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VS.

CHARLES JOSEPH MAKI, Defendant.

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CHARLES MAKI,

Petitioner,

vs.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

POST CONVICTION

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Reno, Nevada

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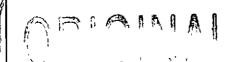
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RENO, NEVADA, Friday, July 18th, 1997, 10:00 a.m. 1 2 --000--THE COURT: We are on the record in CR94P0345, Charles 3 4 Maki, who is present with counsel Joe Plater. 5 And Mr. McCarthy from the Washoe County District Attorney's б Office. 7 This is a petition for post conviction relief. I'm ready 8 to proceed. Go ahead, gentlemen. 9 MR. PLATER: Thank you, your Honor. Based on the petition that Mr. Maki has filed, your Honor, I would call him as the 10 first witness. 11 THE COURT: Mr. Maki, come forward, please, to the witness 12 stand. Face the clerk and raise your right hand to be sworn. 13 (The witness was sworn at this time.) 14 15 THE CLERK: Thank you. Please be seated in the witness chair. 16 17 THE WITNESS: Your Honor, I have hearing aids. THE COURT: Okay. Any time there's a problem, just let us 18 19 know. MR. PLATER: I suppose we should invoke the rule of 20 exclusion. 21 THE COURT: Okay. We will invoke the rule of exclusion. 22 Any potential witness please be excused. 23 /// 24

1 CHARLES MAKI 2 called as a witness on behalf of the Defendant, 3 being first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows: 4 5 DIRECT EXAMINATION 6 BY MR. PLATER: Would you state your name, please? 0. Charles Joseph Maki. 8 Α. 9 Ο. Can you hear fine, Mr. Maki? Can you hear okay? 10 Α. Kind of. Is your hearing aid turned all the way up? 1.1 Q. 12 I've got the right turned up. The left one, it's up, Α. but it doesn't really -- in this kind of atmosphere, it's kind 13 of hard. I'm over 60 percent deaf in both ears. 14 You're presently incarcerated in the Nevada State 15 Ο. Prison? 16 17 Α. Ely State Prison, yes. You were convicted in this court pursuant to a jury 18 Q. trial in 1994, correct? 19 In 1994. 20 Α. 21 And you filed a petition for post conviction relief? Q. 22 A. Yes. And one of the grounds that you allege is ineffective 23 assistance of counsel? 24

- What are all the grounds? Α. 1 2 Q. You allege as one of the grounds ineffective 3 assistance of counsel, right? Oh, yeah. 4 Α. You understand that when you allege ineffective 5 Q. assistance of counsel, you're waiving the attorney-client 6 7 privilege regarding those issues of ineffective assistance? I'm not sure I understand that. Could you come up 8 Α. here, please? I'm sorry. I'm trying to strain to hear him. 9 10 I'm sorry, Judge. MR. PLATER: Whatever is comfortable. 11 THE COURT: Exactly. Wherever is comfortable. 12 BY MR. PLATER: 13 14 ο. Is this better, Mr. Maki? 15 Α. Yes. In your petition, you allege ineffective assistance 16 Q. of counsel; is that correct? 17 18 Α. Yes. Today you want to talk about some of the things you 19 told your lawyer before trial, during trial and after trial? 20
 - A. That's fine.

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If you do that, you'll waive the attorney-client

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- Q. All the discussions with your lawyer are no longer privileged and confidential.
 - A. That's fine.
 - Q. You want to bring those out?
- 5 A. Exactly. Exactly.
- Q. To prove up your petition. Do you remember who represented you at trial?
- 8 A. Janet Cobb Schmuck, public defender.
 - Q. Okay. And you remember the jury trial in this case?
- 10 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Okay. You were charged with five counts of sexual assault and five counts of lewdness?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. All with a minor under 14, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
 - Q. One of your grounds in your petition alleges that you were refused the right to testify before a jury. Do you remember that ground?
- 19 A. Absolutely.
- Q. In fact, I think Mr. Hardy put it in a supplemental petition.
- 22 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. Was it your desire at trial to testify?
- 24 A. Was it mine?

1 Ο. Was it your desire to testify at trial? Α. Positively. I absolutely wanted to testify. 3 Q. Did you have a discussion about that with your 4 lawyer? Α. 5 Many times, and I even wrote to the Judge that there was a conflict of interest, because she refused to let me 6 7 testify. 8 ο. When did you make the decision that you wanted to testify? 9 10 Α. Right from the beginning. I wanted somebody to hear my side of the facts. 11 Okay. And did Miss Schmuck visit you in the Washoe ο. 12 County Detention Center and discuss with you your right to 13 testify? 14 15 Α. Wouldn't consider it really a right to testify or a right not to testify. She told me she didn't want me to 16 17 testify, because she did not want to discredit the district 1.8 attorney's case at the time. 0. When did she tell you that? 1.9 What day? 20 Α. 21 Q. Was it during trial, before trial? It was approximately -- it started approximately a 22 Α. month and a half before trial. 23 24 Q. And what was your response to that?

1	A. I was extremely angry. I got I got angry and
2	asked her, I had a deputy to ask her to be removed from my
3	moved away from me.
4	Q. Where she was visiting you?
5	A. Yes. That was in unit eight of the Washoe County
6	Jail.
7	Q. Did she discuss with you the dangers of testifying if
8	you took the stand?
9	A. Yes, she did.
10	Q. What did she tell you?
11	A. She told me if I took the stand that the jury would
12	not believe me, that they would not be interested in anything I
13	had to say, and that she doesn't want me to testify.
14	Q. Did she talk about prior convictions?
15	A. No.
16	Q. You had prior convictions, right?
17	A. Yes, I do, prior convictions.
18	Q. Felony prior convictions?
19	A. But not of sexual assault or anything in that
20	respect.
21	Q. And you knew if you took the stand that those could
22	be used against you?
23	A. Oh, sure.

Q. You were willing to do that?

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- Q. Did you continue to tell Miss Schmuck during trial that you wanted to testify?
- A. I told Miss Schmuck numerous times in trial that I wanted to testify. I wrote it on paper, because the Court asked me to write notes to her. I was wearing hearing aids then. I was writing notes to her explaining that I would like to get up there and testify. All she did is just kept pushing my note paper away from me. And she would tell me -- I can't say exactly what she told me, because I'm in court, but she told me in so many words just to leave her alone, you know, so, and there's nothing I can do about it.
- Q. Did you ever agree with her that you should not testify?
 - A. Absolutely not.
- Q. Now, on the record in this case -- well, let me start over. Did you ever tell the Court out loud you wanted to testify and your lawyer was not letting you do so?
 - A. I don't recall.
 - Q. It's not on the record, it's not on the trial

1 transcripts.

- A. No. I don't recall.
- Q. That you ever objected to the Court?
- A. Miss Schmuck did pretty much everything. I mean, you know, the Court asked me to listen to her and let her do whatever for me. I tried to abide by the Court's rule, but to say, I've never been to trial, I've never been in a situation like this, and I knew she was doing me wrong and incorrectly, and I was trying to explain myself, but I was also listening to her and it just got to be a mix-up. The only thing I knew what to do was to write to the Court and say: Hey, you know, she's doing me wrong and I want somebody to help me. I need a new public defender to help me, because she's doing me totally wrong.
- Q. How come you didn't stand up and tell the judge: I want to testify.
 - A. She told me I couldn't do that.
 - Q. And you followed her advice?
 - A. That's what I was told to do.
- Q. Okay. You thought that's the way -- how the court system worked?
- A. Apparently, yeah. I thought that's what normal procedures are.
 - Q. Did you ever write a little note to Judge Kosach

during trial saying you wanted to testify, but you were being prevented by your attorney?

- A. No, I never did that.
- O. How come?
- A. Because the Judge at that time was, I guess, kind of upset with me, because I was making a commotion with my attorney trying to get myself up here and trying to let myself be heard to a degree and the district attorney got mad, because I was making too much of a commotion and asked the Judge to ask me to be quite and just to write notes. So that's -- I was trying to abide by the Court's wishes and just write her notes and they wouldn't go anywhere.
 - Q. Okay.
- A. She just told me I had to do what I was told to do by her, and that was it.
- Q. All right. Was there anything that you asked Miss Schmuck to do prior to trial that was not done?
 - A. In regards? I had to do a lot of things.
 - O. Such as?
 - A. I get witnesses.
 - Q. What types of witnesses?
- A. I had character witnesses that I wanted brought forth. There was people in the apartment complex that knew of incidents with the father and the two girls that I was accused

of. There was a guy whose son was involved directly with one of the girls or both of them.

MR. McCARTHY: Your Honor, I object here. I believe this witness has no personal knowledge of what any witnesses would testify to.

THE COURT: Let's ask. Go ahead, Mr. Plater, ask. BY MR. PLATER:

- Q. Well, let's say, other than those character witness, let's say, after -- or during and after the preliminary hearing, were you concerned about some of the statements the two girls had made against you, as you read the preliminary hearing transcript?
 - A. Was I concerned?
 - Q. Right.
- A. Well, I guess anybody would be concerned, I mean, from the statements that somebody is being accused of something like that, yeah. But I knew that somewhere along the line, they were being coerced in what to say, because they kept changing their statements. They were trying to say it didn't happen.
- MR. McCARTHY: Objection, again, personal knowledge as to who coerced the witnesses.
- THE COURT: Mr. Maki, what the objection is, is whether or not you have personal knowledge yourself of what these

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witnesses are going to say. 1 2 THE WITNESS: Oh. THE COURT: That's what I meant when I said go ahead and 3 4 ask. THE WITNESS: Oh, I don't know exactly. 5 I know 6 approximately. I don't know exactly what anybody will say. THE COURT: Objection is sustained. 7 BY MR. PLATER: 8 9 Ο. Let me back up a moment. You said you noted 10 inconsistencies regarding what the victim said? Α. Yes. 11 Did you propose anything to Miss Schmuck regarding 12 those inconsistencies that she should do in her representation 13 to you? 14 Oh, absolutely. A. 15 What did you tell her that she should do? 16 ٥. I told Miss Schmuck during the preliminary trial that 17 when the older girl stated that she took showers with her 18 father to keep on going to see where it would go. And she told 19 20 me it had nothing to do with me. Did you tell her to do anything else? 21 Q. I told her to ask about tattoos on me. Α. I knew nobody 22 knew about tattoos. 23

Anything else besides that?

- A. Well, there was the discrepancies in their testimony that I asked her to follow up on and she addressed the Court and made a statement to the Court saying she knew there was discrepancies in their testimony. She wouldn't follow-up on it.
 - Q. Did you know, regarding those discrepancies in testimony, of any legal procedure that she could have used before trial and during trial to help you with your defense?
 - A. I'm not sure I understand how to answer that one.
 - Q. Okay. Had you ever heard of an independent --
 - A. A who?
 - Q. Have you -- at that time, had you ever heard of an independent physical or psychological examination could have been done?
 - A. I see where you're going. Absolutely, yeah. Before we went to preliminary, I wanted to have a -- not a psychological at the time, but I wanted to have a physical, medical doctor look at them. But I didn't have a public defender until the day I went to preliminary. When we went back there in this little room where I guess attorneys go with their clients, first thing I asked her was to have a doctor look at them and they could see that there was nothing wrong with them.
 - MR. McCARTHY: Objection, your Honor.

1 THE COURT: Sustained. 2 BY MR. PLATER: 3 So you made the suggestion to Miss Schmuck that an independent physical exam could be conducted? 4 5 Α. You betcha. 6 0. Was that ever done to your knowledge? 7 To my knowledge, it hasn't been, no. A. 8 Q. Did she tell you why she would not do it? 9 Α. No. She never mentioned anything at all. Did she ever say anything whether she would do it? 10 Q. All she told me is she was going to do things her way 11 Α. and that's what she was going to do. That was the first thing 12 that came out of her mouth. 13 0. Did you have problems getting along with Miss 14 Schmuck? 15 Very much so. 16 Α. 17 Q. Why is that? Can I put it bluntly? 18 THE COURT: Go ahead. 19 THE WITNESS: Miss Schmuck is two-faced. 20 BY MR. PLATER: 21 Well, wait a second, Mr. Maki. I don't want your 22 conclusions, okay, or your personal feelings about her. 23 why did you have a conflict with her? 24

A. Miss Schmuck told me that when we were in unit eight, when I was in unit eight, excuse me, in the county jail, Miss Schmuck told me, I asked her to go and talk to people at the apartment complex. And what started it, which got me more pissed than anything else, she went over and she talked to the alleged victims and the father and came back and told me I was guilty.

And she tells me that I was guilty and she was sexually assaulted when she was a younger woman and I had to be guilty and it don't matter what.

And right there, it started the whole ball of wax. And I don't care who she is or what she is, she ain't got no right telling me that. She's supposed to defend me. She can't put her personal reasons. I don't care what happened to her way back when. And that's what started the whole thing. That's when me and her had very bad feelings and conflicts between each other.

- Q. Okay. So you felt that she was not defending you properly?
 - A. Absolutely not.
 - Q. Because what she said regarding her own past?
 - A. Absolutely not.
 - Q. And because she said you were guilty?
 - A. She told me straight to my face I was guilty, that

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the alleged victims are telling the truth and that's all there was to it and that there was nothing I could do. That she's going to go through the motions. Because I told her: Hey, I'm going to have you fired. There ain't no way I'm going to be able to do that, and she apparently was right.

- Q. You attempt to have her removed or replaced by another lawyer?
- A. I tried -- I went through Washoe Legal Services. I went to her boss at the time, Mike Specchio. I don't know if he's still the boss or not. I called and wrote him. I wrote to the Honorable Judge Kosach. I wrote to the Burr Association. And then I asked her herself to have herself removed and she told me along with everybody else that it couldn't be done.
 - Q. Do you remember the sentencing in this case?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. Do you remember before sentencing a Jocelyn Coombs?
- 18 A. Coombs.
- 19 Q. Coombs?
 - A. Yeah.
 - Q. You knew before sentencing that she was going to come testify against you at sentencing?
- 23 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And did you have a discussion regarding that with

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- A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Okay. And did you offer Miss Schmuck any proposed defense?
 - A. Any proposed defense?
- Q. Any proposed defense in regard to Miss Coombs' anticipated testimony?
 - A. Oh, definitely.
 - Q. What did you tell her?
- A. I told her I wanted to have my mother, I wanted Mike Fried aka Colonel. I wanted Bob Loyal, aka ACB. That I wanted those two people come down, because I've known her and my family for over 20 years. I wanted my school records to come to show because my sister prior, my other sister told me she was going to come and lie about all this stuff. So I wanted her to use my school records and the F.B.I. report on me to show that Jocelyn was lying.

And Miss Schmuck told me to write up a -- I don't know what you would call it, like a summary or something, I guess. I'm not sure how she put it, a background of myself and Jocelyn and the family and everything and that she would use that.

Well, I knew how she was doing it all right. What I did was I wrote it, but I addressed it to the Honorable Court, because I knew what she would do like she's done before.

That's like put the stuff in the briefcase like she did in trial when I asked her to do it. I addressed it to the court, she took it and stuffed everything in her briefcase that and said it didn't pertain to the sentencing. I turned around and I said it's like this, either you tell the judge that I have this for him or I will tell the judge I have this for him.

Either way it's going to work. Finally she turned around and addressed the court. And said hey, Mr. Maki has a letter for you, and the judge looked at it and it was never put into my file, but he did look at it. But she told me that she would not bring in anybody to testify for me as far as Jocelyn is concerned either. And I had one of them sitting right there with me in the county jail. He was in my cell, it was Michael Fried.

- Q. Okay. Are there any other things you want to bring to the Court's attention regarding your petition?
- A. Well, I don't know. What am I supposed to do? I don't know.
 - O. Okay.
- A. I guess that's why I have an attorney, because I don't know how to address this stuff.
- MR. PLATER: That's all the questions I have at this time, your Honor.
 - THE COURT: Thank you. Mr. McCarthy?

BY MR. McCARTHY:

- Q. Mr. Maki, how did you learn that Jocelyn was going to be at your sentencing hearing?
- A. How did I know that Jocelyn was going to be at my sentencing hearing?
 - Q. Right.
- A. Two ways, my sister Ester Chong, who is the sibling between myself and Jocelyn, came up here to the jail -- the jail and told me during visiting and Miss Coombs -- or Miss Schmuck told me about two days before Jocelyn actually came.
- Q. How long before your sentencing hearing was it that your sister came up to the jail and told you that Jocelyn was coming to the sentencing hearing?
- A. It's hard to remember. I would say approximately three weeks, maybe.
- Q. So at that time, you immediately sat down and wrote a letter to Janet Schmuck and told her about that, is that right?
 - A. No. No.
 - Q. You called her on the phone to tell her?
- A. I called Janet Schmuck, yeah. And told her that I believe that Jocelyn was on her way.
- Q. So when Janet Schmuck later told you that Jocelyn was coming, you both already knew that?
 - A. Pretty much, yeah.

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- Q. And that's why she felt it necessary to tell you, do you think?
 - A. I can't answer for that. I don't really know.
 - Q. Did you give Miss Schmuck a letter at your sentencing hearing?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. That has some names in it?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. People that could help you?
- 10 A. Yes.
 - Q. Did you give her that before your sentencing hearing?
 - A. No. She told me not to. She told me to bring it during the sentencing hearing, because I talked to her on a Friday, and I believe the sentencing was on a Monday, and she told me during the weekend to write it out and bring it to her during the hearing and she would do appropriately what was to be done, but she didn't.
 - Q. That's not the same letter you sent to Judge Kosach?
 - A. That's the same letter I gave to Judge Kosach.
 - Q. Now, did you send it to Judge Kosach because you believe that Miss Schmuck was going to stuff it under her briefcase or because she told you to?
 - A. No. No. She did stuff up underneath her briefcase like she did my other paper work during trial saying it did not

pertain to anything. But yet she told me to write this out. I knew because of prior experience with her that she was going to do this, so I addressed it to Judge Kosach and made a fuss about it. Either she will give it to him so he can see it personally or I'll be asked to give it to him. So she turned around and finally did give it to him.

- Q. Okay. I understand. Did you read your petition, sir, before you signed it?
- A. Yes. I'm not really good. I've got a fifth grade reading level, but I read it.
 - Q. Did you know you were swearing it was all true?
- A. I was swearing what I was reading was supposed to be true, yeah.
 - Q. Okay. Did Janet Schmuck tell you what she was going to do to prevent you from testifying?
 - A. Did she tell me what she was going to do to prevent me from testifying?
 - Q. Right.
 - A. She told me she wasn't going to put me up on the witness stand.
 - Q. And she told you that regardless of what you wanted to do, she had the authority to prohibit you from testifying?
 - A. Exactly.
 - Q. Okay. Did Judge Kosach tell you that, too?

1	A. No, he did not, not that I recall.
2	Q. Did he tell you that you had the right to testify?
3	A. Judge Kosach never told me anything that I can
4	remember.
5	Q. Okay.
6	A. We're speaking during trial?
7	Q. Yeah.
8	A. No. He never no, not that I can recall he never
9	said nothing.
10	Q. Okay.
11	MR. McCARTHY: May I have this marked, please, as A?
12	THE CLERK: State's Exhibit A marked.
13	MR. McCARTHY: I'm sorry, your Honor. I didn't make
14	copies.
15	THE COURT: Is that a copy of the transcript?
16	MR. McCARTHY: The transcript speaks for itself. I don't
17	feel a need to introduce it.
18	BY MR. McCARTHY:
19	Q. Mr. Maki, I'll show you what's been admitted as
20	Exhibit A. Would you look at that, please?
21	A. You want me to read the whole thing?
22	Q. My question is, Mr. Maki, does that look familiar to
23	you?
24	A. Not really.

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- 1 | O. You've never received that letter?
- A. I can't say if I have or not. I don't recall that

 letter. I couldn't have, not this long. She's never written

 me anything this long since I known her.
 - Q. Is it your testimony that Exhibit A was not sent to you or not received by you?
 - A. As far as I can remember, no.
- 8 Q. Okay.
 - A. No. I can't recall something like this, no.
- 10 Q. Sir, is it that you don't recall or is that you never saw that letter before?
- 12 A. I say I don't recall. It's a possibility. You're
 13 talking three and a half years ago.
 - Q. You recall when she called you, that you do not have a right to testify over her objections, is that right?
 - A. Oh. yeah.
 - O. You recall that in some detail?
- 18 A. Pretty much so, you bet.
- Q. If she had said something to the contrary, would you recall that?
 - A. Define "this."
- 22 Q. Skip it.
- 23 | THE COURT: May I see it, please?
- 24 MR. McCARTHY: I can't offer it. I'll authenticate it

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MR. PLATER: Probably. Did she write it?

MR. McCARTHY: Yeah.

MR. PLATER: Sure.

BY MR. McCARTHY:

- Q. Did I hear you correctly when I said that Janet Schmuck told you that the reason you would not be allowed to testify, because she didn't want to hurt the prosecutor's case?
 - A. Exactly what she told me.
- Q. She was afraid if you testified, that you might be acquitted, is that right?
 - A. I couldn't give you her reason.
 - Q. But that's the reason she told you?
 - A. She didn't tell me that.
- Q. She told you if you testified, it might hurt the government's ability to prosecute you, is that right?
 - A. No, you're changing it around.
- 18 Q. Tell me.
 - A. She told me that she didn't want to discredit the case, the district attorney's case.
 - Q. She wanted the DA's case to be a good, strong case, is that what she said?
 - A. She told me that she would not discredit the State's case. She didn't go any farther, no less, no more.

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- Q. Did she tell you any other ways in which she did not want to discredit the DA's case?
 - A. She said the jury wouldn't be interested in what I had to say.
 - Q. I don't quite understand.
 - A. Neither do I. I didn't understand none of it.
 - Q. Did she tell you things like she would refuse to present evidence, because it might help you?
 - A. No, she did not say that.
 - Q. Did she tell you that she would refuse to present evidence, because she didn't want to hurt the DA's case?
- 12 A. She stated that she would not discredit the district 13 attorney's case.
 - Q. Did she give you any other ways in which she would not discredit the District Attorney's Office?
 - A. She told me just like she told me. I'm not telling you any differently. I'm telling how she told me.
 - Q. Was it only that the one time, when it was the question of whether you would testify?
 - A. She told me two times that I can recall.
 - Q. Both dealing with the question of whether you would testify or was there something else?
 - A. Well, it was basically with testifying, yes.
 - Q. Okay. Where did this conversation take place, sir?

- A. One of them took place in the County Jail and the other one took place at that table right there.
 - O. In the trial?
 - A. During the trial.
 - Q. Do you remember at what stage of the trial?
 - A. I think it was before I asked her to bring the pictures out. She refused to bring the photographs out of me. When the trial was just about over with and the two alleged victims did there thing up on the stand, I felt that it was time for her to bring out the photographs that I wanted taken of myself. And she told me then, even, that she refused to bring the photographs out, because I'm the one that wanted them taken. Okay. So I told her again I wanted, you know, her to bring them out or I'll ask the judge or make some kind of a fuss about it because I want these photographs brought out, so she brought them out.
 - Q. Was there a witness on the stand when that happened?
 - A. I think. Oh, gosh, it's hard to say. I think that the witnesses were pretty well done. I think so. I can't really recall.
 - Q. Was that before or after Mike O'Brien testified?
 - A. That would be after Michael O'Brien.
 - Q. He's the guy who took the photographs, right?
 - A. Yes.

1	Q. It would be after him? So after Mike O'Brien
2	testified, then you and Miss Schmuck had a dispute about
3	whether or not to introduce photographs in evidence?
4	A. Right. Maybe before. It's sometime during that. I
5	can't be sure. But it's sometime during that period, yeah.
6	Q. Okay. Was it that you wanted the girls to see the
7	photographs while they were testifying? Is that what you told
8	her?
9	A. I wanted her to get up and ask the girls about the
10	tattoos, because the detective stated there was no tattoos.
11	The girl stated there was no tattoos. I knew nobody knew about
12	tattoos and I wanted the evidence brought out that in fact
13	there were tattoos.
14	MR. McCARTHY: I move to strike everything after the word
1 5	"no" as nonresponsive.
16	THE COURT: I'll strike it.
17	BY MR. McCARTHY:
18	Q. If you could just try to answer what I'm asking you.
19	A. I thought I was.
20	Q. Was it that you and Miss Schmuck had a dispute about
21	the best time in the trial to introduce the photographs?
22	A. Say again, now?
23	Q. Did you and Janet Schmuck have a dispute about what

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you tell me?

A. That's a tricky question. I wouldn't say the best 1 I would just say we had a dispute that she was going to 2 introduce the photographs or not. 3 4 Okay. So until you told her you were going to make a fuss, she had told you that she had no intention of introducing 5 6 those photographs in evidence, is that right? Pretty close. Pretty close. Α. Can you make it closer? Q. 8 Well, there was a time when I wanted her to bring the 9 Α. photographs out, she told me that -- your Honor, I have this 10 stuff wrote down that when I was in trial, and going through 11 trial, I took notes, very specific notes. May I get them? 12 THE COURT: Yes. 1.3 MR. PLATER: You want the other package? 14 MR. McCARTHY: It might be easier if one of his hands was 15 16 loose. That's fine with me. 17 THE COURT: THE WITNESS: Okay. I'm getting close here. It takes me a 18 second to go over it. Okay. Now, what was your question 1.9 again? I wanted to make sure I got the part here about the 20 2.1 tattoos. MR. McCARTHY: I have no idea what the question was. 22

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- Q. Did you hear that?
- A. Excuse me. It sounded like mumbles.

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BY MR. McCARTHY:

- Q. So we're trying to get it clear that Janet Schmuck told you she had no intention of introducing those photographs into evidence and that's the way it was until you made a fuss about it?
 - A. Right.
 - Q. When was it that you made that fuss?
- A. Okay. It was, according to my notes, it was after Desiree Came back or was in there. It was sometime after Desiree testified, I asked Janet to say something, because she tells me why you're the one that wanted the pictures taken. That's what Janet said to me right there.
- Q. Do you remember what it was you said that inspired the response why you're the one who wanted the pictures taken?
 - A. That I can't answer, really.
 - Q. Was it something you said?
- A. Was it something that I said? Well, probably I told her. I haven't gotten that part wrote down. When I told her that I seen that the two alleged victims could not identify and the detective could not identify the tattoo, I wanted the

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- Q. Okay. Well, the photographs of your tattoos were in fact admitted into evidence, were they not?
 - A. They were in evidence. I guess you call it evidence.
 - Q. Did the judge get it?
 - A. Janet Schmuck had them.
 - Q. Did the jury get to see the pictures?
- A. Yes. She stated here is the pictures of my client.

 As you see, he has tattoos all over. Girls said no tattoos in penis area. You can see there is. So apparently, yes, she did show the jury that, yes.
- Q. Okay. But you thought she should have done it at some different point in the trial, is that right?
- A. Well, no. I thought that she should have done it on her own. She wasn't going to do it until I made a mention of it.
- Q. Okay. I understand. Do you recall what witnesses you asked her to try to get on your behalf at trial?
 - A. Yes. Pretty much all of them, yes.
 - Q. Can you give us some names, please?
 - A. Give you all of them.
- Q. All those that you told Janet Schmuck that you wanted to hear from?
 - A. I wanted Paul Grubbs, Linda Stalling, Gail Thomas or

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- Q. Yeah.
- A. There was a guy named Jay downstairs. I don't know what his name. Daniel Johnson, Ken Daniels,
 - Q. I'm sorry. What are you reading from, sir?
 - A. My notes. You can look at them.
- Q. That's all right. Those are the notes you took at trial?
- A. These are the notes I took from the day I was arrested to the day I went to prison. It's like a diary. You might say of everything, every conversation, phone call, person who visited me, everything that took place, I wrote it all down so I wouldn't forget.
- Q. Great. Perhaps you can tell us, then, if you gave these names to Janet Schmuck.
- A. Okay. April 2nd to April 4th, 1994 was the one that I got down here also. It was April 1st and March 26th and that's basically it.
 - Q. When did you prepare this diary that you have?
- A. From -- if you'd look to see it. I have no objection to you looking at it.
 - Q. Thank you. May I approach?
- A. These are other notes right there of when I was in prison. Now, the dates might be a day or two off, but because

1 | I didn't have no calendar.

- Q. So you wrote this diary that you're reading from like each day. You would sit down and say today Janet Schmuck came to visit me?
- A. It wasn't just Janet Schmuck. It was other attorneys that came to seen me. Janet Schmuck, my sister, anybody that visited me in jail. The conversation I had with the police after I was arrested, when I didn't have an attorney present, everything and anything, what happened between myself and the judge, what happened in the courtrooms, everything.
- Q. Okay. So, for instance, conversation you had with the police, later that day, you sat down with the paper and pencil and you wrote down, today I had a conversation with the police, something along those lines?
 - A. Something along those lines.
 - Q. It wasn't later, right?
- A. No. It was within the reasonable time that I had. I mean, if I was here, of course, I couldn't do it, so I had to wait until I got back to my little cell back there and took out pencil and paper and start scratching notes.
- Q. Can I see that once again, please? When did you write down the part at the top, page one, side one?
 - A. Oh, probably about a year after I've had this.
 - Q. Okay. So that wasn't written there in the beginning?

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- A. Oh, no. I sent a copy of this to my sister and I sent a copy of this to my attorney and my appeal attorney,
 David Hardy. I sent a copy of this also to Robin Wright, but in case this got lost in transit. My sister on the street had a copy and so did Daniel Johnson.
 - Q. Now, did you give us the whole list of names that you'd asked Janet Schmuck to acquire, people you'd asked her to bring in for you?
 - A. Well, you want the whole list? I got pretty much all of them, I think. Ken Daniels, Linda Stallings, Carla Scarpa, Daniel Johnson, Gail Thomas. Those are the people I wanted at trial initially, plus I wanted -- I knew that Paul Grubbs wouldn't be able to come.
 - Q. Why not?
 - A. Because he moved.
 - O. Okay. I'm sorry. Go ahead. Was there more?
 - A. There was a guy named Jay, I don't know his last name. Miss Schmuck told me that he wouldn't come unless he was, what do you call it, subpoenaed. Yeah, I would say that's basically about it, yeah.
 - Q. How about your sister Jackie? Did you suggest to Janet Schmuck that your sister Jackie should come to the trial?
 - A. Yeah. I wanted her to come, but Janet told me that the district attorney had a tape in his possession of Jackie,

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my sister you're speaking of, threatening Jocelyn that if

Jackie came, as you call her, her real name is Ester, but if

she came, that the district attorney would probably arrest her.

- Q. Now, that supposed tape of Ester threatening Jocelyn?
- 5 A. Right.
- Q. That was after the trial and before sentencing, was it not?
 - A. I assume.
 - Q. Okay. For trial purposes, did you suggest to Janet Schmuck that she have your sister Ester come to the hearing?
- 11 A. Yes. Yes, I did.
- 12 Q. Okay.
- 13 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Did Janet Schmuck tell you that she would not do that?
- A. Well, I know she did, but I'm trying to see the reason why.
 - Q. So she told you that she refused?
 - A. You wanted me, to put it bluntly, Janet Schmuck told me that my family was fucked up if the ladies will excuse my words.
 - Q. All right.
- A. Yeah.
- Q. Now, tell me also, this conversation where Janet

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- A. Uh-huh.
- Q. Do you recall if the word "credibility" entered into that conversation at all?
 - A. Did -- and which part now?
- Q. The word "credibility," did that arise in that conversation?
 - A. On whose part?
 - Q. I'll rephrase it. When Janet Schmuck told you that she was guilty, that you were guilty, excuse me, did she do that by telling you she had met with the girls and she found them to be credible?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. Did she tell you that she thought a jury would believe them?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Did she tell you that because of that, she would not defend you to the best of her abilities?
 - A. In part.
 - Q. Explain if you would "in part?"
 - A. She told me she went and talked to the two girls and their dad. When I asked her to go talk to other people in the apartment complex, she stated that she talked to them, that she felt that they were telling the truth, that I was lying and a

jury would not find me, as you put it, credible, and that I was quilty. Period.

- Q. But did she go on to say, because you were guilty she would not put forth her best efforts?
- A. No. She would find a way, yeah, she told me she was assaulted prior to sometime in her lifetime, she didn't get into the details, and the girls had to be telling the truth and that's all basically how it goes.
 - Q. Okay.
 - A. That I had to be the guilty party.
- Q. Okay. And speaking of Desiree Summer, the girls, as we call them, can you recall, sir, if it was ever a time when they could have seen the tattoos on your abdomen?
 - A. My stomach?
- O. Yes.
 - A. Hundreds of times. Everybody sees them. I've got them on my back, my stomach and my arms. I take out my garbage, I'm sitting in my house, I work on my truck, I go next door, I'm sitting on the front porch, you know, enjoying a cool drink of cool aid or something or a cold beer on a summer night. Hundreds of times, thousands of people could see it. I play baseball.
 - Q. Now, are there some tattoos they never would have seen on you?

1 Α. Absolutely. And what tattoo is that? ٥. 3 At that time to down below my penis area, from my 4 belly button down to my scrotum. MR. McCARTHY: May I have just a moment, your Honor? 6 May I have these marked, your Honor? 7 THE CLERK: State's Exhibit B1 and B2 marked for identification. 8 BY MR. McCARTHY: 9 10 Mr. Maki, I'll show you what's been marked as Exhibits B1 and about B2, are these photographs of you, sir? 11 Yes. Kind of rough looking, aren't I? Yeah, that's 12 13 me. MR. McCARTHY: I'll offer B1 and B2. 14 15 THE COURT: Any objection? 16 MR. PLATER: No. THE COURT: B1 and B2 will be admitted. 17 BY MR. McCARTHY: 18 Now, those photographs show two photographs, two 19 0. tattoos, is that right? 20 Yes. 21 Α. And it's your belief that thousands of people might 22 have seen the upper tattoo, but very few people were ever going 23

to see that lower tattoo, is that right?

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You can see the head of the upper tattoo, but,
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     basically, you're correct.
          MR. McCARTHY: Be just a moment, your Honor. I think I'm
     done. I have nothing further.
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          THE COURT: Any redirect?
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     BY MR. PLATER:
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      State's case with its witnesses was more credible than your
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                     She told me point blank I was guilty.
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          MR. PLATER: That's all I have.
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          THE COURT: Anything else, Mr. McCarthy.
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          MR. McCARTHY: No, thank you.
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          THE COURT: You can resume your seat at the counsel table,
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      Mr. Maki.
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          MR. PLATER: I'm sorry. I had one other question.
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          THE COURT: One other question. Go ahead and set down.
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1 REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. PLATER: 2 Mr. Maki, Mr. McCarthy went through a list of 3 witnesses you gave to Miss Schmuck? 4 Uh-huh. 5 Α. And what was the purpose of giving those witnesses to 6 Ο. Miss Schmuck for? Α. I wanted them to testify. Most of those people have 8 kids have known me, I've dated them, I've known them for years and all of them have kids and I wanted the jury to see that I 10 11 not this animal that the State has made me out to be, that I've been around kids all my life. I've got kids of my own. 12 They're grown up a little bit now. I still have kids of my 13 own. I wanted them to be able to see through someone else's 14 eyes besides the State's eyes of who I was. 15 16 Q. You wanted to present witnesses to show the jury that you had been around children and you never molested them or 17 assaulted them? 18 All my life I've been around them. 19 Α. 20 Q. You presented one witness at trial to testify to that? 21 22 Α. Excuse me? You presented of a witness at trial to testify to 23 Q.

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- 1 A. Yes, Daniel Johnson.
 - Q. And that was not sufficient in your mind?
 - A. Absolutely not.
 - Q. Why not?
 - A. Daniel Johnson, I haven't seen for six years and she lived 400 miles away and when she found out that I was in trouble up here, she came to my rescue, so to speak, because she knew what type of person I was and who I was. She traveled 400 miles out of her way to come up here and testify for my behalf.
 - Q. She had not seen you for six years?
- 12 A. She had not seen me for six years.
 - Q. At the time of the trial?
 - A. At the time of the trial.
 - Q. So these other witnesses would have presented more recent testimony about your relationship with their children?
 - A. Absolutely.
- Q. So these were going to be used as character witnesses?
 - A. I guess that's what you call them, yes.
 - Q. And what were their names?
 - A. It was Linda Stalling, I dated her. She has two young boys. There's a -- I've known Linda when I was in the hospital. I met her there. I knew her for approximately a

year and a half, two years. Up to date at the time of the trial, as a matter of fact, I just seen her a few weeks prior to my arrest.

Carla, I've known Carla for approximately up to the date of the trial, about 18 years. Ken, I knew him, God, years. Ken Daniels, I've known him 15 years up to the date of the trial. He's got two young girls.

Linda Stallings, I've known her for two years, plus dated her five months. She's got two young boys. Carla Scarpa, I've known 15 years plus dated a couple of months. She's got one boy I've known since two years old. Daniel Johnson, I lived with her for nine months. I helped her baby sit a couple of kids off and on.

Gail Thomas, I knew her for two years, dated her off and on. She has two kids and three grand kids and those are my character witnesses that I wanted to come to testify about me, about what I was like, who I am, who I really am, not what the State thinks I am.

- Q. And you also mentioned that there was a person or that you knew of some prior sexual activity of the little girls in this case?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. You gave that to Miss Schmuck?
 - A. I told Miss Schmuck, positively, I told Miss Schmuck,

1 | more than once, my sister told her also.

- Q. Did you ever personally observe any sexual activity of the young children?
- A. Truthfully, no. I can't say that I did. No. I wish I could say that, but I can't.
- Q. Did you ever see the young children in inappropriate circumstances or behavior yourself?
 - A. Yes.
 - O. What was that?
- A. I caught the young girl and the older girl both in compromising positions with young boys
 - Q. Let's take Desiree first. What did you see?
- A. The first time was with Summer, the younger girl, and that was with little John downstairs. That was approximately November of 1993. They were in her bedroom with the older girl. John was what they call playing doctors, both, you know, all kids do it, you know, when they're that age, I guess. They were playing doctors, as I they called it. I told the dad that night when he got home from work and he said it was no big deal.
 - Q. What did you see?
- A. John had his pants to the ankles, Summer had no pants on and he was on top of her trying to have sex with her.
 - Q. And you saw that?

- 1 A. Positively.
 - Q. And what did you do about it?
 - A. I pulled John up by his arm, kind of out of my way, scolded him to a degree, took him down stairs to his -- it wasn't really his stepfather. It was to be stepfather. And I told him about it and I told the mother about it and he was restricted from seeing the girls at that point, to my knowledge, anyway. And I waited until later that night and told Gary, the father, Gary Mineese of what was going on with Summer and John and he told me, it was no big deal, this happened before, you know, they're just kids.
 - Q. Regarding Desiree, you saw something else also?
 - A. Desiree, it was a few weeks later, I think it was school time when they had, what do you call it, school vacation.
 - Q. Thanksqiving break or Christmas?
 - A. Summer or Christmas break or whatever it is. Anyway, it was a big kid up there, he's wearing what I believe to have -- I always heard as these gang clothes, those were Oakland Raiders things. I assumed he was one of these gang member things. I've never really seen one so I don't know.
 - He was up there. Anyway, he was a big kid. He was almost my size. He looked like 17 years old. He was in there with Desiree on the bed. He had her pretty well depants and he was

trying to do things with her.

I grabbed that boy by his hair, threw him down the stairs and that's when I told Jay, the guy downstairs, of what I've done, because he seen the guy tumbling down the stairs and I told Jay what happened. And asked Jay his opinion if I should tell the father about this, because apparently the dad just don't give a hoot.

And he said, yeah, he thought it would probably be better if I told him and he would back me up on it. And I said fine. And I went up there and told Desiree. I'm going to have to tell your dad about what I saw. And Desiree got upset, called me names, told me it was none of my business. It was her boy friend and got upset about everything and I just-- that's how it has to be.

So Gary come home that night fairly intoxicated about 9:30. I pulled him up. I told him: This time I caught Desiree in there with a young boy. She says it's her boyfriend. And Gary acknowledged the fact that he knew this kid, that he was from the neighborhood somewhere and he's been up there before. And, again, it was no big deal.

- Q. And what was your purpose in telling Miss Schmuck about these incidents?
- A. Well, Gary told me when I first met Gary approximately three months after I met Gary Mineese, he told me

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when we were drinking, we were having a couple of beers on the 1 porch that night one night. He told me he was pulled up by the 2 Reno Police Department and the welfare department for taking 3 showers and running around the house nude with his daughters. 4 MR. McCARTHY: Your Honor, if this is offered for the truth 5 of the matter asserted, then I object. 6 BY MR. PLATER: 7 I'm asking why did you want -- why did you bring Ο. 8 these incidents to Miss Schmuck's attention? 9 Oh, you mean about the kids? Α. 10 Right. 11 Ο. Because I wanted her to know what kind of girls these Α. 12 I wanted her to know. I mean, everybody is painting 13 them as these two angels. These are no angels by no means. 14 When the DA had them sitting up here in white dresses with 15 little teddy bears and stuff, you know, I asked Miss Schmuck 16 what's going on. She said: It's a DA's trick to make them 17 look innocent. They're not innocent by no means. Let's get to 18 the heart of the matter. Let's show what they really are. 19 That's all I have. Ο. Okay. 20 THE COURT: Anything else? 21 22 MR. McCARTHY: If I may. III23

RECROSS EXAMINATION

2 BY MR. McCARTHY:

- Q. Want to show what they really are?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. What are they?
- A. They're not little angels. I won't say that they're -- they're -- I don't know what a typical eight and eleven year old girl is. I mean, it's been a while since I raised mine. Mine weren't like that I know of.
- Q. Is it your belief that these two girls, that the eight-year-old and the eleven-year-old were both sexually active?
- A. In my belief, I know, I seen it with my own two eyes. I told the father, I told Miss Schmuck, I told her to even go down and have the welfare department, somebody, medical anybody to check them out to see. Have a psychological evaluation of the girls, find out what's ticking in their brain. But nobody wanted to listen to me.

I seen it with my own two eyes. The dad told me: It's no big deal, they're young. Okay. Maybe that's true. It's not my place. You know, I put my nose in where it didn't belong. I called the welfare department on him, because I put my nose in where it didn't belong. Because he comes home drunk every night and don't take care to his eyes and takes them over to an

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adult pizza joint where the college kids hang out. The kids are coming up to the house when he's not home. His buddy Frances takes them out when he didn't know where they are.

I catch boys in the room having sexual activities with the girls, and they tell me it don't matter. I'm the one that called the welfare. I told them. Again, I put my nose where it didn't belong. I think they were sexually active. You're doggone right. I seen they're sexually active. To what degree, I couldn't tell you for sure. But they were definitely, what do you call it, exploring. I'll put it that way.

- Q. Do you think they were seductive?
- 13 A. Do I think they were seductive?
- 14 O. Yeah.
- 15 A. Hell if I know.
 - Q. Did you have an opinion about who is the initiator in this sexual activity?
- 18 A. I couldn't tell you.
- 19 Q. What you saw, did it appear to be voluntary?
- 20 A. It appeared to be.
- 21 Q. Ever try to seduce you?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 O. They never did?
- 24 A. Never.

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1	Q.	Never wanted to have sex with you?
2	A.	Who.
3	Q.	They never wanted to have sex with you?
4	A.	No, absolutely not.
5	Q.	Those girls ever see you naked?
6	Α.	Absolutely not.
7	Q.	Never saw you in the shower?
8	A.	One of them did, yes. I can't lie about that. She
9	seen my back of my butt.	
10	Q.	She could she have seen your genitals?
11	A.	Absolutely not.
12	Q.	Could any of them ever see you getting in or out of
13	the shower?	
14	A.	No.
15	Q.	Any of those girls ever see you getting dressed?
16	A.	Absolutely not.
17	Q.	Were you ever wearing a bathrobe in the presence of
18	Summer an	d Desiree?
19	A.	Oh, probably. Yeah. But I would have something
20	underneat	h it. It wasn't like I would go out there and just,
21	you know,	wear a bathrobe. I would have short pants or my

drawers on or something. I'm lounging around in my house,

sure. Is there something wrong with laying around with having

1	Q. When you say "drawers" on, you mean briefs?
2	A. Boxers, I usually wear.
3	MR. McCARTHY: That's all I have.
4	MR. PLATER: Nothing else.
5	THE COURT: You can step down, Mr. Maki.
6	THE COURT: Take a short break.
7	(A short break was taken at this time.)
8	THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Maki is present with counsel, Mr.
9	Plater. Mr. McCarthy is present. You can call your next
10	witness.
11	MR. PLATER: Call Mr. Fried, your Honor.
12	THE CLERK: Raise your right hand to be sworn.
13	THE CLERK: Thank you. Be seated.
14	MICHAEL R. FRIED
15	called as a witness on behalf of the Defendant,
16	being first duly sworn, was examined and
17	testified as follows:
18	DIRECT EXAMINATION
19	BY MR. PLATER:
20	Q. Would you state your name, please?
21	A. Michael Ray Fried.
22	Q. Mr. Fried, you're an inmate at NNCC in Carson City?
23	A. Correct.
24	Q. Do you know Mr. Maki?

1	A.	Yes, I do.
2	Q.	And do you know a Jocelyn Coombs?
3	A.	Yes, I do, but the name wasn't Coombs when I knew
4	her.	
5	Q.	Okay. Was it Maki at that time?
6	A.	Yes.
7	Q.	And you went out with her?
8	A.	Yes, I did.
9	Q.	Okay. And that was some time ago?
10	A.	Yes.
11	Q.	When was that?
12	A.	I believe it to be 1979 or 1980.
13	Q.	Okay. And at that time, did you have problems
14	regarding	her credibility?
15	A.	As far as problems, I don't know. I've heard some
16	tails tha	t I don't say I could believe, but I've had no proof
17	to back t	hem up either.
18	Q.	Were you aware of her reputation regarding
19	credibili	ty?
20	Α.	Yes, I was.
21	Q.	What was that?
22	A.	She was very, how would you say, I don't know if I
23	want to s	say insecure let's see if I can explain. How about
24	her word	wasn't to be trusted, because she liked to manipulate

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1 male people for favors or whatever she could get out of 2 somebody.

- Q. And that was during a time that you went out with her?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. That you knew of her reputation?
- 7 A. Right.
- Q. Did you ever see her under the influence of controlled substances?
- 10 A. Yes, I have.
- 11 O. How often?
- A. Well, every time I seen her, which probably would be once or twice weekly for the span we were together.
 - Q. What type of substances did she take?
- 15 A. Usually marijuana and speed.
 - Q. Speed being methamphetamine?
- 17 A. Right.
- 18 Q. And what was she like under the influence?
- 19 A. Happy-go-lucky, want to go party some more, 20 carefully.
 - Q. Did it affect her memory or --
- A. It's really hard for me to say on that one, because it's a short span that I was with her.
- MR. PLATER: That's all I have, your Honor.

1 THE COURT: Mr. McCarthy, questions? 2 CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. McCARTHY: 3 4 Do you recall where you were living, sir, in the //
Summer of '94? 5 Pardon me? 6 Α. 7 Do you recall where you were living in the Summer of 1994? 8 9 Virginia Motor, I believe. Α. 10 Did you spend any time in the county jail that year? 0. Yes, four months. 11 Α. 12 Ο. Were you in the county jail at the time Charles Maki was sentenced? 13 14 Yes. Α. 15 MR. McCARTHY: That's all I have. 16 MR. PLATER: That's all. 17 THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. Fried. You can step down. 18 MR. PLATER: Your Honor, I will call -- what is your calendar like today? 19 20 THE COURT: I'll go until about noon, then I have a 1:30. Then we can resume this after approximately half an hour of 21 22 that 1:30. We can start up at about 2:00. But we've got roughly half an hour to go this morning. 23 MR. PLATER: It might be quicker if I called Miss Schmuck 24

right now and we can go right through that. 1 THE CLERK: Thank you, please be seated. 2 JANET COBB SCHMUCK 3 4 called as a witness on behalf of the Defendant, Q being first duly sworn, was examined and 5 testified as follows: 6 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. PLATER: 8 Would you state your name, please? 9 Q. 10 Α. Janet Cobb Schmuck. 11 Ο. Miss Schmuck, you're a licensed attorney, is that 12 correct? 13 A. That's correct. You have a license to practice law in the State of 14 Ο. 15 Nevada? 16 Α. Yes. 17 Ο. Are you licensed in the Federal Court District of Nevada also? 18 Α. 19 Yes. You're a lawyer in the Washoe County Public 20 Q. Defender's Office? 21 That's correct. 22 Α. You've been a lawyer there for how many years? Ο. 23 It will be seven years in October. 24

1	Q.	Okay. When did you pass the bar?
2	Α.	1990.
3	Q.	And you went straight to work for the Public
4	Defender'	s Office?
5	A.	That's right.
6	Q.	You know Charles Maki?
7	A.	Yes, I do.
8	Q.	And you represented him at trial?
9	Α.	That's correct.
10	Q.	And that was in 1994?
11	Α.	Yes.
12	Q.	When did you start doing trial work for the Public
13	De fen der'	s Office?
14	A.	I think I went into the trial division in November of
15	1993.	
16	Q.	Okay.
17	Α.	I know it was just when Mr. Specchio had started as
18	the publi	c defender.
19	Q.	Okay. Prior to that time, what were you doing?
20	Α.	I was in the appellate division.
21	Q.	Okay.
22	Α.	And prior to that, I had been in the municipal court
23	doing tri	al work.
24	Q.	Okay. With the Public Defender's Office?

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- Q. Okay. So in November of '93, you started doing felony trial work?
 - A. That's right.
 - Q. Okay. So do you remember when you first received this case regarding Charles Maki?
 - A. I believe it would have been in February, probably around the first of February or late January, since I think that's when the preliminary hearing was conducted.
- 10 Q. Of 1994?
- 11 A. That's right.
- Q. Okay. Now, I take it you had numerous conversations and meetings with Mr. Maki?
- 14 A. That's correct.
 - Q. Okay. And during the process of representing him, it -- you eventually had going to trial, right?
- 17 A. That's right.
- Q. And in the beginning, you conducted a preliminary hearing, right?
- 20 A. That's right.
 - Q. And he was arraigned in district court after that?
- 22 A. That's right.
- Q. And you then you began to file pretrial motions,
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1	Α.	That's right.
2	Q.	And one of the pretrial motions you filed was a
3	motion to	suppress statements that he had made to RPD officers,
4	right?	
5	Α.	That's right.
6	Q.	Do you remember that motion that you filed?
7	Α.	Yes, I do.
8	Q.	Do you remember the grounds that you raised in the
9	motion?	
LO	A.	I believe the grounds for the motion was his
11	indication	n of his rights not to continue the questioning that
12	he wanted	to speak with an attorney.
13	Q.	Right. And I'll represent to you, I've reviewed the
14	motion and	d maybe you can look at it if you want to.
15	MR. P	LATER: May I approach, your Honor?
16	BY MR. PL	ATER:
17	Q.	You recognize that document?
18	A.	Yes.
19	Q.	Okay. That's the motion you filed on behalf of Mr.
20	Maki?	
21	Α.	That's right.
22	Q.	To suppress statements that he made to officers?
23	A.	That's correct.
24	Q.	Is it accurate to say that you raised, I believe, two

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1 grounds in that motion to suppress his statement? One was that 2 he was entitled to a Miranda warning, because at the very beginning of the interview with the officers, he was -- it was 3 4 in your argument a custodial interrogation. And, secondly, you 5 wanted to suppress all statements he made after he told officers he didn't want to talk to them anymore? 7 Α. That's correct. Okay. So you raised two grounds? 8 0. That's right. 9 Α.

- Q. Okay. Now, you did that because you were a lawyer who was appointed to represent Mr. Maki and you were doing that in your best professional judgment, right?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. What did you see your -- what was your role as Mr. Maki's counsel?
- A. My role as his counsel was to represent him in all court proceedings, to zealously advocate his position, to protect his constitutional rights, to make sure that he had a fair and sound representation and that he was defended properly.
 - THE COURT: I'm sorry? What?
- THE WITNESS: That he was defended properly.
- 23 BY MR. PLATER:
 - Q. That's why you filed the motion, right?

- A. I filed that motion for those reasons and because I thought there was a rule issue as far as the tapes that he had made and there was an issue presented to the Court in terms of those statements being suppressed.
- Q. And you filed other motions on behalf of Mr. Maki also, right?
 - A. That's right.
- Q. You did that because you understand your duty as his attorney to protect his constitutional rights and zealously advocate all issues that might favor the outcome, or that might be favorable to his particular case, right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And you also filed those motions because, is it fair to say, you sensed this case might be going to trial?
 - A. That's very true, yes.
- Q. In other words, you don't -- as a trial lawyer, even though you have a potentially meritorious motion, you don't file every motion, even if it's potentially meritorious, if you don't see the case going to trial. Is that a fair statement?
 - A. That's a fair statement.
- Q. Because sometimes during plea negotiations, the State will recognize it has a weak issue and as a defense you have a strong issue and you agree to waive filing of a certain motion and the State will give you something in return for your not

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pursuing the defense by motion or otherwise and so you don't file all of the motions that are possible in every case?

A. That's true.

- Q. But in this case, is it fair to say that based on your relationship with Mr. Maki, you saw that this case was probably going to trial?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. That's one of the reasons you filed the motion to suppress statements that he made?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And you raised two issues in the motion to suppress that were basically based both on the Miranda decision, correct?
 - A. Correct.
- Q. And can you quickly tell us what Miranda provides?

 MR. McCARTHY: Your Honor, I'm going to object. Not to the question, but to the line of questioning. The motion to suppress was litigated in this court and in the Supreme Court. There's been a judgment on the merits. It's a res judicata, your Honor. So the admissibility alone of the statements has been decided by the Court of final -- the final court in this state.

THE COURT: I don't think that's where he's going with it.

It's more tactics, I think.

MR. PLATER: Well, Mr. McCarthy is right in that the habeas provisions provide that if something has been litigated to the Court, especially of highest appeal, that issue is barred from post conviction relief, and it's true that Miranda and/or it's true that the voluntariness of his statements as they were presented by his trial counsel were litigated and decided against him, but I'm going to a different area that was not used by his trial counsel.

THE COURT: I'll let you go into the different area. That's what I meant. So overruled.

BY MR. PLATER:

- Q. Okay. Could you tell us what you understand Miranda to be real briefly. We don't need an expert, full, broad definition?
- A. Particularly with respect to this, my understanding is that someone who is the subject of an investigation should be warned that the subject of an investigation and told you -- everything you say can be used against you. If you want a lawyer, you should let us know, and if you can't afford a lawyer, one will be appointed to represent you.
- Q. And Miranda does not apply to every scenario of investigations, does it?
 - A. No.
 - Q. Under what circumstances of investigation does it

1 talk about generally speaking?

- A. Usually, we're talking about a custodial -- custodial interrogation when someone is not free to leave.
- Q. Okay. And you raised the fact that in your mind, based on what you saw in the transcript of the interview between officers and Mr. Maki, you thought that there was an issue that that was a custodial interrogation from the very beginning, right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And you raised that despite the fact that the officers told Mr. Maki he was free to leave, he was voluntarily coming with them, and that he didn't have to do anything with them, right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And why did you think it was custodial at that time, at that very outset when Mr. Maki was down at the police station answering their questions?
- MR. McCARTHY: Your Honor, that is the precise question that has a res judicata effect. He is not custodial as a matter of law.
- MR. PLATER: I agree with that. It's been litigated. I'm leading into something.
- THE COURT: I'll give you some leeway.
- 24 MR. PLATER: Maybe I'm taking too long.

THE WITNESS: Could I hear the question again?

BY MR. PLATER:

Q. Let me try it a different way. Okay. You thought that -- you thought that Mr. Maki's answering questions from the very beginning with the police officers at the police

station was a custodial interrogation, right?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And you lost the issue?
- A. That's right.
- Q. Filed a motion, had a hearing, Judge Kosach ruled against you, right?
 - A. Right.
- Q. And the Supreme Court agreed with Judge Kosach on that issue, do you know that?
 - A. I do.
- Q. It's a matter of record. Okay. The order dismissing appeal rules that way. Okay. I guess I'll get straight to the issue. Did you ever consider when you were filing your suppression motion to add a third ground and say in the alternative if Mr. Maki was not in custody while he's being interrogated at the beginning of the interview, he certainly was in a custodial interrogation at some point later during the interview, but before the officers themselves decided it was custodial and gave Miranda warnings?

MR. McCARTHY: Your Honor, I think now that we have what the issues all about, I repeat, the Supreme Court has decided this individual is not subject to custodial interrogation. As the law of the case is a res judicata effect, as a matter of law, he could not have prevailed on that prong.

THE COURT: Yes, but the question was alternatively, so I'll overrule it as far as for the purposes of this question.

THE WITNESS: Let me make sure. Did I consider raising in the alternative that he was in custody before the police officers knew he was in custody?

BY MR. PLATER:

- Q. Okay. I'll try to phrase it better.
- A. Okay.
- Q. Do you remember during the interrogation, at one point the officers advised Mr. Maki of his Miranda rights?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And do you remember the officers testifying they did that because they thought they had probable cause to arrest him at that point?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And you based part of your motion -- well, strike that. Did you think that or did it ever cross your mind that if this was not a custodial interrogation at the very beginning, it may have become a custodial interrogation at some

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other point during the interview especially before the officers read Miranda rights to Mr. Maki?

- A. I can't say that I recall thinking of it that way.
- Q. Do you remember during the interview in the beginning Mr. Maki denied allegations of any wrongdoing with the girls?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And this was before officers read Miranda to him, is that right?
 - A. That's right.
- Q. Before they read Miranda to him at a later point, but at the beginning of the interview, he did admit to bathing with Summer, do you remember that?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. He admitted she washed his back and maybe she touched his genitalia?
 - A. Uh-huh.
 - Q. Do you remember that he admitted that he was guilty with Summer, that he had a buzz and I did something wrong?
 - A. Yes, I do remember that.
 - Q. Okay. At that point, had Mr. Maki committed -- admitted that he had committed a crime?
 - A. I think so.
- Q. And that would have been at least lewdness?
- 24 A. Yes.

- Q. Okay. Did the officers have probable cause to arrest him at that point, after he had made those admissions about Summer and the lewdness?
 - A. Based upon the comments that he made, at that point I would think that the officers had probable cause to Mirandize him at that point, at least.
 - Q. Okay. When he was Mirandized, he invoked his right to remain silent, right?
 - A. My -- I can't remember exactly. I know he invoked in such a way. I don't remember exactly if he said, I don't want to talk anymore, or if he actually said, I want a lawyer. It may have been that I don't want to talk to him.
 - Q. That's what he said. He said I don't want to talk.

 Okay. So after he made those statements that we referred to,

 you believe there was probable cause to arrest him for

 lewdness, right?
 - A. Well, I didn't say probable cause to arrest. I said that I think there was a -- at that point, there would have been a reason for the officers to Mirandize him.
 - Q. Because it would have been -- because he would have been in custody at that point?
 - A. I'm hesitating because I'm trying to remember from reading the police reports. It was at the time when I was going through all this and developing the motion to suppress,

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it was my opinion that Mr. Maki was the subject of the investigation when the police officers went over to the apartment house and asked him to accompany them down to the police station. And that basically he was in custody at that point.

- Q. You believed that the officers had probable cause to arrest him for sexual assault and lewdness, even before the interview began, right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Now, assuming that -- I guess my question is: Why did you not argue that assuming Miranda did not have to be followed at the beginning of the interrogation, why did you not argue that it should have been followed by officers earlier than they actually gave the warning such as when Mr. Maki admitted to being guilty with Summer, having committed lewdness with her and the officers had probable cause to arrest him for sexual assault?
- MR. McCARTHY: Your Honor, I have a different objection at this point. I was just looking, I can't find where this issue was pleaded, either in the petition or in the supplement. If it's appropriate at all, it ought to be in the successive petition.
- MR. PLATER: I think there is a Fifth Amendment right filed in there.

1 MR. McCARTHY: It's very lengthy and wordy and it's hard to 2 say, but I looked and I can't find it in there.

THE COURT: I'm going to overrule the objection. We can proceed with that.

BY MR. PLATER:

- Q. Do you remember my question?
- A. Is your question that I should have -- did I consider arguing that he should have been Mirandized immediately.
 - Q. No. You argued that, right?
 - A. That's what I --
- Q. Okay. And did you consider that if that argument were not successful, that Miranda -- he should have been Mirandized, even if it were later, at an earlier time than the officers actually did it, for example, after he confessed to lewdness with Summer, and he said he was guilty, he said he knew he did something wrong, and the officers have probable cause to arrest him right there. In your mind, shouldn't they have -- isn't that -- everything after that a custodial interrogation?
- A. I don't remember -- I don't remember considering that when I was writing this.
 - O. Would that have been a reasonable consideration?
- A. I would say that at this point, listening to the questioning this morning, it doesn't sound like an unreasonable

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thing to do, but I'm also trying to recall a time what I was considering as reasonable and I -- I just don't remember thinking that as a reasonable argument to bring up.

- Q. You don't remember whether it was a reasonable argument?
- A. I don't remember thinking of it as a reasonable argument.
- Q. 'Okay. You're not saying that you thought it was an unreasonable argument?
 - A. No.
- Q. You probably don't remember the specific counts in the information in this case, but do you remember the first five counts were counts of Sexual Assault against Mr. Maki?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. The next five were Lewdness counts against him with a person under 14 years old?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. I'll represent to you that Count Four in the information charged Mr. Maki with sexual assault against a minor under 14 years of age and that was Desiree, and it alleged that he sexually assaulted her with his finger. There was testimony at the preliminary hearing that Desiree said this occurred during another sexual assault when he was sexually assaulting her with his penis. In essence, she said she

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assaulted me with his finger and his penis during the same time. Do you remember that testimony at all?

- A. I remember at the preliminary hearing?
- Q. Right.
- A. I can't say right now that I actually remember the testimony. I mean, I've reviewed the preliminary hearing transcript to say I actually remember the testimony, no.
- Q. And if Desiree had said during the preliminary hearing testimony that she was sexually assaulted by Mr. Maki's finger, during the time that she was sexually assaulting her with his penis, do you think it would have been a reasonable argument that that constituted one offense as opposed to two?
- A. No. Because what you've described to me is if there was a sexual assault using the penis and there was a sexual assault using the finger, I would see it as two separate or two different incidents.
 - Q. Okay. And what if they occurred simultaneously?
 - A. I don't remember anything about that being said.
- Q. Okay. If it were simultaneous, would that be considered in your opinion one criminal act as opposed to two?
- A. That's possible. But, I mean, I possibly would have considered that and done some research on it.
- Q. Well, let's talk about Count V. That was a Sexual

 Assault count against Mr. Maki where he alleged -- where it was

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1 alleged that he assaulted Summer? Yes. 2 Α. 3 She was the youngest of the two girls. And she testified to that at trial in front of a jury. Do you remember 4 5 that she was sexually assaulted by him? Α. Yes. 6 7 0. Do you remember during the preliminary hearing where Summer said that she was never sexually assaulted by Mr. Maki? 8 Α. No. 9 Maybe it would refresh your recollection if I gave 10 0. you a transcript? 11 Α. Sure. 12 MR. McCARTHY: Your Honor, as far as I can tell, this is 13 the third area we're getting into that hasn't been pleaded. 14 don't know how I respond if I'm not put on notice. 15 MR. PLATER: Well, it's relevant because it shows 16 17 inconsistencies in the victim's statements that should have put 18 counsel on notice to file a request that the Court order a mental health and a physical and psychological examination of 19 the victim. 20 21 MR. McCARTHY: That's pleaded. MR. PLATER: That's pleaded.

THE COURT: Well, yeah. We can pursue that.

MR. McCARTHY: Okay. I didn't understand that.

1 THE COURT: You didn't know where we were going.

MR. McCARTHY: What is your direct is a question of, for instance, ineffective assistance or failure to pursue a pretrial writ. I would object to any argument concerning any such assertion.

THE COURT: I understand. Let's take the lunch break. I'd say be back here at 2:00. I have a 1:30. So let's go ahead and be back at 2:00 o'clock.

(A lunch break was taken at this time.)

THE COURT: Okay. We're on the record. Mr. Maki is present with counsel. State's represented. Miss Schmuck is on the stand. We can proceed.

BY MR. PLATER:

- Q. Miss Schmuck, before Mr. Maki went to trial, were you aware that you could file a motion to the Court seeking the Court to order an independent physical and/or psychological evaluation of the victims in this case?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And did you make a decision one way or the other to file such a motion?
 - A. Yes, I did.
 - Q. What was the -- what decision was that?
- A. I decided not to.
 - Q. And why is that?

A. Specifically, for the psychological exam, I had been informed by the State that they were not calling witnesses who would or experts who would testify as far as psychiatric testimony was concerned.

Also, in this particular case, there was no indication or any information that I had the children had received any sort of counseling. If memory serves me correctly, the incidents were alleged to have occurred in December of that year and the reports were made very soon thereafter to the police and there was no indication at all that the children had been seen by any psychiatrist.

As far as a physical exam is concerned, I believe I received the Saints exam later in the discovery process. I think there was a hearing at which that was addressed that I had not received, the Saints exam, and I did not see the need at that point when I did receive the Saints exam to ask for a physical exam independently.

- Q. Okay. So there were two reasons you didn't ask for a psychological examination. One was there was no psychological evidence that you saw that was forthcoming from the State?
- A. The State had not endorsed an psychiatric expert. I believe Mr. Greco informed me that he was not calling a psychiatric expert.
 - Q. The second reason in terms of the psychological a

motion for the psychological evaluation that the children had had no counseling?

- A. That primarily. The -- what I was looking for was if there was a possibility that the children had been questioned by an expert, if there was any possibility of coaching or suggesting that had been made to them. And because of the amount of time that had elapsed and the information that I have that there was -- that they had not been counseled, I did not see the reason for that. I also did not have any or did not gain any information during the course of the investigation of this case that led me to believe that the children had any prior sexual activity going on in their lives, prior to their allegations that Mr. Maki had sexually molested them.
- Q. Okay. Is it your understanding that you couldn't ask the Court for a psychological evaluation merely because you didn't expect the Court -- merely because you didn't expect the State to offer psychological testimony?
- A. No. That's not my testimony. I think I still could have asked for one. I made a decision not to ask for one.
- Q. Based on the fact that the State wasn't going to produce such evidence and because the kids had no counseling?
 - A. The information that I had received, yes.
 - Q. Okay.
 - A. And because I could not -- I could not establish that

- there had been sort of any prior incidents of sexual molestation of the children by anyone else. There was no -- I couldn't establish that there had been any sexual activity by them.
- Q. In your mind, was that required? Did you have to make such a showing in a motion before the Court?
- A. No, I didn't think I had to make such a showing. I also knew that Mr. Maki was very concerned about that and had informed me of his very strong beliefs that the children had engaged in sexual activity. And because he had informed me of that, I tried to find out about that, I asked people, we did investigations of that.
- Q. Okay. Would it be fair to say that a psychiatric evaluation that's proposed by the defense can be used to gain evidence or determine the credibility of the victim who is going to testify at trial?
 - A. I suppose it would be fair to say, yes.
- Q. And the same thing with the physical examination, right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. So did you make -- based on that, did you make a determination that there were no credibility issues regarding the children who are going to testify against Mr. Maki?
 - A. Yes. I found in my own, because I was there at the

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preliminary hearing, and the follow-up investigations that we did, no -- I found the children to be credible and also viewing the video tapes that were done by the police.

- Q. Okay. So in terms of the credibility, you didn't make a motion for psychiatric evaluation, because the children seemed credible to you?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And that assessment that you made was based on doing a preliminary examination of the children, is that correct?
 - A. That's right.
 - Q. Reviewing discovery in the case?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Which would have included reviewing the taped interviews of the children?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Police reports?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Speaking with the district attorney about his case?
- 19 A. Yeah.
 - Q. Reviewing everything that you had in terms of investigation and discovery?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Okay. And would that reasoning also apply to why you elected not to make a motion for an independent physical

examination of the children?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Basically -- okay. Because you thought they were credible witnesses? Okay. Now, you mentioned that the Saints exam also was a factor in your decision not to ask the Court for such an evaluation, the physical part?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And what was it about the Saints exam that led you -- that you didn't need to make or petition the Court for an independent physical examination of the children?
- A. Because my belief at that point was that there had been an exam done, the exam results were not especially -- I believe it was the older child, Desiree, that there was no -- the Saints exam wasn't real clear that there had been trauma to her, that there had actually been sexual assault.
- Q. In fact, the Saints exam regarding Desiree said that the hymen was normal and they could find no signs of sexual abuse, right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Did you find that report consistent with Desiree's allegations that she had been sexual assaulted four times by Mr. Maki?
- A. Of course, it's not consistent. I mean, but in the sense that they were finding that they -- there was no trauma.

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But I'd also heard the child testify at preliminary hearing. She had been pretty consistent throughout all the statements she made at the preliminary hearing and to the police and I realize that one of the things that we would be able to do with the Saints exam was argue that in front of the jury.

- Q. And would it have been consistent with your reasoning not to get a psychological evaluation of the children that although the Saints exam showed no sexual abuse, nevertheless, Desiree was claiming that Mr. Maki had sexually abused her four times?
- A. I'm not quite following that. Could you ask that again?
- Q. When you decided not to pursue a psychological evaluation of Desiree, did you factor in your decision the fact that although the Saints exam said she had not been abused, that she'd nevertheless herself claimed she had been abused sexually four times by Mr. Maki?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. So is it fair to say from your testimony, then, that you didn't seek either a psychological or physical examination from the Court based on your assessment of the credibility of the children?
 - A. That was part of it, yes.
 - Q. Okay. Not entirely, though?

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1 A. No.

- Q. Okay. Let me ask you, then, regarding your assessment of credibility, did your assessment take into account the fact that Summer testified at the preliminary hearing at one point that no sexual assault had ever occurred on her in December?
- A. I can't -- right now, I don't remember that particular testimony at the preliminary hearing. Just --
 - O. Would it help if I provided a transcript?
- 10 A. Sure.
- MR. PLATER: Okay. For counsel's benefit, I'm referring to preliminary hearing transcript, page 42.
- 13 BY MR. PLATER:
 - Q. Miss Schmuck, on page 42 of this transcript, I refer you to lines 12 through 17. You're done?
- 16 A. Yes.
 - Q. Do you remember that testimony?
- A. I remember. I can't say that I remember specifically the child giving the testimony. I remember now the preliminary hearing transcript.
 - Q. Okay.
 - A. And, yes, I did take that into account.
 - Q. On line 15 it says: Summer, did his private ever go inside your private in December? Answer: No. Did you take it

to mean from Summer that she is saying Mr. Maki never sexually assault her in December?

- A. I -- in taking that in isolation, yes, I think that's what you would have to, but I also was aware and what I took into my consideration that my opinion of this were the video tapes as well.
- Q. Okay. So in any event, you're saying you took that into consideration when you made the decision that they were credible witnesses?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Do you have any background in psychiatry?
 - A. I think I took a class when I was college.
 - Q. Or psychology?
 - A. Psychology 101.
- Q. In your experience as an attorney, do you think this type of information could have been a reasonable -- could have been part of a reasonable -- could have been a reasonable basis for a motion to the Court that the Court should have ordered an independent examination of Summer based on the fact that under oath, at one point she said she had never been sexually assaulted, even though at another time under oath she said she had?
- A. I made a decision in this case not to seek the psychological examination based upon the information that I had

and my training and in my evaluation of the situation. I

certainly think that there are cases where it could be very

reasonable to do that.

- Q. In this particular situation, given these facts, would it have been reasonable for counsel for Mr. Maki to make such a motion based on the testimony of Summer?
- A. I think if that were the only thing that we had, this be it would become more reasonable.
- Q. So as I understand your testimony, you took it upon yourself to make the decision whether the children were credible?
 - A. I did make a decision, yes.
- Q. Did you ever seek an independent professional in the field of psychiatrist, psychology or medicine to help you with your assessment whether the children were credible?
 - A. No.
- Q. In your decision regarding the credibility of the children -- strike that.
- I'll represent to you that also during this preliminary hearing, Summer at one point testified that she was never rubbed or touched so as to constitute lewdness by Mr. Maki. Do you remember that testimony?
 - A. Not right off the top of my head, no.
 - Q. The reference is page 46 of the preliminary hearing.

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Miss Schmuck, if you could read lines three through six?

Just a short paragraph.

- A. Okay.
- Q. On line three, the question was asked by the prosecutor at the preliminary hearing: Oh, Summer, besides the time when Chuck put his penis inside your private, did he ever touch his private to the outside of your private? Answer: No. Do you remember that testimony?
 - A. Yes, now, that I read the transcript.
- Q. Now, there was a charge of lewdness against Mr. Maki. In fact, two charges that he touched or rubbed Summer's vagina and that he rubbed his penis on her vagina. Do you remember those two counts of lewdness?
 - A. In the information?
- 15 Q. Right.
- 16 A. Yes.
 - Q. So given Summer's testimony at the preliminary hearing that Mr. Maki never did touch his private to the outside of her private, did you use that in your decision regarding the credibility of Summer regarding the two lewdness counts?
 - A. Yes.
- 23 Q. That she was alleging against him?
- 24 A. Yes.

- Q. What did you decide that she was not telling the truth at the preliminary hearing when she made the statement or she was inaccurate?
- A. What I decided was that I knew there was going to be an argument about the video tape as far as her testimony that was made that would be child hearsay and that we were -- that I knew I was going to have to deal with that as far as a motion was concerned, because I -- at that point, I'm not sure I had seen the video tape at the preliminary hearing or when she testified at the preliminary hearing. But I knew there was going to be a question as to the video tape being introduced and the testimony as well. And ultimately took all of those into consideration in making the decision.
- Q. Do you remember during the preliminary hearing where Summer said she was not sure if Mr. Maki had rubbed or touched her?
- A. No. Not -- I don't remember that -- the preliminary hearing specifically her saying that.
- Q. I'd like to refer you to page 41 and 42 of the preliminary hear. Could you read lines 23 through 25 on 41 and then one through 11 on 42?
 - A. Okay.
 - Q. Does that sound familiar?
 - A. Yes. It sounds familiar in the sense that I recall

1 reading transcript.

- Q. Okay. On the top of 42, Mr. Greco said: Now, when you say he moved his private on yours, did he start with rubbing it around your private? Answer: I forget. Question: All right. When you say he moved your private around, what do you mean? Answer: He moved around, I think, on the outside. Okay. He touched his private to the outside of your private? Answer: I think. And in your mind, was Summer somewhat unsure of what happened, according to her testimony at the preliminary hearing?
- A. To the passage that you just read, yes, she seemed somewhat uncertain.
- Q. Did you factor that into your decision regarding the fact that there was no problem regarding the credibility of the children?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And is that the reason why you didn't bring out these inconsistencies at trial? In other words, when Summer took the stand, you didn't take a preliminary hearing transcript and say: Summer, you know, at the preliminary hearing, you were kind of unsure, isn't this true? And present the jury with her testimony?
- A. Well, at the trial, and I can't answer that because -- I mean, I don't remember exactly in terms of

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questioning the child at the trial. But at the trial, the focus of the defense was that Mr. Maki did not do this. No matter what the children claimed at all, Mr. Maki did not do this. And the evidence that we had were the tattoos and I don't remember exactly when you asked me if that was why I didn't ask the child at the trial, I don't know. But I know that we were really concentrating on the fact that there were the tattoos and Mr. Maki was not saying to anyone on that jury this didn't happen. That was not the defense in this case. The defense was Mr. Maki did not do this.

- Q. And so if I understand your testimony, you're saying and the defense was based on the fact that they were mistaken about the tattoos, about the tattoos on his body?
- A. Well, the children didn't talk about the tattoos at the preliminary hearing, if I understand your question correctly.
- Q. The defense at trial was that Mr. Maki didn't do this?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. As part of your defense strategy, then, based on your idea of what the defense was, was it your decision not to use inconsistent statements of the victims?
- A. I -- as well as I can remember, my feeling about this was that the children were going to testify however they chose

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to testify. And I was -- I don't remember making a conscious decision not to come in and say: Okay, this is what you said at the preliminary hearing. This is what you're saying now. What I was concerned about and wanted to make clear to the jury was that no matter what they were saying, this could not have been Mr. Maki, because they never talked about some very visible tattoos he had on him.

- Q. And would it be inconsistent with that defense to also show or to question the credibility of the children themselves?
 - A. No, not necessarily.
- Q. The children could have been credible and Mr. Maki could still not have done this?
- A. Well, I think that's possible. I think the children could have been credible and I think -- and he still couldn't have done it. I guess, looking at the total picture, we were not able to establish and what we looked for very intensely was whether or not these children had had any sort of prior sexual exposure to anyone, because in that sense, that might make their testimony quite credible. And I had been assured by Mr. Maki that he had not done this, so we looked and spoke to everyone that we possibly could to try to establish what I had been told from him that the children had been sexually active with someone else, not him.

- Q. So was it your belief if you pursued this defense, it was possible that the children actually thought this had occurred to them by Mr. Maki, but it hadn't?
- A. No. I think the defense was that the children were telling the truth that someone had done it to them, but that it wasn't him. Mr. Maki believed that they were saying this, that they had been sexually molested by someone else and they were saying this about him, specifically because of problems that he had had with the shoulder.
- Q. So in that regard, the children would not have been telling the truth regarding who did it to them?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. That's an issue of credibility regarding their own stories and their own testimony, right?
 - A. Sure.
- Q. As a practicing lawyer, inconsistent statements are often used to attack the credibility of somebody who is saying something under oath, isn't that true?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. So as I understand it -- is it because Mr. Maki denied this and that the children did not have testimony about the tattoos and that possibly they had been molested by other people, that is the reason you didn't bring out these inconsistencies in testimony?

- A. I couldn't establish that they had been molested by someone else or I couldn't -- I could never get any information on that, but, yes.
 - Q. Okay. At the preliminary hearing, I'll represent to you that on page 12, talking about Desiree, Desiree testified that in relation to where she was when she was being babysat, she said I guess in our house, I'm not sure, given the fact that she testified under oath that she was not sure where she was when she was being babysat by Mr. Maki, do you also factor that into your decision regarding their credibility?
 - A. You'll have to help me out with that one. I remember the testimony at the preliminary hearing about sexual assaults taking place in two different places, at Mr. Maki's apartment and at the children's apartment.
 - Q. Okay. On page 12 of the preliminary hearing, have you read lines four through eight?
 - A. Okay.
 - Q. Do you remember that testimony?
 - A. Yes, now that I've looked at it.
 - Q. Okay. It says: All right. Was Chuck baby sitting you that day in December? Answer: Yes. Question: And where was he baby sitting you at? Answer: I guess at our house. I'm not sure. Given the fact that she was not sure where she and Mr. Maki were at the time he was baby sitting her, did you

1 factor that in in determining her credibility? 2 Α. Yes. 3 ٥. Or, in fact, regarding her recollection? I think I factored that in as well as the fact that 5 in other places of the testimony she seemed to be pretty clear about what happened at his apartment and then what happened at 6 her family's apartment. 7 8 Do you remember during the preliminary hearing that Desiree testified in response to Mr. Greco that during the 9 first sexual assault Mr. Maki's penis was going down? 10 Yes, I do remember that. 11 Later on, she testified she wasn't sure if she ever 12 ٥. 13 saw the penis up a little bit. Did you use that in your decision? 14 Yes. 15 Α. 16 MR. PLATER: Your Honor, I'm wondering how much time did 17 you want to take on this? 18 THE COURT: I want to finish. 19 MR. PLATER: Keep going. THE COURT: I hope you can go quickly. But you've got to 20 21 pursue your issues. 22 MR. PLATER: Okay. BY MR. PLATER: 23 Miss Schmuck, do you remember any other 24 ٥.

inconsistencies in the testimony by either girl and their trial testimony?

- A. No, not right now.
- Q. Or statements they gave to other people?
- A. Not at this moment, no.
- Q. Do you remember in your investigation observing or concluding that there were inconsistencies by either girl insofar -- while comparing their statements from a court hearing or from a statement with police officers or other people?
 - A. No, I don't.
- Q. So you have no recollection that there was -- are saying that you did not feel there were inconsistencies?
 - A. I'm saying I didn't have any recollection of that.
- MR. PLATER: Maybe, your Honor, for the purposes of time, I have a number of what I perceive to be inconsistencies where the child said one thing one time or another during a prelim as opposed to trial as opposed to somebody else.

To save time, I think Miss Schmuck would testify that she remembers each of them if she were presented with each instance, that she considered it and she was -- she made her decision, based on what she said not to go forward to have the court order independent physical or mental evaluation. So I could perhaps just then save some of this examination for

argument, either in written form or orally. 1 THE COURT: Okay. I see what you're saying. 2 3 MR. PLATER: I could keep going on. I have a lot of it. 4 THE COURT: You've asked the generic question. That's fine 5 with me. MR. McCARTHY: The only thing I'd suggest is ask the 6 witness if this offer of proof sounds reasonable to her. 7 THE COURT: That's what I meant by the generic question. 8 9 THE WITNESS: It's fine. Yes. MR. McCARTHY: I have no objection to it. 10 MR. PLATER: Or I really do have it outlined. 11 1.2 THE COURT: No. MR. PLATER: This is tedious. 1.3 14 THE COURT: Just shorten it up. Ask the generic question and we can move on to other issues and we'll do the same with 1.5 other issues. 16 17 MR. PLATER: And then I'll be able to show the Court later on what the inconsistencies that I would have brought out and 18 Mr. Maki would have used in application of the Court for a 19 20 motion for independent psychological and physical or physical examination. Is that okay. 21 THE COURT: Okay. 22 MR. McCARTHY: I'd ask that he exclude everything that was 23

raised at trial, because by that point it was far too late to

seek examination. 1 2 MR. PLATER: That's fine. Okay. I think that's all I 3 have, then, at this point. 4 THE COURT: Any questions, Mr. McCarthy? 5 MR. McCARTHY: Yes, your Honor. CROSS EXAMINATION 6 BY MR. McCARTHY: 7 Miss Schmuck, have you tried other cases involving 8 Ο. child victims? 9 Yes, I have. 10 Α. Is it your experience that child victims or other 11 witnesses are always 100 percent consistent in their relation 12 13 of the events? Α. No. 14 15 As a trial lawyer, do you sometimes become aware of minor inconsistencies and elect not to bring it out? 16 17 Α. Yes. 18 0. Why? Well, there's several reasons. I think primarily 19 Α. because if they're minor inconsistencies, especially with 20 children, I think it's better to let it go than have the jury 21 look like you're beating up on kids. 22 You perceive a risk that the jury will perceive you 23 as being overly picky? 24

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- A. Yes.
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- Q. In your experience, do juries expect some inconsistencies with child witnesses?
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- Q. Let's do the same at page -- I think we're at 42, 43
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- A. Okay. I've got page 42.
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- Q. Okay. Take a look at page 42 and 43, and if you can

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- A. Okay.
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- Q. So on those pages, do you find that the testimony as a whole has glaring inconsistencies?
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- A. No.
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- Q. Is it your experience in most courts when you choose to impeach a witness with prior inconsistent testimony, that
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- A. Yes.
- Q. Do you perceive any disadvantage had that happened in this case?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Might that go into your decision to not bring out these inconsistencies at trial?
 - A. Yeah.
- Q. When we were discussing your evaluation and credibility of the children, correct me if I'm wrong, I kind of got the impression that sometimes you were talking about your opinion of whether they are telling the truth and sometimes you're talking about the perception of the jury of whether they were telling the truth. Am I correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Is that part of your job as a trial lawyer to anticipate what the jury might believe?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Are you any good at it?
 - A. I like to think so.
- Q. Could you describe for the Court the nature of your strategy relating to the tattoos?
 - A. The tattoos came to my knowledge immediately

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following the preliminary hearing. Mr. Maki told me about the tattoos, especially the tattoos around his pubic area.

At that point, I also was very careful about looking at the children's tape or the video tapes of the children and what they had to say there. And I believe one of the children, at least Desiree, said there was no tattoos around there. While Chuck had tattoos all over his body, but none down there. I had an investigator go out and make photographs of Mr. Maki for the tattoos and our strategy was that had Mr. Maki been the person who committed these offenses, it would have been extremely hard for the tattoos to have been missed. They're very apparent, they're very colorful, and this is something the children would really zero in on.

- Q. And so did you have a plan on how to inform the jury of the existence of the tattoos?
- A. We were going to have and did have the investigator from my office, who made the photographs of Mr. Maki, come in to have the photographs entered as evidence through his testimony.

My intent always had been to argue to the jury these tattoos are so clear and so obvious that these children would have automatically mentioned them under any questioning and to show -- and we did show the jury the pictures of the tattoos.

Q. Did you intend to argue if they had seen Mr. Maki

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without clothes, that in response to the question, you know,
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mentioned the tattoos?

- A. Exactly.
- Q. Yes. And that's why you didn't ask the children on the witness stand about the existence of tattoos?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And then in the defense case, you did present the jury with pictures of the tattoos?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Did you ever tell Mr. Maki anything along the lines of that because you had been assaulted yourself, you were not going to put forth your best efforts on his behalf?
- A. No.
- Q. Did you ever tell him that you had been assaulted yourself?
- 17 A. No.
- Q. Did you ever tell him that there was any reason at all why you wouldn't put forth your best efforts?
 - A. No.
 - Q. Did you tell him you thought he was guilty?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. Did you tell him that he would be found guilty?
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- Do you make it a habit of telling your clients what 1 Ο. you think is the proper result, whether you think they are 2 3 quilty. Α.
 - No, I don't. I don't see any place for that.
 - Do you make it a habit to give them frank advice Ο. about the probable outcome of a trial?
 - Α. Yes.
 - Did you do that in this case? Ο.
 - Yes, I did. Α.
 - 0. Mr. Maki gave you some names prior to trial of people who might have helpful evidence, is that right?
 - Α. That's correct.
 - Ο. Did you employ an investigator in this case to assist you in trying to find any witnesses?
 - Yes, I did. Α.
 - Can you give us kind of a synopsis of the results of Ο. those efforts?
 - I had actually two investigators from my office working on this case. Initially, Bob Howell was involved in working on the case and he spoke with several people or tried to speak with several people that Mr. Maki had put us in touch with, one of which was a quy named Frances that Mr. Maki had explained he was kind of like a Dutch Uncle to the girls and spent a lot of time with them and was very involved with them.

And he believed that there could have been something -- that he could have been the person who had actually done this.

Mr. Howell was in touch with him and he could provide us no information at all. It was my understanding, and this, again, came through from Mr. Howell, that he was of no help in terms of providing any information in this case and did not know anything.

I know he also contacted -- tried to contact the downstairs neighbors. There was a lady named Doris, who was the grandmother of the boy John who Mr. Maki believed was having some sort of sexual relationship with at least one or both Desiree and Summer. Mr. Howell left -- I know on a lot of occasions left cards on the door to have Doris contact him. She never responded to any of those requests for him to contact her.

There was another neighbor named Jay that Tim Ford contacted and so spoke with him and we had been told that he knew about a particular incident with the two girls and with John in which there was something -- some kind of physical relationship. Whether the kids were playing doctor, it wasn't exactly clear.

Tim Ford did speak with Jay, and Jay told him that he only knew about this incident from Mr. Maki. And he was somewhat reluctant to provide any information or to come in and help us

1 | out at all.

- Q. He didn't claim to have any firsthand knowledge?
- A. Exactly. We -- I had an investigator speak with a woman named Carla who was a friend of Mr. Maki's. I believe she spoke with Carla on two separate occasions. I had some real concerns about her because I think she was extremely inebriated at least on one occasion when he talked to her very early in the morning.

MR. McCARTHY: Your Honor, could you instruct the petitioner to quit making gestures, shaking his head, if he disagrees.

THE COURT: I'm sorry. I had my head down.

MR. McCARTHY: I'm sorry, your Honor. I catch it out of the corner of my glasses.

THE COURT: Mr. Maki and I have had a run in with that stuff before, so just knock it off. Go ahead.

THE WITNESS: I'm trying to remember the other names. Mr. Maki gave me the name of a woman named Linda, and I believe her last name was Stallings and I spoke with her. I made contact with her specifically to ask her. He felt as though she would be a good character witness at the sentencing and she informed me that she would not choose under any circumstances to come in and testify in his defense and he had in fact assaulted her on one occasion and she was quite sure he was capable of doing

1 | these things.

BY MR. McCARTHY:

- Q. Was she in your opinion a good character witness for Mr. Maki?
 - A. No, she was not.
- Q. Were there any witnesses who -- or potential witnesses whose names were given to you by Mr. Maki who claimed to have no knowledge of him?
- A. I'm trying to remember, because there was quite a few people that we contacted. There was a man named Ken Daniels who did call me before the trial and left a message for me to call him back. It was -- I remember this, because I have a memo specifically about this, and it was late in the afternoon. I asked my investigator, Tim Ford to call him, and he called him the next day and Mr. Daniels said: I don't know anything about this. And I didn't call him.

I talked to Mr. Maki at some point after that, and he said Mr. Daniels will only talk to you, he won't talk to your investigator. So I called Mr. Daniels again and spoke with him about any information he could give about the case. And he said that what he knew about the case came from Mr. Maki also and whether I spoke with him specifically about coming in and testifying to Mr. Maki's good character or bad character, he basically said, I don't know him. I don't know anything good,

1 I don't know anything bad about him.

- Q. Prior to reading the petition for habeas corpus in this case, did you ever hear the name Paul Grubbs?
 - A. No.
 - Q. Did you attempt to get Jackie Maki to appear?
- A. Yes, we did.
 - Q. Run into some difficulty?
 - A. Yes. I had a lot of contact with Jackie Maki, Mr. Maki's sister. She called me regularly and would talk to me about his case and agreed on several occasions to provide us with particularly with clothes and we were having concerns about his hearing aids and she was going to help us out with those kinds of things.

I also wanted her to come in and testify, specifically at the sentencing hearing, and this was even before I knew about his sister Jocelyn coming to testify. We tried on at least two different occasions to subpoena Miss Maki, because I could never see her face-to-face and I became increasingly concerned, because I could never see her face-to-face, only talk to her on the phone. And my investigator could never talk to her face-to-face, that we really needed to have her under subpoena.

I know Tim tried to have her subpoenaed. Both times he was unsuccessful. In the one occasion where we actually got close enough to her to talk to her, she came to our office, I believe

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the afternoon before trial, and did bring some clothes for Mr. 1 Maki to wear at trial. She did not bring the hearing aid and 2 3 she ran out the door before anyone could have contact with her. In fact, I think Tim even tried to follow her down the street 4 5 and couldn't catch her. I've never seen the woman face-to-face. I've only talked 6 7 to her on the phone. Would you have any hesitations about putting her on 8 Ο. as a witness if she had appeared? 9 Yes, I would have had some hesitations about putting 10 11 her on as a witness, without having a chance to actually see her face-to-face and speak with her. That was one of the 12 13 primary reasons, again, because we had been trying to subpoena 14 her. 15 MR. McCARTHY: Can I have Exhibit A? Is that around here? BY MR. McCARTHY: 16 Miss Schmuck, I'll show you what has been marked as 17 Exhibit A and ask if you can identify that? 18 19 That's a letter that I wrote to Mr. Maki. Α. Was it sent out in the ordinary course? 20 Q. Yes. 21 Α. 2.2 MR. McCARTHY: I'll offer A, your Honor.

I still didn't make a copy for Mr. Plater.

THE COURT: Any objection?

MR. McCARTHY:

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1 He might want to take a minute to read it. 2 MR. PLATER: I have no objection. THE COURT: A will be admitted. 3 BY MR. McCARTHY: 4 5 ٥. Miss Schmuck, did you and Mr. Maki ever discuss his 6 right to testify at trial? 7 Yes, we did. Α. 8 Can you tell the Court the nature of those discussions? 9 10 I explained to Mr. Maki that he had the right to testify at the trial. The choice to testify or not testify was].]. 12 solely his and that if you chose not to testify, the State could not use that against him. 13 14 I believe I spoke with him about that on several occasions from reviewing my memos, because I know that was of concern to 15 And I remember going into trial and not knowing whether 16 or not he was going to testify. 17 Did you ever tell him that you had the authority to 18 prohibit him from testifying in his own behalf? 19 No, I never told him that. 20 Α. 21 Q. Did you give him your frank advice? Yes, I did. 22 Α.

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prior record, that that would be brought in against him. the other concerns that I had were because Mr. Maki was very prone to try to plug up all the holes, so to speak, in terms of explaining everything and I had talked to him about that and I believe that I referred to that in the letter. I was very concerned about his attempts to do that.

And I was very concerned about his ability to maintain his composure on the stand, I think that was my primary concern, under cross examination.

- Ο. Do you recall at the trial the Court informed Mr. Maki of his right to testify?
 - Α. I don't remember that in the trial.
- In any event, did he eventually accept your advice Ο. and not testify?
- I know he didn't testify. I don't know if it was based on my advice. I know that he didn't testify.
- Okay. Do you recall photographs being produced as a 0. result of the Saints exam?
- Α. Vaguely, I remember some photographs, yes, or photographic evidence.
 - I'm sorry? Q.
 - Yes, some photographic evidence. Α.

Okay. Do you have any reason -- withdraw that. 1 Q. MR. McCARTHY: May I have a moment, your Honor? BY MR. McCARTHY: 3 4 ٥. Did Mr. Maki ask you to make a motion to withdraw 5 from the case? 6 Α. No. As I recall earlier, quite a bit earlier, we were 7 Ο. talking about Miranda and such things. Let me ask your legal 8 9 opinion here. Is it your opinion that the concepts of probable cause and the concepts of custody are equivalent? 10 11 A. No. Okay. So if, for instance, a police officer on the 12 Q. side of the road has probable cause to believe someone has 13 committed a crime, we'll say, for instance, DUI, and that 14 15 police officer asks that suspect, have you been drinking, there's no Miranda violation? 16 17 Α. Yes. I agree. Because the person is not in custody? 18 Q. Α. 19 Yes. Okay. Is that your opinion alone or nine learned 20 Ο. individuals also agree with that? 21 22 Α. Yes. 23 I withdraw that. That was inappropriate, too. Q.

can't help it, Judge. It's my nature.

THE COURT: Go ahead. 1 BY MR. McCARTHY: 2 Do you recall being asked by Mr. Maki to secure the 3 attendance of someone named Fried or Fried for sentencing? 4 The only knowledge I have of that name was from a 5 6 letter that Mr. Maki gave me the day of sentencing. I believe that name was in there. 7 8 Ο. Mr. Maki gave you a letter at the sentencing hearing? 9 Α. Yes. 10 Ο. That letter, he suggested that this individual would be a good sentencing witness for him? 11 I think so. I think that his name was in the letter. 12 Α. 13 Q. Did you have any notice of that, the existence of that individual, before the sentencing hearing? 14 Α. No. 15 Were you licensed to practice law in this state at 16 ٥. the time you represented Mr. Maki? 17 18 Α. Yes. MR. McCARTHY: That's all I have. 19 20 THE COURT: Redirect? 21 MR. PLATER: Just a couple. REDIRECT EXAMINATION 22 BY MR. PLATER: 23 24 0. Miss Schmuck, regarding your testimony about whether

minor inconsistencies should be brought in or not, I take it that if had you see a major inconsistency in a witness' testimony at trial as opposed to what he or she testified to at another date, that's something you want to bring out?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And you said that it was -- you said that Mr. Maki did not testify, but you weren't sure what his thinking process was?
- A. What I -- yes, that's exactly what -- I didn't say I wasn't sure what his thinking process was. I said I wasn't sure why he chose not to testify. I knew we had discussed whether or not he was going to testify, and I did not know at the time -- at the beginning of trial or even at the -- I'm not even sure at the close of the State's case whether or not he was going to testify. When he chose not to testify, that I cannot recall right now what his reasoning was or if he told me why he was not testifying.
- Q. Okay. So you remember after the State's case in chief that had you sat down with Mr. Maki and you had a discussion?
- A. No. I don't remember that. I remember having discussions with him prior to the trial, the beginning of trial, several times, weeks before the trial. But I don't remember specifically sitting down with him when the State

1 closed its case and having a discussion like that. So you don't remember him ever telling you: I'm not 2 3 going to testify. 4 I don't remember him saying specifically: I'm not 5 going to testify. MR. PLATER: That's all I have. 6 7 MR. McCARTHY: Nothing. Thank you. THE COURT: Thank you, Miss Schmuck. You can step down. 8 MR. PLATER: I don't have any other further witnesses. 9 10 THE COURT: Okay. Let's take a break and we can sum up. (A short break was taken at this time.) 11 THE COURT: We're back on the record. Mr. Maki is present 12 1.3 with counsel. Mr. McCarthy is here for the State. Mr. McCarthy, do you have anything to present prior to 14 1.5 argument? 1.6 MR. McCARTHY: I have two stipulations, your Honor. 1.7 evidence. THE COURT: Okay. 1.8 MR. McCARTHY: The parties agree that at the time she 19 represented Mr. Maki, she represented Mr. Maki Robin Wright was 20 regularly licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada. 21 Also, Mr. Plater has a whole series of document. 22 those were all generated by the State provided to the public 23 24 defender as part of the discovery.

THE COURT: Okay. How do you want to mark them?

THE CLERK: Defendant's one, two, three, four marked for identification.

MR. McCARTHY: With that, the State has no additional evidence.

THE COURT: Okay. Let's go ahead and sum up. Mr. Plater?

MR. PLATER: Your Honor, basically, Mr. Maki's petition

alleges ineffective assistance of counsel. You know the

standard, it's a two-prong test. You have to show that a

counsel's actions or decisions were deficient. Number two,

that if they were, they prejudiced the client so that the acts

or omissions, if they didn't occur, or would have occurred,

there's a probability that a different result would have been

obtained.

In this case, the probably is the best issue, as I see it, is the fact that counsel did not petition the Court to have these victims undergo an independent physical and/or psychological examination. And that would have been important, even though, and Mr. Maki went to trial on ten counts, he was acquitted of the first sexual assault and I believe that was on Desiree. He was acquitted of that one and the jury couldn't reach a decision, I believe, on Count Two, which was sexual assault against Desiree. So two of the five were gone, but he suffered three convictions for sexual assault and five

conviction for lewdness.

Now, the case law in Nevada and Miss Schmuck's testimony was that she doesn't -- she decided not to do one of these motions to the Court, because, basically, as I understand it, she thought the credibility of the children was fine and really the defense was focused on Mr. Maki's tattoos had not been properly identified by the children.

Although she conceded that the children were not correct or possibly were not telling the truth that it was Mr. Maki, the defense was that, well, they had been probably assaulted, but they were identifying Mr. Maki and he was the wrong perpetrator.

So she did afterwards concede the fact, well, their credibility would have been an issue, because they're saying when they knew better that it was Mr. Maki who had done this. So that's why I think still the position about getting an examination was important, because these examinations are to test the credibility of the people involved. And that's what a psychological or a psychological doctor or psychiatrist could have done, could have examined the children or a medical doctor in terms of their physical appearance.

Now, we didn't bring in the doctor, but I think under the circumstances, if you found that one of these motions should have been made, that it should be presumed prejudicial against

Mr. Maki, because obviously at this point, a doctor can't go examine them physically and psychologically. We couldn't have gotten an order from the Court allowing it at this point in time.

But the reason I think this should have been done are inconsistencies that the children made and these aren't minor inconsistencies. These are fairly major. The most major one is that under oath at the preliminary hearing, it was Summer who said, and I'll quote on page 42 of the preliminary hearing transcript: Question, and then later on, did he ever put his private inside your private? Answer: I'm not sure. Question: Summer, did his private ever go inside your private in December? Answer: No. That's pretty clear. Is that a minor inconsistency regarding Count Five where Summer alleges Mr. Maki sexually assaulted her with his penis? That's a glaring inconsistency.

Now, later on, in examination, right after that, Mr. Greco said: Wait a minute, Summer, didn't you tell an officer when he interviewed you that Mr. Maki assaulted you? Yeah. Did you tell him the truth? Yes. But the point is, whether you want to believe it, your Honor, this was really good ammunition. This was real good information that a defense lawyer could have used to present the Court such as yourself after a preliminary hearing to say: Judge, this is the basis of a motion to have

the Court order this child to undergo an independent examination, because she says one thing under oath, completely denies it happened and then she says in the next sentence it happened.

And Summer was a young girl. Who knows why it happened.

It may have been for independent innocent reasons, but the point is, it's a pretty good basis upon which to base this type of motion.

It doesn't stop there, Judge. If you review the preliminary hearing transcript, the material that was provided to counsel before trial, such as the statements from the children, Mr. Maki's statement, the video taped statements, the statements from Detective Bohach, you'll see some pretty inconsistent statements by these children and these exams should have been ordered.

And another inconsistency is Detective Bohach. He interviewed -- he interviewed that I guess I put it into evidence. But he interviewed. It wasn't Bohach. It was Officer Ballue. He interviewed Desiree. When he got the report, he ran over to the girls' apartment and he spoke briefly with Desiree and then the next day both girls were taken down to RPD for a formal interview.

But he -- Desiree told that she was touched three times all together and that was it. Twice at Mr. Maki's apartment and

once at her apartment.

Now, at trial, and it all occurred on the same day. But she said all together there's only three times, but at trial she testified to seven times. Another inconsistency was that Summer testified at the preliminary hearing she was not sure if Mr. Maki rubbed or touched her. And, in fact, later on, on page 46, she completely denied it. She said, no, it never happened.

Now, those are minor inconsistencies, and I'll concede the point, but it seems to me those are pretty important statements that somebody would want to look into and why they were said. What was the mental process of the child? What was the physical condition of the child such that perhaps we need an independent witness. And on the case law this has been established through State v. Kenney, that's a Nevada case, and it says whenever you present a compelling reason to the Court, the Court can order an independent examination. One of the things you look at is does the State have its own expert and did the expert testify at trial. And that's what occurred here. The State had an expert, Miss Peele, testified who testified that the girls had been abused.

One of the other things that made this look like it was somewhat suspicious is the fact that Miss Peele testified that Desiree's exam showed a normal hymen. There was no sign of

abuse. But, nevertheless, Desiree testified she had been sexually assaulted four different times by Mr. Maki. And Miss Peele testified there was no healing, no signs of anything wrong. So, again, that's some -- there's some point as to whether this should have been pursued.

Summer testified -- Miss Peele testified that Summer had suffered chronic sexual assault, meaning more than once, and yet Summer only testified at trial and the State agreed to this that she was only sexually assaulted once by Mr. Maki. And yet, according to Miss Peele, she showed signs of having been sexually assaulted on more than one occasion. You'll probably remember the picture of her that was taken and described by Miss Peele.

If that was the case, if there was chronic assault going on, an independent evaluation might have revealed who was responsible, who else was responsible, even if it had been Mr. Maki, but it certainly -- it certainly lends credence to the argument that maybe somebody else was involved in this.

Miss Peele testified that there was behavior problems with Summer. She couldn't pinpoint when they began. They may have begun prior to these allegations and she tried to tie in the fact that these behavior problems were the result of a sexual abuse, but she couldn't say when they were started.

Some of the other problems we touched on that showed that

there was conflicts and inconsistencies in the statements given by the victims were that Desiree testified at the prelim she was not sure where she was being babysat. She said she guesses she was at home with Mr. Maki. She said also during the first sexual assault, she said at one point that his penis was going down, another point, she said I'm not sure if I ever saw it up a little bit. This was during the first sexual assault. And another time apparently his penis was sticking straight out. She even said at one point she wasn't sure if it even went in. At one time she thought it was outside and then she changed her testimony on that.

She testified also that nothing else happened that day after the third sexual assault so that one might infer that there was no lewdness that ever occurred between him and Summer.

These are just things that should have been -- that could have been brought out in a motion for an independent examination.

They also -- Summer, or I mean Desiree at one point said all of this occurred before Christmas. And then at another statement in the discovery, she said she wasn't sure when it occur. Summer said, on the other hand, this occurred after Christmas.

Regarding Summer, she said -- she said he humped with me

and Desiree also used the word humped. Desiree used the word to mean sexual assault. That was in the preliminary hearing. When Summer used the word humped, she meant it to be lewdness. That was explained in her testimony. I think it would have been helpful for an independent person to inquire what these girls meant by these words and what occurred in that sense.

At one point, Summer said during the first lewdness charge, she said he moved his hand around my private part and moved his private part on hers. Then she said she couldn't remember if he started rubbing, if he started rubbing with his private part under her private part. She said he moved it around, I think, on the outside and then she appeared to completely deny it on page 46 of the preliminary hearing.

And, of course, we already went over the fact that she completely denied any sexual penetration at one point, but asserted it later on.

There are other inconsistencies we can talk about, but the point is, this is something that should have been done by trial counsel.

As far as Miranda is concerned, the only point is that the Supreme Court ruled Miranda didn't apply when Mr. Maki was first in custody, because it was not a custodial situation. But after some period of time, it becomes pretty clear that it was a custodial interrogation, because Mr. Maki admits to

lewdness with Summer. He said, yeah, I'm guilty with Summer. She washed my back, maybe she touched my genitalia. He said it's hard to get it outright. I got to get this off my chest. It had to come out sooner or later and it was all -- I did something wrong.

And at that point, it's pretty clear there's probable cause to arrest him for lewdness, and, of course, the sexual assault. Nevertheless, the officers didn't do anything. They kept questioning this person, Mr. Maki, and finally when he made an admission regarding Desiree that he was guilty of what she said he had done, they said: Okay. We're going to Mirandize you now. He said: I'm going to be under arrest? And they said: No, you're not. There was no question in their mind it was custodial at that point.

But the inquiry should be, and it is, according to case law, not what the officers think custodial means or when it occurs, but what a reasonable person would believe given the circumstances. And certainly a reasonable person would believe after he confessed to lewdness and there's police arrested for sexual assault that it was a custodial interrogation after everything after that.

I think reasonable counsel would have argued that Miranda should have been read to him after he made the first confession regarding Summer and that because it wasn't done, everything

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else should not have been used against him at trial.

Regarding sentencing, what Mr. Fried would have done, Mr. Maki maintains he the anticipated testimony of Jocelyn Coombs and what could have been done to rebut that and Mr. Fried would have been one of those people, according to him, she was less than credible person who had a real drug addiction problem.

So those are the reasons, your Honor, we'd ask that you grant his petition.

THE COURT: Thank you. Mr. McCarthy?

MR. McCARTHY: Preliminarily, your Honor, there are a number of other issues raised in the petition which have not been addressed either by evidence or argument. I'd ask the Court at the conclusion summarily rule those are unsupported by evidence and no relief shall be granted on those.

As to the things that are the subject of the hearing today, Mr. Plater and I agree on a lot. But primarily, the standard. The petitioner bears the burden of showing by clear and convincing evidence the representations by his attorney fell below an objective standard of reasonableness, not that they were bad, not that could have been better. But they fell below an objective standard of reasonableness, such that no reasonable lawyer could do this, and that but for those counsel's failings, the result may well have been different.

So the first alleged failing that we have here, your Honor,

is in the failure to seek independent examinations of these child victims. Your Honor may recall that they were eight and eleven years old at the time.

The first question that I have that isn't answered by anything I've heard here today is: Is there any reason to believe this Court would have allowed such a thing had the motion been made? Would the Court have granted it?

Unfortunately, your Honor, there's only one person in this room that can tell us the answer to that. That, of course, would be yourself. I just have to ask you, when it comes time to rule, I guess I'm going to ask I can't argue to you what your ruling would have been, but I can point out that I haven't heard anything compelling here today.

There are a number of factors that would have been considered had the motion been made. They are more recently in the State v. Griego, 111 Nevada 444.

There are four primary factors to be considered. One of them is whether or not it's necessary to level the playing field.

Did the State employ a psychiatric or psychological witness to testify about the psychological makeup of the children and their voracity, their credibility? No. In fact, as I read Griego, if any of those questions are answered no, that's the end of the hunt, then there's no need to appoint or to allow an

independent examination. Other people read it differently. Other people say you balance all four factors. Frankly, I don't know the answer to that. But there are others. One of them is there has to be a showing to the Court that there's something about the psychological makeup of the children that affects their credibility.

Not that there are questions about their credibility. And inconsistent statements by any witness gives rise to questions about that witness' credibility. That's what a jury does. But sometimes you say there's something about the psychological makeup of the witness, something in that person's past, something about what has happened to that person, something about their id.

If Miss Schmuck wanted an examination, she would have had to come to your Honor and in good faith point out some reason to believe there was something about the id of these children that affected their credibility. Well, if there is, I haven't heard it. There's at least two factors, two of the four which would weigh in favor saying, no, you may not have this independent examination.

But the bigger question, your Honor, what's the result of the exam? Would it have changed the outcome? Well, got to hear from the doctor, or at least hypothetically. Let's get a psychologist up here, find a psychologist, some psychologist in

the world, geez, if I had been asked I would say any child that makes these kinds of inconsistent statements must be crackers, unworthy of belief. And I don't have to say part. You're not allowed to say unworthy of belief.

But there's something I can tell from these things, someone would say, the psychologist, that this person is unable to perceive and relate the truth. Is there any reason at all to believe from the evidence presented here today that there's any psychologist, any therapist or any quack in the world who is willing to come before your Honor and testify in that fashion? If there is such evidence, I haven't heard it.

The next question on the same subject. Would that have affected the verdict? If you could find some psychologist come in here and say, yes, there's something about the psychological makeup of these children that affects their credibility, would the 12 people in the box gasp in horror and return not guilty verdicts? That's another reason why we need to know what the testimony of this proposed psychologist would have been so your Honor could tell if it would have affected the verdict.

There was a comment that the failure to have an exam should be presumed prejudicial, because we can't have one now. Your Honor may recall that in Chapter 34 proceedings, there can be discovery as under the civil rules upon motion. We didn't have any. You have an opportunity for full discovery just like in

any civil case and present it and if the party who bears the burden of proof doesn't present it, there are certain consequences to that.

But at least we could have done hypothetical questions. We could have gotten in the psychologist and asked him hypothetically, but we don't even have that.

There was no expert by the State about -- no psychiatric expert. Miss Peele is a nurse. She made physical observations and related her opinions about those physical observations, nothing more.

And just in passing, I just happened to think of this. There also seems to be an assumption going on here that penetration in the sexual assault must be -- how do I say it delicately -- as complete as possible. That is not the law, your Honor, and that was not the testimony. So these alleged inconsistencies about the hymen not being damaged since you can have penetration however slight, including fellatio and cunnilingus. I don't see that as any big problem. That was kind of an aside. Something I happened to think of. I didn't want to forget it.

But the primary question on the first issue about this independent investigate examination, the one we cannot get past, is was it unreasonable for Miss Schmuck to make the determination that it's not going to help. It's not going to

be sufficiently helpful to ask the Court for an independent examination. Would all reasonable lawyers have acted to the contrary? If not, then this individual is not entitled to relief.

And as I was saying, even if you did fall below the subjective standard of reasonableness, there's no prejudice. At least no showing, because the Court wouldn't have ordered and there's no psychologist available and it wouldn't have affected the verdict anyway.

On the proposed additional motion to suppress, the variation in the theory, your Honor, I'll repeat what I said before. The Supreme Court ruled that all statements made by him were not the product of custodial interrogation.

That should be the end of it. It was litigated here and reviewed by the Court of last resort. I don't think this Court ought to be authorized to revisit that question. If you are, though, well, let's do it. It seems to be a theory proposed that when an officer has probable cause to arrest, then the suspect is in custody, is subject to custodial interrogation.

Well, you know, that's not right, your Honor. That's not the law. Never has been. I doubt if it ever will be. I mean, if it was, then the Supreme Court was wrong because your Honor may recall the officers had probable cause when they went to pick Mr. Maki up at his house. They had child victims

identifying him as a perpetrator of a sexual assault. If having probable cause means that any questioning is custodial interrogation, then the Supreme Court was wrong, he's been unlawfully convicted and so has damn near everybody else in Nevada State Prison and we ought to go kick them all loose.

I don't suggest that, because that's not the law, and it's very simple decision.

Finally, there is the jailhouse sentencing witness, who was not called as a witness at sentencing. Your Honor may recall the testimony was that for reasons of his own, Mr. Maki elected not to tell his lawyer about his sentencing witnesses until the morning of sentencing. Even if you believe that's why he did it, she still couldn't act. They don't let her have the keys. I don't know why they won't let her have the keys and run down and get whoever she wants out of the jail. They're very picky. They insist on orders to produce and things like that.

But supposing the reasonable lawyer would have found a way to get that witness here. Again, we would have had the question: Would it have made a lick of difference to the Court that in 1979 this person was a junkie. This person was not trustworthy. I can think of one way where that kind of evidence would backfire.

Suppose the Court believed both. Yes, Jocelyn the sister was abused as a child by Mr. Maki, and yes, in 1979 she was a

an untrustworthy junky. The Court could see a cause and effect and be inclined to be somewhat more harsh. So even if Miss Schmuck had the opportunity to present this witness, I don't think it's possible to say that there was any prejudice arising from her failure to do so, certainly not to the point where the Court can rule -- should rule that a different sentence would have been imposed. And so, your Honor, I'd ask that for the issues argued here today and the issues acknowledged in the petition, that the petition be denied in its entirety. Thank you.

THE COURT: Thank you. Mr. Plater?

MR. PLATER: Your Honor, when the State cites Griego, Griego is just a reiteration of what the Court in Kenney v. State, 109 Nevada 200 something. I've got 224, somewhere around 220. But -- and Mr. McCarthy is right. I don't read Kenney and Griego like he does. The Court says a general psychological examination should be permitted if the defendant has submitted compelling reasons therefor. And it goes on to state several factors that can be used in a psychological examination of a sexual assault case, but it certainly doesn't say this is -- these are necessary elements that have to be met.

Number one, if the State has employed an expert, that's something you look at. Had the State employed an expert in

this case? No question about it. Miss Peele was an expert in terms of her physical diagnosis of the children. She related based upon her findings, she was an expert in terms of that. She did more than the State offers in this hearing. She didn't merely just say there are physical findings. She also said in terms of Desiree, I think she was physically or sexually abused, even though I found no physical signed of that. And what was the basis of that?

It was based on the interview that she did with her when Desiree said I was touched by Mr. Maki. I submit that's a psychological finding, because she made no physical finding otherwise, yet she testified that Desiree was abused. So the State had its expert.

The second factor is the victim is not shown by compelling reasons to be in need of protection and that could have been avoided by an independent examination.

Evidence of the crime has little or no corroboration beyond the testimony of the victim. That is the third factor. In terms of a sexual assault, that was true as to Summer. In fact, she even denied it happened.

And then the one that the State was concerned about, is there a reasonable basis for believing that the victim's mental or emotional state may have effected his or her voracity.

That's hard to say when you come into a case when you don't

know anything about the children in the first place and the State is the one that has the discovery and the evidence and certainly the defense can't go to those people and say: Well, you know, will you submit, give us your medical records, submit to the examination.

That's why you have to have apply to the Court for the examination. I think if you go come in with their inconsistent statements, and they're substantial, you can infer there's a basis for believing there's an emotional or mental situation that may have affected the voracity. So I don't think that the case law says you got to come in with independent evidence, but if you have evidence that suggests that it might be there, it affects voracity, then it's okay.

So I think she should have gone ahead and at least tried. I agree, we did not present an expert at this point and an expert could not have told us what he would have observed, a medical doctor, for example, something that occurred back in December of 1993. That obviously is impossible.

In terms of the psychological state of the children back then, the best he could have given us was hypothetical situations that would have said: I would have had a concern given the state of the evidence at this time and I would have liked to have examined the children. But beyond that, we can't show any more prejudice. That's why we suggested it ought to

be presumed.

In terms of the Miranda, I don't argue probable cause should be the basis for determining custodial interrogation, because that's not what the Supreme Court said. I gave you the test. The test is what a reasonable person would perceive in the circumstances of a criminal defendant who is being interrogated.

I suggest a reasonable person in Mr. Maki's situation, after he was down in police custody and after he had confessed to lewdness on one of the children, would have believed at that point he was in custody and not free to leave. It's not what the police believed. It's not whether there's probable cause, like Mr. McCarthy says, but it's what a reasonable person would believe. That's why a motion should have been filed challenging the lack of Miranda warnings that were not given up for him, but were delayed until later on. Thank you.

THE COURT: Submit it, gentlemen?

MR. PLATER: Yes.

MR. McCARTHY: Yes.

THE COURT: The petition is denied. The biggest and the most talked about issue is the ineffective issue, and I find that Miss Schmuck's conduct did not fall below the acceptable standards and therefore did not change anything. This happens an awful lot when somebody -- never mind. I'm not going to

comment on it. Miss Schmuck's conduct was -- she did the best she could with what she had. We'll be in recess. --000--

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JUDGMENT

The court being fully advised in the premises and the law, it is now ordered, adjudged and decreed, as follows: "... we affirm the judgment of the district court."

Judgment, as quoted above, entered this 10th day of October, 2000.

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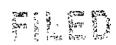
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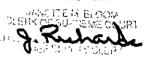
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ORDER OF AFFIRMANCE

This is an appeal from a district court order denying a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

On May 17, 1994, appellant Charles Joseph Maki was convicted, pursuant to a jury verdict, of three counts of sexual assault of a child under age fourteen and five counts of lewdness with a child under age fourteen. Maki was sentenced to serve consecutive terms of life imprisonment with the possibility of parole, along with lesser terms of imprisonment. This court dismissed Maki's direct appeal. See Maki v. State, Docket No. 26049 (Order Dismissing Appeal, October 4, 1995).

On May 9, 1996, Maki filed a timely proper person post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the district court. The district court appointed counsel, and counsel filed supplemental points and authorities in support of the petition. After holding an evidentiary hearing, the district court denied Maki's petition. This appeal followed.

Maki claims that he demonstrated that he received ineffective assistance of counsel and that the district court erred in denying him relief. To prevail on a claim of ineffective assistance of counsel, a defendant must demonstrate that: (1) counsel's performance fell below an objective standard of reasonableness, and (2) counsel's deficient performance prejudiced the defense. See Strickland v. Washington, 466 U.S. 668 (1984); Kirksey v. State, 112 Nev. 980, 923 P.2d 1102

(1996). We conclude that Maki has not shown that the district court erred in denying him relief on his claims. We will address each claim in turn.

Maki first argues counsel that his trial was ineffective for failing to request independent physical and psychological/psychiatric examinations of the two victims. However, the evidence adduced at the post-conviction hearing demonstrates that counsel acted reasonably in deciding not to request independent examinations. 1 Trial counsel testified that she did not request independent physical examinations of the victims, in part because she was satisfied with the examinations that had been performed and reported to the defense. Trial not request counsel cited several reasons why she did independent psychological or psychiatric examinations. reviewed the documents before this court, we conclude that the reasons cited by counsel are legitimate. with the supplier of

For example, one reason counsel cited was that she was informed that the State would not call an expert witness in psychiatry or psychology. Counsel also explained that she had not received any information that the victims had received counseling or been seen by a psychiatrist. These facts are relevant both to the reasonableness of counsel's decision and to the question of whether Maki would have been entitled to an examination upon request. See Keeney v. State, 109 Nev. 220, 224-26, 850 P.2d 311, 314-15 (1993). Maki has not shown that the State employed an expert witness in psychology or

We note that the district court found trial counsel's testimony at the evidentiary hearing to be "more credible" than Maki's testimony, which the court characterized as "in large part incredible and unworthy of belief." We defer to these factual findings. See Riley v. State, 110 Nev. 638, 647, 878 P.2d 272, 278 (1994) (indicating that a district court's factual findings regarding claims of ineffective assistance of counsel are generally entitled to deference).

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ruling that counsel acted reasonably, we are of Maki's claims that the victims expressed uncertainty and made inconsistent statements about the relevant events prior to trial. However, we emphasize that the victims' allegations were at least partially corroborated by Maki's own incriminating admissions that had he engaged in misconduct with the victims. An important factor in determining for independent psychological or psychiatric the need examinations is whether there is "little or no" corroborative evidence. See Keeney, 109 Nev. at 226, 850 P.2d at 315.

Accordingly, we conclude that Maki failed to overcome the "strong presumption that counsel's conduct [fell] within the wide range of reasonable professional assistance." See Strickland, 466 U.S. at 689. Maki has not demonstrated that counsel acted unreasonably, let alone that he would have been entitled to independent examinations of the victims had counsel requested such examinations. See Keeney, 109 Nev. at 224, 850 P.2d at 314 ("Generally, a psychological examination of a sexual assault victim should be permitted if the defendant has presented a compelling reason therefor.").

Additionally, Maki has another hurdle to overcome. To properly demonstrate prejudice he must show a reasonable probability that counsel's deficient performance affected the outcome of the proceedings. Maki argues, without citation to supporting authority, that prejudice should be presumed, given the amount of time that has passed and the difficulty of showing what independent examinations would have yielded. We reject

²Maki notes that a nurse testified about behavioral problems that one of the victims was experiencing and the possible source of those problems. It also appears that the nurse concluded that this victim was sexually abused, although that finding appears to be primarily based on the physical examination. Maki has not shown that the nurse was qualified as an expert in psychology or psychiatry; nor could her testimony be reasonably viewed in this light.

this argument. Maki was required to show that such evaluations had a reasonable probability of affecting the outcome of the proceedings. He failed to do so.

Maki next claims that his counsel was ineffective, at trial, for failing to more effectively cross-examine the victims allegedly inconsistent and exculpatory reveal prior statements. We question whether this issue was properly presented in the district court.3 In post-conviction cases, this court will generally decline to review issues not properly raised in the district court. See Ford v. Warden, 111 Nev. 872, 884, 901 P.2d 123, 130 (1995); Davis v. State, 107 Nev. 600, 606, 817 P.2d 1169, 1173 (1991). Further, Maki has not included a complete copy of the trial transcript in the documents submitted to this court, or even the full portion of the transcript detailing the trial testimony of the victims. Accordingly, it is impossible to properly evaluate Maki's claim. Under these circumstances, the deficiency should be resolved against Maki. It is his responsibility to provide the materials necessary for appellate review. See Jacobs v. State, 91 Nev. 155, 158, 532 P.2d 1034, 1036 (1975).

Maki also argues that his counsel was ineffective for failing to properly cross-examine the victims on tattoos in Maki's genital area, which apparently extended downward from Maki's lower abdomen. It is similarly impossible to properly evaluate this claim because of Maki's failure to include all relevant portions of the trial transcript. We further note that the documents before this court, particularly the post-conviction evidentiary hearing transcript, reflect that trial

The issue of the victims' prior statements was discussed, and testimony adduced on this point, at the post-conviction evidentiary hearing. However, the discussion and testimony appear to have been related to Maki's claim that counsel should have requested independent examinations of the victims. At one point the State asked to "exclude everything [regarding the victims' inconsistencies] that was raised at trial, because by that point it was far too late to seek examination." Post-conviction counsel responded, "That's fine."

The trial transcript and analysis of all the evidence in relation to all the charges are necessary to properly resolve this and Maki's even less specific contentions of insufficient evidence and other duplicative charges. Again, it was Maki's responsibility to provide the materials necessary for our review as well as relevant authority and cogent argument. See Maresca v. State, 103 Nev. 669, 673, 748 P.2d 3, 6 (1987); Jacobs, 91 Nev. at 158, 532 P.2d at 1036.

Maki claims that appellate counsel next ineffective for failing to argue that the district court erred in failing to sanction the State or grant Maki a continuance, the State disclosed evidence, after shortly before trial, concerning physical examinations of the victims. Again, Maki has failed to include pertinent documents in the appendix on appeal. Maki has not included transcripts of the proceedings concerning the State's disclosure of the report and Maki's Thus, it is impossible to determine motion for the continuance. whether the district court acted improperly.

For the reasons cited above, and after further review

⁵We are not persuaded by Maki's specific contention that counsel was ineffective for failing to challenge the charge of digital penetration prior to trial. A victim did testify that the incident of digital penetration occurred "[w]hen he was doing the same thing in our room," meaning "[w]hen he was putting his penis inside" of her. However, a reasonable reading %of this victim's testimony does not necessarily suggest that the penetration occurred simultaneously digital with the other charged offense, but simply that the two incidents were part of the same molestation episode. We emphasize that the trial transcript could clarify the relationship between the act of digital penetration and the other offenses. We also note that the jury did not return guilty verdicts on each of the charges of sexual assault, and thus the question of prejudice is also speculative.

⁶We also note that Maki has failed to include specific citation to the appendix indicating how these claims were raised in the district court in the post-conviction proceedings. Indeed, Maki's argument on these claims in the supplemental opening brief is quite general and arguably insufficient to even state a valid claim.

counsel did present pictures to the jury showing Maki's tattoos and that counsel argued this issue to the jury. Counsel indicated that an important point of the defense was that the victims would have mentioned the tattoos, on their own, had they observed Maki's genital area.

Maki also claims that his prior counsel ineffective for failing to more effectively argue that certain statements made by Maki to police were erroneously admitted pursuant to Miranda v. Arizona, 384 U.S. 436 (1966). Because the Miranda issue was fully litigated in the district court and on direct appeal, Maki's claim is barred by the doctrine of the law of the case. See Hall v. State, 91 Nev. 314, 535 P.2d 797 Although Maki attempts to reformulate his argument in terms of ineffective assistance of counsel, this court has fully considered issues pursuant to Miranda, and this court reviewed the complete transcript of the police interview in resolving these issues. Maki may not avoid the doctrine of the law of the case "by a more" detailed and precisely focused argument made after reflection upon the previous subsequently proceedings." See Hall, 91 Nev. at 316, 535 P.2d at 799.

Maki next claims that trial and appellate counsel were ineffective for failing to raise issues of duplicative and redundant charges and sufficiency of the evidence. Maki specifically notes that at the preliminary hearing one of the victims testified that an incident involving digital penetration occurred at the same time as one of the incidents in which Maki placed his penis in her vagina. He contends that this constituted only one sexual assault and therefore counsel should have sought dismissal of the digital penetration charge.

⁴This court held that Maki "was not 'in custody' before he was read his <u>Miranda</u> warnings" and that, after Maki was read the warnings and invoked his rights, police failed to scrupulously honor Maki's invocation of his right to remain silent. This court noted, however, that only one incriminating statement made after Maki invoked his rights was admitted at trial, and concluded that admission of this statement was harmless error.

of the briefs and appendix, we conclude that Maki has not shown that he is entitled to relief. In closing, however, we admonish Maki's former appellate counsel, Joseph R. Plater, and his current counsel, Karla K. Butko. On several occasions, counsel failed to cite to relevant portions of the appendix and discuss how issues were raised in the district court, discussed at the post-conviction evidentiary hearing (if applicable), and resolved by the district court. The critical issue to be resolved in a post-conviction appeal is whether the district court erred in denying the post-conviction petition. Counsel should not relegate to this court the task of parsing the record to resolve appellate claims. See NRAP 28.

Having concluded that Maki has not demonstrated error, we affirm the judgment of the district court.

It is so ORDERED.

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Plaintiff,

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Respondent. /

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These records are requested for use in my Writ of Habeas Corpus petition.

DATED this 25 day of November, 2008.

Respectfully Submitted

Charles Maki, Plaintiff,

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IN THE <u>SECOND</u> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN AND FOR COUNTY OF <u>washoe</u>

CHARLES MAKI		
Plaintiff	Case No: Cas	R−94 ∮ 0345
vs	REQUEST	FOR SUBMISSION
STATE OF NEVADA		
Respondent		
Comes now, Plaintiff	f,CHARLES MAKI	(hereinafter "Plaintiff"),
	and files this Request for Submission pursuant to District Court Rules, v	
request that his		
MOTION FOR	R TRIAL COURT RECORDS	, be
	Honorable Court for a review and a day of, 2008.	decision.

CHARLES MAKI

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SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF WASHOE, STATE OF NEVADA

AFFIRMATION Pursuant to NRS 239B.030

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IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHOE

CHARLES MAKI,

Petitioner,

VS.

Case No. CR94P0345

STATE OF NEVADA,

Dept. No. 8

Respondent.

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR TRIAL COURT RECORDS

The Court has learned that Mr. Maki has received two complete copies of his court records from his previous counsel, Karla Butko, Esq. Therefore, the Court hereby orders Mr. Maki's Motion DENIED.

Dated this _____ day of January, 2009.

ZKSTRICT JUDGE

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1	CERTIFICATE OF MAILING
2	The undersigned hereby certifies that on the day of January, 2009,
3	she mailed copies of the foregoing ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR TRIAL COURT
4	RECORDS in Case No. CR94-0345 to the following:
5 6 7	Charles Maki, #42820 Northern Nevada Correctional Center P.O. Box 7000 Carson City, NV 89702-7000
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