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Affidavit of Randall Howard

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I, Randall Howard, under oath and penalty of perjury, state as follows:

1. My name is Randall Mark Howard. My date of birth is [REDACTED]. I live at [REDACTED] in Bloomington.

2. I have known Jamie Snow since I was 11 or 12. I was a little younger than him but hung out with him and his friends. By 1991, he and I were no longer as close but we still hung out.

3. The Monday after Easter, 1991, Jamie picked me up at the bus station in Bloomington -- I had been in Champaign for the weekend. He had no cut or wound on his face. He had no stitches or scars. He never wore earrings.

4. For a few months after this, the police came to see me every week, questioning me about Jamie and whether I knew anything. They taped several of these conversations over the years. I think they taped at least five conversations with me.

5. During these conversations, they asked me a lot of questions about Jamie. I told them the truth during these conversations.

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6. In 1992, I moved to Virginia to try to start over fresh with my girlfriend. I think the police called me once around this time.

7. In 1995 I moved back to Champaign. Detectives ~~showed~~ showed up to see me several times, and I was also called. They always told me they had new information and were going to get Jamie, but nothing ever came of it.

8. A few weeks before I was subpoenaed for the grand jury, Detectives Barkus and Katz came to Champaign very early in the morning. I remember them asking about Jamie wearing a hat and coming over to my house. I just answered yes to their questions to get them out the door. It was really early in the morning and I was sick of them. To this day I'm not sure what they asked me. A few weeks later I was surprised to get a grand jury subpoena.

9. I remember testifying before the grand jury. When I came in, I said, "You guys don't seem very grand." I recognized two people on the grand jury. One was a heavyset woman with red hair who I remember Jamie and I teased mercilessly in school. Another was a man I recognized.

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10. After Susan's trial, a detective and Bill Yoder came to my house. I asked this detective, Detective Barkus, "You've been after Jamie a long time. Are you happy you might finally get him?" He said, "It would be a career-defining moment." I knew Barkus had been after Jamie for a long time but had never really been able to catch him for anything.

11. At this meeting, Yoder told me "I was disappointed at your testimony at the trial." He was trying to feel me out. He told me Jamie had done a lot of other bad stuff.

12. I attended two days of Jamie's trial, but I sat outside because I wasn't allowed to go in. The first day I sat in the room outside. The second day, I arrived in the morning and sat on a bench outside. While I was sitting on the bench, a tall bailiff came outside and was talking to a man in a suit. The man in the suit asked how the trial was going. The bailiff said, "Jamie's gonna fry this time." He said Jamie had robbed two of the jurors' homes years before. He referred to a "she" so I assume at least one of the jurors he was talking about was a female. It sounded like the bailiff knew the jurors -- he was about our age.

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13. After hearing this conversation and after testifying, I waited and told one of Jamie's lawyers about this conversation. The lawyer said he would take care of it. He didn't take my number or follow up with me.
14. Before trial, Jamie's lawyers never contacted me. They didn't speak to me in court before trial. A short time before trial I showed up at his lawyer's office to try to talk to them. I thought they would want to talk to me. They told me if they wanted to talk to me they would call me.
15. I know there was a rumor going around about Jamie giving me bloody clothes to hide. If I was asked about this, I would have told the truth <sup>Part</sup> which was that about a month before ~~the~~ Bill Little's death, while snow was still on the ground, Jamie came over after a fight with his wife. He said she had headbutted him, giving him a bloody nose. Blood was on his shirt. I gave him a shirt to wear. This had nothing to do with Bill Little's death. I told the police this.
16. Within a year of Jamie's trial, I was coming out of a restaurant and saw a carpet van outside. This was in Champaign. I peeked in and saw Delbert Trease and Carl Rexroat, who I knew from Bloomington.

17. We began talking, and the conversation turned to Jamie's trial. Carl got quiet and went to the back of the store. Carl and Delbert are dead ringers for the ~~the~~ ~~the~~ Clark R.H. Oil suspect sketches. ~~the~~ I told Carl he was the spitting image, and he said, "They already talked to me. I was in jail then." Carl has crazy eyes.

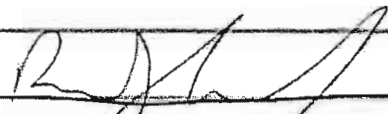
18. I have told anyone who would listen that story, including some police I know. As far as I know, no one has ever acted on that.

19. If called to testify, I would testify consistent with this affidavit.

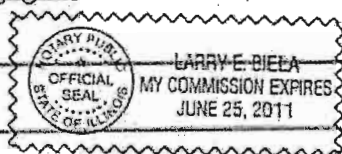
20. I am 41 years old and competent to testify. No threats or promises were made to me in exchange for this affidavit. This affidavit is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

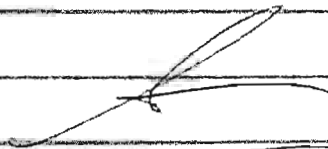
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Subscribed & Sworn 12/13/09



  
LARRY BIELA/NOTARY