

1 TAPED TRANSCRIPT OF DEPUTY ADRIANA ACEVEDO
2 INTERVIEW CONDUCTED BY CORPORAL YURI MELICH

3 CASE NUMBER – 08-74777

4 DECEMBER 17, 2008

5 YM – CORPORAL YURI MELICH

6 JA – SERGEANT JOHN ALLEN

7 AA – DEPUTY ADRIANA ACEVEDO

8 JA: (Coughs.) Let me shut that.

9 YM: The date right now is December 17, 2008. The time right now is 2311 hours.
10 Detective Melich with the Orange County Sheriff's Office. Uh, also present is
11 Sergeant John Allen, Orange County Sheriff's Office. Also present is Deputy
12 Adriana Acevedo. Is that right?

13 AA: Yes sir.

14 YM: Okay. You're aware this is being recorded?

15 AA: Yes sir.

16 YM: Any, any questions about that, or any, any, if, if, you know is that okay with you?

17 AA: Okay.

18 YM: Alright. We uh, we asked you to come, I called you earlier tonight, about ten
19 o'clock, uh, asked if you can come down here. Obviously you jumped on board
20 and came down about a half an hour. And we had some questions to ask you
21 specifically about a call that we were investigating a particularly call, or actually
22 we're investigating several calls in the area. This is one of them. And this one
23 came out on August 11, 2008. It came in at uh, 0428 hours. Uh, dispatched
24 0454. I'm just reading off the screen here. And uh, it shows on scene at 0459.
25 Call number 082242167. And I'm just going to show you the call so we, we

1 understand we're looking at the same thing. Is, you're looking at the same call
2 here. It says uh, dispatch I guess 0328. Is that you, Adriana Acevedo?

3 **AA:** Yes sir.

4 **YM:** E.I.D. (employee identification) 4400?

5 **AA:** Yes.

6 **YM:** Okay. On scene at uh, 16:59:42. 10-8, uh, 98NR, 17:04:31. We sat here and
7 asked specifically if you remember a particular call down on Suburban. You said
8 you, you remember several of them; uh, but they all took place at the end of
9 Suburban Drive, correct?

10 **AA:** Yes sir.

11 **YM:** Do you remember any specific calls uh, for the tape...

12 **JA:** (Coughs.)

13 **YM:**that would have happened here at the end of this fence, woodline. This, this
14 wood fence on the south side of the property; as soon as you come up Hope
15 Street, the first patch of open woods here, do you remember any particular calls
16 in this area?

17 **JA:** (Coughing.)

18 **AA:** No sir.

19 **YM:** Do you ever remember uh, any calls where you may have been dispatched as a,
20 as a primary unit, but arrived, another, another deputy was already here that
21 dealt with the call, and maybe you just 56'd with him and, and left? Do you
22 remember anything like that? Again, in this particular area?

23 **AA:** Not specifically this area.

24 **YM:** Okay. Do you remember any call where you may have been with a, a male
25 deputy? We're talking a, an older deputy. He would, he was wearing shorts. A

1 very short, cropped hair; a white guy. A little heavysset. To where I guess maybe
2 you would have witnessed, or you would have heard after the fact that you, as he
3 was walking into the wood line he slipped on his butt and you know, while he was
4 checking up on, on, on a call or something that he...

5 **AA:** No, I don't recall working with anyone with that description. My zone partners
6 don't fit that description, and falling, no.

7 **YM:** Did you ever hear a story about a deputy responding back here who fell and
8 busted his ass, or, and either on your squad, or a sister squad, or maybe even
9 on, on the other side of the rotation, you know.

10 **AA:** Not that I could recall at this time.

11 **JA:** Alright, we, we let you listen to, or, or uh, we allowed you listen to a uh,
12 rad...some radio traffic.

13 **AA:** Yes sir.

14 **JA:** You listened to the radio traffic at the call we're referring to.

15 **AA:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

16 **JA:** Did uh...

17 **AA:** Yes sir.

18 **JA:** And you, you remember hearing that?

19 **AA:** Yes sir.

20 **JA:** Okay, that is you on the dispatch, right?

21 **AA:** Yes, saying 10-97 and 10-98. That was...

22 **JA:** Okay.

23 **AA:**my voice.

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1 **JA:** Alright, and uh, uh, uh, Detective Melich also showed you a photograph of the, of
2 the employee, the, the person who called uh, that, that, that caller, who's a, an
3 Orange County meter reader. You, you remember looking at the picture?
4 **AA:** Yes, at the photograph.
5 **JA:** Okay, and you've never met with that guy?
6 **AA:** Not that I can recall.
7 **JA:** Okay.
8 **AA:** He doesn't look familiar.
9 **JA:** This is a pretty big deal. I mean uh, I mean uh, is, is there any way you could
10 have met with him and uh, on something of this magnitude, and not remember?
11 **AA:** I wouldn't think so.
12 **JA:** Yeah (affirmative), okay. Uhm, the uh, uh, that call that is in here, uh, you, you
13 had a chance to look at that?
14 **AA:** Yes sir.
15 **JA:** Okay, the, the dispatch call. Anything of the, uh, any, anything about that jog
16 your memory. Anything about that that stands out?
17 **AA:** No.
18 **JA:** Okay.
19 **AA:** I read the call. I read the details of it.
20 **JA:** Okay.
21 **AA:** I looked around. It says negative 56. That's it.
22 **JA:** Do you remember answering the call?
23 **AA:** Not before you showed it to me. I answer a lot of calls, so I forget.
24 **JA:** Alright, I understand. And I'm not, and I mean once you....
25 **AA:** But if my name's on it then I (inaudible).

1 **JA:** Right. What I'm asking you though is is once you, now that you've had an
2 opportunity to look at....

3 **AA:** I vaguely remember coming over here and looking around, but as far as meeting
4 with someone that was a meter reader, I, I already stated to you the person I do
5 recall meeting with over in this area.

6 **JA:** Right. But that's not the meter reader. That's some other guy that...

7 **AA:** Yes.

8 **JA:** ...that calls in.

9 **AA:** That's (inaudible), yes sir.

10 **JA:** You remember meeting with some guy who comes out and searches, right?

11 **AA:** Yes.

12 **JA:** Okay. And, and the, the guy you saw the picture of is not that guy, right?

13 **AA:** No, that doesn't look like him.

14 **JA:** Okay. And uhm, other than that guy the, the guy that you say that, the guy who
15 comes out and searches, you don't recall meeting with anybody else down here
16 about any call uh, where, where, where somebody, when, would have just point
17 out a bag or anything like that?

18 **AA:** No, I ca...I can't.

19 **JA:** Okay. Uhm, you listened to the, you listened to the, the, the, uh, the call, the 911
20 call with the caller when he, when the person called the Comm
21 (Communications) Center, right?

22 **AA:** Yes.

23 **JA:** Does anything about that uhm, help you remember anything?

24 **AA:** I've never referenced the call because I've never heard it...

25 **JA:** Right.

1 **AA:** ...until now.

2 **JA:** Right, I understand that. But hearing that voice, hearing that, that didn't uh....

3 **AA:** I'm not good with voices, and that doesn't....

4 **JA:** Okay. Well, that's not what I'm asking you if you're good with voices. What I'm

5 asking you is if you listen to that, nothing about, you know, after hearing that

6 nothing jogs your memory?

7 **AA:** No sir.

8 **JA:** Okay. That's, that's uh, that's fine. Alright, so uh, as far as you're concerned you

9 answered (coughs) that call....

10 **AA:** Yes.

11 **JA:** ...that you saw the dispatch?

12 **AA:** Yes.

13 **JA:** And you listened to the radio traffic?

14 **AA:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

15 **JA:** But....

16 **AA:** Yes.

17 **JA:** ...when you answered that call you didn't meet with anybody? It was uh, like a

18 negative 56. There was no...

19 **AA:** No.

20 **JA:** Alright.

21 **AA:** Negative 56. I didn't meet with anyone.

22 **JA:** Alright, so you didn't meet with anybody that day?

23 **AA:** Not that day.

24 **JA:** Okay. And you don't remember answering any other call around that time in this

25 area, not at the end. I, I know we're asking a lot, and so (inaudible).

1 **AA:** I understand.

2 **JA:** Uh, you don't remember uh, answering, meeting anybody except that guy that
3 uh, the, the fellow you say comes out here and searches?

4 **AA:** Yes.

5 **JA:** Okay. Alright. I don't think I have anything else.

6 **YM:** Okay.

7 **JA:** Listen, we appreciate you coming down with us.

8 **AA:** Okay.

9 **JA:** And getting you out of bed on your day off, and getting you down here. Uhm,
10 and it's just uh, you know, we're, we're trying to figure out how all this came
11 about. So uhm....

12 **YM:** And again, we do ask that you don't talk about this with uh, with co-workers or
13 anyone, well because this is something that we need to investigate. So....

14 **AA:** Ongoing investigation, yes.

15 **JA:** Alright, yeah (affirmative).

16 **YM:** And I'm just, and I, and I gave you my card with my cell phone number on it. If
17 so reason you have recollection of it, or you remember someone telling you
18 something about a story that they were involved in with someone else, please
19 give me a call and let me know.

20 **JA:** Right.

21 **AA:** Yes sir.

22 **YM:** And again, just, just for the record, raise your right hand. (Inaudible) down the
23 road. Do you swear and affirm everything you just told us is the truth?

24 **AA:** Yes.

25 **JA:** Okay. Alright.

1 YM: Thank you.

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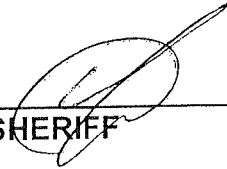
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