

1 The date right now is January 6, 2008. The time right now is 0900 hours. I'm
2 Detective Melich with the Orange County Sheriff's Office in reference to Orange
3 County case number 08-74777. Also present is Corporal Eric Edwards and also
4 present is Alex Roberts.

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6 Q Alex, could you please state your name and date of birth for the record?

7 A Alex Roberts uh born [REDACTED]

8 Q You could sit back and relax.

9 A Okay.

10 Q It'll pick up the whole room. Uh, Alex we, we asked that uh you come in here and
11 talk to us today about uh the Caylee Anthony case. Uh your boss called you in.
12 We're sitting in the conference room and uhm you agreed to sit and talk to us
13 about the case. Uh, any objection to this being recorded?

14 A No.

15 Q Okay. Alex, we sat down for a short period of time. We went over a little bit of uh
16 a little bit of history on what you know about the case and uh what Roy may
17 have, Roy Kronk may have told you in the past. Please tell me about the first
18 time you heard anything about Roy finding a bag in the woods and who was with
19 him at the time?

20 A Well I can't be specific who was there, 'cause like I said, I wasn't there. But I
21 think it might have been Chris and David. And uh like I said they was in there, in
22 the woods and they find a snake. And I guess Roy went, went I don't know how
23 far, what direction or whatever, and he found a bag or he said, you know what he
24 told them that uh, what happens or, or supposedly was a body or something in
25 the bag or something.

- 1 Q Did he specifically say ... did he open this bag?
- 2 A Nah, I wasn't there, so I really don't know.
- 3 Q Did he tell you if he opened the bag?
- 4 A No, he didn't say he opened the bag.
- 5 Q Did uh anyone else say that Roy opened the bag?
- 6 A No. No one said he opened it.
- 7 Q So where did they uh comment about a body come from? How did that...
- 8 A Well, David said, Roy said it.
- 9 Q Did you hear Roy say it?
- 10 A No.
- 11 **Det. Edwards:**
- 12 Q That was later in the afternoon when they brought
- 13 A Yeah.
- 14 Qthe snake back to the, to the lobby?
- 15 A To the parking lot, yeah.
- 16 Q Or you say? Instead they were all kind of playing in jest and playing a little grab
- 17 ass maybe.
- 18 A Exactly.
- 19 Q And they were picking on him?
- 20 A Yeah.
- 21 Q How did, how did that go down? What's like your recollection on that?
- 22 A Well everybody's laughing. And uh, he was just fascinated with the snake.
- 23 Everybody kind of take pictures with their cell phone and everything.
- 24 Q Of the snake?
- 25 A Yeah.

- 1 Q But, but David and, and Chris were picking on Roy a little bit?
- 2 A Well they, a little bit. Just telling him, laughing. You know just, just playing around
3 like if he's scared of the snake or whatever and you know. You know. I didn't, I
4 didn't paying much attention because like I said there was nothing there. I
5 mean....
- 6 Q They were picking on him because he was scared of the snake or they were
7 picking on him because they thought that he was a goof ball 'cause he was
8 saying....
- 9 A Yeah.
- 10 Qthere was bones in the bag?
- 11 A More than likely saying that if something was in that bag.
- 12 Q So they started ragging on him?
- 13 A Yeah.
- 14 Q About that? But you can't remember specifics?
- 15 A No.
- 16 Q And the snake was brought, so it was the same day they found the snake.
- 17 A Yeah.
- 18 Q Because they brought it back here? Okay. Did you take a picture of it by any
19 chance with your phone?
- 20 A No, no.
- 21 Q Okay.
- 22 A My phones are ancient.
- 23 Q And when that, when that little uh, when that uh was going on in the parking lot,
24 do you remember who all was there that, at that time?
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1 A Well after a while, almost all of us. Tim came out. Rusty came out. Uh, and a few
2 of the meter readers, almost all of the meter readers just gathered around to see
3 the snake.

4 **Det. Melich:**

5 Q Who's got that snake now? They still, they still have it?

6 A Yeah. I think Dave's got it.

7 Q Yeah. From that time until uhm December 11th, when Roy called you and said he
8 found something, had you talked to Roy about uh the bag in the woods. Did he
9 ever come over and say hey, you know, let's go check that out or hey I think
10 something...?

11 A No.

12 Q What about uhm Carl? Has he ever mention or did he mention that he had called
13 the police about it or called in a tip?

14 A No.

15 Q Let's fast forward to December 11th. Uh, when, when the body was found. Tell
16 me about that morning. You, you were working a route and....

17 A Well, every, the meter readers get their, their assignments here. And then a little
18 while after they leave then I go out and I have to check, I get a list of where they
19 are and route numbers and stuff so I go out and uh, and keep an eye on them.
20 And so that morning, you know I was going down I think Chickasaw or so, I saw
21 Roy's truck in there. I didn't even know it was Roy's truck, but I just saw one truck
22 so I went in there. And found Roy back there walking. So I walked, I finished
23 walking the route with him and then uh, when we finished the route, you know
24 there's another section. So, you know since my truck was back there, I had to get
25 on the back of his truck and let him take me back to my truck. And so you know I

1 told him now I have to go there and help Bruce so you know I left and I went uh
2 to the next subdivision to, to try to find Bruce and uh and he suppose I guess he
3 was going to read the next section, I don't know how he got down that road but
4 you know I start hearing on the radio that he's calling for me. Somebody said
5 Alex uh, you're looking for Alex. And then I turned the radio down and I turned up
6 you know the regular radio, and I heard him say uh he found a, a, a body, a skull.
7 Or some remains for something. You know human remains. That's what it was.
8 And so I didn't call back. I just went back over there you know. Cause I thought, I
9 think I heard Rusty and them on the radio and stuff so, I just went right back over
10 there.

11 **Det. Edwards:**

12 Q Who was there at that time when you got there?

13 A Just Roy.

14 Q Just Roy? So it was you, Roy and then Bruce shows up?

15 A Well Alan was there but he was just sitting in his truck. He was just sitting there.

16 Q What's Alan's last name?

17 A Robinson.

18 Q And who was he there with? Or was he in his own truck?

19 A No, he just, he was just in his own truck.

20 Q So what is Bruce's last name?

21 A Neill.

22 Q So Bruce Neill, Alan Robinson, Alex and Roy.

23 A Yeah.

24 Q And out of that four employees, the only person to go down there was, was Roy?

25 A Is Roy.

1 Q Prior to law enforcement?

2 A Yeah.

3 Q Okay. That you're aware of or you're, you're certain?

4 A I'm certain. Cause when I got... only Roy was there.

5 Q Okay. All right.

6 **Det. Melich:**

7 Q When you say you, you pulled up you saw Roy. Where, where was he?

8 A Oh, he was just standing there. He was, car was you know, here's the curb. The
9 car, his truck was there so I pulled up and he was just standing right there by the
10 door kind of leaning back on the door.

11 Q What did he say to you when you got out of the truck?

12 A He said, he freaking uh, he freaking not, not to lie to everybody, he freaking
13 gonna get a reward or something. You know.

14 **Det. Edwards:**

15 Q Taking about the money?

16 A Yeah.

17 Q Cause he found the child?

18 **Det. Melich:**

19 Q Did he know it was a child or did he just.....

20 A Well he said it was a, the way he was describing it on the radio that, that it looks
21 like a small, a small child's skull, human remains.

22 Q Uh-huh (affirmative)

23 **Det. Edwards:**

24 Q What did he say to you face to face when you got there? Do you remember?

25 A That's what he said.

1 Q No specifics?

2 A Nah.

3 Q No.

4 **Det. Melich:**

5 Q Did he say anything about I told you so? You all were making fun of me?

6 A No.

7 Q Nothing like that?

8 A As I understand that, that's the banter that was going on the radio. Like so I didn't
9 hear that. You know until later when he said you know I heard the comments
10 what you guys made or whatever about the I told you so or whatever. You know.

11 Q All right.

12 **Det. Edwards:**

13 Q Is there anything that you can think of, any other people that came there or
14 anything else that occurred that we may find interesting that, that has been on
15 your mind?

16 A No. Just Roy was there. I got there. Alan was sitting there. He didn't get out his
17 truck. And then uh the safety people and the police came.

18 Q The safety people?

19 A Yeah, our two guys from upstairs.

20 Q Who are they?

21 A I'm sure you can find their names.

22 Q Okay.

23 **Det. Melich:**

24 Q And just to make sure I'm clear, when you got there, Roy was the only one
25 there?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q And then Alan showed up afterwards?
- 3 A Well, he was sitting there. You know, Roy was standing outside the car.
- 4 Q Uh-huh (affirmative)
- 5 A Alan was sitting back here but he was way back. He wasn't even real close
6 enough. He was just sitting there.
- 7 Q So Roy was there, next to his car? Alan was there, in his car?
- 8 A Yeah.
- 9 Q And then, you're the third person?
- 10 A Yeah.
- 11 Q There?
- 12 A Yeah.
- 13 Q Okay.
- 14 A Actually went and talked to him and that's when he told me about you know the
15 statement I made. Uhm....
- 16 Q That's when he went and talked to Roy?
- 17 A Yeah.
- 18 Q Alan never got out of the car?
- 19 A No.
- 20 Q Why was Alan sitting in the car?
- 21 A I don't know. He was doing that route on nearby. I'm not sure. Well maybe he
22 heard it on the radio and I, I'm not sure why he was there actually.
- 23 Q And he just pulled up? Was he leaving or....
- 24 A Probably. He probably heard it on the radio and just went over there or
25 something. I don't know.

1 Q Did you actually see him pulling up or

2 A No, no he was there already.

3 Qhe was parked? Okay.

4 **Det. Edwards:**

5 Q Did uh Roy say anything that led you to believe that that was the same bag or the
6 same location that he had been at the, the on the day of the snake incident?

7 A No.

8 Q Nothing. He made no statements that led you to believe

9 A No.

10 Qthat that was the same location? Okay.

11 A All I was doing, I was just you know it was, it was quiet because you know, just
12 waiting on the you know the people start coming you know. Police and uh
13 whoever the investigator. I'm not going in there. You know.

14 Q Right.

15 A You know.

16 **Det. Melich:**

17 Q Okay. Anything else that we haven't asked you about that you feel is important
18 that we should know?

19 A No.

20 Q Okay. Would you raise your right hand for me? Do you swear and affirm that
21 everything you've just told us is the truth?

22 A I swear and affirm it. Everything you've just told me, I've just told you is true.

23 Q Okay. Thank you.

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Signed this 31st day of March, 2009.



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