CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION 2 CERTIFIEL SP-03-10-177 3 COPY 4 TAKEN IN THE PRESENCE OF 5 JOHN HANLON, ESQUIRE, JEANETTE CAMACHO, ESQUIRE, TIMOTHY DONNELLY, ESQUIRE, 8 ASSISTANT STATE ATTORNEYS, 9 10 INVESTIGATOR RICHARD RIHA, INVESTIGATOR DAN MURRAY and 11 PATRICIA BAILEY, NOTARY PUBLIC, 12 BROWARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 13 201 SOUTHEAST 6TH STREET, 14 15 FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, ON JANUARY 9TH, 2004 16 COMMENCING AT 9:00 A.M. 17 18 19 20 21 SWORN STATEMENT 22 OF 23 24 25 SERGEANT STEVE FEELEY

(Whereupon, the witness was duly sworn and testified as 1 follows:) 2 EXAMINATION 3 BY MR. HANLON: 4 5 Q. Sir, your name is what? Sergeant Steve Feeley, F-E-E-L-E-Y. 6 And, sir, you're employed by the Broward County 7 Q. Sheriff's Office; is that not true? 8 9 Α. Yes. Ο. And currently assigned to the Office of 10 Professional Compliance? 11 Yes, that's correct. 12 Α. Q. All right. 13 Sir, I'm John Hanlon. I'm an Assistant State 14 15 Attorney here in Fort Lauderdale in the Special Prosecutions Unit. 16 We have a crowd of attorneys and investigators 17 18 here. You know Rich Riha, one of our investigators. Murray, an investigator. Our lead prosecutor on this case, 19 Jeanette Camacho, is over here. You know Tim Donnelly, he's 20 last but more importantly, the chief of the unit. 21 22 Α. Yes. 23 We asked you to come down. In fact, we compelled Ο. you to come down here. 24

And you have been personally served by subpoena to

appear today; is that not correct?

- A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. Just for the record, I want to say right at the very onset, you're in no way, shape or form a target of this investigation.

But just so the record is perfectly clear, this is an official proceeding. You have been given what's called Use and Derivative Use Immunity by Florida Statute.

Should we ask you a question that would in some way incriminate you, you still must answer that question. You forfeit your Fifth Amendment Privilege.

But on the positive side for you, you have what's called Use and Derivative Use Immunity, which means anything you say today, should we ask you -- and again, you're not a target.

We have no reason to believe you're in any way, shape or form involved in any form of criminally with respect to this investigation.

But so the record is clear, you must answer the question, even if it would incriminate you. However, what you tell us cannot be in any way, shape or form used against you in a criminal process.

Any leads that would be developed from what you say or would say in this proceedings could be used against you.

You don't have what's called Transactional

Immunity. In other words, somewhere down the road if there
was independent evidence indicating in some way, shape or
form you were engaged in criminal activity, that could be
used.

The only way you could get in trouble with us today is should you lie to us. And I have absolutely no reason to believe that you would lie and you wouldn't, would you?

- A. Absolutely not.
- Q. Absolutely not.

I nor anyone in this room believes you would but so the record is perfectly clear, should you and it would be material to this inquiry, you could be charged with a third degree felony of perjury in an official proceeding.

The other way you could get in trouble with us or not so much with us, in trouble with the system, if you would say that I'm not going to answer a pertinent question or a relevant question in this investigation and we would have to trot you down in front of one of the judges and seek a rule to compel you to speak to us.

But again, we have no reason to believe that you would do that.

You understand?

A. I understand.

Q. I'm sure you do.
Something else I'm going to ask you to do, as I'm

sure you're aware, this is an extremely sensitive investigation.

I'm going to ask you, and speaking for the office, that you not discuss with anyone what we talk about here today.

Now, I understand that that puts you in an extremely awkward position.

In any event, I'm going to ask you not to discuss this with anybody. And should you be asked by a supervisor or by anybody, that you respectfully decline.

And as you know as an investigator, the security, the confidentiality of this investigation is very important and we wouldn't want anything done that could jeopardize the inquiry.

And I'm saying that, not indicating that any criminality will be discovered or anybody charged, it will not help this investigation if every move that's made is broadcasted.

It's not fair to other individuals who might come in, what they say is spread around. And I know you're a professional and I would ask that you accede our request.

Will you do that?

A. Yes, I will.

MR. HANLON: Okay.

Now, let's see, what else preliminarily? Anything else? Anybody? No?

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- Q. Could you just tell us briefly your law enforcement background.
- A. I started in the jail, working in the jail in 1989 and spent two and a half years as a detention deputy.

I left and went to Oakland Park and worked in Oakland Park until the Sheriff's Office merged with Oakland Park in August of 2000 and have been with the Sheriff's Office ever since.

About the last nineteen months or so I have been assigned to the Office of Professional Compliance charged with investigating employees' misconduct.

- Q. You're a detective sergeant; is that correct?
- A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Okay.

And were you a detective with Oakland Park before?

A. Yes, I was a detective since 1994. And when we merged, I was a detective in the aggravated felonies unit working major crime and got promoted in January of 2002, just two years ago this month, and spent the first couple of months at the airport, working at the airport and then the last nineteen months in professional compliance.

All right. 1 Q. 2 3 4

Now, at some point in time were you asked to either direct or investigate allegations of possible criminal misconduct that were brought to the attention of your office by a sergeant, I believe his name is Wayne

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MS. CAMACHO: Who?

INVESTIGATOR RIHA: Enser.

9 BY MR. HANLON:

- Q. Enser, I'm sorry.
- 11 Α. Yes, I was.
- And when did that come about and under what 12 Ο. 13 circumstances?
- I was notified on August 14th of 2003 to report to Α. 14 the Inspector General's office. 15
- Q. Who is that? 16
- 17 Α. Martin Rahinsky.
- 18 Ο. Okay.
- And I was told -- I was actually called by another 19 Α. 20 co-worker who said he got the message also to report to the Inspector General's Office and that would be Mike Szish, 21 22 S-Z-I-S-H.
- He's also a detective sergeant? 23 Q.
- Α. Yes. 24
- Assigned to the Office of Professional Compliance? 25 Q.

A. Yes.

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So we met in the office. He and I met in the Inspector General's office along with Lieutenant Ulvang.

- Q. Julian Ulvang, U-L-V-A-N-G.
- A. Captain Dave Robshaw, R-O-B-S-H-A-W, and Lieutenant Colonel Danny Wright, W-R-I-G-H-T.
 - Q. What positions do these fellows fill at that time?
- A. Captain Robshaw at the time was assigned to training but he was assigned to Professional Compliance for several years up until last July. He got promoted and moved out.

I believe -- well, I know the reason that he was in -- he was there because on August 14th Lieutenant Ulvang had only been in our office -- when Robshaw moved out, Ulvang took his spot.

Ulvang had been in our office only a month, month and a half and the Inspector General said in front of us that he called Lieutenant Robshaw, who is now a captain, to assist in the investigation since it appeared it was going to be, you know, a rather serious allegations.

And he was -- basically Dave Robshaw was brought on to assist us and help us out.

- Q. Who is Danny Wright?
- A. Danny Wright is the lieutenant colonel. He's in charge of the region where Sergeant Enser works. He is

underneath the Sheriff. He would be two underneath the 1 Sheriff. 2 What's the chain of command there from the Sheriff Ο. 3 and then on down? 4 5 Α. You have the Sheriff at the top. You have 6 Colonel Carney who is under the Sheriff. What's his first name? 7 Q. 8 Α. Thomas Carney. 9 Ο. Good. Then you have Lieutenant Colonel Danny Wright. 10 Α. And then there's a major, and I'm not absolutely certain who 11 12 the major is. I want to say Dave Carry. Major Dave 13 Carry. 14 And then the chief, which would be George Jarboe, J-A-R-B-O-E. And then a lieutenant which would be Scott 15 Gooding. G-O-O-D-I-N-G. 16 These would be the District 5? 17 0. 18 Α. Right. Upper eschalon? 19 Ο. 20 If you want to go from Enser all the way to the Α. 21 top, that's the chain backwards. 22 Ο. Okay. 23 There's a ranking individual Brennan. What's his 24 first name and where does he fit, if you know? His name is Lieutenant Colonel -- I believe it's 25 Α.

Tom Brennan. And he's a lieutenant colonel who overseas the 1 criminal investigations units, a lot of the specialized 2 units to my knowledge. I don't believe he's involved in 3 4 road patrol. When Lieutenant Robshaw was in Professional 5 Ο. Compliance, did he report to a captain? 6 7 Α. Yes, he did. Who was that? 8 Ο. Stan Hodgeman. 9 Α. And was Captain Hodgeman in charge of the Enser 10 Ο. investigation? 11 12 Α. On the 14th of August he was out of town so -- and again, I believe that was the other reason that the 13 Inspector General said he brought Dave Robshaw on board was 14 because Lieutenant Julian Ulvang's immediate boss, Dan 15 Hodgeman, was out of town. 16 So yes, he had been involved in the investigation 17 but not the first few days. 18 19 Q. When did the Enser matter--20 Α. Again, it's my understanding he wrote a memo earlier that week and I could give you -- there's a date on 21 22 the memo. 23 Anything there that would refresh your 0. recollection, that would be great. 24

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And this material has been turned over to this

office, has it not?

A. Yes.

He wrote a memo on August 9th, which looks like it was a Saturday night. And according to the meetings that we had, it was turned in maybe Sunday, Monday, somewhere early in the week, and it made its way through the chain of command and we were brought on the 14th, which was Thursday.

- Q. In summary, just briefly, what was the gist of this letter and his complaint or complaints?
- A. Although the memo is almost five pages long, the part of the investigation that we dealt with, you know, the serious part of the memo was some allegation that he made about the improper downgrading of crime or misclassification of crime in District 5.
- Q. And then with that information it was the intention of your office to initiate a criminal inquiry; is that right?
- A. At that point I don't know if it was -- it was definitely an inquiry. I don't know initially on whether or not we knew there was any criminal misconduct.
- Q. At some point in time though the indications of criminal misconduct surfaced; is that right?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay.

And would I be correct in saying that the

predicate or the center of any criminal aspects of this case 1 would have been official misconduct; is that correct? Yes, that's correct. Α. 3 Which is the falsification by a public employee of 4 public records. A public employee actually falsifying a 5 public record or a public employee causing a public record to be falsified; is that your understanding of the statute? 7 8 Α. Yes, sir. 9 Q. Okay. 10 And that's a third degree felony; is that right? Yes, it is. 11 Α. MR. HANLON: Just excuse me. 12 (Whereupon, a recess was had off the record.) 13 14 BY MR. HANLON: In the interest of Florida Section 838.022, 15 Ο. 16 official misconduct, which makes it unlawful for a public 17 servant with the corrupt intent to obtain a benefit for any person through falsified records. 18 MR. DONNELLY: That's since October 1st 19 20 MR. HANLON: Okay. MR. DONNELLY: 839.25 would have been prior to 21 Same statute. 22 October 1st. MR. HANLON: Very good. Thank you. 23 BY MR. HANLON: 24 25 Q. Now, do you know how the Inspector General came to

learn about this case? 1 No. 2 Α. 3 Q. Okay. You're called to his office when? 4 5 Α. In the afternoon on the 14th of August. 6 Q. Okay. 7 And at that point were you given marching orders? Yes, we were. Α. 8 9 Q. What were you told to do? 10 Α. Interview everyone in District 5, including Sergeant Shawn Enser, which is something that -- actually 11 interviewing Shawn Enser was the first marching order. 12 then to follow that up with interviewing everyone else in 13 the district. 14 15 Q. About what? About the allegations of improper downgrading, 16 what we call reclassification of a crime. 17 18 Q. And did you do that? 19 Α. Yes. We went to Shawn. We went and met with 20 Shawn Enser that same afternoon and spent approximately four hours with him. 21 22 Q. Did you take a statement from him? Yes. Lieutenant Ulvang took a statement from him. 23 Α. 24 You were present? Q. 25 Α. Yes, I was.

Q. Okay.

- A. And we then went and started the interviews of everyone in the district.
 - Q. And in short, what did Sergeant Enser tell you?
- A. He was -- he was short on specifics. He gave us a copy of the letter that was written by Sergeant Mike Rosenthal, R-O-S-E-N-T-H-A-L, to a District 5 deputy by the name of Scott Pugliese, P-U-G-L-I-E-S-E, that according to him showed some reclassification or misclassification that had occurred. Much of the statement was Shaun--
 - O. Enser?
- A. I'm sorry, Shawn Enser voicing his displeasure with the command, you know, all the way through on the Powertrack process and the accountability process at BSO.

You know, Lieutenant Ulvang was the one that -you know, although I sat next to him most of the -- you
know, probably eighty five or ninety percent of the
conversation with Sergeant Enser was with Lieutenant
Ulvang. I may have asked a few questions here or there.

I knew Shawn. We worked in Oakland Park together. And although I wasn't close with him, we knew each other. We've known each other since 1992.

So I was there to try and explain to Shawn that it was pretty serious allegations that have been made and we need specifics. And that was the gist of the conversation

with Sergeant Enser that night. 1 Now, how did this Powertrack play into this? 2 Q. And I'm presuming that -- and I don't want to 3 4 presume. Did Enser acknowledge this problem of 5 falsification of records or downgrading of crimes to the 6 7 Powertrack system? Α. In his memo he did and we asked him to elaborate 8 Lieutenant Ulvang really tried to press him on on that. 9 making a link from his allegation to Powertrack. 10 Okay. 11 0. Now, let's talk, what is Powertrack? 12 Just so you understand, I just want to preface Α. 13 before I answer that, I have extremely limited involvement 14 in the Powertrack process and I just want to explain the 15 reason why. 16 Since we came over from BSO, I was in criminal 17 I was the detective. 18 investigations. We had -- I had very little involvement as a 19 detective with the Powertrack process. I've never been in 20 21 the process -- been asked to speak of this process. I attended, I believe, one or two Powertracks 22 while I was assigned to the airport and then I sat in the 23

But just so I can preface this, I really don't

audience for a few of them as a spectator.

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1 have intimate knowledge of the workings. 2 If you would like a generic answer, of what Powertrack is--3 Just for the record. 4 Ο. -- it's an accountability process to ensure that 6 issues and problems within Broward Sheriff's Office are 7 being addressed by people who are responsible for those 8 areas. Ο. Now, this Powertrack I understand is some sort of 10 a weekly -- is it a weekly sort of--11 Yes, it's every Tuesday and there's three sessions. And each command -- I'm sorry, most of the 12 13 commands appear every six weeks. I think there's some commands that appear every twelve weeks. 14 15 Who are called to appear or ranks? Q. The presenters, the people who are called to 16 Α. 17 appear, the presenters are the chiefs or the captains or 18 people who are responsible for that particular area. 19 Ο. Would that include lieutenants and sergeants? 20 Α. Yes. 21 Q. Okay. 22 And they are called before whom? 23 Α. There is -- and I believe they call it a 24 Powertrack board who are people -- the board is made up of

the Sheriff, Colonel Carney, the lieutenant colonels and I

believe most, if not all, of the majors.

- Q. Now, in the memo from Sergeant Enser -- and I understand there were a number of interviews of him; am I wrong in that?
 - A. Yes, there were multiple interviews.
- Q. How did, if he did, and I get the impression that he did, how did he link the Powertrack accountability system to this, his reporting of the practice of downgrading crimes, how did that play?
- A. I was not involved in the second statement but in the first statement -- the second statement is significantly longer than his first statement but I wasn't involved in that at all.

In the first statement he makes the correlation that by a crime not being properly classified or reclassified, that it affects the act to be accountable. It affects your accountability.

And the gist, what he was saying, it affects it so that it's not accurate. That's -- I don't know really how else to say it.

- Q. Saying that by downgrading crime -- what I don't understand or would like to better understand is what does Powertrack have to do with that?
- A. Within a district you have -- everyday people call the Sheriff's Office to report a crime. And when that

happens, they call a dispatcher who dispatches a call. In turn, a deputy responds out to a scene.

If that deputy does not properly document the report or changes the classification of a report from one thing to another, it then affects the accuracy.

If you're going to count all of your crime at the end of the week or at the end of the day or at the end of the month, it would then affect the numbers and that is -- that's a lot of what he was talking about in his statements and in his memo.

- Q. What is he suggesting?
- A. He makes a couple of statements in his memo where that he's fighting a system of our supervisors playing a Powertrack game, which I can't take a hit in my zone at any cost.

I'm reading directly from his memo.

He described it as a coercive approach by supervisors to deputies to either get rid of a call or a crime instead of working it properly.

Q. Okay. Now, the--

INVESTIGATOR RIHA: Could I jump in for one minute?

MR. HANLON: Sure.

MR. RIHA: The only reason I'm saying this, whoever reads this record can follow it in some logical

sequence, and what you're describing is when that 1 citizen makes a call to the Sheriff's Office to report 2 a crime, that call is then given a case number; is that 3 true? 4 THE WITNESS: Yes, it is. 5 INVESTIGATOR RIHA: It's also given a 6 7 classification. 8 Like if a citizen is saying that somebody broke into my car, it would be a burglary auto so dispatch 9 would then assign a header to that crime number; is 10 that correct? 11 Yes, that's correct. 12 THE WITNESS: INVESTIGATOR RIHA: I think what you're saying 13 then is so when the deputy responds to that citizen's 14 call, if he changes it, he's changes it from what 15 16 dispatch would have ordinarily or originally had assigned that number; is that correct? 17 THE WITNESS: Yes. 18 MR. RIHA: I just want to make that absolutely 19 correct. 20 BY MR. HANLON: 21 That appears on the document, does it not? 22 Q. Yes, it does. 23 Α. 0. What document is that? 24 It is called a CAD header sheet. And when you

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call BSO to report anything and the dispatcher types that into the computer, it makes a record of that and that record is kept by BSO.

And it's just -- I think normally it's a one-page sheet and it talks about who the person is, what their name is, what happened, you know, basically your typical stuff dispatch would get in order to send the deputy to the scene.

- Q. And it records who was sent, does it not?
- A. Yes, it does.

Q. When that deputy arrives, and let's say he makes contact with the individual and he makes a determination that it's not a burglary auto but it's lost property, what does he record?

Does he fill out a document? Does he go back to dispatch? Where would it be recorded that the classification is changed?

A. Well, many times there are -- let me just, before
I answer that question, I want to say there are many times
reclassifications are done for absolutely legitimate reasons
and many times that occurs.

And so what he would do is he would get on the radio and he would say I need, what's the case number for this call I'm on. And then he may say to the dispatcher, this is not a burglary, this is a theft because the circumstances of the dispatcher may -- the dispatcher's

understanding of the crime may be different than the deputy's and that often happens.

- Q. Would this appear on the CAD header sheet?
- A. That would appear on the CAD. The dispatcher who typed the notes in from the call and changed the call from what it's originally to what the deputy is now making it, that would appear on the CAD header sheet.
- Q. The deputy, he fills out a daily report too; does he not?
 - A. Yes, he does.

- Q. What would appear on that?
- A. On the daily report, every call that he's dispatched to, you have a bunch of boxes or fields on this daily report and it's something that they generate on their laptop computer.

And the first box is going to be dispatch signal.

And then I'm not sure what order these appear in but, you know, what time the call -- what time they were dispatched, what time they arrived, what time they completed it.

And then there's also a box on that daily report that said -- that I believe said coded-out signal, which is eventually when they left that call and finished that call, what that call was reclassified to, if it was changed.

Many times it stays -- you know, a vehicle burglary is a Signal 21. It may be coded out signal maybe a

21 so it wouldn't change but if there was a change, that's where they would put it.

- Q. Now, your office prepared a summary report which bears your name, is that right, Steve Feeley?
 - A. That's me.
 - Q. Okay.

And in there, for instance, on Page 11, it speaks of information as attributed to Sergeant Enser, when he says I seem to have burned those bridges since the first day I contested the downgrading of crimes and refused to allow deputies that work for me to downgrade crimes and get rid of the calls.

And he indicates again on that paragraph that I don't seem to get asked behind closed doors as others do, quote, " just play the game", unquote. I won't if it requires me to manipulate the U.C.R.

Now, on Page 12 there's mention of the allegations.

One that jumps out, of course, is number three, deputies constantly try and get rid of the call/ crime by either not making a report, omitting facts and elements from the reports to downgrade the incident, threatening the victim and then finally getting a waiver signed.

Is he attributing this in this practice in some way, shape or form to the Powertrack system?

He calls it a Powertrack game is what his words Α. 1 are in his memo. It's a Powertrack game. 2 So, you know, if you're asking me the question 3 4 does he attribute it to Powertrack, the answer to that would 5 be yes. Q. Okay. 6 Now, in connection with your investigation and 7 interviews of Sergeant Enser, did you undercover examples of 8 9 what he was talking about? 10 Α. Yes, we did. 11 And what were they just briefly? 0. That first night he gave us the memo from 12 Rosenthal to Pugliese which detailed a Swap Shop grand theft 13 case is what we classified it in the report. 14 The second--15 Is that the one where it was eventually reported 16 Q. 17 or attributed to the owner of the property that it was lost 18 property, currency that had been left somewhere and it was 19 eventually decided he lost it rather than it was stolen? Α. Yes. 20 Who worked on that case, actually had a hands-on 21 involvement? 22 23 Α. The detective that worked on that was at the time Detective Rudolph Nesbitt, N-E-S-B-I-T-T. 24 Now, when you mention him -- and again, I think in 25 0.

conjunction with your investigations you took a number of 1 compelled statements; is that not correct? 2 Α. Yes. 3 Should we blunder in any way, shape or form ask Ο. you about anything that you might have gathered in 5 connection with these compelled statements, will you please 6 7 stop us because we don't want to delve into that area. Α. 8 Okay. You indicated in your report who you took 9 compelled statements from. Did you take a compelled 10 statement from Nesbitt? 11 Α. Yes, we did. 12 13 Q. Okay. Who else had hands-on at the Swap Shop case? 14 15 Α. Sergeant Rosenthal was the person who took the 16 initial report. 17 Q. And now, you had indicated earlier in the statement that Sergeant Enser had turned over to you a memo 18 or a piece of paper or something that it was given to him by 19 Rosenthal; is that right? 20 Α. I don't think we ever determined where Enser got 21 22 it from. 23 Q. Okay. But in any event, he had his hands on a Rosenthal 24 memo or document or piece of paper attributed to Rosenthal; 25

is that right? 1 Α. Yes. 2 3 Q. And you interviewed Rosenthal eventually about it, didn't you? 4 Α. Yes, I did. 5 Did that bear upon the Swap Shop case? 6 Ο. 7 Α. Yes. 8 And basically what did Rosenthal say in his Q. 9 statement -- which was not compelled; is that correct? 10 Yes, that's correct, it was not compelled. 11 a witness statement. What did Rosenthal tell you? 12 Q. 13 Α. That he responded to the Swap Shop. He was working a detail there. He met with the worker in a booth 14 15 at the Swap Shop. The worker indicated that someone had stolen a bag 16 17 of -- it was like a fanny pack, I believe, of money -- that 18 contained money and a few other things, some personal 19 things. It was a significant amount of money. I believe 20 it was twenty eight hundred dollars. And that they looked 21 22 around for it and they couldn't find it.

And that he classified the case as a grand theft after interviewing and speaking with the reportee. And the

25 bag of money had contained basically the weeks receipts for

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- Q. And now, in connection with your investigation, the victim of the theft was interviewed and it was his belief the money was not lost, that it was stolen; is that right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. So after Rosenthal classifies it as he does, what happens according to Rosenthal?
- A. He said he gets it back. He completes an event report, turns it in and he gets it back interoffice mail from a deputy by the name of Scott Pugliese. I believe he said maybe a week later or so.
- Sergeant Rosenthal doesn't work in that district.

 He worked -- at the time he worked in the neighboring district.
- He gets this interoffice mail package back asking him to reclassify this report and another report.
 - O. What was the other one?
- A. The other one was involving a report that

 Rosenthal had recovered some -- sorry, that Rosenthal had

 reported as a recovered stolen vehicle.
 - O. Out of Baltimore?
- A. Out of Baltimore, right. That appears to have been a misclassification of Rosenthal's part.
- 25 It was a little bit of a conflict on the truck

wasn't stolen and that reclassification appears to have been The request to have that reclassified appears to have been a genuine request. So back on the Swap Shop, the money, it comes back from Pugliese and Pugliese says what? According to Rosenthal there's a sticky note on Α. there saying please reclassify this to a lost property. Q. Now, you spoke to Pugliese? Α. Yes, I did. And that was a witness statement? Ο. Α. Yes. Q. Okay. What does Pugliese tell you? He says he's not sure who sent it or why he sent it back or who told him to send it back. Because it has been eighteen months after the time when I took his statement from the time that this happened, maybe not eighteen months but it was more than a year and he was a little foggy on exactly who told him to send it back. Ο. Okay. And then the chain of command, would that have been -- I mean, can a deputy -- would it have been logical for someone to direct Pugliese or would he take it upon himself to do something like that?

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I believe I asked him that question and he said he

did -- he would not have taken it upon himself and most likely been directed.

I believe he speculated that it was Sergeant Tischart who told him to do that.

- Q. What's his first name?
- A. Robert. T-I-S-C-H-A-R-T.
- Q. You took a compelled statement from him, did you not?
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- Q. Or somebody did?
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 - Now, in talking to Rosenthal, based with Enser putting out there that folks were playing the quote,
- " Powertrack game", unquote, did anyone ask Rosenthal about that?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. What did he say?
- A. He said that he's heard rumblings and had some
 firsthand knowledge of -- and I think he used the word
 power-tracking but I know that's how Enser referred to it,
 but Rosenthal was more of a -- he knew of some
 misclassifications or some reclassifications that had
 apparently been done.
 - Q. Did he attribute those reclassifications to the

reason being because of Powertrack and its accountability,? 1 Did Rosenthal give you any reason why these instances took 2 3 place? I think that he attributed it to wanting to have 4 less crime. 5 6 Q. Why would that be? 7 Because it's part of the accountability process of Α. Powertrack. 8 Q. 9 Okay. Is the reduction of crime a strong topic of 10 concern or consideration during these Powertrack sessions to 11 your knowledge? 12 It's one of many. 13 Α. 14 Q. Okay. So Rosenthal tells you that it's his belief, did 15 he not -- I'm just trying to paraphrase me and correct me if 16 I am wrong -- did he tell you it's his belief that these 17 18 changes could be laid at the feet of the Powertrack accountability and a desire to show a reduction in crime? 19 20 Α. I don't think we really got into that with You know, it's -- although I understand the 21 Rosenthal. question that you're asking, it really wasn't, you know--22 23 Ο. The reason? We talked about the reduction of crime. 24 Α. That's kind of -- he said there's a pressure or pressure out there 25

to solve crime, you know, and I think we talked about the misclassifications of crime. Of course --Ο. Lowering the numbers. -- that's a desirable thing, is that not right, a desire to reduce crime? Sure. Α. Ο. I get the impression that it was Enser's feeling that there's one way you solve the crime, you actually solve it or you somehow say that there's no crime committed? That's a big part of Enser's complaint. Α. That's right? Q. Α. Yes, it is. Let's jump ahead, while you were involved in that investigation, did you come to any conclusion as to the accuracy of what Enser was saying? Based on my investigation here, I've concluded that there are several -- there were several, and I like to use the word questionable incidents of reclassification or misclassification of crime within District 5.

- Q. Right. And there was the Swap Shop situation we talked
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- Right. Α.
- There was the automobile break-ins that I believe Q.

were handled by a Deputy Kantor? 1 2 Α. Yes. What's his first name? 3 Ο. Michael; K-A-N-T-O-R. 4 Α. 5 Those were a couple areas, right? Ο. 6 There was a -- what we classify as a lost Α. Yes. 7 canoe or stolen canoe. 8 0. That was where the hawser, H-A-W-S-E-R, was cut 9 and it was classified it must have drifted away; is that the 10 one? 11 Α. Yes. 12 And there was another one, right, if you recall? Q. 13 Well, the fourth one would have been cab fare/ 14 lost wheel summary which were two different reports. 15 Q. And based on your experience, the cab is where the quy beat the cab driver out of his fare and took off with 16 17 the fare, is that the one? I believe it was a woman, yeah. 18 19 Q. And based on your experience -- let's talk about 20 the cab fare, that was initially reported as what? As a theft I believe. 21 Α. 22 Q. Okay. And then what did it end up as? 23 I believe it ended up as a theft. 24 Α. 25 Okay. Q.

Was there any effort to change that? 1 2 Α. Yes, there was. 3 Who did that and what was the change? Ο. I just want to go to my--4 Α. 5 Sure, absolutely. Ο. 6 Α. -- report. 7 Deputy by the name of Caldwell. What's first name? 0. 9 Α. Chris. Christopher. 10 Okay, Chris was asked to reclassify a report from 11 a civil matter to -- I'm sorry, from the theft to a civil 12 matter. 13 Ο. Did he tell you who told him to do that? We determined that from -- we never interviewed 14 Α. him but we determined that through a review of the reports 15 and a criminal investigation, supervisor called a C.I. 16 17 supervisor, who at the time was Sergeant Pete Suttler, had 18 sent him the report back with a request to have it changed 19 to a civil matter. 20 Q. Suttler, you took a compelled statement from him, 21 didn't you? 22 No, we did not. Α. Did he give you a voluntary statement? 23 Q. Yes, he did. Yes, he did but I don't believe that 24 Α. -- because this one was never reclassified, I don't believe 25

we asked Pete Suttler about that. 1 2 Q. All right. Who handled that lost boat case? 3 It was a community -- you mean originally? Α. 4 5 Q. Yeah? 6 Community Service Aide by the name of Veronica Α. 7 Landsmann, L-A-N-D-S-M-A-N-N. What was that initially reported as? 8 Q. 9 Α. She actually reported that as lost property. And did it stay lost property? 10 Ο. No, it did not. 11 Α. Why not? 12 Ο. Enser, Sergeant Enser I believe sent it back to 13 Α. her indicating that it was most likely going to be a theft 14 15 of the boat. 16 It was going to be a theft and she needed to 17 reclassify it because it was lacking some information in the 18 report. The report was not -- was not very lengthy. 19 Now, this gal was interviewed; is that right? Ο. Yes, she was. 20 Α. 21 Q. Did she tell you why she did that? Yes, she did. 22 A. 23 What did she say? Q. She said that many times she would classify 24 Α. 25 reports as lost property if the victim had very little or no

information about the circumstances involving when it was stolen, where it was stolen, if there were any witnesses, if they had no witnesses to say that it was stolen. That's when they would reclassify it. reclassify it, she would classify it. Did she tell you why she did that, handled the 0. matters in that fashion? It was kind of the way she was trained or told to Α. do things. Q. Okay. Did she tell you who told her? Α. Yeah, we discussed that in her statement. I just want to make sure I get this right so I'm looking at her statement. I asked her why she classified the report as lost property if the person who was reporting this was originally reporting it as lost property. Landsmann replied I was just always told to, if no one saw anyone take the boat, we were told to put it in as lost property.

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And she said she was told to classify theft reports to lost properties by Tischart and Enser -- Sergeant Tishcart and Sergeant Enser who were her supervisors at the time.

Now, with regard to Kantor, as I recall there were Q.

1	a series of maybe four break-ins of vehicles and how they
2	were initially reported.
3	A. I think that's correct.
4	Q. Was there not like four cars broken into?
5	A. Yes. And they were all initially reported as
6	vehicle burglaries.
7	Q. What did they end up as?
8	Would you like more water?
9	A. That would be great.
10	Q. What did they end up?
11	A. Suspicious incidents.
12	Q. Okay.
13	Now, did someone catch that?
14	A. No.
15	Q. You folks did?
16	A. We did.
17	Q. And you interviewed Kantor?
18	A. Yes.
19	Q. And he gave you a sworn voluntary statement?
20	A. Yes, he did.
21	Q. What did he tell you? Just briefly, did he tell
22	you why he did that?
23	A. Yes, he did.
24	Q. What was his response?
25	INVESTIGATOR RIHA: Was that an involuntary
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statement?

THE WITNESS: We took a series of three statements from Deputy Kantor.

BY MR. HANLON:

- Q. And they were voluntary, right?
- A. Two of them were. The first one was absolutely voluntary. The second time we asked him to come back and clarify a few things, again, because we didn't know at the time what we were dealing with or what the story was.

We talked to Kantor and then we talked to another deputy by the name of Chad Bailey and then we talked to Kantor again.

So because of something that Chad Bailey told us yes, I'm confident in saying that the first two were voluntary but that's a decision that you guys have to make, I guess, whether or not you want to ask me or tell you what he said in those first two.

- Q. But there wasn't, you didn't give him the quote "Garrity preamble" in either the first two?
 - A. No, we did not.
- Q. The only thing that would smack in the certain involuntariness would be the second statement because we asked you to come back and talk to you?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. But you didn't tell him if you do not talk to us,

the usual Garrity business about insubordination, refusal 1 2 and all that? No, we didn't. 3 Α. And it's your feeling that what he told you in the 4 second statement was voluntary? 5 Yes, it's my belief. 6 Α. 7 Q. Okay. What did he tell you in the first two? 8 9 Α. The first one was a very short statement 10 indicating -- this was on the 15th of August -- indicating he was unaware of any improperly classifying crime in 11 District 5. 12 13 We asked him specifics, if he heard any rumors, innuendos that supervisors were doing away with calls or 14 1.5 making calls or crimes non-crimes to avoid the appearance of 16 a higher crime rate and he replied he was not aware of that situation. 17 MR. HANLON: All right. 18 During his second statement -- before you go into 19 20 that, if anybody has a different view? Go ahead. 21 22 THE WITNESS: Okay. I know you want to ask me what he said in the second statement. It will be a 23 little easier if I told you what happened with the 24 statement right before that. 25

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- Q. With Chad Bailey?
- A. Yes.

Do you want me to tell you?

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- A. Chad told us he heard three or four hands that Sergeant Davidson, his first name is Wesley, W-E-S-L-E-Y, that Davidson asked Kantor to change the classification of a crime.

And then he went onto explain that Kantor had told him there was a series of vehicle burglaries that occurred in his zone, in Chad Bailey's zone on Chad Bailey's day off and he was kind of letting him know and he said that.

- Q. The "he" being?
- A. Bailey said that Kantor told him that Davidson either told him to change the report or reclassify them.

And Bailey offered that Kantor wasn't real comfortable with that but whether or not -- whether he changed it or not, Bailey did not have any firsthand knowledge of that because he was off on that day.

- Q. So with this you go back to Kantor?
- A. Right. We say you sure there wasn't anyone telling you something you weren't supposed to do, some vehicle burglaries, things like that.

And that's when he indicated that during the

previous Powertrack reporting cycle -- and the cycle is six weeks -- he was dispatched to, I believe he said it was three vehicle burglaries in an area and that the victims either didn't want -- had changed their mind and had indicated they didn't want to file reports.

- Q. And you went back and interviewed those people and that was not the case?
- A. According to them, that was not the case with all four. And it wasn't three, it was four vehicle burglaries because we then asked Kantor to produce his daily report.
 - Q. Now, you surfaced that Kantor case.

Through your investigative technique to surface this thing with Kantor, what did you do? What documents did you review?

A. We told him right there and then, we said we want to see your daily report, show us what you're talking about.

So he went out to his police car and printed his daily report and we looked at it and we saw what he was talking about.

And in that daily report it showed that he was actually dispatched to four vehicle burglaries in a neighborhood.

Q. Would that appear on his daily or would that be from a review of the dispatch documents?

No, that was from his daily report. 1 Α. 2 Q. Okay. 3 Now, you also, in just summarizing -- I know it's 4 tedious for you, I'm trying to get a summary of the investigation -- you also interviewed a number of deputies 5 6 in District 5? 7 Α. Yes. 8 And you interviewed upper management in District 0. 9 5, which would have been Lieutenant Gooding, and what's his 10 first name? 11 A. Scott. 12 He's the investigative lieutenant? Ο. 13 Yes. Α. 14 And you interviewed Captain Jarboe, what's his Ο. first name? 15 16 Α. George. 17 If I understand it correctly, they were asked Ο. what were they asked? 18 Tell us in brief. 19 We asked them is there any system in place in the Α. 20 district to improperly classify crime and they both silently denied. 21 22 All of them denied --0. 23 All of them. Α. 24 -- from whom you took voluntary statements? 0. 25 Α. Yes.

Q. Now, and I asked the question earlier, from looking at Sergeant Shawn Enser's complaints and talking about the Powertrack game and the downgrading of crimes, deputies trying to rid the call or crime by either not making a report, omitting facts, whatever that we mentioned earlier, at some point did you come to the conclusion that Enser was correct? And I get the impression that he's laying this off on the Powertrack system.

At some point in time as the lead investigator did you come to the conclusion of what Enser was saying was correct or wasn't?

A. Again, with the information that's in front of you, that was in front of me, it certainly seemed like there were some questionable things going on within the district that, you know, we looked at and investigated it.

But again we're being told in interviews, on one-on-one interviews, that this isn't going on.

So I guess to draw a conclusion on what's in front of you or what's in front of me at that point was there was some questionable classification going on in the district.

Q. Okay.

Did you ever form -- did you ever come to the conclusion, either you or any of your associates, as to why this was going on?

A. You know, we took a statement from Deputy Pugliese

about this, an actual witness statement having nothing to do with the case he's involved in.

And he talked about there's intense pressure to solve crime and to clear crime within the district, so I guess it all comes down from the accountability.

You know, you want to clear a crime. There's ten crimes in your zone, you want to clear them. The stuff that's in front of me certainly looks like this was done, you know.

The answer to the question is I don't know why it was done. You know, I don't know if it's directly tied into Powertrack. I don't know if it's directly tied into supervisors pushing this. You know, we're just not sure.

- Q. Okay.
 - There could be any number of reasons for it?
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- 17 Q. A lazy deputy?
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- 19 Q. A lazy detective?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. But would a reason be as enunciated by Enser?
- 22 A. I'm sorry.
- Q. For the reclassification of crime, there could be any number of reasons?
- 25 A. Yes.

A deputy could be taking it upon himself because 1 Q. 2 he's a slug and he's lazy and he doesn't want to work the 3 case; is that right? 4 Α. Sure. 5 Q. But could a reason be the Powertrack, the pressure to lower crime and to appear --7 Α. That is a possibility. Q. 8 Okay. And that crossed your mind? 9 10 Α. Yes. 11 Q. Okay. Now, before I forget, is there any financial 12 reward for doing well in front of Powertrack that you know 13 14 of? 15 I know that there have been bonuses associated with that but I do not know that for one hundred percent 16 17 certainty. 18 Q. Okay. 19 Does your performance on Powertrack in any way impact upon your desirability for additional responsibility 20 or advancement within the Sheriff's Office? 21 Again, you know, you're asking me to speculate 22 23 because I really don't have a lot of--24 Q. All right. 25 Α. I never stood in front of this board.

people that do well within the system do well within the 1 2 agency. 3 Q. Right. I think, you know, that's understandable, you 5 know. Now, in connection with this, at some point in 6 Q. 7 time it was decided, was there a decision made that in the view of you folks that you had discovered evidence of 9 criminal culpability on behalf of anyone? Yes. 10 Α. 11 Q. And who was that? 12 Α. Deputy Kantor. And that would have been an official misconduct 13 Ο. 14 charge? 15 Α. Yes. All right. 16 Q. 17 And that would have been the falsification of his 18 daily report? 19 Α. Yes. And that evidence supporting that would have been 20 the fact that he had indicated on his report that these 21 folks didn't want to make a report but after interviewing 22 him, that was not the case? 23 A. That's correct. 24 25 Q. Okay.

And at some point in time was it decided to bring this thing, this case to the State Attorney's Office?

A. Yes, it was.

- Q. Whose decision was that, if you know?
- A. It is a decision that was made collectively by myself and Lieutenant Ulvang, who is the executive lieutenant.

What happens is when a case -- when there's something in front of you that looks like it could be potential misconduct or a criminal misconduct, it is routine for us to prepare a package, put a memo on it and ship it to you guys.

And it was routine and I believe it still is routine that that is normal business practices for us. And I discussed it with Lieutenant Ulvang that this looked like official misconduct and I discussed it with Captain Hodgeman that this looked like official misconduct and he agreed. It was a conversation I had with Hodgeman probably back in September.

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- A. Yes.

And, you know, ultimately Lieutenant Ulvang signed off on it and came down here but, you know, we're all -- he and I made this decision together.

Q. Okay.

1	MS. CAMACHO: I have one quick question, was
2	Deputy Kantor the only one you had concerns about?
3	THE WITNESS: For official misconduct at the
4	time. It seemed to be the most egrecious out of all of
5	them.
6	MS. CAMACHO: Why do you say that?
7	THE WITNESS: Because he went to four different
8	calls on one day in one area and basically did what
9	Shawn Enser alleged in his memo, he got rid of four
10	crimes in one day.
11	And so we routinely send cases that we feel, you
12	know yeah, that's the one that we decided to send
13	down here, you know.
14	Without getting into the Garrity on the other
15	ones
16	MS. CAMACHO: Right.
17	THE WITNESS: the decision was made to send him
18	down here.
19	MS. CAMACHO: Just real quick, for example, on the
20	Swap Shop, Sergeant Rosenthal did not reclassify that,
21	did he?
22	THE WITNESS: No, he did not.
23	MS. CAMACHO: Who actually did that?
24	THE WITNESS: It was the Detective Rudy Nesbitt.
25	MS. CAMACHO: Did you ever go back and review any

of his previous reports to see if he had done that? 1 THE WITNESS: No, we did not. 2 So in other words, you only looked 3 MS. CAMACHO: at one particular case with Detective Nesbitt and did 4 5 not look at any previous reports? That's correct. THE WITNESS: 6 7 MS. CAMACHO: Was there any particular reason for that? 8 THE WITNESS: Yes. 9 10 MS. CAMACHO: All right. I guess we'll get to that. 11 Go ahead. 12 MR. HANLON: We're there. We were getting 13 there. 14 15 BY MR. HANLON: To your knowledge, of course, Enser goes --16 Q. Sergeant Enser goes on the record and indicates that this 17 accountability situation is causing or the downgrading of --18 correct me if I'm wrong, Enser is saying the downgrading of 19 crime to a great extent is related to the foot of this 20 21 accounting system; is that right? 22 Α. Yes. 23 0. Is this the first time that's ever surfaced at the 24 Sheriff's Office to your knowledge? 25 Α. I don't know.

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Based on Sergeant Enser's allegations, was there ever any discussions to broadening this investigation beyond Kantor and/or beyond District 5?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay.

Now, how did that come up and at what point and who suggested the broadening of the investigation?

- A. There were several meetings.
- Q. And let me ask you this: It was your desire to broaden the investigation?
- 12 A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay, why?
 - A. Because it would give us a better idea of whether or not Enser's allegations were in fact true or accurate.

 Accurate is probably a better word.

It would have given us the opportunity with -especially with Kantor, to determine whether or not he has
done this in the past and see if there was a pattern and see
if anyone else was tied into -- anyone else was tied into it
or if anyone else was doing it.

- Q. All right.
- A. And I said it before, Kantor was not hiding anything. I mean, Kantor laid it right there in his daily report so that was an issue early on that I looked at and

said, you know, we should look into this.

Q. Okay.

Was it your feeling that this might not only be a District 5 problem?

A. The only thing I can say that there was an issue that was brought up by Sergeant Rosenthal indicating that detectives or deputies in District 4 had been asked to lie and he said that in his statement. That's in my Investigative Action Report.

You know, what type of review should have been done at the time, I'm not really sure where this was going to go or where exactly it should go but those are two issues that were right out in front of us.

- Q. When you say " us", that's yourself?
- A. The people that are responsible for this investigation.
 - Q. Yourself, Lieutenant Ulvang?
 - A. Captain Robshaw, the Inspector General.
- Q. The feeling I get, you're telling me it was your feeling that the investigation should be broadened. It was Lieutenant Ulvang's feeling that it should be, is that right, in discussions with him?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, Captain Robshaw--
- A. Yes.

1	Q who was the captain in charge of
. 2	A. Captain Hodgeman.
3	Q Hodgeman, was he of the same view?
4	A. Yeah. He was gone for the first two weeks of this
5	case so I think it was the first two weeks so he wasn't
6	really, you know
7	Q. Up-to-speed?
8	A. That's a good that's good terminology.
9	Q. All right.
10	Now, did you communicate your views or the views
1 1	of Professional Compliance with the Inspector General?
12	A. Yes.
1 3	Q. When was that, if you have any idea?
14	A. We met with we met with the Inspector General
1 5	obviously on that day. Then we had another meeting again
16	the following
17	Q. That day being the initial meeting?
18	A. The first meeting.
19	Q. In the first meeting he tells you what?
20	A. He just gave us our marching order so to speak.
21	Q. Which were?
22	A. Go out interview people, interview Enser. And I
23	believe we also got the marching order to try and get a hold
24	of some former employees, to see if there was any validity
25	of that. Maybe people that would be retired that would not

be afraid to talk from the district. Did you do that? Q. Α. We found one guy. His name was Scott McDaniel, M-C-D-A-N-I-E-L. He retired about a year and a half, I think, before this investigation started. Q. What was his position at the time he retired? Α. Deputy. What did he tell you? Q. You know, he gave us no sign that any misclassification was going on or anything like that. So you conduct your investigation and at some 0. point in time you come to the feeling that hey, we should go further and you have another meeting with Inspector General Rahinsky? Α. Right. And that's when? 0. We had one on the 15th. Α. Q. What time was that one? I think, again, it was Julian, Dave Robshaw, Α. myself, the Inspector General. Q. That's the 15th of September? Α. Of August.

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getting the former employees and stuff. And actually I 1 think that was the same night that we went and talked to 2 Scotty McDaniel, that same night. We had another meeting 3 that Sunday morning at 10:30 in the morning. 4 What date was that? 5 0. The 17th of August. Α. 7 Who was at that one? Ο. Α. That one, they called Stan Hodgeman in off his vacation for that but then he went back on vacation. think they called him in to bring him up-to-speed. Who is at this meeting? Ο. Dave Robshaw, Julian Ulvang, Stan Hodgeman, myself Α. and the Inspector General. Rahinsky? Ο. A. Yes. And he said at that point -- again we talked about what we had. We talked about what the allegations were. We discovered that Kantor thing at that point. We had discovered that things had -- we had interviewed Rosenthal at that point. It was more of just bring him up-to-speed so to speak.

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And at that time, during that meeting, which was three days after the investigation started, we had -- I have a note in my daily planner that indicates that the Inspector General put a hold on any document review and any interviews

with past employees in District 5.

- Q. What was the document review he said to put a hold on?
- A. Well, at the time we were talking about Kantor dailies looking at the -- to start looking at these daily reports.
 - Q. Of others other than Kantor?
 - A. Right.

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We sent an E-mail to Julian Ulvang shortly afterwards, although we talked about getting a document review and, you know, looking at the district at that point.

And I'm skipping ahead to the 19th.

- Q. Of August?
- A. Of August.

And we sent an E-mail, said we want to look at six months of daily reports, six months of unfounded reports, six months of larceny reports, six months of lost property reports, six months of property damage reports and six months of those CAD header sheets for the part one crimes that had been reported in the district.

- Q. That's sent to whom?
- A. Lieutenant Ulvang.
- Q. Okay.

25 What was his response to that?

And when you say " we", who is the we who wanted 1 2 to do that? I mean, it was a decision that I think at the 3 Α. time Julian was certainly on board with having to look into 4 5 this and, you know, so we sent that up to him. " Him" being? 6 7 To Julian with the understanding that Julian was going to forward it to the Inspector General saying this is 8 9 what we need, if you want to get started on looking to see if there's any truth to the Enser complaint. 10 Did this E-mail apply merely to District 5? 11 Ο. Α. Yes. 12 Was that forwarded to the Inspector General, if 13 Q. 14 you know? Α. I don't know. 15 16 0. Was it discussed with the Inspector General? 17 Α. Well, we discussed it at that Sunday meeting. What did the Inspector General tell you? 18 Q. We weren't going to do anything with document 19 Α. 20 reviews or employees and interviews at that point. 21 Ο. Did he tell you why? 22 A. No. 23 Q. .Okay. So with that, what did you do? The investigation 24 25 was over?

What happened is the boat -- the boat case Α. No. 1 2 or the canoe case and the stuff trickled in at that point. 3 You know, Enser gave us that stuff about the lost 4 wheels. Enser gave us the boat case. Enser gave us obviously the Swap Shop case and we started interviewing 5 It was time consuming getting all these 6 everybody. 7 interviews wrapped up. 8 Q. Sure. We spent, you know, literally weeks. 9 And I still 10 think there were a few people we hadn't interviewed in the 11 district because they were on military leave. 12 Q. Did you ever do any of those records reviews that 13 you mentioned? Α. No. 14 15 **Q**. You never did any record reviews at all, proactive record reviews I guess is the best way to--16 17 Α. No, not -- no, not having to do with anything with District 5. 18 19 Ο. Or with any district? 20 Α. No. Now, as your investigation is progressing, 21 Q. subsequent to that meeting you already mentioned with 22 Inspector General Rahinsky, did you have any other meetings 23 with him? 24

We had a meeting, I think it was the following

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Friday which would be the 22nd. The notes from my meetings -- yeah, we did have a meeting on the 22nd. Of August? Q. Α. Yes. And who was at that? It was Mike Szish, who helped us early on with the Α. interviews, myself, Ulvang, Robshaw, I'm not sure if Colonel Wright was there or not, and the Inspector General. What was discussed? We talked about how Enser had named Lahiff, Α. Freshwaters and Freshwaters' culpability. I really again don't know, I don't have a good recollection of what exactly that was because Ulvang and Robshaw had done this, you know, long interview with Enser that whole week. And Ulvang had agreed we were going to split that part of the investigation. He was going to do that end of it. And that's Robert Freshwaters? Q. Α. Right. And what is -- Lahiff, L-A-H-I-F-F, is it? Q. A. Right. What's his first name? Q. Α. Robert.

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And compelled statements were taken from them,

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2	A.	Yes.
. 3	Q.	So what else was discussed at this meeting?
4	A.	The need for records review again was discussed
5	there.	
6	Q.	What was the decision made with regard to that and
7	what reco	rds reviewed?
8	·	Let me ask you this: What records did you want to
9	review, t	he same ones that you had indicated earlier?
10	A.	Actually Robshaw had indicated that he told the
11	Inspector	General that we had to do a record review of the
12	daily repo	orts.
13	Q.	Only in 5 at this point?
14.	Α.	Yeah, I think we were still
15	Q.	Yeah.
16	Α.	looking at 5.
17	Q.	Why did now Captain Robshaw bring that up again?
18	Α.	He was concerned that if we didn't do it, someone
19	else would	i.
20	Q.	Okay.
21		This is laid in front of the Inspector General?
22	Α.	Yes.
23	Q.	And what decision was made?
24	Α.	We have to date not done one.
25	Q.	What did the Inspector General tell Robshaw?

I don't think he told him anything. I think he Α. was looking -- you know, the Inspector General at times will go around the room, what do you think, what do you think, what do you think, you know. 0. Okay. And it was during that meeting that, you know, I Α. had voiced -- now that I'm recalling the meeting, my thing was with Kantor at that time, you know because I think it was egrecious with Kantor. I just have notes in my thing Dave having spoke up too about the same topic. Which would be to expand your look at Kantor? Q. À. Right. What was decided with regard to that? Ο. Α. We didn't. Q. Okay. There really wasn't we're not doing it because of Α. this or because that of. It was just, you know. 0. Nobody ever responded as to when it was brought up gee, we believe this thing should be expanded? Nobody ever said it wasn't expanded? Did anybody ever give you any reason why it wasn't? No, we were just -- just a couple notes I have in my daily planner saying we want to stick with the specifics

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What does that mean? Q. 1 Stick with the cases that we have in front of us. 2 Α. The incidents, the questionable conduct that we have in 3 front of us. 5 Q. Okay. Did you have subsequent meetings with the 6 7 Inspector General? I think that was -- the last one that we had a 8 meeting on was on the 22nd. I went through my notes this 9 10 morning. That was probably it as far as meetings go. 11 Ο. There's no question in your mind, at least as far as up from you up through Captain Robshaw there was a desire 12 to expand the investigation? 13 Yes. 14 Α. And that was never done? 15 0. No, to my knowledge it wasn't. Α. 16 And at some point in time this case was brought to 17 Ο. 18 the State Attorney's Office? I guess I should -- I want to just put one other 19 Α. thing in there that we didn't discuss about review. 20 There was some type of a review that had been done 21 And I think it's important because I don't want --22 by FDLE. 23 to answer the last question I answered about the document review, I don't know the scope or the nature of this 24

investigation that FDLE did other than to know just at the

same time our investigation was going on, FDLE had come in to look at to do an audit of crime in a couple zones within District 5.

- Q. Do you know what prompted that?
- A. It's my understanding from reading, this is just what I'm getting in the newspaper, there was a dispute between Fort Lauderdale and BSO about the way crime was reported into two district.
 - O. What districts were they?
 - A. Two zones in District 5.
 - Q. What zones are they?
- 12 A. The area off Davie. I think 501 and 502 but don't 13 quote me on that but there's two zones.
 - Q. Melrose Park, is that the one?
 - A. Maybe Riverland.

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- Q. What was the complaint?
- A. There was some type of a dispute between the two, between BSO and Fort Lauderdale on the way crime had been reported.
- And I think the Sheriff had called in FDLE and asked to have them come in and do an audit and I don't know the nature, the scope or the results of that investigation.
- Q. Do you know any of the parties in Fort Lauderdale or B.S.O. that would have had some hands-on-involvement in that?

1	A. I think it was the Sheriff directly and I know
2	Dawn Tracy from our records division was involved in
3	collecting that information for the audit.
4	Q. What does Dawn Tracy do?
5	A. She's in charge of U.C.R. She's actually the one
6	she's kind of the U.C.R. guru for BSO.
7	Q. What's U.C.R.?
8	A. Uniform Crime Reporting.
9	Q. That's the report of crimes to the FBI?
10	A. I think we report it to FDLE who in turns reported
11	it to the FBI.
12	Q. And the Uniform Crime Reporting, does that tie
13	into this crime classification question?
14	A. Yes, it does.
15	Q. As I understand it, Uniform Crime Reporting is
16	interested in the reporting of specific crimes by
17	definition; is that right?
18	A. Yes.
19	Q. Okay.
20	And of course BSO reports consistent with the
21	U.C.R. procedures, is that right, or are supposed to anyway?
22	A. Yes, it's my understanding.
23	Q. Okay.
24	Now, does the Broward County Sheriff's Office
25	define crime in a similar fashion as defined by Uniformed

Crime Reporting, if you know? 1 There are some differences I believe but I'm not 2 Α. the person to answer that question. 3 Q. Okay. 4 This Dawn Tracy, does she get involved at all in 5 the forwarding back and forth the reclassification of 6 7 crimes? From talking to her, my understanding is when a Α. 8 report goes to records, someone in her office reviews it to 9 ensure that it's classified the way it's supposed to be 10 classified. 11 If it's not, it goes back to the district to say, 12 you know, this isn't -- this should be this or this 13 shouldn't be this. 14 Was she ever interviewed with the information 15 that's provided by Enser to get her feel as to trends or 16 whatever? 17 18 Α. No. Ο. Okay. 19 She's never been interviewed? 20 We've spoken numerous times, you know, about 21 Α. certain issues. When we were looking for the lost boat 22 case, she helped us. I mean, we talked about the lost 23

You know, she said that report actually was never

wheels case.

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turned into records but she used that as an example. If that had come into records, it would have been, you know, shipped right back to the district saying this is improperly classified.

MR. HANLON: Does anybody need a break?

MR. DONNELLY: Why don't we take a few minutes
just to discuss scheduling.

(Whereupon, a recess was had off the record.)

Let's go on the record.

Sergeant Feeley, due to time constraints and people's schedules, we're going to terminate the interview at this point.

MR. HANLON:

Speaking for the office, we definitely appreciate your candor and your expression of cooperation, complete cooperation in this investigation.

We're going to ask you not to discuss anything with anybody.

Recognizing this is very difficult for you because of your position, we're going to ask you not to discuss this with anybody, and respectfully request that you not be questioned and you have been asked by us not to talk about the investigation.

During the course of our interview up to this point you made reference to your daily planner. We're going to give you a subpoena duces tecum demanding the

production of your original planner plus any other correspondence, E-mails and whatever relative to the case that haven't been previously been turned over.

Now, you had expressed briefly off the record it was fully your intention and it will always be your intention to cooperate fully and you would give it to us voluntarily; however, unfortunately we're running the investigation and we're going to give you a subpoena regardless what anybody thinks about it.

I know that became an issue last evening. I'm not going to get into a lot of background on it.

It is our decision. We're making the decision as to what subpoenas will be issued and to whom they will be issued to and if there's going to be subpoenas as to statements or records and we're giving you a subpoena for those records.

Mr. Donnelly?

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MR. DONNELLY: What time are you going to resume today?

MR. HANLON: Sergeant Feeley has indicated he will stay available for us. We're going to try to accommodate one of our other witnesses and he said he will be good enough to come back.

THE WITNESS: Yes, I will. Like I said, I'm happy to give you anything that you need and the

1 subpoenas are not needed but I will be happy to accept 2 them once you do give them to me and I'll come back this afternoon. 3 MR. HANLON: With that stay available. 4 5 (Whereupon, this SWORN STATEMENT was adjourned to resume later in the day.) 6 7 (Whereupon, a recess was had off the record.) MR. HANLON: Okay, we're back on the record with 8 Sergeant Steve Feeley from the Broward Sheriff's 9 Office. 10 He has been asked not to discuss this case with 11 anybody. And of course he's here voluntarily; however, 12 13 we took it upon ourselves to give him a subpoena. INVESTIGATOR RIHA: He's still under oath. 1.4 15 MR. HANLON: Of course he's still under oath, you understand that? 16 17 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do. BY MR. HANLON: 18 19 Q. Okay. Now, as I recall, we were talking about, for lack 20 of a better word, the District 5 investigation, the 21 22 information provided by Shawn Enser and I believe, and just 23 to kind of bring ourselves up-to-date, you attended a meeting or meetings requested by the Inspector General 24 25 relative to the direction this case should take; is that

right? 1 2 Α. Yes. 3 Ο. Okay. Now, at some point in time did the Inspector 4 5 General give the marching orders to conduct a thorough 6 investigation? Α. No. What were the instructions that were relayed to 8 you by the I.G.? 9 Early on it was, you know, to work with what we 10 have. To work what we have in front of us. 11 0. Do you recall now Captain Robshaw encouraging the 12 13 I.G. or providing the Inspector General with information indicating that it was his belief that the investigation 14 15 should be expanded in order to ensure that it wasn't made an 16 agency-wide problem? 17 Α. Yes. 18 Q. Okay. Do you recall or did the I.G., and I'm speaking of 19 20 Martin Rahinsky, did he respond in any way, shape or form to that encouragement? 21 22 Α. No. However, there's no question that this 23 Q. 24 investigation was not expanded to our district or to other 25 officers or other deputies within District 5?

A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. All right.

Now, during the course of our investigation, of course we're very concerned as to information at least gleaned from Sergeant Enser and loose talk that very possibly there was an agency-wide problem with respect to the manipulation of crimes, statistics.

And mention was made of an investigation in Weston and I believe you were involved in during the course of your tenure and in the Office of Professional Compliance involving a Deputy Arias; does that ring a bell with you?

- A. Yes, it does.
- Q. Now, tell me if you need to refer to your planner or whatever, what was the initial allegation of wrongdoing and when was it first brought to your attention, if you remember?
- A. Back in June of 2002 I responded to an in-custody death in which an individual by the name of Marion Ellison, E-L-L-I-S-O-N, died while in custody. He had just committed a burglary and he apparently suffered some medical issues and he was taken to the hospital and he died.
- Q. Do you happen to have a case number or anything on this particular -- did you open a professional compliance case number or was there some sort of agency case number given to this investigation?

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1	A. Yes, I do.
2	Yes, there was.
3	Q. What is it?
4	A. 11-20-941.
- 5	Q. What type of a number is that?
6	A. It's professional compliance case number.
7	Q. Okay.
8	Now, and of course you can refresh your
9	recollection, who dispatched or assigned you this inquiry?
10	A. My lieutenant by the name of Randy Smith was the
11	on-call lieutenant for our office that day and called me
12	about 6:00 in the morning and told me that this person had
13	died and that we were requested. We respond to all
14	in-custody deaths.
15	Q. Okay.
16	So what was your burden? What were you supposed
17	to do?
18	A. Our job, we have a homicide unit that responds
19	that investigates that. We don't really investigate it per
20	se. They do the investigation.
21	We monitor the investigation and oversee it to
22	ensure there's no misconduct by any of our employees.
23	Q. And that the death and the investigation is
24	handled properly from an administrative standpoint?
25	A. Yes.

And actually, I just want to amend something I said earlier, I gave you a case number. I don't believe that's a case number for that particular case. That was a case number that was initiated as a result of something that happened in that case.

Q. And what was that something?

A. I conducted -- basically it was an in-custody death. I conducted that interview. I completed a report.

While completing that report. I was reviewing lots.

While completing that report, I was reviewing lots of police reports generated by people involved in that case.

- Q. Now, when you say that case, the death?
- A. The death case.
- Q. Okay.

- A. There was -- I discovered some possible misconduct by a detective by the name of Arias, A-R-I-A-S.
 - Q. Do you know what his first name is?
 - A. I don't have that in front of me, no.
- Q. What was Arias' involvement with the death of this guy? When I say involvement, I'm not saying he whacked the guy but how did his name come up in connection with your investigation into this guy's untimely demise?
- A. Let me try to figure out how I'm going to explain this so I don't thoroughly confuse you.
 - Q. I appreciate that.
 - A. They arrested a guy by the name of Marion Ellison

for a burglary.

- Q. And the date of that arrest was when?
- A. In June of 2002.
- Q. Okay.
- A. When they arrested him, according to deputies he said he was with another guy. They located a black male in Weston walking several blocks away by the name of Arian, A-R-I-A-N, Evans.

When they located Evan, the deputies on scene determined that he was a co-Defendant of Marion Ellison so they arrested him for the burglary. They completed all of their reports including Detective Arias. Detective Arias completed an Investigative Action Report.

And in that report he wrote a narrative that said that he met with Arian Evans regarding this arrest regarding this burglary. He denied involvement.

He denied knowing Ellison, you know, and I'm paraphrasing this, et cetera, et cetera, and they arrested him anyways. The State subsequently dropped the charges against Arian Evans.

- Q. That's the State Attorney's Office?
- A. Yes.

As I was reviewing this case, I came across another Investigative Action Report written by the same detective, Detective Arias. In that Investigative Action

Report he talked about how Arian Evans admitted to all of 1 these burglaries. 2 How many are we talking about? 3 Ο. Α. About four or five. 4 Now, what led you to this second--5 Q. It was just there. It showed up with the 6 Α. 7 paperwork when we pulled all the paperwork. On the death of? Q. 8 Α. Ellison. 9 Ellison, okay. 10 0. So right off the bat I'm looking at these two 11 Α. 12 Investigative Action Reports. One of them said the guy was completely uncooperative, denied any involvement to the 13 case, from the June case, yet they have another 14 Investigative Action Report where they're taking -- where 15 they're clearing these cases after he was -- you know, after 16 he was cooperative and confessed to these other cases. 17 18 Is this all supposedly happening on the same day, not the other case but the interview or whatever was done to 19 20 clear the cases? 21 A. Yes. They're all the same? In other words, you got a 22 Q. 23 statement or you got --Well, we couldn't tell. At that point we didn't 24 Α.

know whether or not there was one interview, two

interviews--

- Q. Or when they were taken?
- A. -- or when they were taken until we started digging a little bit more.
- Q. Wouldn't that appear on the action report as to when this guy was interviewed?
- A. Again, not having those Investigative Action Reports in front of me--
 - Q. Yeah.
- A. -- I can tell you the Investigative Action Reports were not -- there weren't a lot of details in those reports.
- Q. Okay. And we realize you're testifying from memory today.
 - A. Yes.

So there was obviously conflicting Investigative Action Reports. So I went to my lieutenant who at that time was Dave Robshaw and I said look, these don't jive.

One says he was uncooperative, one said he confessed, what do you think we should do.

He instructed me to open a case, a professional compliance case and conduct all the interviews so I initiated that.

And I spoke with first -- I don't remember off the top of my head who I spoke to first but I'll tell you I spoke with the guy who allegedly confessed and he adamantly

denied, Evans, that he ever confessed to anything.

And he made a lot of stuff and made a lot of statements in this interview with me saying I'm twenty years younger than this guy. I provided an alibi.

I was at a friend's house out in Weston. I was walking back to my home in Davie. I didn't do this. I didn't have anything to do with this. I didn't confess to anything.

- Q. Was this guy ever charged with these other crimes?
- A. No, they exceptionally cleared him.
- Q. That's rather unusual here, would it not be, a man admits involvement and they don't charge him?
- A. Sometimes they do, sometimes they don't. It's not unusual for a police agency to clear a bunch of cases if the guy confesses and not charge him.
 - Q. But he didn't get charged with anything?
- A. He got arrested for the case involving Ellison that night.
 - Q. But that was not accepted for prosecution?
 - A. Correct.

- Q. Okay.
- A. So Ellison -- I'm sorry, Evans, says look, I was at this guy's house, they took me there and verified that I was there and they still arrested me.
 - So again that obviously concerned us at that point

so we went and we talked to these people who provided the alibi for Evans.

And this guy was in the military and he was down for the weekend and they were at somebody's house out in Weston.

They were drinking, having a good time. There was a little bit of an argument between Evans and a female and he just left and he started walking home and he was walking east toward Davie, which is where he lived.

So I got a statement from -- now I got a statement from Evans saying he wasn't there and he didn't do that. I got a statement from two individuals who said we vouched for him and told the detective that day when they came to talk to us.

Then I went and I spoke with a sergeant who works in District 8 by the name of David Argenti, A-R-G-E-N-T-I.

Dave Argenti was the sergeant that was working the road the night that Evans and Ellison were arrested.

Sergeant Argenti tells he has a conversation with Detective Arias about four or five days after the arrest. Argenti relays to me that Evans was extremely, extremely upset about being arrested, screaming and yelling saying I didn't do this. I didn't do this. I was walking home and claimed it was a racial thing.

So Argenti made the comment to Detective Arias and

said boy, that guy was, you know, kind of -- I think he used the word "A". I think he called him an asshole. The guy was an asshole the other night. Detective Arias told Argenti yeah, he didn't give us anything.

So now I have a statement from a supervisor, I have the guy saying I never confessed, I have an alibi and I have those other people saying they vouched for him.

So we took a few other statements of other people. There was no other, you know, incriminating evidence so to speak or anything incriminating against Detective Arias but it nonetheless was concerning at that point.

We thought he very well may have fabricated this evidence. So we had several meetings on this case with the Inspector General, Captain Hodgeman, Lieutenant Smith and Lieutenant Robshaw.

November 12th, 2002 was the date that Robshaw told me to interview everybody and start the case. On November 27th I met with the Inspector General in his office and I told him that it looks like Arias fabricated a master clearance.

- Q. Was anybody with you?
- A. I can't say for sure who was there or not that day. I would think most likely it would have been Robshaw and Hodgeman.

The Inspector General said he wanted a memo so he could forward the case to the district command.

Actually I could tell you -- I'm sorry, I have a note here that Dave Robshaw was not there that day. It was Stan Hodgeman and maybe Randy Smith, the other lieutenant, and I.

So I called Dave Robshaw that day and said hey, you know, they want to send this thing back to the command. Our policy and procedure manual calls for -- normally calls for criminal misconduct cases to be handled by our office.

- Q. And did Rahinsky tell you why he wanted to send it back to District 8?
 - A. No, he didn't.

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So although our policy does allow for the Inspector General to make the final decision on who investigates what case, one of the cases -- one of the examples is official misconduct falls under professional compliance unit. Discourtesy issues and so forth go back to the command.

On December 2nd, 2002 I spoke with Captain

Hodgeman and he informed me that he had spoken with the

Inspector General and now it looks like we were keeping this

case in our command because at that point the only thing

that needed to be done was a Garrity statement and a review

by the State Attorney's Office.

But he asked me to still write the memorandum to the Inspector General to brief him on what was going on.

So I completed that memorandum and gave it to Dave Robshaw on December 2nd.

On December 9th Dave Robshaw and I met with the Assistant Inspector General by the name of Roy Vrchota, V-R-C-H-O-T-A. If I recall correctly, he was acting Inspector General. I think Rahinsky may have been out of town.

Dave told the Assistant Inspector General that the Inspector General wanted to send the case back to District 8 for them to finish.

The Assistant Inspector General said he didn't understand why and noted it wasn't common practice for us to send cases back to the commands that are potentially criminal in nature.

On December 10th Dave Robshaw and I met with Greg Page, who is the Chief of District 8, in Dave Robshaw's office. Dave Robshaw gave Greg Page the entire case file and told Greg Page the I.G., the Inspector General, wants him to finish the case.

Dave told Greg Page that this was the first time that he knows of that an active criminal case was being sent back to the command for completion.

And in my notes I have Greg Page was a little

taken back and stated he needed time to review the case and 1 2 talk to the I.G. Dave said that he would be willing to help him and 3 gave Greg Page Tim Donnelly's name at the State Attorney's 4 Office and told him to contact him. 5 That was the end of that case until we saw that it 6 7 had come back to our office after they completed it. 8 Now, do you know who Page gave it to for Q. completion? 9 10 Α. Yes. 11 0. Who is that? 12 Α. Lieutenant Goldberg. 13 Q. Is that Randy Goldberg? 14 Α. Yes. 15 Q. Did you have any discussion with Randy Goldberg? And I understand there was a compelled statement taken from 16 17 him. 18 Α. I never spoke with Lieutenant Goldberg about this 19 case. 20 Ο. Other than Robshaw, Randy Smith, Vrchota, you said 21 you were in a conversation with the I.G.? 22 Α. Yes. Did you have any conversations with anybody else 23 Q. 24 about this case? 25 Α. Yes, I did.

Who? Q. 1 Patricia Windowmaker, BSO legal counsel. Α. 2 When did you speak to her and who was with you, if 3 Q. anybody? 4 On September 5th at 3:30 in the afternoon I met 5 Α. with Dave Robshaw and we then met with Patty Windowmaker. 6 That's 2002? Ο. 7 Α. That would be 2003. 8 What was the gist of that conversation? 9 Q. The case had been finished and when we got it back 10 in the office, they sustained an allegation, basically 11 carelessness to Detective Arias. 12 And the gist of the conversation with Patty 13 Windowmaker was that certain things were never asked during 14 -- certain things were never asked and certain things were 15 never done in the Garrity statement and that caused us 16 serious concerns about the case. 17 What did she say? 18 She took my number and said she would call me if Α. 19 she had any questions. 20 Did you ever hear from her? Q. 21 Α. No. 22 Do you have any idea what she did with that 23 0. information? 24 Α. No. 25

Do you know why or were you ever told by anyone Q. 1 why the case went back to the district? 2 Α. No. 3 Do you know of any other cases that were similarly 0. 4 handled? 5 Α. No. 6 Based on your investigation it was your feeling 0. 7 that the matter should have been referred by Professional 8 Compliance to our office? 9 It would have been in line with what Lieutenant 10 Robshaw and I, what was the common practice at the time and 11 I believe continues to be the practice of our unit and yeah, 12 my opinion, it should have gone back. 13 Now again, it's his opinion, why do you think it 14 was handled in that fashion? 15 Again, you have no firsthand knowledge as to why 16 but why do you think based on your experience that case was 17 handled in that fashion? 18 Because it would be -- it really would call for 19 speculation. 20 Well, we're asking you. I'm asking you to do 21 that. 22 There's a -- it would -- what should have happened Α. 23 -- and again, this is my opinion -- is a comprehensive 24 review of the way business is done involving clearance of 25

crime in that district.

Q. Okay.

So would it be your feeling, and I'm not putting words in your mouth, this would seem to be a variation on this manipulation of figures.

The one way being the manner in which Shawn Enser indicated it took place and now this, an incident where cases are cleared attributed to somebody when it appears it shouldn't have been. It's a variation on the same numbers game. It's a variation of the numbers game?

A. It is. And one of the things that came -- one of the things that I didn't bring up in this case was that this detective, when he did these cases, he made a lot of mistakes in his Investigative Action Report.

There were actually three Investigative Action

Reports. There was one that said the guy was uncooperative and admitted to nothing.

There was one that said he admitted to all these burglaries, and then it contained a bunch of inaccuracies about names of people who weren't even involved in this case.

And a lot of what this case was finally attributed to was cutting and pasting errors from another master clearance. So he was using the same lingo, the same -- you know, although master clearance is -- sometimes I do it

myself, when I cut and paste the charges, allegations and 1 things like that but this was a master clearance where the 2 I.A.R., Investigative Action Report, in the middle was 3 completely error ridden and contained all these inaccuracies. 5 It even contained a clearance of a burglary that 6 occurred after Ellison, the dead guy, had died. 7 And attributed to Ellison? 0. 8

A. Attributed to Ellison. So yeah, it's, you know
-- then we got this third product which was the final
Investigative Action Report that was allegedly error free.

And that one was obviously the one that we used that completely contradicted the first Investigative Action Report.

- Q. If you remember, would not a sergeant had to sign off on all this?
- A. Sergeant Menghi, M-E-N-G-H-I, was the District 8 Sergeant. That was his immediate supervisor.
 - Q. Was he ever spoken to?
- A. Yeah, we took a statement from him.
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- A. Yeah. And I don't recall offhand him providing any information that was--
- Q. That he didn't catch these inaccuracies, did you find it unusual?

A. Well, apparently he did catch them but Detective Arias had already turned the report in so that's why we got the third Investigative Action Report.

Menghi caught a bunch of these errors. Hey, you made a mistake. You're cutting and pasting. You're leaving other suspects' name in this report. It doesn't make sense. But Arias had already taken it right to records to get these clearance in for that month.

INVESTIGATOR RIHA: Is that something that ordinarily a detective would do, would be to take reports to records to have clearance attributed to their month, if it's toward the end of the month?

THE WITNESS: I wouldn't know that. I think
that's what -- I think it was very close to the end of
the month when those cases went in, and I remember
Menghi attributing that, you know, error ridden
Investigative Action Report going in when it shouldn't
have.

INVESTIGATOR RIHA: Just for the purpose of making a record, so the Investigative Action Report, that's a report that's prepared and maintained in the ordinary course of the Sheriff's Office business and it's an official record; is that right?

THE WITNESS: Yes, it is.

INVESTIGATOR MURRAY: And this was all ended out

by carelessness?

THE WITNESS: That is the underlying problem that they identified in the report. And although I understand that we can't talk about the Garrity statement, to me it's not what's in the Garrity statement, it's what's not in the Garrity statement. It's questions that were never asked in that Garrity statement that presented as much of a problem for us in our office as anyone, you know, including for myself, Dave Robshaw, the Assistant Inspector General.

There were some very troubling things that were not in that Garrity statement.

INVESTIGATOR MURRAY: So carelessness on the part of investigators and also--

MR. HANLON: It attributed to that.

INVESTIGATOR MURRAY: Yeah, but the whole -- I'm saying, the case was ended by -- how did they define-- MS. CAMACHO: Justify.

MR. MURRAY: Yeah, justify what had happened.

THE WITNESS: It wasn't addressed in the final report.

MR. HANLON: Well, they attributed -- maybe I misunderstood.

THE WITNESS: They attributed the mistake in the reports to carelessness.

And I'll give you an example, they said okay, he didn't talk about the one who was arrested for that night but he talked about these other ones.

Well, to me as an investigator I would say, questions just regarding that one issue, what I would say is okay, he confessed to all these crimes here, was it tape-recorded. Do you have any notes. What do you have other than your word or what's written on this report. What do you have that shows that this guy confessed.

You said he's got knowledge breaking into those cars and stealing this stuff. How did he get in the car. Where was the car parked. What time of day did this happen.

Things, so that when you ask these questions, only the person that broke into that would know the answers to those questions.

Did you take computers, phones, laptops, tools. What was taken out of there. And those questions, questions similar to those were never asked.

They never asked we got a guy here that said he didn't confess to you, what do you have to say to that. They never asked him that.

We have, you know, a sergeant who spoke with you five days who said you told him that you didn't get

anything from this guy. They never asked those questions. They didn't address them.

INVESTIGATOR MURRAY: Detective Arias, did he do the Probable Cause Affidavit on this Evans fellow they arrested?

THE WITNESS: Most of the time he did the interview afterwards. I don't know whether he actually completed the Probable Cause Affidavit but that was -- it's my understanding, you know, when you get called out and you're the detective, you may have a deputy on the road write the Probable Cause Affidavit but if you're investigating, it becomes his case because he's out there interviewing the guy, taking a master clearance on the guy.

And, you know, the issue that concerns -- and again, I want to get this on the record -- the issue that concerns me on this case more than anything else isn't what was asked, it's what was obviously left out.

But yet reading the report, if I were to hand you the report, it may make a lot of sense to you saying well, this guy just didn't know this Investigative Action Report from this one, but not providing all that information in there about, you know, alibi witnesses, why was this guy arrested, he provided an alibi, you went there and verified it. What did they tell you.

It was -- it just wasn't asked.

So we brought -- you know, we brought these concerns to Lieutenant Robshaw and Captain Hodgeman knew. The legal department knew. The Inspector General knew, you know, from the get-go that we didn't want this case leaving our command.

MR. HANLON: Why do you think he did it?

THE WITNESS: I think that's when you asked me to speculate before, it could -- we would have gone in and done an extensive records review and maybe they were scared. I don't know. I don't know.

MR. HANLON: I'm sorry, go ahead.

INVESTIGATOR MURRAY: Sergeant, do you know why this case was declined by the State Attorney's Office?

THE WITNESS: You know, I have the whole package in my office. I would be happy to give it to you.

The kid had a past for burglary.

MR. HANLON: The deceased?

THE WITNESS: The deceased had a huge past for burglary and a huge pawn -- was pawning.

In fact, this master clearance that was done, at least one of those is attributed to the dead guy.

I think they could get along with clearing one of them on the dead guy. He pawned property, some air-conditioning equipment that was taken out of a van

but the rest of them were vehicles.

They were cars broken into at a spa at different times of the day. And the property that was taken out of them was laptops and phones and computer games and video -- you know, video, V.H.S. videotapes and the dead guy never pawned stuff like that.

He pawned a lot of tools, blowers, chainsaws, stuff like that. So I think he was targeting tools. There were a lot of concerns that we had on the case and it's unfortunate that it was handled the way it was.

BY MR. HANLON:

Q. Now, at some point in time in connection with Ms. Camacho's investigation of the Enser matter, the subpoenas flew like confetti.

And at some point in time the Enser case is brought down here. Ms. Camacho, as you're aware, sent out some subpoenas seeking testimony from certain witnesses in your case and those subpoenas were not responded to; do you know why?

- A. Can I tell you exactly what happened with that? We got the subpoenas -- I think we spoke on the 3rd. I think I picked them up on the 3rd.
 - 0. Of?
 - A. Of December.

Q. 2003, right?

A. That would be correct. Ms. Camacho talked about wanting some additional information on the Swap Shop case, the boat, those things.

She told me about the subpoenas. I came and picked them up.

The following day I spoke with Captain Hodgeman in the morning. The day that she called, right after she called, I sent an E-mail saying they're going to subpoena these people, the list of people that she gave me and she wanted me to pick up the subpoenas and they wanted some information on this. And I sent -- I send it to Julian and--

- Q. Ulvang?
- A. Ulvang, yeah.
- Q. That would be up the chain of command?
- A. That's the next spot in the chain for me.
- 18 Q. Right.
 - A. So I called the guy Thursday morning and gave them the subpoenas. And again, we normally -- this is what we normally do.

I have been down here before picking up subpoenas from the prosecutor and serving them on people involved in our case. Stan Hodgeman, my captain, said hold off a second, don't do anything else, I want to call the Inspector

General.

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- Q. Did that surprise you?
- A. I knew that the case was a little bit more sensitive than the regular run-of-the-mill case that we get down here. You know, it's not surprising for our captain to consult the I.G.
 - Q. Okay.

Had there been any issue about this case or the fact it was real ticklish up to this point as far as you're concerned?

- A. Just a lot of the stuff that wasn't done on the case showed that they took a little bit more interest in it than usual but rightly so. I mean, it involves a lot of employees and so I served witnesses and he told me to hold off.
 - Q. " He" being Hodgeman?
- A. Hodgeman. Julian Ulvang then goes and talks to Hodgeman at lunchtime. Julian said go ahead and serve them so I said okay, no problem.

Well, I went out to serve them and I think I served four of them -- four more on Thursday afternoon and then Julian called me back and said don't serve them so I went back and picked them up.

And I got a little frustrated and I said -- I brought them back and stuck them on Julian's desk and I said

they're yours. I don't care when they get served. You serve them. I'm not taking part in serving them, not serving them.

This is what we normally do. So that was the end of it for me. I was off. I left.

I went home and Julian had actually called me and said the Inspector General had come down here to the State Attorney's Office regarding the case.

I don't know why. I don't know what was said. I don't know anything about the meeting. The following day

Ms. Camacho calls me and said hey, did you serve those subpoenas. I said no. She said why not. And I told her I was told not to and that's kind of when things started unraveling.

I was off that day. So if subpoenas were eventually served that day, to my understanding Stan Hodgeman, Julian Ulvang, you know, took part in that and arranged to have that done.

And I talked with Julian a couple of times over the weekend. There was a lot of -- there was some high level meetings between Julian and Captain Hodgeman and the Inspector General.

- Q. This is per Ulvang?
- A. Yes.

Q. What did he tell you went on?

A. They wanted to know why the case had been brought down there. Julian did his best, I think according to him, of telling them listen, this is what we normally do.

If we had done anything different, it would be extraordinary not to send a criminal case down to the State Attorney's Office.

So Monday, December 8th, and probably at least one or two more times that week, I had a conversation with the Inspector General and he informed me that he come down here.

He did try to take the case back. He did want to handle this case administratively. He told me that. He told me he wanted -- he felt it would be better served handling Kantor administratively.

I told him, I said as far as I'm concerned, I have probable cause to arrest Deputy Kantor.

Whether or not we did that or not, I wouldn't go out there and arrest him without telling anybody but the probable cause existed to arrest Kantor for official misconduct.

We had four good strong statements from people saying he never told him this. We had an official document that appeared to have a statement in there that was false. Four statements that were false. And it appears there may have been a benefit for him not having to do the report or

keeping stats or crime down low.

So for us to do anything other than submit this to the State Attorney's Office would -- we would have then been part of covering this up and that's what I told him and I don't think we see eye-to-eye on it.

- Q. Well, what was his response to that?
- A. He believes that we should be -- we should have handled the case administratively.
 - Q. Did he tell you why?
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- Q. So you don't know, at least from your conversation with the I.G., why?
 - A. My conversation with the I.G. was, you know, he doesn't tell me specifics but he said, you know, there's a lot more at stake here than just Kantor.
- Q. What did he mean by that?
- 17 A. I don't really know. I can -- politically, it's
 - Q. Did he say that?
 - A. No, he didn't come right out and say that but that was the gist of what he was saying. He didn't say this is going to look really bad for the Sheriff or anything like that.

He said there's a lot more at stake here. We would have liked to have handled this ourselves.

So I said well, again, I don't see where we have 1 2 the luxury of making that determination, especially since we 3 had cases that were not similar to this but yeah, maybe I will use the word, where people lied in official reports and 4 5 we had it sent down here for review and I don't see how we 6 can justify not doing that in this case having already done 7 that with other employees. 8 Q. Okay. And of course at the time he's talking to you, he knows it's down here? 10 11 Α. You know--12 Q. Right? Yeah, he does know. It was in the report we sent 13 Α. him. He knew, I'm guessing, the middle of November. 14 15 actually got a copy of the report. 16 And I had been told by Lieutenant Ulvang and Captain Hodgeman, he comments to them that he liked my 17 He thought it flowed well. 18 19 So the report was there. You know, we did a 20 summary that showed, you know, the case was at the State 21 Attorney's Office and gave that to him in mid-November. 22

So probably three, maybe four weeks before he was holding paperwork that spelled it out, spelled out that we brought the case down here for review.

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Q. Did you have any conversations about this case or

the Weston case with anybody higher than the I.G.?

A. No, I didn't.

- Q. Do you know either secondhand or any other way whether discussions about this case went any higher than the I.G.?
 - A. No, I don't.
- Q. The reason you had this discussion with legal counsel, what was that? What was the reason you went to legal counsel?
- A. The Assistant Inspector General, Roy Vrchota, was aware of Weston case when it was happening. He was aware since -- remember he was filling in for the I.G. for a week or so when the case got shipped from our office back to District 8.

And he knew right then and there there was something that wasn't right with the case and we were departing from what we normally do on a case like that.

So it's my understanding that he went to legal and told legal. And then legal somehow reached out to Captain Robshaw who reached out to me.

We had a meeting, just a very brief meeting of hey, something is not right here. Something at least needs to be looked into and I want to make it clear that the investigation -- and I read the Garrity statement and I read the entire case file and the investigation in my opinion is

nowhere near complete.

That's an issue that our administration and the Broward Sheriff's Office has to at some point address. It's an incomplete investigation for one reason or another.

MR. DONNELLY: You said that the I.G. didn't want it brought down here and he had stressed that to you in December?

THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, the District 5 case?

MR. DONNELLY: No, the Enser case.

THE WITNESS: Yeah.

MR. DONNELLY: After the subpoenas went out, he expressed to you he wanted to handle it internally?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

MR. DONNELLY: But you told us earlier today that he had also -- that when the investigation wanted to be broaden by obtaining these records, that he did not want that to happen.

THE WITNESS: That's correct.

MR. DONNELLY: So if --

THE WITNESS: He didn't allow it. I don't know whether it was he -- we weren't allowed to do it.

MR. DONNELLY: So if it would have gone back to B.S.O., what would have happened at that time because you would have been told you're not going to broaden it but it's not done?

1 THE WITNESS: It's an incomplete investigation at 2 the very least. 3 MR. HANLON: I guess the answer to that question, in other words, the investigation didn't get broadened 5 and then in December the I.G. told you that he would 6 have preferred to have it handled in-house, so 7 consequently whatever would have happened, who knows, but it would have been handled administratively within 8 9 the Sheriff's office; is that right? 10 THE WITNESS: Yeah. Yes. When I say handled it, 11 I mean, it would have been brought to Professional Standard Committee which is the board that reviews all 12 13 of these cases. 14 BY MR. HANLON: 15 How do you know that it would have? How would you Q. know that? 16 17 Well, it was on the agenda to go to the December Α. 18 Professional Standard Committee board. 19 Who makes up that board? 0. 20 They're civilians. They're people from BSO. Α. 21 They're people like administration, union and the community. 22 Q. Now we're talking about the Weston case, right? 23 Α. I'm talking about the District 5 case. 24 Q. Okay. 25 You know, and it was slated to go to the December Α.

1 board and then once they found out that it was gone, that it 2 was here, it was pulled. Ο. But there's no doubt, there's no question, at 3 least in my experience, even though we have an ongoing 4 criminal investigation, many, many times at the same time or 5 afterwards it goes to the citizens' review committee, right? 6 7 Α. Sometimes it goes before us and sometimes it goes after. 8 9 Q. Right. Since the efforts to return this case and the 10 State Attorney has picked it up, has anybody approached you 11 about your coming down here? 12 13 Α. We met with the Inspector General before we 14 came down here for a strategy meeting. 15 That was the meeting where yourself and Julian Q. 16 Ulvang met with myself and Ms. Camacho? 17 Α. Yes. 18 All right. Q. 19 I don't think -- I don't think since that meeting 20 that I had any discussions -- I had a discussion with the 21 Inspector General that afternoon. 22 Ο. Prior to? Very briefly after the meeting. 23 Α.

Just Julian -- I was with Julian Ulvang and he

What did he want?

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told him, you know, we went down there.

- Q. Were you called to his office?
- A. No. It was actually at the holiday luncheon.

 And we just -- Julian gave him a little bit of a briefing on this is what we -- this is where they're going. You know, they're looking to do some document review. They're going to look into the case, do a lot of the things that originally we asked to do.

And I don't think I had a discussion with him since then. He actually told me a couple of times right after the subpoenas -- a week after the subpoenas were served and then not served, he kind of went out of his way to say that I didn't do anything wrong and that he actually told Julian and I that there weren't going to be any sacrificial lambs in the case.

MS. CAMACHO: When were you made aware that Balanti was going to become part of this investigation?

THE WITNESS: You know, I find out maybe -December 19th was a Friday I think and sometime the
week of the 15th, maybe the 16th or 17th we found out
that we were off the case, Julian and I.

And he called me and told me. It was actually the 16th that he called me and told me and said that Frank Balanti had been put on the case and I wasn't really

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1 given a reason. Julian didn't know. 2 So on the 19th I asked the Inspector General, I was a little taken back because I didn't think I had 3 done anything wrong and he said the decision was made at a hire level than him and he didn't elaborate. 5 MR. HANLON: The I.G.? 6 7 THE WITNESS: Yes, the I.G. as to why I was taken 8 off, Julian and I had been taken off and Frank had been added. 9 I want to make sure I'm clear. 10 MS. CAMACHO: think I read everything you gave me. Frank Balanti had 11 absolutely nothing to do with any of investigation you 12 13 did in reference to Sergeant Enser; am I right? THE WITNESS: That's correct. 14 15 MS. CAMACHO: And if I'm hearing you clearly, he 16 also had absolutely nothing to do with what happened in 17 the Weston case; am I right? THE WITNESS: That's correct. 18 19 MS. CAMACHO: So he would have actually had 20 nothing to do with this because he didn't do any of the questioning, he didn't pull any of the reports on the 21 22 Enser case, he didn't do anything? 23 THE WITNESS: That's correct. 24 MR. HANLON: I appreciate your indulgence in discussing the handling of the Enser matter. 25

There were certain things that were done which 1 were not ordinarily done with the handling of that 2 3 case; is that right? What I'm asking you, there's a certain flow in the 4 5 way the cases come through your office and down here; 6 is that not right? 7 THE WITNESS: Yes. 8 BY MR. HANLON: 9 Q. Okay. 10 And in the Enser case it appears that there were a 11 number of things done that were not done in the normal 12 course of events; is that right? Do you understand my 13 question? 14 I think you're saying there were certain things 15 that were done. 16 Was the Enser matter handled differently than the 0. 17 ordinary allegations of criminal misconduct that comes through the Office of Professional Compliance? 18 19 Α. Yes. Q. Okay. 20 21 How? Well, we weren't given the latitude that I think 22 Α. was needed in the case. 23 24 Q. Number one. 25 Α. It was, I guess, with the review, you know, to

thoroughly investigate the case from beginning to end, and 1 2 where that would have taken us, I don't know because we 3 didn't do it. 4 Q. Okay. 5 So I guess that would be the big thing. How about the fact that it came down here and an 6 effort was made to take it back, have you ever experienced 8 that? 9 Α. No, I've never seen that before. 10 MS. CAMACHO: Have you ever been removed from a 11 case where you yourself did the entire investigation? THE WITNESS: Just the case that I went to 12 13 Weston. 14 MR. HANLON: And this one. 15 THE WITNESS: And this one. 16 MR. HANLON: Where does Balanti fit in the scheme of things, in the chain of custody or chain of 17 18 command? 19 THE WITNESS: He's a sergeant like myself. 20 BY MR. HANLON: 21 Q. What does he work for? 22 Criminal investigations in the robbery unit. Α. 23 Ο. Who does he report to generally? 24 Α. He has a Lieutenant Bradwood, Captain -- he has a 25 completely different chain of command than I do.

Are you aware of what his chain of command is with 1 0. 2 regard to this case? It's my understanding he reports to the colonel. 3 Α. Colonel Brennan, Colonel Carney I think. 4 What is Brennan's first name? 5 Q. I think it's Tom. 6 Α. 7 And Carney? Q. Α. Tom. 8 MR. HANLON: I can't think of another thing as we 9 gaze around the room. 10 11 I'm going to ask our trustee staff to give you a 12 subpoena for those records in your possession with 13 regard to the Weston matter and also those documents that you're reviewing with respect to the Weston case, 14 15 recognizing that you would give that to us voluntarily; 16 however, I'll take it upon ourselves to give you a subpoena. 17 You want me to get the Weston case 18 THE WITNESS: 19 and give it to you? 20 MR. HANLON: I want to get what you have. said you have stuff in your possession relative to the 21 Weston case. 22 I have a whole copy of that file. 23 THE WITNESS: don't know if it's also -- I don't think that I have 24 25 anything in there that's not in the file.

See, I sent most of the stuff, the statements, the 1 reports, all that stuff went to District 8. 2 3 finished it and did an investigative -- I never did an Investigative Action Report and then it came back. INVESTIGATOR RIHA: He would like to have that 5 less any Garrity material that's in there. 6 I'll go 7 see if I can't add that to the subpoena. These notes you were refreshing your 8 MR. HANLON: 9 recollection on, what are those, just notes? 10 THE WITNESS: These are my notes. 11 MR. HANLON: We want those. We'll give you a 12 subpoena even though I know you would give it to us. I absolutely would be happy to give 13 THE WITNESS: you anything that you would need. 14 15 MR. HANLON: Nothing else, sir. Thank you for your courtesy and cooperation. 16 THE WITNESS: You're welcome. 17 (Whereupon, the SWORN STATEMENT was concluded at 18 19 3:05 p.m.) 20 21 AND FURTHER DEPONENT SAITH NOT. 22 23 24 25

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