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GARY LAMAR CHAMBERS

Appellant,

VS.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

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1	Count Four, attempt murder with use of a deadly
2	weapon. Guilty of attempt murder with use of a deadly weapon
3	Count Five, battery with use of a deadly weapon.
4	Guilty of battery with use of a deadly weapon.
5	Dated the 1st day of March. So say you one, so say
6	you all?
7	JURORS: Yes.
8	THE COURT: All right. Does either party desire to
9	have the jury polled?
LO	MS. THOMSON: No, Your Honor.
L1	MR. YANEZ: Yes, Judge.
L2	THE COURT: All right. Then, will the Court clerk
L3	please poll the jurors individually as to their verdict.
L4	THE CLERK: Juror No. 1, is this your verdict as
L5	read?
L6	JUROR NO. 1: Yes.
L7	THE CLERK: Juror No. 2, is this your verdict as
L8	read?
L9	JUROR NO. 2: Yes.
20	THE CLERK: Juror No. 3, is this your verdict as
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22	JUROR NO. 3: Yes.
23	THE CLERK: Juror No. 4, is this your verdict as
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25	JUROR NO. 4: Yes.

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1		THE CLERK: Juror No. 5, is this your verdict as
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3		JUROR NO. 5: Yes.
4		THE CLERK: Juror No. 6, is this your verdict as
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6		JUROR NO. 6: Yes.
7		THE CLERK: Juror No. 7, is this your verdict as
8	read?	
9		JUROR NO. 7: Yes.
10		THE CLERK: Juror No. 8, is this your verdict as
11	read?	
12		THE COURT: No Juror No. 8.
13		THE CLERK: Juror No. 9, is this your verdict as
14	read?	
15		JUROR NO. 9: Yes.
16		THE CLERK: Juror No. 10, is this your verdict as
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18		JUROR NO. 10: Yes.
19		THE CLERK: Juror No. 11, is this your verdict as
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21		JUROR NO. 11: Yes.
22		THE CLERK: Juror No. 12, is this your verdict as
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24		JUROR NO. 12: Yes.
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JUROR NO. 13: Yes.

THE COURT: All right. Thank you. So, ladies and gentlemen of the jury --

MR. YANEZ: Judge, can we approach real briefly?

THE COURT: Yes.

(Bench conference transcribed as follows)

MR. YANEZ: [inaudible] five minutes [inaudible]

THE COURT: Is that okay?

MR. YANEZ: [inaudible]

THE COURT: All right. I'll let the jurors know.

Five could turn into 10. I'll just tell them 10 minutes.

MR. YANEZ: [inaudible]

(End of bench conference)

THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, I can't discharge you yet. I need to talk to the parties about a separate procedural issue for a few minutes. So what I'm going to do is excuse you. Please escort the jurors back to the deliberation room. While you're in the deliberation room, please do not discuss the case, do not discuss your verdict, do not discuss the facts of the case. Don't form any additional opinions. Don't do any research. Just wait for us, as we need about five or six minutes. This is going to be quick and we'll get back to you. Okay? Ladies and gentlemen, you are excused with those admonishments.

1 (Jury recessed at 1:45 p.m.) 2. THE COURT: We're outside the presence of the jury. 3 Court will be in recess for five minutes to allow defense 4 counsel to confer with his client. 5 (Court recessed at 1:46 p.m. until 2:18 p.m.) 6 (Outside the presence of the jury.) 7 THE COURT: All right, folks. What are we doing? 8 MR. YANEZ: Judge, we filed a guilty plea 9 memorandum. You should have it before the Court. Pursuant to 10 our conversation after the verdict, I spoke to Mr. Chambers 11 and my legal advice and opinion was it basically be a waste of 12 everyone's time to move forward with the jury deciding the 13 ex-felon in possession. The jury found the deadly weapon, 14 which was a gun in this case. There's no way of disputing the 15 prior convictions. We just want to make it clear and it is in 16 the memorandum of course that he's not waiving any of his 17 appeal rights as to the verdict or pretrial issues or issues 18 that might have arisen during the trial. 19 THE COURT: Very good. Ms. Thomson. 20 That's correct. MS. THOMSON: 21 2.2.

THE COURT: All right. Do I need to do a regular plea canvass with him then? All right. So, Mr. Chambers, I need you to ask a few questions. Please state your full name.

THE DEFENDANT: Gary Chambers.

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THE COURT: What is your age?

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1	THE DEFENDANT: Forty-eight.
2	THE COURT: How far did you go in school?
3	THE DEFENDANT: Twelfth grade.
4	THE COURT: Do you read, write and understand the
5	English language?
6	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
7	THE COURT: All right. Have you received a copy of
8	the
9	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
10	THE COURT: information which charges you with
11	the ownership or possession of a fireman by a prohibited
12	person?
13	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
14	THE COURT: You got to discuss this with your
15	attorney?
16	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
17	THE COURT: You understand the nature of this
18	charge?
19	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
20	THE COURT: All right. You understand if you plead
21	guilty to this charge of ownership or possession of a firearm
22	by a prohibited person as to this charge the Court must
23	sentence you to a minimum of not less than one year and the
24	maximum of not more than six years and could also fine you up
25	to \$5 000 Do you understand that?

1	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
2	THE COURT: All right. As to this single count, you
3	understand that it is a probational offense.
4	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
5	THE COURT: All right. And no one can promise you
6	leniency, probation or any special treatment. You understand
7	that, sir?
8	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
9	THE COURT: All right. How do you plead to the
10	charge of ownership or possession of a fireman by a prohibited
11	person?
12	THE DEFENDANT: Guilty.
13	THE COURT: You plead guilty. I also have your
14	guilty plea memorandum. Did you sign this on page five above
15	your typed name?
16	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
17	THE COURT: Did you sign it freely and voluntarily?
18	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
19	THE COURT: Do you believe it's the best thing for
20	you to do under the circumstances?
21	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
22	THE COURT: All right. Did you read it and
23	understand it?
24	THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
25	THE COURT: Did your attorney answer any and all

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questions you had about it?

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THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Do you have any questions for me?

THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.

THE COURT: Are you pleading guilty to ownership or possession of a fireman by a prohibited person because it's the truth that on or about July 9th, 2013, here in Clark County, you did willfully, lawfully, and feloniously own or have in your possession or under your control a weapon, to wit a firearm, said defendant being an ex-felon, having in 2003 been convicted of robbery with use of a deadly weapon and first-degree kidnapping in Case C185775, and having in 1997 been convicted of larceny from a person in Case C142992, and having in 1997 been convicted or larceny from a person in Case C142991 in the Eighth Judicial Court of Clark County, Nevada, those being felonies under the laws of the State of Nevada?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: All right. Any questions for me?

THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.

THE COURT: All right. Then the Court finds that your plea of guilty of ownership or possession of firearm by a prohibited person is freely and voluntarily given, that you understand the nature of the charge against you, the consequences of your plea. Accordingly, your plea of guilt is entered.

1	THE DEFENDANT: Thank you.
2	THE COURT: So we'll talk about sentencing
3	momentarily. Are we ready to bring the jury back in?
4	MS. THOMSON: Yes, Your Honor.
5	THE COURT: All right. Let's go ahead and bring the
6	jury in.
7	MS. THOMSON: While they're coming in, do you have
8	us talk to them in the back room or downstairs?
9	THE COURT: You can talk to them in the deliberation
LO	room if you'd like to.
L1	MS. THOMSON: I mean, assuming they're willing to
L2	talk to us.
L3	THE COURT: They might. Usually they do, although
L4	they've had to wait long periods of time and I'm not sure how
L5	they're feeling. But I will invite you and them to talk.
L6	MS. THOMSON: Thank you.
L7	THE COURT: Mr. Schwartz, thanks for hustling to get
L8	that stuff done. I appreciate that.
L9	MR. SCHWARTZ: No problem, Your Honor. Megan texted
20	me as I was running up the stairs.
21	THE COURT: Okay. I know I've been rushing
22	everybody. My plane leaves tomorrow at four. I had to get
23	this done.
24	MS. THOMSON: We appreciate it.
25	THE COURT: I'm assuming there's no objection to me

1	advising the jury that defendant just pled guilty to that		
2	additional count, that's why we're waiting. It's a matter of		
3	public record now.		
4	MR. YANEZ: I would prefer that the Court not do		
5	that.		
6	THE COURT: Not do that?		
7	MR. YANEZ: No.		
8	THE COURT: Okay.		
9	MR. YANEZ: I don't know if you want to know my		
10	reason, but I have reasons for that.		
11	MS. THOMSON: I'm curious.		
12	MR. YANEZ: They might in the future serve as		
13	jurors.		
14	THE COURT: They're free to mention it.		
15	MR. YANEZ: Right.		
16	THE COURT: You just don't it to come from me.		
17	MR. YANEZ: Right.		
18	(Jury reconvened at 2:24 p.m.)		
19	THE COURT: Welcome back. Thank you for your		
20	patience. I appreciate it. Everyone accounted for, Marshal?		
21	THE MARSHAL: Yes, Your Honor.		
22	THE COURT: Please be seated. We're back on the		
23	record one last time, State versus Chambers, C292987. One		
24	last time in front of the jury.		
25	Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, so thank you for		

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your patience. We had to deal with a matter outside of your presence that did not involve the validity of your verdict, but it is something that I needed to resolve with the parties before I could let you go. Thank you very much for allowing us that time.

So, ladies and gentlemen, as you know, I'm about ready to discharge you. As you know, the right to trial by jury is one of our basic and fundamental constitutional guarantees. And I firmly believe in that right. That's the right of every person accused of a crime to be judge by a fair and impartial jury. We must have jurors. And unfortunately, jury service is something that many people shirk from. They don't wish to become involved, but I'm extremely pleased that we had the 12 of you and the alternates for part of our time to serve and be willing to serve and give up your valuable time to be here and be part of this most important process. You've been very attentive and conscientious and I thank you all.

So on behalf of counsel, the parties in the Eighth Judicial Court, I wish to thank you for your careful deliberation which you gave to this case. The question may now arise as to whether you may talk to other persons regarding this matter. I advise you that you may now, if you wish, talk to other persons and discuss your deliberations which you gave to this case. You are free from all the prior

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admonishments that I gave you. You are not required to talk to anybody if you wish not to talk to anybody. I will be available shortly in a few minutes to speak to you if you so desire.

If any person persists in discussing this case after you have indicated you do not wish to do so, then if you don't want to talk to anybody about the case, you don't want to talk about your deliberations and someone insists on questioning you after you've so informed them, report that to me and I can deal with that.

However, if you do wish to discuss your deliberations or your thought process or ask questions of the attorneys, I will invite you now to go back to the deliberation room and in just a couple minutes I'm going to excuse the attorneys and invite them to also go back there and talk to you about this case and your deliberations and any questions that you might have. You're free to talk to the attorneys about any part of this process.

With that, is there anything that the parties would like to put on the record before I excuse the jury?

MR. YANEZ: No, Judge.

MS. THOMSON: No, Your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. Ladies and gentlemen, with the thanks of the Court you are now excused from service as jurors in this matter. Free to go back to the jury

deliberation room if you'd like. You're not required to, but anyone who has any questions or wants to chat with the attorneys or say hi to me before you leave one last time, please go back there and wait for us. We'll be just a couple minutes. Thank you very much for your time.

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(Jury recessed at 2:27 p.m.)

THE COURT: All right. So we need to set a sentencing date. Mr. Chambers, the jury, having found you guilty of certain counts, we need to set a sentencing date. You will be required within the next several days to meet with the Department of Parole and Probation so you can be interviewed and provide them with information that they will use to prepare a presentence investigation report. That presentence investigation report will be provided to me for my consideration and review, along with other evidence and information in determining what is the appropriate sentence in this situation. Do you understand that, sir?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: All right. The Court clerk will now give you an in-custody sentencing date, the date that you will be brought back to Court for sentencing.

THE CLERK: April 18th, 9:00.

THE COURT: April 18th at nine a.m. Defendant is remanded back into custody pending his sentencing date.

Anything else to put on the record?

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MR. YANEZ: One other thing, Judge. Can we order that he stay here at CCDC? I'm afraid they're going to bring him back up there in preparation for sentence. I know P&PS that meet with him, I think it's just easier if we can keep him here. So I would request that the Court order that he remain detained here at CCDC and not transferred back to NDOC.

THE COURT: It's two full months. I don't know. We have overcrowding issues. There's really reasons why we really can't keep a person here that long. So I think he needs to be transferred. If you want to file a written motion to keep him down here you can, but I'm not going to allow that for that extended length of time. All right?

Do we need to set bail? This was a second-degree murder. Do you guys want to be heard on bail?

MS. THOMSON: At this point I don't know that the argument really has a whole lot of value given that he was [indiscernible] still being held on the parole hold, but I'd ask that he be held without bail in case, for some reason, they were to parole him on the prior case pending sentencing.

MR. YANEZ: At this point I don't think it makes a difference. If it becomes an issue I'll file a motion before Your Honor.

THE COURT: So I'm remanding without bail at this point in time. You're free to file a written motion to set an amount of bail.

1	MS. THOMSON: Thank you, Your Honor.
2	THE COURT: All right. I invite you to go back to
3	talk to the jurors. I'm sure you have some burning questions
4	for them. Thank you. Court is adjourned.
5	(Court adjourned at 2:31 p.m.)
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It was discovered that partial transcript in the above case from the Jury Trial held on Monday, February 27, 2017, Day 5, was missing from the original transcript that was filed with the Clerk's Office on October 31, 2017. This missing portion included discussions on several motions held outside the presence of the jury, witness testimony of Jennifer Corneal, and the reading of witness testimony Bridgett Graham, which was entered into the record.

The missing portion of the said transcript is attached.

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of cooperativeness I went through for the Court the steps that were

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taken in order to attempt to locate her. I typed that yesterday and I can be sworn if the Court needs me to. The only thing I would add to it is she has not used Facebook since 4:00 yesterday but I don't think that that's going to change the dynamic of the decision, really. At this --

THE COURT: So she wasn't at the East Monroe address but there's some other people there? What did those other people say about whether she's been residing there?

MS. THOMSON: They said that she was there --

THE COURT: But she used the -- a server that was traced to that location.

MS. THOMSON: That's correct. They said that she was there the day before but that she's not staying there. That the person who lives there who she usually comes to see that they haven't seen in three weeks and they don't know where she is.

THE COURT: She's hiding out.

MS. THOMSON: I agree with you.

THE COURT: It seems like it. Well, let me hear from the defense.

MR. YANEZ: And Judge, I didn't have a full opportunity yet to finish reading the affidavit.

THE COURT: Oh, take a moment.

MR. YANEZ: Okay.

Well, here's my comments, Judge. Number one, I'm assuming the State is claiming she's unavailable through the

exception that says persistent refusal to testify despite court order to do so. Is that the State's position? I just want to make sure I'm arguing the correct law.

MS. THOMSON: And the State's position is that both that and that we have exhausted every legal process that we could to obtain her presence here at this point. I think we've demonstrated to the Court that there's nothing left to do to ensure her presence and at this point we are unable to get her here based upon every sort of aspect at our disposal.

THE COURT: Let's just pull up -- let me pull up the right statute while we're talking about it. So, I mean I guess it's possible she's beyond the jurisdiction of the court but we don't know because she's not kept in contact with you.

MS. THOMSON: Well, at this point, Judge, she's beyond the jurisdiction of the court in the sense that we've issued a warrant and we've done all of these things to get her arrested. And there's nothing more -- it doesn't necessarily, at least my reading, mean that she has to be in Utah but she's beyond the jurisdiction of the court in the sense that it's not like she's in CCDC.

THE COURT: Yea. Also, let me hear from defense counsel.

MR. YANEZ: Well, I'm looking at the statute myself, Judge, just to refresh my memory.

THE COURT: Alright, you can come borrow the book if --

MR. YANEZ: Well, thanks to technology I can just get it

off my phone.

THE COURT: Oh. I like to see -- I'm old school.

MR. YANEZ: Right, well, I do what I can under the circumstances, so. As to the exception persistent in refusing to testify despite an order of the judge to do so, my understanding and in looking at the State's affidavit and the attached exhibit there's an email exchange between the State and the witness and from my reading of it, the first time the witness actually indicates that she's not going to come and testify is on an email less than a week ago on February 21st.

THE COURT: The first day she's supposed to show up is the refusal; right?

MR. YANEZ: Right but there's other --

THE COURT: She's supposed to be here and she's not here so that's a refusal. And every day that that continues isn't that persistence?

MR. YANEZ: Not necessarily. If she's not contacted again, I don't think so.

THE COURT: Well, if she's avoiding contact are you saying that persistence means, I mean, we actually have to hear from her? So -- okay.

MR. YANEZ: Well, again, I mean, we can go to Webster's Dictionary and look up persistent but my understanding of persistent is more than one occasion refuses to come and testify. Persistent in refusing to testify --

 THE COURT: Okay. Let me see the emails, yea.

MR. YANEZ: Okay. So the only time that I see a refusal to testify is the email from February 21st at 5:40 p.m. All the previous other emails just seem to indicate --

THE COURT: So, are you saying that the witness can avoid the label of persistence simply by ignoring the communications? I'm just trying to understand your understanding of the rules so we're on the same page on how to interpret it.

MR. YANEZ: Well, I'm trying to interpret how the legislature wrote the statute and they wrote it as persistent in refusing to testify. So to me --

THE COURT: So, go get me my Webster's Dictionary in my office; do you know where it is next to my Black's Law Dictionary?

MR. YANEZ: The legislatures could have put, refuses to testify despite an order of the judge to do so, which would this --

THE COURT: Well, we did give an order, so.

MR. YANEZ: Right. So there is a qualifier of persistency. So my position is that exception doesn't apply as we only have one known rejection to come and testify or refusal to come testify from February 21st. And as to --

THE COURT: It just doesn't, I don't know, it doesn't seem right that if someone, you know, promises to be here and then they're not here and they're ordered to be here by the Court and then they can get around having any of their testimony presented

merely by just hiding out and ignoring all communications; doesn't that it seem to you that that's the whole intent behind the rule to declare someone unavailable?

MR. YANEZ: Well, I think the legislature, in making the rule, wanted something besides -- because a lot of times people can change their minds. A lot of time people could say I'm not gonna go testify and the next time the next day they feel differently or two days later. I think that's why the legislature qualifies the rule with there being some persistency in refusing to testify.

THE COURT: So, when was the last time that the State tried to contact the witness by email?

MS. THOMSON: I sent her an email yesterday and did not get any response.

THE COURT: Email yesterday; yesterday day being Sunday? Okay.

MS. THOMSON: Yes, it was --

THE COURT: And you haven't had any response as of today?

MS. THOMSON: No, Your Honor.

THE COURT: And what was the subject of your email; what did you say?

MS. THOMSON: Well, the Court has --

THE COURT: I mean I have your stuff.

MS. THOMSON: For purposes of sort of background, there's where she says I'll be there on Sunday, I promise and I

forward to her the order that she be remanded as the Court had requested I do, and said basically as I told you before, I would seek this, it exists, there shouldn't be an issue as long as you're there on Monday. And so yesterday I sent her an email that said, see you tomorrow morning, 9 a.m. at courtroom 11D. It is now 11:15 and she still hasn't appeared.

THE COURT: Alright.

MR. YANEZ: Then as to the other exception, absent from the hearing and beyond the jurisdiction of the court to compel appearance, my understanding is that she still resides in this jurisdiction. She's been out of town, at least that's what she indicated, and that she was driving back into town; that was an email from February 20th to the State where she wrote, I just told my family how important this is and I'm driving back in an hour so be there by the morning.

So, my understanding is she still resides here; she's not out of jurisdiction. So, I don't think the State has met unavailability under either two of those exceptions, Judge.

THE COURT: So persistent, according to Merriam Webster's Collegiate Dictionary 11th Edition, various definitions: existing for a long or longer than usual time, or continuous, its definition 1. Definition 2A is: continuing or inclined to persist in a course.

I don't interpret the word persistent as requiring affirmative action by the witness who's claimed to be unavailable. I interpret

persistent as there being evidence of an intent not to comply with the order and no change in that course of intent. No change in -- you know, a continuation in that position. So a continuation in the position of lack of intent to comply is persistence. That's how I interpret the word as used by the legislature.

I'm gonna find that there's been reasonable efforts by the State here to try to get the witness here. I'm finding that she's unavailable under 51.055(1b). I'm not reaching the decision whether she's unavailable under (1d). I'm not reaching that decision. I don't think I need to go there. But she is unavailable under (1b) and I am going to grant the motion to allow the preliminary hearing testimony based on the facts in front of me.

MR. YANEZ: Judge, before you get there.

THE COURT: Yes, sir?

MR. YANEZ: I just want to make a record of the other factor that the Court needs to consider and that was the effectiveness of the cross-examination.

THE COURT: Yeah, and I put on the record last time I cited to a case that says you need a fair opportunity to cross-examine and I referenced that case already, Nevada Supreme Court case incorporating that by reference into my decision. If you have some specific facts that think you didn't have a fair opportunity I guess I'd like to hear those.

MR. YANEZ: Well, what the Nevada Supreme Court said in the *Chavez* case, and that might have been the case Your Honor

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had referenced, it's 125 Nevada 328, that it should be done on a case by case basis. And this is what the Supreme Court said as to the effectiveness or the opportunity to cross-examine, quote: we will determine the adequacy of the opportunity on a case by case basis taking into consideration such factors as the extent of discovery that was available to the defendant at the time of cross-examination, and whether the magistrate judge allowed the defendant a thorough opportunity to cross-examine the witness.

I don't think at this point a record has been established as to what discovery was available at the time of the crossexamination. I know we're at a bit of a disadvantage in the criminal side versus like the civil side. Typically, in the civil side you get discovery and you do receive a copy and there's signatures, there's kind of verification of when documentation or discovery was received.

THE COURT: And doesn't -- didn't at the time the DA have an open-file policy so you had full access to all of their discovery at the time of that preliminary hearing you knew of the witness' identity, you knew generally what --

MR. YANEZ: I don't know what they had at the time of the preliminary hearing. What they had at the time of the preliminary hearing --

THE COURT: Were you the attorney that --

MR. YANEZ: Yes, I was.

THE COURT: Okay.

MR. YANEZ: I was the attorney. I've been an attorney since the beginning of this case. I can't remember, and again, it's the State needs to provide the record not necessarily defense of what discovery was available. I do know one thing that I was unaware of at the time that I later found out is that the witness does have an arrest for petit larceny, which is an impeachable offense under NRS 50.085. It's an act of dishonesty.

I did not have that information with me at the time of the preliminary hearing so I did not impeach her on that. That's something I definitely would have impeached her on as it's an act of dishonesty.

That's my position as to that portion.

THE COURT: So, did you not -- is that something that arose after the hearing or existed at the time of the hearing, you just didn't know about it?

MR. YANEZ: No, it existed before the preliminary hearing. I just didn't know about it since it was a misdemeanor arrest, I did not know about it. That's something, obviously, the State doesn't initially disclose, sometimes never discloses. I know there's a difference of opinion as to what's impeachable or not. Petit larceny is -- larceny is a crime of dishonesty. There's a Nevada Supreme Court case called Yates, Y-A-T-E-S --

THE COURT: I'm familiar with that case.

MR. YANEZ: -- that says larceny is a crime of dishonesty and under NRS 50.085 it's something that I can impeach the

witness on. I didn't have an opportunity to do that.

So I wanted to make those notations before Your Honor makes a final decision as to allowing the preliminary hearing transcript.

MS. THOMSON: And what I can inform the Court is that the record demonstrates that Mr. Yanez had a copy of at least the transcript of Ms. Graham because I reference it, he doesn't object and there's an acknowledgement, what page and I say page 54. So there's an acknowledgment within that preliminary transcript that he had the transcript from her audio statement.

Furthermore, with regard to the petit larceny there's a statute that allows for anytime a prior statement is coming that defense can basically, isn't illicit, but provide any impeachment that would have been provided as to bias or lack of truthfulness. So it's not that he's precluded from presenting that petit larceny at this point by using the transcript.

And I was going through and I cannot find at this moment whether or not there was a reference to the transcript with regard to Ms. Papoutsis, however, it is my recollection, and I cannot imagine we would have gone forward without a transcript of Ms. Papoutsis at preliminary hearing particularly given the fact that I know for sure that we had Ms. Graham and if we look at sort of importance in players in terms of the order that they're going to be doing these transcripts, certainly Ms. Papoutsis' was completed and I am comfortable saying that I'm positive that he would have had it.

THE COURT: So, it sounds like you might be a little bit unsure on the extent of the discovery that was available but are you concerned at all -- well, put it this way. If, you know, if it comes in and it turns out that there was some critical piece of discovery that was not available to the Defendant at the time then on appeal the Supreme Court may very well find that there was a violation of the right of confrontation. That is if, you know, it's a big assumption that there was some critical piece of evidence that was not available. That's a factor that I'm not able to fully consider at this point in time.

I don't have any reason to believe that there was any specific piece of discovery that wasn't available to the Defendant. I'm not sure who has the burden of convincing me on that point right now.

MS. THOMSON: Based upon the rule that Bridgett Graham played in sort of this cast of characters, I am confident that there was nothing that she would have the ability to testify about at that time that was significantly different.

THE COURT: She had a statement that was given prior to the preliminary hearing testimony and that statement you said that you're convinced that it was provided to defense counsel before the preliminary hearing?

MS. THOMSON: Yes, Your Honor because I actually approached the witness with a page and provided counsel with a page and I have not no doubt that Mr. Yanez would have been vocal

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THE COURT: Alright. So the only thing that gives me a little bit of pause then is the lack of defense counsel's knowledge of the prior felony --

MR. YANEZ: It's not a felony, Judge. It's a misdemeanor petit larceny.

THE COURT: Misdemeanor petit larceny; right.

MR. YANEZ: And for the record, the case number on that is 10M24047X.

THE COURT: Thank you for putting that on the record. Was that from another jurisdiction?

MR. YANEZ: No, that was here but it was a misdemeanor charge.

THE COURT: Alright, so are you saying that would have made it harder to discover?

MR. YANEZ: Yes. Things are a little bit easier now, they've given us access to the Justice Court portal and things like that to actually get documents but that's something the State would not have disclosed prior to the preliminary hearing as it was a misdemeanor charge.

MS. THOMSON: And I probably didn't but it can be admitted now so there's no prejudice.

THE COURT: Well, no with you saying the prejudice is not having that information somewhat ties the Defendant's hands in questioning the witness' credibility at the time of the preliminary

hearing.

MS. THOMSON: But all he can ask her about is whether or not she was arrested on that date for petit larceny. It's not like he can be like, and what were the facts of that and let's talk about it.

THE COURT: Yea, I --

MR. YANEZ: Well, I could have actually --

THE COURT: I think -- go ahead.

MR. YANEZ: I could have crossed her about the fact that that's a crime of dishonesty and that she's a dishonest person. And she could have very well admitted, yes, I'm a dishonest person, which obviously has a big impact on her testimony.

THE COURT: So is the existence of that petit larceny conviction something that the State would have had a duty to disclose under *Brady* prior to the preliminary hearing, or under any Nevada discovery statute?

MS. THOMSON: I don't believe so, no, Your Honor. First of all, Mr. Yanez could have spoken with her either before the preliminary hearing, on the day of the preliminary hearing; obviously she was present, she was available to be spoken with. It was ultimately provided to Mr. Yanez.

And probably the most important factor here is that I know that there's a process by which counsel can, basically, lobby the Court and get an order from the Court and be provided SCOPE through the courts. So to say that it was unavailable, there's any

number of different aspects through which that could have come out. And the fact that they won't be able to ask her if she's a dishonest person is not sufficient to show that the use of the transcript that there wasn't a fair cross-examination particularly given the fact that the jury can be informed that she had petit larceny.

MR. YANEZ: And, of course, my position is that prior felony convictions and/or crimes of dishonesty, anything that's impeachable under *Giglio* and *Brady* is stuff that needs to be disclosed under our Constitution.

THE COURT: Well, I'm gonna go ahead and allow the preliminary hearing transcript. I don't see that there's a violation of the 6th Amendment confrontation clause merely where defense counsel is not aware of a petit larceny misdemeanor and is deprived of a chance to then cross-examine the witness on that misdemeanor. I don't find that that rises to the level of depriving the Defendant of a fair opportunity at cross-examination.

MS. THOMSON: Thank you. We have probably three more issues. They are all pretty quick. First is just a matter of housekeeping based upon what the Court said. The State does not have an open file policy. We do have a procedure where we invite defense counsel to look at our files but we do not have a policy. The Supreme Court has specifically defined that and our procedure is not in conformance with the policy. We do not have a policy.

Secondly, with regard to the transcript, there are a couple

of places one, where counsel and I have agreed to just delete a page. When I was directing the witness I referred her to a page and a portion of the transcript. The way it played out on the page and in testimony isn't actually a fair representation of what she said. I took it out of context when I was reading it and so it was taken out of context with the witness and it was not followed up on. I think it does not present a fair opportunity to the jury to hear specifically what was said. I told Mr. Yanez either put in the paragraph out of the statement to give it a context or we can take out the page. His preference was take out the page and I'm perfectly fine with that.

THE COURT: Alright.

MS. THOMSON: The last issue we have is there is a page, page 75, that Mr. Yanez, when reviewing the transcript, indicated that there was an objection he had made that was overruled and so I think that he still is making that objection. And I would say probably we ought to have this Court rule on it in terms of whether --

THE COURT: What was the question?

MS. THOMSON: The -- basically the witness says, I heard her screaming. She started screaming and yelling, somebody's trying to rob her, I'm trying to -- no, I'm trying to rob her. I heard her say that when I ran out of the car. This is what Bridgett says, and that's when I heard her say he's trying to rob me, he's trying to rob me and I heard her yelling. He didn't tell me that I just read that. And Mr. Yanez objects to hearsay. I tell the court if it's screaming I think is a sufficient basis for, and I don't say it but implied, obviously

excited utterance. The court overrules it and then we continue on.

So at this point, given the objection, I'm gonna ask the Court to rule upon the objection. I can provide the page, I'll need it back but I can provide the page to the Court if you want to see it.

THE COURT: Yea, I don't need to hear argument on that. Everything I've heard in this case so far convinced me it would be an excited utterance under 51095.

MR. YANEZ: Well, at least --

THE COURT: And we all heard that it was a very, very short timeframe where this whole event happened. And we heard of the very startling nature of the entire event.

MR. YANEZ: And I'm going on what foundation was or wasn't laid at the preliminary hearing. The only thing the witness says is I heard her yelling and so and then she describes what she heard the yelling was. I object as to hearsay and Ms. Thomson says if it's screaming I think that a sufficient basis; overruled.

Just the fact that someone is yelling doesn't turn that statement into an excited utterance. There has to be a foundation laid that there was a startling event, the person's demeanor, of course, showed signs of either --

THE COURT: Well, we've heard all that in this trial, so.

MS. THOMSON: And at preliminary --

MR. YANEZ: Well, we've heard it with these witnesses but we haven't heard with this witness.

MS. THOMSON: At preliminary --

MR. YANEZ: I mean I don't know what this witness would have said. That's part of the problem of not being to confront this witness.

THE COURT: The whole purpose behind the excited utterance exception is to establish some assurances of accuracy and reliability behind the out-of-court statement before it comes in and is heard by the jury. We've established that, albeit, after the fact in this proceeding.

So I'm convinced it is an excited utterance. There's assurances of reliability accuracy so I'm going to allow it --

MR. YANEZ: Okay.

THE COURT: -- under 51095, subject to your objection.

MR. YANEZ: Thank you.

THE COURT: Objection's noted.

MS. THOMSON: And I would note that at preliminary hearing Ms. Papoutsis did testify before this witness so there was that foundation laid with her.

THE COURT: And I'm not taking any position on whether the judge at the time had a sufficient foundation to make the decision that she did but I'm allowing it come in now before this jury based on the excited utterance exception.

MS. THOMSON: May I --

THE COURT: By the way, I have this chart that I hand out to people sometimes on just the exceptions to the hearsay rule. It somewhat helpful, you guys can each take a copy. Why don't you,

1	Ms. Thomson, why don't you give a copy to
2	MS. THOMSON: And if I asked really nicely
3	THE COURT: There's a color coded version of it but this
4	isn't color coded.
5	MS. THOMSON: May I ask your Clerk to make copies of
6	the redacted version of the preliminary hearing transcript?
7	THE COURT: Yes, so we'll take care of that.
8	MS. THOMSON: Thank you. Can we have three copies?
9	THE COURT: Alright, any other preliminary matters before
10	we bring the jury back in?
11	MS. THOMSON: No, Your Honor.
12	THE COURT: Alright, let's bring the jury in, Marshal.
13	MS. THOMSON: We do have one more, sorry.
14	MR. YANEZ: Actually, can we wait a second, Judge? I
15	need a minute to
16	THE COURT: Alright, we'll wait again.
17	Okay, are we gonna have some objections on the record
18	now?
19	MR. YANEZ: Yes, Judge.
20	THE COURT: These are to photos now? Alright, what do
21	we got?
22	MR. YANEZ: Judge, I was handed by the District Attorney
23	a bunch of pictures from the autopsy that was done in this case.
24	I'm well aware of the case law when it comes to these pictures.
25	THE COURT: Okay.

MR. YANEZ: I know the State's entitled to present their case and that some of these pictures are coming in. However, I think there's a line that needs to be drawn when they become cumulative or there may be a little overly grotesque and might inflame the passions of the jury.

For the record, the pictures that I am not objecting to that I think could go before the jury and allow the State to present its case, the entrance and exit wound and further their theory of the case are the following: State's proposed Exhibit 75, 77, 78, 80 and 79.

THE COURT: And which ones do you object to?

MR. YANEZ: The ones I object to are 76. And 76 for the

THE COURT: Can you show me from there?

record is an up-close picture of the decedent which I think --

MR. YANEZ: -- which I think is, you know, fairly impactful emotion-wise; it's a deceased person. Number 82 shows the wound of the bullet, looks like it's probably the exit wound with the scalp pulled all the way back, which I think is fairly met with the other picture that shows the exit wound. I don't think you necessarily need to show this close-up.

Eighty-three, same thing, it's even a further close up of the, I think it's the exit wound. At least it's either the entrance or exit wound. I'm not a coroner of course, I'm thinking it's the exit wound.

The scalp on 84 also pulled back with brain matter

showing.

A further close-up is State's 85 that I'm objecting to.

And lastly, 86 which is a bloody picture of brain matter.

Those are the ones I'm objecting to based on the fact that I think they are cumulative and overly prejudicial, Judge.

MS. THOMSON: And, Your Honor, with regard to State's Exhibit 76, the overall is necessary to fully explain stippling and give the jury an understanding of where the stippling was on his face.

THE COURT: Where the what?

MS. THOMSON: Stippling.

THE COURT: Yea, what's stippling?

MS. THOMSON: It's the gun powder that is not fully burned. It is sort of a rash along the face and it's based -- it is existent, as I understand it, when it is a shot that is between the distances of contact where I don't believe there is stippling because there's no opportunity some distance --

THE COURT: What are you offering that to prove? I mean, why do you need to prove that there was stippling on the face?

MS. THOMSON: Because it's an immediate range shot, it gives the explanation that because of that the gun must be within a certain range and that can be inches to a few feet. But the fact that there is stippling on the face is part also why the determination is --

THE COURT: Hold on, so inches to a few feet?

MS. THOMSON: That's my understanding.

THE COURT: Counsel, are you willing to stipulate that the gunshot that was from within a range of inches to a within a few feet based on the stippling so we can avoid showing the photo?

MR. YANEZ: Yea, well I think Dr. Telgenhoff testified to that and he described that as an intermediate gun range which is -- although it's not a contact when it goes up to two feet, that's my understanding. I'm not sure if this medical examiner is gonna agree to that but that's what Telgenhoff testified to that it can be up to two feet. And the State can correct me; that's my memory of his testimony.

THE COURT: If he's willing to stipulate then I don't know we need the photo. Alright, so I want a stipulation though, not just you agreeing that someone else said it.

MR. YANEZ: Stipulate that --

THE COURT: Stipulate that the gunshot was from based on the stippling, you know, and someone else can explain what stippling is and that the gunshot was from a range of a few inches to a few feet.

MR. YANEZ: Yea, I have no opposition to that, Judge.

THE COURT: Alright, just obvious stipulation. You guys can put it on the record or put in jury instructions. So, we're not gonna show 76.

What about the others? I'm granting the motion to exclude 76 as unfairly prejudicial.

MS. THOMSON: With regard to 82 and 83 it is with the

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scalp pulled back. It is the entrance wound. Eighty-two is an overall sort of to get a sense of what we're looking at, and 83 is the closerup. That is relevant because the doctor will use it to explain how she knows it's the entrance shot that in examining it you can see the coloring from the bullet that you can, based upon how it appears is how she makes the determination that it's the entrance shot or wound, I suppose.

THE COURT: The entrance shot which was -- so where was the entrance and where was the exit? Entrance was the top of the head?

MS. THOMSON: There-ish [indicating] and there-ish [indicating].

THE COURT: So the entrance was up here and the exit was back there?

MS. THOMSON: Yes, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Counsel?

MR. YANEZ: I'll submit it on my previous argument, Judge.

THE COURT: Well, is it important for the case to establish which hole was the entrance and which was the exit? Is that important?

MS. THOMSON: Your Honor, I think that to say that a witness can testify but they can't testify to the totality of their examination of their conclusions it comes to a point of well, if defense counsel wanted to ask questions and the question from the

Court wouldn't be well, is that an important question, we should have the opportunity to have --

THE COURT: Look, these are inflammatory prejudicial to some extent photographs. I don't want to show something to the jury unless its material, alright, and necessary; alright?

MS. THOMSON: And that's why I've gone through --

THE COURT: So you're gonna explain to me why it's necessary then he's gonna say whether he's gonna stipulate to the fact that you're seeking to prove if he's willing to stipulate it doesn't need to be shown. If he's not willing to stipulate and it's an important fact then it will be shown. Very simple.

MS. THOMSON: It's the State's position the doctor should be able to explain her determinations for analysis.

THE COURT: But I disagree with that position so you're on the record; alright? So tell me why it's important to prove what fact and then I'll find out if they're willing to stipulate to the fact; alright?

MS. THOMSON: It's important so she can go through the entirety of her examination of the photographs of the reports and give her conclusion.

THE COURT: Is it important to know where the entrance was and where the exit was? Is that important to know?

MS. THOMSON: No, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Alright. I'm not gonna allow 82 through 86; they're too prejudicial.

THE COURT CLERK: Eighty-two through 86?

1	THE COURT: No.
2	Alright, let's bring the jury in.
3	[In the presence of the jury]
4	THE COURT: Alright, welcome back Ladies and
5	Gentlemen; thank you for your patience. We're ready to proceed
6	now with the medical examiner. The State may call their witness.
7	MS. THOMSON: Thank you, Your Honor. The State calls
8	Dr. Corneal.
9	THE COURT: Alright, the Court Clerk will swear you in.
10	JENNIFER CORNEAL
11	having been called as a witness and being first duly sworn testified
12	as follows:
13	THE COURT CLERK: Will you please state and spell your
14	first and last name for the record?
15	THE WITNESS: Jennifer Corneal, J-E-N-N-I-F-E-R
16	C-O-R-N-E-A-L.
17	THE COURT: Alright, you may proceed.
18	MS. THOMSON: Thank you.
19	DIRECT EXAMINATION
20	BY MS. THOMSON:
21	Q Good morning, ma'am. How are you employed?
22	A I'm a medical examiner at the Clark County Coroner's
23	Office.
24	Q And, what is a medical examiner?
25	A A medical examiner performs external examinations and

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2	Α	I did.
3	Q	And did you come to your own conclusions about cause
4	and mar	nner?
5	Α	I did.
6		MS. THOMSON: May I approach the witness?
7		THE COURT: Yes.
8	BY MS.	THOMSON:
9	Q	I'm showing you what's been marked as State's proposed
10	Exhibits	75, 77, 78, 80 and 79. Do you recognize each of these
11	photogr	aphs?
12	Α	I do.
13	Q	Okay. And are each of these photographs photographs
14	that you	reviewed in assistance of making your determinations?
15	Α	They are.
16		MS. THOMSON: I move for admission of [indiscernible]
17	exhibits	•
18		THE COURT: Counsel?
19		MR. YANEZ: Submit it.
20		THE COURT: Alright, they're admitted, 75, 77, 78, 79
21	and 80.	
22		STATE'S EXHIBITS 75, 77, 78, 79, 80 ADMITTED
23	BY MS.	THOMSON:
24	Q	Showing you what's been marked at State's Exhibit 75;
25	can you	explain what this is and why it's important?

 A This is an identification tag on the body bag. It shows this man's case number, his name. It's also showing the seal that was placed at the scene.

Q And the measurement ruler, I suppose; what significance does that have?

A We place a ruler with a case number in our photographs to again identify the photograph with the case.

Q Can you explain for the Ladies and Gentlemen of the jury what the process is when a body comes in for autopsy, what the steps are that you take?

A When a body comes in the seal is broken. If it's a suspicious case then there's a processing of the body by our technicians as well as crime scene technicians. Then the medical examiner does an external examination which includes looking over the body, looking for scars, tattoos, injuries, that type of thing documenting those.

Then we complete an internal examination looking at the organs, looking for internal injuries, looking for natural disease.

Q So, the initial observation is as the body arrives, nothing's changed, and then it's cleaned up and then it moves to internal after that; is that accurate?

A Yes.

Q In this case we've talked about, I don't know, six photos. Are those the only six photos that you reviewed to come to your conclusions?

A No.

Q Okay. And can you approximate how many photos were -- approximate approximately how many photos were taken during the autopsy that you reviewed to form your conclusions?

A Greater than 20.

THE COURT: For the record, the jury will be just advised that the Court has decided that certain photos do not need to be shown to you and will not be shown to you; alright? So you're looking at some of the photos.

Alright, go ahead.

MS. THOMSON: Thank you, Your Honor.

BY MS. THOMSON:

Q In your review of the photos of the external examination, were there any notable injuries to the person of Mr. Bly?

A Yes.

Q And can you describe for the Ladies and Gentlemen of the jury what external indicia you had of injuries?

A He had a gunshot wound to his head as well as numerous bruises and scrapes over his body in various ages of healing, as far as the bruises and scrapes are concerned.

Q When we talk about scrapes, when you're talking about the different ages of healing are we talking about sort of the, I walked into a table kind of scrape or are we talking about very significant like gouges out of skin and body?

A More like the, I walked into a table scrape.

	Q	In addition to the gunshot wound to his head did you
bs	serve a	any notable injuries to either of his hands?
	Α	Yes, he had a large scrape on the palm of his right hand.
	Q	Showing you what's been marked as State's Exhibit 77, is
ha	t the i	injury you're talking about?
	Α	Yes.
	Q	And are you able to tell anything about the age of this
njι	ıry?	
	Α	It's difficult with it being a photograph.
	Q	Would you be able to narrow it that, for example, it's not
W	o wee	ks old or is it you have no ability to give us any range?
	Α	It's not two weeks old.
	Q	The injury that we see here, are you able to make any kind
of	conclu	sions about how this injury occurred or was caused?

A It could be caused by several different methods or mechanisms. He could have scraped it on the ground. It could be more of a burn injury. It's difficult to tell like I said because it's a photograph, and I didn't see him personally. The edges look a little darker which may be dirt or charring.

Q So, what I'm understanding is this may be a burn, it could potentially be like sloughing of skin whether on the ground or somewhere else?

A Correct.

Q When you were observing the photographs from the autopsy did you have notice any injuries to the face, and I'm talking

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exclusive of the head.

Α Yes.

Q Or scalp I suppose is a better way to phrase that. Can you describe what injuries you observed to the face?

Α He has small pinpoint abrasions mostly over the left side of the face but also over the right a little bit. These are consistent with stippling.

Q And can you explain what stippling is?

Α Stippling occurs when unburnt gunpowder strikes the skin from a certain distance when a gunshot wound happens.

Q Are you able to tell from the stippling specifically where the gun is located?

Α Not specifically.

Q So, would it be fair to say that because he had stippling on the left side of his face the gun was mostly likely towards the left side of his face or is that not something you'd be able to say?

Α It was most likely towards the left side of the face.

Q Is there any distance that these stippling indicates to you the firearm could have been?

Stippling is indicative of intermediate range gunshot wounds. Those range between six inches and a couple feet, two feet.

Q And is there a way whether it's something you can do or there are other individuals to be able to determine specifically how far away a gun was to cause such stippling?

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Α A firearms expert can use, if they have the gun available that was used to shoot a person, that plus a similar type of ammunition, they can do test firing and determine an approximate range of fire based on the pattern of stippling that they cause with their test firing shots.

- So with the firearm actually used you can narrow down Q that range of six inches to two feet?
 - Α Yes, possibly.
 - Q I say you; a firearms individual could.
 - Correct. Α
- Q The injury that you observed to the scalp, I'm going to show you State's Exhibit 78, this photograph is again from the same case. We can tell from the little measurement tool; is that correct?
 - Α Yes.
- Q Okay. And can you tell whether or not this is the entrance or exit of the projectile?
- Α Well, you can sort of see the stippling here which would make this the entrance wound. It's easier to see with further pictures going deeper into the scalp and skull.
- O So is it fair to say that this would be a photograph that was taken really early on during the autopsy?
 - Α Yes.
- Q Okay. And can you describe to the Ladies and Gentlemen of the jury what the process is for specifically with this kind of injury how you get to the levels where you're able to make such a

determination?

A We will clean the hair, shave this area here then reflect the scalp back, look at the skull, then take the skull cap off and go further.

Q And is there anything about the nature of the injuries you see to the skull that reflects to you whether or not it was entrance or an exit?

A Yes.

Q And can you describe what kinds of things you're looking for to make that determination?

A On entrance wounds we tend to see internal beveling in the skull, which I did see in further photographs. There was also a small amount of bullet wipe along the entrance wound on the skull which is just a little bit of soot that you see on an entrance wound that you would not see on an exit wound.

And the same with the exit wound. There's external beveling which I could also see in the photographs.

Q And to be fair, you said there are other photographs. You used those photographs to make your determination today?

- A Correct.
- Q It's not strictly relying on just this number?
- A Right.
- Q Okay. Showing you what's been marked as State's proposed Exhibit 80, you referred to the shaving of that area. Is this the shaved of that area closer up?

1	Α	Yes.
2	Q	Okay. And then further down is where you get to the
3	skull, ob	oviously.
4	А	Yes.
5	Q	And showing you State's Exhibit 79. It appears as though
6	we have	e an ear in this photograph; is that correct?
7	Α	Yes.
8	Q	Okay. I apologize, let me back out a little bit. Where is
9	this inju	ry on his person?
10	Α	This is behind his right ear.
11	Q	And are you able to tell whether this is an entry or exit
12	wound?	
13	Α	With State's further photographs that I observed, it's the
14	exit wou	und.
15	Q	And it's reasonable given the fact that the other was the
16	entrance	e wound that this would be the exit; is that accurate?
17	Α	Correct.
18	Q	Was there any kind of projectile collected during the
19	autopsy	from the body of Mr. Bly?
20	Α	No.
21	Q	When you were reviewing the documents available to you
22	other th	an the photographs and the report written by Dr. Telgenhoft
23	did you	use anything else to make your determinations as to the
24	cause a	nd manner of death of Mr. Bly?
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report as well.

Q Did the investigator's report or the toxicology report affect at all your determination as to cause and manner?

A No.

Q With regard to the cause of death, what are the options you can pick from?

A I'm not sure I understand your question.

Q Because I asked the wrong one; sorry. With regards to the manner of death, what are the options you can pick from?

A Natural, suicide, accident, homicide, undetermined.

Q And can you tell us sort of what are the factors you look for between suicide, accident and homicide.

A This is all based on circumstances around death and the findings of the autopsy. In this case, an intermediary gunshot wound is not a common suicide manner. It can be seen in accidents and homicides. Then you go with the other information that is provided to the case. There was no indication of an accidental misfire or somebody who wasn't knowledgeable in firearms.

Q When you say homicide that is not the same as the legal term, murder; is that correct?

A Correct.

Q What is homicide?

A In forensic pathology homicide just means the death at the hands of another.

Q When you reviewed the photographs did you reach a

1	manner	of death in this case?
2	Α	Yes.
3	Q	And what was that?
4	Α	Homicide.
5	Q	And when you reviewed the photographs did you, and the
6	report, r	each a cause of death in this case?
7	Α	I did.
8	Q	And what was that?
9	Α	Perforating intermediate range gunshot wound of the head.
10		MS. TOMSON: Court's indulgence. I'll pass the witness.
11		THE COURT: Alright. Cross-exam?
12		CROSS-EXAMINATION
13	BY MR.	YANEZ:
14	Q	Good morning, doctor.
15	Α	Good morning.
16	Q	How are you?
17	Α	Fine, how are you?
18	Q	Good. On that point of manner of death you indicated that
19	homicid	e means the death of a human being at the hands or caused
20	by anoth	ner human being; correct?
21	Α	Correct.
22	Q	So, hypothetically, if someone shoots another person in
23	self-defe	ense that would still be considered, and kills them, that
24	would s	till be considered a homicide; correct?
25	Α	Yes.

1	MS. THOMSON: Objection; hearsay.
2	MR. YANEZ: I haven't asked the question yet.
3	THE COURT: Well, are you objecting to the last question
4	on grounds of hearsay or this coming up question?
5	MS. THOMSON: This coming up question.
6	THE COURT: Okay I think he just got out, in this case.
7	Maybe you know what he's gonna ask, I don't know yet. Can I hear
8	the question first?
9	MS. THOMSON: Yes, Your Honor.
10	THE COURT: Alright. Don't answer until I hear the
11	question, please.
12	BY MR. YANEZ:
13	Q In this case, you reviewed the toxicology results; correct?
14	THE COURT: So, I will overrule the objection to that
15	question.
16	THE WITNESS: Yes.
17	BY MR. YANEZ:
18	Q And there were some substances that
19	MS. THOMSON: Objection; hearsay.
20	MR. YANEZ: It's her review of the toxicology report.
21	THE COURT: Well, let's hear the question. Are you
22	anticipating that through these questions he's gonna illicit
23	information that's in the report
24	MS. THOMSON: What I
25	THE COURT: that is uttered statements other than this

witness?

MS. THOMSON: Yes. This witness has testified that she did not rely upon the toxicology report to come to her conclusions in this particular case and therefore, anything within that toxicology report would not be documents that would be admissible as basis of her conclusions, and they'd be hearsay.

MR. YANEZ: Well she's --

THE COURT: So what would be the basis of getting into the report if she didn't rely on the report?

MR. YANEZ: Well, it's number one, something she reviewed. Number two, she's an expert and experts are allowed to rely on hearsay. Any time there's an expert that takes the stand hearsay is introduced --

THE COURT: Of course but she said I guess she didn't rely on the report. So I guess you need to lay some foundation. If she considered it in forming any opinions or ruling out any opinions, then it would be important for us to explore. But if she didn't rely on it for any purpose then I don't know how it's relevant.

MR. YANEZ: Okay, I can simply ask her.

THE COURT: Okay.

MR. YANEZ: Okay.

BY MR. YANEZ:

Q Doctor, tell the jury what documents you reviewed in doing your analysis in this case.

A I reviewed the autopsy report, the investigative report and

1	metham	phetamines can produce irrational reactions in people.
2	Would y	ou agree with that?
3	Α	Again, possible.
4	Q	Thank you, doctor.
5		MR. YANEZ: I have nothing further, Judge.
6		THE COURT: Alright then. Recross?
7		MS. THOMSON: Thank you, Your Honor.
8		REDIRECT EXAMINATION
9	BY MS.	THOMSON:
10	Q	Was there anything about the methamphetamines in the
11	toxicolo	gy that affected your determination as to the cause or
12	manner	of death in this case?
13	Α	No.
14	Q	The gunshot wound that you were asked about, do you
15	have an	estimate on about how long someone could live with an
16	injury of	f that caliber, or of that type maybe is a better word?
17	Α	Definitely pretty quick.
18	Q	So is it fair to say that if there were immediate assistance
19	available	e potentially it could last longer but without immediate
20	assistar	ice death would be almost immediate?
21	Α	Correct.
22		MS. THOMSON: I'll pass the witness.
23		MR. YANEZ: Nothing further, Judge.
24		THE COURT: Anything from the jurors? Yes. Marshal, we
25	have a	question from a juror.

1	Alright, come on down
2	[Bench conference]
3	MR. SCHWARTZ: What position was victim in when shot?
4	MS. THOMSON: She can't get into that.
5	MR. YANEZ: Maybe ask if she can.
6	THE COURT: She might be able to answer that but it's a
7	half question. I'll ask the question.
8	MS. THOMSON: Okay.
9	MR. YANEZ: Okay.
10	[Bench conference ended]
11	JUROR QUESTION
12	THE COURT: If you can answer this answer the question
13	to the jury.
14	What position was the victim in when shot?
15	THE WITNESS: I cannot answer that, I can only tell you
16	the direction of the bullet through his body.
17	THE COURT: Using your head as a reference, can you
18	show us again where the entrance wound was and where the exit
19	wound was. So the entrance wound is your pointing.
20	THE WITNESS: The entrance was here [indicating] and the
21	exit wound was behind the right ear [indicating].
22	THE COURT: Okay, thank you. I'll give this to the Court
23	Clerk to mark as an exhibit. Follow-up, anybody?
24	MS. THOMSON: No, Your Honor.
25	MR. YANEZ: No, Judge.

1	THE COURT: Anything else? Well, juror in seat number
2	seven has a question. Any other questions because I'm really
3	supposed to get them all at once? No more questions? Alright.
4	[Bench conference]
5	MR. SCHWARTZ: Did the examining doctor have an
6	opinion about what caused the hand wound or burn?
7	MS. THOMSON: A burn.
8	MR. SCHWARTZ: A burn.
9	MR. YANEZ: Well, I think admissible because she's
10	supposed to give her opinion, right
11	MS. THOMSON: Right.
12	MR. YANEZ: as to what she found.
13	MS. THOMSON: Yea, I mean, I think it's inadmissible. I
14	think if she said that the examining doctor [indiscernible] to my
15	opinion potentially but she's not gonna say that. Plus they don't
16	think he did.
17	MR YANEZ: Okay, so
18	MS. THOMSON: I don't remember seeing one in the
19	autopsy report.
20	MR. YANEZ: Yea, I don't
21	THE COURT: So it needs some more foundation before I
22	ask it [indiscernible].
23	MR. YANEZ: Well the issue is the potential
24	confrontation issue is, under the law she's allowed to give her
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1	opinion based on her review which she can't if the doctor's
2	opinion
3	THE COURT: [Indiscernible]
4	MR. YANEZ: Right.
5	THE COURT: So, I'm not gonna give this one; alright?
6	MR. YANEZ: Okay.
7	MS. THOMSON: Okay.
8	THE COURT: Alright.
9	[Bench conference ended]
10	THE COURT: Alright, so unfortunately I'm not going to
11	give that question but thank you for the question in any event;
12	alright? Please don't concern yourself as to the reason why I am not
13	asking the question; alright?
14	Doctor, you're excused. Thank you very much for your
15	time.
16	THE WITNESS: Thank you.
17	THE COURT: Alright, I need to ask the State, do you have
18	another witness?
19	MS. THOMSON: Your Honor, our final witness is reading a
20	preliminary hearing transcript of Bridgett Graham.
21	THE COURT: Alright and do you have somebody to read
22	the transcript?
23	MS. THOMSON: Yes, we have Ms. Mendoza.
24	THE COURT: Alright, Ms. Mendoza may take the witness
25	stand.

So, Ladies and Gentlemen of the jury, what we're doing is we're reading testimony of a witness at a preliminary hearing. And Assistant District Attorney Ms. Mendoza is going to play the part of the witness that testified at the preliminary hearing. She's gonna receive a special oath that requires her in giving her statement to accurately testify to the statements made by the witness at the time of the preliminary hearing.

Madam Clerk, will you please administer the special oath?

ERIKA MENDOZA

having been called to well and truly read the answers of the deponent and therefore being duly sworn reads as follows:

THE COURT CLERK: Please state your name for the record, first and last name.

MS. MENDOZA: My name is Erika Mendoza, E-R-I-K-A M-E-N-D-O-Z-A. And I'll be reading from Witness Bridgett Graham's previous testimony.

THE COURT CLERK: Thank you.

MS. THOMSON: And, Your Honor, I forgot to give her the first page where she has the named spelled.

THE COURT: You may proceed whenever ready.

[The Testimony of Bridgett Graham was read into the record.]

MS. MENDOZA: Name is spelled B-R-I-D-G-E-T-T. Last name Graham, G-R-A-H-A-M.

MS. THOMSON: The Clerk says thank you.

THE COURT: The Court is allowing the reading of the

1	transcript because the Court has made a finding that the witness is
2	unavailable for reasons that you don't need to concern yourself;
3	alright? Let's proceed.
4	MS. THOMSON: Thank you, Your Honor.
5	[Continuation of the reading of the Testimony of Bridgett Graham
6	was read into the record.]
7	THE COURT: Alright that concludes the reading of the
8	preliminary hearing testimony.
9	Thank you, Ms. Mendoza.
10	MS. MENDOZA: Thank you.
11	MS. THOMSON: Thank you, Your Honor. At this time the
12	State will rest.
13	THE COURT: Alright, the State rests its case-in-chief.
14	Ladies and Gentlemen, we need to take our lunch break
15	now and when we come back I'll tell you how we're gonna proceed.
16	Let me go ahead and read the official full admonishment.
17	MR. YANEZ: Can we approach, Judge?
18	THE COURT: Yes, you may.
19	[Bench conference]
20	THE COURT: Yes?
21	MR. YANEZ: My expert's not gonna be here until three.
22	THE COURT: Three o'clock?
23	MR. YANEZ: Yes.
24	THE COURT: Oh, so we can a take a long lunch break?
25	MR. YANE7: Yes.

1	THE COURT: So they don't have to wait.
2	MR. YANEZ: Yea.
3	THE COURT: Can you guys do you guys want to be
4	back here at two so we can work on jury instructions?
5	MS. THOMSON: Sure.
6	MR. YANEZ: Yea.
7	THE COURT: Can we do that?
8	MR. SCHWARTZ: You think maybe an hour?
9	MR. YANEZ: Well, we can get started on it, if we need
10	more, right?
11	THE COURT: Okay.
12	MR. YANEZ: I don't think we'll need more.
13	MR. SCHWARTZ: I'd be surprised if we need an hour.
14	MS. THOMSON: [Indiscernible], right?
15	MR. YANEZ: No, no.
16	THE COURT: Two fifteen, let's say two fifteen and then I
17	need to
18	MR. YANEZ: Canvass.
19	THE COURT: canvass as to his Constitutional rights to
20	testify.
21	MR. YANEZ: Right.
22	THE COURT: Let's do that before we [indiscernible] unless
23	he doesn't know yet.
24	MR. YANEZ: No, I don't think I mean, he could change
25	his mind but I don't think he's gonna testify.

THE COURT: So let's have him meet back here at two fifteen, or two fifty-five.

[Indiscernible conversations]

MS. THOMSON: Okay. Do you anticipate us closing today, just so we know during that hour we have.

MR. YANEZ: I would say we close tomorrow, that'd be my preference.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Whatever you'd like.

THE COURT: Let's do it tomorrow.

MS. THOMSON: Okay.

[Bench conference ended]

THE COURT: Alright, Ladies and Gentlemen, due to scheduling issues I'm not gonna need you back here, you're gonna cringe, sorry, 3:00. But I do need you here at three so you're gonna have a long lunch; alright? Alright. That's two and a half hours. We have to work on jury instructions and I have a couple other things I need to do and just for various reasons 3:00; alright?

Do not talk to anybody about the issues in the case. Do not do any research. Do not read any reports of the case. Do not form any opinions. Avoid any contact with witnesses, parties and the attorneys. Any questions from any of you about the process so far? No? Alright, I'll see you all back here at 3:00, be ready to go. We'll be ready to go at three; alright?

Thank you, counsel. And it looks like we're making good progress. I anticipate closing arguments tomorrow; alright?

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THE MARSHAL: Rise for jury.

[Outside the presence of the jury]

THE COURT: Alright, we're outside the presence of the jury. Officers, can we have the Defendant back like ten minutes before three because I need to talk to him about some stuff.

THE CORRECTIONS OFFICER: Yes, Judge.

THE COURT: Alright, so about 2:50 for the Defendant. Very good, thanks.

MS. THOMSON: And Your Honor, the Court has a copy of the transcript. I'd ask that it be marked as a Court's Exhibit, only I'd ask to add one more page because we missed the spelling of her first name and a copy of it.

THE COURT: Yes. Does the Clerk have a copy?

MS. THOMSON: No, that's it.

THE COURT: Go ahead and give that to the Court Clerk.

MS. THOMSON: Thank you. And that's a Court's Exhibit.

THE COURT: That is a Court's Exhibit.

MS. THOMSON: Perfect.

THE COURT: Alright, when we resume at 2:50 with the Defendant I will canvass the Defendant, ask the Defendant about whether he intends to testify. So he'll have this opportunity between now and then to talk to his counsel about his Constitutional Rights not to testify and whether he wants to waive those rights; alright?

MR. YANEZ: Thank you, Judge.

1	THE COURT: Also, I would like to have counsel back
2	probably 2:15 so we can work on jury instructions. Will that work?
3	MS. THOMSON: Yes, Your Honor.
4	MR. YANEZ: Yes.
5	THE COURT: Alright, court's in adjournment until 2:15.
6	[The Lunch recess was taken at 12:32 p.m.]
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20	ATTEST: Pursuant to Ryle 3C (d) of the Nevada Rules of Appellate
21	Procedure, I acknowledge that this is a rough draft transcript, expeditiously prepared, not proofread, corrected, or certified to be an
22	accurate transcript.
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25	Court Recorder/Transcriber