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Voice Stress Analysis (VSA) testing was conducted on July 26, 2010 at the New Hampshire State Prison, Concord, NH. The testing procedure was performed in accordance with the guidelines established by the International Society of Stress Analysts and incorporated in the software developed by [REDACTED].

The following subject was interviewed and tested with regards to his conviction of Second Degree Murder and sentencing on April 26, 2002

Chad Evans, DOB 10/15/71
Inmate Number 75414
New Hampshire State Prison
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The VSA method of truth verification testing was personally requested by Mr. Evans and arranged by Mr. Morrison Bonpasse, BonPasse Exoneration Services, Newcastle, ME. It should be noted that the cooperation of [REDACTED], was extremely instrumental in fulfilling the request of a possibly wrongfully convicted person.

The testing facility was more than adequate since it is routinely utilized for polygraph testing.

On July 12, 2010, an extensive pretest interview (3 hrs.) was held with Mr. Evans in regards to his arrest and subsequent conviction. The entire testing procedure was explained to him for his evaluation and consideration to be conducted at a later date.

His appearance and demeanor represented a mature, intelligent, concerned and caring individual.

His frustrations were focused toward the actual truth of the Cassidy Bortner case not being known or acknowledged.

His main concern was the fact that he had been convicted of a crime he claims he did not commit and has been incarcerated for more than eight years.

On July 26, 2010, the pre testing interview was resumed with further discussion of Voice Stress Analysis testing and procedures.

At this time, Mr. Evans indicated that he wanted to proceed with testing and a permission agreement was signed by him.

All of the test questions were discussed in detail as to their relevance and his understanding of each. There were three different protocols (tests) utilized that consisted of irrelevant, control and relevant questions in each exam in order to reveal a base line of his present stress level as compared to any elevated level on the relevant questions.

The following relevant questions were utilized in the associated tests that were conducted on this date.

Test 1 - Modified General Question Test (MGQT)

5. Did you cause the serious injuries that Cassidy died from?
8. Did you suspect that someone was abusing Cassidy at the time?
9. Did you intentionally injure Cassidy between November 8th and 9th, 2000?
11. Did you ever punch or kick Cassidy?

Test 2 - Modified Mixed Question Test (MMQT)

5. Did you positively know who caused the serious injuries to Cassidy?
7. Did you ever seriously injure Cassidy?
13. Did you cause the blunt force trauma to Cassidy?
15. Did you know how the injuries occurred that killed Cassidy?

Test 3 - Modified Zone of Comparison Test with guilt complex. (MZOC-gc)

5. Did you know who caused Cassidy's death?

7. Did you inflict any serious injuries on Cassidy?
12. Did you suspect someone specifically of causing Cassidy's serious blunt force trauma?
13. Did you know for sure who caused the serious injuries to Cassidy?
14. Did you in fact cause the blunt force trauma to Cassidy?

Test 4 - Truth Versus Lie Test (TVL)

2. Did you cause Cassidy's fatal injuries?
4. Did you ever intentionally hurt Cassidy?
6. Did you know that someone was injuring Cassidy?
8. Did you suspect someone was injuring Cassidy?
10. Did you cause the blunt force trauma on Cassidy?
12. Did you cause the pin prick injuries to Cassidy's feet?
14. Did you know who caused the serious injuries to Cassidy?
16. Did you intentionally injure Cassidy after picking her up on November 8th, 2000?
18. Did you ever punch or kick Cassidy?

Test 5 - Modified Mixed General Question Test (MGQT)

5. Did you tell [REDACTED]?
8. Did you think [REDACTED]?
9. Did Amanda tell you that [REDACTED]?
11. When you told [REDACTED] [REDACTED]?

Each test was repeated after a short pause in order to be used for comparison purposes. Therefore, there were ten separate tests conducted.

Mr. Evans completed the testing as directed and presented no indication of manipulation in order to defeat the results.

The tests were processed and analyzed for any revealing high levels of stress that would indicate that Mr. Evans was exhibiting traits of being deceptive in his answers.

A higher level of stress appeared on the relevant questions overall. However, this is a perfectly normal reaction when being tested. None of the elevated levels rose to the degree that exceeded the control questions and be considered as being deceptive.

It was noted that Mr. Evans had an extremely high level of base line stress. Upon further investigation, it was concluded that this probably resulted from the less than optimum mental testing conditions. Mr. Evans was under pressure to conclude the VSA testing on this day with no further chance of a repeat session. It was also later revealed, that he had been aware of the fact that one half hour prior to his testing appointment, there had been a vicious inmate attack in another part of the prison which became locked down. He admitted that he became concerned that his section would follow and the testing would be cancelled. This was not the case and he was allowed to keep his appointment. However, he withheld this stressful information from the examiner fearing that the testing might not proceed and he would never have another opportunity to have it done.

After analyzing all of the circumstances and the test results, it was concluded that Mr. Evans was a cooperative, sincere individual who eagerly submitted to VSA testing which revealed No Deception Indicated (NDI) on his part.

The test results were also analyzed by and discussed with [REDACTED]. He concurred with the conclusion of NDI regarding the testing of Mr. Evans. Also, three other independent opinions were affirmed by recently trained examiners at a VSA training school being conducted by [REDACTED].

As with any investigative tool, VSA testing provides a direction for inquiry concerning a previously occurring situation. It is therefore recommended that Mr. Evans' account of the case facts and his wrongful conviction claims be considered as credible.

Further corroboration of his factual accounts in this case is also recommended.

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