

1                   **TRANSCRIPT OF TAPED INTERVIEW OF MICHELLE MURPHY**  
2                   **CONDUCTED BY DETECTIVE MELICH**  
3                   **CASE 08-74777**  
4                   **YM – CORPORAL YURI MELICH**  
5                   **MM – MICHELLE MURPHY**

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8 **The date right now is January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009; the time right now is 1622**  
9 **hours. I'm Detective Melich with the Orange County Sheriff's Office**  
10 **reference Orange County case number 08-74777. I am at 696**  
11 **Seabrook, Seabrook Court apartment 104 with Michelle Murphy and**  
12 **Michelle would you please state your name and birthday for the**  
13 **record?**

14 **MM** Michelle Murphy, uh April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1983.

15 **YM** And Michelle you're aware this is being recorded?

16 **MM** I am aware.

17 **YM** Any objection?

18 **MM** No.

19 **YM** Okay. We sat here for I guess roughly half an hour.

20 **MM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

21 **YM** And I'm here inter, investigating the Caylee Anthony case. Uh I sat  
22 here, I wanted to get an idea of how you know Casey, how you knew  
23 Casey um relationship that you may have with Caylee and we sat  
24 here and we talked about several things. I just kinda wanna go touch  
25

1 on a couple of them one at a time. How long have you known Casey,  
2 Caylee or the Anthony family?

3 **MM** Um I've known the Anthony family I guess I met Lee when I was in 1<sup>st</sup>  
4 grade, so about 5 years old.

5 **YM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

6 **MM** And then I reconnected with them uh, him again in middle school and  
7 knew, kind of, that's when I really met I guess the family, in middle  
8 school and then I reconnected again after a length of time back  
9 probably about 2 years ago, a year and a half ago.

10 **YM** And you reconnected cause you move in I guess with Lee?

11 **MM** Yes.

12 **YM** And, and Bryan Lufkin at the time.

13 **MM** Yes.

14 **YM** Alright. And that was when?

15 **MM** Um that was, I moved in about April of 07 but I started hanging out  
16 over there and spending a lot of time over there probably in February  
17 of 07, so until September of 07.

18 **YM** So from February to September you were living with Lee over at the,  
19 was it Eagle Feather address?

20 **MM** Yes.

21 **YM** Alright and throughout that time did you, did you get to know Casey...

22 **MM** Yes.

23 **YM** ...through Lee.

24 **MM** Yes.

25 **YM** Uh I guess you had had conversations with Casey.

1 **MM** Yes.

2 **YM** Had you met Caylee throughout that time?

3 **MM** Absolutely.

4 **YM** How would you describe her relationship with, with Caylee at that  
5 time, her daughter?

6 **MM** Good um every time I saw them together, Casey or Caylee was  
7 always very attached to her. You know like I would try and like you  
8 know take, you know I love kids so I would um you know try and take  
9 Caylee and play with her, chase her around or whatever and you  
10 know she would only have some of that for a short amount of time but  
11 after a couple of minutes like she was right back um, right back to  
12 Casey or she would never even let Casey leave her sight. You know  
13 she'd always wanna be held you know by Casey.

14 **YM** Did um, did you know at the time what Casey did for a living, what,  
15 what her job was?

16 **MM** Uh as far as, supposedly she worked for the um Universal event  
17 planner from what I had, she was an event manager, event planner  
18 as, from what I understood at the time.

19 **YM** What about the Sport's Authority, do you remember her saying that  
20 she worked at Sport's Authority at any time?

21 **MM** That was um, yes she had said that, that her, she had used the  
22 Sport's Authority as an excuse one evening to get out of hanging out  
23 with me or to not hang out with me one evening or said she got stuck  
24 there or something along those lines.

25 **YM** Was that the....

1 **MM** She had gotten robbed or whatever.

2 **YM** Was that before or after she started working, alleged working for  
3 Universal?

4 **MM** Uh I don't, I, I, I guess it would have been after I'm guessing. I don't  
5 know, around the same time.

6 **YM** Okay fair enough. When um, when you saw Caylee with Casey or  
7 actually when you saw Caylee at any time, did you, did you ever  
8 witness any tantrums Caylee might have had or what she did or the  
9 reason she would have these tantrums?

10 **MM** Well I saw her have what looked to me like separees, separation  
11 anxiety from either Casey, from Casey I guess mostly. Whenever  
12 she wasn't, Casey would like leave her side or whenever Casey  
13 would put her down you know she would like start screaming and  
14 start like "No", you know "Mommy, mommy". But you know I didn't...

15 **YM** Was it that she wasn't to have, was she always wanting Casey's  
16 attention is it like simply putting her in one room walking to the other,  
17 would that cause it or do you know?

18 **MM** No she would never get, she, Casey would never make it to the next  
19 room.

20 **YM** Okay.

21 **MM** You know even if Cay, you know even if she had put Caylee on the  
22 floor and like I was you know chasing her around or trying to play with  
23 her or whatever and Casey or Caylee lost track of, lost sight of her,  
24 you know if Casey happened to walk into one of the other rooms or  
25 walked into the garage you know Casey would like kinda lose it.

1 **YM** Casey would lose it or Caylee?  
2 **MM** I mean Caylee, sorry (laughter).  
3 **YM** That's okay. Um how often would you say that happened? Is it every  
4 time...  
5 **MM** Well she would, she was um, she got a little bit better I think once she  
6 got to know me a little more.  
7 **YM** Uh huh (Affirmative)  
8 **MM** Um she got a little bit more comfortable but she didn't bring um  
9 Caylee over to the house that often. I probably saw Caylee over at  
10 the house maybe like 3 or 4 times. Well maybe a little bit more than  
11 that.  
12 **YM** Had you been over to their house on Hope Spring?  
13 **MM** Yeah I was there for Caylee's 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday.  
14 **YM** Tell me about that.  
15 **MM** Um it was a fiesta theme um birthday party and um Cay, well Cindy  
16 and Casey were both, were hosting it you know but Cay, you know  
17 Cindy being you know Cindy I guess was more in charge of the  
18 festivities. Um you know Casey was being the social um butterfly and  
19 you know we were mostly hanging out. I was in the pool, in the big  
20 pool. Um and I know that Cay, Caylee was like just attach, she was  
21 just in her little tiny pool. You know like she was just running around  
22 and being in her little tiny pool. And then we all ate and then we  
23 opened gifts and um....  
24 **YM** Who was helping Caylee open gifts?  
25

1 **MM** Um Cindy and Casey were both doing the gifts and it kind of, I don't  
2 know. It was kind of weird just cause I guess it seemed like they  
3 were both um....

4 **YM** Competing?

5 **MM** Kind of. You know a little bit. Kind of competing over the gifts and  
6 you know I think Casey was, Casey was more involved but I think you  
7 know Cindy was still trying to run the show. You know still trying to  
8 be like in you know like over, overbearing or not overbearing that's a  
9 bad word but.

10 **YM** Let's talk more about that, we, we talked about it before uh how Cindy  
11 viewed her relationship with her granddaughter more as a daughter  
12 relationship.

13 **MM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

14 **YM** Um that upset Casey.

15 **MM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

16 **YM** Seemed like she was maybe stepping on Casey's toes.

17 **MM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

18 **YM** Or, or saying that Casey wasn't a good mother. Tell me about that  
19 relation that you know of. What, what, what did you see?

20 **MM** Well I saw Casey very afraid of her mom and her mom's rebuke or  
21 her mom's like, what her mom was gonna say about. Her mom,  
22 disappointing her mom I think...

23 **YM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

24 **MM** ...would be a much better term you know. Casey I think, you know  
25 she's not a stupid girl, she knows, she knows when she screws up

1 and she knows what she's doing is wrong. You know whether or not  
2 that stops her from doing anything is another thing but um she  
3 doesn't want her mom to find out about the bad stuff that she does.  
4 You know but then that's also like the first person that she turns to  
5 when she, you know gets; you know screws up in some way. But um  
6 I think, she just, she, she never really complained too much about her  
7 mom. The person that she more complained about than anything  
8 was her dad. You know and just the crappy relationship that she had  
9 with her dad, her dad was always yelling at her, her dad and her  
10 didn't get along and you know all this other stuff. But um Cindy, she  
11 didn't really, Cindy and her was more just an, of an observational  
12 relationship I think.

13 **YM** You mentioned uh that she was afraid of disappointing her mom by  
14 letting her know about the bad stuff that she did, what kind of bad  
15 stuff did she so that she was worried about?

16 **MM** Well my, well just like when she was, when she got, when she  
17 supposedly got pregnant again after Brandon left for Iraq and um just  
18 that she did things that were behind her mom's back I guess in hopes  
19 that she wouldn't find out. Like the party that she was gonna throw at  
20 the house and her mom didn't know about and....

21 **YM** What else?

22 **MM** Um well I guess you know the whole job thing is you know it's gotta  
23 be another one. Um....

1 **YM** You men, you men, we mentioned that before uh as far as her telling  
2 people that she was an event planner, you mentioned Mallory was  
3 going to school for event planning, Mallory being Lee's girlfriend.  
4 **MM** Lee's girlfriend right.  
5 **YM** And you found it odd that you know how can Mallory be going to  
6 school for it when...  
7 **MM** Casey is yeah.  
8 **YM** Uh what was your perception about uh about Casey telling you she  
9 was an event planner, did you believe it?  
10 **MM** No. No I don't think anybody did. Um mostly because she uh, you  
11 know she had Cindy's, from what I understand she had, she had  
12 used Cindy's laptop quite a bit and um kinda pawn, used that and  
13 said that was her work laptop. Um I think when she was with friends  
14 so she would tell friends that she was working when she wasn't. She  
15 was doing her my space page or doing Annie's my space page or you  
16 know or she was always sick. You know I think that was another  
17 reason she was never working. You know cause she was always  
18 sick. Um, um....  
19 **YM** Did anyone ever call her on that?  
20 **MM** Not that I, not that I know of, none of our, none of my friends did at  
21 least. Um I think...  
22 **YM** So....  
23 **MM** ...we all, it was common knowledge along, you know between all of  
24 us that she probably didn't have a job or there was just no way that  
25 somebody could um spend so much time on the internet you know

1 and still be working. You know it's like you would think that you know  
2 Universal had these pages blocked and you know just things like that.  
3 You know it's like where does she, how does she get anything done.

4 **YM** You mentioned one of the reasons was that uh she was known to lie  
5 a lot.

6 **MM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

7 **YM** Is that one of the reasons maybe 'cause it's like ah that's just Casey  
8 she's, were you used to it?

9 **MM** Yeah, yeah, yeah. It was definitely, but it was never like, it was  
10 always just these little tiny stupid things that it's like you don't think  
11 that any, it's like you don't, how would you, it's like how would you call  
12 somebody out on that you know. It's like what would you, it's just like  
13 I said earlier, it's like what do you, you know do you ask her to  
14 provide you with a pay stub and a W2? You know cause it's kinda  
15 like how do it's hard, it's hard cause you try and find the line of where  
16 it's your business and where it's not your business.

17 **YM** So she wasn't getting along with her dad. Was it they just argued a  
18 lot or what was the, the....

19 **MM** According to her they argued all the time.

20 **YM** About anything in particular or...

21 **MM** About just everything. As far as I knew She never went into any  
22 specifics but they were just always arguing and....

23 **YM** Was it about money or about Caylee or about living at home or work  
24 or...

25 **MM** I, I, I haven't the slightest idea.

1 **YM** So she had ar, she, she had a rough time with her dad....  
2 **MM** Yes.  
3 **YM** ...they argued a lot.  
4 **MM** Definitely.  
5 **YM** Mom was being overprotective or...  
6 **MM** Right.  
7 **YM** ...overbearing...  
8 **MM** Uh huh (Affirmative)  
9 **YM** And, and uh was trying to assume the mother role with Caylee.  
10 **MM** Right.  
11 **YM** We mentioned before or we talked about before uh Cindy threatening  
12 Casey by saying that she was gonna....  
13 **MM** She was gonna get custody.  
14 **YM** Tell me about that. How did that come up?  
15 **MM** Well....  
16 **YM** How often did that come up? Is that....  
17 **MM** I don't know how often, I don't know how often it came up with,  
18 between Cindy and Casey. I don't, that I just don't know. But I know  
19 that it was, had been mentioned by Lee to me a few times, that  
20 George um had mentioned it to me at the prayer vigil you know  
21 saying like oh you know, kinda like a what if. You know if we had  
22 only gotten cus, you know if we had only just done it instead of just  
23 talking...  
24 **YM** And you, and....  
25

1 **MM** ...about it um you know but um no as far, the custody thing of them  
2 taking custody of Caylee had, had been an ongoing, I think, subject  
3 for, if I had to guess it would probably be for most of Casey, Caylee's  
4 life but from what I know, just from where I sort of started coming  
5 around it was like right before she turned 2.

6 **YM** Did um, you mentioned a 2<sup>nd</sup> pregnancy, she said she, I guess she  
7 had come to you or said or come to everyone, a lot of people and  
8 said that she was pregnant with uh Brandon's kid. When was that  
9 again?

10 **MM** Uh if I had, I would say probably February, March, early March.

11 **YM** 0 7?

12 **MM** 0 7.

13 **YM** Okay. And then uh he went off to Iraq shortly thereafter she started  
14 telling people about a miscarriage.

15 **MM** Miscarriage, yeah.

16 **YM** And I guess she had opened up to Lee about this, Lee told Cindy.

17 **MM** Yes.

18 **YM** What, what happened there, how did that go over?

19 **MM** Um well he had told her, oh man did he tell her after, no cause she  
20 hadn't, I'm trying to think if she had lost, lost the baby before or after  
21 Cindy found out. I don't think, I don't, I really can't remember. I'd  
22 have to ask, I'd have to ask somebody I think. Because I can't  
23 remember if Cindy found out before she had lost the baby or after she  
24 had lost the baby but I know that Cindy was pissed, like way pissed,  
25 way pissed, like furious pissed.

1 **YM** Well we, I guess you were saying during the 2<sup>nd</sup> pregnancy it was  
2 Brandon's kid, what about the first, she ever say who the, who the  
3 baby's daddy was?

4 **MM** She told me on the phone one time that the father was this guy she  
5 had had a one night stand with in Ohio at an amusement park.

6 **YM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

7 **MM** Now whether she had the one night stand in the amusement park I  
8 don't know. I didn't ask that far.

9 **YM** Let me go, let me go backwards real quick uh as far as, when Cindy  
10 found out did she like go grab her out of a restaurant or something?

11 **MM** Supposedly I heard that she took her out of a, a TGI Friday's.

12 **YM** But you weren't there?

13 **MM** No I was not there...

14 **YM** You just heard about it.

15 **MM** ...that, that time, no.

16 **YM** Who'd you hear it from, Lee?

17 **MM** Uh Lee.

18 **YM** Okay. Tell me about her meltdown. You kinda went into detail about  
19 that before. When it happened and, and exactly what she told you.

20 **MM** It happened, she called me one time um I would guess it was  
21 probably March, it had to have been like in March of 07, that she  
22 called me and said that she was, she needed somebody to talk to,  
23 that she was feeling crazy. She was thinking about getting herself  
24 committed um you know she had imagined this life with Brandon and  
25 um you know they were gonna live on base and they were, she was

1 supposed to have her, her baby in October and she was, it was  
2 gonna be her and Brandon and Caylee um and the baby. And she  
3 had this whole, like housewife thing kind of Leave It To Beaver sort of  
4 plan in her mind and it, you know it didn't work out and um she was,  
5 she just didn't know what to do and she didn't feel like she was being  
6 a very good mother to Caylee and um you know and I told her and I  
7 said, "Look", I said "I think that's a very smart idea if you don't feel like  
8 you can take care of you, you know your daughter". "I, you know  
9 you're so lucky to have parents who will gladly take care of you know  
10 Caylee for you" and um you know I encouraged her, I told her that I  
11 would be more than happy to pick her up and take her and you know  
12 be with her you know if she, when she told Cindy and George that  
13 she thinking about getting herself committed and the whole 9 yards.  
14 Um and we probably talked for like a good hour and a half you know  
15 about, about this. And um you know and she was just like, "Well I  
16 don't know, it's just like I gotta think about it and I gotta", you she was  
17 talking to me you know about insurance and cost and all this other  
18 stuff and I was just like "Look you know don't worry about it".  
19 "If you feel crazy or suicidal or anything like that you know it's not,"  
20 yeah the buffalo upstairs". "Um you know you need to, you know you  
21 really need to just get some help."

22 **YM** When was uh, where'd this conversation take place do you  
23 remember?

24 **MM** It took place, where I was, she was home with Caylee and Caylee  
25 was watching cartoons. Cause I asked where Caylee was at the time

1 because I, I wanted to make sure that Caylee wasn't in any danger.  
2 Cause I, I remember at the time I was home. So if I needed to like go  
3 and...

4 **YM** So you guys were talking on the phone?

5 **MM** Yeah, yeah, yeah, we were talking on the phone. So I need, you  
6 know cause then I asked if Caylee was okay and you know do, do  
7 you, do you need me to come over and the whole thing cause you  
8 know I know. I, I, I know, I've, I've been there. You know I know  
9 what it's like to feel like you're losing your mind.

10 **YM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

11 **MM** You know and that's not, obviously having a toddler around isn't the,  
12 you know what....

13 **YM** Did she, did she say why she thought she was not being a good mom  
14 for Caylee?

15 **MM** No.

16 **YM** Did she say what caused this meltdown to begin with because uh a  
17 problem she was having with her mom, a problem with George, a  
18 problem with a boyfriend, a problem with financial, anything, did she  
19 kinda give you a cause? What, what you know made her come out  
20 outta the blue and just...

21 **MM** Um I guess, I guess my, I don't know that she ever came out and said  
22 anything, I think it was um sort of assumed that it was the pregnancy,  
23 the miscarriage. Cause it was very, like a few days after she had said  
24 she had the miscarriage. Like I think I was one, supposedly one of  
25 the first people to know that she had lost the baby. And so it was

1 within a couple of days after that that I had um that she had told me  
2 that, you know about the miscarriage and I think because Cindy had  
3 confront, I just think it was a lot of, just a lot of stress.

4 **YM** Well she wasn't, did anyone ever see she was pregnant?

5 **MM** No, no.

6 **YM** Did anyone ever see a, a birth test or ...

7 **MM** No, Un unh (Negative).

8 **YM** No.

9 **MM** No.

10 **YM** Pregnancy test.?

11 **MM** No.

12 **YM** Did anyone ever see a, with her when she got a miscarriage or...

13 **MM** No, no, no.

14 **YM** ...or when she was a doctor so if we so nobody can confirm whether  
15 she was pregnant or not?

16 **MM** No, no.

17 **YM** Except for Casey.

18 **MM** Right.

19 **YM** And if we assume that to be false do you think, what else could it  
20 have, could have triggered this? Cause it can't be something that's  
21 not true for her to open up and go an hour and a half about wanting to  
22 get institutionalized or commit herself or....

23 **MM** I don't, see I don't know because part of me thinks that it was just a  
24 ploy to just get sympathy. Cause when I talked to, when I called to  
25 check on her the next day, I mean I was like, "How are you feeling",

1 "Are you doing better" you know "Do you still", "Have you made a  
2 decision", "Are you gonna do it", "Did you talk to your parents" and  
3 she's like "Oh no I'm good", "I'm feeling better" you know "I don't feel  
4 like" you know. And she just kinda blew me off and I'm like, "Alright".

5 **YM** Did you ever tell Lee about this?

6 **MM** Did I ever tell Lee about this? I don't think so. Cause I feel weird  
7 about betraying people's confidences. And already, and I knew that  
8 he had called her out on the, like he had told his mom about her  
9 being pregnant and I didn't, you know I wanted, I wanted, I didn't  
10 want Casey to not be able to confide in me if she was feeling like  
11 crazy. So I didn't wanna, I didn't wanna just confront Lee and tell him  
12 because I didn't want, I didn't wanted her to feel betrayed...

13 **YM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

14 **MM** ...by me.

15 **YM** Did you ever go out with Casey uh socially, just you know you girls or  
16 with a group of girls?

17 **MM** Un unh (Negative)

18 **YM** Did uh Casey ever bring up to you or mention to you like what if. Like  
19 what, what her life would have been like had she not had Caylee or  
20 had she not gotten pregnant so young?

21 **MM** Un unh (Negative)

22 **YM** Did she ever express any regrets about it?

23 **MM** Nope.  
24  
25

1 **YM** Um you mentioned real quickly we, we talked about her first  
2 pregnancy there... there were a lot of people that were rather startled  
3 to find out that Casey had hidden it so well for so long.

4 **MM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

5 **YM** And she was coming up with certain stories. What story did you  
6 remember her telling you?

7 **MM** Um I remember the tumor story, that she, people were kind of  
8 confronting her that she was pregnant, congratulating her, whatever  
9 you know and um she was like, "Oh no" and she's like "It", "I'm not  
10 sure what it is, I'm going to the, the doctor's finally gonna do an  
11 ultrasound, they think it might be a tumor". You know and I just  
12 kinda, I wasn't around for that part you know but I just remember that  
13 was kind of you know the story.

14 **YM** Uh huh (Affirmative).

15 **MM** You know and it was like she had, she, she wasn't, supposedly  
16 wasn't sure you know and then the next day she was like overjoyed  
17 cause it was a baby and not a tumor (laughter).

18 **YM** Had uh, had you ever heard of, before July 16<sup>th</sup> of last year, 2008,  
19 had you ever heard of a Zeneida Gonzalez?

20 **MM** Never.

21 **YM** What about Zanny the Nanny?

22 **MM** Nope.

23 **YM** What about Casey using a nanny?

24 **MM** Nope.

25

1 **YM** As far as you know, personal knowledge, who watched over Caylee  
2 when it wasn't Casey?  
3 **MM** Cindy and George.  
4 **YM** Anyone else?  
5 **MM** No. Lee maybe, no Lee didn't, Lee's not really a kid person that  
6 much. No just Cindy and George.  
7 **YM** What about uh Raquell Farrell? It ever come up in the group of  
8 friends that you hung out with?  
9 **MM** No.  
10 **YM** Uh Jennifer Rosa?  
11 **MM** Un unh (Negative)  
12 **YM** Uh what about Jeffery Hopkins?  
13 **MM** Nope.  
14 **YM** Za, a little boy name Zachary  
15 **MM** No.  
16 **YM** Okay. Is there anything that um that I haven't asked you about  
17 Casey that you feel is important, nothing you may have been stewing  
18 over time. Again hindsight, I said this before, hindsight is....  
19 **MM** Right.  
20 **YM** ... 20/20. It's easy to look back now and go okay that explains it.  
21 **MM** Right.  
22 **YM** Is there anything maybe that's come up that you, you kinda had in the  
23 back of your mind as being important you wanted to share, that you  
24 think might help us understand what happened?  
25

1 **MM** Um not that I can think of right now um other than her complete  
2 avoidance. You know the only, the only thing that really was you  
3 know was just the time that Lee tried to confront her know at the  
4 Dragon Room that one night and she....

5 **YM** Tell, tell me about that again.

6 **MM** She um....

7 **YM** That was the July....

8 **MM** It was about July 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> I think.

9 **YM** Uh huh (Affirmative)

10 **MM** Um Lee had done some sleuthing on face book because she had  
11 been laying pretty low.

12 **YM** Why, why was he doing that?

13 **MM** Because nobody had, nobody had talked to Caylee. And no, well first  
14 of all nobody had seen Casey in quite a while. And nobody had  
15 talked to Caylee in weeks and so Cindy was starting to freak out and  
16 Lee kinda got I guess the brunt of that and, and decided to kind of  
17 take matters into his own hands. And so he was gonna try and  
18 confront um Casey and just try and find her. Now in the meantime  
19 Casey had been posting pictures on her face book about you know or  
20 on her face book. Cause I remember seeing those pictures that they  
21 have um you know of her in the purple dress. I did see those when  
22 she first posted them. Then there was another set of pictures that I  
23 thought I saw that she had posted right after all of that. Um she was  
24 in a bla, a black....

25 **YM** Black dress?

1 **MM** No not black dress, black tank top. She was in some kind of a sports  
2 bar and she was, and I haven't seen them again. And that's what I  
3 think is really weird cause I don't know who, she must have deleted  
4 them but I, but I, but they were even later pictures than um, they were  
5 even later than the pictures that were of her in the purple dress and  
6 the black dress even. And it wasn't at Fusion; it was at some other  
7 bar. It was like a sports bar and she was with this black guy. But....

8 **YM** I pulled you off topic. Uh....

9 **MM** I'm sorry.

10 **YM** No my, my fault.

11 **MM** No that's okay.

12 **YM** When Lee was...

13 **MM** Right.

14 **YM** ...sleuthing.

15 **MM** Yeah Lee um, Lee was sleuthing and found out she was gonna be at  
16 the Dragon Room and so he had asked um, he had gotten like one of  
17 his friends to go, had asked Brian if he wanted to go. Brian called me  
18 and asked me if I wanted to go and I was gonna go but then I just  
19 decided I didn't wanna go downtown. And then I guess Mallory went  
20 and they were all gonna go and get Casey and just get, take, get her,  
21 take her you know. And she has apparently caught wind that Lee  
22 was coming and she, she just, she bolted you know. And then via  
23 some text messages from, between Mallory and Casey um you know  
24 she was like "I don't wanna see anybody and I don't wanna see my  
25 brother". And you know "I had to go" and you know and Mallory was

1 just like, "Look you know we love you and we just wanna see  
2 Caylee", "We just wanna make sure she's okay". And she's like,  
3 "She's fine" you know.

4 **YM** You weren't, you weren't a part of the group that went or...

5 **MM** No, Un unh (Negative).

6 **YM** How.....

7 **MM** No I had talked to Mallory....

8 **YM** ...how did...

9 **MM** ...the next, I, well I talked to Brian the night that they went and then I  
10 asked, called Mallory the next day to ask her how everything went.

11 **YM** How did Casey get wind that they were on the way?

12 **MM** I don't know. That's, yeah I never, I'm not sure about that. I don't  
13 know how they caught wind of it. I don't know if maybe they found  
14 her at a different bar, they had to call around, I don't, I don't know.  
15 But somehow she had found out that they were on their way or  
16 coming.

17 **YM** When was the last time you specifically remember seeing Caylee?

18 **MM** Oh um the last time is specifically remember seeing Caylee.

19 **YM** Was it in 2008

20 **MM** Did I see her in 2008, no? I don't think I saw her in 2008.

21 **YM** So it would have been maybe the 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday party?

22 **MM** It was either then or, or after, shortly thereafter her 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday party  
23 that I last say Caylee.

24 **YM** When was the last time you saw Casey?

25 **MM** Probably around the same time.

1 **YM** So almost uh about 6 months, 8 months went by, you didn't see her  
2 in that May, June, July period of last year, 2008?

3 **MM** Right.

4 **YM** She never stopped by or....

5 **MM** No.

6 **YM** ...you, you never met uh, go out to....

7 **MM** No, no, we talked on, on my space and face book and you know I  
8 was kinda like, "Oh we should get", you know get together. But then  
9 it's like kinda by that, by that time and you sort of already have that  
10 sour taste in your mouth from her and, and it's like always trying to  
11 make plans and knowing that she doesn't ever follow through. It's  
12 like kind of a futile, you know you try and stay friendly for the sake of  
13 just being civil but you know you know it's like never, nothing's ever  
14 gonna come of it.

15 **YM** Did she ever make any mention to you through my space or face  
16 book or by any other means that there was something wrong with  
17 Caylee that Caylee was missing...

18 **MM** Gosh no.

19 **YM** ...Caylee was taken.

20 **MM** Gosh no.

21 **YM** Alright. Uh I guess, is there anything else that I haven't talked about  
22 you think is important or?

23 **MM** Um not that I know of.

24 **YM** Okay would you raise your right hand for me? Do you swear and  
25 affirm everything you told me is the truth?

1 **MM** I swear to God.

2 **YM** Thanks.

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8 **Signed this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2009.**

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