

INTERVIEW WITH: ROBERT WITBOLSFEUGEN

CASE NO.: 9711829

The following is an interview with Robert WitbolsFeugen conducted on 6/24/99 starting at approximately 1405 hours. Also present is Sgt. Steve Leone.

- Q. Mr. WitbolsFeugen, I understand that you have some additional new information?
- A. That's correct. As you know, in the past, I've given you a list of vehicles that I've seen in the area and also an addendum which I call "Things to Remember", or other things and tidbits and so forth that I remember from that evening having been in the area where Anastasia was found. And I have some additional items that I believe are significant enough that I think you need to review them. I feel that I have presented a significant amount of information which I feel bears very heavily on the scenario that occurred probably that night, at the high probability I see these, this list of automobiles as quite possibly contributing to the explanation of what happened that evening. And as you already know if you have reviewed these vehicles listed, many of them apparently were from Anastasia's associates, acquaintances and people that lived in the area.
- Q. Other than Byron Case's automobile that displayed the license plates of MORBID, which one is a direct associate of Anastasia?
- A. Car number one was owned by someone from what used to be Joe's Pizza in Westport. Car number two I believe is owned by Alex Stranger. I Don't know how this Conquest fits in there. The marine green Pontiac Sunbird number 4 was seen in the Westport area. The charcoal gray Honda Accord which I list two license plates for because when I spotted them I said, well I might as well write down the license plate number of the other vehicle that looks pretty close like that. But I know it to be one of these two vehicles and can describe other details. I don't know which car is which unfortunately. It is known to be in residence of that same location where another acquaintance of Anastasia's lived. The gold Ford Taurus also found at 43rd & Warwick. The Honda green silver Honda Civic, no that was seen later. Light green Honda Civic was seen at that location. A gray Pontiac 6000 LE, I changed that from black to gray cause I think it's actually more gray than black. Also at the same location. I've added and probably replaced, and this is probably the most significant addition I've made to this list, is that as you know number, what's now number 15 is listed as Byron Case's automobile. Cannot seem to shake the fact that a very unusual vehicle, the vehicle, the red Mercur XR4TI was also seen that evening. I'm going like how can this be? Two vehicles that are owned by the same person being seen on the road that night. I don't know. But I can tell you with 95 and better percent likelihood, that both those vehicles were seen there.
- Q. And both are owned by Byron Case?

- A. Well, at one time or another they were both owned by. I don't know where he came up with this car.
- Q. Are there additional vehicles on your list?
- A. Well, aside from that one, which I have now listed as number 12, I've also, you asked specifically to address which cars I know were significant because they were Anastasia's associates or friends of Anastasia's and so forth. To the best of my knowledge, those which I have mentioned are from that location and likely to be acquaintances. I don't know, I've not had occasion to have any of these verified. So I don't know who owns them. But I do know that it's likely that Anastasia knew these people and for them to be seen in Independence at 12 o'clock on a Wednesday night is very unusual. In that by the sheer number of these vehicles being seen there, I think it directs you to investigate these. I'm not saying you haven't.
- Q. Do you have additional vehicles since the last time we spoke about vehicles?
- A. Yes. There is the tan Aries K. This is the vehicle, it's only a possibility, in the year, six months that I've been looking at automobiles, it's the only vehicle that I've seen with a bright yellow Semper Fi in the middle of the rear window. And now I have the license plate number. I distinctly remember that. I distinctly remember it being on a small vehicle. Could have been an Aries K kind of an unremarkable car. Compared to the Semper Fi in the rear window. I believe I've also added the green Nissan Intrigue. A possibility, but I did see an Intrigue there that evening.
- Q. On Truman Road?
- A. On Truman Road that evening, yes. And I've attempted to list them in the order in which I saw them, or at least recall them. And that's helped me recall them. Uhm, I have listed a Chevy Cavalier, red, bright red, OJIBWA was the license plate number. Don't know whether I'm confusing it with another car or not, but another vehicle license plate number happens to be for a Chevy Lumina with a big Heartbeat of America in the rear window. Also seem to remember something like that seen that evening. Fits very closely to that description. I've been able to refine the white Acura Infinite to, has to be, a Q20, 35, 45T. This T is very significant because the T indicates some kind of sedan, sports sedan or something that has either a spoiler or a small spoiler on the trunk lid with the word Infinite in small letters. This is the only type of Infinite, Acura Infinite that has that, and I specifically remember that. I thought that addition might help you pinpoint what type of vehicle I'm talking about there. Uhm, as you know, I've changed that pretty purple car to the purple Mustang. I've got the dates on which I've ascertained that more than likely these vehicles were distinctly remembered and determined to be at that location. The heavy brackets, or the solid brackets, indicate that I know with 90% or better certainty these vehicles were there. The squiggly brackets indicate that this is as close as I've been able to come. There's a black Nissan Scoop, I believe I've updated this list several times, but there's a black Nissan Scoop and I know specifically a black Nissan Scoop was seen there. This one just happens to have a Minnesota license plate. I've

been carrying that on my things to remember since the day I remembered, and by golly, now there's at least two things and possibly more that I remember. And I see it on this car. Going to my list of other things to remember . . .

Q. This is a different list than the one you provided before. Would you like me to keep this?

A. Yes. Go ahead. There's some, I can X off some more cars that I specifically know that, with our associates or acquaintances or whatever, but if each of those indicates that there's a 90% certainty in each of those checkmarks, there's seven that I can see now. That's a very high probability that whatever scenario took place involves people that knew Anastasia. Got a license plate number 006BBE Missouri. I don't even remember what it, what kind of car it was. I think it's a Mitsubishi.

Q. Is the vehicle on this list that you just gave me?

A. No. No. Because . . .

Q. Is this just something in your mind, or what?

A. No, these are cars that I have seen that make recollections of vehicles that I've seen. They don't, haven't made that list yet. There's a, that one made the list didn't it? Uh, and that one made the list didn't it? Uhm, there's license plate numbers, or sequences of license plate numbers that I remember distinctly such as HAX, KWE, HNT, HNS, the California state license plate with it in script. I haven't found a car for that, but I know what kind it is. It also has some pinstriping. It's a light colored car. I'm kinda reminded of some sort of, uhm, like a, like a Jeep or one of those that used to tip over or whatever they were, one of those little sporty vehicles. Uhm, you know, and if I see it, it flashes back to certain things like a bicycle rack on top. Or a window shade for, in the rear view mirror, or on the side, passenger side rear. Things like that trigger memories and I've attempted to keep a list of those things. Also got some other interesting possibilities such as, here's a purple Stratus. Didn't make my list over there because I don't specifically remember a purple Stratus. But I think I did see two Stratus' that evening. I said, after the first one I said, MMMM!

Q. Now this is still on the, for lack of a better word, a caravan coming down Truman Road . . .

A. That's correct.

Q. . . . and you were standing at the entrance to Mt. Washington Cemetery. Correct?

A. That is correct.

Q. Okay.

- A. And as you know there's already 40 cars on the list. Some of them I'll never remember. This one I've been, here's a Subaru. I can remember seeing Subaru behind a red panel on the rear of a car. I don't think I've ever got a more descriptive idea of what that car looked like except I can remember seeing Subaru and I can remember seeing emblems such as Hyundai and the ones now as Nissan, those little emblems. I thought I'd never remember license plate numbers, but I can remember seeing emblems and certain significant things about that evening. Well, this Subaru, which will not make that list, but there's a Subaru fitting that description up at Curtis Meat on Truman Road. And I'm like, well, you know. Why not write it down. Because it's on Truman Road and that's the way she was walking, and who knows? So, this car, I don't know, must, the person who owns that Subaru must work there. I see it every day. I know I've written down a license plate number a half a dozen times and by the time I get home, it's kinda like, well I got things to do, forget it. But it's there. Uhm, there's a Volkswagen which I've never been able to determine. I guess they all look alike. A Jetta. They all got the little antenna on the back window. Shhh, I thought, boy I've got it, the first time I saw one. Wrote it down and couple hours later I see another one. I'm never going to, that's never going to make the list. It's not, you know. Those that are on the list, they don't have another match out there. There's things I remember about those cars that are distinct to those cars. And I wanted you to know that I'm so certain about that I'm willing to swear, testify, take lie detector tests, take hypnosis, whatever to confirm that for you. Because if you're not investigating that, you're not doing your job.
- Q. Keep it to the information that you're trying to provide me, please.
- A. Yes. There's a Mitsubishi, or a Stealth.
- Q. Do you want me to take that?
- A. Yeah, I'll give this to you. Uhm, and these are only examples. There's dealers' emblems that I distinctly remember. I don't know which vehicles they might go to. Uhm, here's a Mitsubishi 3000GT. You know, that's that sporty car looks like a Stealth. Could have been a Stealth, too. But the distinct thing about that is that there's a huge firefighter's emblem in the rear view mirror, in the rear window. I mean, this is not a decal that's this size. I'm talking about a decal I remember being a foot across, anyway. I don't know where that car is, but it exists somewhere. And it's just here to remind me. I'm looking for it. There's a car out there with a diver's decal on there. There's a car with a Mizzou bear decal on the rear window. I also remember that. And as I remember these things, I can remember distinctly how strongly my emotions were at the time when I saw them, so I think a lot of these that I don't distinctly remember are not on that list because they did not occur at that moment.
- Q. How many times did you travel up and down Truman Road that night?
- A. Probably half a dozen, at least. Maybe more.
- Q. Between the cemetery entrance and 435?

- A. Mmm-hmm, yeah.
- Q. Did you notice any other cars closer to the area where her body was found?
- A. No, I turned around at, uh, the Amoco and waited in that, what is now a Total gas station next to the Amoco. I waited up there for mmm, five, ten minutes maybe at the max.
- Q. But you don't recall any vehicles going by which is that area, which is very near the entrance to the cemetery?
- A. Yeah.
- Q. Do you remember vehicles there?
- A. Uhm, no. Not, not, at the gas station, at the Amoco gas station I watched some cars, people going up to the window and so forth, and nothing essentially stands out.
- Q. Did you travel on Blue Ridge that night?
- A. No.
- Q. So you limited your travels and your search to that distance between Mt. Washington and 435?
- A. Well, I drove all the way down Truman Road generally, a couple times.
- Q. Did you go down 24 Highway?
- A. Yeah. I went down 24 Highway . . .
- Q. But you never went up on Blue Ridge, kinda around the block, so to speak?
- A. No. Huh-uh. Was never on Blue Ridge.
- Q. Some reason why you avoided that?
- A. Avoided? No.
- Q. Or didn't go down it?
- A. I actually was more concentrating on Truman Road because that's the way home. That's what I'm thinking, you know, that she's on her way home. Why should I look anywhere else?
- Q. But in addition to the vehicles, is there anything else that you have that you . . .?

A. Well, uhm, as I've reviewed my,uh, whereabouts that evening, uhm, I've had occasion to ,uh, talk with Danielle's father who lives on 24 Highway and Hawthorne, which is very early on I went up there at approx--, well I found out it was close to 11:00. And I didn't know that Danielle's parents had gotten a divorce. But I knew that Danielle, Anastasia's friend, lived at that location, cause I dropped off Anastasia. So I thought well maybe she could have walked there. So I thought it was close to 10:30, but I guess it was close to 11:00 when I arrived and talked to Jim Fields and spoke to him.

Q. And had he seen her?

A. He said he had not seen her. And I just thought that you might verify that or somehow corroborate that I was there with Mr. Fields and he says no one's ever come talked to him.

Q. Did he see her that night?

A. No. That's what he says. So. Yeah, well. It's because . . .

Q. Are you wanting me to verify your story, is that what you're saying?

A. That would be, yeah. That would be something. Because there are, there are indications and reasons why I feel that these things should be done. I mean, if you're doing a thorough investigation . . .

Q. Is there some reason I should doubt that you were there, out on Truman Road in that area at 11:00?

A. Well, no, except that uhm, the one incident that, that uh, comes to mind is that oddly enough, the time in which I was recorded being at the Independence Police Department says that I was there at midnight, and I know I wasn't. I don't know what's wrong with their clock or their memory or what, but I was there between 20 after 10:00 and 10:30. I know cause I left my house before the news was over and I drove straight there. I guess that's okay, or is explained, or whatever, but I didn't want that not to corroborate my story because I know damn well when I was there. And it seems to me that little details like that haven't mattered. So I guess I was thinking that you need some reason to believe in this list or something, I don't know what it is. My apparent saying these things hasn't given me the feeling that you're taking this all that seriously. And I go back to uh stay with the stuff.

Q. You know, if you want to debate . . .

A. And . . .

Q. . . . you know, your lack of confidence in the investigation, then do it in another forum.

- A. Alright, I'll reserve my comments there. Uhm, but generally there may be a few more items that I could add to this list, but if it makes the other list over there, I'll let you know. Uh, I also had occasion to speak to, uh, a friend of Paige's and who is now a very close friend of Tara McDowell, and she says that she heard Byron talking about the events and chronology of the evening. And the story she tells me is that Byron, Anastasia, Justin and Kelly were on Blue Ridge that evening in front of the cemetery where she was found. And although she doesn't say specifically what happened there, she does also say that Byron tells the story that Anastasia and Kelly were in the back seat and that Justin and Byron were in the front.
- Q. Who is this individual?
- A. Allie, I don't remember her name. I'm sorry. It's been months. I can get it for you.
- Q. Okay.
- A. But, you know the car's a 2-door car.
- Q. What I would like to do if you have somebody that, I would rather get it directly from them as to second-hand.
- A. Mmm-hmm. I can, and I have to locate the tape.
- Q. Okay.
- A. I recorded that months ago.
- Q. I have never heard the name Allie.
- A. Okay. Okay. She probably would not be willing to come forward and say these things, but maybe she will.
- Q. Okay.
- A. But if you investigate that story from her, it will get back to people that are on that list. And . . .
- Q. Well I have to hear what she's got to say before I can act on it.
- A. Yeah. Okay. Yeah. Essentially she says that Kelly and Anastasia were in the back. It's a 2-door car. She doesn't just jump out of the car. Also, I've talked with Glen Colliver again, and he says that he remembers the girl and the boy re-entering the vehicle in Mt. Washington cemetery and that the girl gets in the car first on the passenger side and that the male gets in the car on the passenger side. Since Justin would never let anyone else drive the vehicle, I presume that would mean that Byron and Anastasia got back in the car and because it's unlikely that, because it's a 2-door car, that Anastasia would sit up

front, and then Byron get in the back. I don't know. But I do remember asking you specifically if you would verify from Byron's story and Kelly's story about the events of that evening as to whether they would be willing to independently place who was sitting where in that vehicle. I don't know if that was ever done, but that type of discrepancy would maybe place something significant into whether Allie's story was believable or not and I have no way to verify that information. Uhm, so there was no point in my ever trying to check it out. I just listened to the story. So, and I know that there's other discrepancies in the stories that were being told, and ,uh, I'm just flabbergasted things haven't gotten closer to being resolved. Uhm, I do know from stories that I've heard, uh, in Independence that apparently there was a crowd that regularly gathered on Truman Road on the bridge, maybe your officers are aware of that group gathering there, and quite frankly, I remember an evening in which I do recall a lot of people being on the bridge, sitting on the bridge, and I don't remember if it was that night, but I remember a lot of people sitting up on that bridge. And I remember looking at it and it being very dark when I did see that and I'm thinking well, I don't usually drive home on Truman Road in the dark except in the winter time. Anyway, I've only seen that on one occasion and I can't remember if it was that night. But it very well could have been.

Q. Do you know somebody that can identify these people that frequent that bridge?

A. I'm sure the Independence Police Department's quite familiar with the groups. . .

Q. Well, you said you've talked to people.

A. Oh, I've talked with people that know of such a group. In fact, I'm sure that Glen Colliver is quite familiar with the group that gathers up there. And I wouldn't be surprised if other individuals might be aware and might be able to . . .

Q. Can you direct me to whoever it is you're talking to that's providing this information. . .

A. Well . . .

Q. . . . so that I might contact them. . .

A. Yes, Cecil Vaughn . . .

Q. . . . direct information?

A. Cecil Vaughn, who lives three houses down from me told me that information.

Q. Now is this a personal friend of yours?

A. Well, he's a neighbor. He's also a . . .

Q. Oh, that lives three houses down from you?

A. Three houses down from me.

Q. I thought you meant three houses down from the bridge.

A. No. Three houses down from, from me.

Q. Okay, does he know anybody or did he just see people on the bridge?

A. He knows of the group, because he's been a city councilman.

Q. Okay, you refer to the group. Then does the group have a name or something?

A. He called it the Bridge People.

Q. Okay.

A. Cause they have been known to gather regularly and for years.

Q. Does he know what these people do on the bridge, since he knows them for years?

A. We didn't go into it. But I assume that he also was laying into the story that they have been seen at the cemetery. And that these people may have been somehow involved in that type of activity. Or the activity that might take them to the cemetery. And that's about it. Uhm, in terms of additional information that I really feel burgeoning on me to share with you.

Q. Repeat that please?

A. As far as significant information goes, I have none other at this time.

Q. Okay.

A. And that I would like, because I don't, I have limited knowledge of what may have occurred that night, I'm going to continue with exploring what I can remember about that evening. I know you asked me about what I might remember in other areas or Truman Road. Uhm, and I'll think about that. Whether I remember seeing people or activities such as taxi cabs or tow truck drivers or whatever in the area.

Q. Okay.

A. I might recall some of that.

Q. Okay, the additional information that you have to offer then is concluded?

A. That's concluded.

- Q. Side two on the micro-cassette. I just have a couple questions on the complaint that you made regarding the virus on your computer.
- A. Mmm-hmm.
- Q. This is a copy of that guy's . . .
- A. Yeah.
- Q. . . . is the document. . .
- A. Mmm-hmm, that looks about right.
- Q. . . . signed by . . .
- A. That guy is Kang Lu, yeah.
- Q. Kang Lu. Is that his signature?
- A. I'm, yes it is, yeah.
- Q. Well you sent me this.
- A. Yeah.
- Q. Is it his signature?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Did you have him sign this?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Did you prepare this document?
- A. I did not prepare this document, no.
- Q. Who is the author?
- A. The author of this document is Patrick Rock.
- Q. Okay.
- A. Because this person lives in Kansas, it was more convenient for him to.

- Q. Okay. I believe Mr. Rock also sent something in and I asked you if he was, since he has declared himself a computer expert, if he was going to submit something with his signature. I never received anything.
- A. Anything with his signature. Okay. No.
- Q. Well, did he prepare this?
- A. Yeah.
- Q. Did he prepare all this, I know he faxed it to me.
- A. Yes. Yes. I didn't change a word of what his addendum says there.
- Q. Do you think he would be willing to send me a signed document?
- A. I believe he would, yeah.
- Q. Okay.
- A. Yeah. I didn't know that was an issue.
- Q. Well, I asked you for that.
- A. Oh. I must have missed it somewhere. Okay.
- Q. You forgot?
- A. I may have not remembered to pass that on, and assumed that there was something else that was going to not let that document be accepted. In fact, you had given me a retort that the virus was not created here and that you were going to send me something from McAfee.
- Q. No, I never said I would send you anything. You requested that I did. But anyway. If you could just provide me with Patrick Rock's signed professional opinion, then maybe I could get that closure on that.
- A. Thank you.
- Q. Anything else Mr. WitbolsFeugen?
- A. Uh, not at this time. I reserve the possibility to come in again. I certainly feel that this has been a productive meeting and that I've been able to share with you what's been on my mind for several months.

Q. The time is now approximately 1440 hours. This concludes the interview with Mr. Robert WitbolsFeugen.

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