

IRWIN: The date is 5-29 of 85. Time is 1:18 in the afternoon. We are in a private office of the detective's division of the Spokane County Police. With us today is Detective Daugherty, myself, Officer Roger Irwin, of WSU, and Mr. Donald White. Don, would you state your full name for the record.

WHITE: Donald Edward White.

IRWIN: And your date of birth?

WHITE: 4-13-56.

IRWIN: Okay, Don, well, we have already chatted a little about Larry, why don't you just take off, for we, (unable to read tape)

WHITE: Okay, as I understand, this is in reference to some people being killed, okay

IRWIN: Right, perhaps I should expand on that a little bit Don. In 1971, there was a young coed murdered on the WSU Campus. Okay, and I believe it was in '81, am I correct Rick?

DAUGHERTY: Um

IRWIN: When Kristine, in 1981, a young lady by the name of Kristine David was murdered

WHITE: That's the one on the hill, in

IRWIN: On the Lewiston grade, right

WHITE: Um

IRWIN: And as I stated before, we had received information through Detective Bailey that you may or may not have information that would be helpful to us.

WHITE: Okay, frankly, I don't think I do, but I will tell you, you know, that's for you to decide. Uh, okay, at the time, Larry and I were in the Palouse, in '81, okay, we were all over the place in '81. And at the time, you

WHITE: you, he had an interest in the case, we talked about it a number of times, uh,

IRWIN: About the case, Kristin David?

WHITE: Right, um, at that time, I believe that there was a brown van that was a suspect, in the, in the abduction, or whatever, um, and then after Larry and I had been arrested by uh, Whitman County Sheriff's on some unrelated matters, when we both were released, he was making a big deal out of, uh, he claimed that his wife, Shirley Knauf, while we were in custody in Whitman County Sheriff's, had been questioned by the Whitman County Sheriff's Department, uh, as to whether or not Larry ever had a brown van, or whether or not he was involved in, in that slaying. Uh, since that time, my wife has talked to Shirley Knauf, and she denies that she was ever talked to at all about that, uh

IRWIN: Does Larry own a brown van?

WHITE: No, not as far as I know, he didn't. Uh,

DAUGHERTY: When did uh, he get the brown van that Fred bought?

WHITE: Oh, that's this year, or you know, as soon as started dealing with the chemicals, we got that. Um, okay, at the time, I didn't think anything of it, alright, you know, when I think back on it, it's seems like he had an undue interest in, you know, I mean, yeah, great, it was kind of a morbid case and all that, but uh, there was a lot of things in the newspaper, we had a lot of other things going, it just, strikes me as odd now. Okay, then this last fall, uh, Larry and I had had a falling out down in California, as to what was going on with our pot garden, and we didn't deal with each other for about six weeks. During that six week period, my kids starting talking, uh, they started evidencing a lot of signs of trauma, where they had been sexually attacked, okay. And my

WHITE: wife developed a relationship, it took about two or three weeks to get them to talk about it, and at first, they didn't mention Larry at all. They mentioned this other family in, in uh, uh, Oroville, California, where we had lived at the time,

DAUGHERTY: What was the

WHITE: By the name of Ron, well, I don't know, that is kind of a big mystery to me, the guy told us that, they told my wife, I never really knew the family that well, but my wife and my children did uh, but they claim that their name was Ron and Kathy Mathieson, okay, uh, later on, once the kids told us, you know, everything that was going on, we uh, contacted the County Sheriff's down there, and they determined that their name was actually Mathis, there was no Mathieson

IRWIN: Excuse me Don, could you go into a little detail what was happening with your children.

WHITE: Okay, I will, and then uh, I, since then I have called, and they, the Police tell me their name is Mathis, okay, the directory listed them under, under Ronny and Kathy Mathieson, okay, to be specific as to what my kids told me. Uh, countless acts, uh, mainly just sadistic type stuff at first, you know, they burnt my son's feet, uh, there is hospital records in California that document that, uh, my wife had to take him to the hospital. She thought that his feet had been burned on the pavement, cause it was a hot day that day. Well, my kids tell me that what actually happened is, 04A Juvenile records - no offense or whatever, a fourteen year old kid in that household, had held his feet up to a light or a piece of hot metal or something, on a light casing or whatever, and had his mouth covered, inside and out, and then ran him out on the street, still with his mouth covered, sitting down and split, and that's where my wife found him, was out on the pavement. Uh,

WHITE: until she took him to the hospital. Well, she was at the hospital, she she just had the impression that the medical personnel did not believe that that's what had happened, and they were almost accusing her, without really saying anything, of, of having harmed our son. Well, she didn't think too much of that, at the time, okay, well, later on my kids talk of uh, of the same teenage boy coming uh, we had a, we had a train that went by, right behind our house, and it would go by three, four times at night, and just rattle the whole house, just really shake it up. And [REDACTED] my youngest son, or my youngest child, is two, then he was about eighteen months, started developing fears of all kinds of stuff. Dogs, uh, trains, airplanes, just, I mean, he was afraid of everything. You know, I would come near him, he would cry, he didn't want me around him, he didn't want, uh, the only relationship he really had in the house was with my wife, and come to find out, from what my older daughters tell me, is that when I was out scouting chemicals, or whatever, if I wasn't in the house, that a lot of times that the fourteen year old boy would put his, my children, it wasn't really a second story, but from the outside, it would require a ladder to be leaned up against the window, and that this fourteen year old kid had been coming through the window, and taking [REDACTED] out when the train was going by, to, to cover whatever noise he might make. Taking [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] back out the window, and to a car. And Larry Knauf, was in a blue car, incidently, his brother Don Knauf, did have a blue sedan at that time. Taking them into the car and taking them to what my four year old daughter says is a Motel 6 in Oroville, California. She would know Motel 6, because she has stayed in a lot of motels with my wife and I, so you know, I feel pretty confident that she is accurate in that. Uh, at the motel, Larry and other people that we have haven't been able to identify, other than the

WHITE: fourteen year old boy, the [REDACTED] uh, forced my children to engage, my two youngest to engage in sexual acts, between them, mainly oral copulation, uh, and the fourteen year old kid was filming it with a video camera. Uh, they claim that Larry molested uh, [REDACTED] both, I mean, there was no penetrations or anything like that, but there was definitely molestations. They, okay, I want to be, I want to clarify something for you, Larry's involvement, I mean the kids, Larry and I got back together after this, uh, estrangement, if you will, okay, and at that point, they still hadn't talked about Larry. Okay, then he was in the house like everyday you know, you know

IRWIN: And you were not aware of what was happening?

WHITE: I was aware of the other family, you know, but I didn't know, had no idea that Larry was involved in it, they, at that point, the main things they had talked about, well, I will tell you next, what they talked about. Is they, uh, my oldest daughter claimed that they had been taken into some kind of room some place, okay, and uh, in the neighborhood, she felt it was, you know, the way she described it, it was a basement, or an abandoned basement or something of that sort, that was concrete walls and floors that were broken down and dilapidated. She says that they had a women that she judged to be about my wife's age, which would be about 25 years old, tied up down in this room, and that they uh, they used to go down for like a two day period, this women was tied up down there, and that ultimately

DAUGHERTY: Was Larry and [REDACTED]

WHITE: No, Larry, the kids don't talk about Larry being in that room

DAUGHERTY: Okay

WHITE: You know, not at the, I mean, if they do, it hasn't

IRWIN: And what city was this in, Don?

WHITE: Oroville, California, I would like to say something else, too, I brought every bit of this to the attention of the Butte County Sheriff's Department, and it's their opinion now, that nothing happened to my kids. Okay, I mean, it's my opinion, that they didn't investigate none of the leads we give them, they never went to the hospital, never got the hospital records I mentioned, they didn't do a god damn thing except that decide that I'm a chemical thief and that I use drugs, and somehow or other, that influenced what my children are saying, okay.

IRWIN: Do you know what hospital your child was taken too?

WHITE: My wife will know, she, uh, in Oroville, it was the, I don't know, the Oroville Community Hospital or General or

IRWIN: Small community?

WHITE: Yeah, it was the major hospital in Oroville, um, but what got me thinking about Larry was the method that this women was killed. Because I remember details of dismemberment from the '81 case on the grade. That's what got me wondering about that, is later on, when they mentioned Larry had been involved in the motel things and you know, that uh, that they had seen him repeatedly at the Mathis home, accepting money from, there was two teenage boys in the house, and apparently, there was some type of money transactions

IRWIN: Now, who saw this, Don?

WHITE: My children.

IRWIN: Okay

WHITE: Okay, and uh, so I got to thinking, well

IRWIN: Did you children ever see Larry in that basement room? With that women?

WHITE: As near as I can tell, no. You know, but I want to stress something else

WHITE: too, this, my children won't talk to nobody. We are talking about, my wife and I camped out, they wouldn't sleep, once we started talking about it, we had intense acting out in the house, I mean, you know, fighting each other, trying to harm each other, they wouldn't sleep alone, we had like a six week therapy session, in the living room. I mean, we couldn't leave them alone, they were just psychologically, they were just shattered. Okay, and they stayed that way for a good six to eight weeks. And during that time period, I mean, you know, we stressed that they hadn't done, I mean, they were told stuff like okay, uh, your Mom and Dad know you are here, they want to here, you are supposed to be doing this, uh, we will kill your friends, we will kill you, we will kill your parents if you don't, you know, if you tell, or if you don't cooperate, and so, they had a lot of, they were intimidated, very you know, effectively intimidated. It took us a real long time to get it out

IRWIN: Is this what the children were telling you?

WHITE: Yeah, I mean, I could go on for hours with the stuff they were telling me.

DAUGHERTY: Okay, back to the room, with the woman tied up.

WHITE: Okay, in the room, [REDACTED] it didn't make any sense to me at first, because first off, she said the woman wasn't bound, I mean, you know, her mouth wasn't gagged, she was tied up, but she said her hands were free. And that she said that they left her for, alone for periods of time. And I couldn't understand, well why didn't this woman scream, why didn't, if her hands were loose, why didn't she attempt to untie the rest and get away. So I asked my daughter, you know, I said, okay, you know, why [REDACTED] why wouldn't, why wouldn't the woman you know, call out for help. And she said, well, they had told the woman in the presence of all the children, you know, that



WHITE: if she made any noise what so ever, they were going to start killing kids. Okay, that kind of made a little sense to me. But I said, okay, [REDACTED] why didn't she untie herself, free herself, and just get away.

And she said, well, she couldn't. And I said, well, how come, her hands are free, they way she described it to me, the woman was in the corner, with some kind of anchor bolts or something, and had her legs out against the wall like this, and her legs were bound to the uh, you know, from, to the wall, on each side like this, and she had ropes around her torso, back against, with knotting behind her of some kind. She said yellow, what she described to me was like a ski rope, a big heavy ski rope, tying her back. And I started to get an idea, yeah, maybe the woman couldn't get, you know, untied, maybe she couldn't reach the knots, maybe you know, that made sense, uh, of sorts. She, they described that, now, my daughter, my oldest daughter, uh, doesn't really describe, you know, she claims to uh, to have been down there, and then just before the killing, and then she left, and then she come back in, apparently, when it was just about done, or whatever, and they ran her off, okay. My two youngest children were still down there. Now, we are talking about a four year old girl and a two year old boy. Now, I know that they don't make real credible witnesses, but if you could have seen the trauma they had, I mean, something, they seen something, okay. Um, my oldest, youngest daughter, my four year old, says that [REDACTED] the fourteen year old boy, stabbed the woman to death, while Ron, his dad, or step-dad, filmed it, okay. She says that there was cuts made from here back, on the mouth, I mean, the woman was totally disfigured, she was dismembered, she was put in plastic bags, and they talk about the bags being placed in holes in the wall. Okay, later on, they come back and my daughter talks about them spraying bug spray around, okay, with a pump, like



WHITE: a garden sprayer, okay. To me, that make sense again, you know, I, I'm not thinking bug spray, I'm thinking disinfectant, or some kind of chemical to, you know, mess up blood tests on the floor, or whatever, on the floor, I don't know, okay. Uh, that all by itself is, you know, it is kind of hairy, but then I start remembering, during the same time period, before, that they are talking about, when this act occurred, okay, I start remembering how my children were acting in the house, my daughter, my four year old daughter, got into this trick with knives, she went up in, one day, she went and got the whole butcher block down, okay, she took all the knives up and had them hid all over her bedroom, okay. Uh, [REDACTED] came running down, I wasn't home, but she told the wife that [REDACTED] was trying to stab [REDACTED] that's my two year old boy. My wife went up there, and you know, sure enough, she was playing around with the knife over [REDACTED] Okay, that really blew our minds, because we had never had, you know, we had never had any kind of problems like that. In addition to that, [REDACTED] okay, he was just learning how to talk, alright, and he would sit, he would be sitting on my lap, sometimes, and you know how kids would point at your nose or your mouth or whatever, you know, well, he had a, just an intense interest in my mouth, you know, he kept pulling my cheeks apart, wanting to look way into my mouth, he really wanted to check it out. Well, when the kids started talking about the woman's mouth being cut like this, I started remembering the look on his face. The kid was scared, you know, at the time, you know, I just, I wasn't doing my job, I wasn't paying a whole lot of attention, I didn't really understand what was happening, and I, you know, I didn't have any conception of what was going on. But, he is scared to death, you know, he would be pointing at my nose, the kids talk about the woman's nose either being cut off or smashed, or something,

WHITE: okay, uh, they talked about the abdominal cavity being opened up, they, my wife can tell you, I mean, they talked to her more about this, than, what I have is second hand, uh, you would be well advised to talk to her. You know,

DAUGHERTY: Does she have more details?

WHITE: Yeah, I will give you the address here before you leave, she is liable to be here right now, visiting.

IRWIN: Could you give us the address right now, so we have it.

WHITE: It's East 976 8th Ave, Upstairs

IRWIN: Spokane?

WHITE: Yeah, and uh, so later on, once Larry's role was brought out to us, like, about January 10th, or so, that we first learned that he was involved, of this year, uh, right away, I started thinking about this other, other case in Lewiston. And little things started popping back in my mind, nothing substantial, it was just stuff that didn't make any sense at the time, but now, made a little bit more sense. For instance, one time Larry and I are, uh, during the six weeks that we were back together before I come up here, and turn myself in, we were driving down to Southern California to uh, to take down some more chemicals down there, and on the way down, I was, I had a bottle of pills in the car, I had some codienes, and I had a bunch of uh, valiums and I had a real strong barbiturate, called nembutol, it's a little yellow capsule, okay, I had four of them in the bottle, that's all I had, I know what I had in the bottle, and I told uh, Larry was saying, what's that, you know, uh, and, cause he doesn't use drugs, or any, or he doesn't drink or anything. So, he claims. And I said, well Larry, these little yellow ones here make a hell of a mikkie, you put one of those in somebody's drink, and they are history. You know, it isn't going to kill

WHITE: them, but they are going to go, you know, it's going to knock them out. And when I get home, there is three of them left in the bottle. You know, just one gone, you know, no biggy, but it didn't make any sense to me, it was obvious to me that Larry took it, at the time, I couldn't figure out why he took it, now I can only speculate why he would want that. But then I remembered what I had told him, you know, it was just, he was flippant about it, because it's true, they're a good mikkie, you know, but uh,

IRWIN: What was just

WHITE: But what the hell should he want one for

IRWIN: That was this year, in January?

WHITE: In January, you know, what did he want one for, that's what I am wondering.

DAUGHERTY: Did Larry, how far south did you go? Did you ever get down into Santa Barbara, that area?

WHITE: No, we went into uh, well, I'm not sure where Santa Barbara is at, we were mainly around uh, ~~DeDesco~~, and uh in Stansla County is mainly where we done the chemical thing.

DAUGHERTY: San Francisco area, that area?

WHITE: No, we never, I never went into that area with Larry, no. Um, but there is you know, everything I have, it's all just, you know, you just, you almost would have to have lived in my house for six weeks with me, with my kids, to believe as firmly as I do that they are telling the truth. Okay, they witnessed, they witnessed something that really shook them up, real bad, and they are still suffering from it, my kids thought Larry was, my little boy thought Larry was hiding in the refrigerator the other day, you know, that's how much it is still effecting him. He is still scared of Larry, he is still scared of this [REDACTED] kid, he is still, you know, I mean, something happened him, okay. Um, there was, there was

DAUGHERTY: What did they do with the films, do you have any clue?

WHITE: That's, no I don't, Rick, I really don't, I wish I did. Um, I tried to pin it down, too, you have to remember that the only, my four year old, that's the best source I have, when it come to the filming, because she was the one that went to the motel, that's where the majority of the films were taken, I'm not talking about the homicide, I'm talking about the sexual acts now. Okay, but it was the same people running the camera, it was the Mathis kid running the camera. So I asked [REDACTED] I says, well, you know, I asked her to describe the camera to me, and what she describes to me is, is, sounds like a battery operated uh, VCR camera, okay. Uh, which makes sense in this room, because they said that you know, that uh, you know, I couldn't figure out where they would have any plug ins or anything like that, or electric cords, in the type of environment they described, um, so I asked her, well, who had the film? You know, who had the film. Okay, and she said, well, [REDACTED] was taking the pictures. I says okay, who let you into the room, you know, and I, and she starts talking all kinds of stuff, and whenever she doesn't want to talk about it, she has got a million and one wild tales to tell you, about aligators and all kinds of stuff, that's got nothing to do with it. Okay, but as near as I can tell, [REDACTED] the fourteen year old kid, had possession of the film, the whole time, that Larry was around there. Okay

IRWIN: Now Larry

WHITE: But

IRWIN: was there at this time?

DAUGHERTY: At the motel?

WHITE: In the motels,

IRWIN: Oh

WHITE: There was apparently, there was at least four or five different incidences

IRWIN: All photographic

WHITE: Right, but to me, it is a connection just because of the film

IRWIN: Yeah, yeah

WHITE: Okay, and I know Larry, I know how Larry works, Larry, if he was involved in something like that, he would keep himself just as remote as he could. Okay, just like with the chemicals, it's the same, you know, that's the way he works, he understands the rules of evidence, okay. Um, but then I think back on my kids, my oldest daughter telling me that she has seen the kids giving, the Matheison kids giving Larry money, on many occasions. So, I'm wondering, you know, plus they talk of other people they have brought to the motels, okay, people coming to the motel, to witness, you know, what was going on. I'm thinking, you know, some kind of sex party or whatever, you know, perhaps they are being, perhaps they are paying Larry or whatever to be there, okay. And that made sense to me, because the kids talk about money going from these kids' hands to Larry. Well that sounds just like Larry to me, you know, okay, uh, he would have the kids working his rounds or whatever, I can see something like that out of him. But what really got me going more than anything else, was just that, what appeared to be, it was really ritualistic type setting, you know, I mean, they were, the kids were talking about, while [REDACTED] was stabbing this girl to death, he was singing a little song, okay, he was uh, uh, you know, they, they talked about dogs being killed, they talk about a horse being killed, they talk about, you know, stuff that just seems a little ritualistic to me. And then I remember the dismemberment aspect of it, you know, on the grade there. Okay, you know, like I said, I really got nothing, Larry never said, hey I killed this woman and threw her in the river, nothing like that, okay, but I just think back to some of his odd

WHITE: comments at the time, in relation to what I have learned from the children now.

DAUGHERTY: Did he say anything about how, when you were, when you would talk, you know, about the homicide of Kristin, did he say anything about how she was killed, or anything like that? Mentioned any of the dismemberment

WHITE: No, you would have to know Larry, he wouldn't anyway, I mean, Larry is the kind of guy that, okay, he likes to flaunt that he has done something, okay, I mean, he wants everybody to know that he has done something, okay. But then there is another aspect of him, on something like that, he would be just the total opposite, because he understand, you know, first of all, Larry's and I's relationship was a relationship, supposedly, of two solid cons, okay. I mean, cons don't mess with kids, okay, in my book, they don't mess with kids, they don't, you know, get involved in grisly murders, they don't, you know, that just doesn't make sense. So, Larry has to keep up that pretense. The comments he made to me, if he was involved in, in that particular homicide, I feel where just the little things, you know, he couldn't help himself, he has always got this, what I like to refer to him as a catch-me trip, you know

IRWIN: I amigo

WHITE: Well, yeah, but he likes to

DAUGHERTY: What, what kind of

WHITE: It's like coming back to Whitman County, you know, I mean, he always, you know, he had a hard on for you guys, he thought, well, they put me down, I am going to go take chemicals out of there. To me, that was stupid. You know, just because you knew who he was. Uh, but he does shit like that all the time, he can't really help himself, he has got to, he has got to let everybody know he is doing something. I think that the comments

WHITE: back then were just that part of him coming out in a safe way. You know, I mean, cause they didn't make any sense to me, I mean, he didn't say anything specific, you know, I can't help you there at all, Rick. The only kind of comments he would make is, you know, uh, it must have been a real sick son of a bitch that did this, or, or uh, Bebe, Bruce Boyd, a friend of ours, a friend of mine, I should say, in Moscow, Idaho, was driving a white van, and you guys had some kind of composite, of a suspect or whatever, at the time that was bearded, I believe, Bebe got pulled over and you know, apparently uh, he was either questioned about it, or he thought he was pulled over for that reason, or whatever, I'm not really sure what happened. Well, Larry and I talked about that. Larry thought that was funny, okay, to me, that's not funny at all, I mean, because Bebe, you know, Bebe might have had an ounce of pot laying on the seat, and if he got pulled over for something totally unrelated, you know, I mean, that's not funny to get pulled over in any town, in my world, it's not, you know.

IRWIN: Did Larry have a beard at this time?

WHITE: Larry has never had a beard, as far as I know, never had a beard. Um, my, if, if you want me to shoot from the hip for a second, I'm, I will say this, okay, if Larry was involved, I would be willing to say that the Mathis family was involved. I would be, this is all pure guess, coming out here, now, I would say that Ron Mathis, somebody ought to get a look at his picture, okay, this guy here. I think you ought to look at his picture, if you have got any kind of witnesses at all, that seen anything, or wherever you got your composite from, see what he looks like, in regards to that.

IRWIN: Any indication that Ron and his family might be up in this area?



WHITE: None, except Larry, see, Larry and I's MO on everything that we have ever done is just take it down here and haul ass that way.

IRWIN: So,

WHITE: You know

IRWIN: You cover distances and

WHITE: You bet, you bet, I mean, it is nothing for us to put ten thousand miles on a rental car in a month. Nothing, you know, we would do it all the time. Okay, and I know Larry, that's the way he works, he likes to, you know, pit jurisdiction against jurisdiction, because it makes it tough to put a case together, you know.

DAUGHERTY: But he's

WHITE: And

DAUGHERTY: He's always gone back to the (unable to read tape)

WHITE: Yeah, and I know why now, you know, I mean, I don't, I would love to know, I mean, this guy, this Ron Mathis, okay, he is an enigma to me, okay, when my wife first met the family, the way we met them is their kids came down and started playing with our kids. And pretty soon, you know

DAUGHERTY: How old is your oldest kid?

WHITE: Nine, okay

DAUGHERTY: Your oldest girl?

WHITE: Yeah, she's nine.

DAUGHERTY: Now, one thing, I want to go back to one, you said that your oldest girl, went into the room, things weren't done, weren't quite done and they ran off.

WHITE: Right, she said, to quote her, she said that they acted real surprised and concerned that she was there, and they wanted her out. Okay, so she left. That fits in with everything else, I mean, [REDACTED] was kept out of it. She

WHITE: used to sneak around, she knew what was happening, she used to try to sneak around, playing Wonder Woman, trying to, you know, help her little brother and sister, you know, okay, she wouldn't tell us because of the threats that had, you know, she had received.

DAUGHERTY: But was she in that room, when the girl was killed?

WHITE: She, she, last I knew, you could, again, you should talk to my wife about it, but she won't admit to being there at the time, okay, she, she talks about being there, I could, you know, anything I say here, my wife might totally contradict, because she has been in closer touch with it, alright, than I have. For a number of reasons, but she has got a lot closer relationship with the children than I do too, which, means a lot as far as them talking about it. Um, but all kinds of, I mean, there was a whole different world in this room, okay, from what the kids describe it, this room was, Ron, he called it Ron's Play Room. Okay, Ron is the step-father in this family, okay, he apparently, you know, you,

DAUGHERTY: Has he been arrested?

WHITE: Okay, I started to mention that a minute ago. When my wife first met him, okay, or first met the family, he wasn't around, he wasn't there. Okay, my wife just, you know, in the course of conversation with his wife, she says well, you know, where is your husband? She says, well, he is in the County Jail uh, because he isn't paying welfare or something like that.

IRWIN: What was the wife's name, do you remember?

DAUGHERTY: Kathy

WHITE: Kathy Mathieson, yeah, um, and she uh, you know, my wife accepted that, you know, why not, sure, that's no biggy. Well we, so, when we first go to the Butte County Sheriff and tell them, you know, what is going on, or

WHITE: what we believe is going on, we mentioned the fact, hey, you can get a handle on this guy, cause he was in the County Jail, at such and such a time period. He was never in the County Jail. So she lied about that, where the guy was, I don't know. But he was not in the County Jail, at least the investigators that I was dealing with down there say he wasn't. But people lie all the time, there is a lot of lies that just don't make any sense, there was no need for them to begin with, and they, you know, this was in Oroville, yeah. Um, Larry, Larry swears up and down he doesn't know these people, okay, um, they say they don't know him. My kids say he was over there all the time, okay. I have got a phone bill right here, that's their telephone number right there, alright, it was placed from a Chico calling card, at the same time I was in Winnemucka, Nevada. There was only two calling cards on that phone, me and Larry's, you know, and that again, that fits with his sloppy work, you know, I mean, he would do something like that. His home records, I believe, are going to turn up that same number a lot, it don't mean nothing, I mean, I can't see any case that can be there. It's the bottom on there, 533-7809. That's an Oroville number. Um, let me tell you a little bit about some of the stuff that was going on in this room, to give you kind of an idea, okay. What kind of people these people are, alright. Ron Mathis is the father, okay, now, well, I should say something else first, okay, once Larry come back and we got back together again, alright, I confided in him, he was my partner, you know, I told him, you know, these assholes, you know, I'm going after them. At the time, I had a .38, and I was going to get, you know, I was going to get me some ass, okay

IRWIN: And Larry never acknowledged that he knew them?

WHITE: No, okay, in fact, Larry was always telling, he was always, you know,

WHITE: pumping me for details, he wanted to know everything the kids were saying, uh, he was telling me, well, I am going to help get these assholes, you know, they were real sick, yeah, we got to get them, all this, okay. Well, my kids tell me know, during that same, uh, time period, from roughly the first of December until I found out about his involvement, everyday he was in the house, whenever my wife and I weren't, you know, paying attention to him, he was getting one of them off to the side, saying, you bet shut up, you know, he was cursing them some more. He was telling them stuff like this is a real nice dog you got here, I will kill your dog if you keep, you know, talking about it. And I remember him, you know, at the time, I thought, what the hell does he care about this dog for, you know, cause he was constantly making open remarks in front of my wife and I, about what a nice puppy he was always playing with the puppy, and Larry don't give a shit about dogs, you know, I mean, he has had a lot of them, but, you know, for him to all of a sudden to fall in love with a little mongrel mutt, you know, at the time, I didn't think anything of it, now, it makes sense, because the kids, the threats he was trying to keep them quiet. Alright, my daughter, my oldest daughter, we got together with the Oroville City Police Department, and they said, okay, can your kids take us to where this, where this occurred. And initially, my daughter said, hey, no problem, I know exactly where it is at, okay. Well, when the time period actually come for them to hop in the Police Car and go over there and look it out, they pointed out a house that didn't even have a basement in it. Okay, 04A Juvenile records - 10 tells me know that Larry told her to point that house out. Okay, you know, you know, that didn't, that hurt my credibility a lot down there, I don't blame her, you know, or nothing like that, but as far as the investigators down there go,

WHITE: every time they turned around, something else was just getting bent out of shape on them and it just wasn't working out.

DAUGHERTY: Well, why don't you, why don't we do this, you are going to see your wife today, visiting?

WHITE: Uh, yeah, I think so.

DAUGHERTY: Okay, why don't we kind of put this on hold a bit and we will sit down with her, since they told it straight to her

WHITE: Okay

DAUGHERTY: Maybe we should go

WHITE: You would be

DAUGHERTY: with that, and that will give us a chance to do some background on these people.

WHITE: Um, she has talked to um, Wade Ralston, in Lewiston, so

DAUGHERTY: Okay, so I will give Wade a call.

WHITE: Yeah, I want to tell you right now, the kids are, you know, they're, they are real reluctant to talk about it, with anybody. You know, they went through

DAUGHERTY: Well, as long as, you know, they will talk to your wife, that way

IRWIN: Fine, no problem.

WHITE: Yeah, and I really don't want any pressure on them.

IRWIN: You don't want to bring it up again

DAUGHERTY: No

WHITE: Okay, yeah, yeah, I just wanted to let you know how I felt about that.

DAUGHERTY: So

IRWIN: This Ron, do you know what he did for a living, what his profession was?

WHITE: Uh, he didn't do nothing, he stayed at home all the time, uh, he has got money all the time, his wife has got a, from what my wife tells me, she

WHITE: down at Montgomery Wards down in Chico, excuse me, in Oroville, every other day, running up \$50, \$60 worth of clothing, you know, and she gets a welfare check, but it don't cover that, uh

DAUGHERTY: Is he doing drugs?

WHITE: As near as I can tell, no, the kids don't talk about anything like that and

DAUGHERTY: Just

WHITE: And they presented themselves to us as, you know, pretty straight-laced people, uh,

DAUGHERTY: So just movies

WHITE: Yeah, it sounds that way.

IRWIN: Back to '81, in July, uh, were you up here, you were up here with Larry? Right?

WHITE: Right

DAUGHERTY: Yeah, they got picked up in July

IRWIN: Yeah, that's when your activities were taking place, in

WHITE: Yep

IRWIN: What was Larry doing at that time, anything? Was he working at his craft, his trade or

WHITE: Yeah, he was stealing.

IRWIN: He's a drywall man, though, isn't he?

WHITE: He is a general contractor, he can do just about anything he wants to, you know. I will tell you, just on a hunch, if you can ever get grounds to look that Pullman house real good, Larry is real good with wood, he is real good with wood, and he is always making trips back up there. During, see, I will put it on the level with you, I have been thinking real serious about just shaking that house down when I get out, looking for something,

WHITE: cause he was always traveling back up here, he used to spend hours just tinkering around down there, in the basement, and not working on the house, and I am just wondering if he hasn't got himself a little hold somewhere, you know, it fits all of his, you know, he used to always talk about when he built his house, he wanted a little secret room in it, so he could stash shit, you know, that nobody could find. Larry built that house all by himself, and it is possible. You know, I am not, I don't want to get James Bond-ish on you, but

DAUGHERTY: That's the first time I have ever seen an entirely stolen house, but

WHITE: It is too.

IRWIN: Now, your relationship with Larry, how far back does it go?

WHITE: April, or May of '81.

IRWIN: Okay, well, we have got a case that goes way back to '71.

WHITE: Yeah

IRWIN: So you weren't acquainted with him at that time?

WHITE: No, and to be frank with you, like I say, the only thing that made me suspicious of him, to begin with, was the kids talking about this gal being chopped up. And it was in the Palouse, there wasn't really nothing there, you know, uh, in all fairness to Larry, the odds tell me he probably doesn't have anything to do with it, but the circumstances tell me, that maybe he does.

IRWIN: In '71, Larry was in the Pullman area.

WHITE: As far as I know.

IRWIN: Now, some of Larry's, between Joyce and Kristin, are very, very similar, uh

WHITE: There is another relationship you might want to look into. They just convicted a guy last year sometime, named, I don't know what his real



WHITE: name is, Mainard Heights, anyway, I have known him as Butch Heights, in Moscow, Idaho, he was convicted uh, uh, child molestations and photographs, and stuff like that. Him and Larry go, they are like this, they go back a long ways.

IRWIN: Do you know what jurisdiction he was convicted?

WHITE: Latah County.

IRWIN: Latah County

WHITE: Yeah, and I believe they attempted to talk to him, and he wouldn't tell them nothing, but, he used to work for Larry, see, he is a lot younger than Larry, he used to work for Larry on construction sites, when Larry, Larry tells me the first job Butch ever had was working with him, when he was a kid.

DAUGHERTY: Butch Heights?

WHITE: Yeah, Butch Heights, is now convicted of molestations.

IRWIN: Is Larry into photography?

WHITE: No, he doesn't profess to be, you know, so

DAUGHERTY: Well, let's go off the record here, at 1:54.

WHITE: Okay

IRWIN: Thank you Don.