

The truth must come out, by Chad Evans

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I appreciate those of you that have taken the time to look at my website, chadevanswronglyconvicted.org, and offer opinions about other possible causes for Cassidy Bortner's tragic death other than homicide.

I am currently petitioning the state to allow me to take a polygraph lie detection test at my own expense to help prove my innocence. Interestingly, during the original investigation, the police asked only the person that spent the last four hours with Cassidy while she was alive if he would take a polygraph and when he refused there was no follow up.

In the years since my conviction, my innocence committee has hired an expert to give me a Voice Stress Lie Detection Test (VSA). I passed, "No Deception Indicated" (NDI). We then found a professional to administer a polygraph exam, which I again passed (NDI), until there were errors found in the polygrapher's testing procedures, so the test was eventually deemed invalid.

Not satisfied, my advocate, Morrison Bonpasse, went out and found the former president of the American Polygraph Association to administer another test at my expense and the Attorney General's Office is blocking my efforts to take a test at the prison. Why? Shouldn't the attorney general care about what really happened to Cassidy, especially when it isn't costing the taxpayers of New Hampshire anything for me to take the test? In fact, the greatest cost to taxpayers is the \$36,000 per year it is costing them to keep an innocent man incarcerated. When did pride and being "right" become more important than someone's life?

At the time of Cassidy's death, emotions were running high for all involved and the only question on the police docket seemed to be, "who did this?" vs. "what happened to this child/ was there something medically wrong with her?"

Unfortunately, for a multitude of reasons, some of them my fault, some dealing with statistics, I became the person the police focused on immediately, to the exclusion of all others. In this way, the police became convinced that the "who done it" part of the case was largely solved.

After more than 250 hours searching my house and property, the police found zero physical evidence that I ever physically assaulted Cassidy. Instead, the case went forward leaning heavily on the circumstantial evidence of others' statements. With their focus exclusively on me, the investigators overlooked incongruities in these statements which may have allowed potential suspects to develop stories and claims to protect their own interests.

Please contact Governor Hassan's office, (governorhassan@nh.gov, 271-2121), immediately in support of a polygraph test for Chad Evans and a reinvestigation into Cassidy Bortner's death.

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