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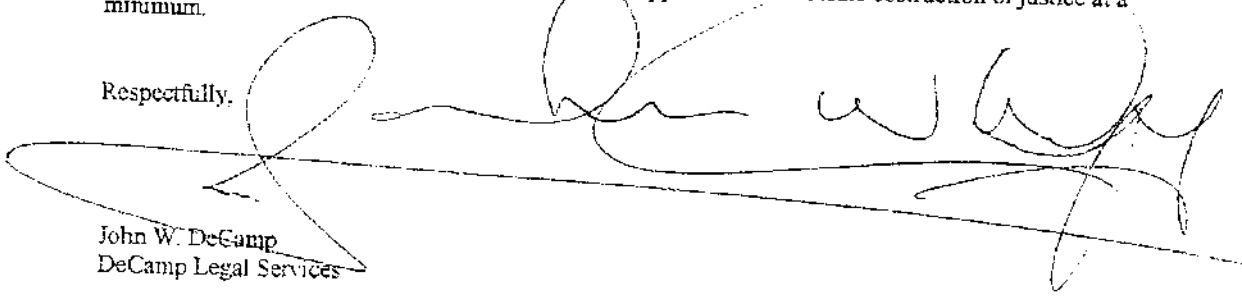
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To Whom It Concerns:

The trial on February 5, 1999 resulted in a million dollar judgement. I believe that judgement, completely independent of the Default Judgement in the case because the singular issue was damages, makes it clear that the evidence presented was credible and Judge Urbom acted on that basis and to send a message to a number of individuals (both clean and dirty) who were a part of the Franklin saga. I believe the U.S. Attorney has no choice but to either CHARGE THE WITNESSES WITH PERJURY HAVING TESTIFIED UNDER OATH IN A FEDERAL COURT ON VERY MATERIAL MATTERS (From Murder to Bribery to Perjury to the most vile corruption involving young people) OR, THE U.S. ATTORNEY HAS AN OBLIGATION TO INVESTIGATE FURTHER INTO THE FRANKLIN SAGA AND REOPEN MATTERS. This time there ARE PICTURES. This time RUSTY NELSON exists and testified completely contrary to Chief Wadman's testimony under oath to the legislature. This time Noreen Gosch validated the credibility and story of Paul Bonacci... and a lot, lot more. At a minimum, some Federal or State authority (Whether it is a Judge, Attorney General, Prosecutor, etc.) has an obligation to re-open particularly the Alisha Owen case. If my witnesses in Court on February 5, 1999 are telling the truth then Alisha Owen is LYING, as a jury said, then my witnesses are lying. It appears to me to put the U.S. Attorney and Nebraska Attorney General and Judicial System on the horns of a dilemma - and failure to act would, to me at least, appear to be deliberate obstruction of justice at a minimum.

Respectfully,

  
John W. DeCamp  
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

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PAUL A. BONACCI,

Plaintiff,

vs.

LAWRENCE E. KING,

Defendant.

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) GARY D. MOFARLAND  
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) MEMORANDUM OF DECISION  
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On February 27, 1998, I found that default judgment should be entered against the defendant Lawrence E. King in favor of the plaintiff, Paul A. Bonacci. A trial on the issue of the damages due the plaintiff by that defendant was had on February 5, 1999.

Two counts are alleged against the defendant King in the complaint. Count V alleges a conspiracy with public officers to deprive the plaintiff of his civil rights, designed to continue to subject the plaintiff to emotional abuse and to prevent him from informing authorities of criminal conduct. Count VIII charges battery, false imprisonment, infliction of emotional distress, negligence and conspiracy to deprive the plaintiff of civil rights. Between December 1980 and 1988, the complaint alleges, the defendant King continually subjected the plaintiff to repeated sexual assaults, false imprisonments, infliction of extreme emotional distress, organized and directed satanic rituals, forced the plaintiff to "scavenge" for children to be a part of the defendant King's sexual abuse and pornography ring, forced the plaintiff to engage in numerous sexual contacts with the defendant King and others and participate in deviate sexual games and masochistic orgies with other minor children. The defendant King's default has made those allegations true as to him. The issue now is the relief to be granted monetarily.

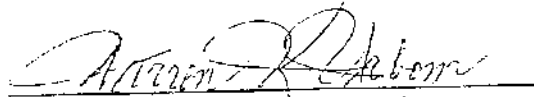
The now uncontradicted evidence is that the plaintiff has suffered much. He has suffered burns, broken fingers, beatings of the head and face and other indignities by the wrongful actions of the defendant King. In addition to the misery of going through the experiences just related over a period of eight years, the plaintiff has suffered the lingering results to the present time. He is a victim of multiple personality disorder, involving as many as fourteen distinct personalities aside from his primary personality. He has given up a desired military career and received threats on his life. He suffers from sleeplessness, has bad dreams, has difficulty in holding a job, is fearful that others are following him, fears getting killed, has depressing flashbacks, and is verbally violent on occasion, all in connection with the multiple personality disorder and caused by the wrongful activities of the defendant King.

Almost certainly the defendant King has little remaining financial resources, but a fair judgment to compensate the plaintiff is necessary. For the sixteen years since the abuse of the plaintiff began I conclude that a fair compensation for the damages he has suffered is \$800,000. A punitive award also is justified, but the amount needs to be limited because of the small effect

that such a judgment would have on the defendant King, given his financial condition and his presence now in prison. I deem a punitive award of \$200,000 to be adequate.

Dated February 19, 1999.

BY THE COURT

  
United States Senior District Judge

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DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

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PAUL A. BONACCI,

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4:CV91-3037

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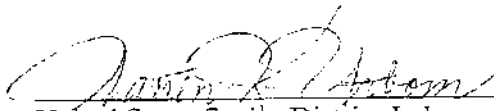
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IT IS ORDERED that the plaintiff shall have judgment against the defendant Lawrence E. King in the amount of \$1,000,000 and taxable court costs in accordance with the Memorandum of Decision of today, together with interest at the rate of 4.5% percent per annum.

Dated February 19, 1999.

BY THE COURT



United States Senior District Judge

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FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

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Hearing held before the Honorable Warren K. Urbom, Senior United States District Judge, on February 5, 1999 in Lincoln, Nebraska.

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<u>WITNESS</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Cross</u>	<u>Redirect</u>	<u>Recross</u>
Noreen Gosch	5			
Russell Nelson	36			
Paul Bonacci	101			
Denise Bonacci	155			

1 (At 9:01, the following proceedings were  
2 held.)

3 THE COURT: This is the case of Paul  
4 A. Bonacci versus Lawrence E. King, 4:91CV3037. I  
5 see the plaintiff, Mr. Paul Bonacci, here with his  
6 counsel Mr. DeCamp. I do not see anyone  
7 representing Lawrence E. King.

8 Is there anyone here representing Mr. King? I  
9 take it not. A default judgment has been entered  
10 against him. And the purpose of this proceeding is  
11 to determine the amount of damages that are to be  
12 awarded.

13 Mr. DeCamp, you may proceed. Want to a make  
14 an opening statement or not is entirely up to you.  
15 You may do that or call your witnesses as you  
16 choose.

17 MR. DECAMP: May it please the Court,  
18 a very, very brief opening statement. What I want  
19 to establish here today, Your Honor, if at all  
20 possible, is the entire picture or scene in which  
21 Mr. Bonacci lived and prove to this Court's  
22 satisfaction the stories he tells in his petition  
23 are in fact true and the trauma that results from  
24 those stories is in fact very real.

25 And even, Your Honor, we would hope that the

1 Court, after hearing some of the evidence and  
2 information today for the first time ever, would  
3 maybe even on its own initiative take some  
4 appropriate action to correct some other wrongs or  
5 launch some other investigations that may be  
6 needed, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: That's not within my  
8 authority. So I can't do that. But I can award  
9 damages. And that's why we're here today.

10 MR. DECAMP: Yes, Your Honor. So my  
11 first witness I would call would be Noreen Gosch.

12 THE COURT: Come forward, please.

13 THE CLERK: Ma'am, would you state  
14 your full name and spell it, please?

15 THE WITNESS: Noreen Natalie Gosch.

16 THE CLERK: Noreen is?

17 THE WITNESS: Beg your pardon?

18 THE CLERK: Would you spell Noreen?

19 THE WITNESS: N-o-r-e-e-n.

20 THE CLERK: Natalie?

21 THE WITNESS: N-a-t-a-l-i-e. And  
22 Gosch, G-o-s-c-h.

23 THE CLERK: Noreen Natalie Gosch.  
24 Noreen, N-o-r-e-e-n, Natalie Gosch, G-o-s-c-h.

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NOREEN N. GOSCH

1  
2 Called as a witness, being duly sworn,  
3 testified as follows:

4 THE COURT: Sorry, tell me again, how  
5 do you spell your last name?

6 THE WITNESS: G-o-s-c-h.

7 THE COURT: G-o-s-c-h?

8 THE WITNESS: Correct.

9 THE COURT: Thank you. Mr. DeCamp.

10 MR. DECAMP: Yes, Your Honor.

DIRECT EXAMINATION

11  
12 BY MR. DECAMP:

13 Q. Noreen, you arrived in Lincoln last night, is  
14 that correct?

15 A. That's correct.

16 Q. And where is your home?

17 A. West Des Moines, Iowa.

18 Q. And how long have you lived there?

19 A. 28 years.

20 Q. And do you have family there?

21 A. Not any more.

22 Q. Did you have family there?

23 A. Yes, I did.

24 Q. Who did you have as part of your family?

25 A. I had my children and my husband.

1 Q. How many children?

2 A. Three children. The two older children have  
3 moved away and married. My youngest son was  
4 kidnapped and as a result of a lot of ensuing  
5 problems we divorced, my ex-husband and I, and I  
6 don't know where he's at.

7 Q. Your son was a paperboy in Des Moines, is that  
8 right?

9 A. That is correct.

10 Q. And his name was what?

11 A. John David Gosch.

12 Q. Johnny Gosch he's typically referred to in the  
13 newspapers, is that correct?

14 A. Johnny Gosch, yes. He had his paper route for  
15 13 months running. And had been an employee of the  
16 Des Moines Register.

17 Q. And how old was he when he was kidnapped?

18 A. He was 12 years old.

19 Q. And what year was he kidnapped?

20 A. September 5th, 1982.

21 Q. And has he been located?

22 A. Yes and no.

23 Q. We'll come back to that.

24 A. Okay.

25 Q. Was the crime investigated?

1 A. When my son was kidnapped that morning it was  
2 my utter total shock and amazement that the law  
3 enforcement did not respond the way I had  
4 envisioned that a kidnapping would be  
5 investigated.

6 The investigating police officer to take the  
7 initial report did not come to our home till 45  
8 minutes after I called in my son being missing.  
9 And in the length of time that it took him to  
10 arrive I had already telephoned the district  
11 manager for the newspaper, found out the names of  
12 all the witnesses that were there that morning.

13 Johnny was kidnapped a short distance from our  
14 home and also within a block from the paper drop  
15 site. In that short amount of time I was able to  
16 contact all the witnesses, talk to them. I found  
17 out the description of the man who was talking to  
18 him on the corner. The description of the car.

19 And when the police officer came in the only  
20 thing he brought in was the sheet of paper to fill  
21 out for the initial report. And I began telling  
22 him everything I had learned. And he looked at me  
23 and he said, well, has your son ever run away  
24 before? I said, he's never run away. He was  
25 taken. And I have these statements.

1 I later found out that -- well, then the  
2 police officer left and we didn't see anybody from  
3 the police department until 3:00 o'clock that same  
4 afternoon. My call went in at 7:30 a.m.. I later  
5 found out that the police did in fact contact the  
6 witnesses that I had reported I talked to but they  
7 didn't even so much as bring a clipboard into their  
8 homes to take notes.

9 And all the witnesses thought it was very  
10 strange since there was a little boy missing as to  
11 why the police would not even take notes as to what  
12 the witnesses had seen.

13 Q. Since the kidnapping occurred have you become  
14 extremely active in the issue of missing children?

15 A. I have become extremely active in both the  
16 avenues of missing children and also trying to find  
17 my own son and solve his case. As to why he was  
18 taken, who was responsible.

19 Q. Your son's picture was one of the first ones  
20 to appear, for example, on milk cartons, wasn't it?

21 A. Yes, the milk carton effort was started in Des  
22 Moines, Iowa by Anderson Erickson Dairy. And my  
23 son and Eugene Martin were the first two missing  
24 children to be ever put on a milk carton.

25 Q. Who is Eugene Martin?

1 A. Eugene Martin is another paper carrier from  
2 West Des Moines or from Des Moines and he was  
3 kidnapped within a short time after Johnny, less  
4 than two years.

5 Q. And has he been located?

6 A. He has not been located to my knowledge.  
7 During the course of the investigation, the first  
8 year of it, the FBI paid a visit to our home and  
9 said they would not be entering the case.

10 The police chief just would not order things  
11 to be done. They would not bring in aerial search,  
12 they wouldn't bring in a K-9 team, they didn't do  
13 the normal things that you would do to try and rule  
14 out a murder, for instance, if there was a missing  
15 person and a body somewhere.

16 So I contacted the National Guard and they  
17 told me that, yes, they would use their helicopters  
18 but they would charge me \$600 an hour in order to  
19 do it. And that became a news item, because we did  
20 have a lot of press coverage on this story.

21 And a TV station from Omaha offered their  
22 helicopter for free. And that's when I began  
23 working very closely with the media to assist me.

24 Q. And you over the years have worked closely  
25 with the media, is that correct?

1 A. Yes, I have. They have been most helpful. I  
2 have a great many allies within the media. I treat  
3 them fairly and they know that when they speak to  
4 me I speak the truth.

5 I have no reason to embellish anything and  
6 therefore I've become reliable and someone they  
7 know if they do a story on they're not going to  
8 have to do a retraction.

9 Q. Back to the issue of participation in groups  
10 and with politicians that have written laws on  
11 this, have you been active in that area?

12 A. Yes. Within the first year after Johnny was  
13 missing I realized that partly the reason that no  
14 one looked for Johnny except his family was because  
15 there was no law on the books in Iowa or most any  
16 other state in the country specifying that the  
17 police would have to act sooner than 72 hours.  
18 Even though we had five witnesses that could  
19 describe the car, the man and various details of  
20 the kidnapping.

21 So I wrote the first piece of legislation  
22 which became the Johnny Gosch bill. I got a  
23 senator and a representative to sponsor the bill in  
24 both houses, same version, different numbers, in  
25 hopes that one would pass.

1           The first year it went down the funnel. I  
2 started the next year again and drummed the state  
3 capitol. I absolutely, they were sick of seeing  
4 me, I was up there. So, and then I went on the  
5 national speaking circuit.

6           And I was all over the country speaking but  
7 whenever I was in Iowa I would pass a legislative  
8 sign up sheet and I would ask people that were of  
9 voting age to sign it.

10           And then whenever we needed assistance or  
11 pressure to be brought to bear upon a  
12 representative or a senator we could activate a  
13 telephone tree and generate at least five hundred  
14 calls into the statehouse within an hour. And that  
15 became very successful because it was an election  
16 year.

17 Q.    Did you get some laws passed?

18 A.    Yes. The Johnny Gosch bill was passed in  
19 1984, signed by the governor of Iowa, Governor  
20 Branstad, on July 1st. While we were there at the  
21 signing there was a lot of press, and none of us  
22 knew that within a month and 10 days that that law  
23 would be put to the test. Because Eugene Martin  
24 was taken in August, a month following the signing  
25 of the Johnny Gosch bill into law.

1           Then Missouri, Minnesota, Illinois, many other  
2 states contacted me. I testified before their  
3 legislatures and they have all adopted a version of  
4 the Johnny Gosch bill. And it stands in many other  
5 states as the Johnny Gosch law.

6           Q.    And have you, you stated you worked with the  
7 media in trying to promote the laws and also in  
8 helping to find Johnny, can you describe some of  
9 that?

10          A.    I did a lot of press conferences, a lot of TV  
11 shows, whenever there was information that could be  
12 safely released on Johnny I would release it so  
13 that we could keep the story alive.

14                You can't keep saying Johnny Gosch is missing,  
15 Johnny Gosch is missing, or any other child, you  
16 have to provide the news media with something they  
17 can broadcast that's new news.

18                So I learned to work very closely with them.  
19 I was also on all of the talk shows. There was a  
20 Home Box Office, HBO movie done about Johnny's  
21 case. I've been very active in all facets.

22                But I think my greatest feeling of  
23 accomplishment of actually helping to protect other  
24 children, I founded the Johnny Gosch Foundation.  
25 And the IRS put us on a restrictive two year



1 probationary situation in which we had to prove  
2 that we were helping other children.

3 So that's when I developed my speaking tour,  
4 the program that I presented to help parents learn  
5 what a pedophile is, what they do and how they get  
6 children to come with them or to kidnap them or  
7 molest them.

8 And that was probably the most rewarding and  
9 successful part of it because I was able to hands  
10 on actually help other families. And I know for a  
11 fact I've helped prevent other abductions.

12 Q. Have you then had contact and worked with a  
13 number of families that have ended up with missing  
14 children or kidnapped children?

15 A. Yes, kidnapped children, murdered children.  
16 And during that same timeframe between 1982 and 84  
17 I worked very closely with the officials in  
18 Washington and I testified before the Justice  
19 Department as to the need for monies to be  
20 appropriated for a National Center For Missing  
21 Children.

22 Myself and several other families who had  
23 suffered the same loss, we were all gathered  
24 together and we were told to tell our story and  
25 name names of who did what and who didn't do their

1 jobs. And I did that. And so did the other  
2 families.

3 And then a short time later the Justice  
4 Department appropriated the first 10 million  
5 dollars for the National Center For Missing  
6 Children. And I was invited to the openings and to  
7 the White House to meet with President Reagan.

8 Q. Noreen, I'm going to move to a slightly  
9 different area now. During the time that Johnny  
10 has been missing from when the original kidnapping  
11 occurred until the present, have you been contacted  
12 on many occasions with offers of assistance or  
13 people who claim they have knowledge of what  
14 happened?

15 A. I've had a lot of people contact me with  
16 information, sightings, things that they thought  
17 might be helpful. And in each case we would have  
18 our private investigators check it out to see if it  
19 was valid or not.

20 And a lot of people were well meaning but some  
21 of the information wasn't good and some of it was.  
22 We were able to put together what was the start of  
23 a huge jigsaw puzzle by using the information we  
24 gathered. And after each national television  
25 appearance there would always be a generation of a

1 great many leads that would come in for to us  
2 follow. Some good, some not so good.

3 Q. Did you ever have bogus contacts?

4 A. A few. A few that just were intent on trying  
5 to bilk us out of money or some reason or other  
6 attain some acclaim for themselves by attaching  
7 themself to a nationally known case. And with that  
8 I'm referring to psychics.

9 There are only four that I know of that I've  
10 worked with, and I've talked to 700 psychics over  
11 the years, there's only been about four that are,  
12 truly have a gift in any area. The rest of them  
13 can only spell the word.

14 But some of the ones that can only spell the  
15 words are the ones that wanted to tag on to our  
16 case and say they have been working on the Gosch  
17 case because it was a well known case.

18 Q. Do you know Paul Bonacci?

19 A. Yes, I do.

20 Q. Can you tell us how you came to know Paul  
21 Bonacci?

22 A. In 1991, I believe it was -- let me check my  
23 notes, I wrote it down -- yes, it was in 1991 and  
24 it was the spring of 1991, I was at my office and  
25 suddenly people called me on the phone and said

1 that there was a news release that was being  
2 generated by NBC in Des Moines, Channel 13, saying  
3 that there was a young man in prison in Lincoln,  
4 Nebraska that had given information that he was  
5 part of the Johnny Gosch kidnapping.

6 Well, immediately everyone wanted statements  
7 from me. The FBI showed up at my office,  
8 practically pinned me on the wall, wanted to know  
9 what this was all about. And I had no clue, I did  
10 not know anything about it. The whole climate of  
11 Des Moines was just crazy when this happened.  
12 Because everybody had been wanting to see Johnny's  
13 case solved.

14 Well, later that night I got home and I waited  
15 all night long. My husband never came home. He  
16 didn't walk in the door till 6:00 a.m.. And I  
17 said, where have you been? Surely you've heard the  
18 news. And he said, yeah, I heard it. But he says,  
19 I've known about Bonacci for almost two years and I  
20 didn't tell you. And I couldn't believe it.

21 I later found out years later that he came to  
22 Lincoln, Nebraska after Paul had confided in his  
23 attorney, you, that he had knowledge of the Gosch  
24 case. You called our home. My husband took the  
25 call, never told me.

1           And he came to Lincoln and subsequently went  
2 to the prison but he brought another woman with him  
3 and introduced her as Noreen Gosch. Someone who  
4 masqueraded as me. And we have, you know,  
5 witnesses to prove that. Why he did this I'm not  
6 quite sure.

7           I do know that he went to the prison to talk  
8 to Paul. At length. And then kept it from me for  
9 all that length of time. And instructed you to  
10 never call our home and to only contact him through  
11 a certain number.

12           So when all this started to come about, and  
13 I'm digressing now back to when Bonacci surfaced in  
14 my world, which was in 1991, I went to the prison  
15 to meet him myself that fall. With a private  
16 investigator Roy Stephens. And I took along the  
17 same NBC reporter that first released the story so  
18 he could videotape everything that was said.

19           And during that time during our visit at the  
20 prison Paul admitted to me what happened, how  
21 Johnny was kidnapped, where they took him, how he  
22 was used, where he went on from there. How he was  
23 used for pictures, pornographic pictures, many  
24 aspects of what I did not know.

25           The TV station ran that as a series. That

1 attracted the attention of America's Most Wanted.  
2 They came in and filmed the entire the story and  
3 all of what Paul had to say.

4 In the mean time I was able to have a private  
5 investigator begin to check out many of the details  
6 that Paul had given me. And Paul is telling the  
7 truth. He was the first one to ever come to me and  
8 tell the truth about what happened to my son.

9 Q. Noreen, how do you know this isn't just one  
10 more story? Why do you believe him rather than  
11 somebody else?

12 A. Because we've had the time to check out many  
13 of the things that Paul told us and we found them  
14 to be true, to be accurate. Because I have  
15 interviewed other young men that have given me the  
16 very same sorry. And because I have talked to my  
17 son myself one time.

18 Q. When did you talk to your son?

19 A. March of 1997.

20 Q. So you knew as of March, 1997 your son was  
21 alive?

22 A. Right. I had begun to, between 1992 and 97 I  
23 had started to give up hope that he was alive. At  
24 that point I began to pursue more of the who did it  
25 part. The criminal aspect of it.

1           Because I felt that there was no more news on  
2 Johnny and I wouldn't have known what he would look  
3 like because he obviously aged if he was alive.  
4 And in March, in the middle of the night there was  
5 knocking on my door.

6           And I went to the door and I looked out and  
7 there was a young man out there. And there was  
8 someone with him, he had someone with him. I don't  
9 know that person's name, they didn't give it to  
10 me. And I let him in and we talked for a little  
11 over an hour, hour and a half.

12           And he began telling me what had happened to  
13 him. And he told me the exact same story that Paul  
14 Bonacci had told me in prison. I know that Paul's  
15 telling the truth. And I know that my son fell  
16 victim to the very same organization that affected  
17 and almost destroyed Paul's life and the lives of  
18 many other young people.

19 Q.    Is this the first time you've told this story  
20 publicly?

21 A.    Yes. And that's because I'm under oath.  
22 Otherwise I never have shared that I actually  
23 talked to my son.

24 Q.    I understand. Do you have any -- how do you  
25 know it was your son?

1 A. My son has a very large birthmark on his  
2 chest. And I asked to see it.

3 Q. And was it there?

4 A. Yes. Yes, it was my son.

5 Q. Did you have any other reason to know it was  
6 your son?

7 A. He looks like my son. He was able to recall  
8 family events. He was able to recall things about  
9 his brother and sister growing up that not another  
10 soul would know. It was my son.

11 He was, he told me that he was not able to  
12 talk freely in the sense that he could come out  
13 with his story because there are people that would  
14 want to see him dead. And he said, mom, do  
15 something.

16 He says, I know about all that you've been  
17 doing. I know what you've done in this country.  
18 Now he said, please, help me. So I can have a life  
19 and the other kids can have a life.

20 And I didn't know where to start at first.  
21 Because no one believed us. No one believed Paul  
22 at that time. People wanted to forget about Johnny  
23 Gosch because it was an embarrassment to Des  
24 Moines, Iowa, it was an embarrassment to the  
25 police, the FBI, all of them that basically didn't



1 do their jobs.

2 And it was embarrassing for them to see a  
3 mother still out there trying to find their son and  
4 working three jobs to keep it going financially.  
5 And the exact law enforcement agencies you would  
6 expect to help didn't. They gave up on it.

7 Q. Now, when Paul and you met and you videotaped  
8 and he described various details, did he tell you  
9 he was a young boy at that time who was the one to  
10 attract Johnny then for the kidnapping?

11 A. Yes, he did. When we first met and we were  
12 seated at the table at the prison, Paul took one  
13 look at me and as soon as he knew who I was he  
14 broke down and started to cry. And he said, I'm so  
15 sorry. I'm so very sorry.

16 And I looked at him and said, I don't blame  
17 you. I don't hate you. Just tell me what  
18 happened. And then that's how he told me of the  
19 kidnap plan and how it evolved and where he was on  
20 the street to attract Johnny to the car.

21 And then what happened to Johnny as far as  
22 being drugged and transported to another area. And  
23 then he described the events of the first time  
24 Johnny was molested. And, yes, it was hard to  
25 hear. But at the same time for the first time I

1 was hearing truth.

2 And it was coming from a young man who took  
3 such a big step to go public to help me. He didn't  
4 have to do that. He could have gone on with his  
5 life and died with that secret. And Paul made the  
6 moral decision to go forward to help me --.

7 Q. Do you know how --

8 A. -- to help other kids.

9 Q. Do you know how old Paul was at this time of  
10 this?

11 A. At the time of the kidnapping I believe Paul  
12 would have only been about 14 or 15 years old. He  
13 was very young himself. He was only a couple of  
14 years older than Johnny.

15 Q. I just found that out. He was used to attract  
16 the boy?

17 A. Yes, he was.

18 Q. Did he have a name for how they operated this  
19 system, scavenger hunt or whatever?

20 A. Well, he used terms like that. And then he  
21 described the car that they used and the driver of  
22 the car, a man by the name of Emilio who has a  
23 dozen aliases for last names, always drove around  
24 with at least 12 license plates in his trunk and  
25 would put a different license plate on to always

1 throw off police or anybody that might be trying to  
2 record who, what car was at a certain site.

3 Paul also told me that they stayed in a motel  
4 not far from the kidnap site the night before the  
5 kidnapping, somewhere probably Des Moines or West  
6 Des Moines.

7 Q. When you met with your son did he verify these  
8 things?

9 A. Yes, he did.

10 Q. Before you met with your son were you  
11 satisfied or convinced that Paul was telling the  
12 truth because of your independent investigation?

13 A. Yes. I believed Paul right from the  
14 beginning. From the day at the prison when the man  
15 talked to me. And then in the ensuing months I was  
16 able to verify much of what he said. So then it  
17 became completely confirmed in my mind.

18 And then when America's Most Wanted entered  
19 the case their investigators also worked with our  
20 private investigator. And John Walsh of America's  
21 Most Wanted happens to be a very good friend of  
22 mine, and he told me that he saw this as probably  
23 the only real break we've ever had in your case.

24 Q. Now, America's Most Wanted, as I recall, did a  
25 number of programs on this?

1 A. Yes. They did the first initial one in  
2 November of 1992, it aired shortly before  
3 Thanksgiving. And at that time it broke the phone  
4 bank. They had more phone calls generated in  
5 coming in off of this case than they've ever had.  
6 Then they did two more follow-up stories in months  
7 to come.

8 Q. Is it not true that America's Most Wanted as  
9 part of their programs put out information  
10 requesting certain people to come forward if they  
11 had information on this?

12 A. Yes, they did. During the course of the story  
13 being relayed they asked that if there were any  
14 other young victims of this type of organization  
15 that would compare with what Paul had said, would  
16 they please come forward?

17 Q. Did Paul describe to America's Most Wanted a  
18 particular type of identifying mark some of the  
19 kids had?

20 A. Yes. We, at that time Paul described it and  
21 it was shown on America's Most Wanted. The shape  
22 of the mark that they put on the boys, a brand, if  
23 you will, they branded them like cattle.

24 Q. And where did they put this brand?

25 A. Some had it on their shoulders, some on their

1 hips. Some on their calves of their legs.

2 Q. And if you know, do you know if in fact some  
3 children came forward with that particular brand  
4 and contacted America's Most Wanted?

5 A. Yes. About a month and a half after that show  
6 aired I received a letter from a young man that  
7 said his name was Jimmy and he related in his  
8 letter similar experience of everything that Paul  
9 went through.

10 And he continued to write to me. I had no way  
11 of contacting him. But in my, finally he called me  
12 on the telephone and I said, can we meet somewhere,  
13 would you come to Des Moines? I'll meet you  
14 somewhere else if you feel safer. And that went on  
15 for about two months.

16 And then in the middle of the night one night  
17 the phone rang. And there was a blizzard going on,  
18 it was very cold and snowing. And this voice said,  
19 well, I'm here. And I said, who's here? He said,  
20 it's Jimmy and I'm in Osceola, come in on the  
21 train. That's where our nearest train station is.

22 And he said on the way here someone stole my  
23 coat. So I went down to the storage room and I got  
24 some warm clothes and I got in the car and I drove  
25 to Osceola in the middle of the night to meet

1 Jimmy.

2 And we sat until dawn in a little restaurant  
3 that stayed open all night. That's when he poured  
4 out his whole story of what had happened to him.  
5 He had knowledge of Johnny. And the activities  
6 that the boys were all involved in. That  
7 corresponded to what Paul had said but it picked up  
8 the years that Paul was in prison and went up to  
9 present day.

10 Q. And is it not true that he had the brand?

11 A. Jimmy had the brand on the calf of his leg.

12 Q. And is it not true that you had America's Most  
13 Wanted film that?

14 A. Yes. America's Most Wanted interviewed and  
15 filmed the brand on Jimmy. His face was blocked  
16 out because he was terrified of having his face  
17 shown in the country. Then --

18 Q. And is it not true that they in fact had a  
19 doctor examine him to verify this occurred years  
20 before and not put on recently?

21 A. Yes. That was one thing that's determined,  
22 that it was an old brand that had been there for a  
23 long, long time, that it was not a new brand that  
24 he applied just to come in and fake a story.

25 One thing I'd like to mention if I may, during

1 Jimmy's story, he told me that Johnny and several  
2 other kids had broken away from the main group that  
3 had been using them and abusing them. That they  
4 had stolen a car in which they traveled to get  
5 away.

6 And Jimmy took them to his father's home. And  
7 his father did not know they were in the basement.  
8 And Jimmy was bringing food down to them. And one  
9 night Jimmy's father noticed a lot of food was  
10 missing out of the refrigerator so he followed his  
11 son to the basement and found my son and two other  
12 boys in the basement. He still did not know  
13 names.

14 And so Jimmy gave me his father's phone  
15 number. And his name is Richard Gibson in  
16 Milwaukee, Wisconsin. And I called him. He's an  
17 accountant, a CPA, very nice man. He told me that  
18 he gave shelter and food and warm clothes to my son  
19 for a period of three days. And then the boys  
20 moved on.

21 And it was later when he saw another  
22 rebroadcast of the America's Most Wanted that he  
23 realized that the boy, one of the boys in his  
24 basement was in fact my son.

25 Q. You understand this is, all sounds like an

1       incredible tale?

2       A.     Yes, it does.

3       Q.     Do you have any other compelling reasons to  
4       suggest that I or anyone of the general public  
5       should believe this story?

6       A.     The only thing that I can add to that is that  
7       sometimes truth is stranger than fiction. This  
8       really did happen. There was a giant cover-up.  
9       There's reasons why they did not investigate  
10      Johnny's case because it would have led to other  
11      bigger things.

12             And the people that would say they don't  
13      believe it better hope to hell that no one ever  
14      takes their child for the same reason because they  
15      will be in the same boat I am. Dedicating better  
16      part of two decades trying to find their child.

17      Q.     It's my recollection, though I wasn't  
18      physically present, it's my recollection that  
19      America's Most Wanted on the day that Paul Bonacci  
20      got out of jail took him and went on a trip where  
21      he claimed certain things would be if they go and  
22      look in different states, four or five state  
23      regions.

24      A.     They went on about five state region. One of  
25      the states they were in was Colorado and they did



1 in fact find some of the locations where they kept  
2 the kids and places where they would put the kids  
3 in the basement. And lock them up so they couldn't  
4 get out. And so that if they had visitors to the  
5 upper level of the house no one would know the kids  
6 were down there.

7 There's one other thing I would like to add  
8 when we're talking about the America's Most Wanted  
9 story, just prior to the America's Most Wanted  
10 story going on the air, we're talking within a week  
11 or two of air time, the FBI in Quantico, Virginia  
12 contacted America's Most Wanted and told them to  
13 kill the story. They did not want the Johnny Gosch  
14 story broadcast.

15 And John Walsh, the only reason the story went  
16 on is because John Walsh is a personal friend and  
17 he stood up to them and he said this story goes.  
18 This woman does not lie. I've known her for  
19 years. We are going with the story. You can fire  
20 me afterwards, we're doing the story. And they did  
21 the story. But the FBI tried to kill this story.

22 Q. Do you know why?

23 A. Well, of course. It would have opened up the  
24 biggest scandal to the United States, bigger than  
25 the Iran-Contra story. Bigger than President

1 Clinton's infidelities.

2 Q. Isn't that story going to be aired at two  
3 specials very shortly?

4 A. Yes. I have a one hour special coming up with  
5 the national network. We have investigated, we  
6 have talked to so far 35 victims of this said  
7 organization that took my son and is responsible  
8 for what happened to Paul and they can verify  
9 everything that has happened.

10 And this story will be broadcast in the next  
11 few months. We're still working on some of the  
12 details.

13 Q. ABC News?

14 A. Yes. And it is our hope following this story  
15 that we will be able to get senate hearings,  
16 because it goes that high and that deep.

17 Q. Did you want to tell more about what it  
18 involves?

19 A. What this story --

20 Q. Under oath?

21 A. -- involves is an elaborate function, I will  
22 say, that was an offshoot of a government program.  
23 The MK Ultra program was developed in the 1950s by  
24 the CIA. It was used to help spy on other  
25 countries during the cold war because they felt

1 that the other countries were spying on us.

2 It was very successful. They could do it very  
3 well. Well, then there was a man by the name of  
4 Michael Aquino. He was in the military. He had  
5 top Pentagon clearance. He was a pedophile. He  
6 was a Satanist. He's founded the Temple of Set.

7 And he was also a very close friend of Anton  
8 LaVey. The two of them were very active in  
9 ritualistic sexual abuse. And they deferred  
10 funding from this government program to use this  
11 experimentation upon children.

12 Where they deliberately split off the  
13 personalities of these children into multiples so  
14 that when they're questioned or put under oath or  
15 questioned under lie detector, that unless the  
16 operator knows how to question a multiple  
17 personality disorder they turn up with no  
18 evidence.

19 They use these kids to sexually compromise  
20 politicians or anyone else they wish to have  
21 control of. This sounds so far out and so bizarre  
22 I had trouble accepting it in the beginning myself  
23 until I was presented with the data. We have the  
24 proof. In black and white.

25 And ABC has been working on this story for

1 over a year. They do not pour hundreds of  
2 thousands of dollars into a story that is fake.  
3 They have a reputation at stake.

4 When I came to them with my story and told  
5 them Johnny was alive and they began investigating  
6 they had no idea that they were going to step into  
7 this whole other realm of why these kids were  
8 taken.

9 They were not just taken to be used by some  
10 pedophile, they were taken to be used by  
11 professional pedophiles. People that have the  
12 money to buy what they want, take the kids wherever  
13 they want.

14 And by splitting the children's personalities  
15 they could then train each one of the personalities  
16 to do a different function. And the rest of the  
17 personalities within that host personality would  
18 not be aware of it or remember it.

19 Q. You know, don't you, that Colonel Aquino was  
20 drummed out of the military?

21 A. He was. But then there were no charges  
22 actually filed against him that stuck. He was  
23 drummed out but that was about it.

24 Q. Well, that's --

25 A. I know that Michael Aquino has been in Iowa.

1 I know that Michael Aquino has been to Offutt Air  
2 Force Base. I know that he has had contact with  
3 many of these children.

4 Q. Noreen --

5 A. I've had the death threats as I spoke out over  
6 the years and up till recently, I've had death  
7 threats. I've had many things happen to me. And  
8 I've had people call me and say drop this search  
9 for your son or you'll be a dead woman.

10 Q. You realize this is an incredible tale?

11 A. Yes, it is.

12 Q. Difficult to believe.

13 A. Uh-huh.

14 Q. Some would say impossible.

15 A. They might.

16 Q. But you believe it's true?

17 A. I know it's true.

18 Q. And you believe Paul is telling the truth?

19 A. I believe Paul's telling the truth. And I  
20 believe my own son was telling me the truth when he  
21 came to my home and poured his heart out as to what  
22 happened to him and said mom, do something. Help  
23 us all. Help us bring this story out. Nobody  
24 believes us.

25 The suffering that the families have gone

1 through, I'm one of the lucky ones. I'm one of the  
2 fortunate ones that have survived with some degree  
3 of physical health intact. Emotional balance.

4 I've seen so many of the parents and the  
5 siblings of these missing and abused children take  
6 their own life. Disappear into the drug world.  
7 Any kind of substance abuse. Broken homes. Sexual  
8 and physical abuse of other children in the  
9 family. Because of the rage that comes up. The  
10 devastation goes on and on and on from what these  
11 people have done.

12 Q. Noreen, I have no further questions. You have  
13 any other thing you want to say?

14 A. I do, I have one other thing to say.

15 Q. Go ahead.

16 A. June 13th of 1984 I was contacted by a man in  
17 Des Moines, Iowa by the name of Sam Soda. He was a  
18 private investigator. He told me, and I taped the  
19 conversation, he told me that there was going to be  
20 a second kidnapping in Des Moines.

21 That it would be the second weekend of August,  
22 it would be another paperboy, and that it was  
23 already in the works. And I asked him why he was  
24 telling me and he said, well, you seem like the  
25 type that would do something about it.

1           So I took my tape recording and I went to the  
2 Des Moines Police Department. They laughed at me.  
3 They wouldn't even listen to my tape. So then I  
4 went to the TV stations and I played it for them.  
5 As a matter of record. So it was on record. The  
6 other person I told was Karen Burns with ABC 20-20,  
7 because 20-20 came to Des Moines to do our story.

8           The second weekend in August came and, sure  
9 enough, Eugene Martin was kidnapped. From the  
10 south side of Des Moines just as the informant had  
11 said. That man still walks the streets. The Des  
12 Moines police were not all that interested in why  
13 he was giving me the information.

14           What they did to me instead was put a gag  
15 order on me so I couldn't talk about it at that  
16 time. They had forewarning that Eugene Martin was  
17 going to be taken and they did nothing. It was a  
18 planned kidnapping just as my own son's was.

19                   MR. DECAMP: No further questions,  
20 Your Honor.

21                   THE COURT: You may stand down. All  
22 right, Mr. DeCamp.

23                   MR. DECAMP: Your Honor, the next  
24 witness I would like to call is a man named Russell  
25 Nelson.

1 THE COURT: Mr. Nelson.

2 THE CLERK: Sir, would you state your  
3 full name and spell your last name, please?

4 THE WITNESS: Russell E. or Eric  
5 Nelson R-u-s-s-e-l-l, E-r-i-c, N-e-l-s-o-n.

6 THE CLERK: Russell Eric Nelson,  
7 N-e-l-s-o-n.

8 RUSSELL NELSON

9 Called as a witness, being duly sworn,  
10 testified as follows:

11 DIRECT EXAMINATION

12 BY MR. DECAMP:

13 Q. Russell, may I call you by your nickname?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. What is your nickname?

16 A. Rusty.

17 Q. Rusty Nelson. Where were you born?

18 A. Newman Grove, excuse me, Newman Grove,  
19 Nebraska.

20 Q. Where did you grow up?

21 A. Newman Grove, Nebraska.

22 Q. Until what age?

23 A. Just before my 18th birthday I moved to Kansas  
24 City to go to school.

25 Q. How old are you now?



- 1 A. 35.
- 2 Q. Where do you live now?
- 3 A. Well, right now Portland, Oregon.
- 4 Q. And is it true that you came here on a travel  
5 pass issued by the parole or probation authorities  
6 in Oregon?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And when did you arrive here?
- 9 A. Late yesterday afternoon, yesterday evening.
- 10 Q. And did you come back here at my request to  
11 testify?
- 12 A. Pretty much between that and the fact that I  
13 wanted it brought out.
- 14 Q. I want to take you back to when you were in  
15 Nebraska. Did you ever hear of anything called the  
16 Franklin Credit Union?
- 17 A. Oh, yes.
- 18 Q. Did you know people associated with it?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Have you ever read a section of an affidavit  
21 or an affidavit from Police Chief Wadman -- do you  
22 know who Police Chief Wadman is?
- 23 A. Oh, yes.
- 24 Q. Who is he?
- 25 A. He's police chief Omaha, Nebraska, or was.

1 MR. DECAMP: Your Honor, if I could  
2 read a section of an affidavit with your  
3 permission, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: You may.

5 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) Are you aware, Rusty, that a  
6 number of the young people involved in the Franklin  
7 scandal -- have you heard of the Franklin scandal?

8 A. Oh, yes.

9 Q. A number of the young people involved there,  
10 including Paul Bonacci, Alisha Owen, Troy Boner, a  
11 number of children all identified you or a person  
12 named Rusty Nelson who was involved with Larry King  
13 and was a photographer, are you aware of that?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. I'm going to read you a statement that Police  
16 Chief Wadman made under oath, to the Nebraska  
17 senate committee, legislative committee, looking  
18 into matters there.

19 Police Chief Wadman said: We had a situation  
20 where we were advised that there was a possibility  
21 of child pornography involving -- no, it came in as  
22 child pornography case.

23 What happened is that there was a photographer  
24 who was taking photographs of young women, and in  
25 the course of that set of circumstances, a mother

1 with her daughter called and filed a complaint with  
2 the police department, and the complaint involved a  
3 situation where her daughter was approached by the  
4 photographer to be photographed, and the  
5 photographer extended an invitation to this young  
6 woman's mother to come with her.

7 They went to studio, photographs were taken.  
8 In the course of that the mother became concerned  
9 over the photographs and some of the photographs  
10 that she observed at that photo studio and then  
11 filed a complaint of concern that this was a  
12 possible pornographic situation.

13 We investigated -- we investigated it, found  
14 the photographer to be, you know, legitimately  
15 involved in the photography business, legitimately  
16 involved in conducting the photographs and getting  
17 signed releases and having a photography studio and  
18 so on.

19 The only involvement is that this individual  
20 had subleased his studio or apartment from Larry  
21 King, and that was the extent of our investigation  
22 into pornography related activities involving Mr.  
23 King in any direct way.

24 This was in response to the legislature  
25 questioning him about whether you were in any way

1 involved with Larry King. Would that be an  
2 accurate statement there by Chief Wadman?

3 A. I believe so.

4 Q. Did you in fact not function as a private  
5 photographer for Larry King?

6 A. Yes, I did.

7 Q. Mr. Wadman stated the only contact you had was  
8 renting an apartment from him?

9 A. I didn't rent the apartment, it was given to  
10 me.

11 Q. Who was it given to you by?

12 A. Larry King. I had free reign for a lot of  
13 things for Larry's.

14 Q. How did you come to know Larry King?

15 A. I was taking pictures at a bar called Max's on  
16 79th Street after drag shows. It was something to  
17 do that wouldn't cost me much if any money to go in  
18 to do. It was fun. One of the people there, name  
19 was Ron, trying to remember what his last name was,  
20 escapes me now.

21 I had gotten to know pretty much everybody who  
22 was the regulars and I had said to him that, you  
23 know, I was having some financial problems and, you  
24 know, I needed to find a decent job, this and that  
25 and the next thing. And he goes, well, I know

1 somebody who probably be able to use a good  
2 photographer, I'll talk to him, see what we can set  
3 up for you the next day or two.

4 All of a sudden here's Larry King, I had no  
5 idea who he was, this, that and the next thing.

6 And so I went and next thing I know I'm on a  
7 private jet to Washington, D. C.. And, you know,  
8 just being lavishly spent money on, clothes.

9 Q. How old were you at the time?

10 A. Oh, probably 24, 25.

11 Q. Okay.

12 A. If even that. 23 maybe. But it was an  
13 interesting ordeal. And I set in Larry's office at  
14 the credit union, set in the meetings he'd have  
15 with the people who come in private meetings. Seen  
16 him make payoffs to people. Very quietly.

17 Q. Did you, did you function as a photographer  
18 for Larry?

19 A. Oh, yes.

20 Q. And what did you photograph?

21 A. Things like the opening of Prince's Palace.

22 THE COURT: Sorry, the opening of  
23 what?

24 A. Prince's Palace, it was a restaurant, a jazz  
25 bar that he started. I went out and took pictures

1 at his mansion on Embassy Row, some of the parties  
2 he had out there, things like that.

3 He kept wanting me to do porn, kiddie porn,  
4 gay porn. I wanted to part of it. And he went to  
5 the extent of insisting on where I wear certain  
6 clothes, my hair had to be a certain way. They  
7 went as far as to take me out, supposedly it was  
8 Nancy Reagan's hair dresser done my hair. Permed  
9 it, everything, totally changed my appearance.

10 And I happened to come across a man who was  
11 also a photographer for Larry. Whose appearance  
12 was almost identical to mine except he was a couple  
13 inches shorter, probably three, four inches shorter  
14 than I was and about the same build. He was at  
15 Prince's Palace, I believe on opening night. And  
16 it was just by fluke that I seen him.

17 And what I basically come to gather was I was  
18 being run as the front man for the fall and this  
19 other person was doing the actual hard core kiddie  
20 porn, things like that. It was one of these things  
21 I tried and tried to find out who the man was.

22 And --

23 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) Who which man was?

24 A. The photographer. That I had seen. And, you  
25 know, I'd heard there was somebody passing

1 themselves off as myself as Rusty Nelson. You  
2 know.

3 The other thing was, is when I first went to  
4 work for Larry King I had two friends that were  
5 very, very strongly advised me against it. They  
6 wouldn't tell me what was what. They were shocked  
7 that I was even associated with him.

8 Q. You used a phrase when I went to work for  
9 Larry King. So then you were actually --

10 A. He put me to work as a waiter. And it was at  
11 Prince's Palace. So I would have a legitimate job  
12 was his idea behind it. And then --

13 Q. But he provided you the apartment?

14 A. He provided me apartment, clothes, food.

15 Q. Did you in fact spend a lot of time inside the  
16 Franklin Credit Union with him?

17 A. Oh yes.

18 Q. Where?

19 A. Well, he had a bedroom downstairs. The  
20 office. I had pretty much free run of it a lot of  
21 times.

22 Q. Are you aware of the fact that your existence  
23 before the legislative committee was effectively  
24 denied by various witnesses, investigator for the  
25 state and others?

1 A. Oh yes, I was told to disappear.

2 Q. Who told you to disappear?

3 A. Names, I don't know actually. It was FBI  
4 agents.

5 Q. Why would FBI agents tell you to disappear?

6 A. I believe they were the ones that were also  
7 involved with this. I think that -- I haven't kept  
8 up on the case. Basically vanished since then.  
9 From what I've understood they were found to be  
10 part of it.

11 And there were legal repercussions, you know,  
12 lost their jobs. I think they may be in prison  
13 also because of this. This is what I've heard. I  
14 haven't followed it exactly myself, believe that's  
15 true.

16 Q. You said you functioned as a photographer for  
17 Larry King. Did you take a lot of pictures during  
18 that time?

19 A. Oh yes.

20 Q. What happened to the pictures?

21 A. Most of the time he would take the film, when  
22 we'd get done with it he'd insist on having the  
23 film. Occasionally I would slip in a roll of my  
24 own film. And get a picture of him here, there,  
25 the next place. With certain people.



1           Some of it was just shot from the hip. You  
2 know, basically don't look exactly what you're  
3 getting but point it in that direction and get a  
4 picture of some of the people that were there.

5           Other things I was there to take pictures and  
6 told to get specific people. And if these two  
7 people got together to make sure to get a picture  
8 of them and try not to be noticed in doing it.

9           Basically become a wall flower. Just fade  
10 back in the woodwork, just watch who's who and  
11 what's what and don't remember anything.

12 Q.       Where were these places where you were doing  
13 these pictures?

14 A.       The mansion on Embassy Row. The penthouse at  
15 Twin Towers. Larry's home. The Max, there are  
16 various places.

17 Q.       Who was at these parties?

18 A.       Politicians, dignitaries, wealthy business  
19 people. Young people. Larry, as far as I could  
20 gather, I left when I started putting the pieces  
21 together, you know, realizing that there were two  
22 sets of books.

23           There were very, various discrepancies in the  
24 credit union. And the fact that he obviously was  
25 into pimping gay prostitutes and children to,

1 basically for influence purposes. Whether it be  
2 politicians or whatever.

3 He had extreme pull in the national Republican  
4 convention. There was one day where we were on a  
5 plane and he had a problem. And he couldn't get  
6 Wadman to work it out. Couldn't get anybody here  
7 to work it out. He placed a call, directly to  
8 Ronald Reagan. And --

9 THE COURT: What? I didn't  
10 understand.

11 A. He placed a call directly to Ronald Reagan.  
12 And I set my, set next to him while it was going  
13 on. The voice that I could hear through the  
14 tele -- you know, from sitting by the telephone,  
15 was that of President Reagan.

16 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) That sounds like a fantastic  
17 tale, don't you think?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Your pictures, whatever happened to them?

20 A. Well, Larry King has a lot of them. From this  
21 point in time. There are 27 apple boxes full. In  
22 Oregon the State Patrol has them. I've tried and  
23 tried to get them returned. Have not been able  
24 to.

25 There are additional pictures that were just

1 recently taken from me that there's about at least  
2 one full apple box, probably another half more  
3 plus. That I believe the Portland police or the  
4 sheriff's department, Multnomah County in Oregon  
5 has that.

6 They confiscated those from me when I was  
7 stopped for supposedly a broken tail light. And  
8 then arrested for parole violation about three  
9 months ago. That was on November 4th of last  
10 year.

11 One of the pictures that may be in those is of  
12 Johnny Gosch.

13 Q. How would you happen to come across a Johnny  
14 Gosch picture?

15 A. He was pointed out to me in Portland.

16 Q. Fairly recently or a long time ago, when?

17 A. Be between probably August and October of this  
18 year, I mean this last year of 98.

19 Q. The pictures that were seized by Portland,  
20 Oregon State Patrol, are they still in existence?

21 A. I have no idea.

22 Q. Are you aware of the fact that I first learned  
23 of these pictures because I was contacted by the  
24 state patrol of Oregon because they found a copy of  
25 my book in your possessions when they arrested you?

1 A. That was Detective Rader I believe.

2 Q. That's correct.

3 A. And because of that supposedly he's left  
4 Multnomah Sheriff's Department or changed jobs, his  
5 name was on the receipt along with a Detective  
6 Pogge, I believe it was. And they've just been  
7 playing the bureaucratic pass the buck and they  
8 say, well, because he was the one behind it he has  
9 to sign it off for you to get it.

10 Okay. I was arrested for taking pictures of a  
11 minor supposedly. Nude pictures. Something I  
12 would not do. Because, you know, make sure they  
13 are of legal age, they sign release, whenever  
14 possible I even have them notarized. Check IDs,  
15 everything. They could not find a single picture  
16 of this person that I had taken.

17 The situation where I was at, the lawyer that  
18 I had, Ron Fishback, who was appointed to me, found  
19 out that the Franklin deal was in -- the Franklin  
20 Credit Union was involved in this. At first it  
21 didn't register to him what it was. And he was all  
22 gung ho to get me off and everything. And upon his  
23 checking into it he got with me and his attitude  
24 had totally changed night and day, somebody had  
25 obviously gotten to him.

1           And then as far pictures and things like that,  
2 I end up having to put a complaint against him. We  
3 ended up going through, we were able to get a  
4 lawyer arranged for, I guess John DeCamp, and went  
5 on national radio. And there was a lawyer or a  
6 newspaper called the Oregon Observer that would  
7 provide me with attorney. The attorney came in,  
8 oh, yeah, he's gung ho. We'll get this taken care  
9 of, no problem.

10           Next thing I know, attorney's coming up, he  
11 says, well, we're going to take, want you to take a  
12 plea bargain because you've got all the time in,  
13 I've been in 18 and a half months on a 13 month  
14 sentence. You need to get this over with. Get it  
15 done with. Furthermore, if you do not do this and  
16 do this immediately at this next court session the  
17 district attorney has told him that they would drag  
18 this out another four to six years in court and I  
19 would remain in jail.

20           At that point in time Judge Nely Johnson had  
21 ordered that I had been released. I believe they  
22 call it closed supervision. And I had found a job,  
23 place to live, everything. And was starting to get  
24 back into society after being incarcerated. And I  
25 just wanted to have it over with. So I took it.

1 Q. Going back to, going back to your time in --

2 A. Oh, one other thing, John.

3 Q. Go ahead.

4 A. Yeah. The attorney that they had appointed to  
5 me, I mean John was able to come up with, his name  
6 is Brian Joyce, we have not been able to locate him  
7 since last summer at all. I mean, that's just  
8 basically vanished.

9 As far as the Portland Observer, I've been  
10 trying to call him, have not been able to, the last  
11 phone book that was published that I had seen,  
12 while I was in jail they were delivered, it wasn't  
13 even listed in the listings for a phone number any  
14 more. And it was the year before.

15 I don't know what's actually happening in that  
16 situation. But -- you know, it's hard to say. The  
17 way this has all been unraveled.

18 Q. Do you know that I was called by the detective  
19 out there when they seized the pictures and they  
20 found my book there?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. You know that I traveled out and he gave me  
23 permission to go through some of those 27 boxes.

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Are you aware of that?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And I presume you know what's in those boxes  
3 but --

4 A. Oh, I used to.

5 Q. I presume you know much of the material with  
6 detailed diaries --

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. -- and pictures go back to the time when you  
9 were with Larry King, are you aware of that?

10 A. There should have been some in there. They  
11 still exist I would probably be surprised, but I  
12 would expect they should have been there. They  
13 were when I left Portland, I was moving back to  
14 Nebraska.

15 Q. How many pictures would you estimate there  
16 are? I only saw a small fraction, to be honest  
17 with you.

18 A. In all I probably had a few hundred of Larry  
19 King's that I had personally.

20 Q. I was going to say, I saw pictures then it  
21 looked to me to total somewhere between 10 and  
22 20,000 maybe. Negatives, the pictures.

23 A. Oh, there would have been way more than that.  
24 There was, there should have been 108,000 slides is  
25 what I had in that van when I left Portland. As

1 for pictures, there probably was 20, 30,000 prints  
2 and negatives.

3 Q. And you knew I requested the court out there  
4 preserve that evidence?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. So it could at some day in some way get back  
7 here to Nebraska?

8 A. Actually it was supposed to have been returned  
9 to you.

10 Q. Yeah. Well, that's never occurred. But  
11 anyway. Those pictures and your diaries are in  
12 that material, is that correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And those diaries --

15 A. Most of them.

16 Q. -- detailed various things dating back to when  
17 you were in Nebraska with Larry King, is that  
18 correct?

19 A. Yes. There should be in there along with  
20 others that I have --

21 Q. These pictures would then documents or verify  
22 or prove your association, relationship with Larry  
23 King or working with him?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. The existence of some of the young people back



1 then, is that correct?

2 A. I believe so.

3 Q. Did you spend a lot of time in Larry King's  
4 office?

5 A. Oh, yes.

6 Q. When I say Larry King's office --

7 A. At the credit union.

8 Q. In Larry King's personal office or just the  
9 credit union?

10 A. His personal office.

11 Q. What were you doing there?

12 A. Basically I was told to sit there and look  
13 pretty. I was, the biggest thing was to keep  
14 quiet, you didn't see anything, but if we need you  
15 to do something you're there. You know, it was, it  
16 was somewhat like an assistant, I guess.

17 It was, I got the feeling that I was being  
18 groomed, that's what obviously it was. He, when I  
19 first met him he saw me, yeah, this, you'll be  
20 perfect for this and that and the next thing.

21 Next thing he goes, you look like you just  
22 stepped out of Good Will. You're going to be with  
23 me you got to have decent clothes. He took me  
24 down, I believe it was Landon's, underneath the Red  
25 Lion there's a store called Landon's men's wear and

1 brought me in and just basically bought a new set  
2 of clothes for me.

3 And it wasn't anything cheap at all. It was  
4 very expensive things. And, you know, he, it was  
5 basically like that from then on. We go on  
6 shopping trips, Minneapolis, New York and things  
7 like that. And he'd say, okay, this, this and  
8 that.

9 And sometimes he'd buy the clothes, other  
10 times he'd have people that also worked with him  
11 would, basically he'd tell them, okay, here's my  
12 credit card, go out and make him look good. And,  
13 you know, that was it.

14 He'd go -- there's one day we went to  
15 Minneapolis and then believe it was Presbyterian  
16 church had a resort that we went out. He was  
17 trying to get some money or something like that.  
18 You know, reissue some certificates of deposit.

19 And he'd made it a point that I was all  
20 dressed up, he said, I want you to look like a  
21 cowboy tonight. And then we went to there and then  
22 he introduced me to a few people there.

23 He, the way I could make it out from what he  
24 was doing was basically going into these  
25 organizations, selling them certificates of deposit

1 that were bogus. And they were making out the  
2 checks to the Franklin Credit Union to a numbered  
3 account or something I believe.

4 Q. You're aware of the fact that Larry King was  
5 convicted of doing those very things and he's  
6 serving a sentence in prison at this very time,  
7 right?

8 A. I knew he was in prison, didn't know what they  
9 actually got him convicted of.

10 Q. I want to talk about some other aspects of  
11 Larry King's conduct. Which were never dealt with,  
12 at least in a courtroom. That has to do with some  
13 of the things you brought up on child pornography,  
14 so on, so forth.

15 Was he involved in having parties, for  
16 example, where children were brought in and used,  
17 or young people?

18 A. Oh, yes. Him and Alan Baer.

19 Q. Who?

20 A. Alan Baer.

21 Q. Where were these parties?

22 A. Lot of times they'd be in Alan Baer's home out  
23 in Regency Park. There were some he had a catering  
24 company, trying to think, I can't remember the  
25 exact address on it. It was in north Portland.

1           He used to bring people down to the bedroom in  
2 the Franklin Credit Union and for his -- he'd have  
3 somebody come in, they'd go downstairs for the  
4 afternoon or something for a quickie. He'd have  
5 them up at the penthouse, his house in Embassy  
6 Row.

7           It was just basically anywhere Larry went  
8 there was party to follow him. He always had an  
9 entourage with him. It was rare to see him without  
10 at least half a dozen or dozen people dragging  
11 behind.

12 Q.    Were there some at the Twin Towers?

13 A.    Oh, yes.

14 Q.    Did you attend those?

15 A.    He wanted me to. I didn't want much of any  
16 part of it. So whenever I seen something like that  
17 was happening I tried to avoid it like the plague.

18 Q.    All of the young people identified, quote, a  
19 Rusty Nelson, described you, much shorter beard.  
20 Where would they have seen you?

21 A.    Well, he kept me rather prominent, you know,  
22 as I was with him, always had a camera with me.

23 Q.    Did you travel with him?

24 A.    Oh, yes.

25 Q.    Travel where?

1 A. New York, Washington, D. C., Minneapolis,  
2 Chicago, you know, all over. Just wherever he  
3 wanted me. He'd call me up, might be midnight, say  
4 be ready to leave on the plane at 5:00 o'clock or  
5 7:00 o'clock, whatever. Meet me down at Sky  
6 Harbor. He'd have a private jet waiting.

7 Q. Do you think people really believed that?

8 A. No. That's why made sure to take a couple  
9 pictures now and then.

10 Q. Do you recognize this --

11 MR. DECAMP: May I approach the bench,  
12 Your Honor?

13 THE COURT: You may.

14 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) Do you recognize this?

15 A. Yes, I do.

16 Q. When was the first time you saw it?

17 A. Well, I haven't seen it for half a dozen years  
18 plus. It was seen last night.

19 Q. Where did you see?

20 A. Your office.

21 Q. Do you know how I got it?

22 A. You got it from the sheriff's department in  
23 Nebraska City.

24 Q. That's correct.

25 A. Where they got it from I have a good idea but

1 I'm still trying to nail it down exactly.

2 Q. Their information to me, as I told you, was  
3 that it was mailed to them anonymously and the  
4 sheriff in Nebraska City called me and said sounds  
5 like something of that Franklin stuff and asked me  
6 to come pick it up.

7 A. Yeah. And where --

8 Q. Did you look at it?

9 A. Oh yes.

10 MR. DECAMP: May I open it, Your  
11 Honor?

12 THE COURT: You may.

13 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) What's in here?

14 A. Pictures.

15 Q. How did these pictures, where did they come  
16 from?

17 A. Some of these pictures are from back in the  
18 time of the Franklin Credit Union. I worked for  
19 Larry King. For instance, this one was one that  
20 was taken at The Max. One of the Sunday night  
21 parties.

22 I believe this was one of the male strippers  
23 that Larry had arranged for. He arranged for  
24 certain things like La Cage follies to come in,  
25 things like that. He would make special

1 arrangements just to get these people to come in so  
2 he could have a special night or party or  
3 whatever.

4 Q. What about these two pictures, do you  
5 recognize them?

6 A. That's Larry King at, it's a black history  
7 museum in Harlem in New York City. He supposedly  
8 contributed considerably to. It was pretty much  
9 brand new building, they just dedicated it right  
10 before we had gotten there.

11 Q. What about this one?

12 A. That's inside his mansion on Embassy Row in  
13 Washington, D. C..

14 Q. Larry King's place?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. You were there?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. With him?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. For what?

21 A. Oh, everything from going out one day to take  
22 pictures of flower garden to going out taking  
23 pictures of parties. Going out, he'd go around the  
24 town, there would be certain people he'd stop and  
25 pick up, take them out for supper or, you know,

1 they would go out and just short meetings, things  
2 like that.

3 A lot of times he would dismiss the rest of  
4 the entourage, it was just Larry and myself. We'd  
5 go out sometimes, pick up person here, there,  
6 they'd get in limousine, we drive around, they talk  
7 for a little bit. Usually in hushed tones.  
8 Sometimes I could make out what was being said.  
9 Other times I couldn't.

10 And always I was told to forget that I had  
11 seen whoever it was. And if I tried to find out  
12 who they were I was usually admonished from doing  
13 such. If I did know who they were it was basically  
14 for the most part I wasn't to address that person  
15 or I wasn't to remember that person.

16 If I had pictures of anything like that Larry  
17 always insisted on having the film. At times when  
18 I was out in Washington occasionally I would slip  
19 an extra roll of film in, get a couple of pictures  
20 and throw it in an envelope and mail it home.

21 So --

22 Q. Are there additional pictures of your  
23 association, relationship with Larry King and your  
24 trips here?

25 A. Okay. This is one of the private jets we flew



1 on, two of the limousines, believe that was the  
2 Dulles airport when we went to Washington, D.C.. I  
3 believe that's inside the jet. That's inside the  
4 house again, that's Larry King again. Flower  
5 garden.

6 Some of the pictures we took while we were out  
7 and around in limousine, Washington Monument,  
8 Lincoln Memorial, Washington. This is a theater  
9 near the black history museum in Harlem. I believe  
10 this was taken in New York City, it could have been  
11 Washington, D. C..

12 Larry King, Dr. Waterman, the lady I believe  
13 was Larry's cousin, she was an attorney for him at  
14 the credit union. And the two guys were basically  
15 some of Larry's boyfriends that he kept in his  
16 entourage. Can't remember their names right  
17 offhand. There's closer picture of one of the  
18 boyfriends.

19 These, I believe, are pictures from New York  
20 City from in the limousine. Some of the different  
21 hotels, the cathedral and things like that. We'd  
22 went, that trip he'd stopped in a jewelry store to  
23 get a very expensive watch if I remember right. It  
24 was extremely expensive Rolex.

25 Q. Rusty, Chief Wadman testified, of course, as

1 you well know, that the only contact you had with  
2 Larry King was you rented an apartment from him.  
3 In his building or something like that.

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. My question to you, did Chief Wadman have very  
6 good reason to know that was not true?

7 A. Oh, yes, he did.

8 Q. Did Chief Wadman have, go ahead, what are some  
9 of the reasons he would have had to know that was  
10 not true?

11 A. Larry basically had him under his thumb.  
12 There was one instance where we were downtown  
13 Omaha, one of the side streets, I had had a little  
14 bit of problem, the police had been up to my door  
15 and I was up at the Twin Towers. And they had come  
16 in to check to see if I had a photography studio.

17 The officer just basically came to the door,  
18 that was about it, saw that I had it, I had a model  
19 release and left. And I was shook. And I had  
20 mentioned it to Larry. And he goes, well, we'll  
21 just take care of that.

22 And shortly thereafter we were down on one of  
23 the side streets downtown and I was in the back  
24 seat of his white Mercedes and he pulls into the  
25 side street, man gets in, and I had been told at

1 one time earlier that this was Chief Wadman. And  
2 Larry had handed him a small manila envelope filled  
3 with hundred dollars bills, a stack about an inch  
4 and a half, two inches thick. And basically said  
5 this will just take care of everything. And he  
6 told me then that my problems were over.

7 And at that point I knew there was some real  
8 big problems. And I basically just, you know,  
9 shortly after that disappeared. I knew that there  
10 with two sets of books at the credit union. I knew  
11 that his accountant was pulling something. Larry  
12 had mentioned he'd paid his accountant a million  
13 dollars. And for this he could make anything look  
14 like it was right.

15 And these were just things, bits and pieces  
16 along the way that Larry would let slip or things  
17 that I would notice. One trip to Minneapolis we  
18 stayed, I believe it was at the Ritz, and we had  
19 the presidential suite. Larry had me stay with him  
20 that night. And early in the morning a man came to  
21 the door and Larry had a briefcase, this man came  
22 in and he'd open it up and it was filled with  
23 bearer bonds.

24 THE COURT: What?

25 A. Bearer bonds. You know, pay to the order of

1 bearer. And he had just basically given it to  
2 him. There was some cash in there. And I couldn't  
3 quite get the gist of what was what. And in that  
4 case he referred to the man as colonel and that was  
5 all, all that was said.

6 So, you know, it's Larry had some interesting  
7 things. I believe he had some association with the  
8 Contra ordeal. That's financing it or whatever.

9 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) Rusty, you say you got  
10 disenamored or nervous or scared, they said it was  
11 time to leave, did you do anything to protect  
12 yourself, any documentation of what was doing on,  
13 did you tape anything?

14 A. Oh yeah. Yeah, I had. Throughout the time I  
15 was in Franklin occasionally I'd have a chance to  
16 get ahold of a computer disk and copy it.  
17 Photocopies of various ledgers and things that I  
18 knew where Larry had set aside from what they  
19 should have been.

20 And I would at times sneak a piece of paper  
21 out to the copier, get it back and, you know, take  
22 the photocopy or send it some place to where  
23 hopefully it was safe. And make tape recordings, I  
24 usually kept a little tape recorder in my pocket to  
25 make notes.

1           And occasionally I would turn it on if I felt  
2 something was rather suspicious and then I would  
3 secrete the tape out somehow, you know, to where it  
4 would be available hopefully.

5           Q.    What did you do with the tapes?

6           A.    Well, I've tried to hold on to them as long as  
7 I could. Over the years I had a storage shed in  
8 Albuquerque and it was broken into. Completely  
9 emptied. I lived with a cousin, some of the stuff  
10 had been taken from me there.

11           I'd had a roommate situation where I lost many  
12 things up in Taos, New Mexico. Some of the things  
13 I was able to hold on to. Other things were taken  
14 from me by supposedly FBI agents. That had come to  
15 search my mom's house, my house.

16           And one set of agents was the ones I mentioned  
17 earlier. About ultimately getting into trouble for  
18 being associated with it. When they came out to  
19 visit me they said you can have a lawyer but it  
20 wouldn't be wise if you had one here.

21           Because if you bring a lawyer into questioning  
22 like this you are pretty much telling us that  
23 you're already guilty and you're just trying to  
24 fend for, fend for yourself. But if you just go  
25 into it and answer whatever we want without calling

1 a lawyer you're better off cause you're more apt to  
2 be truthful and we know that you're not going to be  
3 lying to us.

4 They came in, they searched the house. I live  
5 on a farm, they didn't touch any of the outside  
6 buildings, the barns, anything like that. They  
7 didn't even so much as go upstairs in my house.  
8 They tore apart the bottom part big time. They  
9 took some evidence from me at that time. I did  
10 have some other kept back.

11 Q. Did you hide some audio tapes?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Where?

14 A. I had some with me. I had some that I gave to  
15 Gary Caradori. That was very shortly before his  
16 death.

17 Q. We'll get to that in a minute. Did you hide  
18 any at your place?

19 A. Oh, yes.

20 Q. In Nebraska?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Do you know what happened to them?

23 A. I believe you guys actually found some.

24 Q. Your brother found them, didn't he?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Do you know what he did with them?

2 A. I think he gave them to you.

3 Q. Do you recognize these things right here?

4 This your writing on here?

5 A. I recognize the tapes. They're tapes that I  
6 had. Some of the writing is mine.

7 Q. Would the tapes include audio of incidents and  
8 events and things with Larry King?

9 A. They very well could. I think so.

10 MR. DECAMP: Your Honor, I'd like to  
11 introduce these into evidence.

12 THE COURT: All right. Are they --

13 MR. DECAMP: I have not listened to  
14 them all. For the record, I have not listened to  
15 them. I do know there's some things I wanted to  
16 get them to the U. S. Attorney and basically they  
17 told me indirectly that Franklin was over and they  
18 wanted no part of it.

19 THE COURT: Well, I guess I need to  
20 know why you're offering them here.

21 MR. DECAMP: Your Honor, I think they  
22 will validate that Rusty Nelson was very close to  
23 Larry King, involved with him, listened to him,  
24 observed his parties, listened to planning of  
25 things even including one, if one believes the

1 tape, eliminating people that caused problems.

2 THE WITNESS: Which he does.

3 THE COURT: All right. The clerk  
4 will mark it. Why don't you just have the whole --  
5 the clerk can mark the sack and that will just be  
6 Exhibit 1.

7 THE CLERK: Yes, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Okay. Exhibit 1 is  
9 received.

10 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) Rusty, when did you leave  
11 Nebraska?

12 A. Which time?

13 Q. When did you leave Nebraska when you left  
14 Larry King? I don't know what to even ask I guess  
15 because I want to find out when you left.

16 A. Okay. I left Larry King, it would have, they  
17 got raided in November. I left I believe in May or  
18 June prior to that. Cause I knew something was  
19 wrong. I wanted no part of it. Did not know who I  
20 could trust. So I just kept my mouth quiet.

21 I went, hid out on one of the abandoned farm  
22 places that we owned. And stayed there. I kept  
23 pretty much under wraps and then I went back to see  
24 some friends in Omaha, big mistake. Next thing I  
25 know, very shortly after that here comes the FBI



1 knocking.

2 They just basically came right in mom's house,  
3 period. She opened the screen door, they just  
4 pushed their way in. No search warrant, nothing.  
5 Went through the place. They came back, I wasn't  
6 home, they came back a week later.

7 I met them at mom's place. They went through  
8 mom's place again. I mean, they went through it.  
9 They insisted that I take them over to my place.  
10 And they, I wanted a search warrant. They go,  
11 well, we can get one. We are, you know, it's  
12 better if you just let us do it.

13 And, you know, being young I didn't know what  
14 to do. And that. You get flustered and they put  
15 you on the spot, so I let them come over. Showed  
16 them what I had. And that was pretty much it.  
17 They went through the bottom part of the house.  
18 They didn't go through the upstairs. I just told  
19 them it was my personal stuff up there, they didn't  
20 bother going up there. Didn't go through the  
21 outside buildings, nothing.

22 After that I went out and pretty much from  
23 then on I went to just living in the van because  
24 they told me at that point that I'd best just shut  
25 up and be quiet. Be very wise to not be found.

1 That's one of their parting statements. And I  
2 became quite worried.

3 I went from one place to the next to the  
4 next. Often I would try not to spend more than  
5 three weeks in one place. Sometimes I would start  
6 feeling comfortable and then see if I could move  
7 in. And see if I could start a life. And  
8 ultimately somebody would pop up and remind me not  
9 to bring any of this up.

10 They went as far as on my van, I bought a used  
11 van and got it registered, everything was okay, and  
12 next thing I know I was getting pulled over. Every  
13 time I got pulled over it came back as a two door  
14 vehicle, a two door car. So the cops would always  
15 pull me over thinking that I had wrong plates.

16 So they could basically keep track of me  
17 wherever I went in the country. I'd go to the DMV,  
18 have it supposedly switch it back, next thing I  
19 know I was getting stopped again. Moved to a  
20 different state, had it changed, told them when I  
21 got it registered that this is what the situation  
22 is. Oh, yeah, we got it taken care of. Next thing  
23 I know, getting pulled over for two door car. On a  
24 van.

25 THE COURT: We're going to take a

1 recess now.

2 THE WITNESS: Okay.

3 THE COURT: For 15 minutes.

4 (10:33 to 10:49 a.m., recessed.)

5 THE COURT: Mr. DeCamp.

6 MR. DECAMP: Thank you, Your Honor.

7 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) You understand, Rusty, you're  
8 still under oath?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. You're under oath in a federal courtroom?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Federal judge. I want to go back just briefly  
13 to Chief Wadman.

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. The policeman in Omaha. Did you have any  
16 other opportunities to see him at parties or  
17 anywhere elsewhere there would have been a contact  
18 with you or Larry King or in the mix?

19 A. He had been there, I hadn't had personal  
20 contact with him. I'd seen him, you know, or he  
21 was pointed out as who he was to me. That way.  
22 And that's how I got to know basically who he was.

23 Q. So you're saying he was physically present at  
24 some of these parties?

25 A. Oh, yes.

1 Q. On more than one occasion?

2 A. Oh, yes.

3 Q. And you personally were with him in a  
4 limousine when Larry King, according to you, handed  
5 him this money?

6 A. I wasn't in his limousine, it was in his  
7 Mercedes, his white Mercedes.

8 Q. And the police chief himself physically  
9 personally told you not to worry or something like  
10 that?

11 A. Yeah.

12 Q. What did he say if you recall?

13 A. That was basically what the gist of it was.  
14 Larry expounded on that after he left. He was,  
15 basically he got it, he looked through, seen what  
16 was in the envelope. I hadn't seen what was in the  
17 envelope before he'd open it up. I could see what  
18 was in it. Pulled out enough to where I could see  
19 there was hundred dollar bills and a lot of them.  
20 And I knew Larry was very good about being quite  
21 generous, as he put it, to keep his affiliations.  
22 And he used to kill them with kindness.

23 Somebody was bothering him with something or  
24 that he would just basically pad their pockets or  
25 whatever they, whatever their vice or their needs

1 may be. Whether it be money, special gifts,  
2 whether the gifts be tangible merchandise or  
3 people. He just, he was good at arranging things  
4 and manipulating.

5 Q. Did he have any other methods of keeping  
6 people supporting him or not revealing some of his  
7 activities?

8 A. He'd get them in there, first off make them  
9 feel like they were wanted. And, you know, they  
10 deserved to be there and they were unwanted by the  
11 rest of the world and he was basically their  
12 guardian and savior.

13 And then after you got in a while and he  
14 started to get his hooks into you to where he was  
15 getting what he wanted, if you wanted to get away  
16 there were some rather drastic threats made.

17 Q. What would those threats be?

18 A. He would either threaten bodily harm or in  
19 some cases actually went as far as to do away with  
20 people.

21 Q. Did he ever threaten you?

22 A. Oh, yes.

23 Q. Why?

24 A. Basically because I didn't want to play his  
25 game.

1 Q. What was his game?

2 A. He was pretty much, as far as I could tell,  
3 into the gay prostitution bit for politicians and  
4 wealthy businessmen. And that he had little kids  
5 and gay prostitutes.

6 And it was never put in those words but, you  
7 know, a friend, go visit such and such. Or we're  
8 going to have a party, we'd like you to come. Or  
9 you're supposed to be here. He would get extremely  
10 upset if I was to be at a party and I would arrive,  
11 for some reason have to leave all of a sudden. Or  
12 not show up at all.

13 And that was the thing there. He had on  
14 several occasions there was references he'd made to  
15 me where he would flat out say, well, I can tell  
16 you this because there's no way to prove it. It's  
17 your word against mine. I'm an influential  
18 business person. I've got clout. You're nobody so  
19 they're not going to believe you. And --

20 Q. Who told you that?

21 A. Larry King. And --

22 Q. Did you ever hear him telling somebody else  
23 that?

24 A. He's told various people that. That's just,  
25 it was very well known. And if it wasn't told

1 directly by him it was --

2 Q. Do you know --

3 A. -- through some of the other people that

4 worked with him.

5 Q. Do you know if he ever carried out any of

6 those so-called threats that you talked about?

7 A. I know one he told me flat out he did, it

8 was taken care of. This was another deal I believe

9 through Wadman. Where it was covered up to be made

10 to look like a suicide.

11 Q. Who was that?

12 A. Chuck Rogers, I believe, Charlie Rogers.

13 Q. There was a Charlie Rogers?

14 A. Charlie Rogers. What happened was he had his

15 head blown off with a shotgun. They said it was a

16 suicide. Larry flat out told me they'd had it done

17 to him. And that it was made to look like it. And

18 made to be covered up as, that I could be taken out

19 the exact same way just as easy if I didn't go

20 along with everything.

21 Q. You're telling me that Larry King told you

22 personally face to face that he had arranged the

23 death or killing of Charlie Rogers?

24 A. Yeah. And he threatened my life to boot.

25 Since then I've had, in my travels I've had various

1 instances where people have come up out of the  
2 blue, made references to Larry, to the credit  
3 union. I've received little notes on like  
4 windshield on my van or left on my driver's seat.  
5 Various places around.

6 Usually it's an acorn with fire. I received  
7 one of these in El Cajon, California outside of San  
8 Diego one night. I was at a grocery store, I came  
9 back out and there was one of these on my  
10 windshield wiper.

11 Q. What is it?

12 A. It, it's usually a small piece of paper, two,  
13 three inches square and has like a doodling, looks  
14 like high school kids doodling or something like  
15 that. And it usually has an acorn with fire.  
16 That's something Larry used to do.

17 And he told me that that basically just means  
18 drop it. Or you're going to get burned. And  
19 that's, he'd mentioned that on more than one  
20 occasion. I knew where it came from. And it was  
21 basically meant to cause to trigger an effect, you  
22 know. That straighten up and whatever.

23 In many ways I believe it could be like Noreen  
24 mentioned, like multi personality, splitting off  
25 multi personalities. I believe Larry was into that



1 very much. Especially with the kids that he  
2 abducted.

3 Q. Rusty, some of these things sound a little  
4 crazy.

5 A. Oh, yeah.

6 Q. Have you been examined by a psychiatrist?

7 A. Oh, yes. Dr. Beverly Brillsky.

8 Q. And you spent an incredible amount of time  
9 under investigation by Dr. Brillsky at the request  
10 of the state of Oregon, is that correct?

11 A. Eight and a half months.

12 Q. Is it not true that Dr. Brillsky found you  
13 completely sane and also believed your story of  
14 what you're telling right here?

15 A. Yeah.

16 Q. And for that reason you had to go to trial  
17 didn't you?

18 A. Yeah.

19 Q. I mean, you had to be, you ended up convicted?

20 A. Yeah, convicted of it. During this time at  
21 the Oregon state hospital in Salem, Dr. Beverly  
22 Brillsky told me in person there wasn't a thing  
23 wrong with me. The anxiety was one thing, but that  
24 could be very understandable under a situation like  
25 this.

1           And a personality disorder is what she had to  
2 list because she had to put something. You know,  
3 she says this is something I can put on the report  
4 because I have to have something to justify my  
5 keeping you here this long.

6           Because normally, when I was sent down there  
7 they told me to begin with I would be there three  
8 days. Okay. This was another thing finagled by  
9 Fishback. Ron Fishback, my public defender out  
10 there. There was some very interesting things. I  
11 couldn't get any cooperation hardly whatsoever from  
12 anywhere I would turn out there. Judge, whatever.

13           While I was at the Oregon state hospital we  
14 would be allowed to go outside for an hour a day  
15 for rec. And on at least one occasion that I know  
16 of for sure I was videotaped by a car that did not  
17 belong there. Okay. The staff was notified. And  
18 they weren't able to catch the people. It was  
19 specifically of me who was videotaped as being  
20 there. I was in a part of the yard with no one  
21 else, that's where the camera was pointed to.

22           So the other thing is on these little acorn  
23 and the fire like I mentioned before, I didn't get  
24 to that, I wanted to. In El Cajon after I received  
25 that I stayed in my van for a few minutes to gather

1 myself back together because I was quite shaken.  
2 Pulled out of the parking lot and I hadn't drove  
3 but maybe a mile when I got shot at. And it was  
4 very, very close.

5 Again I'd received another one of those notes  
6 up here in Oregon and I got shot at again. That  
7 was east of Eugene. That case they got the  
8 passenger's side mirror on my van. And I believe  
9 it was a red Corvette that actually what I was shot  
10 from. It took out the mirror.

11 So, you know, there's just, coming here is  
12 really, I feel like I'm going out on a limb.

13 Q. So why did you come here?

14 A. Well, basically there's a lot of people who  
15 were put through absolute hell because --

16 Q. Of your participation in some of the things  
17 with Larry or what?

18 A. Well, not so much my participation.

19 Q. Your involvement?

20 A. Because I couldn't, I couldn't stop what I  
21 knew or had an idea what was going on.

22 Q. Your parents, are you talking about?

23 A. What's that?

24 Q. Are you talking about your parents having  
25 suffered?

1 A. Oh yeah, they have. But moreso the people  
2 that were involved like Paul Bonacci and some of  
3 the other kids. I've had privy to a lot of things  
4 most people would not. I've always been good at  
5 listening very attentively even though it may not  
6 look like it. And often times I could pull out  
7 things that were being said and why they were being  
8 said and put the parts together and make it fit.  
9 Because of the events that were transpiring.

10 But, you know, it's, I'd like to see  
11 everything straightened out. I don't think it ever  
12 actually can be. Because the stories have, they're  
13 enormous, the whole story of Franklin ordeal and  
14 everything involved with it. It's absolutely  
15 incredible. It's hard to believe.

16 Most people if I mentioned anything about this  
17 to anybody, oh yeah, yeah, right, yeah, blow me  
18 off. And I would show them pictures of say the  
19 private jets or some of the things that happened,  
20 it was just like, I guess that could have  
21 happened.

22 Sometimes I would take, and there were days  
23 when we'd go from one session to the next to the  
24 next to the next to the next. And that, on a  
25 private jet. And I'd just drop post card in the

1 mail and there would be half a dozen post cards  
2 with the same date on them all over the country  
3 coming in.

4 But, you know, it's just, I'd like to be able  
5 to not have to look over my shoulder. I'd like to  
6 get a new life. It pretty much, everything that's  
7 come about because of this has ruined what life I  
8 have had. You know, I don't know what actually is  
9 possible. I may just be hanging myself out on a  
10 limb right now.

11 Q. Have I in any way encouraged you to tell  
12 anything here that is not absolutely the truth?

13 A. No.

14 Q. Are you telling absolutely the truth?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. You understand you're in federal oath?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. In a federal courtroom?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And I asked you come even though we started  
21 out adversarial, as you recall, cause I came there  
22 to look at pictures to prove Franklin --

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. -- once with the State Patrol of Oregon?

25 A. And I was scared to death of having you

1 there. That's when I was made to believe by Mr.  
2 Fishback and the rest that I should keep Mr. John  
3 DeCamp as far away from as possible from me. This  
4 is what I've been told ever since day one after the  
5 place had been raided. Was you do not get even  
6 close to this man.

7 Q. Did you have an opportunity to have any other  
8 pictures that were not seized by the patrol?

9 A. Oh, yes.

10 Q. Where are they?

11 A. Some were given to the FBI, some were given to  
12 Gary Caradori, that's basically what I had given  
13 him was what made him decide that he had enough  
14 to --

15 Q. Where did you give them to him? Did you meet  
16 him personally?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Where did you meet him?

19 A. Actually there were a couple of different  
20 occasions. I'd given him a little bit prior to  
21 July. Location I can't remember exactly where I  
22 gave those to him.

23 Q. Was it here?

24 A. It was in Nebraska.

25 Q. Did you give anything to him outside of

1 Nebraska?

2 A. Shortly after the 4th of July I believe it was  
3 the day that he was killed.

4 Q. Where were you then?

5 A. Out by Chicago.

6 Q. What did you give him?

7 A. A lot of pictures. Some computer disks.  
8 Paperwork. A wide variety of everything.

9 Q. You're telling us under oath that you met and  
10 gave materials to Gary Caradori in Chicago that did  
11 what?

12 A. Well, it would have, if it would have got  
13 here, probably blew everything wide open. Instead  
14 he's now dead, along with his son.

15 Q. Do you remember what the pictures were?

16 A. Various people at parties of Larry King's.  
17 Some things they'd done, the drugs, stuff like  
18 that. Things that could possibly use to  
19 incriminate somebody or blackmail someone.

20 That's something, I've been in the photography  
21 for the art end of it. And if it, if I had  
22 something that I felt would be detrimental to  
23 somebody I always made sure that it was either kept  
24 away or destroyed. That I never wanted harm to  
25 come to anybody. From, from pictures that I had

1 taken.

2 Q. From your contact with Larry King did you know  
3 if he has any assets, assets, money, property?

4 A. He was adamant having blind accounts, mainly  
5 in the Cayman Islands. I believe they were  
6 arranged for through contacts from his wife, I  
7 believe her parents were doctors in the Cayman  
8 Islands.

9 And there were things that were said, I didn't  
10 quite get the gist of everything on it. I did have  
11 a list of account numbers at one time. He would  
12 buy rather pricey things at times, whether it be  
13 jewelry or such. Put money, stuff like that. And  
14 he also had a large supply of cash that he'd keep,  
15 I don't know exactly where at this point. But that  
16 was just in case something happened, he needed to  
17 get away, he always had something to go on. He  
18 mentioned that. It was the only wise thing to do.

19 He always made himself out to be this astute  
20 businessman who was upstanding citizen, all this  
21 and that. But every once in a while in complete  
22 private just one on one with him then he would let  
23 his guard down and say something or other.

24 Q. Okay, Rusty, I'm about done. Just a final  
25 couple of questions. You've told a pretty



1       incredible tale here today.

2       A.     Uh-huh.

3       Q.     Touched, essentially you've said, for example,  
4       that Larry King killed or arranged the killing of a  
5       man named Charlie Rogers, is that right?

6       A.     Yes, that's what he told me.

7       Q.     You said Mr. Wadman, for example, was --

8       A.     He's on the take.

9       Q.     And was not telling the truth about you when,  
10      and was covering up your relationship with King.

11      A.     Yeah.

12      Q.     When the legislature was trying to find out,  
13      is that correct? You've said there's parties that  
14      Wadman and you said Alan Baer I believe, Larry King  
15      and other prominent people were at?

16      A.     Yes.

17      Q.     Do you know that a girl is in prison named  
18      Alisha Owen for, I don't know, 10 or 15 years for  
19      saying she had a relationship with Mr. Wadman,  
20      saying, for example, that she went to these parties  
21      and they occurred and they occurred at the Twin  
22      Towers and Larry King and Alan Baer were there and  
23      are you aware of that?

24      A.     Yeah. Yes, I was aware of her being in prison  
25      for that. And as far as Alisha Owen, I knew of her

1 existence and that. As far personal contact of my  
2 own, I do not remember any at this point.

3 If I got to look through my pictures if they  
4 still exist I may be able to find some. At one  
5 point somebody had said that I had taken some, I  
6 did not know if it was me or the other photographer  
7 that was posing as me. So --

8 Q. Do you have a scar on your right shoulder?

9 A. There might be a small indention, if I  
10 remember right. No major scar.

11 Q. Do you have anything you want to add? Any  
12 information at all you want to impart?

13 A. Well, first off, the lady that, at the, I'm  
14 trying to remember her name, that had the daughter  
15 at the Twin Towers that originally made the report  
16 and stated that I had, you know, just a small blond  
17 mustache and that, as far as I can remember I've  
18 never had a beard shorter than that except for the  
19 time that I spent in the Army. And as soon as I  
20 got out of the Army I've had a beard ever since,  
21 there's not been a day it's been off.

22 MR. DECAMP: May approach the witness,  
23 Your Honor?

24 THE COURT: You may.

25 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) Will you show me that

1 picture? Is that one of the ones that was in this  
2 suitcase?

3 A. Yes, it was.

4 Q. And this is you back at the time when you were  
5 with Larry King?

6 A. I believe that was actually in the apartment.

7 Q. Which apartment?

8 A. 3B on Twin Towers.

9 MR. DECAMP: Your Honor, I'd like to  
10 offer this in evidence.

11 THE COURT: It may be marked.

12 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) And you identified some other  
13 pictures of Larry King in Washington for example.  
14 Is the note --

15 MR. DECAMP: The witness is writing  
16 something, Your Honor.

17 A. On the back of this as far as I can remember I  
18 put who the people are.

19 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) And who are the people?

20 A. The man with the dark looks like Navy blue  
21 suit with the red tie and white shirt, that is  
22 Larry King. The man with the light blue suit  
23 behind him is a Dr. Waterman. Next to that, the  
24 lady in the colorful coat is I believe his cousin  
25 and that was his attorney at the credit union. And

1 then the two guys were basically some of Larry's  
2 playmates.

3 Q. Okay. And where would this picture have been  
4 taken?

5 A. I believe it was in New York City or possibly  
6 Washington, D. C..

7 Q. And when would it have been taken?

8 A. Probably the spring of 1988.

9 MR. DECAMP: Your Honor, I'd like to  
10 offer that into evidence.

11 THE COURT: It will be marked, is it  
12 Exhibit 3?

13 THE CLERK: Exhibit 3.

14 THE COURT: All right. Exhibits 2  
15 and 3 are received.

16 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) There were some big pictures  
17 of Larry King and some place -- do you know where  
18 they are?

19 A. There.

20 Q. What is this picture?

21 A. That is Larry King at the black history  
22 museum, I think that's the name of it. In Harlem,  
23 it's in New York City.

24 Q. And you would have been with him?

25 A. Along with, Dr. Waterman and, let's see,

1 trying to think. There was a bunch of us. The  
2 attorney.

3 Q. How would you have traveled there?

4 A. The private jet.

5 Q. Whose private jet?

6 A. Larry's, Larry chartered one or had one.

7 Q. Did you frequently travel on this jet with  
8 him?

9 A. Quite often.

10 Q. And where all did you travel, do you remember?

11 A. Minneapolis, Chicago, New York, DC, New  
12 Orleans.

13 Q. Sometimes have children on the airplane?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Young people?

16 A. Yeah.

17 Q. How young?

18 A. There was one situation went back to  
19 Washington, D. C. he had probably 10, 12 years old.

20 Q. Boys, girls?

21 A. Both.

22 Q. And this would have been what year  
23 approximately you took this, you know?

24 A. That would have been the spring of 88.

25 MR. DECAMP: May I offer this in

1 evidence, Your Honor?

2 THE COURT: About when did you say,  
3 what was the date?

4 THE WITNESS: Spring of 88.

5 THE COURT: 88.

6 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) And do you recognize this  
7 picture?

8 THE COURT: Exhibit 4 is received.

9 A. That's inside his mansion at Embassy Row in  
10 Washington, D. C..

11 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) When you say his mansion,  
12 whose mansion?

13 A. Larry King's.

14 Q. And were you in that mansion?

15 A. Yeah. I stayed upstairs at, my room was in  
16 straight up from the stairway.

17 Q. What did you do there?

18 A. Take pictures of everything from flower garden  
19 to parties.

20 Q. There were parties there?

21 A. Oh, yes.

22 Q. Who attended the parties?

23 A. Prominent business people, very prominent high  
24 ranking government officials, politicians. The  
25 younger people. Usually what would transpire was

1 they would have a party and then a party after the  
2 party type of deal. And that was pretty much it.

3 Q. I'm not sure I understand a party and then a  
4 party after the party. What's the party after the  
5 party?

6 A. The party after the party was more of a sex  
7 type deal. That's what Larry would --

8 Q. These old politicians were having sex with  
9 each other?

10 A. Or people that Larry would bring.

11 Q. Who were these people Larry brought for them?

12 A. Some younger people. Some of these playmates  
13 or pals that Larry had acquired. He'd have  
14 different people in different cities. Like in  
15 Minneapolis, that was very popular for him at that  
16 time was to go up to Minneapolis, The Gay 90's was  
17 a club up there that he frequented.

18 Q. Did you take pictures of these parties?

19 A. I took pictures at some of the parties, yes.  
20 When it got to where they'd do, get into sexual  
21 stuff and that I tried to avoid doing things like  
22 that though that I didn't want used against  
23 people. And didn't want to get myself tangled in  
24 to it. So I would make whatever excuse to try to  
25 avoid it whenever possible.

1 MR. DECAMP: Your Honor, may I offer  
2 this?

3 THE COURT: Exhibit 5 is received.

4 MR. DECAMP: Thank you, Your Honor.

5 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) You mentioned parties,  
6 pictures, a lot of pictures apparently took for  
7 Larry?

8 A. Oh, yes.

9 Q. Is that correct? When I was in Oregon during  
10 the 45 minutes I had I saw more pictures than I  
11 thought could exist in a whole museum in a  
12 lifetime. And diaries apparently written by you,  
13 is that correct?

14 A. Yes. I always kept notebooks. I have a full  
15 sized one similar to this numbered from 1 to 28 so  
16 I have every hour of the day. And for the most  
17 part I've tried to keep them accurate unless I was  
18 doing something to where it may come back and haunt  
19 me.

20 Like providing things for Gary Caradori or  
21 things like that I would cover the diary up by  
22 doing something so if somebody picked it up to read  
23 through it they wouldn't see that I was the one who  
24 provided something and I'd be tracked down.

25 Q. Rusty, these pictures and diaries, I'll be



1 honest with you, I've seen some of the things in  
2 the limited amount of time and I have never seen  
3 anything such detail. Do you really write every  
4 day down like this?

5 A. Every day. I've got one sitting in my  
6 knapsack back here. Every hour. I can tell you  
7 pretty much what I've done within the hour usually  
8 within 15 minutes.

9 Q. These diaries dated back to when you were with  
10 Larry King?

11 A. Keeping diaries since high school.

12 Q. If these pictures and these diaries were  
13 turned over to us or to the court so we could go  
14 through them, you could go through them, would you  
15 be able to provide more information possibly to  
16 this court or --

17 A. Oh yes.

18 Q. -- or any court or U. S. Attorney on some  
19 events if they still exist?

20 A. Yes, I do believe.

21 MR. DECAMP: Your Honor, I'm not sure  
22 how to make this request, there's any way this  
23 court could refer that to the judge out there, a  
24 county judge offered to preserve them and turn them  
25 over to us eventually to me for a case, but they've

1 since got entangled. I'm not sure how you do it.  
2 Any way this court could get that material ordered  
3 turned over to us? To a U. S. Attorney or somebody  
4 that could look at it.

5 THE COURT: Well, I don't see any  
6 way. But I suppose the major concern I have is  
7 that the sole purpose of this hearing is to  
8 determine how much money would compensate Mr.  
9 Bonacci for whatever Mr. King did to him.

10 MR. DECAMP: I understand that, Your  
11 Honor. Just hopeful some of the other things that  
12 are of even more paramount --

13 THE COURT: They may be to you, you  
14 see, but for this lawsuit, this hearing, I can't  
15 say there's anything more paramount than that.

16 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) Are there any other pictures  
17 here, a picture, would you identify this one?

18 A. Those are the same two you submitted.

19 Q. Blowups of those others?

20 A. Yeah.

21 Q. Do you have other pictures other than the ones  
22 in Oregon secreted anywhere, hidden?

23 A. I hid them, if they still exist. I have no  
24 idea. I haven't been back.

25 Q. But there are other pictures?

- 1 A. Yes, there are.
- 2 Q. Would they include any of those you gave Gary  
3 Caradori?
- 4 A. I believe so. Some of them I had copies of.  
5 I had a dark room out in my farm. And some of the  
6 things I would make copies of. More than one.  
7 Photocopies of some of the things or whatever. And  
8 they were placed in hopefully protective situations  
9 to where weather and such wouldn't get to them.  
10 They're in very difficult places to --
- 11 Q. Do you recognize this picture?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Identify it.
- 14 A. That's one of the private jets and limousines  
15 we threw, or we flew in on this private jet.
- 16 Q. Who's in the picture?
- 17 A. That was the captain, I believe Larry King is  
18 the one standing in back of the limousine here. As  
19 for the other people, they're already inside. And  
20 I think that was taken at Dulles airport.
- 21 Q. Dallas or Dulles?
- 22 A. Dulles, out by Washington.
- 23 Q. Dulles?
- 24 A. Yeah.
- 25 Q. And when would it have been taken if you know?

1 A. Spring of 88. That's when the majority of  
2 this went on was in the winter and spring of 88.

3 MR. DECAMP: Like to offer this, Your  
4 Honor.

5 THE COURT: It will be Exhibit 6.  
6 It's received.

7 MR. DECAMP: No further questions  
8 unless you have some final comments or observation  
9 you'd like to make that you want to get to a judge  
10 in a court.

11 A. That's basically it from me right now.  
12 There's so much that's went on it's hard to bring  
13 everything up all in this short of a time. And  
14 copy of it all.

15 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) When did you learn you were  
16 possibly coming here? Was it Wednesday?

17 A. Oh, right now?

18 Q. Yes.

19 A. I've been trying to get back for almost a  
20 couple of years now to do this. And they've  
21 hampered everything I've done.

22 Q. When did you learn that I had made, when did  
23 you --

24 A. Wednesday late afternoon.

25 Q. So Wednesday late afternoon?

1 A. Finally got through to a different parole  
2 officer to where she gave the okay. I don't know  
3 who got to her or what. But the whole attitude  
4 changed night and day. About what I, what I was,  
5 had to offer. And what I was trying to  
6 accomplish. So --

7 Q. And you're aware of the fact that I first  
8 learned of your existence for real by being called  
9 by the Oregon State Patrol?

10 A. I think that was Detective Pogge got ahold.

11 Q. Detective Rader was his name.

12 A. Rader.

13 Q. And did you have a copy of this book in your  
14 possession?

15 A. Yeah. My brother had overnighted me a copy  
16 when I was in San Diego.

17 Q. And was looking in there that he identified  
18 your name?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. As, is that correct?

21 A. Yes. As associated with this. And at that  
22 point everything just went, they clamped down on me  
23 so hard. They put me in solitary cell. I mean, it  
24 was just one thing to the other.

25 They would come in and either send me to the

1 doctor or have somebody come in to talk to me. And  
2 they tell me, okay, you did this, you did that, and  
3 they'd just drill me, whatever I had supposedly  
4 done. And then they'd send me back to my cell and  
5 let me sit.

6 Or they'd get you in and the doctor would put  
7 you on medication, they pushed psychotic drugs  
8 unbelievable, way more than what should have been  
9 for depression, whatever else. They wanted  
10 everybody in that unit or whatever unit I've been  
11 in to get in that med line every time so they could  
12 get them dependent on the drugs.

13 You could tell that you were getting ready to  
14 go to court if you had anything that was  
15 controversial, people had things that were  
16 controversial or trying to fight their cases, they  
17 could discontinue their drugs or for some reason  
18 screw up the orders a day, two, three days ahead of  
19 time. And then they would be totally out of  
20 balance when they went to court.

21 You know, it was pressure tactics that were,  
22 you know, unbelievable. I'd never been in any kind  
23 of a situation like that. I have no idea what to  
24 expect. I've been just flabbergasted.

25 , MR. DECAMP: Okay. I have no further

1 questions, Your Honor. Like to offer a copy of  
2 this book since it was the thing that generated.

3 THE COURT: It will be Exhibit 7.  
4 It's received. Did you ever have any association  
5 with Paul Bonacci?

6 THE WITNESS: I knew who he was.

7 THE COURT: I'm sorry?

8 THE WITNESS: I knew who he was.

9 THE COURT: How did you know who he  
10 was?

11 THE WITNESS: Through Larry King.

12 THE COURT: Through Larry King.

13 THE WITNESS: Larry King.

14 THE COURT: Larry King talk about  
15 him?

16 THE WITNESS: Oh yeah.

17 THE COURT: What did he say?

18 THE WITNESS: He wanted me to take  
19 pictures of Paul, various other children or various  
20 other people.

21 THE COURT: Did he say why?

22 THE WITNESS: In compromising  
23 position, you know, sexual type things. Actually  
24 Larry wanted me to do a gay porn and kiddie porn  
25 for him and he pushed that so hard. And he, you

1 know, pointed out Paul and tried to get things in  
2 that case. You know, he wanted me to go with Paul  
3 and that. I have no inclination towards being  
4 homosexual, anything like that. I avoided wherever  
5 possible that I could.

6 THE COURT: Did you take any pictures  
7 of Paul Bonacci as far as you know?

8 THE WITNESS: I may have. I may  
9 have. I don't, you know, without going through, I  
10 have got hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of  
11 thousands of pictures in 20 years, it's hard to  
12 keep track of just one or two.

13 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you very  
14 much. You may stand down, sir.

15 THE WITNESS: Appreciate it.

16 THE COURT: Okay. Mr. DeCamp?

17 MR. DECAMP: Your Honor, the next  
18 witness I'd want to call is Paul Bonacci.

19 THE COURT: All right.

20 THE CLERK: Sir, would you state your  
21 full name and spell your last name, please?

22 THE WITNESS: Paul Anthony Bonacci,  
23 B-o-n-a-c-c-i.

24 THE CLERK: Paul Anthony Bonacci,  
25 B-o-n-a-c-c-i.



1                                    PAUL BONACCI,

2                    Called as a witness, being duly sworn,  
3 testified as follows:

4                                    DIRECT EXAMINATION

5 BY MR. DECAMP:

6 Q.    Paul, I had originally planned to just go  
7 through detail of everything in the petition. For  
8 the purposes, as I understand it, of this hearing  
9 all that is presumed to be true.

10                                    MR. DECAMP: Is that correct, Your  
11 Honor?

12                                    THE COURT: Yes, that's right.  
13 That's acceptable.

14 Q.    (By Mr. DeCamp) So for my purposes today I  
15 just want to briefly talk to you about how your  
16 life has been impacted, changed if you would, by  
17 Larry King. And all the things that he involved  
18 you in as a young boy. Go ahead.

19 A.    Well, when I first met Larry King and stuff I  
20 had already been abused by some other people. But  
21 the one thing that I can remember a lot, Larry  
22 King, the most was the fact of all the threats that  
23 he used to use to try to keep all us kids in.

24                                    THE COURT: Sorry, didn't  
25 understand.

1 A. All he, Larry King, after I first met him and  
2 stuff he --

3 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) Speak slowly and clearly,  
4 Paul.

5 A. He was very controlling. And he would use  
6 threats of, he was always threatening you if you  
7 told anybody that you would wind up dead. Several  
8 times he told us that we'd end up dead of overdose  
9 and stuff, even though a lot of the drugs people  
10 were, you know, that he was threatening to overdose  
11 me with I wouldn't even go around.

12 I mean, I got, he was one that supplied me  
13 with most of the drugs I did, which was mainly just  
14 like speed and uppers and downers and stuff. After  
15 a while that's how I got up in the morning, how I  
16 went to bed at night, was because of the drugs and  
17 stuff. And that was mainly to mask the abuse that  
18 I was going through.

19 And Larry King took us on a lot of trips. I  
20 mean, I can't even begin to number how many trips I  
21 went on. With Larry King to Washington, D. C., to  
22 Kansas City, Chicago, up into Minnesota and Los  
23 Angeles.

24 He always insisted when we went places he was  
25 always concerned about the way we were dressed a

1 lot of times. If we weren't dressed properly he  
2 would make us, he would send us out with Larry The  
3 Kid or with one of the other older guys and stuff  
4 to a store and they would be given either cash or  
5 credit cards and stuff to where they were, purchase  
6 whatever he wanted us to wear.

7 And at his parties, which we a lot of his  
8 parties were at the Twin Towers, or his house, or  
9 in Washington, D. C., any city we're in he had us  
10 go to a lot of parties. He would bring guys in and  
11 stuff that he would tell us that we supposed to,  
12 what we were supposed to do with them. And we went  
13 in and did what we were told to do.

14 And he, every, if anyone ever tried to get out  
15 of line or tried to leave or said they were going  
16 to tell anybody or stuff he would, I got, he would  
17 threaten us with the fact that, you know, we could  
18 wind up dead or we'd end up in jail. That was his  
19 big threat was, well, you will be charged with  
20 something that you didn't do or I can get anybody  
21 to say anything I want for the right amount of  
22 money.

23 And he also used the fact that he had, he was  
24 close associate or good friend with Alan Baer and  
25 also with Police Chief Wadman. And I had already

1 met, you know, I'd met Alan Baer through on the  
2 streets and stuff. But he would use the fact that  
3 Alan Baer had more contacts than he did even with  
4 the fact that Alan Baer had more legitimate money,  
5 he liked to put it. It wasn't money that could be  
6 documented and nobody could question it.

7 And with Wadman he would basically use that as  
8 a threat that, you know, I could have you killed or  
9 anything could happen to you and, you know, you'll  
10 just disappear like all the others have.

11 And I know at that, in 83 my stepfather died  
12 and I had contacted both Alan Baer and Larry King  
13 and told them I wanted no more to do with the  
14 parties and with any of it. And I told them, you  
15 know, they could kill me, and that would be over  
16 with and stuff.

17 In fact, a day or two later, which can be  
18 testified to by my mother, and my brothers and  
19 stuff, we were at my grandmother's house down on  
20 about 29th and Park Avenue. And a car drove by and  
21 somebody yelled something that nobody else  
22 understood, but I did. And our car was shot. And  
23 I was standing right by the car, it went into the  
24 door that was maybe a foot or two right next to  
25 me.

1           And at first everybody thought it was a, you  
2 know, somebody thrown a firecracker, it was just  
3 around the 4th of July. And, but I knew because I  
4 had seen the guy's face and it was a guy that we  
5 called Larry The Kid. And the window was busted on  
6 the car. And I saw the bullet, I was the first one  
7 to see the bullet hole. My mom and them called the  
8 police.

9           And at that time and stuff we, I just let it  
10 go as to the fact that it could have been, I didn't  
11 say possibly who it was at all because that was a  
12 message to me that I had better keep my mouth shut  
13 that, you know, I would definitely be killed.

14           And on a lot of the trips that he took us on  
15 and stuff he had us, I mean, I met some people that  
16 I don't feel comfortable telling their name because  
17 I don't want to --

18 Q.    Are you still scared?

19 A.    Yes.

20 Q.    And you asked me not to question you about  
21 family or any of these influence things in your  
22 life because you don't want anybody injured, is  
23 that right?

24 A.    Yes.

25 Q.    Do you still have multiple personalities?

1 A. Yes, I do. I will always probably have both  
2 the personalities. I mean, I can, it's easy to  
3 live with now because I don't have any traumatic  
4 things to cause me to switch personalities which  
5 would really do me a whole lot of harm.

6 But I know that even with my affiliation with  
7 Larry King and stuff, I know for a fact now to  
8 myself that he knew about the MPD and also was in  
9 touch with and was one of my controllers.

10 Q. You've had three separate psychiatrists  
11 examine you, is that correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And were each of these psychiatrists hired and  
14 paid for by the State of Nebraska or one of  
15 subdivisions of the State of Nebraska?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And were they hired to determine whether you  
18 really did or did not have multiple personalities?

19 A. The first psychiatrist was Dr. Beverley Mead  
20 and he first was involved when I first went to  
21 jail. Because at that time and stuff they said  
22 that I was probably under a lot of anxiety and  
23 stuff because of the charge and stuff.

24 And he examined me and I don't even remember  
25 the first time he examined me, I don't remember

1 until about the fourth or fifth time he examined  
2 me. Because every time he examined me until one  
3 time he had me just kind of relax and just, and it  
4 was the first time it came out while he was out, or  
5 I was out, the other personalities were not, he  
6 told me that I had MPD and stuff.

7 This is like after he talked to me four or  
8 five times and stuff and said in talking to me and  
9 stuff, I came to that time I was shocked about  
10 where I was at. Because up until that point I  
11 hadn't even realized I was in jail as Paul, I was  
12 always another personality that had handled  
13 everything and stuff.

14 This was like about three to four weeks after  
15 I'd been arrested and I didn't even, I hadn't gone,  
16 I mean, I had no idea about any of it. And, but,  
17 he was the one that first diagnosed me with the  
18 MPD. And --

19 Q. Can you stop just a minute?

20 A. Yeah.

21 Q. I'm not talking to Paul, am I?

22 A. No.

23 Q. Who am I talking to?

24 A. I used to be known as Wesley but now I'm  
25 called Tony.

- 1 THE COURT: I'm sorry, you're who?
- 2 A. Used to be Wesley, now my name is Tony.
- 3 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) Why is Wesley here?
- 4 A. Because I figure it's best if I tell it
- 5 because lot of things Paul just doesn't want to
- 6 have to go through a lot of times.
- 7 Q. Understand.
- 8 A. I'm having a hard time because I knew
- 9 everything that was going on, and I failed to stop
- 10 it.
- 11 Q. You failed to stop it, Wesley?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Right? Do you remember Dr. Mead?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Dr. Mead was the first psychiatrist you saw,
- 16 wasn't he?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Dr. Mead on behalf of the police department
- 19 examined you, is that correct?
- 20 A. Yes. He said that the police wanted to take
- 21 me over to St. Joseph Hospital where they could
- 22 have me placed under hypnosis to see if everything
- 23 that I was saying, so they could get out the
- 24 details a little bit more easily.
- 25 Q. But before you ever went under any hypnosis is



1 it not true that you had repeatedly told your  
2 story, the story of Larry King, of Franklin, of  
3 Alan Baer, the abuse and everything from the  
4 beginning, is that true?

5 A. Yeah. First in 1986 it was, I think May 20,  
6 no, it was 8th, April, I believe around the first  
7 of the month and stuff of 1986 and stuff I had  
8 gotten contacted by Northwest High School that I  
9 had, because I had missed approximately 80 days  
10 that semester. And they wanted to know if I was  
11 going to drop out of school.

12 And they requested that I come in to the  
13 school and have a meeting with the vice principal  
14 and my assistant, my counselor, Dr. Wiedemeyer,  
15 actually Wiedemeyer, and also lady named Diane  
16 Zipay who was, at that time and stuff, she was a  
17 district counselor for OPS schools.

18 And the three of them talked to me briefly and  
19 told me that my ex-girlfriend at that time and  
20 stuff, Nancy Owens, not related to Alisha Owen at  
21 all, not even the same spelling of the name, but  
22 Nancy Owen had spilled her guts to her mother.

23 And her mother contacted the school because I  
24 had told Alisha -- not Alisha Owen, Nancy Owen,  
25 easy to get those the two names confused -- but

1 Nancy Owen that what -- because we were dating and  
2 this kind of stuff, I had informed her about the  
3 sexual abuse that I had gone through.

4 And I had mentioned that if it ever came out  
5 and stuff I'd be dead because of the, because of  
6 the people who were involved were, had a lot of --  
7 trying to think of the word -- a lot of, they were  
8 really public people in Omaha. And they also had a  
9 lot of money.

10 And it was at that time and stuff that my  
11 counselor asked me if I ever -- when I went in for  
12 the meeting and stuff, he asked me had I ever been  
13 abused. And at that point and stuff I asked my  
14 mother to leave the room. Cause she was there  
15 too. I asked her to leave the room. And I told  
16 the counselors in essence everything that, most of  
17 the stuff that had happened and who had abused me.

18 At that point they stopped it, they called the  
19 Omaha Police Department, who had already been  
20 contacted in advance of that I was told because  
21 they said they were waiting to speak with me. And  
22 they sent down two detectives, plainclothesed  
23 detectives and stuff. Who spent a period of almost  
24 two hours at the school in the principal's office,  
25 or vice principal's office at that time, now he's

1 principal, James Bell, who was the vice principal  
2 at that time, and they questioned me.

3 And at that time I told them about just about  
4 everybody who had abused me. I named all the names  
5 and then they -- kind of got scared because one of  
6 the detectives kind of looked familiar but hadn't  
7 said a word up until he asked me a question and  
8 stuff. As soon as I heard his voice, that it's,  
9 basically scared me to death because at that point  
10 I realized that he was one of the police officers  
11 that I had seen at a lot of the parties with Alan  
12 Baer and Larry King at the Twin Towers.

13 And at that point I panicked and I made up a  
14 story that I can't believe I made up, that I had  
15 had a gun and I was down in the woods down by my  
16 house and I had attempted, thought about shooting  
17 myself, then I decided I wasn't going to.

18 At that point they stopped it and had me taken  
19 the Nebraska Psychiatric Institute where I stayed  
20 for 38 days. And they, you know, supposedly  
21 because I was suicidal, which wasn't the truth, I  
22 was just scared to death that if word got back to  
23 Alan Baer or Larry King that I was as much as a  
24 dead man. My life wasn't worth anything at that  
25 point.

1 I figured if I made like I'm crazy or  
2 something maybe they'll just go away and leave me  
3 alone. And for the most part they did. They tried  
4 to erase they even came to the school.

5 Q. Okay. Let me just stop you there. You heard  
6 Noreen Gosch testify this morning, right?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Do you remember meeting her in prison?

9 A. I remember meeting her, yeah.

10 Q. Who would have been the personalities that  
11 would have talked to Noreen Gosch?

12 A. That would have been, I believe at that time  
13 and stuff, one that was called Mikey.

14 Q. That's what I thought.

15 A. And he's integrated and stuff and I have all  
16 his memories.

17 Q. You believe Mikey's integrated?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. You really believe that?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Okay. Dr. Mead, after he examined you, told  
22 the courts and the legislature, as I recall, and he  
23 testified before the legislature with you and I  
24 think that's part of your exhibits, part of your  
25 pleadings, that you had multiple personalities but

1 that he believed your story. Is that correct?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Then you were examined by another psychiatrist  
4 ordered by the courts I believe?

5 A. Yeah. That was, she was from Immanuel, her  
6 mind slips me. Doc -- Stark? Dr. Stark or  
7 something like that, I'm not positive.

8 Q. Do you remember that examination?

9 A. Yes, I do.

10 Q. Do you remember what the results were there?

11 A. She concluded just as Dr. Mead did that I had  
12 multiple personality disorder and everything. They  
13 basically told me everything I said was true that I  
14 told her.

15 Q. Did you then have another examination by  
16 another doctor?

17 A. Yes, I did.

18 Q. Was that one paid for and ordered by the  
19 legislature of the State of Nebraska?

20 A. Yes, it was.

21 Q. Do you remember the name of that doctor?

22 A. Dr. Densen-Gerber.

23 Q. And it's my recollection, you correct me if  
24 I'm wrong, that you had extensive interviews with  
25 Dr. Densen-Gerber, is that correct?

1 A. Yeah. She came down and started several, I  
2 don't remember how it was, several hours, she went  
3 through many different personalities. And she, I  
4 don't know why she did it, but she had attempted  
5 to, several times and stuff, to have me say things  
6 that weren't true.

7 But I corrected her every time because I  
8 wanted it to be known that, you know, what the  
9 truth was. And I found out later she did that on  
10 purpose, I believe to try and trip me up to see if  
11 I was telling a story if I was just making stuff  
12 up.

13 Q. Do you remember the conclusions she gave?

14 A. Yes, she came up with the same conclusion the  
15 other two psychiatrists had come up with.

16 Q. They believed you had been turned into  
17 multiple personalities as a result of sexual and  
18 other types of abuse, is that correct?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And that this had occurred at the hands of  
21 particularly Larry King and some of the other  
22 people you've named, is that correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. I want to go back to the Johnny Gosch story.  
25 Who would be the best person that could tell me

1 about that?

2 A. Me.

3 Q. Wesley?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And you believe Wesley can today because Mikey  
6 is integrated, is that right?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Did you participate in the kidnapping of  
9 Johnny Gosch?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Tell us about it.

12 A. It was through a guy named Emilio that I had  
13 met several years before while my family lived in  
14 Carter Lake, which I had met him down in, there's  
15 a, I don't even know what the name of that park is,  
16 I think might be Levi Carter, not really important,  
17 it's between the pond and big actual lake and  
18 stuff.

19 I met Emilio through a kid that I had met down  
20 at the park and stuff. His name was Mike, or we  
21 called him Mikey too sometimes, but mainly Mike.  
22 He was approximately my age. And he told me about  
23 his friend and stuff. And when they, in talking to  
24 me and stuff they found out I had been abused and  
25 stuff, Mike had and stuff, he went, told Emilio.

1           It was at this point Emilio started to begin  
2           to use me to go to these, not really parties, but  
3           just like, like child pornography, that's what his  
4           main thing was was making child porn. That's how  
5           he basically supported himself.

6           And it was shortly after that that they asked  
7           me to go on a trip with them to Des Moines. And I  
8           believe that was around Labor, September, we left  
9           on September 4th of 82. And we went to Des  
10          Moines. We stayed there in a hotel which I, all I  
11          know is it was on the, on the west side of Des  
12          Moines.

13          And we, they went through what they were going  
14          to do. At first I didn't know what they were there  
15          for. The first thing, this one guy came in and  
16          says this is the one. And I at that point still  
17          had no clue as to what they were talking about and  
18          stuff. They said that, you know, they were going  
19          to take this kid, they were going to kidnap him and  
20          stuff. And I was a little bit upset. And I said  
21          that I wasn't wanting to go along with them.

22          And I'm going to try to tell this in the best  
23          order that I can so that it's complete and put all  
24          the personalities together because I think in the  
25          past it's all been broken up. And I think what I



1 need to do is put it altogether finally. And I can  
2 do that, the other personalities couldn't.

3 What happened was when they took us to Des  
4 Moines, after found out, it was still early in the  
5 afternoon and stuff.

6 Q. Who are we talking to?

7 A. Still Wesley. And it was still early in the  
8 afternoon and stuff by the time we got there. This  
9 guy said this is the one they wanted and stuff.

10 I as, I don't remember which personality it  
11 was, didn't want anything to do with it. Emilio  
12 took me for a little drive, stuck a gun in my head  
13 on a dirt road and told me I either did this or he  
14 was going to blow my brains out right there and  
15 then.

16 At that point I agreed to go along with  
17 whatever, you know, they want and stuff. Went back  
18 to the hotel. That's where Tony, who is another  
19 guy, not me, he was an older guy and stuff. He had  
20 a lot of pock marks on his face, kind of skinny.  
21 He also can pose as a woman, which he has done on  
22 numerous occasions.

23 He or Tony, myself, and Mike went into the  
24 other hotel room while Emilio, this guy named Sam  
25 and another guy talked in the hotel room. And were

1 discussing, I guess, the details of how things were  
2 going to go down.

3 Later on brought all three of us back in,  
4 Tony, myself and Mike, and they put up some chairs  
5 like it would be a car, and driving, and they said,  
6 this is how we're going to do it. You and Mike  
7 will be in the back seat when we pull up to where  
8 this kid's at and stuff, we're going to ask him a  
9 question. We're going to go around the block.  
10 Which they did.

11 Then they came back and stuff and they had  
12 myself and Mike out of the car, or Mike was in the  
13 car, I was out of the car and stuff. I went up to  
14 him, asked him a question. And at that point he  
15 was close enough to the car where Tony had pulled  
16 up in a van and they pushed him in the car, and  
17 they had a rag with chloroform in the bag that they  
18 had us stick over his face. And then put it back  
19 in the bag after he was out.

20 After that point they told all three of us to  
21 stay down in the back seat so nobody could see us.  
22 I think it was also so we couldn't see out to see  
23 where we were at. And at that point we drove  
24 several miles and stuff, we met up with a station  
25 wagon and a van several times and stuff.

1           Which I know Tony was driving one of them, and  
2 this other guy, I believe name was Sam was driving  
3 the other. Several times they had us switch  
4 vehicles with Johnny and stuff. And eventually we  
5 ended up in the back of the van, a white van.

6           And we drove from there, the car that had  
7 originally taken Johnny and drove east toward, they  
8 said that he was going to drive east toward like  
9 Chicago. And the station wagon that we transferred  
10 him into and stuff, they were going to have it  
11 driving going down south so that if anybody had  
12 seen anything and stuff they'd have it going out in  
13 different directions.

14           But what they did was out in the country where  
15 there was nothing but corn fields and stuff where  
16 you couldn't see anything, they stopped and  
17 transferred him into the van. That's why nobody  
18 would ever see the actual vehicle that was going  
19 west toward Omaha.

20           And we did stop, we did go through Council  
21 Bluffs because they made us stop at a place that I  
22 kind of know kind of well and stuff over in Council  
23 Bluffs. It was, at the time I believe it was  
24 called The Joker Lounge, which strangely enough is  
25 owned by, was owned by my, one of my uncles.

1           And they went in, they just went in to get  
2           some drinks. And nothing that went on there. They  
3           left us out in the car. But that's when I peeked  
4           my head out. Cause they had a curtain in the van  
5           where you couldn't see out the front and they had  
6           curtains on the side on the side windows.

7           It didn't have windows on the back but it had  
8           some side windows on the side too. I peeked out,  
9           that's when I seen The Joker Lounge and I  
10          recognized it because of the fact my uncle owned  
11          it. And I'm not sure if it was Fat Jacks or The  
12          Joker at that time, they've changed so many times.

13          But then we drove up to Sioux City, Iowa.  
14          Which is where we stayed for the night. And the  
15          next day they took me back to Omaha. And --

16          Q.    What happened that night?

17          A.    That night at first Emilio and this couple  
18          other guys went into town to drink. And they left  
19          me, Mike and Johnny in a room that had no windows  
20          on it. That they had locked from the outside of  
21          the room and stuff. They lock us all three in this  
22          room.

23          And that night when they got back they ordered  
24          me and Mike to do some things with, sexual things  
25          with Johnny. And they filmed it so that they could

1 sell the film or whatever they were going to do  
2 with it.

3 And then I know that they took me, the next  
4 day they took me back home. And then a couple of  
5 months later I got a chance to take a trip out to  
6 Colorado. And that's where I seen Johnny Gosch the  
7 second time. And at that point he was staying with  
8 a guy that I only knew as the colonel.

9 And it was a kind of a ranch house but it was  
10 out, had a raised floor, underneath there was a  
11 space that had been dug out. And that's where they  
12 kept some of the kids at and stuff when they caused  
13 trouble or were bad. And they had a lot of  
14 lookouts on this road and stuff. If anyone was to  
15 even get close to the place that the kids could be  
16 taken up into the hills before anybody could ever  
17 get there.

18 It was also the same place that in 92 when I,  
19 92 or early 93 when I got out of prison where  
20 America's Most Wanted had taken myself and Roy  
21 Stephens to Colorado and stuff to see if I could  
22 find any of these places where they had taken us.

23 And I had no idea that Roy had been in that  
24 same area. He'd never found the house. He had  
25 found elephant rock and some other places that

1 stood out to, you know, would have stood out to  
2 anybody and stuff that had been in this house,  
3 because it's visible from the house. And he had  
4 been down that road.

5 But I didn't find the main road that he, that  
6 you would think most people would find, because  
7 when they took us to this house they always took us  
8 up, I guess up the road and stuff where we have to  
9 take an old raggedy bridge across I believe the  
10 Arkansas River and alongside the river.

11 And when they took us out there I was shocked,  
12 because as we were going on this road a guy popped  
13 out of the middle of nowhere with a radio, which  
14 I'm sure they could tell you that, this guy popped  
15 out and he had a radio and stuff. And I have never  
16 told anybody up to this time and stuff, but that's  
17 one of the guys who was involved.

18 Q. Involved in the kidnapping?

19 A. Involved in the kidnapping.

20 Q. Did you know who he was?

21 A. I never knew his name. All I know he was  
22 close friend with the Colonel and arranged for  
23 auctions. And shortly, I mean, I, shortly after we  
24 drove past him he went back up into the woods I  
25 believe, made some calls. And that's why we

1 wouldn't have found nothing in that town.

2 I think they knew in advance that we were  
3 there because we'd stayed in some hotels and stuff  
4 going out there and stuff. That I believe that  
5 they knew we were in the area and they hightailed  
6 it out.

7 Because when we went to the other road that I  
8 had recognized and stuff we stopped at this guy's  
9 house who was a mailman. And shortly after we left  
10 his house he was hightailing it down to the trailer  
11 park which I had talked about.

12 And I don't know, we don't know what happened  
13 because we just seen his mail truck going down to  
14 the trailer park and it wasn't a mail run because  
15 it was way too late for that.

16 Q. Okay, I'm going to interrupt you here because  
17 I know we probably want to get to lunch here. I  
18 have just one more witness, might take probably  
19 three to five minutes, I'd like to ask just a  
20 couple final questions. Alisha Owen, do you know  
21 her?

22 A. Yes, I do.

23 Q. Do you know Robert Wadman?

24 A. Yes, I do.

25 Q. Do you know Alan Baer?

1 A. Yes, I do.

2 Q. Do you know Larry King?

3 A. Yes, I do.

4 Q. Were all those people at these parties that  
5 you've heard described here today?

6 A. Yes, they were.

7 Q. Where were the parties?

8 A. Like I stated, a lot of them were at the Twin  
9 Towers. In various apartments and penthouses.  
10 Some were at a farm house. Some were actually at  
11 Larry King's house.

12 Which was on a, all I know it had a big hill  
13 on it. It was nice, nice house and stuff. Also  
14 down in Washington, D. C.. We had parties in  
15 Kansas City, couple of parties in some place in New  
16 York.

17 Q. What was the nature of these parties?

18 A. A lot of the parties when we went to, that we  
19 went to and stuff, the ones in the Twin Towers were  
20 basically for one reason. And that was for sex.

21 Q. Sex between who?

22 A. There was sex between adult men and some other  
23 adult men but most of it had to do with young boys  
24 and young girls.

25 Q. Young boys and young girls with each other or



1 with older folks?

2 A. With the older folks. Also some of the  
3 parties, there was some parties above The French  
4 Cafe that they would bring people in and stuff that  
5 were from out of town. Those were specifically for  
6 sex with minors.

7 Also in Washington, D. C. there were, there  
8 was also parties like Rusty had already talked  
9 about where there was parties after a party. Where  
10 they would have a party where they would have a  
11 legitimate party with like some politicians,  
12 businessmen. And a lot of them never knew about  
13 what happened at the after, you know, the party  
14 afterwards and stuff.

15 Like in Washington, D. C. there was a lot of  
16 parties where they would be senators and  
17 congressmen who had nothing to do with the sexual  
18 stuff. But there was some senators and congressmen  
19 who stayed for the parties afterwards.

20 And one person that I'm not afraid to talk  
21 about because his, because Larry King always said  
22 him and this guy were on the opposite ends of the  
23 field because this guy was a Democrat and Larry  
24 King was a Republican. That's a known fact and  
25 stuff.

1           And this guy, every time I see him on TV and  
2 stuff, my wife knows my hatred for him. Because  
3 every time I see him and stuff it disgusts me  
4 because it's -- his name is Barney Frank.

5 Q.    Did you have relationships with him?

6 A.    Yes.

7 Q.    Where?

8 A.    In Washington, D. C.. And also I was sent to  
9 a house, I believe it was in Massachusetts in  
10 Boston where I believe it was his house because  
11 there's pictures on the wall that, with him and  
12 with different people and stuff. And that he had  
13 met I guess. But it was in his basement.

14           THE COURT: Mr. DeCamp, sorry, maybe  
15 we better break for lunch.

16           MR. DECAMP: Want to do it that way?  
17 Otherwise 15 minutes we can be done. We can break  
18 for lunch, whatever you say.

19           THE COURT: I think we better break  
20 for lunch. Can we come back, what, 1:00 o'clock?

21           MR. DECAMP: Yes, Your Honor.

22           THE COURT: All right. Be in recess  
23 till 1:00.

24           (12:04 to 1:00 p.m., recessed.)

25           THE COURT: Mr. DeCamp.

1 MR. DECAMP: Yes, Your Honor. Your  
2 Honor, I think probably take 10, 12 minutes with  
3 this witness, I have one other, then we should be  
4 done.

5 THE COURT: Very well.

6 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) Do you understand you're still  
7 under oath?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Okay. I just want to review a couple of the  
10 incidents of your life as you've laid out in your  
11 petition and some of the things that have been  
12 discussed here today. It's impossible for us to  
13 deal with anything more than just some very limited  
14 areas.

15 But back to the Johnny Gosch incident. How  
16 was Johnny Gosch, how was this boy selected or was  
17 he selected specifically?

18 A. Well, the men came into the room, they had  
19 actually a couple of pictures, they had about five  
20 different pictures and stuff. They had pictures of  
21 Johnny and they also had pictures of other boys and  
22 stuff too.

23 And the guy that I believe was Sam pointed at  
24 the one of Johnny and said this is the one. How he  
25 was selected I'm not exactly sure, but I know that

1 they had several different photographs.

2 And I know of the photographs, the pictures of  
3 the boys and stuff they had, one was of Johnny and  
4 stuff. He was carrying a paper sack with him on  
5 one of the pictures that I seen for sure.

6 I'm not exactly sure how he was chosen or, you  
7 know. I know a lot of it had to do with the fact  
8 of the way he looked. Because the color of his  
9 hair and his eyes and everything. It could make  
10 them more money I guess. I --

11 Q. So it was not a random --

12 A. No.

13 Q. -- pick any kid, it was a specific targeted  
14 kid?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And he was identified the night before?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And you were with the people that did this?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And then you were used the next morning as a  
21 young, what, was one to lure him or something?

22 A. It was kind of like a, I don't know exactly  
23 what I was called, it was just more like I was, me  
24 and Mike were kind of used as bait. We were to --  
25 because it's like when you see other kids and stuff

1 you don't normally run.

2 I mean, if an adult and stuff comes up and  
3 started asking a kid questions and stuff often  
4 times kids will run and get scared and stuff. But  
5 kids your own age are talking to you and stuff you  
6 normally aren't frightened by them. So we were  
7 there to, I guess you could say lure him or get him  
8 close enough to the car where we could get him in.

9 Q. Okay. You in an eight or nine day deposition  
10 we did discussed Alisha Owen, discussed a lot of  
11 personalities, and discussed Robert Wadman. And  
12 you had made a claim earlier under oath, as I  
13 recall, that you had seen Alisha Owen with Robert  
14 Wadman, is that correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And you were in fact charged with perjury  
17 because you made that statement to a grand jury, is  
18 that correct?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And those charges were dismissed against you,  
21 weren't they?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. I'm going to ask you again today, you're under  
24 oath again, you're in a federal courtroom, did you  
25 ever see Robert Wadman with Alisha Owen?

1 A. Yes, I did. As I started to state earlier and  
2 stuff, I had seen them a couple of times and stuff,  
3 like I said, at the farm house and also at an  
4 apartment in the Twin Towers. And like I said, the  
5 one time in Twin Towers I walked in on them. And  
6 actually caught them in bed together.

7 Q. So you're saying you personally, Paul Bonacci,  
8 at the Twin Towers saw Police Chief Robert Wadman  
9 in bed with a girl we've come to know as Alisha  
10 Owen, is that correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Absolutely your certain?

13 A. One hundred percent.

14 Q. Did you see him with her in any other occasion  
15 in a compromising position?

16 A. Like I said, mainly just at the Twin Towers  
17 and stuff. And also at the farm house I seen them  
18 a couple of times together. And I'm not sure I  
19 seen them any other times besides that.

20 I know some other personalities may have, you  
21 know, said the one time happened different times or  
22 stuff, it was just one occasion that they were  
23 actually in bed together that I seen them.

24 Q. And you say that knowing that Alisha Owen is  
25 in prison for saying that same thing?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Are you lying?

3 A. No.

4 Q. You're sure?

5 A. I'm positive.

6 Q. And you know you're under oath?

7 A. Yes. I'm as positive as I'm sitting here  
8 today and stuff that I know I'm one hundred percent  
9 sure that it was Robert Wadman and Alisha Owen.

10 Q. Did you know Alisha Owen?

11 A. I knew of her. I never really could stand  
12 her.

13 Q. You and other young people got to know each  
14 other somewhat during this period of time you went  
15 to these parties?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. How many of you were there involved in this?

18 A. It's kind of hard to say. Because I was in it  
19 probably longer than most of the young people that  
20 were involved. A lot of the young people were  
21 involved for a couple of years. Whereas I was  
22 involved from the early, either the late 70s, very  
23 early 80s up until even 86, 87.

24 Even though I wasn't doing anything at that  
25 time and stuff, I was still around them enough to,

1 you know, for photo ops or whatever Larry King  
2 wanted, enough to try to keep myself alive.

3 THE COURT: But for how long, from?

4 A. From, like I said, about the early 80s till  
5 87, 88. And there were perhaps over that time  
6 period and stuff, I'm not just talking about kids  
7 from Omaha, and from Boys Town, cause there were  
8 several kids from Boys Town brought by bus, you  
9 know, brought in on vans and stuff.

10 But also from the other areas where we went to  
11 and stuff on scavenger hunts for Larry, it was for  
12 Larry King. There's probably a couple of hundred  
13 kids. And as, from probably anywhere from 16 down  
14 to about 8, maybe some younger.

15 Q. (By Mr. DeCamp) You filed this lawsuit eight  
16 or nine years ago, is that correct?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Alan Baer originally was one of the  
19 defendants, is that correct?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Did Alan Baer ever have any contact with you  
22 after the lawsuit was filed?

23 A. He did in several different ways. Even after  
24 I got out of prison he's contacted me one time.

25 Q. What was the contact?



1 A. Well, in prison and stuff there was a guy in  
2 there named Bently Buckner who when I first got  
3 there he told me that he had been in contact with  
4 Alan. And said that he, Alan had told him to make  
5 sure I was okay and take care of me while I was  
6 there. Make sure nothing happened to me.

7 And that had a lot to do with the fact there  
8 was a lot of pressure from some sources and stuff  
9 at that time that anything happened to me it would  
10 look pretty bad for him, too many people had  
11 already been ending up dead or something and I was  
12 just one that I, he wanted to make sure that I was  
13 taken care of.

14 Q. Now, you were in prison for what?

15 A. I was in prison for three counts of sexual  
16 assault on a child. And what that extended to is  
17 that I got arrested for, the charge I got arrested  
18 on was for allegedly touching a 13 year old boy on  
19 the outside of his pants while I was supposed to be  
20 asleep.

21 Q. And your sentence for that was what?

22 A. I got a zero to five sentence, actually five  
23 years. I did all of the time that I was supposed  
24 to do.

25 Q. You were originally granted parole, weren't

1 you, and then --

2 A. Yeah.

3 Q. -- an editorial came out in the World-Herald  
4 revoke, or telling them to revoke it and they did?

5 A. October 21st, 1991 I went before the parole  
6 board, they voted unanimously at that time five to  
7 0 to give me parole. And according, you know, we  
8 had a parole plan where I would be set up, I would  
9 be living with a minister in Lincoln and working  
10 for Ed Weaver, was what was set up for me at that  
11 time.

12 And 10 days later before I ever got out of the  
13 prison the pastor I was supposed to be staying with  
14 was going to be out of a town for about a week or  
15 so so they couldn't let me go that day. But before  
16 I ever got out the World-Herald ran some pretty  
17 mean editorials and stuff saying that if I got out  
18 I'd be in touch with this LaRouche group which I  
19 won't have anything to do with because my brother  
20 ran away with one of them -- not my brother, my  
21 sister-in-law ran away with one of them. And so I  
22 had nothing to do with them really at that time.

23 And it was after that Halloween, of all times,  
24 and stuff, of 91, October 31st, they revoked the  
25 parole and never gave a reason why. And that was

1 pretty hard thing for me at that time.

2 Q. Who was the first person you called after you  
3 were arrested?

4 A. First person I called after I was arrested was  
5 Alan Baer.

6 Q. Why did you call him?

7 A. Well, because in the past whenever I had been  
8 arrested I, I mean, I had been picked up by the  
9 police, never actually put into jail. He told me  
10 if I ever got in trouble with the law to call him.  
11 That he would arrange it so I could get out. And  
12 so I did.

13 And I never really got ahold of him very  
14 well. But another inmate that knew Alan Baer also  
15 kept calling him for me. Basically I was wanting  
16 to tell him at the time and stuff what I had said a  
17 couple of days before about, you know, cause -- the  
18 Wednesday before I got arrested he asked me,  
19 actually another personality, he didn't know it  
20 was, really I think he knew it was me, but he was  
21 one of the, going with a guy, supposedly one of my  
22 personalities, supposedly my brother, of all  
23 things, that he was going to have me get other  
24 young kids for his parties.

25 And that we had, I told him, pardon my

1 language, to go F himself and that I'd rather die  
2 before I'd do that again. And two days later I end  
3 up in jail.

4 Q. Were there any other personalities, not  
5 personalities like in yourself but other prominent  
6 people at these parties that you particularly  
7 remember? You had mentioned one, Alisha mentioned  
8 one, a name of Carlson.

9 A. Theodore Carlson, he was a judge in Omaha.

10 Q. He was at these parties?

11 A. He was at a couple of the parties. I think, I  
12 believe most of the time I saw him wasn't at  
13 parties at the Twin Towers, it was mostly like at I  
14 want to say The French Cafe. And, I mean, that's  
15 where I'm getting a picture in my head of seeing  
16 him at.

17 And down in, I think there's a basement or  
18 something, but also up in like a loft or apartment  
19 upstairs. But at a lot of the parties I heard  
20 enough from other kids about him. And he preferred  
21 young girls.

22 Q. Alisha said that and she went to prison for  
23 it. Are you telling the truth?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. The final question I'd like to ask you, how

1 does this whole scene, mix you've been involved in  
2 for so many years impacted or affected your life or  
3 changed your life?

4 A. Totally screwed up my life.

5 Q. Who am I talking to now?

6 A. Paul.

7 Q. Okay. Go ahead.

8 A. For one thing I would have never been arrested  
9 for something that, something that I totally find  
10 disgusting. I would have never been at NPI, which  
11 actually caused me to have to give up my military  
12 career. Because I had planned all my life to join  
13 the Army and just spend my whole life in the  
14 military.

15 I had spent four years in ROTC in high school  
16 and stuff just dreaming of getting in the military  
17 and rising up through the ranks and one day being  
18 somebody. And then having all that dashed because  
19 I was in a psychiatric hospital for something that  
20 wasn't even true.

21 And the threats that he's made on my life and  
22 stuff is like to this day I'm scared for my  
23 family. Not a day goes by that I haven't prayed,  
24 asked God to protect my family. Because I know  
25 that this man has caused people to be killed.

1 Friend of mine to be killed.

2 He's caused a lot of, I can't even hardly  
3 sleep at night, which my wife can tell you that I  
4 hardly sleep at night any more. I never have. I  
5 mean, I have bad dreams and stuff which I don't  
6 even tell her about because it's like I don't want  
7 to put her through the same hell I've gone through  
8 all my life.

9 It's hard for me to, it was hard for me to  
10 have relationships for a long time. I mean, I was  
11 afraid that, you know, I'd find somebody I really  
12 cared about and loved and stuff, somebody would  
13 come along and take them away. It's been hard for  
14 me to try and keep a job because of the MPD.

15 Q. MPD meaning?

16 A. Multiple personality disorders. Cause I get  
17 work, just like I don't know what happens. I love,  
18 I mean, I, I'm a hard worker, I love work and  
19 everybody that I work for and stuff just, you know,  
20 always has nothing but good to say about me. It's  
21 just that I have, I, I just quit. I don't know  
22 why.

23 And, I mean, it's not a good thing to always  
24 have to be looking over your shoulder and stuff to  
25 see if somebody's back there and stuff following

1 you. Sometimes I've done that a lot. When I got  
2 out of prison I was, I was terrified that they were  
3 going to bump me off.

4 I mean, the first night I was out of prison  
5 for about a week I was so jumpy, I heard the  
6 ceiling creaking on the house and stuff on the  
7 trailer I thought there was a sniper up on the roof  
8 going to shoot me through the bedroom window.

9 And even for years after that stuff, like  
10 every time I went to my car try to turn it on and  
11 stuff I always have to look everywhere, look under  
12 the seat, look under the car and stuff, make sure  
13 there's no bombs under my car.

14 I always have to watch who I was around and  
15 stuff because it's like I was always afraid  
16 somebody would recognize me. And go into the store  
17 and stuff and people recognize you is, and then  
18 associate you as being a supposed pedophile or  
19 something like that when you know for a fact that  
20 you're not. You don't have any attraction for that  
21 at all and stuff.

22 And the fact that I've never had any, I mean,  
23 I've never done this for, I never put any lawsuits  
24 on these people. I never expect to get, I never  
25 expected at all to get a penny. I was, it's always

1 like I had planned anything that was ever  
2 settlement and stuff even for my portion was going  
3 to help kids who were abused.

4 Q. In fact, that's part of the agreement, wasn't  
5 it, that I agreed to represent you, that you would  
6 donate anything you won or most of what you won to  
7 a fund to help kids in your situation?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Or abused kids?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. You understand you signed that, didn't you?

12 A. Yes, I did. Because that's, I never, it was  
13 never about money for me, it was about the fact  
14 that I wanted to get the truth out. I knew the  
15 only way I ever get the truth out is try to get  
16 into court.

17 And even when my perjury case came up and they  
18 dismissed it, everybody else seemed to be happy for  
19 me. But I was, that messed me up because I never  
20 got my day in court. I never got a chance to prove  
21 that I was telling the truth. And they finally, if  
22 I would have gotten that chance and stuff, they  
23 knew they had no, the prosecution knew they had no  
24 case.

25 They could not get one person to come to court



1 and say the terrible things they got people to say  
2 about Alisha. She had too many people that knew  
3 her that didn't like her. But me I, I made friends  
4 everywhere I went. And the fact that I brought the  
5 case, brought this stuff up three years before I  
6 ever got arrested.

7 Q. Let me hit on that. One moment. You put into  
8 writing your whole story on this, as I recall,  
9 before you ever saw a psychiatrist, is that  
10 correct?

11 A. Yes, I did.

12 Q. You gave it without ever being under hypnosis?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. You were hypnotized by the police or the  
15 court's psychiatrist after you had told this story,  
16 is that correct?

17 A. Yes. It was the police who had Dr. Mead  
18 hypnotize me, took me to St. Joe's, the police are  
19 the ones that took me to St. Joe's, they're the  
20 ones that had the hypnosis planned. It wasn't my  
21 choice. I mean, I agreed to it only because I felt  
22 that it would probably help me to straighten out  
23 some things and stuff.

24 And that hypnosis, to state for the record,  
25 only dealt with one person. And one person alone.

1 It had nothing to do with anybody but Peter  
2 Citron. He was the only one brought up during this  
3 hypnosis at all. It had nothing to do with Larry  
4 King, Alan Baer, the police, any priest or  
5 anything, had nothing to do with anybody but Peter  
6 Citron.

7 Q. And the things in the petition, that we  
8 alleged and that you've read repeatedly and you  
9 wrote and told us in effect about Peter Citron,  
10 they're all true?

11 A. Yes, they are.

12 Q. Peter Citron went to prison, you know, of  
13 course, for molesting youth?

14 A. Went to prison after I'd already been talking  
15 about him doing that stuff to me. And I never had,  
16 of all the people who abused me he's the only  
17 person I really never, never ended up getting any  
18 anger or animosity toward.

19 Because he was, I guess if you could talk  
20 about abuse, he was one of the nicest. Of all the  
21 people who abused me. He didn't use threats of  
22 killing me and wiping me out or everything,  
23 continually having me end up like I did a suicide  
24 by overdose or pushed out a window or shot to the  
25 head.

1 Q. So he was a good abuser?

2 A. He, can't say good abuser, but he didn't, he  
3 didn't result, he didn't lower himself to  
4 threatening my life like mainly everybody else.  
5 Especially Larry King. Who I knew had the money to  
6 do it.

7 Q. And Peter Citron and his activities with you  
8 were done for his own pleasure rather than ordering  
9 you like Larry King did to do this for others, is  
10 that correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Paul, my final question, have I in any way  
13 told you what to say here today?

14 A. No.

15 Q. Have I in any way pressured you, coerced you,  
16 begged you, told you, suggested anything?

17 A. No.

18 Q. And is everything you're telling us today the  
19 truth?

20 A. Absolutely, yes.

21 Q. You realize that people, Alisha Owen for  
22 example, went to prison for saying essentially the  
23 same things you've said here today?

24 A. Yes, I do.

25 Q. You're still claiming that these are true?

1 A. Yes, I do.

2 Q. Is there anything you want to correct at all  
3 that you've said?

4 A. Nothing I want to correct. But there's some  
5 other stuff about, like even my relation with my  
6 wife and stuff is affected by this because I'm  
7 afraid to open up to her. And the fact that I feel  
8 like I'm not even a human being any more because,  
9 because going to prison and stuff, all my rights  
10 been stripped to me just about.

11 And it's, and knowing that none of this, the  
12 fact that I would have never gone to prison, I  
13 mean, everything my name and my family run through  
14 the mud, it would have never happened if it wasn't  
15 for the likes of Larry King and the rest of them.  
16 Who kept their thumb on me and every time I tried  
17 to break free from them they just threatened to  
18 kill me or kill my family.

19 It got to the point where it didn't matter  
20 about me any more, it's like I've always been more  
21 concerned about my family. You know, it's like I  
22 know if I die I'm going to heaven so, you know, it  
23 don't matter to me. But it's like my family means  
24 more to me than anything.

25 Q. You're working now?

1 A. I'm working now. I'm working part-time right  
2 now but I will be working full time this summer.  
3 Finally got a job that's going to be worth  
4 something.

5 Q. And you're married now?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. How long have you been married?

8 A. About two and a half years.

9 Q. You asked me not to ask you any other family  
10 questions?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Why?

13 A. Safety of my family.

14 MR. DECAMP: I have no further  
15 questions, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: Mr. Bonacci, I have a  
17 question or two I'd like to ask you. Did Mr. King,  
18 Lawrence E. King, ever sexually abuse you?

19 THE WITNESS: Yes, he did on numerous  
20 occasions.

21 THE COURT: How many times would you  
22 estimate?

23 THE WITNESS: Probably a couple of  
24 hundred. Within all of the different  
25 personalities.

1 THE COURT: How old were you at that  
2 time?

3 THE WITNESS: Beginning at the time I  
4 was approximately 12 or 13 years old. Up until I  
5 was about 17 or 18.

6 THE COURT: As I understand it the  
7 three doctors who examined you concluded that your  
8 multiple personality disorder was a result of  
9 sexual abuses entirely or with other things, what  
10 was your understanding?

11 THE WITNESS: According to the  
12 psychiatrist, the stuff, it was almost exclusively  
13 due to the sexual abuse and also the extreme  
14 physical abuse that most of these people, most of  
15 the guys had abused me with. They, like putting  
16 guns up to my head. Had guns put in my mouth. I  
17 had, on several occasions Larry King sent out boys  
18 to, or not boys, men, to jump me.

19 THE COURT: You mean by that that he,  
20 Mr. King, would --

21 THE WITNESS: He would order them.

22 THE COURT: -- direct the other men  
23 to do that or the other persons to do that?

24 THE WITNESS: Yes, he would direct  
25 them to do that. Sometimes, couple of times I was

1 taken to where he was at and he had them pretty  
2 well beat the tar out of me from about the waist  
3 down so nobody would, my family or nothing would  
4 see any marks on my face or anything.

5 He had, there was like two or three guys that  
6 he had kick and beating me pretty good. And one  
7 time I had my fingers broken by a kid that, a guy  
8 they called Larry The Kid.

9 And my family knows about that. But they  
10 thought I had a bike accident. But the doctors  
11 kept trying to push on it because, push me about it  
12 because of the way they were broken. They said  
13 there's no way I could have broken it by flipping  
14 over the handle bars of my bike, it looked like  
15 somebody had grabbed the knuckles and busted them  
16 and twisted them. And that was done by, right in  
17 front of him.

18 THE COURT: Okay. What other  
19 physical injuries can you remember having?

20 THE WITNESS: Excuse me?

21 THE COURT: How many, what other  
22 physical injuries can you remember receiving?

23 THE WITNESS: I can remember them  
24 burning me with hot instruments. Placing stuff  
25 inside of me.

1 THE COURT: Doing what?

2 THE WITNESS: Placing objects inside  
3 of me.

4 THE COURT: Objects inside you?

5 THE WITNESS: Such as like a, it was  
6 a, I don't know exactly what it was, almost like  
7 what I call a cattle prod or something. But it  
8 would be put inside then they'd shock me inside of  
9 my --

10 THE COURT: Anus?

11 THE WITNESS: Yes. And they would --

12 THE COURT: You mean electrically  
13 heated?

14 THE WITNESS: It was like they put it  
15 in then they would have a button he would push and  
16 it would shock me. I hadn't told anybody about  
17 that because I've been working through a lot of  
18 this getting everything from all the personalities  
19 put together, which has taken years. Trying to  
20 make it, make any sense.

21 THE COURT: And were those things,  
22 the burning and the putting of these hot irons in  
23 you, done by Larry King or at his direction?

24 THE WITNESS: At his direction.

25 THE COURT: Did you hear him give the



1 directions?

2 THE WITNESS: Yes.

3 THE COURT: How many times did that  
4 kind of thing happen?

5 THE WITNESS: That happened about  
6 three or four times. One time I had threatened to,  
7 we were in a different -- we weren't in Omaha, we  
8 were in, I believe it was California, I threatened  
9 to go to the police there.

10 THE COURT: You threatened to what?

11 THE WITNESS: I threatened to go to  
12 police in California, thought maybe they would  
13 listen whereas in Omaha they were under in his  
14 pocket book or something. And I couldn't get out  
15 of the car. One other thing he had ordered was we  
16 were on an airplane and he had me, or he had me  
17 hung out of the airplane with a rope by my ankles.

18 THE COURT: At his direction?

19 THE WITNESS: Yes. That was on the  
20 same trip that I threatened to go to the police.  
21 He was doing everything he could to make sure that  
22 I was quiet about the activities that had taken  
23 place.

24 THE COURT: What was your primary  
25 duty, according to directions you received from Mr.

1 King?

2 THE WITNESS: It depended on what he  
3 needed. A lot, most of the time it was to  
4 compromise politicians so he could get whatever he  
5 wanted from them. Or whatever somebody, he wanted  
6 or that somebody he knew wanted to get. If they  
7 wanted to get something passed through the  
8 legislature or whatever, he would put some people  
9 that were against it in a compromising position.  
10 By using us boys and girls.

11 THE COURT: Was this by your being  
12 the sexual partner of that person?

13 THE WITNESS: Yes.

14 THE COURT: Okay. And or getting some  
15 other young person to be a sexual partner?

16 THE WITNESS: Yes.

17 THE COURT: Do you have any estimates  
18 of how often you participated as the sexual partner  
19 of one of these persons that he wanted to get some  
20 kind of control over?

21 THE WITNESS: Kind of hard to say.  
22 Because there were times when there would be four  
23 or five in a night. And I hardly knew, I didn't  
24 know most of them. But on probably a couple of  
25 thousand times. Sometimes --

1 THE COURT: Couple thousand times  
2 altogether?

3 THE WITNESS: Yeah. Sometimes dozens  
4 of times with the same person.

5 THE COURT: How did you finally get  
6 out of that practice?

7 THE WITNESS: In 86 when I went to the  
8 police I kind of broke away most of it there. By  
9 the fact that they, I, by the fact that they knew  
10 that I was talking about it. Also I kind of grew  
11 out of it because I was getting older.

12 I mean, up until I was probably 17 or 18 years  
13 old I, I guess I was a late bloomer, I didn't go  
14 through puberty till I was about 18 or 19 years  
15 old. I looked like I was probably 13 or 14. And  
16 even in my yearbook pictures from as a junior in  
17 high school it looks like I'm probably about 13  
18 years old. That's why they were able to use me for  
19 so long.

20 THE COURT: How does the fact of your  
21 remaining multiple personality disorder affect you  
22 now?

23 THE WITNESS: It affects me a lot.  
24 Especially like in work. It's sometimes hard for  
25 me to keep a job now. It's affecting my

1 relationship with my wife big time. Because there  
2 are times when I know she's talked to other  
3 different personalities and stuff because, you  
4 know, it's affected me, I can go off the handle a  
5 little bit easy.

6 I mean, I'm not really too physically violent  
7 but I'm more verbally violent. I don't know why I  
8 do things I do. I find that some of the things  
9 that used to be very easy for me do and stuff are  
10 difficult. And then the worst part is probably the  
11 flashbacks.

12 Because there's still times and stuff where  
13 there's stuff I don't even know happened that will  
14 flood my mind and I can't get it off my mind for  
15 sometimes weeks at a time. I'll just kind of go  
16 into a moping period where it's like I'm trying to,  
17 I'm just working through it trying to see if I can  
18 even believe it myself.

19 Because some of the things seem so  
20 outrageous. But I've come, I've come to figure out  
21 how to tell what's real, you know, the real  
22 memories from things that were placed in there on  
23 purpose to try and discredit me.

24 THE COURT: During your waking hours,  
25 when you're not asleep, do you find yourself

1 sometimes moving into different personalities  
2 whether you're at work or otherwise?

3 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.

4 THE COURT: Are those any of the  
5 personalities, I think I heard you say a while ago  
6 that now you think you don't experience  
7 personalities that are destructive to you, is that  
8 a fair statement?

9 THE WITNESS: No, I don't. The only  
10 person that I know that I have left is Wesley.  
11 He's not destructive at all. He's more of a making  
12 sure that nothing ever goes wrong.

13 THE COURT: Okay. He's protective of  
14 you?

15 THE WITNESS: Very protective.

16 THE COURT: Okay. Is he the only one?

17 THE WITNESS: The only one that I'm  
18 aware of.

19 THE COURT: Okay.

20 THE WITNESS: I'll leave it at that,  
21 because I never want to transcend --

22 THE COURT: Mike, which is no longer.

23 THE WITNESS: As far as I know I  
24 believe he's gone but -- it would be hard to say.

25 THE COURT: I understand. Are you

1 under any treatment now?

2 THE WITNESS: No, sir.

3 THE COURT: How long have you been  
4 without treatment?

5 THE WITNESS: When I first got out of  
6 prison I was living with Reverend Morrow in Lincoln  
7 we worked out most of the stuff down there and  
8 stuff going through memories. And all of that  
9 stuff.

10 And actually for treatment and stuff, I've  
11 contacted several psychiatrists they said unless  
12 you're really, unless you really suffer from like  
13 where you're losing time, maybe doing things that  
14 are wrong and stuff, you know, the best thing to do  
15 is just try and work through them yourself. And  
16 that's probably the best way.

17 It's like, cause I go through years of  
18 treatment and stuff and I don't believe that that  
19 would do anything good and stuff. Main thing  
20 that's helped me the most is probably my faith.  
21 And getting involved in not just being a religious  
22 person, I'm not religious at all. Simply a  
23 Christian who's trying to do what's right and live  
24 my life respect, respectfully and stuff. And look  
25 out for other people and protect them.

1 THE COURT: All right. I don't have  
2 any further questions. Anything else, Mr. DeCamp?

3 MR. DECAMP: No further questions,  
4 Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: You may stand down, sir.

6 MR. DECAMP: Denise.

7 THE CLERK: Ma'am, would you state  
8 your full name and spell your last name, please?

9 THE WITNESS: Denise Ann Bonacci,  
10 B-o-n-a-c-c-i.

11 THE CLERK: Denise Ann Bonacci,  
12 B-o-n-a-c-c-i.

13 DENISE A. BONACCI

14 Called as a witness, being duly sworn,  
15 testified as follows:

16 THE COURT: Sorry, didn't understand  
17 your first name.

18 THE WITNESS: Denise.

19 THE COURT: D-e-n-i-s-e?

20 THE WITNESS: Uh-huh.

21 DIRECT EXAMINATION

22 BY MR. DECAMP:

23 Q. Denise, do you know Paul Bonacci?

24 A. Very well.

25 Q. How long have you known him?

1 A. Since July 1st, 1995.

2 Q. So you've known him about three and a half  
3 years?

4 A. Yeah.

5 Q. Not very good at math. Anyway. How did you  
6 get to know Paul Bonacci?

7 A. We have a mutual friend, Wes Offenbaugh, and  
8 Wes was trying to help me out counseling wise. And  
9 he didn't know what to do with me. So he said that  
10 Paul and I shared a lot of our same backgrounds,  
11 not with the Franklin case or nothing, but I mean I  
12 was abused as a kid too.

13 He thought maybe Paul would be able to help me  
14 out, you know, somebody that would be able to  
15 understand what I was going through. And anyway,  
16 he sent him in to my work place. And the way he  
17 was, Wes described this he would be like in 40s and  
18 old and ugly.

19 He comes in, he was 27 and gorgeous. So -- so  
20 we hit it off immediately. And the next time I saw  
21 him was August 19th, we started dating two weeks  
22 later.

23 Q. You ended up getting married?

24 A. Yeah.

25 Q. How has, how has this whole Franklin thing



1 impacted you or your family?

2 A. It has quite a bit. Growing up, you know, I  
3 was really shy and everything. And, but I had a  
4 lot of friends. And, you know, I wasn't ever  
5 scared, you know, for my safety or anything.

6 And then after meeting Paul, I thought that  
7 Wes was joking on a lot of the stuff, then Paul  
8 gave me a copy of The Franklin Cover-Up book and  
9 then the one by the grand jury, A Carefully Crafted  
10 Hoax, and I went through those. And anyways, I  
11 read them.

12 I was asking Paul a bunch of questions, then  
13 he took me down to go see Reverend Morrow and talk  
14 to him for a while. And Reverend Morrow explained  
15 a lot of this stuff that Paul did talk to me  
16 about. But it's, Paul's abuse has really caused a  
17 lot of -- cause I had boyfriends before. You know,  
18 but nothing like Paul before. Because I didn't  
19 know MPD even existed, I never heard of it before.

20 Q. Join the club.

21 A. Yeah. But, you know, we've spent a lot of  
22 time together. And first time I noticed that  
23 something was different with Paul I didn't even  
24 know that he had MPD. Because nobody had mentioned  
25 it to me.

1           And we were at Hy-Vee at the deli and we were  
2 waiting in line to pay for it. And it just, I was  
3 talking to Paul and everything that I was saying --  
4 well, I thought it was Paul, and he just, he looked  
5 different.

6           And we had been dating for, I mean, we were  
7 dating for a couple of months. You know. And it  
8 was, he looked totally different. Everything I  
9 talked to him about, you know, he acted like he had  
10 no idea what I was talking about.

11           And he gave me gifts that later on, you know,  
12 I thought they were really odd gifts, you know.  
13 And later on I, you know, I asked him, you know,  
14 where in the world he got it. Because, you know,  
15 like jewelry box, things like that, you know. And  
16 he had no idea where he got them from.

17           And I'm like, you know, he's like, you know --  
18 sometimes he'd be over at my house and we were  
19 engaged and, you know, he'd be talking with my  
20 family and stuff, you know. And he'd look at  
21 stuff, says where did you get that? I says, well,  
22 you gave it to me. No, I didn't. He was serious,  
23 he didn't know that he gave me these gifts.

24           But anyway, we talked about it and I found out  
25 about the MPD. But he was always telling me that

1 he was totally integrated and I thought he was.  
2 And the 20-20 interview last spring or last summer,  
3 whenever it was. And anyways, I thought he was  
4 totally healed.

5 And they started doing the interview, Karen  
6 Burns and then her assistant Hillary, I don't  
7 remember her last name. But Paul had just switched  
8 over to Wesley. And that was my first --

9 Q. Then it shocked you?

10 A. Yeah. Quite a bit. I told the 20 --

11 Q. Was it clear it was a totally different  
12 person?

13 A. Yeah. They had me on the other side of the  
14 room. I told them I wanted to be sitting next to  
15 him. They lied about the whole thing.

16 Q. They know how to do certain triggers?

17 A. Yeah, they knew.

18 Q. Bring it on certain personalities, didn't  
19 they?

20 A. Yeah. They knew all about his MPD. I didn't  
21 know anything about it, you know, except to what  
22 they told me. They said he was totally  
23 integrated. And --

24 Q. He told you he was totally integrated?

25 A. He told me he was because he thought he was at

1 the time. And 20-20 knew and -- cause Paul and I  
2 for our, for our honeymoon we went to St. Louis.  
3 And I had just been asking Paul, you know, has he  
4 ever been to St. Louis before and he said no.

5 Well, during the 20-20 interview that he was  
6 talking about drug stops in St. Louis. I'm like,  
7 he's lying, that's what I was, that's what I told  
8 Hillary. Cause Hillary was sitting next to me. I  
9 had been on the other side of the room. And  
10 anyways Hillary says, no, that's one of his  
11 personalities.

12 And I'm like, what? You know, cause I didn't  
13 know what it was. And I told them to stop filming  
14 and they wouldn't stop filming. They kept on  
15 saying, you know, well, let's have him talk about  
16 it. And everything that they said that they  
17 weren't going to talk about they did. So -- cause  
18 they said they were only going to ask like two or  
19 three in connection with the Johnny Gosch case. As  
20 soon as he's found it was, it was different  
21 personality, that's all they talked about. But  
22 that caused a lot of stress right there.

23 Then also Paul doesn't like to talk about his  
24 past that much at all. But last January, I think  
25 it was, Paul's mom and his brother Tim, not Tim, BJ

1 and Debbie and Paul and I were all out to Village  
2 Inn and Paul's mom was showing us this pin that she  
3 got representing all of her grandkids. And Debbie  
4 had said that there was one missing that was for  
5 one of Paul's other kid.

6 And we're like, I didn't know anything about  
7 it. So there was a lot of different stresses from  
8 his past. You know. Stories that keep on coming  
9 up from his past the other personalities have done  
10 that's come up.

11 Also we have a lot of fights because different  
12 personalities will come up and they'll tell me  
13 stuff and I'll ask him about it later and he'll  
14 totally deny ever saying it.

15 Also since I've known him, which is almost  
16 four years now, the longest he's ever held a job is  
17 like four months. And it's just very frustrating,  
18 you know. That he doesn't give two weeks notice or  
19 anything, he just walks out and never comes back.  
20 You know.

21 He's always afraid that he's going to lose me,  
22 like I'm going to leave him or something. He's  
23 even told me that he's afraid to get close to me or  
24 anybody because he's afraid that, you know, we're  
25 going to leave him.

1           Also my sister, I've got two sisters, and we  
2 like to go to movies, you know. And he doesn't  
3 like to go to see any horror movies at all because  
4 he doesn't like the sight of blood. And that, he  
5 has said, is directly related to the, to the Larry  
6 King and all the other stuff.

7           Like we're going to go see the movie Scream  
8 Two when that was out and he said no because a lot  
9 of the stuff that he seen on the previews and stuff  
10 reminded him of different stuff Larry King and  
11 people's done.

12           Also like two weeks ago we were watching the  
13 movie Dead Poets Society at our house. He had  
14 never seen it before. And one of the main  
15 character's kid's shoots himself. Towards the  
16 end. And Paul saw what was going on, he said  
17 there's no way he could sit there and watch that  
18 because he had seen some of his friends were shot.  
19 And, you know, it's just stuff like that.

20           Also in our relations he's, I don't want to  
21 embarrass him. But --

22       Q.    Go ahead.

23       A.    He, he just, he acts sometimes like he's  
24 disgusted by the whole thing throughout. He's very  
25 secretive about a bunch of stuff. He, you know,

1 he's got a bunch of paperwork on the, on the  
2 Franklin case and he's got a filing cabinet at  
3 home.

4 And he doesn't want anybody to look at it  
5 because he's afraid that, he's always told me that  
6 he doesn't want to tell me too much information  
7 because he's afraid for my protection. Because he  
8 says if you know too much something could happen to  
9 you. So --

10 Q. Do you have any additional information or  
11 whatever you want to provide the Court?

12 A. Yeah. It's just, I can see that he's very  
13 scared to be close to anybody. Just, you know, he  
14 doesn't do a lot of the normal stuff that most  
15 people his age does. Such as going to movies. Or  
16 seeing movies.

17 Some people just doesn't like that type of,  
18 that type of movie. But he says that the main  
19 reason is because it brings back too much memories  
20 for him.

21 He has a lot of nightmares. And I know that  
22 because we have a waterbed, he like flops over all  
23 the time, you know. Also he's just, whenever he  
24 sees anybody's name in the paper that, you know,  
25 had abused him or anything he gets really mad and

1 he'll be moody for a couple of days.

2 And it's really affected him quite a bit.  
3 Caused a lot of stress in our marriage.

4 MR. DECAMP: I have no further  
5 questions.

6 THE COURT: You may stand down.

7 MR. DECAMP: Your Honor, I have no  
8 additional witnesses.

9 THE COURT: Okay.

10 MR. DECAMP: Brief closing. I would  
11 just request that the Court look at the entire  
12 situation. And I realize it's some fantastic  
13 tales, I wish maybe we could take a week and try to  
14 establish every one of them, but I'm sure that's  
15 not the purpose here today. Purpose is --

16 THE COURT: Quite limited.

17 MR. DECAMP: I understand.

18 THE COURT: The limited purpose for  
19 me is to decide what kind of compensation Mr.  
20 Bonacci should get from Mr. King.

21 MR. DECAMP: We full well understand,  
22 Your Honor, probability of getting even a single  
23 penny is incredibly remote. At the same time maybe  
24 as a, maybe as a signal or lesson or something to  
25 some people out there a very substantial maximum



1 damage award might prove a point or prevent some  
2 other child somewhere some time from being abused.

3 THE COURT: All right. I'll do the  
4 best I can in assessing the testimony.

5 MR. DECAMP: Thank you, Your Honor.

6 THE COURT: And the documents. All  
7 right. We're in recess. Thank you.

8 (1:49 p.m., recessed.)

9 I, Gary G. Latimer, Court Reporter, certify  
10 that the foregoing is a correct transcript from the  
11 record of proceedings in the above-entitled matter.

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