100 times, maybe more?
16	A. Sure.
17	MR. BARON: Your Honor, I will pass the witness.
18	MR. ADAMS: Your Honor I need to approach very
19	briefly.
20	THE COURT: Okay. Counsel approach.
21	(FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD AT THE BENCH, WITH ALL
22	COUNSEL PRESENT, AND OUT OF THE HEARING OF THE JURY.)
23	MR. ADAMS: Your Honor, I was not allowed to ask
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25	got up and said there is no reason to classify anything

other than a suicide and I think that opens the door to allow me to get in the evidence that has been presented in this court, a number of things of all the records of Alden Gillis Baker, of the cuts in the noose, and a number of other things I can list for the Court.

that.

I think it's clearly opened the door when he asked that question for me to be allowed to go in and ask Mr. Roland if these things would be significant reason that he could go back and change the cause and manner of death. They have opened the door.

MR. HANDLER: Your Honor, I asked him in the beginning should this be investigated as a homicide, and I asked him that question, and Roland is not the person that makes the decision in this state about someone can be certified -- that the manner and cause of death.

THE COURT: Why did you go into that, Mr. Handler?

MR. HANDLER: They presented him as a witness that
this should be investigated as a homicide and asked
questions whether it was significant. Things are
significant in an investigation leading the impression that
it should be ruled as a homicide and not a suicide. I am
presenting evidence that this witness has no reason to do

MR. ADAMS: Your Honor, I stayed away from the cause and manner on purpose because Your Honor didn't want

me to. When I tried to get into things, I was prevented from doing it. They asked if there was any reason it should be changed, cause and manner and they did it on purpose. They opened the door to allow their reasons to change.

MR. HANDLER: He asked whether or not he worked with the OCPD regarding the cause and manner of death and I was following up that he had no reason to question their evidence.

MR. BARON: Your Honor, I would like to back pedal that any door Mr. Handler may or may not have opened, and I don't agree that he has opened it, but it certainly would not open any door as to me. This man is not an expert. He was not listed as an expert.

THE COURT: I understand that, and I kept both you and Mr. Adams from trying to make him an expert. The Court is concerned when Mr. Handler asked that one question too many if he knows of any reason -- I don't recall the exact way it was phrased, but any reason why.

MR. ADAMS: He should be classified as anything other than a suicide, and I think that opens the door quite frankly.

THE COURT: Ms. Crawford, can you go back and find that question?

(THE REPORTER READ BACK: "Q. And in fact, there is no evidence to suggest or substantiate that Kenneth Trentadue's

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death should be classified as anything other than a suicide;
   isn't that correct?")
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            MR. BARON: Your Honor, I would object. There was
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   no objection to that question.
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            THE COURT: Why would be object? Why wouldn't be
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   let Mr. Handler open this issue to the whole issue?
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            MR. HANDLER: Even if I were to open and ask
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   opinion questions, he is still not designated. He still
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   can't give opinion testimony. He can't say, yes, I would
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    change the manner of death to homicide.
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             MR. ADAMS: Judge, he asked the question, and I can
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    ask the witness -- go back and ask if these things would
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    help him reclassify.
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             THE COURT: I am not going to ask him that.
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    going to let you ask him what he didn't have. I am not
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    going to let you ask him whether that would change his
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    opinion I would ask. Mr. Handler, you asked one question
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    too many. So I am going to let him get into it.
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         (THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD IN OPEN COURT, WITH
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    ALL PARTIES AND COUNSEL PRESENT, AND WITHIN THE PRESENCE AND
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    HEARING OF THE JURY.)
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              THE COURT: Sometimes modern technology takes
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     longer than prior technology, but we had to go back and
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     review some questions and her little machine with all the
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     dots on it, which only she can interpret for us.
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Mr. Adams, you may proceed with redirect examination. REDIRECT EXAMINATION 2 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) Mr. Roland, I am going to show you what 3 has been introduced as Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 477. 4 you ever been told by anyone whether or not something such 5 as that appeared in Kenneth Michael Trentadue's cell on 6 August 21, 1995. 7 MR. HANDLER: Objection; lack of foundation. 8 MR. BARON: Objection; hearsay and lack of 9 foundation. 10 THE COURT: Overruled. 11 THE WITNESS: No, I have not been told about that. 12 Q. (BY MR. ADAMS) I am going to show you what has been 13 marked and introduced as Exhibit 478, have you ever been 14 told anything like that appeared in Kenneth Michael 15 Trentadue's cell on August 21, 1995? 16 A. No, I have not. 17 I am going to show you what has been marked as 18 Plaintiffs' Exhibit No. 243 and ask you whether or not you 19 were ever told anything like that appeared in Kenneth 20 Michael Trentadue's cell on August 21, 1995? 21 No. Α. 22 Have you ever been told that the ligature around Kenneth 23 Michael Trentadue's neck had no cuts in it? 24

No, I have not.

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- 1 Q. Have you ever been told that the SHU log books at the
- 2 Federal Transfer Center show Alden Gillis Baker in cell
- 3 A709?
- 4 | A. I have heard that.
- 5 Q. Have you ever heard those log books never show Alden
- 6 Gillis Baker coming out of that cell?
- 7 A. I have heard that.
- 8 Q. Have you also heard that Alden Gillis Baker, all of his
- 9 records showing his incarceration at the Federal Transfer
- 10 Center including his administrative detention order his
- 11 BP292s are lost, gone, or destroyed?
- 12 A. I wasn't aware of that.
- 13 Q. Is that important to you?
- 14 A. Yes, it is.
- 15 Q. Have you ever been told that Kenneth Michael Trentadue's
- 16 fingerprints were not found on the knife or the toothpaste
- 17 tube?
- 18 A. I seem to recall that.
- 19 Q. Is that important to you?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Have you ever been told that the FBI crime lab could not
- 22 identify the note as being written by Kenneth Michael
- 23 Trentadue, the one you viewed in the cell?
- MR. BARON: Objection, hearsay; not best evidence.
- THE COURT: Be overruled.

DIRECT EXAMINATION OF MODESTO BACA

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I have been told that
            THE WITNESS:
                      Have you ever been told that the FBI
   Q. (BY MR. ADAMS)
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   crime lab found DNA evidence in cell A709 that did not
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   belong to Kenneth Michael Trentadue; have you ever been told
   that?
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       No.
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        Is that important to you?
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    Q.
        Yes.
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    Α.
                         Pass the witness, Your Honor.
             MR. ADAMS:
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                         Anything further, Mr. Handler?
             THE COURT:
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             MR. HANDLER: No, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: Mr. Baron, recross examination.
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             RECROSS EXAMINATION
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    Q. (BY MR. BARON) Do you know whether all of this
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    information was furnished to the Oklahoma City Police
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    Department homicide squad?
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    A. I can't say if it was or not.
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        Do you know for any reason if this information was
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    produced during this lawsuit which has been going on for all
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     these many years that Jesse Trentadue or lawyers didn't give
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     it to?
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              MR. ADAMS: Your Honor, I object.
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              THE COURT: That will be sustained.
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     Q. (BY MR. BARON) Did this information come to you from Mr.
 24
     Trentadue or his lawyers at any time?
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DIRECT EXAMINATION OF MODESTO BACA

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1	A. I have heard from of it, yes.
2	MR. BARON: No further questions, Your Honor.
3	THE COURT: Anything further?
4	MR. ADAMS: No, Your Honor.
5	THE COURT: Mr. Roland, you may be excused and the
6	Court would advise you that you are not to discuss the
7	testimony you have given here today with other persons who
8	may be a witness in this matter.
. 9	(WITNESS EXCUSED.)
10	THE COURT: Call your next witness.
11	MR. SAMPSON: Modesto Baca.
12	MODESTO BACA,
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15	DIRECT EXAMINATION
16	Q. (BY MR. SAMPSON) Would you state your full name an spell
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18	A. My name is Modesto LeRoy Baca, M-o-d-e-s-t-o L-e-R-o-y
19	B-a-c-a.
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2	A. I work at the Federal Transfer Center.
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2	3 A. I am the computer services manager.
2	Q. In 1995, did you work at the Federal Transfer Center?
2	5 A. Yes, I did.