

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 296</p> <p>1 THE COURT: Witness with you, Ms. Murphy. 2 MS. MURPHY: Thank you, Your Honor. 3 DIRECT EXAMINATION 4 BY MS. MURPHY -----> Debbie 5 Q Ms. [REDACTED], how old are you? 6 A Eighteen. 7 Q Are you attending school? 8 A Yes. 9 Q And where is that? 10 A Catonsville Community College. 11 Q What are you studying there? 12 A Romance languages. 13 Q Where did you attend high school? 14 A Woodlawn High School. 15 Q When did you graduate? 16 A 1999, May. 17 Q Did you know Hae Min Lee? 18 A Yes, I did. 19 Q Can you describe your relationship with 20 her? 21 A We were very close friends. 22 Q And how did you know her? 23 A On a personal level as well as in school. 24 We hung out together on weekends. We talked a lot. 25 She told me a lot of personal things about her life.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 298</p> <p>1 became boyfriend and girlfriend. 2 Q Were you aware of their relationship that 3 following summer? 4 A The summer before they were together? 5 Q The summer following the junior prom. 6 A Yes. 7 Q How serious was their relationship? 8 A It was pretty serious. 9 Q Can you explain that? 10 A They would spend a lot of time together. 11 They were sexually active with each other. They 12 shared a lot of things with each other. He knew a 13 lot about her. She knew a lot about him. 14 Q To you knowledge, was this the defendant's 15 first sexual relationship? 16 A No, it wasn't. 17 Q And how do you know that? 18 A He told me. 19 MS. GUTIERREZ: Objection. 20 THE COURT: Overruled. 21 A He told me. 22 Q Did you attend the homecoming dance? I 23 guess that would be your senior year. 24 A No, I didn't. 25 Q Were you aware of anything that happened at</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 297</p> <p>1 Q Do you know the defendant Adnan Syed? 2 A Yes, I do. 3 Q And how do you know him? 4 A From school. 5 Q And how long have you known him? 6 A Seven years. 7 Q Can you describe Hae Lee for the jurors? 8 What type of friend she was, what type of activities 9 she did? 10 A She was very active in school. She played 11 a lot of sports. She was involved in a lot of 12 clubs. She had good grades and she was a happy 13 person in general. 14 Q Did you become aware at some point in time 15 that Hae Lee was having a romantic relationship with 16 the defendant? 17 A Yes, I did. 18 Q Can you tell us about that? 19 A Back when we were freshmen in high school, 20 they had both liked each other. They both told me 21 that but they never told each other that. Later in 22 our junior year right before prom time Hae told me 23 that she wanted to go the prom with Adnan and she 24 asked me to ask him if he would ask her. So I did 25 that and he asked her and after that point they</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 299</p> <p>1 the homecoming dance? 2 A No. 3 Q Did you become aware of any break ups in 4 their relationship? 5 A Yes, I did. 6 Q What do you remember about that? 7 A They had broken up probably two times 8 before their final break up. Hae was upset at Adnan 9 because he was becoming very over protective of her 10 and she felt like she wasn't free in the relationship 11 and she called it off. 12 Q You mentioned their final break up, do you 13 remember when that was? 14 A Between December and January of '99. 15 Q Now, the first two break ups that you 16 mentioned -- 17 A Uh-huh. 18 Q -- during those periods of time were you 19 ever aware that Hae dated anyone else? 20 A No, she didn't. 21 Q And how about after the final break up? 22 A Yes, she did. 23 Q Who was that? 24 A Donnie. 25 Q And did you ever meet Donnie?</p>

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1 A Yes, I did.
 2 Q How did you meet him?
 3 A After Hae turned up missing, I thought that
 4 he might have something to do with it. I contacted
 5 him by E-mail and later we became friends.
 6 Q To your knowledge, was Adnan Syed aware of
 7 Donnie?
 8 A Yes, he was.
 9 Q And how do you know that?
 10 A Hae and him both had told me that he met
 11 him at Hae's job before a couple of times. Adnan
 12 went to pick Hae up at work and that's where he met
 13 Donnie.
 14 Q Did the defendant ever discuss the fact of
 15 Donnie with you?
 16 MS. GUTIERREZ: Objection.
 17 THE COURT: Did the defendant ever discuss
 18 Donnie with this witness?
 19 MS. MURPHY: Yes.
 20 THE COURT: Overruled. You can answer
 21 that.
 22 THE WITNESS: Yes, he did.
 23 Q What did those conversations entail?
 24 A He assumed or thought that Hae was having
 25 relations with him before Adnan --

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1 MS. GUTIERREZ: Objection to what he
 2 thought.
 3 THE COURT: Okay.
 4 MS. GUTIERREZ: Or what he assumed.
 5 THE COURT: Right. Well, sustained as to
 6 what your intention is for your objection and I will
 7 sustain the objection, and now I will direct the
 8 witness. You can't tell us what you thought based on
 9 something you thought up in your mind as it relates
 10 to -- the question was whether he told you. That is
 11 did Mr. Syed tell you what he thought.
 12 THE WITNESS: Yes.
 13 THE COURT: Not you thought he thought. Do
 14 you follow what I'm saying?
 15 THE WITNESS: Uh-huh.
 16 THE COURT: In other words, you can't tell
 17 us what you think he may have thought, but you can
 18 say if Mr. Syed said I think that, and so now that
 19 I've clarified it, you may answer the question that
 20 was asked, and, Ms. Murphy, would you restate your
 21 question.
 22 MS. MURPHY: Thank you, Your Honor.
 23 Q What did the defendant's conversations with
 24 you entail regarding Donnie?
 25 A He told me that he thought that Hae was

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1 having relations with him and a relationship with him
 2 while she was still with Adnan.
 3 Q Did you have any response to that?
 4 A I reassured him that she didn't because she
 5 told me that she hadn't had any relations with him.
 6 They were just friends. They knew each other at
 7 work. They talked but they didn't have a
 8 relationship outside of that.
 9 Q I'm going to ask you to think back to
 10 January 13th, was that the last time you saw her?
 11 A Yes.
 12 Q How did she seem to you that day?
 13 A She was very happy.
 14 Q Where did you see her?
 15 A At school you mean? What location at
 16 school? Near the gymnasium.
 17 Q And what time of day would that have been?
 18 A About three o'clock.
 19 Q What was she doing at that particular point
 20 in time?
 21 A She was in a rush to go somewhere.
 22 MS. GUTIERREZ: Do you know where?
 23 A I don't recall at this point. It has been
 24 awhile.
 25 THE COURT: She's asking you to say what

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1 you just said which was she was in a rush to go
 2 somewhere. Next question, Ms. Murphy.
 3 Q What makes you think she was in a rush?
 4 A She told me she was. We just stopped and
 5 had a short conversation but she had to go.
 6 Q To your knowledge, was there anything in
 7 particular that she was happy about?
 8 A Her relationship with Donnie.
 9 Q How do you know that?
 10 A She told me. Previously that week she had
 11 spent a lot of time with him, spent the night over
 12 his house. Their relationship was progressing and
 13 she doodled his name all over her stuff and she
 14 really enjoyed the relationship.
 15 Q Would it be fair to say that this was a
 16 noticeable thing with Hae?
 17 A Yes, absolutely.
 18 MS. MURPHY: Your Honor, may I ask Mr.
 19 White for State's Exhibit number two?
 20 THE COURT: Yes.
 21 MS. MURPHY: May I approach the witness?
 22 THE COURT: Yes, you may, State's Exhibit
 23 two.
 24 Q Ms. [REDACTED], I'll ask you to take a look at
 25 State's Exhibit two. Have you seen this item before?

1 A Yes, I have.
 2 Q Can you identify that item?
 3 A It's Hae's diary.
 4 Q Had you -- when had you seen it?
 5 A I saw it the day that she bought it.
 6 Q Had you seen her carry it before?
 7 A Uh-huh, yes, I had.
 8 Q If I may, I'll ask you to read for the
 9 jurors the entry under May 14th, 1998?
 10 MS. GUTIERREZ: Objection.
 11 THE COURT: Overruled.
 12 A I think I'll try that one week recess Deb
 13 suggested. I hope forth and went out with Ilesha,
 14 Deb, and Sean in Sean's new car. It is so fly with
 15 those tinted windows. We went to Baskins Robbins and
 16 I got some cappuccino blast. I couldn't be with my
 17 baby because he had to go to D.C. for his religious
 18 stuff. That's what I need to figure out. Do I dare
 19 to pull him away from his religion? Ms. Savic was
 20 all up in my face about it. She said stuff like well
 21 Adnan used to be so religious and strict last year
 22 but this year he is so loose, like I changed him.
 23 Actually, I did and I don't want to pull him away
 24 from who he is. I think I need time to organize
 25 these things but I do not know that -- but I do know

1 one thing. I love him and he loves me. Nothing will
 2 change that. I'll try the recess week and see what
 3 happens. I'll probably kill myself if I lose him but
 4 I'll go crazy with things complicating. I wish he'll
 5 call back soon.
 6 MS. MURPHY: Thank you.
 7 Q Now, in the entry she mentions a one week
 8 recess?
 9 A Yes.
 10 Q Do you know what she was talking about?
 11 A Yes, I suggested to her --
 12 Q Can you explain?
 13 A Sure. I suggested to her that she and
 14 Adnan take at least a week off from each other
 15 because their relationship was becoming very
 16 stressful. They were both coming to me with things
 17 about their relationship that were really bothering
 18 them and I suggested that they take some time off
 19 from each other to figure things out personally.
 20 Q I ask you now to read the entry under May
 21 15th?
 22 MS. GUTIERREZ: Again objection.
 23 THE COURT: Overruled.
 24 A I did it. Me and Adnan are officially on
 25 recess week or time out. I don't know what's going

1 to happen to us. Although I'm in love with him, I
 2 don't know about him. He actually suggests that what
 3 we have is like, not love. I heard the doubt in his
 4 voice. Although he couldn't pick up mine, I felt the
 5 same way. I like him. No, I love him. It's just
 6 all the things that stand in the middle, his religion
 7 and Muslim customs all are in the way. It irks me to
 8 know that I am against his religion. He called me a
 9 devil a few times. I knew he was only joking, but
 10 it's somewhat true. I hate that. It's like making
 11 him choose between me and his religion.
 12 The second thing is the possessiveness.
 13 Independence rather. I'm a very independent person.
 14 I rarely rely on my parents. Although I love him
 15 it's not like I need him. I know I'll do just fine
 16 without him. I need time for myself and with my
 17 friends other than him. How dare he get mad at me
 18 for planning to hang out with Ilesha.
 19 The third thing is the mind play. I've
 20 matured out of my jealousy shit. I don't get jealous
 21 over trying to get him jealous is a fool -- him
 22 trying to get me jealous is a fool because I'll
 23 definitely loose him -- me. I prefer a straight
 24 relationship that don't get in people mixed up just
 25 because he want to play mind games.

1 The fourth thing is nothing. Because I do
 2 love him. It's just all of the shitty things that
 3 are messing with my mind. I'm just too confused. If
 4 I don't take the time to set things straight, the
 5 whole thing will blow up on my -- blow up in my head
 6 making me mad and do something I'll regret forever.
 7 That's why I need the time out. I just hope that I
 8 don't lose him because of this. I love him. When I
 9 hold him, I want it to be forever. I feel secure and
 10 comfy with him. I think he expected more of a
 11 spontaneous combustion. That's not going to happen
 12 all of the time. Our relationship burns lightly at
 13 first and then it eventually calms down. We started
 14 strong and now we settle in a boring but secure and
 15 loving relationship. I don't know what he wants.
 16 All I want is him to hold on to, to cuddle up to,
 17 kiss when I feel empty inside. Maybe I'm not
 18 supposed to be loved but supposed to love and I
 19 thought I had found another keeper and maybe I have.
 20 Hopefully, we'll go through this and come out much
 21 stronger -- with a much stronger foundation. I love
 22 him. I can live without him but I love him and want
 23 him with me. Please Adnan be patient with me, love.
 24 Q Thank you. Now, she had discussed with you
 25 that recess week which she talked about?

1 A Yes.
 2 Q The entry mentions religious issues between
 3 she and Adnan Syed, did she discuss those with you?
 4 A Yes, she did.
 5 Q What did she tell you about them?
 6 A That it was against Adnan's religion to
 7 date anyone or see anyone and especially to sleep
 8 with them, and also that they were different races
 9 and different religions, that caused problems in the
 10 relationship.
 11 Q I also ask you to read the entry from
 12 January 2nd, 1999.
 13 A Happy '99. Ready to party and graduate.
 14 Anyways I got to tell you about yesterday, guess who
 15 had a date with Donald [REDACTED], III? Me. On
 16 Thursday December 31st I picked up Adnan from his
 17 work and dropped him off at Sears so he could pick up
 18 his car. I thought of waiting for him but for some
 19 reason I had to go up to him -- had to go up to
 20 Owings Mills Mall. When I got there I saw his
 21 Camaro, which was surprising since he wasn't working
 22 that day. When I was going to pull up next to his
 23 car, he was walking towards his car. I stopped and
 24 talked to him, flirting around with him as usual.
 25 Well, he actually let me drive his car around Owings

1 kind, caring, intelligent, incredibly cute, funny,
 2 amusing, and very down to earth.
 3 MS. MURPHY: Thank you.
 4 Q If you could read the dates and the next
 5 two entries?
 6 A January 6th, 1999. I just got back from
 7 the movies with Don. I really do like him so much.
 8 January 12th, 1999, I love you Don. I think I've
 9 found my soul mate. I love you so much. I feel in
 10 love with you the moment I open my eyes to see you in
 11 the break room for the first time.
 12 MS. MURPHY: Thank you, Ms. [REDACTED].
 13 Q Do you need some water?
 14 A Yea.
 15 MS. MURPHY: Can I get the witness some
 16 water?
 17 THE COURT: Yes, you may.
 18 Q Ms. [REDACTED], thinking back to the last day
 19 you saw Hae, the following day do you recall whether
 20 school was held that day?
 21 A I don't recall if it was the next day but
 22 sometime that week we had a snow -- a couple of snow
 23 days off. It was a Thursday and a Friday, I think.
 24 Q Do you recall during that period of time
 25 was this heavy snow, was it snow that lasted for some

1 Mills Mall. What a car. Well, we flirted around a
 2 little more. Finally, decided to go for dinner on
 3 the first. I mean, what a day to start a new year.
 4 Well, I got to work on the first week. I spent the
 5 New Year's Eve at Iesha's with Krista and the crew,
 6 Amber, Becky, and Dee, Sean and Ryan, but the guys
 7 had to leave at two but I fell asleep around one
 8 because he had to wake up at nine to get to work.
 9 When I got to work, Don was there of course. He is
 10 so cute and funny. Cool, I found my favorite red
 11 pen. Anyways, he changed into a green sweater and
 12 jeans. His sweater made his green eyes look so
 13 incredible. Since his eyes turned green to blue to
 14 gray. He has real beautiful eyes, real beautiful.
 15 Well, after work we went all of the way up to
 16 Aberdeen. We got to the Olive Tree where we sat and
 17 ate. I had crab cake which was really good, I loved
 18 it. Me and Don had a fun conversation. We were
 19 talking about a lot of things from Lens Crafters to
 20 cars to his name Donald [REDACTED]. Wow,
 21 I don't think I've ever felt this weird before but I
 22 really do think I like him. We came back to the
 23 Owings Mills Mall and we just sat and talked. I
 24 really wanted him to kiss me but not -- he's too much
 25 of a gentleman for that. Wow, what a guy. He was so

1 time?
 2 A Yes, it was. It was also ice, a lot of
 3 ice.
 4 Q At this -- around that point in time did
 5 Hae have discussions with you about any problems at
 6 home?
 7 A Yes, she was having --
 8 MS. GUTIERREZ: Judge, there's been no
 9 identification of that time, I ask we specify the
 10 time.
 11 THE COURT: Certainly. This would be the
 12 last question, was the day after or sometime after
 13 she was last seen in school, so if you want to reask
 14 the question, the objection is sustained.
 15 Q In the weeks preceding her disappearance
 16 did she have conversations with you about problems at
 17 home?
 18 A Yes, she did.
 19 Q What kind of problems did she tell you
 20 about?
 21 A Her mom and her weren't getting along. Her
 22 mom held a lot things over her head like her car and
 23 her freedom and it really irked her.
 24 Q On January 13th did Hae communicate
 25 anything to you that these problems were particularly

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1 on her mind that day?
 2 A No, she didn't.
 3 Q Now, you said you've been in school with
 4 the defendant for how long?
 5 A Seven years.
 6 Q Are you aware of any medical training the
 7 defendant has had?
 8 MS. GUTIERREZ: Objection.
 9 THE COURT: If she knows, and it's not
 10 because of someone told you, do you have any personal
 11 knowledge of any medical training that he has
 12 received?
 13 THE WITNESS: If he told me, does that
 14 count?
 15 THE COURT: If he told you he had some
 16 medical training, yes, you can tell us that.
 17 THE WITNESS: Yes.
 18 Q Can you describe that, please?
 19 A He had an EMTB training class which means
 20 he's certified for basic medical administration. He
 21 could work --
 22 MS. GUTIERREZ: Objection. Move to strike.
 23 THE COURT: The information that you can
 24 testify to is what you know. Unless you took the
 25 course yourself --

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1 THE WITNESS: I did.
 2 THE COURT: -- you can't -- you did?
 3 THE WITNESS: I took that course.
 4 THE COURT: Very well. You may answer.
 5 And you know that he took the very same course that
 6 you took?
 7 THE WITNESS: Uh-huh.
 8 THE COURT: From your own personal
 9 knowledge?
 10 THE WITNESS: Yes, not at the same place
 11 but --
 12 THE COURT: The same course?
 13 THE WITNESS: The same course.
 14 THE COURT: Very well. You may answer the
 15 question and you may tell us what it is that the
 16 course entails. Objection overruled.
 17 A Okay, the course entails basic medical
 18 administration, like if you first came to a fire site
 19 or someone's in a fire you could administer certain
 20 medicines but not many. You could administer oxygen
 21 and you basically take notes on the past medical
 22 history of the patient, things like that, and Adnan
 23 had that same training course that I had and he had a
 24 certification for it.
 25 Q Are you aware of a Best Buy store near

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1 Security Square?
 2 A Yes.
 3 Q If you know, how long would it take you to
 4 drive from Woodlawn High School to that Best Buy?
 5 A About eight minutes maximum.
 6 Q Now, there came a time when detectives
 7 began talking to you as well as other people at
 8 Woodlawn High School?
 9 A Uh-huh.
 10 Q Do you recall that time?
 11 A Yes, I do.
 12 Q Did you ever discuss that time with Adnan?
 13 A Yes, I did.
 14 Q What, if anything, do you remember about
 15 that conversation?
 16 MS. GUTIERREZ: Objection.
 17 THE COURT: Your time limit. She's known
 18 him for seven years.
 19 MS. GUTIERREZ: Well, no pre-discussions
 20 that the time limit after the disappearance of Hae
 21 Min Lee.
 22 THE COURT: After the disappearance of Hae
 23 Min Lee?
 24 MS. GUTIERREZ: Yes.
 25 THE COURT: Knowledge of the Best Buy. I'm

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1 going to sustain the question as asked and ask that
 2 you rephrase the question.
 3 MS. MURPHY: Thank you, Your Honor.
 4 Q Ms. [REDACTED], did you have discussions with
 5 the defendant regarding the investigation surrounding
 6 Hae's disappearance during the time from when she
 7 disappeared until March?
 8 A Yes, I did.
 9 MS. GUTIERREZ: Objection.
 10 THE COURT: Overruled.
 11 Q What do you remember about those
 12 conversations?
 13 A Adnan told me that the detectives had been
 14 questioning him and somewhat harassing him about
 15 things he didn't know, or suggesting that he had
 16 something to do with it, and that bothered him.
 17 Q Now, the detectives talked to you. Did
 18 they ask you to communicate specific questions or to
 19 answer specific questions?
 20 A Yes, they did.
 21 Q Tell us about that?
 22 A They asked me some questions. Some of them
 23 I knew --
 24 MS. GUTIERREZ: Objection to they and I ask
 25 for a specific identification.

1 THE COURT: Certainly.
 2 MS. GUTIERREZ: That's hearsay.
 3 THE COURT: Sustained. Sustained. In
 4 order for you to tell us what someone else has said,
 5 you're going to have to tell us who it is that was
 6 speaking to you first.
 7 THE WITNESS: Okay. As I recall, Detective
 8 MacGillivray, Detective Ritz, and Detective O'Shea.
 9 THE COURT: Okay. Now, you may tell us
 10 what they said.
 11 THE WITNESS: They asked me several
 12 questions. Some of them I knew. Some of them I
 13 didn't. Some questions they asked me to find out.
 14 So I wrote a couple of them down and I kept them in a
 15 journal of mine.
 16 Q What happened to that journal?
 17 A I let Adnan borrow it one day and when he
 18 gave it back to me all of the papers I had had in it
 19 along with the questions were missing.
 20 Q Going back to January 13th, the day that
 21 Hae disappeared, did you have any discussions with
 22 the defendant regarding his car?
 23 A Not that I recall.
 24 MS. MURPHY: Thank you, Your Honor. No
 25 other questions.

1 has taken my docket for tomorrow morning, which means
 2 I have no docket and I will be able to start at
 3 nine-thirty promptly, and I'm going to tell you, as I
 4 did after lunch, at 9:30 I'm going to be sitting up
 5 here, right here and I will be turning on the button
 6 to see who else is ready to start with me, and I'm
 7 going to ask, ladies and gentlemen, that you be here
 8 as promptly as you can because if you go across the
 9 street between 9:00 and 9:30, they will pay you and
 10 if you come here you can stop off on your way, but at
 11 9:30 I'm going to send Mr. White in to count heads
 12 and if all fifteen of you are there we will start
 13 this case. I would like you all to have a safe and
 14 pleasant journey home and I will see you tomorrow at
 15 nine-thirty.
 16 Now, counsel, please be advised as you
 17 heard, someone is taking my docket tomorrow. I have
 18 not been fortunate enough to find anyone to take my
 19 docket for Friday but I'm still in search of. If I
 20 do find someone, then we'll start early on Friday at
 21 eight-thirty and even if I don't I'm going to advise
 22 counsel that if you will kindly make arrangements so
 23 that even if I have a docket I can start this case at
 24 nine-thirty, let the docket pull itself together,
 25 recess, and then come back to this case because I

1 THE COURT: At this point we're going to
 2 stop. We'll save cross examination for tomorrow. It
 3 is now quarter of and I need to stop for today. I
 4 must advise you that you are a witness, Ms. [REDACTED],
 5 who has been sworn and you are still on the witness
 6 stand, which means you cannot discuss your testimony
 7 with anyone, with the State's Attorneys or with the
 8 defense attorneys, or with anyone who may be a
 9 witness, anyone at all, even your parents because
 10 you're sworn and you're on the stand and you're
 11 sequestered. So you can't talk to anybody.
 12 But tomorrow morning at nine-thirty you are
 13 to be here promptly because I will be able to start
 14 at nine-thirty promptly since I have no docket
 15 tomorrow. So when you arrive tomorrow, I'd ask that
 16 you come right into this courtroom and have a seat in
 17 that witness box because we're going to start
 18 promptly at nine-thirty. At this time you're excused
 19 to go home. You may leave for the day and you may
 20 step down at this time.
 21 Ladies and gentlemen, I'm going to ask you
 22 to leave your notepads face down. Go home today.
 23 Don't discuss the testimony amongst yourselves or
 24 with anyone else. Also advise you that luckily one
 25 of the other judges out of the kindness of his heart

1 really would like to try to get as many witnesses
 2 in.
 3 Please be advised also. I have a note, Ms.
 4 Benaroya has been contacted and advised to come in
 5 Friday at one o'clock. That's done. Please be
 6 advised that I have my secretary's note. This is a
 7 note that she took from Ms. Benaroyra on 2/15 and the
 8 note gives a cell phone where she can be reached. It
 9 also indicates that she would prefer when dealing
 10 with you, Ms. Gutierrez, that I be present. That's
 11 not going to happen. Asked if she will be needed
 12 today. Of course, no one told her. Other than this
 13 morning, she did make her routine call and we told
 14 her we hadn't heard that she would be needed.
 15 MS. GUTIERREZ: Right.
 16 THE COURT: And also she said she will be
 17 happy to provide notes to you, Ms. Gutierrez, and
 18 also says that in front of Judge McCurdy she was
 19 there on 9/27.
 20 MS. GUTIERREZ: 9/27.
 21 THE COURT: '99, believes Judge McCurdy has
 22 a video tape of the hearing. That is her note.
 23 That's all it says. If you would like to see that
 24 note, you're welcome.
 25 MS. GUTIERREZ: I just want to cross check

1 the cell phone number with the cell phone number she
2 gave me.

3 THE COURT: [REDACTED]

4 MS. GUTIERREZ: Thank you.

5 THE COURT: That's what I have. She will
6 call me tomorrow morning, but she has been already
7 advised to come in at one o'clock on Friday. And if
8 there is nothing further, and I would ask Ms.
9 Gutierrez if you do need to contact her, you have all
10 of the information, I would prefer not to --

11 MS. GUTIERREZ: I understand.

12 THE COURT: -- have any contact with my
13 chambers because the Court does not want to get
14 involved in taking messages of this nature. However,
15 my able secretary has done her duty and taken the
16 information. I'm going to actually put these notes
17 -- if you would put these notes in the court file
18 just so that --

19 MS. GUTIERREZ: I would stop down but it is
20 likely that Ms. Sheldon is already gone for the day.
21 Now, that we have a date I would expect that we be
22 able to find it since it occurred before Judge
23 McCurdy, but again, because it's on the video tape I
24 need a court order.

25 THE COURT: Not necessarily. Ms. Benaroya

1 I'm going to have a courtroom full of people because
2 although you all are leaving, I am not.

3 MS. GUTIERREZ: I hope it's fun, Judge.

4 THE COURT: I don't have to answer that, do
5 I?

6 MS. GUTIERREZ: No.

7 THE COURT: This Court stands in recess for
8 this case until tomorrow at nine-thirty, for everyone
9 else for five minutes.

10 CONCLUSION OF PROCEEDINGS

1 may agree to assist you in getting that tape. You
2 have her cell number and so I would ask that you --

3 MS. GUTIERREZ: I will try.

4 THE COURT: First do that and if it works
5 out that she agrees then --

6 MS. GUTIERREZ: That's fine.

7 THE COURT: It's all done. In fact, since
8 she's told to come in Friday at one she might even
9 agree to come in early, perhaps. Well, you know, I'd
10 like to think hopefully, positively, I would like to
11 hope that this case will resolve itself by Friday. I
12 have a feeling that things might move --

13 MS. GUTIERREZ: Resolve itself by Friday?

14 THE COURT: When I say resolve, that means
15 the State's finished its case and the defense has
16 started or at least gotten some of its witnesses on.
17 To me that is resolving the case. That is moving it
18 along. You know, that's also assuming that we even
19 get past any motions. You know, that is resolving
20 the case. That's moving it along and to the extent
21 counsel can be prompt tomorrow and assist me in doing
22 that, I would not want to be here alone at 9:30. I
23 would not be happy if I were sitting here alone at
24 9:30. So far I've been very happy. So with that
25 said, I'm going to recess for five minutes because

1 CERTIFICATE

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3 This is to certify that the proceedings in
4 the matter of State of Maryland versus A.dnan Syed,
5 indictment numbers 199103042, 43, 45, 46 held on
6 February 16, 2000 were recorded by means of video
7 tape.

8 I do hereby certify that the foregoing 324
9 pages constitute the official transcript as
10 transcribed by me from said videotaped proceedings to
11 the best of my ability in a complete and accurate
12 manner.

13 In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto
14 subscribed my name this 24th day of August, 2000.

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16 Diane R. Walker

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18 Official Court Reporter
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