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There were blood stains on these clothes. On the bathroom sink were two prescription bottles belonging to Michelle Williams.

I returned to the bedroom where Off. Deener was talking with Curtis Williams about the events of the evening. The Williams had reportedly been out together at a sports banquet and had been home early in the evening prior to Michelle Williams being taken to the hospital and being diagnosed with an infection for which she had obtained two prescriptions. Then the Williams returned home. Curtis Williams was saying Michelle had received a call that her grandmother had died and she became upset and "threw a fit." That he had tried to restrain her and she fought him off. That she had then crashed into the wall and caused her bloody nose. There was no evidence of any fight on Curtis Williams, his hands were clean and there were no breaks in skin or bleeding on his part. He stated that he had discovered his wife was bleeding from the nose and gotten her to the bathroom. I then requested that both Off. Deener and Schreven check Curtis and Michelle Williams in the police computer. About this time I was asked to call our station and I left the apartment.

I learned from our dispatcher that the Williams had previously been contacted by Seattle Police in August, September, October, and November 1996 for family disputes. Further, Curtis Williams had been arrested on November 17, 1988 for a Domestic Violence Assault at their previous residence in the U of W Sand Point Homes area.

I returned to the apartment and saw that Michelle Williams nose was discoloring and displaying an indication that her nose was broken. She was continually wiping her nose on a towel. I asked her what had happened and she related that Curtis had received a call from someone that her grandmother was ill and she had thrown a fit and hit her own head into the wall causing a bloody nose. She then related the previous incident were due to a prejudiced neighbor who did not like a black man marrying a white woman. That neighbor had continually called Seattle Police and had harassed them so they had recently moved to this new residence. Michelle Williams was adamant that she and her husband had no problems and he had not hit her or he would have some indication on him of such a struggle. The two

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of them have known each other for the past four years and have a daughter. The recently got married in July of this year after Curtis Williams had come to Seattle to attend University. For the previous two years Michelle had been attending college in Alaska.

I returned upstairs to try and confirm the story we were being told. Curtis Williams again told me his wife had received the call and he had not. That he did not hit her and she ran her head into the wall. I asked him where they were when Michelle was hurt and he said they were in bed and the lights were off. He had tried to hold her and calm her down and she was screaming and struggling. She had hit him and pulled away. Then Michelle hit the wall and he discovered in the dark that she was bleeding from the nose and they then went to the bathroom to clean her up. I asked Curtis to explain to me why if there was so much blood that there was no blood on the wall but only in the bed? He could not provide an explanation? I then asked who had called to give the information about the grandmother and he was adamant that he did not receive the call and did not know who had called.

Returning to the lower floor I asked Michelle Williams for clarification about her grandmother's condition and who had called her. She was adamant that she did not talk to anyone on the telephone and that Curtis had told her that her grandmother had died. She did not appear agitated about her grandmother's condition when I was speaking her to her during this investigation. I told Michelle if we could confirm the call concerning her grandmother, it would give some credence to the scenario we were being given. She avoided the issue of the telephone call. I asked her repeatedly if I could call anyone to confirm the story of about her grandmother. She did not agree. I explained that if there was not independent corroboration that we would have to arrest Curtis for assault. Michelle said, "he didn't mean to hurt me." I asked her what she meant by that statement and she replied, "he did not hit me." "We both come from bad situations and we don't have a problem." She became upset with us when she knew we would be arresting Curtis for assault. She was concerned that we were overstepping our bounds. The domestic violence law was explained to her along with the fact that the police did not have an option. She was concerned about Curtis losing his scholarship and

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the affect that might have on their family. She continued to say that Curtis did not "hit" her, but had no explanation why their story did not match the evidence we saw in the apartment. I offered numerous times to have a police officer take Michelle to the hospital to be evaluated and provide return transportation after she was seen. She declined the assistance and said she would seek her own treatment.

At this time we Off. Deaner and Off. Schreven arrested Curtis Williams and Off. Schreven transported him to our police station. Off. Deaner provided Michelle Williams with referral information concerning domestic violence and we left the apartment.

This is a true and accurate statement to the best of my memory.

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Victim/Witness Statement

Incident No. 96-908667

Address 4200 MARY GATESWAY (City) SEATTLE, WA (State) 98105 (Zip) Date of Birth _____
Address SAME Phone _____
Police Statement Taken 4200 MARY GATESWAY-4273 Date 12/7/96 Time 2317 HRS

MY NAME IS _____
LIVE AT THE ABOVE

ADDRESS ON 12/7/96 AT APPROXIMATELY 0.30 HRS. I HEARD A BABY WEeping IN APARTMENT X274, THE ADJOINING APARTMENT IN MY DUPLEX. AFTER FIVE MINUTES I HEARD A WOMAN CRYING ALSO. TEN MINUTES LATER I HEARD A SOFT OBJECT HIT THE WALL LOUD ENOUGH TO WAKE MY WIFE FROM SLEEPING. OVER THE NEXT MINUTE I HEARD SIMILAR SOUNDS 2-3 TIMES ABOUT THIRTY SECONDS APART. I BELIEVE IT WAS SOMETHING HITTING THE WALL AND FLOOR AT THIS POINT THE WOMAN WAS STILL CRYING INTERRUPTED BY OCCASIONAL SHOUTING IN THE SAME VOICE AS THE CRYING. TEN MINUTES LATER I CALLED UNIVERSITY POLICE ^{JUST BEFORE} WHEN THE POLICE ARRIVED I HEARD A SHOWER START AND THREE MINUTES LATER CURTIS WILLIAMS OPENED THE APARTMENT DOOR AND TALKED TO ^{THE} POLICE. THE ABOVE IS A TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND I AM WILLING TO TESTIFY TO IT IN A COURT OF LAW.

Statement taken by JASON DEANER 4186 Signature Jason Deaner 4186

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Dec. 8 1996

Officer Statement for case #96-90866E

My name is Officer T. Schreven. I am employed as a police officer for the University of Washington Police Dept. On 120796 at approx. 0230 hrs., I was dispatched to a disturbance call at 4100 Mary Gates Way apt. X 214. The complainant next door reported hearing shouting and thumping on the wall and floor that lasted for about an hour. The complainant also heard what sounded like a female crying several minutes before we arrived. After knocking on the door for several minutes, a man later identified as Curtis Williams opened the door and stated that he and his wife had an argument and that everything was ok. I noticed what appeared to be blood splatters on his grey sweat pants and on his upper chest area. I asked Williams if we could talk to his wife, later identified as Michelle Williams. Curtis stated that she was upstairs cleaning up in the shower. We followed Curtis upstairs and I heard him make a comment to Michelle that the police were here and that he told us that she was upset because her grandmother had died. While Curtis was in the bathroom with his wife, I noticed dark spots trailing from the bedroom to the bathroom. I suspected the spots to be blood because they seemed to originate from the bed where a fair amount of blood was pooled up by the pillow and all over some cloths. I also noticed dark smears near the light switch. Curtis came out of the bathroom and noticed me looking at the blood and stated that his wife "went all crazy" and hit her nose on the wall causing all the blood mess. Michelle came out of the bathroom and I escorted her downstairs. I asked her how her nose got broke and she stated that she got upset at the news that her grandmother was ill and hit her nose into the wall. Michelle stated that Curtis received the call about an hour ago and she has been upset ever since. I went back upstairs and asked Curtis what happened. Curtis explained that Michelle had received a phone call about 15 minutes ago and upon learning that her grandmother had died, she became upset and "went crazy" and broke her nose on the wall. I asked Curtis to point to the area where Michelle hit the wall with her nose. Curtis pointed to the area near the bloody pillow. I did not notice any blood on the wall or an indent in the wall. I informed Officer Deamer of the inconsistency in the two stories. At this time Sgt. Robinson arrived on the scene and after talking with both Michelle and Curtis he became aware of the two different versions of the events and the decision to arrest Curtis was made. I contacted Michelle again and told her that we had a problem with the stories and that Curtis was going to be arrested. Michelle stated that Curtis didn't mean to hurt her. I went upstairs and caught the last part of Curtis explaining to Officer Deamer about how he and Michelle were "hussling" and that he had his arms around her waist while she was flailing her arms around. Curtis maintained that he didn't hit Michelle in the nose. I placed Curtis under arrest and escorted him to the car. I read him his constitutional rights in the car and transported him to UWPD for processing. Officer Deamer booked Curtis into KCI. This is a true and accurate statement to the best of my memory.



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STATEMENT OF J.F. DEANER		DATE OF BIRTH

My name is J.F. DEANER. I am employed as a police officer by the University of Washington Police Department, 1117 NE Boat Street, Seattle, WA 98105. My work telephone is On 12/07/96 at approximately 0630 hrs. I was dispatched with Officer Schreven to a call in apartment X274 in Laurel Village. () of apartment) stated that he had heard some shouting, followed by loud thumping sounds on the wall, concluded by sounds of a woman crying in the adjoining apartment, X274. I/o's knocked on the door of X274 four times, one of which was loud enough to wake up in apartment . After talking to . for about one minute, S/Williams opened the door. Before we said anything to Mr. Williams he stated, "We had an argument but my wife is o.k." I/o's noticed spots of blood on Mr. Williams upper body and asked if we could talk to V/Williams. Mr. Williams complied but said that his wife was in the bathroom naked cleaning up. I/o's followed Mr. Williams upstairs. Mr. Williams said to his wife, "Honey the police are here, I told them: your grandmother died!" As soon as I reached the top of the stairs I noticed a four inch by six inch pool of fresh blood on a pillow on the bed accompanied by three or four more pools of fresh blood on the bed. In addition there was a trail of blood leading from the bed in the bedroom to the bathroom. Mrs. Williams got dressed and went with Officer Schreven to the first floor while I stayed with Mr. Williams upstairs.

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