

1 THE COURT: Call your next witness.

2 MR. URICK: Thank you, Your Honor. If I may
3 go get the witness?

4 THE COURT: Um-hum. Please come up to the
5 witness stand.

6 MR. URICK: At this time the State would call
7 police officer Scott Adcock to the stand.

8 THE CLERK: Please raise your right hand
9 please.

10 SCOTT ADCOCK,
11 a witness produced on call of the State, having first
12 been duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

13 THE CLERK: You may be seated. Speak into
14 the microphone. For the record state your name and
15 your current assignment.

16 MR. ADCOCK: My name is Officer Adcock of the
17 Baltimore County Police Department. I work at --

18 THE COURT: First name is?

19 MR. ADCOCK: Scott Adcock. I work out of
20 Garrison Precinct.

21 THE COURT: Officer, if you would just speak
22 forward into the microphone. Unfortunately, the chair
23 doesn't move so you have to move your body into it.
24 Mr. Urick.

25 MR. URICK: Thank you, Your Honor.

1 household.

2 Q And what did you do upon your arrival there?

3 A Upon my arrival I spoke to the victim's
4 brother, Mr. Young Lee and he advised me that his
5 sister had not returned home.

6 Q And what if other -- what if any other
7 information did you obtain at that time?

8 A I obtained the basic information for the
9 report. Where she went to school, where she works.
10 Things of that nature.

11 Q And did there come a time when you obtained
12 any telephone numbers?

13 A That's correct.

14 Q And do you recall where you got those
15 telephone numbers?

16 A I got the telephone numbers from the victim's
17 brother.

18 Q And did you make a record of those numbers?

19 A Yes, I did.

20 Q And do you have that record with you today?

21 A That's correct.

22 Q Could you read those numbers off please?

23 A Certainly. The people I interviewed I have
24 the brother and the grandmother and I have their phone
25 numbers. Do you want me to list the numbers for you?

1 DIRECT EXAMINATION

2 BY MR. URICK:

3 Q Officer Adcock, drawing your attention back
4 to January 13th of 1999, what were you doing on that
5 date?

6 MR. ADCOCK:

7 A I was on routine patrol that day.

8 Q And where in Baltimore County are you
9 stationed?

10 A The Garrison Precinct.

11 Q And just very extremely briefly when you have
12 routine patrol what sorts of duties do you handle?

13 A Perform of variety of tasks. We respond to
14 calls, multiple types of calls.

15 Q Now, did there come a time, drawing your
16 attention to approximately 6 p.m. --

17 THE COURT: Please keep your voice up as loud
18 as you can Mr. Urick.

19 MR. URICK: Thank you, Your Honor.

20 BY MR. URICK:

21 Q Did there come a time on that date, drawing
22 your attention to around six o'clock when you got a
23 call to respond to the Lee household?

24 MR. ADCOCK:

25 A That's correct. I was dispatched to the Lee

1 Q Yes, if you would please.

2 A It's [REDACTED] I also spoke to one of
3 the victim's friends, Aisha [REDACTED] and her telephone
4 number is 410 --

5 THE COURT: What was the first name?

6 MR. ADCOCK: Aisha.

7 THE COURT: How do you spell it?

8 MR. ADCOCK: A-I-S-H-A.

9 THE COURT: Last name is spelled how?

10 MR. ADCOCK: [REDACTED]

11 THE COURT: And slowly what is the phone
12 number?

13 MR. ADCOCK: [REDACTED]. And also spoke to
14 a Mr. Adnan Syed.

15 THE COURT: How do you spell that?

16 MR. ADCOCK: First name is A-D-N-A-N. Last
17 name S-Y-E-D.

18 BY MR. URICK:

19 Q How did you -- and what phone number did you
20 have for him?

21 MR. ADCOCK:

22 A I have a [REDACTED], and I have to apologize for
23 the copy, it looks like it's [REDACTED]

24 Q Do you recall where you got that phone number
25 from?

1 A I got that from the victim's brother. He
 2 retrieved it from the victim's room.
 3 Q Did he show it to you?
 4 A Yes, he did show it to me.
 5 Q Can I see State's Exhibit -- the diary
 6 please? If I may approach the witness, Your Honor?
 7 THE COURT: You may.
 8 BY MR. URICK: At this time I'm going to show
 9 you what's in evidence as State's Exhibit 2 and ask you
 10 to look at the page on the left hand side. Do you
 11 recognize that page?
 12 MR. ADCOCK:
 13 A Yes, sir I do.
 14 Q And what's that page?
 15 A That's the telephone number. It shows the
 16 telephone number of Mr. Syed.
 17 Q And what number is there?
 18 A [REDACTED]
 19 Q And did you have an occasion to call that
 20 number?
 21 A Yes, I did.
 22 Q About what time did you call that number if
 23 you know?
 24 A Roughly around 6:00 p.m.
 25 Q And what happened when you called that

1 A That is correct.
 2 Q In line 14 did you see the time that that
 3 incoming call was received by the cell phone?
 4 A Yes, I do.
 5 Q And what was that time?
 6 A 6:24, 37 seconds p.m.
 7 Q And what was the duration of the call?
 8 A Duration of the time was four minutes and
 9 fifteen seconds.
 10 Q Is it possible that that's the call you made
 11 to that number that day?
 12 A That is correct.
 13 Q After you took this report what did you do?
 14 A After I took the report I went to the
 15 precinct entered -- actually had the desk officer enter
 16 the information into the computer system. The
 17 vehicle's information and along with the victim's
 18 information.
 19 Q And what if any further involvement did you
 20 have in this matter?
 21 A Later on that evening I contacted the
 22 victim's boyfriend, a Mr. Klinestein and spoke to him
 23 and asked him if he knew the whereabouts of the victim.
 24 Q And after that what if any further contact
 25 did you have with the matter?

1 number?
 2 A I spoke to Mr. Syed and he advised me that he
 3 did see the victim in school that day and that he was
 4 suppose to get a ride home from the victim, but he got
 5 detained at school and felt that she just got tired of
 6 waiting and left.
 7 Q And was there any further substance to that
 8 conversation?
 9 A The only other thing I can really recall is
 10 that he asked if a police report was going to be make
 11 because I had told him the circumstances why I was
 12 calling him.
 13 Q And what did you tell him if you remember?
 14 A I told him, yes a police report is going to
 15 be made.
 16 Q About how long did that telephone
 17 conversation last if you recall?
 18 A Approximately three to five minutes maybe.
 19 Q I'm going to show you a copy of what's been
 20 marked as State's Exhibit 34 and ask you to look as
 21 what's marked as line number 14.
 22 A Okay.
 23 Q For your information it's the Defendant's
 24 cell phone records for the 13th. That's the -- the
 25 number at the top that's the same number you dialed?

1 A That was all my contact through the
 2 investigation.
 3 Q And you filed your report in this matter?
 4 A That's correct.
 5 MR. URICK: Witness with the Defense.
 6 CROSS EXAMINATION
 7 BY MS. GUTIERREZ:
 8 Q Officer Adcock, when you got the numbers you
 9 got them from Young Lee, Hae Lee's brother?
 10 MR. ADCOCK:
 11 A That's correct.
 12 Q Who was then 16 years old?
 13 A I can give you his date of birth. I don't
 14 know exact age, but [REDACTED]
 15 Q That would have made him 16, would it have
 16 not?
 17 A I believe so, yes.
 18 Q Okay. And he -- when he showed you that
 19 document that you've identified, he told you that it
 20 was his sister's diary, did he not?
 21 A That's correct.
 22 Q And so you looked at the page, correct?
 23 A That's correct.
 24 Q You weren't familiar with Hae Lee were you?
 25 A No.

1 Q You had never met her?
 2 A No.
 3 Q You had never seen her handwriting?
 4 A That's correct.
 5 Q But that's what the brother told you,
 6 correct?
 7 A That's correct.
 8 Q And you accepted that, did you not?
 9 A Yes I did.
 10 Q And did you call that number right there from
 11 the Lee house?
 12 A That's correct I did.
 13 Q Okay. And did you call Aisha Pittman right
 14 there from the Lee house?
 15 A Yes, I did.
 16 Q And the number that you called was answered
 17 by a person and did you first tell that person who you
 18 were?
 19 A Yes, I believe so.
 20 Q You identified yourself as a police officer,
 21 did you not?
 22 A Yes, I did.
 23 Q You first thought that that number was
 24 related to Don?
 25 A No, I relate it to a friend.

1 Q You already knew that it was a phone number
 2 that was connected to a person by the name of Adnan
 3 Syed?
 4 A Correct.
 5 Q Just as your notes review, correct?
 6 A Correct.
 7 Q Because you had been given that number by the
 8 brother.
 9 A Correct.
 10 Q As being related to Adnan Syed.
 11 A That's correct.
 12 Q Is that correct? Even though the number
 13 appeared on a page that said nothing, but the words
 14 Don, is that correct?
 15 A That's correct.
 16 Q You were also given Don's number, were you
 17 not?
 18 A Yes I was.
 19 Q Again by the brother, the 16 year old?
 20 A That's correct.
 21 Q Now, when you called that number that was
 22 identified as Adnan Syed after you identified yourself
 23 the person on the phone identified themselves?
 24 A That's correct. I asked for information.
 25 Q As to who it was?

1 A Correct.
 2 Q Did you ask them are you Adnan Syed or did
 3 you ask them what was your name?
 4 A I asked what the subject's name was, his date
 5 of birth.
 6 Q The subject, you didn't say, subject what's
 7 your name, did you?
 8 A No, I didn't.
 9 Q No, okay. But by subject you're referring to
 10 the name that had been given you by the 16 year old
 11 brother, correct?
 12 A That's correct.
 13 Q You had never met Adnan Syed had you?
 14 A No, I have not.
 15 Q You couldn't identify his voice, could you?
 16 A No.
 17 Q And you had been given no descriptive
 18 information about his voice or what he sounded like?
 19 A None.
 20 Q You were aware that the younger brother had
 21 just spoken to Adnan, were you not?
 22 A No, I don't recall him.
 23 Q Were you made aware by the younger brother
 24 that Adnan Syed had been for a period in excess of ten
 25 months the boyfriend of the missing sister of the 16

1 year old?
 2 A I don't recall how his relationship was. He
 3 didn't tell me the relationship other than maybe just
 4 being a friend.
 5 Q But you knew him to be a friend?
 6 A Correct.
 7 Q Is that correct? Who might have information
 8 about the whereabouts of Hae Lee?
 9 A Correct.
 10 Q When you went to the house you went in
 11 response to what you list on your reports as a missing
 12 persons, correct?
 13 A That's correct.
 14 Q And to your knowledge the information that
 15 you were given was that she was missing for somewhere
 16 between 3:15 and 3:30 in the afternoon, the same
 17 afternoon that you were at the Lee house, correct?
 18 A Correct.
 19 Q At that point in time it was a missing
 20 persons investigation that you were conducting,
 21 correct?
 22 A Correct.
 23 Q To find out the location of a person whose
 24 family was reporting them missing, unable to be found,
 25 is that correct?

1 A Correct.
 2 Q And when you reached the person that either
 3 you identified or they identified as Adnan Syed you
 4 asked in fact, if that person had seen Hae Lee in
 5 school or thereafter, correct?
 6 A Correct.
 7 Q Because you were looking for any information
 8 that might lead you to Hae Lee's whereabouts were you
 9 not?
 10 A Correct.
 11 Q And that person told you I saw her in school,
 12 did he not?
 13 A Yes, he did.
 14 Q And that he was suppose to see her after
 15 school, but he was late to where he was suppose to go
 16 and so he did not.
 17 A That's correct.
 18 Q Correct? That person never indicated to you
 19 that after school they saw Hae Lee, correct?
 20 A Correct.
 21 Q And you relayed that information to Young
 22 Lee, did you not?
 23 A I don't recall doing that, I might have.
 24 Q It would be normal for you to do so, would it
 25 not?

1 A Correct.
 2 Q Because if somebody had given you information
 3 that you gave you a lead to go find Hae Lee or to
 4 identify the last person who had seen her that might
 5 well reassure the family who thought their sister,
 6 daughter, granddaughter was missing, would it not?
 7 A Correct.
 8 Q Okay. But that person on the other end of
 9 the line of a phone number given to you by Hae Lee's
 10 brother didn't give you any information that led you to
 11 believe that he, whoever was on the other end of the
 12 line knew where Hae Lee was, did he?
 13 A They did not have any information in regards
 14 to the whereabouts of her.
 15 Q Okay. And in fact, the remark that you
 16 remember although it does not appear in your report,
 17 you brought your report, did you not?
 18 A Um-hum.
 19 Q You didn't note in your report that the
 20 person on the other end of the line asked about whether
 21 or not there was going to be a police report made, did
 22 you?
 23 A No.
 24 Q No. That -- that wasn't signification enough
 25 for you back on the 13th of January to write in the

1 report that you made of this incident.
 2 A That's correct.
 3 Q Is that correct? And when you spoke to the
 4 person that either identified themselves to you in some
 5 way as Adnan Syed, when you spoke to that person it
 6 appeared to you that that person had no idea that Hae
 7 Lee was missing --
 8 A That's correct.
 9 Q Did they? And you noted nothing otherwise in
 10 your report, did you?
 11 A That's correct.
 12 Q Okay. And you had never spoken to the person
 13 on the other end of the line to your knowledge, had
 14 you?
 15 A No, that was the first time.
 16 Q And in your dealings as a police officer you
 17 had never interacted with the person by the name if
 18 Adnan Syed --
 19 A That's correct.
 20 Q Had you. And at the time that you were
 21 speaking to that person in Young Lee's house you never
 22 asked Young Lee to get on the phone and identify that
 23 the person you were talking to was in fact the person
 24 you believed it to be --
 25 A That's correct.

1 Q Did you? And even though Young Lee was
 2 available then, was he not?
 3 A Yes, he was.
 4 Q And you didn't take any of those precautions
 5 when you went to call any of the other numbers provided
 6 you by Young Lee --
 7 A That's correct.
 8 Q Either, did you?
 9 A No, I did not.
 10 Q When you went to call Aisha [REDACTED] and she
 11 was also identified as a friend of Hae Lee's by Young
 12 Lee, was she not?
 13 A That's correct.
 14 Q You again did not ask Young Lee to get on the
 15 phone and verify that the person you reached was in
 16 fact the person that he had led you to believe it was,
 17 did you?
 18 A That's correct.
 19 MS. GUTIERREZ: Thank you. I have nothing
 20 further of the officer.
 21 THE COURT: Any redirect?
 22 MR. URICK: Yes, thank you, Your Honor.
 23 Extremely briefly.
 24 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
 25 BY MR. URICK:

1 Q In essence you were dependant on what the
2 person at the other end of the line told you as to what
3 you knew that night, were you not?

4 MR. ADCOCK:

5 A That's correct.

6 MR. URICK: Nothing further.

7 THE COURT: Any recross?

8 MS. GUTIERREZ: No, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: May the witness be excused?

10 MR. URICK: Yes, thank you.

11 THE COURT: Thank you, Officer Adcock.

12 MR. ADCOCK: Thank you.

13 MR. URICK: May Counsel approach?

14 THE COURT: Yes.

15 (Counsel approached the bench and following
16 ensued:)

17 MR. URICK: I just didn't want to ask a
18 scheduling question in open court. Do you plan to take
19 an afternoon break?

20 THE COURT: Yes.

21 MR. URICK: It would be an appropriate time
22 if you did.

23 THE COURT: No, I want to go around 3:30.

24 MR. URICK: Okay.

25 MS. GUTIERREZ: Judge, while we're up here

1 (Counsel returned to the trial tables and
2 the following ensued:)

3 MR. URICK: If I could have the Court's
4 indulgence for just one moment.

5 THE COURT: Yes, Mr. Urick, your next
6 witness?

7 MR. URICK: May I have the Court's indulgence
8 for just a second. Your Honor, may Counsel approach --
9 we need to use the video player at this time.

10 THE COURT: Pull it out.

11 MR. URICK: Where would the Court like it
12 put?

13 THE COURT: Marianna, would you just pull it
14 straight out. I assume you've also taken the tab out
15 that permits that it can not be recorded over.

16 MR. URICK: Yes, it has been suitably --

17 THE COURT: Made Judge proof?

18 MR. URICK: Made machine proof.

19 THE COURT: No, make it Judge proof, that's
20 the important one. Can all the members of the jury see
21 the TV screen? Alternates? Alternates? Okay.

22 MR. URICK: Mr. Clerk, can you mark this for
23 identification as State's Exhibit Six?

24 (State's Exhibit No. 6 was
25 marked for identification.)

1 I'd like to bring the Court's attention and ask for
2 some relief. I believe that the first person is on my
3 left, the closest seat to the jury is the victim's
4 mother and that's an assumption I make that a mother
5 like age relative of the victim who is very upset, who
6 is having alternately difficulty breathing. She is at
7 least as to two of the jurors less than three to five
8 feet away. I have observed the jurors, it is
9 distracting. I believe it is a tremendous pressure on
10 jurors particularly given the proximity of the mother
11 where almost every word and I certainly understand it
12 must upset her a great deal. I'd ask that we make
13 arrangements to either move her further back from the
14 jury and see if it less disruptive or less
15 intimidating. I think it's --

16 THE COURT: State can move her back at the --
17 after the break.

18 MS. MURPHY: That would be an appropriate
19 time.

20 THE COURT: I won't make a point of it now,
21 but at the end of the break I do think she is too close
22 to the jury.

23 MS. GUTIERREZ: Thank you.

24 MS. MURPHY: Okay.

25 THE COURT: Okay.

1 THE COURT: Are we plugged in? Are we
2 plugged in? Are you on playback deck 5? Okay. Good,
3 that's fine.

4 MS. MURPHY: Should I leave it on for the
5 time being?

6 THE COURT: Um-hum.

7 MS. MURPHY: Leave it on?

8 THE COURT: Well, when are you going to --
9 are you going to get to it right away?

10 MS. MURPHY: In a few minutes.

11 THE COURT: Okay. We can fix that. Who's
12 your witness?

13 MR. URICK: The State at this time would call
14 Sergeant Kevin Forrester to the stand.

15 THE CLERK: Raise your right hand please.

16 KEVIN FORRESTER,

17 a witness produced on call of the State, having first
18 been duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

19 THE CLERK: You may be seated. Keep your
20 voice up for the record. State your name and your
21 current assignment.

22 MR. FORRESTER: Detective Sergeant Kevin
23 Forrester, Baltimore City Homicide Unit.

24 THE COURT: How do you spell your name,
25 Detective Sergeant?