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On Wednesday, November 28, 2001, at about 1700 hours, I spoke with,

ERIC L. COOK DOB: [REDACTED]
8 Hillside Drive
Dover, NH

at the Strafford County Jail, in the visitation room. Also present were Assistant Attorney Generals

WILL DELKER
and: SIMON BROWN


The interview was conducted in response to a letter that COOK sent to AAG DELKER, regarding admissions made by CHAD EVANS to COOK, while both were incarcerated in the maximum security unit of the Strafford County Jail.

COOK asked if we had spoken to his attorney, LAYNE LOHR. I told him we had not. He explained that he had sent the letter and not received a response, so he had also told LOHR that he had information. COOK told us that LOHR told him he wouldn't receive any benefit, relative to his own charges, for divulging the information. I also explained to COOK that we were there strictly to hear what he had to say and there was no consideration, either offered or implied, for the information he had. I told him it was his choice whether he wanted to talk with us or not. COOK said he understood and said "This is not a great place to be for a rat." I told COOK I understood that and if his safety became an issue we could probably arrange a transfer to another facility.

COOK stated the following: When he was moved to the maximum security unit, from the general population, he was placed in a cell adjacent to EVANS. COOK explained that their cells were positioned in a corner and they could either talk through their cell hatches, or while one or the other was on tier time. COOK said their hatches were close enough so that they could actually pass things back and forth if they wanted too. COOK said neither he nor EVANS had a cell mate.

COOK said he was waiting for a letter from EVANS. I asked why that was. COOK said "Because he knows I know." COOK explained that he had been transferred back to the general population, from maximum security, about a week or so ago. When he was in the process of transferring, EVANS said words to the effect of, I've told you to much already, please don't say anything. COOK said that each time EVANS would meet with his attorney(s), he would come back and plead with him not to say anything, saying "Please don't say anything, I've told you way too much." As COOK was in the process of leaving, EVANS told him he would write him.

COOK said he did not know EVANS prior to meeting him in jail. COOK said he had attended school with EVANS' ex-wife, TRISTAN (EVANS) WENTWORTH. COOK said he had also attended school with JOE LINCOLN, the father of TRISTAN'S oldest son. COOK said that

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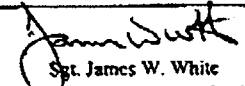
EVANS told him that he had persuaded TRISTAN not to make much of the domestic violence issue between them, to downplay the severity of it.

I asked COOK why EVANS had spoken with him. COOK said that it was "Bottled up, bottled up, like he had to tell someone." COOK said he figured EVANS talked to him because he was the only other intelligent one in the unit with him. He explained that he and EVANS read the Wall Street Journal together and talked back and forth. COOK said EVANS started talking about the case, after COOK related his involvement in a hacksaw blade incident at the jail. COOK said he remembers that being the first time EVANS talked about the case. COOK said that after that, every time EVANS read a newspaper about the case, he'd come talk to COOK about it. COOK said he remembers EVANS crying when he saw KASSIDY'S picture in the paper and saying "I let her down." COOK said that EVANS also said "I failed her miserably." and cried often. COOK said he took it to apply to both AMANDA and KASSIDY when EVANS said that.

I asked COOK what EVANS had told him about the case. COOK said he didn't have it in an exact time line, but what he had pieced together through what EVANS told him, was that EVANS got a telephone call at work from the police station. EVANS told COOK that when he was told that KASSIDY had died, he threw up (vomited). COOK said he didn't know if it had happened at work or at the police station, but it was when EVANS heard she had died that he threw up. EVANS had gone to stay with BRUCE, after KASSIDY'S death, and told BRUCE what had happened. At some time between the execution of the first search warrant and the second search warrant, BRUCE had gone to EVANS' house and retrieved whatever the item was that EVANS had used, to hit KASSIDY in the stomach and the head. BRUCE then threw the item in the river, downtown where the dam is. EVANS did not tell COOK what the item was. EVANS had explained to COOK about two search warrants being done on his house. EVANS further explained that the police had come to his house, with the second search warrant, about eight days later (after KASSIDY died) looking for weapons. EVANS told COOK they wouldn't have found it anyway, because BRUCE had already thrown it in the river. EVANS also said even if they did find it, they couldn't tie it to him. COOK said that led him to believe it was some sort of generic type item.

EVANS also told COOK that BRUCE is such a straight arrow, he was surprised that BRUCE did it for him. EVANS figured it was because they're good friends. COOK added that he remembers EVANS telling him that BRUCE is a media analyst for a company in Portsmouth. COOK also said that EVANS told him that BRUCE had gone to school to be an "Actuary" but was doing this now instead.

COOK recalled EVANS telling him that his son was with him that night. EVANS also told COOK that what the newspapers said about him throwing KASSIDY into the walls wasn't what killed her. EVANS said that was just what the police put together. COOK said EVANS never told him why he did it. EVANS told COOK that he thinks he will get off on the Second Degree Murder because he doesn't think the police have enough for that but he thinks he will be found guilty of the

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assaults. COOK said EVANS never blamed anyone else nor did he ever take direct responsibility for it but he cried often and said "I failed her."

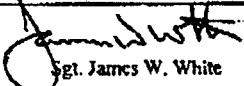
I asked COOK what EVANS had said about AMANDA. EVANS told COOK he thinks he and AMANDA will be together in the future, if he doesn't get too much time. EVANS told COOK that AMANDA makes or breaks the case for him. He told COOK that's why she changed her story around from what it was at the beginning. COOK said EVANS' parents helped convince her to do that as well. COOK said that EVANS' parents facilitated contact between EVANS and AMANDA while he's been in jail. COOK explained that EVANS maintained contact with AMANDA through his parents and he believes EVANS and AMANDA may have actually spoken by telephone once. COOK said when he was moved back to the general population, EVANS' relationship with AMANDA was good. EVANS told COOK that AMANDA'S church had bailed her out of jail. According to COOK, AMANDA told EVANS' parents that. She also told them to tell EVANS that she loved him.

I asked COOK if EVANS had ever said anything about his contact with AMANDA before he was incarcerated. COOK said the only thing he recalled was that EVANS said "The only way they could have known it was if they tapped the phones."

I asked COOK what his motivation was for talking to us. He said "I don't want to see him get off." COOK explained that he has a child about two years old and he couldn't think of any circumstance that would lead to that or justify that. I asked COOK if he had been following the case. COOK said he hadn't really followed the case. He remembers when it happened but like anything else, he didn't really think about it until EVANS started talking about it.

The interview concluded at about 1750 hours.

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On Thursday, November 29, 2001, at about 1900 hours, myself and

SIMON BROWN
Assistant Attorney General

interviewed,

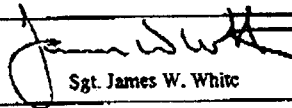
BRUCE AUBE
21 Winter Street
Rochester, NH

at the Rochester Police Department, in an upstairs conference room. The purpose of the interview, was to inquire about the information received from ERIC COOK, regarding the throwing of a weapon, into the river, by AUBE.

AUBE denied any knowledge about throwing any evidence in any river, or anywhere else. AUBE said the only connection to a river he recalled in this case was when he was flyfishing in Colebrook, NH and saw EVANS. AUBE said he had related that story to someone during Grand Jury. AUBE said the only evidence he recalled, was a letter that AMANDA had written, which was at AUBE'S house, which EVANS took to his attorney.

AUBE said he had no idea what we were talking about and whoever provided the information to us, was lying.

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Mr. DeKer:

I'm Sorry if I got the Spelling Wrong. My Name is Eric Cook, I am in Stafford County Jail, I am in a cell right Next to Mr. Evans. I know that you may get alot of people Saying they have information, but I really do. He admitted to me that he was at fault, he said he didn't Mean to Cause her Death. I know that he did hit her with something, he wouldn't tell me what. He said the police didn't find it because his friend Bruce threw it in the river in Rochester. He also told me that Amanda knew and that he threatened her if she told. I know that he has been talking to Amanda through his Parents and that they convinced her to change her story. He also told me that he was so Sick when he found out that she had died that he threw up at the Police Station. This is a little bit of what I know. If you are interested in talking to me than call me here at the Jail.

Sincerely

