



**STATEMENT FORM**

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Date: June 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2017	Time: 1156AM	Place FIT Office
Statement of: <input type="checkbox"/> Complainant <input type="checkbox"/> Witness <input type="checkbox"/> Victim <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
Name (Last, First MI) Anderson, Jason M		DOB
Statement Taken By: Detective Steve Corbin	Serial 7637	Unit C171A
Transcribed by (Taped/Translated Statements) Robin Ross	Serial 7878	Unit C170Y

**CORBIN:** Alright, this is Detective Corbin, Seattle Police Department Force Investigation Team; today's date is June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017, approximate time now 1156 AM. This will be in regards to SPD case number: 17-219301 that occurred on June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at around 0945 hours at 6818 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Northeast, apartment 4303. We are here for our follow-up interview with involved Officer Anderson, serial 8329. Let's start with introductions, we'll go from my right, please say your first and last name and by doing so you acknowledge you're being audio recorded.

**DEWEY:** Jason Dewey, Force Investigations, I understand I'm being recorded.

**DAVISSON:** George Davisson, Force Investigation and I understand it's being recorded.

**STUCKEY:** Kevin Stuckey, Seattle Police Officers Guild and I understand I'm being recorded.

**ANDERSON:** Jason Anderson and I understand I'm being recorded.

**BUCK** Ted Buck, acknowledged.

**BEEMSTER:** Uh, Tracy Beemster, OPA, I'm aware of the recording.

**HIRJAK:** And Steve Hirjak of FIT, I understand I'm being recorded. Officer Anderson I wish to advise you you're being questioned as part of an official investigation of the Seattle Police Department. You will be asked questions specifically directed and narrowly related to the performance of your duties or fitness for office. Are you willing to provide a voluntary statement regarding this incident?

**ANDERSON:** No.

**HIRJAK:** As you're not willing to provide a voluntary statement, I order you to answer my questions and those of the detectives and Sergeant conducting this interview. If you refuse to answer questions relating to the performance of your official duties, you will be subject to department charges which could result in your dismissal from the department. Do you understand?

**ANDERSON:** Yes.

Witness
Witness

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HIRJAK: Okay and would you acknowledge again for the recording I've proved you with another copy of the Police Officer Bill of Rights?

ANDERSON: I was provided a Bill of Rights form.

HIRJAK: Okay. Alright (unintelligible), turn the interview over (unintelligible), step out.

CORBIN: Okay. So then for the recording Lieutenant Hirjak's left the room. Um, Officer Anderson we were here together a couple of days ago uh, I appreciate you coming back. We just to remind you, we're gonna ask you some more questions from your first interview, some follow-ups and there might be some other questions we just want to delve into that we didn't discuss in the first interview.

ANDERSON: Okay.

CORBIN: Um, just a reminder, try to think of things in terms of your 5 senses. Uh, use as much detail as possible, take your time and just kinda dig into your memory, we want to know your perspective of what happened, okay?

ANDERSON: Okay.

CORBIN: Okay, so we'll start out with um trying to clear this up for us, on this particular call were you dispatched to it?

ANDERSON: Yes.

CORBIN: And were you ever dispatched and then cleared and then re-visited the call or was the initial dispatch the time you took this call from beginning to end.

ANDERSON: Uh, uh, beginning to end, I was, I was dispatched and the whole thing played out, so...

CORBIN: Okay.

ANDERSON: Yeah. Just once.

DAVISSON: So, regarding that, were you dispatched as a single officer car or...

ANDERSON: I was dis-...

DAVISSON: ...multiple people, (unintelligible).

ANDERSON: I was dispatched as a single officer car to the call.



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DAVISSON: So there weren't um, so how did 2 people end up on the call.

ANDERSON: Um, after reviewing um uh, RMS info on the complainant, I noticed there was a caution and uh um...uh, due to the remoteness of the location and everything I thought it would be in my best interest to have a backing officer based on the caution.

CORBIN: And that actually is, is gonna fold into something that I want you to discuss. S-sort of in general and then we'll go to as it relates to this call, but in general, when you see a call that has a caution assoc-, associated with it...

ANDERSON: Mmhmm.

CORBIN: ...what steps do you take that are different than a call that doesn't have that?

ANDERSON: Just being a little more aware um of uh what's going on with uh the person related to the caution. Um, um...and uh I mean if, yeah, I mean just, just being more aware of things, not necessarily changing a whole lot other than that just being more aware and cognizant of um what the caution was related to.

CORBIN: So for this specific call, what steps did you take after you realized that there was a caution on one of the individuals for the call?

ANDERSON: I requested a additional unit to be a backing officer.

CORBIN: Why did you do that? Excuse me, why did you do that?

ANDERSON: Um...well if I was confronted with a situation uh I wouldn't be alone.

CORBIN: Okay and ho-, and how would a situation be different if you were by yourself or with another officer?

ANDERSON: Um, having more officer's presence can deescalate situations where um someone might try to uh either intimidate or think they can confront someone uh just on a one-on-one basis versus 2 officers.

CORBIN: And besides um resources such as other officers, are there any other resources that you consider when you see a call that has a caution?

ANDERSON: Um...that really depends on what the caution is and um what it relates to, if it's a suspect or complainant there, there's a lot of different variable that could be um related to that, so, I can't answer that specifically.

CORBIN: Um, then let's look at it in terms of the call...



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ANDERSON: Mmhmm.

CORBIN: ...from June 18<sup>th</sup>.

ANDERSON: Mmhmm.

CORBIN: Um, did you request or consider other resources besides another officer based on the information regarding the complainant, Ms. Lyles?

ANDERSON: At the time uh, no because uh she was complaining of a cold burglary, you know, she wasn't a suspect. Um, so at the time, no.

CORBIN: So in your experience um, when you say a cold burglary, can you explain uh what that means to you?

ANDERSON: Um, it means uh there's no suspect at the scene uh the complainants home, you know has checked out the house, whatever, uh so there's, there should be no threat of a suspect in the house you know.

CORBIN: So what, what would your normal duties be then at a cold burglary?

ANDERSON: Um, contacting the complainant uh gathering their information, finding out what was stolen, uh documenting uh through photographs and evidence, possibly taking fingerprints. Uh and uh that's about the extent.

CORBIN: Alright. Um, in terms of resources, did you consider requesting a Taser officer to come to this call?

ANDERSON: No, because uh the complainant was calling a burglary, a cold burglary you know I had not reason to believe that uh uh, based on that information that uh I needed a Taser officer.

CORBIN: Uh, we're gonna switch gears a little bit to um the clothing that subject Lyles was wearing. You mentioned in our uh first statement, that he was wearing a coat and um, can you describe that coat?

ANDERSON: It was a black uh longer length coat, possible knee length. Um, possibly down, I can't remember if uh in specificity what it was made out of but that's what I remember of the coat.

CORBIN: Okay can you remember if it was a button type coat?

ANDERSON: Uh...I, I do not recall.

CORBIN: Okay. Do you remember if the coat had a hood affixed to it?



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ANDERSON: I do not recall.

CORBIN: What court code are you?

ANDERSON: BOY – 121 – TOM

CORBIN: S...

ANDERSON: Oh, sorry, I'm, I'm sorry, I'm "B".

CORBIN: Court code "B", okay.

ANDERSON: Sorry.

CORBIN: I'm gonna um, I'm gonna give you a calendar with court code "B" on it...

ANDERSON: Mmhmm.

CORBIN: ...and I'm gonna kinda put a square box around June, so you can take a look at it in reference. Are, are you familiar with this kind of court code calendar?

ANDERSON: Yes, I believe so.

CORBIN: Do you know what these darker shade boxes mean?

ANDERSON: Uh, furlough days, (unintelligible).

CORBIN: Okay. And that's correct so I, what I want to ask you is from, for the month of June, up until uh the 18<sup>th</sup>...

ANDERSON: Mmhmm.

CORBIN: ...can you let me know what days off that you, that you had?

ANDERSON: Um...

BUCK: May I ask a clarifying question?

CORBIN: Yes.

BUCK: Are you asking him to interpret this thing that you put in front of him or are you asking him to recall which days he actually took furlough?



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CORBIN: Okay. So, um, I'm asking you to recall days that you took furlough and any other days if you called in sick, if you took vacation days. I put this piece of paper in front of you because I don't know if from memory you can do that. This is to aid your memory, if you need it.

ANDERSON: I do not recall what uh specific days uh I was off during the month of June jus-, just by uh recall currently.

DAVISSON: Do you recall taking any additional time off other than your regular furloughs?

ANDERSON: I don't recall right th-, right this minute, no.

CORBIN: Do you recall if you worked like off-duty or outside assignments as a police officer during the month of June?

ANDERSON: I did not.

CORBIN: Did not, okay. Do you recall if you were uh mandated to work on a furlough day, on a normally occurring furlough day in the month of June?

ANDERSON: I, I don't recall, sorry.

CORBIN: Okay. About how long have you uh been a police officer? Say graduated the academy, since the academy?

ANDERSON: Uh...since the academy...uh, I'd have to count it out, I can't recall right this, I'm doing the math in my head, I'd have to jot it down real quick.

CORBIN: Do you remember what year you were hired?

ANDERSON: Uh, I was hired in 2017, my hire date was April 28<sup>th</sup>.

CORBIN: Okay, and about how long was the academy?

ANDERSON: Approximately 5 months.

CORBIN: Okay. So say around the time from October that year, October...

ANDERSON: Mhmmm.

CORBIN: ...November until um June 18<sup>th</sup>, how many force calls do you think you've been on?

ANDERSON: Can you define what you mean by force call?



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CORBIN: Absolutely, calls where either you used force or you were present when other officers used force, and that would include the SPD definition of Type I, Type II, Type III, all force.

ANDERSON: I would say very few, I can't recall the specific number.

CORBIN: Okay. Um, have you been on any use of force calls with Officer McNew...before June 18<sup>th</sup>?

ANDERSON: I do not recall. I don't, I don't believe so.

CORBIN: Okay. General calls with Officer McNew where either uh, you were primary and he backed you or he was a primary, you backed him or any other combination, about how many times have you worked called with Officer McNew?

ANDERSON: Hmm...during the days we were working (unintelligible)...

Sneeze

UNKNOWN: Bless you.

UNKNOWN: Bless you.

ANDERSON: ...fairly often, I can't tell you a specific number. But uh, a, a quite a number of calls.

CORBIN: Is he uh a member of your squad?

ANDERSON: Yes.

CORBIN: So assuming nobody took the day off, in your normal work week would he be, would he work with your team on all those days?

ANDERSON: Yes.

CORBIN: Okay. So how familiar are you with him and working with him?

ANDERSON: I'm fairly familiar with him. Uh, we've worked together for, since I uh joined the squad.

CORBIN: And were you assigned directly out of uh the academy to the squad or was it after FTO?

ANDERSON: Uh, it was February of 2016, I believe.

CORBIN: Okay.

ANDERSON: I was assigned to the squad.



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CORBIN: And uh, was Officer McNew in the squad before you got there?

ANDERSON: Yes.

CORBIN: Alright. Thinking back to um the apartment, uh if you can go through the process of the investigative process of examining the apartment for the items that were reported to have been stolen, can you sort of walk me through that process...what you did.

ANDERSON: Um...initially uh I was just gathering a list of the items that were taken um and uh she uh was pointing, pointing to area's where things had been taken. I hadn't had a, a chance to examine the area's where things had been taken yet, she was just pointing out things uh, um in various areas of the apartment that had been taken or disturbed. So I had not gotten into any detail of investigation at that point, other than her naming and pointing things that had been taken.

CORBIN: So describe the apartment in terms of uh, let me back up...have you been on burglary report before?

ANDERSON: Yes.

CORBIN: And the kind you described, cold burglaries?

ANDERSON: Yes.

CORBIN: Was there manner in which uh she pointed out the items to be missing consistent with burglaries that you have seen before?

ANDERSON: Yes.

CORBIN: In what way?

ANDERSON: Um, she was listing off the things that had been taken and pointing to the different areas that they were taken from, describing uh where things had been taken, so.

CORBIN: Okay. Do you have any follow-up?

DAVISSON: Uh, in those area's they didn't appear uh, to the best of our ability, did it appear that any of those items had been taken from that location had been taken from that location, does that make sense, in other words did it appear like what she was reporting missing could have been in those locations?

ANDERSON: I believe so, uh she reported that the X-Box was missing from the living room and she had talked about a bag, black plastic bag that was on a sofa that had been opened up, plastic bag that was on the sofa that has been opened up uh with some clothing or something like that inside. Um and so, yeah.



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DAVISSON: Okay. Uh, when you said that you requested another unit, did you request that over the air or the MDT, MVC, (unintelligible)...

ANDERSON: I uh messaged uh dispatch through the MDT.

DAVISSON: Okay. Um, what did that request look like? How'd you request it?

ANDERSON: I believe uh...I don't recall on detail what I said, I think I re-, requested a routine X for a caution on a complainant.

DAVISSON: Okay. Um, do you recall if she discussed the timeframe of the burglary?

ANDERSON: I believe she stated uh something about 2 to 3 hours ago. I don't recall specifically then, how long it was. Um...

DAVISSON: Okay. That's all I have right now, (unintelligible).

CORBIN: And um, when subject Lyles was directing you to the area's that we've talked about...

ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CORBIN: ...for items that were missing, can you describe her demeanor?

ANDERSON: Um...not in great detail other than um she was just, just like anybody else would you know pointing to area's that things had been taken from and explaining what was going on. Uh...yeah...

CORBIN: Okay. Uh, Mr. Buck do you have any questions at this time?

BUCK: No.

CORBIN: Alright, so we're gonna take a break like last time uh, feel free to use the bathroom or whatever. Please try to keep the talking to a minimum, it's stays on the transcription, we'll be right back.

ANDERSON: Okay.

BEEMSTER: They'll be here momentarily. George, do you have any uh event summary, oh...I'm working on (unintelligible)...



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CORBIN: Alright, everybody is back, we're just gonna continue um, so Officer Anderson, do you recall when um Officer McNew said "Taser" to you?

ANDERSON: Yes.

CORBIN: Okay. And um do you remember what your response was?

ANDERSON: I believe I said, "I don't have a Taser".

CORBIN: So what we're curious about is if you can, at that moment in time, the proximity of yourself and Officer McNew and subject Lyles, if it would be easier for you, you can use the whiteboard to sketch it um or you can describe it to me, but that's what we're interested in finding out.

ANDERSON: Um, I guess the easiest [sic] way to describe it is in a triangular fashion. Um, he was to my right uh subl-, subject Lyles was in uh front of me.

CORBIN: Okay and do you have any memory of distances for either Officer McNew and/or subject Lyles?

ANDERSON: Specifically, I do not recall.

CORBIN: Okay are you comfortable using and estimate?

ANDERSON: I can't recall the specificity but uh I would say Officer McNew was maybe within 10 feet and I can't recall how far subject Lyles was at that point.

CORBIN: Alright. Um, that's all I have.

DAVISSON: Just for clarifying on that, you say he was within 10 feet of you or 10 feet of the subject?

ANDERSON: Ten, within 10 feet of myself.

DAVISSON: So Officer McNew was roughly within 10 feet of you when he called Taser?

ANDERSON: Approximately, yeah.

DAVISSON: And you were approximately how far away from the subject?

ANDERSON: I can't recall uh specificity. My rela-, relatively short distance like yeah.

CORBIN: Okay, anything else Sergeant Davisson? Detective Dewey? Um, I'd like to ask you attorney, Mr. Buck is there anything you'd like to add at this point?



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BUCK: No, thank you.

CORBIN: Officer Anderson uh anything you would like to add or things that, since the last time we met that you recall that you would like to talk about?

ANDERSON: Not at this time.

CORBIN: Okay, it is now 1228 hours, we're gonna discontinue this interview.