### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

CHRISTOPHER ROBERT KELLER,
Appellant,

V.

THE STATE OF NEVADA,

Respondent.

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PROCEEDINGS

CHRISTOPHER ROBERT KELLER,

Defendant.

BEFORE THE HONORABLE WILLIAM D. KEPHART, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

ROUGH DRAFT TRANSCRIPT OF JURY TRIAL - DAY 3

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2017

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### LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2017, 11:54 A.M.

(Outside the presence of the jury)

THE COURT: All right. On the record in State of Nevada v. Christopher Keller in C-312717. Let the record reflect the presence of the defendant and his counsel, and State and their counsel. We're outside the presence of the jury. Is there anything that needs to be put on the record at this time?

THE DEFENDANT: Your Honor, I wanted to say, I wanted about five witnesses to come, and I was informed yesterday at the beginning of trial that I wouldn't be allowed to have witnesses because I guess since me and him aren't communicating, I didn't have a chance to tell him until the day of trial that I wanted the witnesses, so.

THE COURT: Well, we're in trial now. Tell him -tell him who you want here, and see if you can get them
served.

THE DEFENDANT: Well, I told him yesterday.

THE COURT: Okay. What are you doing? Are you trying to do that, Mr. Frizzell, or?

MR. FRIZZELL: They're -- candidly, Your Honor, they're witnesses that I don't -- I don't believe that will be of a help.

THE DEFENDANT: They're my boss from my -- they're my boss from my work, different high-standing members of the

community that --

THE COURT:

THE DEFENDANT: Well, they're character witnesses, and then I --

THE COURT: So you want -- you want to put your character into evidence?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes. I'm going to go on the -- I'm going to go -- I was going to go on the stand anyway.

THE COURT: Oh, okay.

THE DEFENDANT: And then I had also wanted to -- a witness -- I wanted to call Mark Maston (phonetic), because he -- when he went to my house to investigate, I mean, the other -- the other person that was living there at the residence was there, and still had access to the vehicle and all this stuff, and he -- I mean, he's aware of that stuff, but I have no way of like putting that -- I have no way of presenting that to the Court without -- you know, I have no way of really presenting the -- this evidence to the Court.

THE COURT: Okay, well that's something you need to discuss with your attorney. Your attorney's indicating that -- I mean, you got the information, Mr. Frizzell.

MR. FRIZZELL: I -- I --

THE COURT: And if in fact there's witnesses you believe will assist you in your trial, then I'd suggest that you probably try to do what you can to call them. But have

you provided a witness list to the -- I mean, to the State?

MR. BUNNETT: Your Honor, we have not --

MR. FRIZZELL: No, I just --

MR. BUNNETT: -- received a witness list. That -- I mean, just based on what we're hearing today, my thoughts are that, if these witnesses were to be presented, they sound mostly like -- I mean, he mentioned upstanding members of the community. If he puts on character evidence, Your Honor, I feel like it's going to be our position that we're going to be able to ask them about his character. And I think the procedure how that's done is asking them, you know, have you heard that the defendant has been convicted of a felony, or that he's been --

THE COURT: Well, that's why I was asking whether or not -- that was his question, was he putting his character into issue.

MR. BUNNETT: So, I mean, I don't at this point think -- if character witnesses are being presented, I don't think we've been noticed, but I don't think our requested remedy would be that he not be allowed to call those witnesses.

THE COURT: Um-hum.

MR. BUNNETT: I mean, it would also sort of depend on what evidence is proposed to be presented, but I mean, if it's merely character evidence --

THE COURT: Okay. Well, I mean, I'm going to leave it to Mr. Frizzell at this point in time to determine -because we still have a trial going. We're still in the middle of trial. There's still time. We're not done with it. You've made your record. You've made your record, Mr. Keller. Mr. Frizzell, you and he need to discuss that and determine whether or not you're going to be in a position where you want those witnesses to testify or not. So -- and then, Mr. Frizzell, I'd do what you can to see what you can get -- get -- see what you can find out. MR. FRIZZELL: And just so that you understand, he did just tell me all this; gave me this written down yesterday. THE DEFENDANT: This I gave you on Monday. MR. FRIZZELL: And Your Honor, I just --

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THE DEFENDANT: I gave him this on Monday, but I told him that I want --

MR. FRIZZELL: Well, what he wanted from -- what he wanted from this list he gave me was some documentation that there wasn't going to be any way to get it in, and the documents at least themselves. All he wanted was like printouts of Registers of Actions on some other -- some other people and their case. And not only is that -- not only during our discussion did I say -- did I tell him that I thought that was -- that was irrelevant and there was other --

a better strategic way to handle that issue, I'm -- I'm hearing actually -- like I said, just yesterday afternoon, about I want to call all these people, some of which I have absolutely no contact information for. Yes, my investigator, Mr. Maston, I have certainly ways to contact him.

THE COURT: Okay.

THE DEFENDANT: I have numbers for the witnesses.

MR. FRIZZELL: Okay. But if -- I mean, if he wants witnesses to be called, I'm just letting Your Honor know that I'm just -- I just learned of who -- that he wanted to call somebody yesterday, so there has been no notification to the -- to the State about that --

THE COURT: Okay.

MR. FRIZZELL: -- at all.

THE COURT: All right, that's fine. All right, get the jury in.

THE MARSHAL: All rise for the presence of the jury.

(Within the presence of the jury)

THE COURT: Okay. We're back on the record in the case of State of Nevada vs. Christopher Keller in C-312717.

Let the record reflect the presence of the defendant and his counsel, as well as State and their counsel.

(COURT CALLS ROLL OF THE JURY)

THE COURT: All members of the jury have answered the call. Do the parties stipulate to the presence of the

1 jury? We do, Your Honor. THE COURT: Mr. Frizzell? 3 4 MR. FRIZZELL: Yes, Your Honor. I'm sorry. 5 THE COURT: Okay. When we took our break last night, the State's still in their case in chief. Call your 6 7 next witness, Mr. Dickerson. 8 MR. DICKERSON: State's next witness is going to be 9 Daniel Lopez. 10 THE MARSHAL: Watch your step. Face the clerk. 11 Raise your right hand. OFFICER DANIEL LOPEZ, STATE'S WITNESS, SWORN 12 13 THE CLERK: Thank you. Please be seated. Please 14 state your full name, spelling your first and last name for the record. 15 16 THE WITNESS: Daniel Lopez. D-a-n-i-e-l, L-o-p-e-z. THE COURT: Your witness, Mr. Dickerson. 17 Thank you very much, Your Honor. 18 MR. DICKERSON: 19 DIRECT EXAMINATION 20 BY MR. DICKERSON: 21 Sir, drawing your attention to January 28th, 2016, 22 approximately 2:25 A.M., what were you doing? Working for Las Vegas Metropolitan Police 23 Α 24 Department.

#### **ROUGH DRAFT TRANSCRIPT**

In what capacity?

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A As a Police Officer II.

- Q Okay. And so what were your duties as a police officer 2 with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department on that day?
- A Responding to calls for service, initiating self -- self activity, doing traffic stops, person stops, that type of stuff.
  - Q What was your specific assignment?
  - A I was One George 24.
  - Q Okay, and what does that mean?
- A It's basically my call sign, which means I'm assigned to George 2 Sector and George 4 Sector.
- Q So, explain this for the folks in the jury who don't really understand how a sector works and how this call sign relates to that at all.
- A So, each part in the Valley, it's -- the Valley is divided up into different area commands, and within each area command, they break it down to even smaller sections, or they call it sector -- sector beats. And depending on which area command you're assigned to depends on what your call sign's going to be, so G, as in George, is assigned to the Northeast Area Command.
- Q What is the general area of the Northeast Area Command?
  - A It is pretty much everything -- there is a little

bit of gaps where it's North Las Vegas and stuff like that, but for the most part, it is everything to the east of the I-15, and everything north of Sahara.

- Q Okay. So the George area is one area inside the Northeast Area Command's overall area?
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- Q And then, as a patrol officer, do they also break down the George area?
  - A Yes.
  - Q And how does that work?
- A So, they -- so Northeast has George and Frank.

  George area is broken down to everything south of Washington all the way up to Sahara, and everything north of Washington is Frank area.
- Q So, when you talk about your call sign that day, how does that relate to you, and where you're patrolling, and what you're doing?
- A In general, unless you're responding to calls for service outside of your area, that's the area that you're -- you're supposed to typically be in.
- Q And on January 28th, 2016, what area was that for you?
  - A I was assigned to George area; to George 24.
- Q Okay. And any area specifically within the George area, or just all the George area?

- A Typically, we're allowed to go anywhere within the George area.
- Q Okay. And when you say your general duties are patrol duties, does this mean that you're driving one of those typical black and white Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department vehicles?
- A Correct.
  - Q And you're wearing a uniform?
- A Yes.

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- 10 Q The standard tan Metro uniform?
- 11 A Yes.
- Q Now, is the area of 265 Lamb Boulevard located within the George area of Northeast Area Command?
- 14 A Yes.
- Q And so would that have been an area that you're patrolling on the night of January 28th, 2016 -- or the early morning, I should say?
  - A Yes.
- 19 Q Now, I'm going to show you --
- MR. DICKERSON: If I may, Your Honor?
- 21 THE COURT: Um-hum.
- MR. DICKERSON: Thank you.
- 23 BY MR. DICKERSON:
- Q -- what's been marked as State's Proposed 3 through
- 25 4. Please take a look through those. Tell me if you

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    recognize what's depicted in those proposed exhibits.
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              It's the southwest corner of Lamb and Stewart.
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    State's Proposed 3 through 5, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: Any objection?
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              MR. FRIZZELL: Those are just the map -- those are
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    just the map pictures, right?
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              MR. DICKERSON: Yeah.
              MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: They'd be admitted.
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              (State's Exhibits 3, 4, and 5 are admitted)
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              MR. DICKERSON:
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    BY MR. DICKERSON:
              So, that evening, about 2:25 A.M., where were you in
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1 Approximately 2:25. 2 I was in the George area. Okay. And at some point in time, did you make your 3 Q 4 way towards the general area of Stewart and North Lamb? 5 Yes. Α And as you approached that area, what were you 6 0 7 doing? 8 I was driving my black and white patrol car, a Ford 9 Explorer, and I was traveling southbound on Lamb, and I had 10 just passed Stewart. 11 Okay. I'm going to show you what's been admitted as State's Exhibit 3. 12 13 MR. DICKERSON: If I may publish for the jury, Your 14 Honor? 15 THE COURT: Yes. 16 MR. DICKERSON: State's Exhibit 3 here on the Elmo. THE COURT: It's coming on. 17 Thank you very much. 18 MR. DICKERSON: 19 THE COURT: There it is. Do you have that, ladies 20 and gentlemen? 21 UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Yeah. 22 THE COURT: Okay. Can you see that, Officer, in 23 front of you? 24 THE WITNESS: Yes. 25 MR. DICKERSON: All right.

#### BY MR. DICKERSON:

- Q Do you -- you obviously recognize this area, as you previously testified. Is this the area that you were speaking of, driving southbound on Lamb?
  - A Yes.
- Q If you could indicate generally where you were at this time that I'm speaking about right now, approximately 2:20, 2:25 A.M.
  - A 2:25, I'm not entirely sure exactly where I was.
- Q Okay. Where were you when you -- what time was it approximately when you came into this area?
  - A I would say it was closer to 2:40, 2:45.
- Q Okay. And so what happens as you come southbound on Lamb Boulevard?
- A As I was traveling south on Lamb, I saw a vehicle pull off of Sunrise Avenue, and it made a left turn, and it was -- it made the left turn at a high rate of speed, which caught my attention. And I couldn't tell if the vehicle had stopped for the stop sign at Sunrise or not, but the vehicle had -- it was a silver Dodge Stratus, and it made a left turn, and when it made the left turn, it went straight into the center turn lane. It didn't actually get into the northbound lanes that are right here on Lamb.
- Q Okay. So if you could -- this screen to your left, it's a touch screen. So if you touch it, it will make a mark

on this screen here.

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- A Okay.
- Q If you could indicate for the jury where you saw this vehicle turning from.
  - A It was turning right here off of Sunrise Avenue.
  - Q Okay. And again, this was a silver Dodge Stratus?
- A Yes.
  - Q At this point in time, when this car turns off of Sunrise Avenue, where are you in your patrol car?
- 10 A I am about right there.
- 11 Q Okay. So, you're heading southbound?
- 12 A Yes.
- Q And when we're looking at this map here, where is this south portion?
- 15 A Do you want me to point on the map, or --
- 16 Q If you could just say up, down, right --
- 17 A Down is the south part of this map.
- Q Okay, so down. So, Sunrise Avenue would be south of where you were?
- 20 A Correct.
- Q And you're traveling south, so you're traveling towards Sunrise Avenue?
- 23 A Correct.
- Q Now, this vehicle, this silver Dodge Stratus that turns from Sunrise Avenue onto Lamb, which direction does that

vehicle go?

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- A He's making a left turn to go northbound.
- Q Okay. So, at that point in time, the vehicle would at some point in time have to cross paths with you?
  - A Correct.
- Q So, as this vehicle comes onto Lamb Boulevard, in what manner did the vehicle turn onto Lamb Boulevard?
- A It was -- it was really quick, and it was at a high rate of speed.
- Q So, if you could describe for us what Lamb Boulevard looks like in this area. You indicated that there's a center turn lane. What other lanes are there?
- A There are three northbound travel lanes, there are three southbound travel lanes, and then there's the center turn area where vehicles from either southbound or northbound pull in while they yield for traffic to make their left turns across traffic.
- Q Okay. And so, when this silver Dodge Stratus turns, it turns into that center turn lane?
  - A Correct.
- Q That would mean there's three travel lanes to the right of it?
- A Correct.
- 24 0 And three travel lanes to the left?
- 25 A Yes.

- Q And you were coming towards this vehicle in one of those travel lanes to the left?
  - A Yes.

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- Q Okay. So what happens from this point in time?
- A I decided I was going to conduct a records check on the vehicle, on the plate, and so I made a U-turn to get behind the vehicle.
  - Q So now you're going to travel northbound as well?
- A Correct.
- Q Had the vehicle passed you at this point in time?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q When you make that U-turn, what happens?
- A I noticed that the passenger taillight was broken and that the driver was not slowing down.
- 15 Q Okay. Is the vehicle still in the center turn lane?
- 16 A Correct.
- 17 Q Are you able to see a license plate at that time?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Was that Nevada 098ASW?
- 20 A Yes.
  - Q And so what happens from this point in time after you recognize the issue with the taillight?
- A I speed up to try and catch up to the vehicle so I

  could initiate a traffic stop. The vehicle continued

  northbound, and then it made a left turn into the Crossroads 3

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Q Okay. How did the vehicle make that left turn into the Crossroads 3?

A From the center turn lane, he made the left turn. It was quick. It was -- it was obvious to me that he was trying to put some distance between me and him.

- Q Was there any other traffic on the road?
- A Yes.
  - Q And coming which direction?
- A There was other vehicles coming southbound.
- Q What happened with that traffic as this Dodge Stratus made a left turn?

A So the other vehicles that were coming southbound, they obviously could tell because of the manner -- the way they were driving -- the drivers that were driving southbound, they all slowed down because they saw this car and they knew he was going to cut in front of them, and sure enough, he cut in front of them. And southbound traffic, they actually basically came to a slow crawl, allowing me to actually go into the Crossroads 3 as well.

- Q Did you have your lights and sirens on at this time?
- 22 A No.
- Q Lights?
- 24 A No.
- 25 Q Okay. So the traffic stopped nonetheless?

A Correct.

- Q Okay. So what do you do at this point in time?
- A I'm catching up to the vehicle inside the Crossroads 3 apartment complex. The vehicle's hitting the speed bumps pretty quick, and I'm still trying to close the distance between our two vehicles.
- Q So what is the procedure that you take now as a police officer about to make contact with this vehicle?
- A Well, because of the way he was driving -- and most typical drivers that see a police officer, they tend to behave themselves, slow down, drive in a manner that's more prudent. And since this driver was actually trying to put distance between us, I knew from my training and experience being a law enforcement officer and getting into lots and lots of foot pursuits and foot chases that the driver was going to bail from the vehicle, and so I initiated the traffic stop on him as he was pulling into a parking spot.
  - Q And what do you do when you initiate a traffic stop?
  - A I turn on lights and sirens.
  - Q Okay. Do you have to notify anybody about this?
- A I had already called out radio traffic because I knew that the vehicle was obviously trying to get away from me. I'd already called for another unit, and I'd already called out the traffic stop as well before I turned on the lights and siren -- just the lights.

Q Where were you about when you called out that radio traffic?

A I believe it was about the time I was pulling into the Crossroads 3.

- Q Okay. And just so we can tell here, where is the Crossroads 3 located on this particular map that we're looking at?
  - A The entrance to the Crossroads 3 is right here.
- Q All right. So you indicated that entrance right there, kind of between those white buildings?
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- Q All right. And that's the area that you indicated that this silver Dodge Stratus had turned left into?
- 14 A Yes.
- Q Okay. I'm going to show you what's been marked as

  State's Exhibit 4 and admitted as such. Is this the area of

  the Crossroads 3 apartment?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Just a close-up of that? Is that a yes?
- 20 A Yes.
  - Q Okay. If you could just indicate where the entrance of the Crossroads is right on this map as well.
    - A The entrance is right there.
  - Q So you say right about there is where you get on your radio and you say what?

A I call out the traffic stop, stating that I was going to -- basically, I was notifying dispatch that I was initiating a traffic stop on the vehicle.

- Q When you notify dispatch, does that also notify other people that are on the same radio?
  - A Yes.
  - Q Who else would be on this radio?
    - A The entire George squad, and the entire Frank squad.
  - Q So all of the patrol officers from the Northeast
- 10 Area Command?

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- 11 A Yes.
- Q Okay. Do the dispatchers take notes on what's going on?
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- Q Do they take notes to specifically what is called out by you and what time that's happening?
  - A Yes. Dispatch actually creates an event, and they put on the event that I initiated a traffic stop, and what I initiated the traffic stop on, and they timestamp it.
- 20 Q Okay. Do you recall the exact timestamp of that?
- 21 A I do not.
- Q Is there a CAD Report that you could look at that would help refresh your recollection?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 O And what is CAD?

A CAD is basically a printout of the chronological order of everything that happened as it's being relayed to dispatch and dispatch is updating the event.

Q If I may, showing you a CAD Report, just take a look at that and tell me if that refreshes your recollection as to when you conducted this traffic stop.

A Yes.

Q When was it that you conducted the traffic stop, sir?

A It says at 2:25.

Q Okay. So, approximately 2:25 A.M., you are calling out on the radio you're coming into the Crossroads 3 Apartments, about to do a traffic stop?

A Yes.

Q On this silver Dodge Stratus, Nevada license plate 098 Adam, Sam, William?

A Yes.

Q Okay. So, when you get into the Crossroads, how was this silver Dodge Stratus traveling through the apartment?

A Into the Crossroads, it was hitting the speed bumps fast. He was going really fast.

Q Okay, and where does this vehicle end up?

A He actually ends up -- do you want me to point on the map?

O Please do.

- A He actually parks in a parking spot right about there.
  - Q All right, and that's at Building 265?
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- Q And you indicated that it's right there, somewhere in front of where it says "F" on the map?
  - A Yes.
- Q I'm going to show you what's been marked as -- and admitted as State's Exhibit 5. Do you recognize this to be the same area, just a close-up of it?
- 11 A Yes.
  - Q If you could, for the ladies and gentlemen of the jury, just tell them where that vehicle was parked as you conducted that traffic stop. And is that under an awning?
  - A Yes.
  - Q So where are you in your vehicle at that point in time when the vehicle pulls in?
  - A As he pulls in, I'm pulling in right behind him. Do you want me to indicate where my vehicle was?
  - Q Please do. Okay. At this point in time, do you have your lights on?
  - A Yes.
- Q Okay. And now that you're behind the vehicle with your lights on, the vehicle's in this parking spot, what happens?

He had already jumped out of his car, and I had 1 2 jumped out of my car. When you say "he," who are you referring to? 3 Q 4 Α I am referring to the defendant. Okay. You pointed over here to my right? 5 Q 6 Α Yes. 7 If you could, please identify a piece of clothing 8 and point to the individual that you're identifying. 9 Α He's wearing a light blue collared shirt, sitting right there. 10 11 0 Okay. If the record could reflect that the 12 MR. DICKERSON: 13 witness is identifying the defendant, Your Honor? 14 THE COURT: Yes, it will. 15 MR. DICKERSON: Thank you. 16 BY MR. DICKERSON: 17 So you see the defendant jump out of that silver Q Dodge Stratus? 18 19 Α Yes. 20 And where does the defendant go? 21 He opens the door and he starts running towards the Α 22 back of his car.

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Okay. And are you near the back?

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So the back of his car would have been where?

- A Yeah, I'm there at the back of his car as well.
- Q Is the door of that silver Dodge Stratus still open?
- A Yes.

- Q So, what does that cause to happen, this door being open?
- A The door is open on the car. I can smell the odor of cannabis on him, and I can smell it also coming out of the vehicle.
- Q Okay. Was there any route forward for the defendant to take?
- A No, because the way he opened his door, he kind of prevented himself from being able to run towards the front of his vehicle, because he would have had to have got out of the car, shut the door, and then proceed to go forward towards the front of his car.
- Q Okay. So, how quickly after the defendant gets that silver Dodge Stratus parked right there in that parking spot is it that he's exiting the vehicle?
- A It was -- it was basically instantaneously.
- Q Okay, so he didn't wait around to get things together in there?
- 22 A No.
  - Q Okay. You said instantaneously?
- A I mean, he basically -- he -- the car stopped, he
  got out of his car, I was ready to end up in a foot chase so I

was already out of my car as well.

- Q So what did you do?
- A I made contact with him on his side of the car, and I walked him over towards the front of my patrol car.
  - Q And your patrol car is right there behind it?
  - A Correct.
- Q This vehicle, was it -- it was parked in a specific parking spot; is that right?
  - A Yes.

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- Q Do you recall the number of that parking spot?
- 11 A I believe it was 58.
- Q Okay. Now, parking spot 58, you're right behind it.

  Where is it that you take the defendant?
- 14 A Right to the front of my patrol vehicle, which is --
- Q And you said, at this time, you're already smelling marijuana?
- 17 A I can smell marijuana.
- 18 Q Coming from where?
  - A Coming from him and coming from inside the vehicle.
- 20 Q Okay. So what do you do?
  - A I conducted a pat-down for weapons on him. He was upset that he had gotten stopped, and he was really nervous, so I went ahead and placed him in handcuffs, because that and the way he was driving and trying to get away from me, I suspected that he was a flight risk and that he was going to

26 1 run. Okay. And so you conduct a pat-down? 2 Q Correct. 3 Α 4 Q Do you find any weapons? 5 I did not find any weapons. Α What do you do next? 6 Q 7 I asked him if he had his ID. Α Like a driver's license? 8 Q 9 Α Yes. And what does he say? 10 Q 11 Α He says he does. And so what happens next? 12 13 I ask him if his ID is on his person; he says yes. 14 I asked him where it was; he said it was in his front pocket. I asked him if I could remove it; he said yes. 15 16 Okay, so did you proceed to remove his ID? Q 17 I did. Α And what happens when you do that? 18 Q 19 Α As I removed the wallet, I end up grabbing a wad of 20 cash that was right next to the wallet on the outside of it. 21 What was this wad of cash? Q 22 Α It was mostly \$20 bills, some other denominations as well. 23 24 Q And it was right there with his wallet?

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Yes.

- Q Where exactly was his wallet?
  - A His wallet was in his front right pants pocket.
    - Q Okay, and the money was right there with it?
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- Q But not in the wallet?
- A There was some that ended up being in the wallet, and some that was outside of the wallet.
- Q Was there any particular way that this money was organized?
- A Yes. He had five 20s folded facing one direction, then he had another five 20s folded facing the opposite direction. They were -- they were all folded the same, but the creases of the fold were on different sides, opposite sides, and so then it just kept on switching.
- Q Okay. Was this a lot of money or just a little bit of money?
- 17 A It was -- it was a good amount of money.
  - Q Do you recall offhand how much money?
- A I don't remember the exact dollar amount. I do remember it was over \$2,000.
- Q And do you recall offhand the exact denominations of that money?
- 23 A I don't.
- Q Okay. At some point in time later in the night, did
  you end up impounding all of that money?

A I did.

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- Q Did you, as part of that impound, use a money accounting report sheet?
  - A Yes.
  - Q Would looking at that money accounting report help you refresh your recollection as to, number one, how much money it was; and number two, what the denominations were?
- A Yes.
- 9 Q Okay. Just take a look at this. Do you recognize 10 this form?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Did you fill out this form?
- A This is an enlarged version of the form that I filled out, yes.
- Q Okay. It fairly and accurately represents that form?
- 17 A Yes.
- Q When you filled out this form, was the information that you put on this form fresh in your memory, or was it happening right at that time?
- 21 A It was fresh in my memory.
- 22 Q Okay. Had you just counted down the money?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q And was that what you were memorializing here?
- 25 A Yes.

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              So how much money was it that was in the defendant's
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              MR. FRIZZELL: I'm going to object, Your Honor,
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              MR. FRIZZELL: -- he can't keep that with him.
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              MR. DICKERSON: It's actually a --
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              THE COURT: Okay.
              MR. DICKERSON: -- past recollection recorded.
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              THE COURT: Well --
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              MR. FRIZZELL: Yeah, but still, he can't read from
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              MR. DICKERSON: Well, he could if it's past --
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              THE COURT: Can -- can I get in on this?
              MR. FRIZZELL:
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              THE COURT: Okay. So what are you offering -- how
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              MR. DICKERSON: I'm offering --
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              THE COURT: -- to refresh his memory? Are you --
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              MR. DICKERSON: I'm offering this as a past
    recollection recorded, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: Are you offering the actual report?
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              MR. DICKERSON: I'm not; just for him to read from -
    - to -- for his recollection that he recorded at that time.
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THE COURT: After reviewing it, Officer, does it 1 2 refresh your memory how much money you actually retrieved from 3 him? 4 THE WITNESS: Yes. THE COURT: Okay. Tell us what it was. 5 It's \$2,187. 6 THE WITNESS: 7 MR. FRIZZELL: Objection, he just looked at it 8 again. 9 THE COURT: Well, it's either way. It's either way. It's got -- it's got -- he's refreshing his memory. He said 10 it refreshed his memory, and then he told me how much. If he 11 didn't refresh his memory -- does it refresh your memory or 12 13 not? 14 THE WITNESS: Yes. 15 THE COURT: Can you tell me without looking at the 16 report? \$2,187. 17 THE WITNESS: 18 THE COURT: Okay, so it refreshed his memory. Ιf 19 not, then it --20 MR. FRIZZELL: Okay. 21 THE COURT: -- is past recollection recorded. 22 either way, we're going to hear it. So I'm just trying to make the record clear. 23 24 MR. FRIZZELL: All right, I just want to make sure, because the questions the State was asking was not what you 25

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              THE COURT: But I asked, okay?
              MR. FRIZZELL: Got it.
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              THE COURT: All right. Go ahead, Mr. Dickerson.
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              MR. DICKERSON:
                               Thank you, Your Honor.
              MR. FRIZZELL: Just for the record, I do object, but
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    you can overrule it.
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              THE COURT: Go ahead.
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              MR. DICKERSON: Okay. Thank you, Your Honor.
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- 1 A I'd have to look at it, because --
- 2 Q Feel free.
- 3 A Two \$1 bills.
  - Q How many \$5 bills?
- 5 A There's one \$5 bill.
- 6 MR. FRIZZELL: Your Honor, this is a continuing
- 7 objection, because he's -- he's --
- 8 THE COURT: I understand, but I also understand he
  9 is doing it by past recollection recorded. There is a
  10 difference, so.
- MR. FRIZZELL: I just want to make my record, Your
- 12 Honor.

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- THE COURT: Okay. All right, thank you.
- MR. FRIZZELL: I'm objecting that he's --
- 15 THE COURT: Okay.
- 16 MR. FRIZZELL: -- continuing to just read it.
- 17 THE COURT: Overruled. Go ahead.
- 18 BY MR. DICKERSON:
- 19 Q How many \$10 bills?
- 20 A \$10 bills? There were two \$10 bills.
- 21 Q How many \$20 bills?
- 22 A 68 \$20 bills.
- Q Okay. How many \$50 bills?
- 24 A Two \$50 bills.
- 25 Q And how many \$100 bills?

- 1 A Seven.
- Q All right. And that was a total of \$2,187?
- 3 A Correct.
- 4 Q In cash?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q Located in the defendant's front right pants pocket?
- 7 A Yes.

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- Q So, at that point in time, you've pulled his wallet out; you see all this money. What do you do?
- 10 A I set the wallet and I set the money on the hood of 11 my car.
- Q And has the backup unit that you -- that you'd previously called for arrived?
- 14 A Yes.
- Q So now the defendant's in the front of your car; is that right?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q What happens?
- A Officer Henry was walking up; he was my backup
  officer. He was walking up on the passenger side of the car,
  I was still up there at the front of the car with him, and
  while we're out there, there's about five gunshots that go off
- 23 in the apartment complex.
- Q Five gunshots?
- 25 A Five gunshots.

- Q How close are you to the gunshots?
- A They are -- they literally sound like they're on the other side of one of the buildings in the apartment complex.
- Q I'm going to show you here what we've looked at previously and what's been marked and admitted as State's Exhibit 4. Do you recognize this, sir?
- A Yes.

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- 8 Q So you indicated where you were generally; is that
  9 right?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q If you could do that again.
- 12 A My car is right about -- a little bit up from that.
- 13 Every time I touch the screen, it goes a little lower, but.
- Q And so you're there in front of your car with the defendant?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q You have a backup officer that has just arrived?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Is that Officer Henry?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q And so it's just you and Officer Henry?
- 22 A Yes.
- Q Where do you hear these gunshots coming from?
- A The gunshots are -- they -- they're coming from the north, and they sound extremely close. They sound like

they're literally on the other side of this building right here.

- Q Okay. If you could make a circle so it's a little bit more clear.
- A They basically sound like they're coming from this area right here.
  - Q Okay, so very close by?
  - A Yes.

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- 9 Q As a police officer in this situation, what do you do?
  - A Well, since I'd already taken control of my suspect, I took him and I put him in the back of my patrol car for his safety. Officer Henry went north to go investigate the gunshots that just occurred. I called out the radio traffic over the radio. The air unit and basically a lot of black and white police cars all showed up in the area.
  - Q So cops flood the area?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Looking for remnants of a shooting?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q What are you looking for in that situation?
  - A Whenever there's a shooting, we're looking for victims, we're looking for suspects, we're looking for gunshots in -- you know, in buildings or anything like that, casings.

- Q And so how long is this search going on?
- A It's going on for -- it goes on for a while.
  - Q Where are you at that time?
  - A I'm still with my -- my suspect.
  - Q The defendant?
- A The defendant.
- 7 Q He's in the back of your patrol car?
- 8 A Yes.

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- Q And what do you do?
- A I initially -- I put him in the back of my patrol car. I took cover on the side of my patrol car because of the gunshots, and I was still calling out all the radio traffic, coordinating with the air unit as to where to go, and where we heard them, and that type of stuff.
- Q And what was the end result of all these units and the air unit coming down and looking for these gunshots?
- A No victims were located, no suspects were located, no gunshots, no shell casings --
  - Q So what happened?
- A -- no impacts. We continued on with my traffic stop.
  - Q So you're on your traffic stop. Do you have occasion to look inside the vehicle?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 O And when does that occur?

A It basically happened after I was right there next to the driver's side corner panel.

Q Okay. At this point in time, is there any sort of police training or anything that comes into play with the situation you're in?

MR. FRIZZELL: Object, leading.

THE COURT: Overruled.

 $$\operatorname{\mathtt{THE}}$  WITNESS: I basically continued my investigation of my traffic stop.

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- Q Okay, and what do you do?
- A So, while I was by the car door, I saw a green leafy residue -- substance, actually, on the floorboard, and it's basically the leftovers of what I know from my training and experience to be marijuana.
  - O Okay. What did this look like?
- A It's just basically like little crumbs and small pieces of the green leafy residue.
  - Q Okay, like green flakes?
- 20 MR. FRIZZELL: Objection, leading. What did it look
- 21 like. I thought we had --
- 22 THE COURT: Yeah, don't --
- 23 BY MR. DICKERSON:
  - Q What did it look like, sir?
- 25 A It's small pieces of green leafy substance.

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- 2 A Very, very small.
  - Q If we're thinking about a pencil, would it be the size of the top of the pencil or the eraser?
  - A It would be about the size -- I'd say it's about the size of an eraser, maybe a little less than that.
  - Q Okay, so somewhere in between?
  - A Yes.
- 9 Q So very small?
- 10 A Yes.
- Q And so now you've smelt marijuana on the defendant;
  12 is that right?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q And you've smelt marijuana coming from the car?
- 15 A Yes.
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q So what do you do?
- A Since I had probable cause that there was a controlled substance inside the vehicle, I began to do a search inside the vehicle.
- 22 Q All right. And what does that entail?
- A Basically, I'm looking for the marijuana,
- 24 essentially. And during my initial search, I located a bag
- 25 containing a whole bunch of small clear plastic bags

underneath the driver's seat. I located another larger bag in between the center console and the driver's seat.

- Q Okay. This bag that you located -- the little bags that you located, what did those look like?
- A It was basically one bag, and inside it, it had lots of the smaller bags.
  - Q Are you familiar with these type of bags?
- A Yes.

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- Q And how are you familiar with these bags?
- 10 A They're commonly used to transport a controlled 11 substance.
  - Q Do you have an estimate of how big these bags are?
- A They're relatively small, about an inch by an inch maybe.
- Q At some point in time, did you collect those baggies?
- 17 A I did.
- 18 Q And did you later on impound those baggies?
- 19 A Yes.
- Q I'm going to show you here a bag. Tell me if you recognize what's on this bag.
- A The bag is from this event, and it says, "17, baggies with black pouch."
- Q Okay, that's Item 17?
- 25 A "Item 17, baggies with black pouch."

And are you familiar with this specific bag and this 1 2 label? Yes. 3 Α 4 Q And how are you familiar with it? 5 It has my signature on it. Α What does that mean? 6 0 7 It has my signature and my P number, which is my 8 badge number. 9 0 And what's a P number? 10 A P number is your badge number, but when you put Α 11 it, you put your initials and your badge number on there. So what does that indicate about this bag? 12 13 It indicates that this was my property --14 Q Okay. -- that I impounded. 15 Α 16 And so did you in fact impound the items in this Q 17 bag? 18 Α Yes. 19 Q That being what? 20 Baggies with black pouch. Α 21 And was this bag previously opened by the Court? Q 22 Α Yes. All right, but it wasn't opened after you sealed it 23 24 up; is that right? 25 Correct.

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| 1  | Q   | And is there any indication that it was ever opened  |  |
| 2  | after tha   | t time, before it was opened here in the courtroom?  |  |
| 3  | А   | No.  |  |
| 4  | Q   | And how would you know?                              |  |
| 5  | A   | Because this is the evidence seal tape that I put on |  |
| 6  | there.  |  |  |
| 7  | Q   | This red tape here?                                  |  |
| 8  | A   | Yes.   |  |
| 9  | Q   | And how do you know you put this here?               |  |
| 10 | A   | Because it has my initials my initials and P         |  |
| 11 | number tha  | at's on the tape as well.                            |  |
| 12 | Q   | And the baggies and black pouch, are those the       |  |
| 13 | baggies and black pouch that you located in reference to this |  |  |
| 14 | particula   | r case?  |  |
| 15 | А   | Yes.   |  |
| 16 | Q   | In a search that you did here?                       |  |
| 17 | A   | Yes.   |  |
| 18 |   | MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of 84,  |  |
| 19 | Your Honor.   |  |  |
| 20 |   | THE COURT: Any objection?                            |  |
| 21 |   | MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor.                        |  |
| 22 |   | MR. DICKERSON: And                                   |  |
| 23 |   | THE COURT: It'd be admitted.                         |  |
| 24 |   | (State's Exhibit 84 is admitted)                     |  |
| 25 |   | MR. DICKERSON: And admission of all its contents.    |  |

42 THE COURT: What exhibit is it again? 1 2 MR. DICKERSON: Exhibit 84, and its contents being A 3 through C. 4 THE COURT: Any objection? 5 MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor. THE COURT: All right. 84A through C would be 6 7 admitted. 8 (State's Exhibits 84A through C are admitted) 9 MR. DICKERSON: 84C here. 10 BY MR. DICKERSON: 11 Officer, showing you here what's been marked and admitted as State's 84C, do you recognize that item? 12 13 Yes. 14 Q And how do you recognize it? It's the item that I found underneath the driver's 15 Α 16 seat. 17 The small baggies? Q 18 Α Yes. 19 Q So it's a bag of baggies? 20 Α Yes. 21 Are they new or used? Q 22 They look relatively new. Α And is that bag able to be opened? 23 Q 24 Α When I first initially --25 0 Yes.

43 1 Α Yes. At this point in time, is it as well? 2 3 Α Yes. 4 Q If you could, sir, please open that bag. 5 Let me put the gloves on. Α So, at this point in time, what are you doing? 6 Q 7 I'm opening the bag that has all the other baggies Α 8 in it. 9 Q Okay. And if you could, pull those little baggies out and show the members of the jury what they look like. 10 Okay, so those are the baggies that you're familiar with? 11 Yes. 12 Α 13 THE COURT: For the record, do they appear to be 14 clear Ziploc baggies about two inches wide by, what, four inches tall? 15 16 THE WITNESS: Yes. THE COURT: Okay. Is that -- are you satisfied with 17 that? 18 19 MR. DICKERSON: I'm satisfied with that, Your Honor. 20 THE COURT: Mr. Frizzell, is that -- would you 21 believe that's correct? 22 MR. FRIZZELL: Yes. 23 THE COURT: Okay. 24 MR. FRIZZELL: I saw them when we unpacked everything. 25

THE COURT: That's the little bags out of the big
bag, right? Is that correct, Officer?

THE WITNESS: These are the bags that are inside the bag.

THE COURT: Okay. All right.

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- Q And about -- do you have an estimate of about how many bags are in there?
- A I don't know --
- 10 Q Okay.
- 11 A -- off the top of my head.
- 12 Q More than just a few though?
- 13 A Yes, there's quite a few in there.
- 14 Q Does it appear to be a new package?
- 15 A Yes.
- Q Okay. So you find those underneath the driver's seat?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q At this point in time, what do you do?
- A I decided -- because of the size of those bags and
  the large amount of money that was on his person, I called for
  a canine narcotics dog.
- Q What was it about the situation that you were in at that point in time that made you decide to call for a narcotics dog?

A Basically, all the circumstances that had come about; the shots being fired close by, the large amount of cash that was on the defendant, the items that I'd already found underneath the seat and in the center console area right there. So I decided to stop my search right there, get a canine dog to come over there and do a narcotics sniff.

- Q So what was it about those items that indicated you may need a canine?
- A Basically, it's items that are commonly used for -- to transport controlled substances.
  - Q Those beings the bags?
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- Q And what was it about the money?
- A Well, it was a large, significant amount of cash,
  and cash is commonly used to make transactions happen as far
  as narcotics.
- Q Did the denominations of that money play any role into your reasoning?
  - A Yes. The large amount of 20s and the way that the 20s were stacked up, it was consistent with somebody who's making sales.
    - Q So is that something you have seen before?
- 23 A Yes.
  - Q In how many years of police experience?
    - A At the time of this stop, I had nine years on the

1 department. 2 So had you stopped people that you later found out 3 were selling drugs? 4 Α Yes. And did they have large amounts of cash on them? 5 6 Α Yes. 7 MR. FRIZZELL: Objection, relevance. 8 THE COURT: Approach the bench. (Off-record bench conference) 9 10 THE COURT: Mr. Frizzell, I'm going to sustain your 11 objection. 12 MR. FRIZZELL: Thank you, Your Honor. BY MR. DICKERSON: 13 14 In those nine years as a police officer, had you been on narcotics investigations? 15 16 Yes. Α 17 Narcotics investigations that started at traffic Q 18 stops? 19 Α Yes. 20

Q And the large amount of cash, especially in the denominations of 20s that you saw here, was that consistent with the sale of drugs that you've seen in previous investigations?

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Q And the baggies as well?

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Q So, you also mentioned the gunshots. What was it about the gunshots?

A Well, it appeared to me that it was some type of distract to get me away from the -- from the defendant and from the car.

- Q Is that -- you mean a distraction?
- A A distraction.
  - Q Okay, and why would you think that?
- 10 A It doesn't happen very often that you do a traffic
  11 stop and that somebody decides to fire off rounds really close
  12 to where you are.
- Q Okay, and so all these things indicated to you that you might need to get a dog out there?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q How do you get a dog out there?
- 17 A Through dispatch.
- Q Okay. Put it on the radio?
- 19 A Yes.
- Q And then, does the police canine arrive shortly
- 21 thereafter?

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- A Yes.
- Q Was that Officer Newton?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q And Officer Newton has a canine partner?

- A Yes, he does. He's got a couple.
- Q How does that work?
- A Basically, he has dogs for different jobs, and he has them in his patrol vehicle.
  - Q So there's a job that's specifically for narcotics?
- A Yes.

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- Q Was that dog with Officer Newton a dog by the name of Stewie?
- A Yes.
- Q So, Stewie comes out with Officer Newton. How do they work?
  - A They work basically hand in hand as one unit.
- Q Okay. What do they do when they arrive on scene here?
  - A Initially, I told him that I was concerned that the defendant had tossed items out of the window while pulling into the complex, and then I told him about the vehicle and the other circumstances surrounding the vehicle.
- Q Okay. So what does Officer Newton, with his canine partner, Stewie, what do they do?
  - A They do a narcotics search on the car.
- Q And does that entail Stewie actually getting into the car?
- 24 A Yes.
  - Q And once Stewie gets into the car -- let me back up

- a second. Are you standing there for this?
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- Q You're watching this canine, Stewie?
- 4 A Yes.
  - Q And what do you watch Stewie do?
- A Stewie, he indicates on the glove compartment of the 7 -- of the car that I had stopped.
  - Q Okay. And when he's indicating, what was he doing?
  - A He basically -- he just indicates to the canine officer, and the canine officer says, hey, I just got something.
    - O That's Officer Newton?
- 13 A Yes.
  - Q So, once that indication on this glove box area happens, what do you guys do?
- 16 A We take a closer look at the glove box.
- Q When you take a look at the glove box, what, if anything, do you see?
  - A If you open the glove box, you will see -- on the right side of the glove box, you will see a small hole that goes across the top of the glove box when it's open. So when it's open, there's just a small opening.
  - Q So when you see this hole in the glove box, is it something that you recognize in any way?
    - A It wasn't -- it wasn't a factory-made hole. It was

obvious somebody had made the hole and put it there.

Q So what do you do?

- A I end up putting my hand in there and reaching in, and I can feel that there's a bag inside the hole. And I just kind of touch the bag, and I felt something solid inside the bag, so I decided to stop -- stop with my search.
- Q Did you have any idea or any belief what you thought it was that you felt in that bag?
- A Yes, I was quite confident that it was a firearm that was inside the bag.
  - Q So why -- what are you stopping your search for?
- A Because if it was a firearm, I know that district attorneys, they like warrants better than just doing a probable cause search. So I decided to stop my search at that point and get a warrant, and so I applied for a telephonic warrant.
  - O Okay. How does that work?
- A telephonic warrant -- judges are on call. There's one on call judge and a backup judge that's on call 24 hours, seven days a week. And so you call the judge and you basically read them your warrant verbatim, and -- to the judge, and the judge will either approve the warrant or not approve the warrant. Since it's graveyard hours, in the middle of the night, telephonic warrants are very, very common.

- Q Telephonic being instead of taking them paper? Is that --
  - A Correct. Doing it over the phone.
  - Q And then is that a recorded phone call?
- 5 A Yes, it is.

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- Q Okay, and you tell them all your bases for applying for the warrant?
  - A Correct.
- 9 Q And here, I think we've kind of previously discussed 10 some of the basis -- bases already, but now -- you know, that 11 being, what, the gunshots?
- 12 A I don't believe I put the gunshots in the warrant --
- 13 Q Okay.
- A -- because I wasn't able to -- I wasn't able to 100

  percent positively say that those were because of my traffic

  stop, so --
- 17 Q Okay.
- 18 A -- I didn't put them in there.
- 19 Q But the other things?
- 20 A All the other stuff, I put in there.
- 21 Q The baggies?
- 22 A The baggies.
- Q The cash?
- 24 A The cash.
- Q And now, after the dog arrives, what else?

- A I'm not sure what your question is.
- Q Did you talk about the dog indicating?
- A Yes. So -- and because the dog indicated, that was also on the warrant as well.
- Q So you present this all to a judge, and what does the judge do?
- A The judge approves the warrant for the -- for the car.
- Q Okay. So, after the warrant's approved by the judge, what happens?
- A We -- Officer Henry proceeds to remove the cover to the glove compartment because he's trying to get into the hole where the bag is, and he -- when you remove the actual glove compartment part and it comes off, then the hole is -- it's a lot bigger, and you can tell that somebody just basically punched a hole into the side of the glove box.
- Q So you indicated that he had to remove the glove box -- or, excuse me, glove box portion. I'm going to show you what's been admitted as State's Exhibit 19. Is the area that you're describing depicted here in this image?
  - A Yes, it is.
- Q If you could, indicate on the screen what it is you're talking about.
- 24 A This is the hole that I'm talking about here.
- 25 O Okay.

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- Q And was there a door on this glove box?
- A Yes. It's the -- the door and the sides -- there's actual sides of the door when you pull it out, so it comes out with it, and so that was actually in there and it was obstructing the majority of the hole. You could only see about the top -- about -- just the top little portion of the hole that you could actually see.
- Q You're indicating with your fingers about an inch, maybe an inch-and-a-quarter?
  - A High, and then a couple inches long.
  - Q Okay. But you couldn't see that full hole?
- A No, you couldn't see this full hole.
- Q And so some steps were taken to remove the actual door to the glove box?
  - A Yes. Officer Henry had removed the glove box.
- Q Okay. Did that come off easily or did tools have to be used?
- A No, it came off easy enough. He didn't have to have any special tools that I'm aware of.
  - Q So, now looking at State's Exhibit 20, is that the hole as it appeared?
  - A Yes, it's just -- this is a closer up view of the same hole.
    - Q So, once you have this door of the glove box open

and you can now see this hole, what do you guys do?

A Well, we tried to get the bag out. And we could tell that there was a black bag inside the hole, the same bag that I suspected had a firearm in it, and we -- you can't pull the bag out through this hole.

And so while Officer Henry was trying to get the bag out through this hole, I actually walked up, and if the passenger door is open on the car, the side of the dash panel that's closest to the door is basically just a simple little plastic cover. I walked over to the plastic cover, and I popped it off, and it just simply popped right off, and you could get to the bag that way as well.

- Q I'm going to show you what's been marked and admitted here as State's Exhibit 17. Is that area that you're talking about located in this exhibit?
- A Yes. Basically, it's this whole plastic piece right here. That all pops off, and I basically touched it right about here, and just kind of got a little hold on it, and popped it off.
- Q And when you're indicating that you got a little hold on it, you're just indicating with your thumb?
- A Yeah. Basically, it was just -- you can grab it with your finger, and just kind of grab onto it, and it pops off, so.
  - Q Okay. So you didn't have to use any tools to take

Okay, taking step by step?

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- Q So what's the next step here?
- A The next step here is to remove the bag out of the compartment.
  - Q And when the bag's removed, what do you find?
- A The bag is removed, and there's three gold bags inside of the black -- the larger black bag, and then a smaller canvass black bag within it as well.
- Q I'm going to show you here State's Exhibit 24. Do you recognize what's depicted here in this image, sir?
- A Yeah. This is ID Tech Thi's hand, and these are the gold bags that are inside the black bag.
  - Q And those are the gold bags you remember seeing?
- 14 A Yes.
- Q And State's Exhibit 26, does that depict those gold bags?
- 17 A Yes, that's the two bags that had items in it.
  - Q So, what was it that you found in these bags?
- 19 A A lot of controlled substance, very different types.
  - Q I'm going to show you here State's Exhibit 28. What does it appear to you is depicted here in this image?
  - A These are the items that we -- that we removed from the bag. It's different controlled substances, a watch that was inside the bag, the black bag itself. The keys were not inside the bag.

- Q Okay. The black bag that's there in the foreground, what is that?
  - A That is the black bag that had the firearm in it.
  - Q Okay, so there was also a firearm recovered?
- 5 A Yes.

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- Q In addition to the drugs?
- 7 A Yes.
  - Q And showing you here State's Exhibit 31, is that how that firearm appeared?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And did CSA Thi remove that?
- 12 A Yes. She -- she made the gun safe, and she ended up 13 placing it in an evidence bag for me.
- 14 Q Is that the gun as you remember it?
- 15 A Yes.
- Q Okay, and we're showing you State's Exhibit 32. All right.
- 18 MR. DICKERSON: Court's brief indulgence.
- 19 BY MR. DICKERSON:
- Q Did you have the opportunity to later look at all the items that were in those -- in the black bag and within those gold bags?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q And did you in fact impound all those items?
- 25 A Yes.

- Q Is that part of your duty as a police officer?
- A Yes.

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Q Similar to how we looked at the other brown evidence bag, did you do the same things with the things that were located inside that black bag?

A Yes.

(Pause in the proceedings)

#### BY MR. DICKERSON:

- Q Okay, sir. I'm going to show you what's been previously opened by the Court, State's Proposed Exhibit 82 and its contents. If you could, take a look at State's Proposed Exhibit 82. Tell me if you recognize that.
- A It is from this event. It has my signature on it, it has my P number, initials on it, and it indicates a lot of items.
- Q And are you speaking about the evidence tag here on this brown bag?
- A Yes. On the brown bag, I put an evidence tag, and I basically put on the piece of paper what's inside the bag.
- Q Okay. And this particular bag, what is it that you indicated was in here?
  - A I'd have to read it all off.
- Q Okay. Is this -- is this as you recall impounding this brown bag?
- 25 A Yes.

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              THE COURT: -- A, 82 --
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              MR. DICKERSON: I do, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: 81, 2, 3 --
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              MR. DICKERSON: I do.
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              THE COURT: -- 82 -- are you moving for 82A and
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              MR. DICKERSON: We're going to move --
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              MR. DICKERSON: I'll move the --
              THE COURT: Come up here, Ken.
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              MR. DICKERSON: I'll move each one individually,
    just to make it easier on Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: All right.
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              MR. FRIZZELL: I just wanted to see which one he was
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    talking about.
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              THE COURT: Okay. Just so the record's clear.
              MR. DICKERSON: Right.
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                         (Counsel conferring)
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              THE COURT: So what do you have right there, Mr.
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    Dickerson? 82 is what's been marked as the evidence bag.
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              MR. DICKERSON:
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              MR. FRIZZELL: Well, they're --
              THE COURT: He's identified the -- okay.
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              THE COURT: Everything that's in that -- let me
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    that box there is out of 82?
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              MR. DICKERSON: Correct, Your Honor.
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              MR. FRIZZELL: And --
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              MR. FRIZZELL: Your Honor, there are some other --
    other exhibits I'm sure that they'll get to later that are in
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              THE COURT: That's what I'm asking.
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              MR. FRIZZELL: -- that's in front of him.
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              MR. FRIZZELL: -- exhibits, so not everything in
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    this --
              THE COURT: Is that right, Mr. Dickerson?
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              MR. FRIZZELL: -- clerk's box is 82.
              MR. DICKERSON: I'll go through them one by one --
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              MR. DICKERSON: -- and then we can make it nice and
    clear for the record --
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              THE COURT: All right.
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              MR. DICKERSON: -- and for Mr. Frizzell.
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              THE COURT: Okay. All right.
              MR. DICKERSON: Thank you, Your Honor.
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              MR. DICKERSON: All right.
              THE COURT: Just -- just start out -- because I know
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    that my clerk's labeled them differently, so --
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              MR. DICKERSON: Yes.
              THE COURT: -- start out each one of them, and then
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              Here we have State's Proposed Exhibit 82B. Do you
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    recognize that, sir?
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              A gold bag that was inside the black bag that I
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    found in the car.
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              And State's 82 -- bear with me -- B1 --
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              THE COURT: Okay.
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              MR. DICKERSON: -- B2, B3, B4.
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              MR. FRIZZELL: Your Honor, do you mind if I just
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    come up there while he's --
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              THE COURT: Yeah, that's fine, Mr. Frizzell.
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              MR. FRIZZELL: -- going through -- thank you.
              MR. DICKERSON: And that's what we'll be looking at
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for this point in time. 82-B1 through 4. Do you --
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              THE COURT: You have 82B, and then B1 through 4?
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              MR. DICKERSON: That's correct, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: Okay.
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              THE COURT: Is that all 1 through 4?
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    looking at, please notify for the record so we're clear.
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              THE COURT: Okay.
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              Is this methamphetamine that you impounded --
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| 4  | Q  | And was that was that admitted or was that      |     |
| 5  | impounded  | by you as part of Exhibit 82?                   |     |
| 6  | A  | Yes.  |     |
| 7  | Q  | All right.                                      |     |
| 8  |  | MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of |     |
| 9  | 82B, 82B1  | through 82B4 at this time, Your Honor.          |     |
| 10 |  | THE COURT: Any objection?                       |     |
| 11 |  | MR. FRIZZELL: No objection, Your Honor.         |     |
| 12 |  | THE COURT: Okay. All right. So, 82B, which is   | the |
| 13 | gold bag,  | and then 1, 2, 3, and 4 was methamphetamine     |     |
| 14 | identified as methamphetamine taken from the gold bag? |   |     |
| 15 |  | MR. DICKERSON: Yes.                             |     |
| 16 |  | THE COURT: Right? Okay, all right. That's       |     |
| 17 | admitted,  | 82B, through 4 is admitted.                     |     |
| 18 | (St  | ate's Exhibits 82B1 through 82B4 are admitted)  |     |
| 19 |  | MR. DICKERSON: Okay.                            |     |
| 20 |  | MR. FRIZZELL: And Your Honor, more for          |     |
| 21 | clarificat   | tion, the gold bag that came out of 80 Exhibit  | 82, |
| 22 | because there's two gold bags.                         |   |     |
| 23 |  | THE COURT: Okay.                                |     |
| 24 |  | THE WITNESS: There's three total.               |     |
| 25 |  | THE COURT: All right, well, at least one        |     |

66 1 MR. FRIZZELL: There's three, okay. THE COURT: -- gold bag that's identified as 82B is 2 3 what I'm dealing with right now. 4 MR. FRIZZELL: Yes. MR. DICKERSON: That's correct, Your Honor. 5 MR. FRIZZELL: Okay, I don't have a problem with 6 7 that. 8 THE COURT: Okay. 9 BY MR. DICKERSON: 10 All right, sir. 82B contains what appear to be a Q lot of suspected methamphetamine? 11 12 Α Yes. Did you have occasion to do any sort of tests on 13 14 this? Yes, I did ODV field tests on it. 15 16 And what is that? Q It's a -- it's a little kit, and it basically -- you 17 Α put a little bit of the suspected meth into the little kit, 18 19 and you crack some capsules that are on the little package, and if it changes the right colors at the right times, then 20 21 it's suspected to be meth. 22 Okay. If you could, just one by one, pull up 82B1. 23 Is that an entire bag filled with what you suspect to be 24 methamphetamine?

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What would be a normal amount that you might see in 1 2 a drug --Objection, vague and ambiguous. 3 MR. FRIZZELL: 4 MR. DICKERSON: It goes to --MR. FRIZZELL: Relevance. 5 MR. DICKERSON: -- his training and experience. 6 7 THE COURT: Sustained. 8 BY MR. DICKERSON: 9 In your training and experience, are you familiar Q with how methamphetamine is used? 10 11 Α Yes. And how much methamphetamine is generally used by a 12 user at a given time? 13 14 MR. FRIZZELL: Objection, relevance, foundation, 15 vague, ambiguous. 16 THE COURT: Can you answer that, Officer? I mean --THE WITNESS: Yes, I feel -- I feel comfortable with 17 18 the question. 19 THE COURT: I'll allow you to answer it. Overruled. 20 THE WITNESS: It only takes a small amount of meth 21 to -- for a user to get a high off of it. 22 MR. DICKERSON: Okay. 23 MR. FRIZZELL: I'm going to object again then as to what is a small amount. 24 25 MR. DICKERSON: He did indicate with his fingers,

1 Your Honor. 2 THE WITNESS: It's --THE COURT: Officer, can you tell us -- I 3 4 understand. Officer, can you tell us, through your training and experience, when you're contacting an individual who'd 5 been arrested for suspected use of a controlled substance, of 6 methamphetamine, do they -- do they have them in different 7 sizes? Or do -- or I mean --8 9 THE WITNESS: The vast majority of the time when I come in contact with a user and they have meth on them, it's I 10 11 would say less than half-a-gram. THE COURT: Okay. And what -- and is there 12 13 different denominations to -- like when you're on the street 14 and you're purchasing it, is there different denominations 15 that signify what you've just explained? THE WITNESS: Meaning how much you can buy? 16 THE COURT: Uh-huh. 17 18 THE WITNESS: Yes. 19 THE COURT: Can you tell us about that? THE WITNESS: You can buy -- basically -- it's 20 basically within the gram measurements. 21 THE COURT: Okay. 22 23 THE WITNESS: So it's either a quarter of a gram, 24 half-a-gram, three-fourths of a gram, to a gram, and then from

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there on, you go into larger quantities.

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1 THE COURT: Okay. Well, so we're clear, it's 2 obvious that you can buy as much as you can afford, possibly; is that right? 3 4 THE WITNESS: Correct. THE COURT: But street level, how are you usually --5 how are individuals that you've through your experience have 6 seen has usually been obtaining in what quantities? 7 THE WITNESS: Usually, it's about a quarter of a 8 9 gram of meth. THE COURT: Okay. And when you say quarter, you 10 took your finger and you held it. 11 THE WITNESS: It would be hard for me to indicate 12 any other way, but it's a small amount. 13 14 THE COURT: Is it -- with regards to what you've 15 just identified in Exhibit 1, 2, 3, and 4 of 82B --16 THE WITNESS: That's a whole lot of meth in those --THE COURT: Okay, but what I'm saying is with 17 18 regards -- did you do anything to weigh that? Because you --19 THE WITNESS: Yes. THE COURT: -- identified it --20 21 THE WITNESS: Yes. 22 THE COURT: -- through a test that you did 23 previously. Do you weigh it as well? 24 THE WITNESS: Yes. THE COURT: When you -- let's just say the small 25

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   bag, that was number 4.
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              THE COURT: Can you tell the jury what your weight
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              THE WITNESS:
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              THE COURT: Do you have -- do you have it in a
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    report?
              THE WITNESS: On ODV test sheet.
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              MR. DICKERSON: And I can go there, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: All right.
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              THE COURT: What I'm getting at is -- because I want
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    weight with that and what he's talking about would be a street
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    level, because you keep going like this with your finger.
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              THE WITNESS:
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              THE COURT: And when I say "this," for the record,
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    finger, so it'd be like a small amount.
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              THE WITNESS:
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              THE COURT: I want to know, because you talked --
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weighed that, do you weigh it in gram weight? 1 2 THE WITNESS: Yes. So that -- would that give us a better 3 THE COURT: 4 understanding what you mean by what you talked about street 5 level versus this? THE WITNESS: 6 Yes. 7 THE COURT: Okay, there you go. 8 BY MR. DICKERSON: 9 Q And did you weigh all the methamphetamine that you found in that black bag --10 11 Α Yes. -- together? 12 13 Yes. 14 Is that right? And did you mark that down on your 15 property report as you impounded that methamphetamine right 16 there? Yes. 17 Α Everything that -- all the methamphetamine that was 18 Q 19 ultimately impounded and bagged, which is Exhibit 82? 20 Α Yes. 21 Would looking at that property report help refresh 22 your recollection as to exactly how much you had weighed it out at the time? 23 24 Α Yes. Just look at that. If it refreshes your 25 0

recollection, flip it upside-down and tell me so. Did that 1 refresh your recollection? 3 Yes. 4 0 How much did the methamphetamine that you recovered 5 in that black bag weigh? THE COURT: Are we just talking about those four 6 7 bags? MR. DICKERSON: It's -- there's going to be two more 8 9 bags --10 THE COURT: I know, but are -- right now, are we talking about those four bags? 11 12 MR. DICKERSON: We are -- those are included, Your 13 Honor. 14 MR. FRIZZELL: Okay, well, then --15 THE COURT: My question was, are we talking just 16 about those four bags? MR. DICKERSON: No, Your Honor. 17 18 THE COURT: Okay, then --19 MR. FRIZZELL: Then -- then I have an objection. THE COURT: And I'm going to --20 21 What's the objection? MR. DICKERSON: 22 THE COURT: -- sustain the objection, because my 23 question of the officer was did he weigh these, and I was 24 specifically talking about the small bag. Just -- maybe I put you on the spot, Officer. I didn't mean to do that, but now 25

it's my understanding that you weighed everything 1 2 collectively? Everything got weighed. 3 THE WITNESS: 4 THE COURT: Okay. Did you weigh all what you 5 suspected to be methamphetamine together, or did you weigh them individually, or do you remember? 6 7 THE WITNESS: Some of it was weighed together, some 8 of it wasn't, because it was -- we kept on finding more. 9 THE COURT: Okay, so --THE WITNESS: And so, as we found more, we ended up 10 having to weigh that stuff, and so they ended -- some of them 11 12 are weighed together, some of them are not. THE COURT: Well, do you remember if those four bags 13 14 right there --15 THE WITNESS: These were all weighed together. THE COURT: By themselves, nothing added to it? 16 These four items weighed together. 17 THE WITNESS: 18 THE COURT: All right. There you go, Mr. Dickerson. 19 That seems simple. 20 MR. DICKERSON: Yes, thank you, Your Honor. 21 BY MR. DICKERSON: 22 And how much did those weigh? 351 grams. 23 Α 24 Q All right. 351 grams of methamphetamine? 25 Α Yes.

- Q That's as you weighed it on the scene?
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- Q And would that -- would these items have later been tested at the lab as well?
- A Yes.
- Q All right. At this point in time, we've admitted these items. If you'll pass me that. Thank you.
- 8 Showing you now State's Proposed Exhibit 82A, 82A1, 9 82A2 --
- MR. FRIZZELL: Your Honor, can I come up again while he's doing this --
- 12 THE COURT: Yes, Mr. Frizzell.
- 13 MR. FRIZZELL: -- just so we make sure --
- MR. DICKERSON: 82 --
- THE COURT: Come on up.
- 16 MR. DICKERSON: -- A3, 82A4, and 82A5. Yes.
- 17 THE COURT: All right.
- 18 BY MR. DICKERSON:
- 19 Q Do you recognize all of these items, sir?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q And how do you recognize them?
- A They're all the items located inside another one of the bags, with the exception of this gold bag.
- Q Okay. And what is that gold bag?
- 25 A This gold bag was actually next to the other two

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- Q Okay.
- A And it was in the black bag, but it wasn't inside this bag.
  - Q And when you're indicating -- you're indicating bag 82A2. You can hold that down, please.
  - A Okay.
    - Q 82A2; is that correct?
    - A Yes.
- 10 Q Okay.
- MR. FRIZZELL: Can he hold up again which one?
- 12 Because he held up both of them there.
- THE WITNESS: This is the gold bag that was
- 14 containing the majority of these items, but --
- MR. FRIZZELL: And that's 82A1?
- 16 THE COURT: 82A.
- 17 THE WITNESS: 82A is the gold bag.
- MR. FRIZZELL: Okay, and then the contents are the 1
- 19 -- okay.
- 20 BY MR. DICKERSON:
- Q All right, sir. 82 and 82A1 through 5, are these items that you impounded as part of the bag that was
- 23 previously admitted as Exhibit 82?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Okay. These are items that you recovered from the

defendant's vehicle? 1 2 Α Yes. Specifically, the black pouch that was inside the 3 secret compartment in the car? 4 5 Yes. Α 6 0 Okay. 7 MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of 8 State's Exhibit 82A, 82A1, 82A2, 82A3, 82A4, and 82A5. 9 THE COURT: Any objection? 10 MR. FRIZZELL: No objection. 11 THE COURT: All right, 82A1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 will be admitted. 12 13 (State's Exhibits 82A1 through 82A5 are admitted) 14 MR. DICKERSON: Thank you, Your Honor. 15 THE COURT: Okay. 16 MR. DICKERSON: At this point in time, I'm going to put the contents of what's been admitted and -- marked and 17 admitted as 82B and its contents, including the bag, 82, back 18 in the box. We'll talk about 82A. 19 20 BY MR. DICKERSON: 21 First, 82A, what is that? Q 22 82A is a gold bag. Α 23 And that was one of the gold bags that was 24 recovered?

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- Q What is 82A? A1, I'm sorry.
  - A Al is -- Al is the heroin --
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- A -- after I had ODV-tested it.
- Q So you ODV-tested that heroin?
- A I didn't. Two other officers who were certified on heroin tested it.
- Q Okay. Is this a normal amount of heroin to see?
- 9 A No.
- 10 Q Is this heroin that is, in your training and 11 experience, personal use?
  - A This is not personal use heroin.
  - Q So when you generally see heroin, how much do you see on the street?
    - A Basically, a really relatively small amount, very similar in size to the meth that we had already talked about.
- MR. FRIZZELL: Okay, and --
- 18 MR. DICKERSON: How is it that you know --
- MR. FRIZZELL: Your Honor, I need to lodge an objection on this because of the fact that he just said that he wasn't the one that actually ODV-tested it or anything.
- 22 So, other than looking at a package, he can't say what it was.
  - THE COURT: Okay, I understand that objection. I'm going to sustain the objection as to him. He can refer to it as something that appears to him to be heroin, but it has not

been identified as heroin, all right? 1 MR. FRIZZELL: 2 Okay. MR. DICKERSON: We will --3 4 MR. FRIZZELL: So if it's admitted at this point, it 5 can only be admitted for -- I mean, I guess it can't be admitted. I would have an objection to its admission. 6 THE COURT: Why can't it be admitted? 7 something that he found. Whether or not it's a rock in the 8 9 dirt, or a shoe, or whatever, it's just -- I mean, it has -it's what he found. Why is it not being admitted? 10 MR. FRIZZELL: Well, well, if -- he's going to say 11 what it looked like to him, but he's not --12 13 THE COURT: Okay. 14 MR. FRIZZELL: -- the one that actually tested it. 15 So if we're admitting it without knowing exactly what it is from the -- from the officer who actually tested it, then I've 16 got a problem with that. 17 18 THE COURT: Approach -- approach the bench. 19 (Off-record bench conference) 20 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you, Your Honor. 21 MR. DICKERSON: 22 THE COURT: Mr. Frizzell, as I said, I'm going to 23 overrule the objection. Officer, you can testify. I'm going 24 to allow him to testify, but he has not been able to -- he's

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not in a position he can identify it as heroin.

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81 size balloons or aluminum foil are we talking about? 1 Very, very small balloons, very small pieces of 2 Α aluminum foil, and it will be wrapped up in there. 3 4 MR. FRIZZELL: Again, object to the quantification 5 of small. MR. DICKERSON: I think --6 7 That's fair. Sustained. THE COURT: 8 MR. DICKERSON: Well, let's --9 THE COURT: Ask him --10 BY MR. DICKERSON: 11 Let's talk about the size of a fingernail, all 0 12 right? 13 Α Okay. 14 THE COURT: Well, Mr. Dickerson, just ask him. 15 on the street; he's dealing with it all the time. Has he seen 16 it, how has he seen it, how do they measure it --17 MR. DICKERSON: Right. 18 THE COURT: -- what's the terms they use. BY MR. DICKERSON: 19 How do you measure it on the street, sir? 20 0 We just refer to it as a ball of heroin. 21 Α 22 Okay, and do you measure it in grams? 0 23 Α Yes.

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Yes.

- 1 Q About the size of a fingernail?
- 2 A It's usually -- yes.
- 3 Q Okay.

- A That's -- that's close in size.
- Q So how many grams of heroin do you usually see in an average user on the street?
- 7 A I would say a quarter of a gram.
- Q Okay, quarter of a gram. And this here was ultimately tested by somebody?
- 10 A Yes.
- Q Is that right? Is that something that -- that you came to find out?
- 13 A Yes.
- Q Did you take part in the entire investigation of this case?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q And is that something that you put in your report?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Knowing it at the time?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q So do you know how much it weighed at the time you
- 22 put it in your report?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q How much?
- 25 A I don't know it off the top of my head. There was a

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Q Would looking at your property report help refresh your recollection?

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Q If that refreshes your recollection, please flip it over and let me know. Did that refresh your recollection, sir?

A Yes.

Q How much did it weigh?

A 36.4 grams of heroin.

Q If you could please hold that up for the members of the jury. So, now, we've looked at the gold back into A and 82A1. What do we see in 82A2?

A 82A2 is the other golden bag.

Q And what is that?

A Basically, a bag similar in make as the other two golden bags.

Q Okay. What was the significance of this bag when you found it?

A This bag, when -- when I opened it, it was a very overwhelming horrid smell that was coming from inside the bag.

Q What did that indicate to you?

A I suspected it was heroin, or had been used for heroin to some degree.

Q And why is that?

- A Just because of the -- the foul smell of it.
- Q Is there some basis of the foul smell being related to heroin?
  - A Yes. When it's cooked, it gives off a smell.
  - Q Okay. Was there anything else in this bag?
  - A No, there was nothing else in this bag.
- Q Okay. At this point in time, 82A3. Does that appear to be more methamphetamine?
- A It does.

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- Q And that was actually included with the overall weight of the methamphetamine that you found; isn't that correct?
- MR. FRIZZELL: Objection, that's leading. I mean, I
  let it go somewhat, but I can't keep letting these leading
  questions go.
- MR. DICKERSON: And Your Honor --
- THE COURT: I'm going to sustain the objection. I think you need to --
- 19 MR. DICKERSON: Okay.
- 20 BY MR. DICKERSON:
- Q Do you recall having weighed the methamphetamine found in the black pouch?
- 23 A It was -- you mean like the method?
- Q Yeah. Did you weigh it together or separate?
- 25 A Together.

- Q Okay, and it was this methamphetamine that was found the black pouch?
  - A Yes.

- 4 Q 82A3?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q And did you weigh this methamphetamine?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q How did you weigh this?
- 9 A This meth I believe was weighed by itself.
- 10 Q Okay, so this meth was weighed by itself?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Thank you for correcting me, sir. I very much
- 13 appreciate that. Now, this methamphetamine, 82A3. 82A4, what
- 14 are we looking at?
- 15 A This is a white powdery substance.
- 16 Q Okay. And what did that appear to be at the time?
- 17 A From my training and experience, this appears to be 18 cocaine.
- 19 Q All right. And was that cocaine ODV-tested?
- 20 A Yes, it was.
- Q By yourself?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q And what did you determine?
- 24 A That it was positive for cocaine.
- 25 Q Did you weigh the cocaine at that time?

A I did.

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- 2 Q And do you know what it weighed?
  - A I couldn't tell you off the top of my head.
  - Q Would looking at your property report help refresh your recollection?
  - A Yes.
  - Q If that refreshes your recollection, please just flip it over. Thank you. How much of that cocaine in State's Exhibit A23, 4? I'm sorry, A24 weigh?
- 10 A .8 grams.
- 11 Q .8 grams.
- 12 A Yes.
- Q If you could hold that up for the members of the jury. Okay. And finally, 82A5. Is this an item that you found inside that black pouch?
- 16 A Yes.
- Q And what does it appear to be?
- 18 A It appears to be a crushed up mixture of stuff.
- 19 Q What color is it?
- 20 A It's blue, a light blue.
- Q If you could hold that up for the members of the jury, please. Is it -- what form is it taking?
- 23 A Some of it's -- I'd say crystal.
- Q Is it powder, or -- okay.
- 25 A It's got a little bit of powder, little bit of

It's got a little bit of several different stuff in 1 2 it. 3

- Okay. Did you know what this was at the time? Q
- Α Not positive.
- Okay, great. Thank you. So you found all these, Q some of what you were able to determine at the time ODV-tested positive narcotics, others which were suspected; is that right?
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- And so what did you do? 0
- 11 Α After I found all these items, I was doing my background check on the defendant. 12
  - Okay. Well, at that point in time, did you take any other steps to search anything?
  - We had determined that --Α
- 16 MR. DICKERSON: Court's brief indulgence.
- THE COURT: Okay. 17
- MR. DICKERSON: May I approach? 18
- THE COURT: Yes. 19
- 20 (Off-record bench conference)
- 21 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, at this time, 22 we're going to take a 15-minute recess. Stay where you're at, Officer. 23
- 24 During this recess, you're admonished not to talk or converse amongst yourself or with anyone else on any subject 25

connected with this trial, or read, watch, or listen to any commentary or report on this trial, or any person connected with this trial, by any medium of information, including, without limitation, newspapers, television, internet, or radio, or form or express any opinion on any subject connected with this trial until the case is finally submitted to you.

Okay. It's 20 after. Be ready to go by 20 'til, okay? It's 25 after; be ready to go by 20-til. All right, we'll see you -- we'll be at ease while the jury leaves the room, okay?

(Outside the presence of the jury)

THE COURT: Okay, we're outside the presence of the jury. At this time, I believe what was happening was there was questioning by the State that the officer -- what additional steps did he take for purposes of securing the second search warrant; is that correct?

MR. DICKERSON: That's correct, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Okay. And I know from -- from reading the search warrant, some of the -- some of the information provided to the reviewing judge for the search warrant was -- taken in consideration was the defendant's past record. Is that correct?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE COURT: Okay. Understand that at this point in time, I'm admonishing you to not discuss before the jury any

statements made about his past record.

THE WITNESS: Okay.

THE COURT: Okay? You've already said that you took into consideration -- you looked -- you were doing a background, but do not get into his prior convictions and all that, okay?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE COURT: It's not being admitted at this time.

The State did not move to admit those for purposes of their case in chief, so I'm just wanting to let you know, do not do that.

THE WITNESS: Yes.

with regards to other information that you learned based on your training and experience from what I looked at in the search warrant, indicating from reading it, was that where he was living, close in proximity to the vehicle, what you've just testified about the gunshot going off, felt that there was somebody that was distracting you from that area. That's your belief and training, that they would keep items of -- you know, somebody trafficking in a controlled substance would keep guns or drugs at their home, or wherever they're heading, and whatever information you have additional. That's what I read in the search warrant application.

THE WITNESS: Yes.

Okay. All right. Mr. Dickerson, is 1 THE COURT: 2 there anything else that you need to add at this point, or Mr. Frizzell? 3 4 MR. DICKERSON: Nothing for the State, Your Honor. MR. FRIZZELL: Well, I don't believe --5 THE COURT: I just did this as a precautionary 6 7 measure so we didn't get into something where he's saying 8 something that would cause a possible mistrial. 9 MR. FRIZZELL: No. And Your Honor, I appreciate that, because I was -- I was smelling that strange wind 10 myself. 11 THE COURT: 12 Okay. 13 MR. FRIZZELL: The other thing that I had though, 14 what's currently in the box has not all been admitted, 15 correct? 16 THE COURT: Right. I believe number 6 is something that -- they didn't move to admit that. 17 MR. DICKERSON: No, and we were doing that --18 19 MR. FRIZZELL: Just the blue --20 The blue stuff is definitely MR. DICKERSON: 21 admitted. The -- number 6, we didn't move for admission. 22 MR. FRIZZELL: (Inaudible) I thought you said that 23 was Viagra. 24 MR. DICKERSON: No, it's methamphetamine. The blue --25 MR. FRIZZELL:

1 MR. DICKERSON: It's a combination. 2 Methamphetamine, amphetamine, and cocaine is the blue stuff. 3 THE COURT: Okay. 4 MR. DICKERSON: As far as number 6, number 6 is a 5 bunch of pills. THE COURT: Oh. 6 7 MR. DICKERSON: And so we just figured -- and 8 although we could probably move it in as res gestae of 9 everything that was found, we were kind of just throwing them 10 a bone here and not trying, so. 11 THE COURT: Throwing them a bone? All right, so 12 either you move it in or you don't. You're not moving it in? 13 MR. DICKERSON: We're not moving it in, Your Honor. 14 THE COURT: Okay, all right. 15 MR. FRIZZELL: Okay. 16 THE COURT: So, that's fine. So, we had it marked because it came out of that package. 17 MR. FRIZZELL: 18 Okay. 19 THE COURT: All right? MR. FRIZZELL: All right. 20 21 THE COURT: Okay, anything else? 22 MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor. 23 THE COURT: All right, so ten minutes, all right, Officer? 24 25 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

1 THE COURT: Okay. THE MARSHAL: Court will be in short recess. 2 (Court recessed at 1:28 P.M. until 1:46 P.M.) 3 4 (In the presence of the jury) THE MARSHAL: All rise for the presence of the jury. 5 THE COURT: Okay, we're back on the record in the 6 7 case of State of Nevada vs. Christopher Keller in C-312717. 8 Everyone have a seat. I'd like the record to reflect the 9 presence of the defendant and his counsel, as well as the 10 State and their counsel, all members of the jury. Will the parties stipulate to the presence of the jury? 11 12 MR. FRIZZELL: Yes, Your Honor. 13 MR. DICKERSON: Yes, Your Honor. 14 THE COURT: Okay. Currently, we have the officer 15 still on the stand here. Officer, I want to remind you that 16 you're under oath, and -- all right. Your witness. Thank you, Your Honor. 17 MR. DICKERSON: BY MR. DICKERSON: 18 19 Q One last item, sir, is from the vehicle, 82B5. 20 you recognize that? 21 It's more meth. Α 22 Does that appear to be methamphetamine that was 23 recovered from the black pouch in the vehicle? 24 Α Yes. All right. 25 0

MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of 1 2 82B5 as well. 3 THE COURT: Any objection? 4 MR. FRIZZELL: No objection, Your Honor. THE COURT: It will be admitted. 5 (State's Exhibit 82B5 is admitted) 6 7 THE COURT: Okay. 8 (Pause in the proceedings) 9 BY MR. DICKERSON: 10 All right, sir. I'm showing you now what's been Q 11 marked as State's Proposed Exhibit 91, as well as 91A. 12 recognize these two items, sir? 13 Yes. 14 Q What is State's 91 -- Proposed 91? 15 Α It is another envelope that was impounded under this 16 It has my signature and my P number on it as well. event. Does that indicate anything to you? 17 Q Another item that I impounded. 18 Α 19 Q Okay, and what item was it that you were impounding 20 here in this envelope? 21 Α This is Item number 15. 22 And what was that? 0 Nevada registration. 23 Α 24 Q Okay, for? 25 For Christopher Keller.

94 All right. And now looking at the other item, 91A, 1 do you recognize that? 3 Yes. What do you recognize that to be? 4 5 It's the registration slip. Α And is that the registration that you impounded in 6 0 7 the envelope 91? 8 Α Yes. 9 Q All right. State moves for the admission of 91 10 MR. DICKERSON: and 91A, Your Honor. 11 12 THE COURT: Any objection? MR. FRIZZELL: No objection. 13 14 THE COURT: They'll be admitted. (State's Exhibits 91 and 91A are admitted) 15 16 MR. DICKERSON: Permission to publish, Your Honor? THE COURT: Yes. 17 BY MR. DICKERSON: 18 19 Q You had indicated that you impounded this item, sir? 20 Α Yes. What is it? 21 Q This is a registration slip. 22 Α And where was it found? 23 Inside the vehicle. 24 25 And what does this registration slip indicate to 0

95 you, sir? 1 2 The owner of the Dodge Stratus. Being who? 3 0 4 Α Christopher Keller. 5 Now, on this DMV registration slip, it appears to Q show an address of 244 Molly Court? 6 7 Yes. 8 Did you do any further background research to Q 9 determine whether there was any other DMV information? 10 Α Yes. And what did you determine? 11 12 When you run the subject through DMV, you get a printout of their addresses, and whether or not the driver's 13 14 license is valid, whether or not the vehicle is valid. So, looking at this registration sheet, does that 15 0 16 indicate to you that the defendant owned the vehicle; the 17 Dodge Stratus that you stopped? 18 Α Yes. 19 Q And doing your research through DMV, did that 20 indicate the same? 21 Α Yes. 22 Now, did you learn any further information through 23 the DMV? 24 Α Yes.

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Your Honor, I have in my hand what's

been marked as State's Proposed 1, certified DMV records. 1 this time, State's going to be moving those in with permission pursuant to NRS 52.260, as well as NRS 51.155. They are 3 4 certified. 5

THE COURT: Any objection?

MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor.

THE COURT: It'll be admitted.

(State's Exhibit 1 is admitted)

#### BY MR. DICKERSON:

- Showing you here State's Exhibit 1, do you recognize Q those to be certified DMV records, sir?
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- Three pages total? 13
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- 15 Q The first two pages, what are those in relation to?
- 16 It gives off the driver, their address, the driver's Α license status. 17
- 18 Q Okay. And the third page?
- 19 It's got vehicle registration, the vehicle that's 20 registered, the Dodge Stratus.
  - Q Okay.
- 22 MR. DICKERSON: Permission to publish, Your Honor?
- 23 THE COURT: Yes.
- BY MR. DICKERSON: 24
  - The information contained in these certified DMV

records, does this in any way relate to what you found in your own background research?

- A Yes.
- Q And what was it that you found?
- A I found out that the defendant lived in the complex.
- Q Okay. And so that Molly Court address that was on the registration, that wasn't his only address?
- A No.

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- Q Looking here at the third page of State's Exhibit 1, does this indicate the same?
- 11 A The same address that was there?
- 12 Q The same information that you learned, sir.
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q Namely, that 2002 Dodge Stratus --
- 15 A Yes.
- 17 A Yes.
- Q And had a mailing address and a physical address of 19 265 North Lamb Boulevard, Unit F?
- 20 A Yes.
- Q Again, that was the same Dodge that you had stopped right there at that time?
- 23 A Correct.
- Q And 265 North Lamb Boulevard, was that the building that that vehicle was parked in front of?

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- Q As well as -- were you able to run Mr. Keller's own driver's license information?
  - A Yes.
- Q And in running his information, did you also learn that his driver's license came back to a physical address and a mailing address of 265 North Lamb, Unit F?
  - A Yes.
- Q So, here we are at this traffic stop, 265 North Lamb. Were you able to find this Unit F?
- 11 A Initially, no, we were not able to find Unit F.
- 12 Q And why was that?
- A Because somebody had removed the letter F off of the apartment.
- 15 Q Was it replaced with anything?
- 16 A Yes.
  - Q And what was it replaced with?
  - A It was replaced with another letter, D.
- 19 Q Okay. So, how did you determine where Unit F was?
- 20 A So, I walked around the building, and I actually
- 21 went through the alphabet on the side of the building, and the
- 22 top northeast corner starts off as Unit A, then it goes to
- 23 Unit B, C, D, E, and then there was another D, and -- where
- 24 there should have been an F.
  - Q Okay. So I'm going to show you here what's been

admitted as State's Exhibit 5. Would this help you explain how you found out where Unit F was?

A Yes. I started right here, and that's where Unit A is, and then I just walked around. And there's four units on this side -- or, here, I'll -- there's four units on this side of the building, and there's four units on this side of the building.

- Q All right. So did you find E next to what you later learned was F --
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- 12 A E is down here in the far corner.
  - Q Okay. And so it was through that process that you learned that Unit F was in fact right there where it is on the map?
- 16 A Yes.
  - Q Okay. That Unit F, how close was that in relation to where this vehicle stop was occurring?
  - A The car was literally right in front of Unit F -- of the one that was supposed to be marked as F.
  - Q So, having found a large quantity of suspected narcotics in the vehicle, as well as the gun, did you take any other steps after learning this address?
- 24 A Yes, I did.
  - Q And what was it that you did?

- A I applied for another telephonic warrant to go inside the apartment.
  - Q Did that work the same way; you contacted a judge?
  - A Yes, over the phone, recorded conversation.
- Q And you tell them what it is that you've learned and found?
- 7 A Yes.

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- 8 Q And you ended up doing that?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q You talked to a judge?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q And did a judge approve another warrant for you?
- 13 A Yes.
- Q And was this warrant specifically for a condo, what we determined was F, at 265 North Lamb Boulevard?
- 16 A Yes.
- Q And at that time, were you able to make entry into 18 Unit F?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q How was it that you made entry?
- 21 A With the key from the defendant's keychain.
- Q Okay. The same one that was used to start the -the same keychain that was used to start the Dodge Stratus?
- 24 A Yes, within the same keys.
- Q Okay, and the same keys that were also used to open

the trunk of the Dodge Stratus?

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- Q So, you make entry into this Unit F. What do you see is the layout of Unit F?
- A Unit F, when you walk in, you walk in, you're in the living room. It's a single-bedroom unit. There -- the only bedroom is immediately to your right. If you walk in, you have a very small living room, very small dining room area, and at the -- if you keep going straight, on the far corner if you keep going straight is the little kitchenette set.
- Q Okay. Who was it that assisted you with service of this search warrant?
  - A I had a couple detectives and a couple officers.
- Q Officer Huff being one of them?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q What was Officer Huff's job there?
- 17 A Officer Huff -- I believe he was taking pictures, he was helping out where he could.
  - Q Okay. Is that normal for like CSA type, someone to take pictures during a search warrant?
- 21 A The majority of the time, we like to have ID techs 22 to do it.
- Q And Officer Huff is a police officer?
- 24 A Yes, he is.
- 25 Q So, his assigned duty (indecipherable) search

- warrant was pictures?
- 2 A Yes, more or less.
  - Q Detective Belmont, was he also assisting?
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- Q And Detective Embry?
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- 7 Q And what were they doing?
- 8 A They were helping to search the apartment.
  - Q Were you basically the lead on this search warrant?
- 10 A Yes.
- Q So, upon making entry into this unit, Unit F, what do you do?
- 13 A We conduct a methodological search of the apartment.
- Q And did you find anything of interest inside the apartment?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q What, if anything, did you find?
- A We found numerous scales, more suspected meth, more suspected narcotics. We ended up finding another firearm. We found a lot of TVs, a lot of purses, a large jar of what we
- 21 suspected was marijuana at the time.
  - Q Okay. Did you find anything to indicate that the defendant lived at that address?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q What -- what did you find?

- A We found a pay stub -Q Okay.
  - A -- with his name and that address on the pay stub.
- Q And did you find anything else to indicate that there was anybody else living at this address?
- A There was nobody else's clothes or anything like that, no.
  - Q So what were the clothes that you found there?
- A It was just clothes that were consistent with what a male would typically wear.
- Q Okay. Were they consistent with what the defendant was wearing that night?
- A Yes.

Q And specifically, the purses that you mentioned -- MR. FRIZZELL: Objection, that assumes facts not in evidence as far as the clothing.

17 THE COURT: What's that?

MR. FRIZZELL: As far as the clothing, that assumes facts that are not in evidence, are they consistent with what he was wearing that night.

MR. DICKERSON: In fact, Your Honor, I believe we entered into a stipulation that defense counsel was stipulating that the shoes the defendant was wearing were consistent with the shoes found in the apartment.

MR. FRIZZELL: I --

104 THE COURT: Could you approach? Approach. 1 2 (Off-record bench conference) THE COURT: Mr. Frizzell, I'm going to overrule the 3 4 objection. Go ahead, Mr. Dickerson. 5 MR. DICKERSON: Thank you, Your Honor. BY MR. DICKERSON: 6 7 The clothing that you saw inside the apartment --Α 8 Yes. 9 -- you said it was similar to what the defendant was wearing that night? 10 11 Α Yes. How was it similar? 12 Same type, same style. 13 14 Q Same style clothing? 15 Α Yes. 16 So, you said there was also purses in there? Q Yes. 17 Α What was the significance of those purses? 18 Q 19 Α The purses were -- it was -- they were all together, 20 and they were basically with the other items that were also 21 stacked up. There was numerous TVs that were stacked up, 22 there were also numerous other items. And where were those items located? 23 0 24 In the living room area/dining room. 25 Okay. And this is how many bedrooms in this 0

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- A It's just a one-bedroom unit.
- Q Okay. So, no women's clothes that you saw?
  - A No women's clothes.
  - Q And did you have occasion to look in the bathroom?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q And what did you find in the bathroom?
  - A Just simple toiletries, nothing that would suggest that a woman lived there.
- 10 Q Makeup?
- 11 A No makeup.
- 12 Q Okay. Did you find anything else in the bathroom?
- 13 A Not that I can recall of significance.
- Q Did anybody happen to search under the sink?
- 15 A Yes, I did.
- A I located a lot of insulation underneath the sink,
  and when I moved the insulation, I could tell that there was a
  large hole that had been cut into the wall underneath the
- 21 Q And what did it appear that this hole went to?
- A This hole went into the adjacent unit that was next to it.
- Q Were you able to determine whether that unit was occupied?

- A It was a vacant unit --
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- A -- that was next-door to it.
- Q And so how big was this hole?
- A It was big enough for a person to crawl through, but not big enough for me to crawl through with all my gear.
  - Q And your gear you're referring to is what?
- A I have body armor, I have a (indecipherable) that has all my tools, my firearm, my handcuffs, all that stuff is on my duty belt.
  - Q And so you figure if you didn't have that on --
- A If I didn't have all that on and I had some loose clothes, I could fit through the hole.
- Q Okay. And so what was your job doing the service of this search warrant, sir?
  - A I had a large notepad, and I was basically -- whenever somebody found something of significance, I would write down the stuff that was being found.
    - Q So, as an item's found, what happens?
  - A Item found, a detective will call me over, they'll point it out, they'll tell me what they -- what it appears to be. I'll write it down, and write down who found out. Then ID would ID, or in this case, Officer Huff will come over there and take a picture of the item that's being found.
    - Q Okay. And so you specifically also found some

- items; isn't that right?
- 2 A Yes.

- 3 O You'd indicated some scales?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q Did you find them?
- 6 A Yes. They were basically out in the open --
- 7 Q Okay.
- 8 A -- in the bedroom.
- 9 Q And you said there was also a (indecipherable)?
- 10 A Yes.
- Q Was there any ammunition?
- 12 A Yes, there was ammunition recovered as well.
- 0 Who found that?
- 14 A I don't recall off the top of my head, but it was a 15 detective.
- 16 Q Who would have impounded it?
- 17 A I impounded everything.
- Q And you would have been called over (indecipherable)
  items that were found in the house?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q Showing you here what's been marked as State's
- Proposed 86, an item that's also been opened by the Court, do
- 23 you recognize this item, State's Proposed 86?
- A Yes. It's this event number, it has my signature on
- 25 it, it also has my P number, initials, and it has Item 5 and

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Q Okay. So, do you recognize this as items that you impounded as part of this case?

A Yes.

5 MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of 86, 6 Your Honor.

THE COURT: Any objection?

MR. FRIZZELL: If I may approach, just to --

THE COURT: Mr. Frizzell, come on.

10 (Pause in the proceedings)

MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor. No objection.

THE COURT: All right, 86 will be admitted.

(State's Exhibit 86 is admitted)

14 BY MR. DICKERSON:

Q First looking at one piece of the contents, 86A. Do you recognize that?

17 A Yes.

Q What do you recognize that to be, sir?

A It's a box of ammunition.

Q Okay. And was that ammunition recovered by you during this search warrant?

Yes.

MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of

24 86A, Your Honor.

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25 THE COURT: Any objection?

- 1 Q And that was a gun?
- 2 A Yes.
- Q And you indicated that it fits .9 millimeter
- 4 bullets?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q What kind of gun was it?
- 7 A I don't recall off the top of my head.
- 8 Q Do you recall if it was a rifle or a handgun?
- 9 A That was a semi-auto handgun.
- 10 Q Okay. .9 millimeter semi-auto handgun?
- 11 A Yes.
- Q And there were -- the scales that you spoke of, I'm
- 13 going to have you now look at State's Proposed 86 B through E.
- 14 Do you recognize these items, sir?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And what do you recognize those to be?
- 17 A They are scales that were located inside the 18 apartment.
- 19 Q If you could hold them up one by one. Or, I'm
- 20 sorry. Stop, please. So, you located these items?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q And you impounded them as part of the bag 86?
- 23 A Yes.
- MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of 86B
- 25 through E, Your Honor.

111 THE COURT: Any objection? 1 MR. FRIZZELL: No objection, Your Honor. 2 THE COURT: All right, it'd be admitted. 3 4 (State's Exhibits 86B through 86E are admitted) 5 BY MR. DICKERSON: These scales -- if you could hold up 86B. And 86C. 6 7 Are you familiar with these type of scales? 8 Α Yes. 9 How are you familiar with these type of scales? 10 I commonly come across them when dealing with Α 11 narcotic stops. 12 Okay. Is there anything that you believe these 13 scales are used for? 14 I believe these scales are used for controlled 15 substance or narcotics. 16 Okay. To weigh narcotics? Q Yes. 17 Α The other two scales, would you hold those up, 18 Q 19 please? And the one in your right hand is what? 20 The one in my right hand is 86D. Α 21 And the one in your left hand? Q 22 Is 86E. Α 23 Okay. Those are a little bigger scales? Q 24 Α These are larger scales. And what are those scales used for? 25 0

- A Commonly, they're used for kitchen stuff.
- Q Okay. In this case, were they found in the kitchen?
  - A No.

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- Q Where were they found?
- 5 A These were all found inside the bedroom of the 6 apartment.
- Q Okay. Is there any specific measurement that we'd be looking for on those type of scales?
- 9 A Grams.
- 10 Q Grams? Is that generally how drugs are weighed?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 O And dealt?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 (Pause in the proceedings)
- 15 BY MR. DICKERSON:
- Q And you indicated there was also a suspected controlled substance found in the home?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And you impounded that controlled substance?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q Showing you now first what's been marked as State's
- 22 Proposed 90. Do you recognize that?
- 23 A Yes.
- MR. FRIZZELL: Your Honor, can I come up there again
- 25 | for the -- just to go through it?

THE COURT: Yes.

2 MR. FRIZZELL: Thanks.

### BY MR. DICKERSON:

- Q And 90A, B, C, and D, do you recognize those items?
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- 6 Q How is it that you recognize 90?
  - A It's got the event number from this event, it has my signature, it has my P number, it indicates Items 9 through 11.
- Q Okay, so would these all be items that you impounded, 9 through 11?
- 12 A Yes.
- Q And this particular bag is a bag that you impounded?
- 14 A Yes.
- 98A through D, how is it that you recognize those
- 16 items?
- 17 A These are the items that were inside the apartment.
- 18 Q Okay. And were those items impounded in bag 90?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q Okay.
- 21 MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of 90,
- 22 90A, 90B, 90C, and 90D, Your Honor.
- MR. FRIZZELL: No objection, Your Honor.
- THE COURT: Okay, they'll all be admitted.
- 25 (State's Exhibits 90, 90A, 90B, 90C, and 90D are admitted)

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- Q And specifically, the impounds there where what kind of additional controlled substances?
  - A More heroin, more meth.
  - Q And those items were items that you found?
- A Yes.
  - Q And where did you find those?
  - A They were -- two of them were on top of scales, actually in the bedroom, and the other two items were right there next to the scales in the bedroom.
- Q The scales that we just looked at?
- 12 A Yes.
- Q So, the controlled substances were actually on top of the scales when you found them?
- 15 A There was two that actually had controlled substance 16 still on the scales.
- Q Okay. And then, that's what you subsequently impounded here?
- 19 A Yes.
- MR. DICKERSON: If I could get 92.
- 21 BY MR. DICKERSON:
  - Q Showing you State's Proposed 92 and 92A, tell me if you recognize those items.
- A It's got this event number on it, it has my signature and my P number on it. It indicates Item number 7,

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which is a pay stub for Christopher Keller.
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- Q Okay, and 92A? Pull it out.
- A It is the pay stub for Christopher Keller.
- Q Do you recognize both these items as items you impounded from the home during the search warrant?
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- 7 MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of 92 8 and 92A.
- 9 THE COURT: Any objection?
- 10 MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor.
- THE COURT: Be admitted.
- 12 (State's Exhibits 92 and 92A are admitted)
- MR. DICKERSON: Thank you very much. Permission to
- 14 publish, Your Honor?
- 15 THE COURT: Yes.
- 16 BY MR. DICKERSON:
- 17 Q This is the pay stub that we were just speaking
- 18 about?
- 19 A Yes.
- Q That indicates it's to Christopher Keller?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q At 265 North Lamb Boulevard?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q And it says -- indicates the pay date is 11/27/15;
- 25 is that right?

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- Q And it also indicates earnings was \$4,368?
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(Pause in the proceedings)

MR. DICKERSON: Now, I have in my hand what's been marked as State's Proposed Exhibit 2, which is a certified copy from the Clark County Recorder's Office. This is also being proposed to be moved in at this time under NRS 52.260 and 51.155 as a public record, and a certified record at that, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Mr. Frizzell, do you have any objection to that being admitted?

MR. DICKERSON: No, Your Honor. Sorry.

14 THE COURT: It'll be admitted.

(State's Exhibit 2 is admitted)

16 MR. DICKERSON: Thank you, Your Honor.

17 BY MR. DICKERSON:

- Q Did you come to learn of any Clark County Recorder's records associated with this case?
- 20 A Yes.
- Q And specifically here, what's been marked and admitted as State's Exhibit 2, this is a Clark County Recorder record, as you see it?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Does this appear to be deeding that property at 265

- North Lamb, Unit F to Christopher Keller?
- A Yes.

- 3 Q Is that indicated up here on the left?
- 4 A Yes.
- Q And that is dated as of December 2014 on the top 6 right; is that right, sir?
- 7 A Yes.
- MR. DICKERSON: Can I get 88, ma'am?
- 9 BY MR. DICKERSON:
- Q Sir, you indicated that there was a .9 millimeter

  Il firearm found inside the residence?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 O And where was that found?
- 14 A It was in the bedroom closet on the floor.
- Q Okay. Showing you now what's been marked as State's Proposed 88, do you recognize that?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q And how do you recognize it?
- 19 A It's got my signature on it, my P number, it's from
- 20 this event, and it says, "Item 1, semi-auto firearm."
- 21 Q And is that an evidence tag you're speaking of?
- 22 A Yes.
- Q Would this be an evidence tag indicating that you've impounded this firearm?
- 25 A Yes.

- When you put the evidence tag on, did it seal this 1 2 box? 3
  - Α Yes.
- 4 Q Is this a particular box that the police department 5 provides?
- 6 Α No.
- 7 Q Okay.
- MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of 88, 8 9 Your Honor.
- 10 MR. FRIZZELL: No objection.
- THE COURT: Be admitted. 11
- (State's Exhibit 88 is admitted) 12
- BY MR. DICKERSON: 13
- 14 This box here is what, sir?
- 15 Α It's a gun case.
- 16 Okay. Where was this gun case found? Q
- It was in the closet. 17 Α
- Okay. And was there anything in that gun case? 18 Q
- 19 Α Yes.
- 20 Now, opening that gun case, I'm showing you what's
- 21 been marked as Proposed 88A and 88B. Do you recognize those
- 22 items, sir?
- 23 Yes. Α
- 24 Q And how do you recognize those?
- 25 That's the firearm that we found in the closet.

Is that the firearm that you impounded as 1 Okay. part of what is now marked and admitted as 88, the gun box? 3 Α Yes. 4 MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of 88A 5 and 88B. No objection. 6 MR. FRIZZELL: 7 THE COURT: They'll both be admitted. (State's Exhibits 88A and 88B are admitted) 8 9 BY MR. DICKERSON: 10 And that is in fact the .9 millimeter firearm? Q 11 Α Yes. You indicated there was also some marijuana found? 12 13 Yes. 14 Showing you now what's been marked as State's 15 Proposed 87. This one is still sealed, sir. If you could 16 please indicate if you recognize State's Proposed 87. It has my signature on it, my P number. 17 Α Yes. the event from this, and it says, Item number 4, last jar with 18 19 ODV-positive marijuana. 188.4 grams in that. 20 All right. And this red tag that we've seen on the 21 other bags, what is that? 22 That's the evidence seal tag that I put my P number on and the date on. 23 24 Okay, and you seal this when you impound it? Q

# **ROUGH DRAFT TRANSCRIPT**

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THE COURT: Mr. Dickerson, for the record, I'm going to overrule your objection at this time. Mr. Frizzell, I understand your objection. I'll make a record later, okay?

MR. FRIZZELL: That's fine, Your Honor. Thank you

THE COURT: All right, go ahead.

### 9 BY MR. DICKERSON:

so much.

- Q What do you recognize it to be?
- 11 A It's glass smoking pipes.
- Q Okay, and is this an item that you impounded?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q As part of this case?
- 15 A Yes.
- Q From the search warrant on the residence at 265
  North Lamb Boulevard, Unit F?
- 18 A Yes.
- MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of State's Proposed 85 and its contents, Your Honor.
- 21 THE COURT: Understanding your objection, Mr.
- 22 Frizzell, I'm going to overrule your objection and admit it,
- 23 okay?
- 24 (State's Exhibit 85, and contents, is admitted)
- MR. DICKERSON: You said that --

MR. FRIZZELL: Now, well, hold on, hold on, because 1 2 if you're going to allow me to make a record on it --3 THE COURT: I already did. You've made your record 4 I'm going to allow you to make a record, because we 5 were on the -- we were closed off when you were talking to the Court. I told you what my ruling would be, and that's why I'm 6 7 allowing him to go forward with this now. 8 MR. FRIZZELL: Okay. 9 THE COURT: All right? Okay. Admitted. 10 BY MR. DICKERSON: 11 You indicated the contents of this bag is glass 12 smoking pipes? 13 Yes. 14 Q How many glass smoking pipes? 15 Α Five. 16 Are these used or new glass smoking pipes? Q They're used. 17 Α They're all used? 18 Q 19 Α Yes. 20 MR. FRIZZELL: Your Honor, can we approach? 21 THE COURT: Yes. 22 (Off-record bench conference) BY MR. DICKERSON: 23 24 Did you also find new smoking pipes? 25 Yes.

- Q And how many?
- A There was a lot.
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- A Not -- yeah, there was not -- used and not used pipes that were found in the apartment.
- Q And when you say unused pipes, smoking pipes, what kind of smoking pipes are we talking about?
- A These are smoking pipes that are commonly used to introduce a controlled substance into the human body.
  - Q And what do these type of smoking pipes look like?
- A Typically, they're the glass, clear smoking pipe.
- Q I imagine that many members of the jury don't have an idea of what that looks like; glass, clear. That kind of describes it, but does it have a particular shape?
- A So it's got a round ball on the end, basically, and basically a stem that comes from it, and you heat up the ball end and inhale from the stem end.
  - Q You said you found numerous unused pipes?
- A Yes, there was both.
- THE COURT: Mr. Dickerson, do you have anything
- 21 else?
- MR. DICKERSON: Court's brief indulgence. I'm -- if
  I could get 89 and -- just two more items, sir.
- 24 BY MR. DICKERSON:
  - Q State's Proposed 89. Do you recognize this?

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              THE COURT: Any objection?
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              MR. FRIZZELL:
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                   (State's Exhibit 89 is admitted)
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              THE COURT: It'd be admitted.
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                   (State's Exhibit 89A is admitted)
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    my P number. It says, Item number 16, which is a crystal
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              Okay, and inside is 83A. Do you recognize that?
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2 MR. DICKERSON: State moves for the admission of 83 and 83A, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Any objection?

MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Be admitted.

(State's Exhibits 83 and 83A are admitted)

MR. DICKERSON: State will pass the witness.

THE COURT: Cross?

MR. FRIZZELL: Yes, Your Honor.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

### BY MR. FRIZZELL:

Q Officer Lopez, I know it's been a long day, but I'm going to ask you to kind of go back to the beginning of your testimony, and we're going to kind of go through it a little bit chronologically here, so -- so we'll try and keep things in order so we don't get confused. Now, initially -- and I think it's State's admitted 4.

MR. FRIZZELL: State's 4, I'm sorry.

THE CLERK: It's going to be in that little folder right there.

MR. FRIZZELL: Actually, I was incorrect. I'm going to start with State's 3.

24 BY MR. FRIZZELL:

Q And I believe that you indicated initially that my

- 1 client was proceeding northbound on Lamb; is that -- is that
  2 correct?
  - A Yes.

- 4 Q This being Lamb Boulevard where my pen is?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q Okay. And he wasn't speeding, correct?
- 7 A I don't know what his exact speed was.
- 8 Q Okay. Do you know what the speed limit is there on
- 9 North Lamb?
- 10 A Yes.
- Q What is that?
- 12 A It's 45.
- Q Okay. Did you have any reason to believe he was exceeding 45 miles an hour when you first --
- 15 A No.
- 16 Q -- came in contact?
- 17 A I don't have a definite speed.
- Q Okay. And I believe you said -- I believe you said
- 19 that from where you first saw him here at Sunrise --
- 20 THE COURT: Why don't you move it up a little bit?
- 21 MR. FRIZZELL: Oh, I apologize.
- 22 THE COURT: There you go.
- 23 MR. FRIZZELL: It's always opposite. Messes me up.
- 24 Okay.
- 25 BY MR. FRIZZELL:

- You said from this Sunrise to where he turned here on this little side street that goes into the complex --
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- -- was you said about 200 feet?
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  - Well, did you -- did you have an occasion to measure 0 that, or were you just estimating when you -- when you say that?
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- Okay. So greater than 200, but was it -- was it 500 10 Q feet, 400? 11
- It was -- I would say it's probably greater than 500 12 feet, too. 13
- 14 Okay. Do you recall your testimony about -- that it was 300 feet? Would that be fair? 15
- 16 I believe so. Α
- That would be fair? Okay. So you're -- you Q 18 initially make contact -- you're passing him, correct? You're 19 going --
- 20 Α Yes.
- -- southbound, he's going northbound? 21 Q
- 22 Α Yes.
- 23 Okay. Approximately how fast are you traveling at 24 that point?
- I'm not traveling very fast. I'm actually slowing 25

down because I saw the vehicle come out off of Sunrise.

- Q Okay, but you saw him turn to come toward you, correct?
- A Yeah, I turned -- saw him turn to make his left turn to go northbound. And as I saw him coming out, he was coming out at a fast speed, and from a stop sign, so I knew that he was going at a high rate of speed.
- Q Okay, but you -- you couldn't estimate how fast you anticipated he was going?
  - A I don't know --
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- 12 A -- the exact speed he was going.
  - Q All right. Now, you say he turned and he went into a -- he was in a turn lane; is that what I recall you saying?
- 15 A It's the center turn lane.
  - Q Okay. So for -- did he immediately turn from Sunrise and go right into that lane, or did he go into a travel lane and then into the turn lane?
- 19 A No, he went straight into the center turn lane.
  - Q Okay. So, straightaway, he turns here, left turn Sunrise onto North Lamb, and he's headed in basically what I'm pointing, the center of the road, correct?
    - A Yes.
- Q Okay. And you say that distance is roughly 300 feet?

A Yes.

- Q So it's not illegal at that point to be driving in that center turn lane when you're going to turn?
  - A Yes, it is.
  - O It is?
- A Yes.
  - Q Now, were these -- were these apartments where you saw him turn into?
  - A They are -- they used to be apartments. I believe they're now townhomes or something of that nature.
- Q So like condos? In other words, you could buy the unit as opposed to --
- A Yes.
- Q Okay. And you testified you didn't put -- you didn't -- you said he was -- approximately how much time would you say passed from when you -- I guess, first, point out on here where you first -- where you turned around; when you made contact and you turned around to follow him.
  - A I turned around about here.
- Q Okay, so roughly about halfway between Sunrise and the turn-in to the townhomes?
- A Yes.
- Q Roughly about halfway? So if we're saying -- if we're saying that that stretch is approximately 300 feet, you're talking about 150 feet then, if we're roughly in the

middle?

A Yes.

Q And I'm estimating. I'm not asking you to get pinned down on that. So, you testified earlier that he's -- he's -- you -- since he was trying to -- trying to cause distance to be made between the two of you, after you turn around at 150 feet, he's -- he's got to be almost turning into the complex, correct?

A I -- I don't understand.

Q In other words -- in other words, he's traveling northbound on North Lamb here, and roughly halfway in between Sunrise and the entrance into the complex is when you say you turned around to follow him, correct?

A Yes.

Q And he had passed you at that point, correct?

A Yes.

Q And you -- your testimony is you can't say that he was speeding, correct?

A Correct.

Q So it would have been very easy for him to have passed you and gotten to that point before you were able to make your u-turn, correct?

A No, I was -- I was with him.

Q Okay, so did you -- did you make -- did you make a - just a u-turn, or did you actually fishtail the car to turn

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- A Just made a u-turn.
- Q Okay, so how many seconds would you think passed there? 3, 4, 5 to make the u-turn?
  - A A couple seconds.
- Q Okay. So even if he's going 45, and there's 150 feet after you've -- after you've turned to get -- to follow him, it would have been nothing for him to -- because you didn't have your lights and siren on, correct?
- 10 A Correct.
- Q Okay. So he had no reason to think that you were after him, correct, or following him?
- A I believe that he thought I was after him. He saw me make the u-turn.
- Q And what time of night was this?
- 16 A It was around 2:00 A.M.
- Q Okay, so it's dark, correct?
- 18 A Yes.
- Q And this -- this area -- are there streetlights on the road?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q On this road, North Lamb?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q And so you're telling me that you saw him turn his head and look at you as you were making a u-turn?

- A We basically passed right past each other, and I made the u-turn to conduct the records check on the vehicle.
  - Q Okay, but you say he saw you?
  - A He saw me.
- Q Okay. All right, so he pulls into the complex and goes back to what we've marked back here as the 265 North Lamb, Unit F, correct, where we've got the red arrow roughly?
  - A Yes.

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- Q Okay, I'm going to switch to a little bit closer shot here, which is actually State's admitted 5. Okay. So you see where we have the F; that's where you said that you pulled in?
  - A Yes.
- Q Correct? Okay. He had just -- Mr. Keller's vehicle had just pulled into an area roughly where again? If you'd just tap it.
- 17 A Pulled in right about there.
- Q Okay. So do you see the light light-colored strip that's on top of the one awning there?
- 20 A Yes.
  - Q Right here where my pen is in front of that -- I guess what would have been down diagonal a little bit from Unit F, where my pen is.
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q So he was -- he was a few -- he was a few spaces --

as we look at this picture, a few spaces down towards the bottom of the picture, away from that -- away from that lighter-colored strip, correct?

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- Q Okay. Now, you pull in. How did you -- did you pull in parallel behind him? Or excuse me, end-in behind him, or did you t-bone park your car behind his?
- A I pulled in. My car was at an angle to his -- to his car.
- Q Okay. All right, and so then you turn on your lights and siren after you're stopped at an angle directly behind his car?
- A No. I turn on my lights as we're making this last little turn into this parking cul-de-sac.
  - Q Okay. So can you mark roughly where you put on your lights and siren?
- 17 A About there.
  - Q Okay, so it would be right before you would have made a right turn?
- 20 A Yes.
- Q Okay. When you activated your lights and siren, was Mr. Keller's vehicle parked at that time yet, or not?
  - A No, his car was still moving.
- Q Okay. And then he pulled in -- then he pulled in, and you followed him and parked angular behind him?

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- Q Okay. Now, you say his taillight was broken, is I believe what your testimony was. The right taillight was broken?
  - A Yes.
- Q Broken meaning it didn't operate, or it didn't illuminate bright, or what -- define broken, please.
  - A It was not operating correctly.
- Q So it was operating, it just was not operating correctly; is that what we understand?
- 11 A Yes.
- Q Okay. When you say that, does that mean that it was illuminated?
- A The light was on, but there was white light coming from the rear tail lamp.
  - Q Okay. Would that be -- so like -- like what we might know as a backup light?
  - A No, it's -- it's -- it's -- on this particular car, the backup lights are actually a lot lower than -- than what he has on the -- on the vehicle. So there's an opening on the tail lamp that he put on the car that allows light from the tail lamp itself to come out as white, and not the red color that it needs to be for the tail lamp.
  - Q So what you're saying is maybe there was a -- there was a gap; is that what you're saying? There was a gap in the

- -- in the actual light that went into the socket area?
- 2 A There was an opening in the lens cover that allowed 3 the light to come out as clear white.
  - Q Okay, but so -- but the light was working?
- 5 A The light was working.
- 7 A Yes.

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- Q Okay. Could you notice, was there even a brake
  9 light on when he stopped?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q All right. So then he -- you say at that point, he 12 exits the vehicle?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q And you say you immediately exit your vehicle?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q But he didn't -- but he didn't run away?
- 17 A He didn't get away.
- Q You say he walked to the front of his vehicle, was your testimony?
- 20 A No. He didn't walk --
- 21 Q Where did he --
- A He got out of his car and ran towards the back of his vehicle.
- Q Okay, so he went to the trunk?
- 25 A Towards the trunk.

- Q Towards the trunk of his vehicle?
- A Yes.

- Q Okay. Okay, but it appeared to you that he was just going into his trunk, correct?
- A No. It appeared to me that he was trying to get away from me.
- Q But you -- but the keys were -- his keys were in his trunk -- in the -- in the trunk lock, correct?
  - A No.
- Q All right. So after you secure Mr. Keller and you're standing outside the vehicle -- outside of his vehicle, okay, did you place him in -- did you place him in handcuffs, and then put him in your cruiser, and then go to the car, or how did -- what was the chronology there?
- A I walked him over to the front of my patrol vehicle, I placed him in handcuffs, and that was about the time Officer Henry was arriving. Then the gunshots took place. I secured him in the back of my patrol vehicle, I took cover by the side of the car, and then I walked over towards his door, which was still open.
- Q Okay. Now, at that point, the door was open. Was there -- there was no interior light illuminated in the vehicle, was there?
- 24 A I don't recall.
  - Q Okay. And this is at roughly 2:20 or so A.M. in the

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A Yes.

Q Okay, and if there was no illumination -- you say that you saw a green leafy substance on the floorboard?

A Yes.

Q Okay. What color was the -- what color was the carpeting in the vehicle; do you recall?

A I don't recall the exact color.

Q Okay. Were -- were you able to, with your visible eye -- well, let me back up. How far away were you from the vehicle before you actually saw what you say was a green leafy substance on this floorboard?

A Next to the driver's side door, which was open.

Q Okay. When you say next to, were you standing up?

A Standing up.

Q Okay. About how tall are you, Officer?

A I am 6'1.

Q Okay. And do you recall roughly how high the -- the bottom of the vehicle came up on your leg where the floorboard would have been?

A I -- I'm not 100 percent positive.

Q Okay. If I said maybe a foot to 16 inches, would you have any reason to object to that?

A I'm not sure.

Q Okay. Well, so you're 6'1, you're standing next to

the vehicle, you're looking down at -- would it be fair to say at least four to five feet away from you? Were you crouched?

A No.

Q Okay, so you were standing up, you were -- you were standing fully erect and looking into the vehicle, so that would approximately be about four to five feet?

A I would take your numbers.

Q Okay. And understanding they're just -- it's an estimate, but I'm just estimating. Four to five feet away, in the dark, no illumination, you're able to -- you're able to see a green leafy substance on the floor in the dark?

A Yes.

Q All right, so you didn't find -- you didn't see initially any -- any -- any gun casings, or ammunition, or shells inside the vehicle, did you?

A Initially, no.

Q Okay. Now, you say that you had to -- you reached under the seat -- under the seat, and you found baggies?

A Yes.

Q Okay. Is that -- is that something that's routine before you get a search warrant?

A Since I determined that there was probable cause because of the odor of the cannabis coming from inside the vehicle, and the green leafy substance I could see on the floorboard in the vehicle, I decided to conduct a search for

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- Q Were you at that point using a flashlight, or were you still just feeling around?
  - A I have a flashlight.
- Q But were you using it, or were you just feeling around?
  - A I always use my flashlight during graveyard.
- Q Okay. So again, did you use the flashlight to look under the seat, or did you just reach under the seat?
- 10 A I used my flashlight.
- 11 Q Okay. And did I hear you -- did I overhear you say
  12 that you -- that you opened the center console?
- A It's -- it was between the center console and the driver's side seat, so it was tucked in between.
- Q Okay, so is that something you saw with the naked eye, or did you have to reach down, or contort--
- 17 A I had to reach --
- 18 Q -- a little bit?
- 19 A I had to reach in there, in between the seat.
- Q So you didn't know at the time anything was down in there; you were just reaching around?
- 22 A Yes.
- Q And at that time, you hadn't secured a search warrant?
- 25 A Correct.

- Q So was there a center console door, if you will; a flip-open door?
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- Q And did you then open that as well?
- 5 A No, I hadn't opened that yet.
  - Q Okay. And when we -- when we get over to the glove box, how did you -- how did you -- did you remove the glove box?
- 9 A No.
- 10 Q You did not?
- 11 A No.
- 12 Q Did -- did you see it being removed?
- 13 A No.
- Q Okay. Did it appear to you as though it had been torn off?
- 16 A This was after the warrant was secured, or are we 17 still --
- 18 Q Well, I'm just saying --
- 19 A -- talking about the initial search?
  - Q I'm saying, when you saw the -- if you weren't the one to remove the glove box cover, the flip-down door, did it appear to you that it was -- that it was broken off, ripped off, or did it look like it was in totally pristine condition?
- A I know Officer Henry was tinkering with it for a little bit, and he had removed the glove box.

- Q Okay. Do you know if he --
- 2 A I'm not exactly positive how he removed it.
  - Q Okay. Did you see him use any tools on it, like --
  - A No, I didn't see any tools.
    - Q -- prying anything? You didn't see it?
  - A I didn't see him use any tools.
  - Q Okay. Were you close enough by that you could physically watch him remove it?
- 9 A I was nearby, but I wasn't standing right next to 10 him.
- Q Okay, so he would be the better one to testify to how it came off?
- 13 A Yes.

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- Q Okay. All right, so then when you -- let's move over to Mr. Keller. You conduct a pat-down on him, you say?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q Is that -- is that what we would commonly refer to 18 maybe as a frisk?
- 19 A Yes.
- Q Okay, where he -- where you pat all parts of his body, and you're feeling to see if there's anything that he has under there that doesn't feel normal?
- 23 A It's a check for weapons.
- Q Okay. All right. And so you -- you ask if he has an ID?

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- Q He says, yes, it's in my wallet?
  - A Yes.

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- Q And he -- so then you go into -- where was it? Which pocket?
- A His front right pants pocket.
- Q Okay. So you reach into his front right pants pocket and you feel a wallet, and you say that's when you feel some money?
- 10 A When I pulled his wallet out, the money came with 11 it.
- Q Okay. Now, was it -- was it simply folded? It was simply folded, right? The money was folded, much like taking a -- any of us would take a 5 or a 1 and fold it in half?
- 15 A Yes, the bills were folded in half.
- 16 Q Okay, so they weren't rolled up in a -- in a big
  17 roll, like --
- 18 A No.
- 19 Q -- a small roll of toilet paper, say, or something 20 like that?
- 21 A No.
- Q Okay. But you said it wasn't together?
- A He had cash inside the wallet and he had cash outside the wallet.
- 25 Q Okay.

- A All of it came out when I pulled out the wallet.
- Q All right. Do you recall what the amount was that was on the inside versus the outside?
  - A I do not.
  - Q But yet, you said it was, what, 20s?
- A It was a lot of money, mostly all 20s.
  - Q Okay. Were there any larger bills?
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- Q Was there a couple of 100s in there, or something along those lines?
- 11 A Yes.
  - Q Okay. Okay, let's -- let's move over to the gunshots. You said you heard five gunshots. And I'm still going to be using State's 5 here that's on the -- on the overhead. Can you mark again where it was that you thought those gunshots emanated from?
- 17 A If you can move the --
- 18 Q Sure.
- 19 A Yeah.
- 20 Q Sure. Sorry about that.
  - A It basically sounded like it was coming from right here on this side of this building.
  - Q Okay, so on -- based on where you were here in front of what has been marked as the Unit F, where we're talking about here, you say this would have occurred on the back --

essentially, the back side of this building that is, I guess, at the top of this picture?

A Yes.

- Q Okay. So you couldn't see -- could you see anybody that was shooting?
  - A No.
- Q And to the best of your knowledge, there -- there wasn't anyone that was -- that you saw that was looking out or anything like that, correct?
  - A I didn't notice anybody.
- Q So it would be safe to say that whatever was happening over here where you circled, where you say you thought the gunshots were emanating from, would not have been able to see where you guys were at in front of Unit F, correct?
  - A Correct.
- Q Okay. So it could have been just unrelated gunshots?
  - A It could have been.
- Q All right. You say that then you -- you then -- at some point in your searching of the vehicle, you find -- you find this hole. Was that -- was that hole -- you say that was before you called for a search warrant, right?
- A That was after the dog hit and before we called for the search warrant.

Q Okay. So the dog comes out, and I believe you initially -- you initially said earlier that you called the canines because you thought the defendant had thrown something out of the window on the way in?

A Yes.

Q Okay. And that was -- that was not in -- that was not in your search warrant, correct, as your probable cause?

A Nothing was located on the entranceway up to where the car stopped.

Q But wouldn't that have been -- wouldn't that have been something you would have put in your -- in your probable cause when you're talking to the judge?

A No, because it didn't lead to anything. It didn't 
- it didn't add anything to it. If we had found something

along the path that had gone with the car, then that would

have been --

Q Okay. So basically what you're telling me is, ultimately, you didn't see any -- you didn't see the defendant throw anything out the window?

A I didn't see him throw anything out the window.

Q Okay, all right. All right, so the dog -- so the dog -- the canine unit hits on the part of the car that -- where this hole is, and so then you talked about, what you said, popping off the -- the cover that is on the side of the dash that goes up against the door when it's closed, correct?

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- Q Okay. And there wasn't any -- did you have to pry on that at all?
  - A No.
- Q Okay. And you say it's just something that was factory that was made to come off that way?
  - A It looks like it was factory.
- Q Okay, all right. So then you reach in, you pull out -- I mean, and we've seen all of the exhibits. We've seen the black bag, and the gold bags, and all of that. After you test it and you determine that it tests positive for whatever drug that it tested positive for; some was meth, some heroin, some cocaine, I believe you found; is that correct?
- 14 A Yes.
  - Q And that was in the car, or that was in the house?
- 16 A That was in the car.
  - Q Okay. Now, when you -- when you weigh these, after they're ODV-tested and then you weigh them, do you have your own scale, I'm assuming?
- 20 A I do.
  - Q Okay. Is it -- is it similar to the ones that we saw that are in evidence, or is it --
    - A It's similar. It's a small scale.
- Q Okay. And when you -- so, the way that we are seeing these drugs today, minus the protective evidence bags

that they're in, were -- are they basically in the form -- in other words, how they're packaged was the way that they were packaged that night?

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- Q Okay. So, in other words, you -- when you're putting all these items into evidence, you're not opening the bags, or the wrapper, or what have you, and emptying contents and weighing it that way?
  - A Some we do, some we don't.
- Q Okay. On at least what we -- what was found in the vehicle --
- 12 A There's --
  - Q -- how did you weigh that?
- A The items that were found in the vehicle were weighed in -- in the bags.
  - Q Okay.
- 17 A The wrapping.
  - Q So when you're weighing that, do you take into consideration the weight of whatever the wrapping material is?
  - A Yes, then it becomes gross weight. The net weight is just the substance itself, not the wrapping as well.
  - Q Okay. If you don't take it out of the packaging before you test it, how do you -- how do you know what that difference is between gross and net?
  - A I don't.

- Q So when you're telling us that there was 300, or whatever the number was, grams of methamphetamine, you're including -- that's not all methamphetamine, that's also the weight of the packaging material; is that correct?
  - A The weight -- yes.

- Q Okay. And do you have any way that you differentiate how much that wrapping material adds to it?
  - A Only if I -- only if it's separated.
- Q Okay. So when it's not separated, you weigh it, packaging and all, but yet that becomes the weight -- the gross weight of the drugs themselves? Is that how we do this?
- A It's labeled as the gross weight because it's including the packaging.
- Q Okay, but so it's your testimony that these items that were found in the car were weighed with their packaging material, and not just -- not just the weight of the drugs, so it actually weighs more -- the gross weight is much more than what the drug weight is, correct?
  - A Yes.
- Q Okay. But you can't tell us the difference -- the difference right now?
  - A Correct.
- Q As to what just -- just the drugs weighed?
- 24 A Correct.
- 25 Q Okay. Now, I wanted to move to the --

1 MR. FRIZZELL: Court's indulgence. State's 91, and 2 I'm just going to get it here briefly. 3 (Pause in the proceedings) 4 MR. FRIZZELL: All right. State's 91 was this 5 registration. Okay. How do we erase the text that's on 6 there? 7 THE CLERK: Got it. 8 THE COURT: It's done. 9 MR. FRIZZELL: Oh, thank you. All right. 10 BY MR. FRIZZELL: 11 Now, you see where it says, "Christopher Keller, 244 12 Molly Court" up there? 13 Yes. 14 Q Was there ever any investigation done into that 15 address? 16 No. Α But yet, it says this is an address on what was 17 Q 18 basically a current registration, or almost current 19 registration? 20 Α Yes. 21 Just recent -- just recently expired, fair to say, 22 this particular one you found? No, this doesn't expire until November of 2016. 23 24 Okay. So at the time of the -- of the stop in January of 2016, this was still good? 25

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- Q This was a good address? Did you check to see if Mr. Keller actually lived at 244 Molly Street?
  - A No.
- Q Why wouldn't that be something that you would have checked out?
- A Because it was apparent that he was living there at the address there where he had stopped.
- Q At the time when you're making -- when you made what was initially a traffic stop, you had not confirmed that 265

  North Lamb, Unit F was his -- was Mr. Keller's address, correct?
- A During the stop, I had confirmed that that was his address.
  - Q Okay. When you locate -- when you located this current registration, and you see 244 Molly Street -- Molly Court. Excuse me, I apologize. 244 Molly Court, that didn't signify any -- anything of importance to investigate that address?
- 20 A Not at the time, no.
  - Q So, Mr. Keller could very well have been living at that address?
- MR. DICKERSON: Calls for speculation, Your Honor.
- MR. FRIZZELL: Well, I mean, it goes -- it goes to -- there's definitely a piece of evidence here that has been

admitted that says that Mr. Keller is at a different residence 1 2 than this residence. THE COURT: 3 4 MR. FRIZZELL: So it's very relevant. THE COURT: -- speculation that he's living there. 5 6 MR. FRIZZELL: Okay. 7 THE COURT: That's the speculation. So he has an 8 address someplace else -- I'm going to sustain the objection. 9 MR. DICKERSON: Thank you, Your Honor. 10 MR. FRIZZELL: All right, I'll actually rephrase it. BY MR. FRIZZELL: 11 12 You can't say that Mr. Keller was not living at 13 Molly Court, can you? 14 I didn't have any reason to believe that he had 15 multiple addresses that were -- he was actually residing at. 16 Even though you have this exhibit --Q Yes. 17 Α 18 Q -- that clearly shows -- clearly shows a different 19 address? 20 Α Yes. 21 Did you ever -- so what you're telling the Okay. 22 Court and the ladies and gentlemen of the jury is that you never even checked into what that address was? 23 I -- I didn't. 24 Α

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Okay. Do you know if anyone else did?

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- A It's possible, but I don't know.
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3 MR. FRIZZELL: Court's indulgence, Your Honor. All 4 right.

#### 5 BY MR. FRIZZELL:

- Q Now, at some point during -- during this investigation; at some point between the initial traffic stop and you actually leaving the scene, you were approached by a female during that time, were you not?
- 10 A Yes.
- Q Okay. And that female requested something of you, did she not?
- 13 A Yes.
- Q Okay. And in fact, she requested that she be allowed to go into Unit F to retrieve some items that she -that belonged to her that were in there, correct?
- 17 A No.
- Q Okay. What did she -- what did she say to you?
- 19 A She requested her purse from inside the vehicle.
- 20 Q Okay. She didn't request anything from up in Unit
- 21 F?

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- A No, she did not.
- Q Was her purse actually in the vehicle?
- 24 A No, it was not.
- 25 Q Did you -- did you have any other occasion to deal

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- A That was our only encounter with her.
- Q Okay. Do you recall where she went after that?
- A I do not.
- Q Okay. Did she -- so did you see -- did she -- did you see her at least walk into a unit, or did she walk totally away, or --
- 8 A She had walked away. I didn't see her go into any 9 unit.
- Q Okay. Did you have occasion to ask her her name, if she had --
- 12 A Yes, one of my partners had interviewed and talked 13 to her.
- Q Okay. Do you know which partner interviewed her?
- 15 A I believe it was Officer Vance.
  - Q Office Vance. Okay. Now, you -- you are not someone who takes, or lists, or checks for fingerprints or DNA, are you?
  - A I'm not.
    - Q Okay. However, when you go into -- when you go into the vehicle first, is there -- is there anything that you do to preserve any of that should -- should it be present, either fingerprints or DNA?
      - A When I did my initial search?
    - Q I'm just saying -- yes. When you -- do you secure

the vehicle in such a way that it would preserve that, or is that not your job?

- That's typically not something that I do.
- 0 Okay. And likewise in the house?
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- Okay. Now, let's go on up into the house, or into the -- into the condo, Unit F. You say that this -- it basically looked to be a one-bedroom unit?
  - Α Yes.
- Let's go in the bathroom first. You say that 0 once you opened the -- once you opened the cupboard, there was a -- there was a hole that you said that you could have crawled through without all your gear on?
- Yes.
  - Q Okay. And you say it went into the adjacent unit?
- 16 Α Yes.
  - Was there -- but you didn't find anything of any Q import inside that hole?
- 19 Inside the hole itself? No, nothing --
- In other words, was there a space -- a gap in between one unit and the other, or did the hole just 22 immediately go right to the other unit?
  - It just went into the other unit.
- 24 Okay. You didn't have any reason -- but you didn't see anything of any import -- of any evidentiary value in that 25

area underneath the sink?

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- Q Okay. Then you said that, I believe -- if we go in the bedroom, how many closets were there?
  - A There's two closets in the bedroom.
- Q Okay. And the one closet, I believe you said you located some purses?
- A No, the purses were out in the living room, dining room area.
- Q Okay. And did you -- were those impounded as any evidence at all?
- 12 A No.
- Q So you just left them there. Did -- were you the one that looked at them?
- 15 A I looked at them.
- 16 Q Okay, and were there contents in them?
- A Nothing that would identify anybody. There was nothing significant in the purses.
- 19 Q Okay, but they weren't new?
- 20 A I wouldn't say that they're new, no.
- Q Okay. So when you say nothing of significance in the purses, there were some things in the purses; is that what you're telling me, that you recall?
- 24 A I don't recall -- I don't recall.
- Q Okay. And when you were in the bathroom, did you

- notice any -- any makeup, anything like that?
- 2 A I did not.
  - Q Any lipstick?
- 4 A No.

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- Q Did you actually -- did you actually -- were you the one that secured the bathroom, or was it someone else?
  - A I -- I don't -- I don't believe it was me.
- Q Okay. Do you recall who might have done that such that we could ask them about the makeup or whatnot --
- 10 A I'm not --
- 11 Q -- those type questions?
- 12 A I'm not sure.
- Q Okay. Would it have been Officer Vance?
- A No, Officer Vance wasn't there for the search warrant on the -- on the condo/apartment.
- Q Okay, he was just there for the vehicle?
- 17 A He was there for the initial -- the vehicle stop.
- Q Okay. But you -- you did find -- how many purses did you find, if you recall?
- 20 A I don't remember the exact number.
- Q Okay. Now, when you went through -- you said there
  were two closets. Were you the one that went through both
  closets?
- 24 A No.
- Q Okay. So the closet that you went in you say had

basically male clothes in it -- what appeared to be male clothes?

A The closet that we -- somebody had left open just had male clothes, yes.

Q Okay, but you weren't the one that looked in the other closet?

A I was brought over to the closet when the second firearm was found.

Q Okay, but that was the closet that had the door open, right?

A No, that's the closet that's next to the bathroom sink.

Q Okay. And you -- and you saw -- did you say you saw 14 girls' clothing in there?

A No, no women's clothing.

Q Okay. Were there dressers in that bedroom?

17 A There were dressers.

Q Okay. Any -- any -- any ladies' items in any of those drawers?

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Q Were you the one that actually searched those drawers?

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Q So you weren't there for -- how many dressers do you recall were in the bedroom?

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- Q Okay. And so how much of the dresser drawer search were involved in?
  - A The first one, the one that was closest to the bed.
- Q Okay. So you didn't -- you didn't look in the -- what you're saying was the second set of drawers?
  - A Not really.
  - Q Okay. Do you recall who looked in those?
- A I don't.
- Q So there could have been girls' clothes in the other one, but you wouldn't know?
- MR. DICKERSON: Calls for speculation.
- MR. FRIZZELL: No, I said there could have been girls' clothes and he would not have known.
- 15 MR. DICKERSON: Compound, Your Honor.
- 16 THE COURT: What's that?
- 17 MR. DICKERSON: Compound and calls for speculation.
- 18 | Calls for speculation on the first part of the compound
- 19 question, and the second part for he wouldn't have known.
- 20 THE COURT: Overruled. Go ahead. Can you answer
- 21 it?
- 22 THE WITNESS: I -- I can't. I don't know.
- 23 BY MR. FRIZZELL:
- Q I mean, you couldn't say one way or the other, is
- 25 what I'm -- is what I'm asking you.

- 1 A Yes.
- Q Because you did not look. So it could be, couldn't be, but you don't know personally?
- A One of the detectives would have mentioned it to me, 5 I'm sure.
  - Q Okay.

- 7 A But you personally don't know, no.
- 8 Q Okay. All right. Now, I'm going to need to open
  9 that.
- 10 A Okay.
- 11 (Pause in the proceedings)
- 12 THE COURT: Is it 83?
- 13 MR. FRIZZELL: Sorry, it's 85.
- 14 THE COURT: 85.
- MR. FRIZZELL: All right.
- 16 BY MR. FRIZZELL:
- 17 Q I'm handing you what's been marked as State's
- 18 Exhibit 85. It has not been opened yet. Could you open that
- 19 for us?
- 20 MR. FRIZZELL: Were these -- were these admitted?
- 21 Because they're not marked individually. Were these admitted?
- 22 THE WITNESS: They were not.
- THE COURT: Well, it was the contents.
- 24 MR. FRIZZELL: I'm sorry?
- 25 THE COURT: Eighty -- eighty -- I imagine 85 and the

1 contents.
2 MR. FRIZZELL: So we're

MR. FRIZZELL: So we're just going to call it as one.

MR. DICKERSON: That's correct, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Um-hum.

MR. DICKERSON: And can we just make a record that the bag was opened from the top, breaking the prior seal?

THE COURT: Yeah, that's fair. I was noticing that, too. I just want the record to reflect that when they opened it, they opened at the top of the bag, and by spreading it open, it ended up breaking the original seal that was intact.

MR. FRIZZELL: Yes, yes, I don't have any argument with that.

MR. DICKERSON: Thank you, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Okay.

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Q So, these items, do you -- do you -- these have already actually been admitted, but do you recognize the items that are here?

A Yes.

Q And what are these items?

A These are smoking pipes that were from the bedroom.

Q Okay. So I believe your testimony was that there was some clean or some dirty?

A Yes.

- Q Okay. (Inaudible). Is it safe to say that at least what's in here is not clean?
  - A These are all the dirty.
  - Q These are all the dirty --
  - A These are used pipes.
- Q But you did find clean ones?
- A There were clean ones inside the apartment.
- Q That's all I needed.
- 9 MR. FRIZZELL: Court's indulgence. I have one last 10 question.
- 11 THE COURT: Okay.
- MR. FRIZZELL: Okay. Actually, it's in a couple parts.
- 14 THE COURT: Okay.
- 15 BY MR. FRIZZELL:

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- Q So in the car, when you were searching the car, you didn't actually find any rolling papers, pipes, lighter, matches, and other than the little bit you may have seen on the floor, you didn't find any other marijuana?
- 20 A No.
- Q Okay. And so what you're -- what you're basing the
  -- that you -- that you had a strong smell, it wasn't
  emanating from the car, correct?
- A It was emanating from both the defendant's person and from inside the vehicle.

- Q Okay, but he had been sitting in the vehicle, correct?
  - A Yes.

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- Q Okay. And you didn't find any -- any drugs or anything other than the wallet and the money on his person, correct?
- A There was drugs that were found on his person over the course of the investigation.
- Q Okay, but there wasn't marijuana that was found on his person?
- A No marijuana found on his person.
- 12 Q Okay.
- 13 MR. FRIZZELL: Court's indulgence.
- 14 BY MR. FRIZZELL:
- 2 So what little bit of marijuana that you say that
  16 you saw a green leafy substance, was that that you found on
  17 the floor ODV-tested?
- 18 A No, it was not.
- Q Okay, so you never -- you never confirmed that what you thought was marijuana on the floor was not marijuana?
  - A Correct.
- Q So it could have been just crushed leaves on the floor, and you wouldn't know any -- you wouldn't be able to say any different?
- 25 A Correct.

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2 MR. FRIZZELL: Court's indulgence. I'll pass the 3 witness, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Redirect?

MR. DICKERSON: Briefly, Your Honor.

#### REDIRECT EXAMINATION

#### 7 BY MR. DICKERSON:

- Q Touched on a little bit about your initial stop, the -- what you saw of the vehicle before you stopped it; do you recall that, sir?
- 11 A Yes.
  - Q Specifically, the taillights?
- 13 A Yes.
  - Q Showing you what's been marked and admitted as State's Exhibit 6, does this image fairly and accurately depict the taillights as you saw them when you got behind that vehicle on Lamb Boulevard?
- 18 A Yes.
  - Q And what is it that you notice about the taillights?
    - A So the passenger taillight -- obviously, the vehicle looks like it was in some type of traffic collision, accident, and the damage is to the rear passenger taillight. Whoever went back to repair the rear passenger tail lamp, they installed the wrong tail lamp on it. It's not the right -- it's to a different model.

- Q Okay. So the passenger lamp on -- or the tail lamp on the left, the driver's side, would be correct?
  - A It appears to be correct, yes.
- Q Okay. I'm showing you now what's been marked and admitted as State's Exhibit 9. Right here, is that that driver's side back taillight?
  - A Yes.

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- Q That's the correct one?
- A Yes.
- Q You said the reverse lamps are on the bottom?
- 11 A Yes, the reverse lamps are down here.
  - Q Okay. Now, showing you what's been marked and admitted as State's Exhibit 12, is that the passenger side rear taillight that you were speaking of?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And what is it that's different about this light?
- A So the lens that they installed on this, it has an opening right here that's not supposed to be on this particular model. So when they put the lens cover on here, it's allowing the light to come out through this opening as just white light for the taillight.
- Q So, when the taillights are on, it's reflecting white?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q And so that's what you saw as you're driving down

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A Yes.

Q Okay. Now, as to the registration of the vehicle, you talked a little bit about seeing the Molly Court registration (inaudible). Is that correct?

A Yes.

Q So you noticed that at the time, that being the registration that was found that says Molly Court. Showing you State's Exhibit 91 --

A Yes.

Q Right there, Molly Court. But you received other information?

A Yes.

Q Which is here today in certified DMV records; is that right?

A Yes.

Q In State's Exhibit 1, what's been admitted as such and shown to the jury at this time, does that show a physical address for this registration from Mr. Christopher Robert Keller as being 265 North Lamb Boulevard, Unit F?

A Yes. This right here says the physical address, and then that's the address.

Q And below that is the mailing address?

A Yes.

Q Also 265 North Lamb Boulevard, Unit F?

A Yes.

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- Q And that's information that you were able to find out on scene?
  - A Yes.
  - Q And how did you do that?
- A From my mobile computer terminal that's inside my patrol vehicle.
  - Q What is it, connected to the DMV?
  - A Yes.
- Q Okay. Also, the defendant's driver's license. Did
  you check his particular address on there as well?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 O And where did that come back to?
- 14 A It had this -- the address right there on Lamb.
- Q Okay. And just for reference, the last page of that

  State's Exhibit 1 actually shows the vehicle registration,
- 17 right?
- 18 A Yes.
- Q And that's the mailing address and physical address
  both listing 265 North Lamb Boulevard?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q And the first page shows the driver's license information of Mr. Christopher Robert Keller --
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q -- same thing? Mailing and physical address?

A Yes.

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- Q Okay, both of those addresses being 265 North -- 3 North Lamb Boulevard, Unit F?
  - A Yes.
- Q Now, you said there was some contact with a female on scene?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q Who was this?
- 9 A I -- I don't recall her name.
- 10 Q You said that Officer Vance had spoken to her?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q When did she come up to you?
- 13 A During -- during the stop, she had come up, and she
  14 had told us she wanted to get her purse out of the car.
  15 Officer Vance had asked her what color the purse was, and she
- said she didn't know, and we said, well, how do you know if
  your purse is in the car if you don't even know what color the
  purse is?
- 19 Q And --
- 20 MR. FRIZZELL: I'm going to object, hearsay.
- 21 That --
- MR. DICKERSON: And Your Honor, defense counsel opened the door on this one.
- 24 THE COURT: Well, the -- it's still hearsay. The --
- MR. DICKERSON: It's still hearsay, but it's just

clarifying what he's already brought out.

THE COURT: Well, he said purse. I'm going to sustain the objection as to her describing what the -- what the purse was and not saying -- or not being able to describe the purse.

MR. DICKERSON: Okay.

THE COURT: So, ladies and gentlemen, I'm going to instruct you you must disregard the statements regarding her stating that she couldn't give a description of the purse, okay? All right.

- BY MR. DICKERSON:
- Q You did -- or Officer Vance did request more information about the purse?
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- Q And did an officer on scene conduct a search of the vehicle for a purse?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q Was a purse located?
- 19 A No.
- Q Was that odd to you?
- 21 A Yes.
  - Q Now, just real quickly, we've gone over what was marked and admitted as part of State's Exhibit 85 the pipes in this case. Just for the jury's edification, you were describing a methamphetamine pipe earlier?

1 Α Yes. MR. DICKERSON: And if I could have this marked, 2 3 Madam Clerk. 4 THE CLERK: Sure. MR. DICKERSON: Thank you so much. 5 BY MR. DICKERSON: 6 7 You said that's a glass type pipe? Α 8 Yes. 9 So how is it that that pipe works; do you know? 10 You heat up the bulb or ball end. You heat it up Α after you put the contraband, controlled substance in that 11 12 part of the pipe, and you heat it up, and then you inhale the 13 -- the smoke. 14 Showing you what's been marked and now moving for 15 the admission of this specific one, 85A --16 THE COURT: They're all admitted. MR. DICKERSON: Thank you, Your Honor. 17 THE COURT: But I guess just for --18 19 MR. FRIZZELL: I'm not objecting, for the record. 20 THE COURT: Okay, but just --21 MR. DICKERSON: 85 --22 THE COURT: Just so we understand which one he's 23 talking about, 85A, all right? Okay. BY MR. DICKERSON: 24

#### ROUGH DRAFT TRANSCRIPT

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85A here, what do you recognize that to be?

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Q All right, I'm showing you State's Exhibit -- admitted Exhibit 1, this DMV record. And --

THE COURT: Turn your phone off. Thank you.

MR. FRIZZELL: All right.

BY MR. FRIZZELL:

- Q Now, do you see up here under -- under Item Sub 2 where it says ID card details, issue date -- can you read the issue date there where I've held my finger?
- 10 A Yes.
- Q What's that say?
- 12 A June 6th, 2014.
- Q It has an address for 265 North Lamb Boulevard, 14 correct? Okay. Right --
- 15 A Yes.
  - Q -- so far? Okay. Yet, when we're looking at the registration, which is State's 91A, this is 2016 where it talks about where he's at 244 Molly Court, correct?
  - A Yes.
- Q So he was at 265 Unit F -- North Lamb Unit F as of 21 2014, but it could very well have been at 244 Molly Court 22 2016.
- 23 Q So --
- MR. DICKERSON: Calls for speculation.
- MR. FRIZZELL: Could have.

THE COURT: Overruled.

MR. FRIZZELL: I'm asking.

THE COURT: Overruled.

MR. FRIZZELL: Okay.

THE WITNESS: So the first one that you showed, that's the ID card; that's not the driver's license that was issued. And it shows the issue date for the ID card. It's not the same thing as the driver's license. And if you go back to the other exhibit and you scroll down a little bit, it will say the last transaction date. That's when the date that that address was put in, into DMV.

- Q All right, well, I see it. So do you have any reason to dispute that this is a valid registration card?
  - A No, it's a valid registration card.
- Q Okay. So do you have an explanation or do you know why then the DMV -- the actual registration from the DMV would show 244 Molly Court as the registered address for this car, and yet show 265 North Lamb as a mailing address?
- A Yes, because you can see right here the last transaction date. Just because they changed their address or moved, it doesn't necessarily mean that they have the updated registration slip right there.
- Q Okay. So this update -- this registration would have been -- would have been issued -- okay, so it would have expired basically ten months after this arrest, right? So

- they would have gotten it -- if it's good for a year --
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- Q -- he would have gotten it sometime around 4 11/15/2016?
  - A Yes.
- Q Or 11 -- excuse me. No, I apologize. 11/15/2015.
  THE COURT: Um-hum.
  - BY MR. FRIZZELL:
    - Q Is that correct?
- 10 A Yes.
  - Q So they may -- so it's very possible then -- what you're saying is DMV would not have updated their record from the 265, even though they issued with the new address, correct?
- 15 A It's possible, yes.
  - Q Okay. Because the last transaction date you see is 11/28/15. This -- this was issued basically ten days earlier; eight days earlier, correct?
- 19 A Yes.
- Q So it's possible -- you don't -- I understand you're not -- you don't work in the DMV. It's possible that the record you pulled up did not reflect this change on the new registration?
- 24 A Correct.
- Q Is that fair? All right, that's where I was getting

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2 MR. FRIZZELL: Thank you. Now I'm done.

THE COURT: All right.

4 MR. DICKERSON: Just one thing on that, Your Honor,

5 please. May I? Thank you very much.

FURTHER REDIRECT EXAMINATION

7 BY MR. DICKERSON:

Q Sir, that same last page of State's Exhibit 1.

[9] (Inaudible) certified record from the Nevada DMV; is that

10 right?

11 A Yes.

Q You saw in the middle where you were referring to earlier that says mailing address, physical address is 265

North Lamb Boulevard; is that right?

15 A Yes.

Q Unit F?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And then right under that where my finger is here --

19 A Um-hum.

20 Q -- it says "name and/or address on registration"?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Is that right? And what does that say?

A It's got the 244 Molly Court address.

Q Okay. So the DMV records show 265 North Lamb Boulevard, Unit F being connected to Defendant Christopher

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A Yes.

Q But they also show that his registration at the time reflected Molly Court?

A Yes.

MR. DICKERSON: State will pass the witness.

THE COURT: Mr. Frizzell, any further questions?

MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. We have some questions from the jury. Parties approach.

(Off-record bench conference)

12 THE COURT: Okay. Officer, you got two questions.

13 Did the female approach you before or after the gunshots?

14 THE WITNESS: It was after the gunshots.

THE COURT: And how much time took place between the two events?

THE WITNESS: I would say 30 minutes.

THE COURT: Okay. Do you have any questions as a

19 result of those questions, Mr. Dickerson?

MR. DICKERSON: I do not, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: Mr. Frizzell, do you have any questions 22 as a result of those questions?

MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: All right. Okay, Officer, thank you so 25 much for your testimony. You can step down. You're excused.

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| 1  | THE WITNESS: Okay.  |
| 2  | THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Dickerson, call your next              |
| 3  | witness.  |
| 4  | Your Honor, the State will call Detective Chad Embry.       |
| 5  | THE COURT: Okay.  |
| 6  | THE MARSHAL: Watch your step. Face the clerk,               |
| 7  | she's going to swear you in.                                |
| 8  | DETECTIVE CHAD EMBRY, STATE'S WITNESS, SWORN                |
| 9  | THE CLERK: Thank you. Please be seated. Please              |
| 10 | state your full name, spelling your first and last name for |
| 11 | the record.   |
| 12 | THE WITNESS: Chad Embry. C-h-a-d, E-m-b-r-y.                |
| 13 | THE COURT: Your witness.                                    |
| 14 | Thank you, Your Honor.                                      |
| 15 | DIRECT EXAMINATION  |
| 16 | MR. BUNNETT?  |
| 17 | Q Good morning or good afternoon, sir, I should             |
| 18 | say.  |
| 19 | A Good afternoon.   |
| 20 | Q What do you do for a living?                              |
| 21 | A I'm a detective with Las Vegas Metro Police               |
| 22 | Department.   |
| 23 | Q And what's your current assignment?                       |
| 24 | A I'm with quality assurance.                               |
| 25 | Q Okay. How long have you been an officer for Metro?        |

- A 17 years.
- Q Okay. And back in January 28th of 2016, what was your assignment?
- A I was working as a detective in the Northeast Area Command.
  - Q Okay, and were you working that day?
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- Q Were you working in the morning of that day?
- A Yes.
- Q Okay. And during work, were you brought to 265
  North Lamb, Unit F here in Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada?
- A Yes, I was.
- Q Okay, and what brought you out there?
- 14 A To assist patrol officers on a search warrant.
- Okay, and what was the search warrant of?
  - A It was an ongoing investigation of a vehicle stop
    that was -- the patrol officers had conducted, which led into
    a potential search warrant for a residence.
  - Q So did you assist in the search of the car, or did you assist in the search of the residence?
  - A For the residence.
- Q Okay. What specific areas of the residence did you search?
- A I searched the bedroom area and outside storage area that was attached to the residence.

Okay, I want to start with the storage area. 1 MR. BUNNETT: All right. And Your Honor, I have in 2 my hand what's been previously marked and not yet been 3 4 admitted -- admitted into evidence as State's Proposed 42 and 43. For the record, I'm showing them to Mr. Frizzell. May I 5 approach the witness with these? 6 7 THE COURT: Yes. BY MR. BUNNETT: 8 9 All right, Detective, I'm showing you what's been 0 previously marked as State's Proposed 42 and 43. Do you 10 recognize what's being depicted in these exhibits? 11 12 Yes. Α Again, what's that? 13 14 Α That's the outside storage unit of the residence. 15 Q And is that the unit you searched? 16 Yes. Α And is that a fair and accurate depiction of the 17 0 storage unit that you had searched? 18 19 Α Yes. 20 MR. BUNNETT: Your Honor, at this time, I'd move to 21 admit State's Proposed 42 and 43 into evidence. 22 THE COURT: Any objection? 23 MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor. THE COURT: It will be admitted. 24 (State's Exhibits 42 and 43 are admitted) 25

1 BY MR. BUNNETT: All right, so this is the storage closet you 2 searched? 3 4 Α Yes. I'm going to show you State's 42. Okay, and 5 Okay. did you find anything of significance in this storage closet? 6 7 Yeah, I located three boxes of Remington .22 short 8 ammunition. 9 Okay, and I'm going to show you State's 43. Can you Q indicate where you found the .22 short ammunition? 10 11 It was in the bottom of the closet, I believe. Α Okay. Was it in a box or something? 12 13 Yeah. 14 Okay. And how many boxes of the .22 short 15 ammunition were there? 16 It was -- there were three boxes that were located. 17 Q Okay. 18 MR. BUNNETT: And Your Honor, may I approach Madam 19 Clerk? 20 THE COURT: Yes. 21 (Pause in the proceedings)

MR. BUNNETT: May I approach the witness?

THE COURT: Yes.

24 BY MR. BUNNETT:

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Q Sir, I'm showing you what's been previously admitted

into evidence as State's 89 and 89A. I'm going to ask you to take 89A out of the envelope. And do you recognize those?

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- Q Okay, and are those the -- is that the ammunition you recovered from the storage shed?
  - A Yes.
- Q Okay. If you could hold that up for the jury and show them.

All right. Thank you, sir. And sir, what is your background, training, and experience as it comes to -- as it comes to firearms?

A Being a police officer for 17 years, just normal qualifying every quarter with firearms, coming into contact, obviously, multiple types of firearms in the course of my -- my job as a police officer.

- Q Okay. And are you familiar with what kind of gun would fit .22 caliber short ammunition?
- A Typically, a pistol.
- 19 Q Okay, and so typically a handgun?
- 20 A Yes.
- Q All right. So let's move onto the bedroom area.
- 22 You mentioned you had searched the bedroom area?
- 23 A Yes.
- Q What did you find in the bedroom?
- 25 A I located a .9 millimeter handgun on the bottom of

the bedroom closet, I located some paperwork in the bedroom, and those are the two items that I located in the bedroom.

- Q Okay. How was the firearm placed when you found it?
- A It was in the bottom of the bedroom closet in a -- in a container --
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- A -- a manufacturer's container, gun box that they typically come in when you purchase a firearm.
  - Q All right.
- 10 A Which would have been a black plastic box.
- MR. BUNNETT: May I approach?
- 12 THE COURT: Yes.
- 13 BY MR. BUNNETT:
- Q All right, I'm showing you what's been admitted as State's 88. Do you recognize this box?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q What's that box?
- 18 A It's a Ruger handgun box.
- 19 Q Okay. And if you open the box, do you recognize
- 20 what's in there?
- A A black Ruger, appears to be a .9 millimeter
- 22 handgun.
- Q Okay, and is that the handgun you found?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q You mentioned paperwork. Do you remember what the

specific paperwork was?

- A It was a pay stub in the name of Christopher Keller.
- Q Okay.

MR. BUNNETT: Court's indulgence, Your Honor. A couple more questions.

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- Q Were you also tasked with taking -- with taking a buccal swab?
  - A Yes.
- 10 Q Okay. What's a buccal swab?
  - A It's just a DNA collection that we take from potential suspects. It basically amounts to a toothbrush type of item that's rubbed against the inside of the mouth and sealed in a container later to be processed for DNA.
- 15 O Is it taken from the cheek?
- 16 A From the inside of the cheek, correct.
- Q Okay, and did you take a buccal swab in this case?
- 18 A Yes.
  - Q Okay, and do you see who you took a buccal swab from in court today?
- 21 A Yes.
  - Q Could you please point to that individual and identify an article of clothing that he or she is wearing?
- 24 A He's wearing a blue shirt.
- 25 MR. BUNNETT: And Your Honor, I would ask that the

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record reflect that the witness has identified the defendant.
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              THE COURT: It shall.
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    BY MR. BUNNETT:
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              THE COURT: Which gun are you talking about?
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- Q So you handled the .9 millimeter with gloves?
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- MR. BUNNETT: Nothing further, Your Honor.
- 4 THE COURT: All right, thank you. Cross?

#### CROSS-EXAMINATION

#### 6 BY MR. FRIZZELL:

- Q Now, Officer, where -- or, I'm sorry, Detective. Where is this storage area in relation to the unit itself?
- A If you were looking directly at the unit, you have your front door, and the storage unit is on an exterior wall to the north of the front door.
- Q Was there access to it from inside the unit, or only outside?
- 14 A No, only outside.
  - Q And you testified that the .22 shells that were just recently admitted, you say they typically go to pistols; is that correct?
  - A To my knowledge, .22 shorts typically are fired from handguns.
- Q But they can be fired out of rifles as well, you would agree?
  - A Yes.
  - Q Now, you say that -- did -- did you have occasion -- was the bathroom part of your search area, or was that not the part that you looked at?

- 1 A No.
- Q Okay, so you didn't go in a bathroom at all?
  - A No.

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- 4 Q You went in that storage unit?
- A Well, it's -- if I can -- it's one room. The
  bedroom and the bathroom's kind of one area. Did I search the
  bathroom? I did not search the bathroom.
  - Q Okay.
    - A I searched the bedroom and closet specifically.
- Q Okay. Bedroom and closet, okay, and then of course this outside storage?
- 12 A Correct.
- Q So, in the bedroom, how many dressers were in the bedroom? Or were there any dressers in the bedroom that you recall?
- 16 A I don't recall off the top of my head.
- Q Okay. Were you tasked with searching through the drawer -- the dresser drawers?
- 19 A If they were in the bedroom, yes.
- Q Okay, but you don't remember how many dressers?
- 21 A I don't.
- Q If I said there was two, would that -- would that 23 sound fair?
- 24 A That would sound fair.
- 25 Q Okay. And so you would have been the one that

actually searched through both of them?

A There were multiple people there that were assisting in the search. Again, off the top of my head, I don't recall which drawers I would have searched, or if I would have searched through drawers.

Q Okay. So your answer is you're not -- you're not sure if you were the one that searched at all in those drawers?

- A In the drawers, correct.
- Q Okay. So you couldn't tell me the contents of any of those drawers?
- 12 A No.

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- Q Do you know -- do you know who would have been the one to search those drawers, or who would have searched those drawers?
- 16 A Not off the top of my head, no.
  - Q Okay, but it wasn't you?
- 18 A Correct.
- 19 Q Okay. Now, you searched both closets, did you say?
- 20 A I searched the closet off of the -- next to the bed 21 in the bedroom.
- Q Okay. And the -- that's where you say that you found the .9 millimeter --
- 24 A Yeah.
- 25 Q -- in the box, correct?

- 1 A Correct.
- Q Okay. And that was -- was it out in the open? Was it covered with clothes?
  - A It was laying just on the floor of the bedroom --
- Okay, were there --
- 6 A -- closet.
- Q Were there clothes in that -- was it -- you say it 8 was on the floor, correct?
- 9 A Yes.

- 10 Q Okay. Were there clothes in that closet?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q And were they on the floor?
- 13 A I believe there were some on the floor.
- Q Okay. Did you have occasion to look at those clothes?
- 16 A I did.
- Q Okay. And so, but they weren't -- these clothes you say were not -- when you looked, they were not covering the box with the gun?
- 20 A I don't believe so, no.
- Q Okay. Okay, well, do you recall if they were or
- 22 not?
- 23 A I -- I recall the gun laying on the floor uncovered.
- Q Inside the box?
- 25 A Inside the box.

- Q So with the box that you saw initially?
- 2 A Correct.

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- Q Okay. So you didn't have to move any clothes?
- 4 A Not that I recall.
  - Q Okay. So you didn't have to move any girls clothes or anything like that?
    - A Not that I recall.
      - Q Okay. Do you recall if they were girls clothes?
- 9 A I don't recall any girls clothes in the closet.
- Q Okay. Did you actually secure any of the clothes?

  Were those of any evidentiary value to you?
- 12 A I did not.
- Q So if they were in the way, you would have just kind of pushed them, and pushed them out of the way, maybe, to get to the box, or?
  - A Again, I don't recall moving any clothes. I just recall the gun box being on the floor of the bedroom closet.
- Q Okay. Did the closet just have a door, or was there sliding doors?
- 20 A It had a sliding door.
- Q Okay. And was the closet otherwise illuminated when you opened that door?
- 23 A No.
- Q Okay. Did you -- do you recall seeing a light in the closet, or you just -- you know there was no light?

- A I don't recall seeing a light.
- Q Okay. And in any event, even if there was one, it wasn't on?
- A I -- I'm assuming, because it was a small closet, it wasn't a walk-in type closet. It was a small older style closet with a sliding door, which typically doesn't have a light, so I don't recall a light being in the closet or turning a light on or off.
- Q Okay. So what you're saying is you really didn't pay too much attention to the clothes once you saw that box?
- A The clothes were searched through to make sure there was no contraband, or additional firearms, or anything in the clothes, but nothing extraordinary stuck out to me --
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- 15 A -- about the clothes.
- Q So you could -- could you -- you couldn't tell
  whether they were guys or girls clothes?
  - A I don't recall seeing any women's clothes. I only recall seeing male clothes.
    - Q Okay.
- 21 MR. FRIZZELL: Court's indulgence.
- 22 BY MR. FRIZZELL:
- Q How -- do you recall, in this particular closet,
  where you found the .9 millimeter, was it -- were there a
  bunch of clothes in there, or was it very sparse? Was there

just like a few pieces of clothing, or was it -- was it full?

A It wasn't full. I don't recall exactly how much was in there. I'd have to look at a photo, I guess, to remind -- to --

- Q Did it have a rod in it that had clothes hanging, do 6 you recall?
  - A Yes, I do believe it did have some clothes hanging.
    - Q And did you look through those clothes?
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- 10 Q Any girls' clothes in that?
- 11 A I don't recall any women's clothes.
- Q Not that there weren't any; you just don't recall there was any, correct?
- 14 A Correct.
- Q Okay. But yet, you did search the other closet as well?
- 17 A No.
- Q You were not the one that searched the closet that did not have the .9 millimeter?
- 20 A Correct.
- 21 Q Someone else did?
- 22 A Yes.
- Q Do you recall who would have searched that?
- 24 A I do not.
- 25 Q Okay. So you didn't look in that one at all?

1 Α No, sir. MR. FRIZZELL: All right, nothing further. 2 THE COURT: Mr. Bunnett? 3 4 MR. BUNNETT: Nothing further, Your Honor. THE COURT: Any further? Okay. Detective, thank 5 you so much for your testimony. You can step down. You're 6 7 excused. Okay. Do you have another witness? MR. DICKERSON: Yes, Your Honor. State would call 8 9 Allison Rubino. 10 Okay. Is everyone doing all right? THE COURT: we need to take a break? No? Ms. Hicks, do you think you 11 need a break? 12 JUROR NO. 6: No, I'm good. 13 14 THE COURT: Okay, okay. JUROR NO. 6: We'll be done in an hour (inaudible)? 15 THE COURT: We're going to be done -- we're going to 16 be done in an hour or earlier. 17 18 JUROR NO. 6: Okay, we good. 19 THE COURT: Okay. JUROR NO. 6: 20 Thank you. 21 THE MARSHAL: Watch your step. Face the clerk, 22 she'll swear you in. 23 ALLISON RUBINO, STATE'S WITNESS, SWORN 24 THE CLERK: Thank you. Please be seated. Please state your full name, spelling your first and last name for 25

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THE WITNESS: My name is Allison Rubino.

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THE COURT: Your witness, Mr. Dickerson.

MR. DICKERSON: Thank you, Your Honor.

#### DIRECT EXAMINATION

#### BY MR. DICKERSON:

- Q How are you employed, ma'am?
- A I am a Forensic Scientist 2 at the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Forensic Laboratory.
  - Q How long have you been employed in that capacity?
- A I've been here in Las Vegas since January of 2014, so a little over three years.
- Q Okay. And what are your duties there at the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Forensic Lab?
- A I'm assigned to the biology DNA detail, and in that detail, we examine evidence for the presence or absence of biological material, and then conduct DNA analysis on those samples, as well as other samples as they're requested to our detail of the lab.
- Q What sort of training and education do you have to be in this position?
- A I have a Bachelor's of Science of Biochemistry from
  the University of Scranton in Pennsylvania, and I have a
  Master's of Science in Forensic Science from the University of

New Haven in Connecticut.

- Q And do you have any specific study about DNA in that education?
- A As part of the forensic science master's degree, we kind of decide whether or not we want to go into an investigative route or a lab route, and I chose the laboratory route and focus primarily on DNA.
- Q So in your time with Metro, have you conducted any sort of DNA analyses?
  - A Yes, I have.
  - Q And what does that entail?
- A So, with DNA analysis, when we get a case, we will screen evidence as necessary for any biological material, and after that, we do a series of laboratory steps. So the first step is called an extraction where we isolate any DNA that may be present on a sample. After we isolate the DNA, we want to quantify it, see how much DNA is present, and once we've done that, we ultimately want to put the DNA through a DNA copy machine, where we'll make millions and millions of copies of certain parts of the DNA, and we run it through an instrument that takes pictures of it. And when we put those pictures together, we create the DNA profile.
  - Q So, it might be basic, but what is DNA?
- A DNA stands for deoxyribonucleic acid. It's a compound that's found in nearly cell within our body. We

inherit half of our DNA from our mom and half from our dad, and what ultimately DNA carries is the instructions and information that makes us the individuals that we are, from our hair, and our eye color, our height, the size of our organs, things of that nature.

O So where is DNA found in humans?

A It can be found in the skin, it can be found in blood, other body fluids like semen and saliva. Nearly every cell that is in your body, with the exception of red blood cells.

Q So if DNA is on the human body and in the human body, how is it that we're able to test other objects with DNA?

A Well, what happens when you get a cut or a scrape, you bleed on the table. We can do DNA analysis on maybe a swab from that table because you left behind blood. Let's say you -- when you go home every day and you put your hand on a doorknob, when you put your hand on that doorknob, because the DNA is in certain skin cells, if you kind of shed your skin cells onto that doorknob, you're going to be leaving behind, in some respect, some DNA.

Q So what's the difference between the doorknob DNA and the blood that's left behind DNA?

A The blood DNA is from -- comes from within your body. A DNA from the doorknob is what we sometimes will --

you'll hear touch DNA, and that DNA is very variable, just because of the nature of -- there are so many environmental factors involved in shedding DNA from the skin.

Q So what do you mean by that, that it's variable?

A Well, if I were to scratch somebody's arm, I'm having direct contact with someone's skin, where I'll be able to take off skin cells very readily. If I'm just touching a doorknob, for example, so many other people come in contact with that doorknob, so I might not be the only one leaving behind that DNA. If it's -- if it's really warm out and I'm sweating, maybe then I will leave a lot of DNA, because with that sweat is going to come skin cells. If it's very cold, I'm not going to be sweating as much, and therefore, I might not leave behind DNA. There are a bunch of different factors in regards to how easily you shed DNA, what the temperature is like outside, what other environmental conditions are like. So we consider it very variable.

Q So if I were to bleed onto this podium here versus touching this podium, the blood would be more likely to find DNA than the touch?

A Probably, yes.

Q Okay. Now, you also mentioned just there about multiple people touching a certain object and touch DNA. What does that do?

A What that will do -- it depends. Depending on the

person, depending on how many people, you may have -- you may -- we may get a profile that contains multiple people in there because so many people have touched a certain item and left behind their DNA on a certain item.

Q And does that cause any problem for you as the examiner?

- A Depending on how much DNA is essentially in that sample, it may result in the inability to interpret certain DNA profiles we obtain.
- Q So what sort of results can you get in your analysis?
- A We really have one of two options. We can either get a single-source profile, which is a DNA profile that comes from one contributor, or we can get a mixture DNA profile, which is consistent with being from more than one contributor.
- Q And then, when you analyze either a mixture or a single-source against a known source, what can you ultimately conclude?
- A Well, when we're doing our comparisons with any known DNA profiles we have, we can make inclusions, and we can make exclusions, or, depending on that evidence sample profile, we might not be able to make any conclusions at all.
- Q So how is it that the DNA analysis actually done with a known sample versus what you've just (inaudible)?
  - A Okay. So if I have -- if I have a single-source

profile and I have a known DNA profile, we look at a certain number of locations on the DNA. After I've generated both profiles, I make my evidence interpretation first, and then, after I've done that, I will go side by side and compare the profile at each location. If -- if I go down each location, I may match, then we say that question or evidence sample is consistent with this known sample. If I find any location that isn't consistent, then we can say that that known person is excluded from being part of that profile.

- Q So, did you conduct a DNA analysis reference this case?
- 12 A Yes, I did.
- Q And is that specifically reference an event number that the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department uses?
  - A Yes.
- 16 O And that'd be 1601280259?
- 17 A Yes.

- Q And is that event number found on the evidence bags where the evidence is stored?
  - A Correct.
  - Q And do you -- how is it that you get evidence to end up conducting an analysis?
  - A Okay. That evidence is found at the main Las Vegas vault where all the evidence is kept. So when I get a request, I will call up the evidence, and the employees at the

evidence vault will bring that evidence to the lab, where it goes into my custody, and we do electronic custody. And once it's in my custody, I'll keep it in the -- in the laboratory. We have our own small DNA vault, which is behind a key card access and a push pad access, so -- and then within that is an evidence locker that I have the key for. So, once it's in my custody, we keep it in a secure location as the lab has.

- Q So, as part of this case, were you requested to take a look at two items; namely, Ruger handgun, and magazine, and a Baretta handgun?
  - A As well as a reference standard, yes.
  - O And what was the reference standard?
- 13 A The reference standard was a known DNA sample from 14 Christopher Keller.
  - Q And how is it that a known DNA sample is generally obtained?
- MR. FRIZZELL: I'm going to object, Your Honor. We need to approach.
- 19 THE COURT: Okay.
- 20 (Off-record bench conference)
- 21 THE COURT: All right, Mr. Dickerson, go ahead.
- 22 BY MR. DICKERSON:

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- Q Ms. Rubino, did the known DNA source from the individual in this case come from a buccal swab?
- 25 A Yes, it did.

- Q And that was a buccal swab that was collected and impounded under the event number that we just spoke of?
  - A I believe so, yes.
  - Q Okay, as well as the guns?
- A Yes.

- Q Okay. And we heard about what a buccal swab is and how it's taken. How is it that you use the buccal swab?
- A Well, after I've processed evidence, so in this case, the two guns and the magazine; after I've -- after I've done my work with those, examining those items, I will examine any reference standards I have. When we're doing analyses, we make sure to separate when we do evidence samples from any known samples, so I will spend a week doing my question samples and processing them, taking them, opening them one at a time, and then after all that is done, I'll go back and start examining the reference standards.
- Q So, in this case, you specifically got a Ruger handgun as one of the items you were going to analyze; is that right?
- 20 A Correct.
  - Q Showing you now what's already been admitted as State's Exhibit 88 and its contents inside, do you recognize this tag on State's Exhibit 88?
- 24 A Yes, I do.
  - Q And how is it that you recognize it?

A Well, this has a tag, and it has our laboratory number, our laboratory item number, and then my initials, my personnel number, and the date that I analyzed it.

- Q And that's on the evidence tag?
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- O And so what does that indicate about this item?
- A That it was in my custody at some point.
  - Q Okay. And is that normal when you receive something in your custody that you mark it?
- 10 A Yes, we'll mark it.
- Q I also see that there's a blue piece of tape on here that says "Evidence." What is that?
  - A So, normally, the packages we receive are paper bags, sometimes envelopes in which, when we're sealing, we'll close the seal with a laboratory-specific tape, which is the blue and -- blue and white tape on this tag. Because this was a different container than we normally receive, we want to make sure that we have some sort of seal on there so that we know that, after it's been here, if that seal has been broken, somebody else has gotten into it.
  - Q So when you see this, was the seal broken?
- 22 A No.
- 23 Q Okay. And inside of it, there was a gun?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q The .9 millimeter Ruger?

A Yes.

Q And what, if anything, did you do to start an analysis on that Ruger?

A What I did was just essentially look at it, make documentation on it, and then I prepared a swab -- or I swabbed some of the textured areas, including the grips and the trigger, which is good areas that we usually swab on firearms for DNA, because the trigger is a small surface, and it's something that, if a sample is submitted for latent prints, they wouldn't be able to really get too much off of that. Grips on a gun are usually textured, and that's also a place where latent prints wouldn't be. So, with grips, they have these textured surfaces, which is a good place for DNA, because it's going to rub up against the skin, and hopefully we'll be able to acquire some skin cells.

- Q Now, you also received a Baretta handgun --
- 17 A Correct.
  - Q -- (inaudible) this case? Showing you here what's already been admitted as State's Exhibit 81 and its contents, which are numbered sequentially after that, do you recognize State's Exhibit 81?
  - A Yes, I do.
    - Q And how is it that you recognize it?
  - A I recognize it. It has our laboratory number, our laboratory item number, my personnel number with my initials,

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- Q And does this bag here -- was this containing the .22 handgun, the Baretta?
  - A Yes.
    - Q And is that the gun that you analyzed?
- 6 A Yes.
- Q And this blue tape here, does that indicate anything 8 to you as well?
- 9 A That has my personnel number and initials as well, 10 meaning that I sealed up that -- that evidence.
- 11 Q So would that have been where you opened the bag 12 from?
- 13 A Correct.
- Q And closed the bag?
- 15 A Correct.
- Q So upon receiving these two guns, did you also take steps on the Baretta to analyze that?
- 18 A Similar to that of the Ruger, yes.
- Q And when you took those swabbings from both guns,
  were you able to compare them against a reference sample for
  Christopher Keller?
- 22 A I could not.
- Q Okay. You could not compare them?
- A I could not compare them because the DNA results were inconclusive.

Q And why is that?

- A Well, the profiles that I obtained -- we'll start with the Ruger. I obtained a mixture DNA profile that consisted of at least two individuals, one -- at least one being a male, but because I had such limited data, other than those two conclusions, I couldn't make any other conclusions. So, ultimately, this was an inconclusive profile.
  - Q And what about the magazine for the Ruger?
- A The magazine for the Ruger, I had similar results. I had a mixture DNA profile of at least two individuals, with at least one being a male, but unfortunately, due to the limited data, I couldn't draw any other conclusions.
- Q What about the Ruger? I'm sorry, the Baretta. I'm sorry.
  - A For the Baretta, I obtained a mixture of two individuals, but due to the limited data, I couldn't make any additional conclusions.
  - Q So, you can't tell me whether Mr. Keller's DNA is on that gun?
  - A No, I cannot.
- Q And you also can't tell me that his DNA is not on that gun?
  - A It -- the results were inconclusive.
- Q And that's just due to te profiles not being able to tell the one specific individual?

A We have certain standard operating procedures and interpretation guidelines in place based on our validated data for our work, and none of these profiles met the specifications in order to make any comparisons to reference standards.

MR. DICKERSON: State will pass the witness.

THE COURT: Cross?

#### CROSS-EXAMINATION

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- Q Ms. Rubino, so the bottom line is, is you tested two guns and a magazine, correct?
- 12 A Correct.
  - Q Okay. And out of those two guns and a magazine, you cannot say that my client -- you did not find my client's DNA on any of those items?
- 16 A All of my results were inconclusive.
  - Q And inconclusive means that you can't say for sure whose DNA is on there?
- 19 A Correct.
- Q Okay. Now, were you given any other items to test, or just these three items?
  - A Those three were the only requested.
- Q Okay. So you didn't test anything else regarding this case; just those three things?
- 25 A Just those three things.

1 Okay. Was there any -- was there anyone else that you know of in your office that was asked to test anything else from this? 3 4 Usually, when -- when one person starts a laboratory 5 case, they'll be the ones that get any subsequent requests for testing, so I don't think anybody else would have gotten any 6 7 requests. MR. FRIZZELL: Okay, perfect. That's all I have. 8 9 THE COURT: Anything further? MR. DICKERSON: Nothing from the State, Your Honor. 10 11 THE COURT: Okay. So, Ms. Rubino, it was nice 12 seeing you again. 13 Thank you. THE WITNESS: 14 THE COURT: You can step down. You're excused. 15 you have a short witness? 16 MR. BUNNETT: State calls Officer -- or Detective Michael Belmont. 17 18 THE COURT: Okay. 19 THE MARSHAL: Watch your step up. Face the clerk, 20 she'll swear you in. 21 DETECTIVE MICHAEL BELMONT, STATE'S WITNESS, SWORN 22 THE CLERK: Thank you. Please be seated. 23 THE WITNESS: Thank you. 24 THE CLERK: Please state your full name, spelling

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- Q Did you respond to a specific unit there?
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- A -- was a unit already assigned.
- Q Okay, but did you respond to Unit F in that apartment complex?
  - A There was a -- yes, I do believe it was F.
- Q Okay. Do you know who else was there?
- 11 A There was a couple patrol units, and of course we
  12 responded with their -- our particular unit as far as the
  13 detectives.
- Q So you all responded together?
- 15 A That's correct.
- 16 Q Was Detective Embry with you?
- 17 A He was.
- Q Okay. And do you recall the patrol units who were there?
- A No, sir. There was a primary unit there, and I do believe a secondary unit there.
  - Q Okay, so why did you respond to that location?
- A There was a patrol unit that had stopped a vehicle, and upon the stop, they were seeking a search warrant in that particular time frame.

- Q Okay. Was the search warrant a search warrant for a car or a search warrant for a house?
  - A It was for a car.
  - Q It was for a car?
  - A Yes, the first search --
- Q So you actually -- you actually responded when they were just searching the car?
  - A It was after.
  - Q Okay. Did you eventually participate in the search of a house?
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- 12 Q Okay. And what was your role during that search?
- A Basically, I inventoried as far as if anybody found anything inside the house, I would annotate and document it, and I did the property report for that particular -- for the items located.
- Q So, in essence, you're the person who's essentially walking around and writing down where everything's found?
  - A Sort of like a scribe.
- 20 Q Sort of like a scribe?
- 21 A Yes, sir.
- 22 Q Is that what you would typically call it?
- A No, that's how I would describe it though.
- Q Okay. Were you also -- did you also participate in 25 a search?

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- Q What area did you search?
- A Just the immediate area where I stayed in, because it was less congested, was the kitchen, so I sort of just stayed in that area.
  - Q Okay. And what in the kitchen did you search?
- A Just the cupboards. I'd take a look at the cupboards, and then I'd look through the refrigerator, the oven, that sort of thing.
- Q Okay. When you looked through the refrigerator -- and before I get there, actually, could you -- is this one of those refrigerators with -- is it one with like two doors directly next to each other, or is it one with --
- 14 A It's a top and bottom. Top was the freezer, bottom
  15 was like your open shelf --
- 16 Q Okay.
- 17 A -- doors.
- 18 Q Did you search both of them?
- 19 A I did.
- Q Did you find anything in either of them?
- 21 A I did.
- 22 Q And where did you --
- 23 A I found --
- Q First of all, what did you find?
- 25 A I found a jar, it was maybe 18 inches tall, and it

was like a -- like a Mason jar almost. Had a flat top and it had a green leafy substance in it.

- Q Okay, and did you believe that green leafy substance was any particular substance?
  - A Yes, sir, I believed it to be marijuana.
  - Q Okay.

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- MR. BUNNETT: May I approach Madam Clerk?
- THE COURT: Yes.
- MR. BUNNETT: May I approach the witness?
- 10 THE COURT: Yes.
- 11 BY MR. BUNNETT:
- Q All right, I'm showing you what's been previously admitted as State's Exhibit 87.
- 14 A All right, sir.
- 15 Q Do you recognize that?
- 16 A I don't --
- 17 Q Okay.
- 18 A -- recognize the parcel, no.
- Q Okay, but if you feel the parcel, do you -- does
- 20 that -- do you feel something inside there?
- 21 A Yeah, it feels like a jar.
- 22 Q So that, to you, feels like a jar?
- A Yeah. And it does say, as far as -- and that's my
- 24 writing right there, "Glass jar with ODV-positive marijuana,
- 25 | 188 point (inaudible) grams net."

- 1 I'm also going to show you what's been previously marked as State's Proposed 61. Do you recognize 3 this? 4 Α Yes, sir. And what's that? 5 And that is the jar. 6 Α 7 And is that the jar of marijuana you found? Q 8 That's correct. Α 9 0 Is that a fair and accurate depiction of the jar you found? 10 It is. Yes, sir. 11 Α 12 MR. BUNNETT: And Your Honor, at this time, State 13 would move to admit State's Proposed 61. 14 THE COURT: Any objection? 15 MR. FRIZZELL: I thought it was -- I thought it had 16 already been admitted. No, no objection. 17 THE COURT: All right. 18 MR. BUNNETT: And permission to publish that, Your 19 Honor? 20 THE COURT: Yes.
- 21 BY MR. BUNNETT:
- Q So that's the jar?
- 23 A That is.
- Q And are those your hands in the picture?
- 25 A It may be. I don't know at the time.

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A But I know everyone was gloved up, so if I touched anything, it would have been -- I would have been gloved up also.

- Q Okay. And in the background, is that the freezer where you found it?
- A Yes.
  - Q All right.
  - MR. BUNNETT: Nothing further, Your Honor.
- 10 THE COURT: Cross?
- MR. FRIZZELL: I guess just -- just one.
- 12 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 13 BY MR. FRIZZELL:
- Q Officer, do you recall -- I know they took it back.
- 15 Do you recall what the weight was?
- 16 A 1 --
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- 18 A I think I read 188.4, sir.
- Q Okay. Were you -- would you have been the one to weigh it?
- A We actually weighed the properties or the narcotics
  -- or purported narcotics back at Northeast Area Command.
- Q But would you have been the one to weigh it?
- A I'd have to take a look at the ODV test, sir, to see if I actually weighed it.

- Q Okay. Do you know if it was -- if it was -- if the contents were emptied and it was weighed, or if it was weighed with that glass jar?
- A Well, if it said net, it would have been -- it would have been without the jar.
- Q Okay, okay. And so it said "net"? Is that what
  you're saying?
  - A I do believe I read "net."
  - Q Was that your --
  - A So it would have been taken -- it would --
- 11 Q Sorry.

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- 12 A It would have been taken out of the jar.
- 13 Q And was that your writing on there -- on that?
- 14 A It was. Not the top though, just as far as what --
- 15 Q Okay. Well --
- 16 A -- was written down --
- Q -- can I have it back, please? Just so we can identify what portion you're saying is your writing.
  - A I recognize this.
- 20 Q Again, we're looking at State's Exhibit 87.
- 22 handwriting. Now, I don't have my glasses, and I do apologize

That's correct. I recognize this particular

- 23 to the Court for not bringing them, but as far as -- this is
- 24 not -- these are not my initials. I did not impound this
- 25 particular property.

1 Q Okay.

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- 2 A But I wrote this particular part right here --
  - Q Okay, so basically, where it says "Impounded item description," and then an item number --
    - A That's correct, Item number 4.
  - Q -- which is Item number 4, and then the contents?
- 7 A Yes, sir. I wrote that.
  - Q That's your writing?
  - A That is my writing.
- 10 Q But everything above that line --
- 11 A I don't recognize it.
- 12 Q -- is not your writing?
- 13 A No, I just --
- 14 Q Okay.
- 15 A -- don't recognize it, sir.
- Q Okay. So you wouldn't -- you say you wouldn't have been the one that sealed this up?
- 18 A No, sir. I may not have been the person, because we
- 19 were helping -- there was a large amount that was located, so
- 20 we had a lot of people working at that particular time frame.
- 21 | Now, the impounding officer would have been D9806L.
- 22 Q Okay. Do you know who that is?
- A No, sir, I don't.
- Q Okay. And when you filled out this part that you --
- 25 that you say is your writing --

A Um-hum.

Q -- below the thick black line here, below the thick black line I'm showing the jury, the one line right there below the -- below the black line. Anything below that being yours below what you're saying is your writing?

A That -- I do believe those are if individuals take those particular items out. If -- let's say your chain of custody in this particular incidence, someone by those initials and by that particular P number took this particular property out on 9/6 of '16 at this particular time frame.

Q Okay. The writing where you're saying that that's your writing --

A Um-hum.

Q -- was that -- would that have -- would you have put that on there before the rest of this writing, or do you recall?

A It's -- I would have put it on before, because I was in charge of the property sheet itself, the property sheet.

So I kept track of all the -- as far as Package 1, Item 1;

Package 2, Item 2, I had to write that out, because basically, I was the scribe. So I would put that on, and whoever was impounding it at the time after they had done their initial tests would know that this was Item number 4, and four of particularly eight packages total.

Q Okay. So once you -- once you put your card on

here, what do you do with -- what do you do with this?

A It's sealed -- it's sealed, and then the individuals sign it off as far as whoever's doing the impound.

- Q But on this, so --
- 5 A Um-hum.

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- Q -- you would have -- who would you have -- when you filled this out, this part, who would you have handed it back to?
- 9 A That would have went to this individual right here, 10 T9806L.
- 11 Q Okay.
- 12 A And he would have impounded that particular item.
- Q Okay. But as we sit here today, you can't tell me who -- who it is that did that?
- 15 A I'm assuming it might be --
- 16 Q Well, I don't want you to assume.
- 17 A Well --
- 18 Q If you know --
- 19 A No, I don't know.
- 20 Q Okay.
- 21 A I don't know that P number. I'm sorry.
- 22 Q Okay. All right, all right.
- 23 MR. FRIZZELL: I have nothing further, Your Honor.
- 24 THE COURT: Any further?
- 25 MR. BUNNETT: Yes, Your Honor. And I'm going to ask

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Metro?

- A No, not necessarily --
- Q Okay.

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- A -- to be honest.
- Q But this -- it looks like there's a J14211A written across the tape?
- A Correct.
- Q Okay. So, based on Metro's procedures, would that be the person who opened up and resealed that?
  - A That's correct.
- Q Okay. So I'm going to give this to you, and in a second, I'm going to ask you to open up --
- MR. BUNNETT: And Madam Clerk, to the right, the right side.
- 14 THE COURT: Just do it where you're not touching the 15 -- hitting the seams.
- MR. BUNNETT: Okay.
- 17 THE COURT: Just do it on one of those corners.
- 18 THE CLERK: (Inaudible).
- 19 THE COURT: Yeah, just let her open it.
- 20 MR. BUNNETT: Okay, we'll let Madam Clerk open it.
- 21 For the record, that was -- couldn't complete open the bag,
- 22 but across the same way as the tape.
- 23 BY MR. BUNNETT:
- Q And before I give this to you, would you like 25 gloves?

- A Yes, sir.
- Q Okay.

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- MR. BUNNETT: Court's indulgence.
- 4 BY MR. BUNNETT:
- Q All right, I'm going to ask you to put that all back in the bag.
  - A Okay.
    - Q I'm going to show you what's been admitted, again, as State's 61. Now, in your experience, have you ever been involved in stops involving marijuana?
- 11 A I have.
- Q Okay. And in your typical experience, when you normally stop somebody for possessing marijuana, is that usually an amount of personal use?
- 15 A No, that's -- that's pretty high. That's not --
  - Q Okay, well, I meant in your experience when you have stopped somebody, they were possessing the marijuana -- or what you believed was personal use?
- A No, that's not -- not to me, that's not personal use.
- Q Okay. So just -- my question's not getting out really the way I want it to get out.
  - A I'm sorry.
- 24 Q That's okay. This amount is not personal use --
- 25 A That's correct.

- Q -- in your opinion?
- A That's correct.
  - Q Okay.

MR. BUNNETT: I have nothing further.

5 THE COURT: Recross?

MR. FRIZZELL: No, Your Honor.

THE COURT: And just for the record, I want to make sure, the bag is 87, the contents, the jar will be 87A, the ODV test will be 87B, and the bag that wasn't opened here is 87C. Okay?

MR. DICKERSON: Okay. Thank you, Your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. Anything -- okay, anything further from the parties? Nothing from -- okay. Detective, thank you so much for your testimony.

THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor.

THE COURT: You can step down. You're excused.

THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Okay. Ladies and gentlemen, we're going to take our evening recess.

During this evening, once again, you're admonished not to converse amongst yourself or with anyone else on any subject connected with this trial, or read, watch, or listen to any report or commentary on the trial by any person connected with this case, or by any medium of information, including, without limitation, newspapers, television, the

internet, or radio. You're further admonished not to form or express any opinion on any subject connected with this trial until the case is finally submitted to you.

8:30 tomorrow morning, all right? Be here tomorrow 8:30. We're going to get started at 8:30. You get the whole -- we don't have a calendar, right? Okay.

MR. FRIZZELL: Your Honor, I have a pretty full calendar tomorrow morning.

THE COURT: What's that?

MR. FRIZZELL: I have a pretty full calendar tomorrow morning.

THE COURT: So are we going to wait for your calendar to be done; is that what you want me to do? When are you going to be done?

MR. FRIZZELL: I've got a few cases up with Judge Leavitt. They're other appointed cases. I'll do my best. Hold on, I'm pulling up my calendar.

THE COURT: She doesn't start a calendar until 9:00.

THE CLERK: She starts at 8:30.

MR. FRIZZELL: No, she starts at 8:00 now.

THE COURT: She starts at 8:30?

MR. FRIZZELL: No, she --

THE COURT: Okay, I'll give you -- we'll start at 9:00. Be here tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock, okay? Thank you.

All right. We'll be at ease while the jury leaves the room.

(Jury recessed at 4:39 P.M.)

THE COURT: Okay, we're outside the presence of the jury. During the testimony of Officer Lopez, there was an objection lodged by the defense with regards to Exhibit 85 with respect to the five glass smoking pipes; his testimony that those were used and also other ones were found that were new. Mr. Frizzell, do you wish to make a record as to that any further? You objected to it, and I indicated at the bench that, based on what you indicated here, that I wasn't going to overrule the -- I wasn't going to sustain the objection, so.

MR. FRIZZELL: And I don't have any other record to make, so.

THE COURT: Okay, so are you withdrawing your objection?

MR. FRIZZELL: I don't want to withdraw it, but you're overruling it, so --

THE COURT: I know, but did you want to make a record as to what you were arguing with respect to that?

MR. FRIZZELL: No.

THE COURT: All right. Okay. Anything further from the parties?

MR. DICKERSON: Just a brief record on our part,
Your Honor, that the objection was relevance on Mr. Frizzell's
part, that those items are relevant to show the knowledge of
the defendant both to the nature of the substance and the

possession of the substance itself; knowing possession and knowing the nature of it, that's why we admitted those. At the time we were admitting those, there was belief that they were clean, but nonetheless, the clean and the dirty pipes are all relevant, as well as being part of the res gestae of the crime, being found together with the items in these search warrants, especially that they are tools of the trade in both using and possessing and selling these narcotics, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Okay.

MR. FRIZZELL: Well, and for that, Your Honor, because there was -- because when we opened it, basically, there was only -- there was only dirty in there is why I'm not making anymore of a record, so.

THE COURT: Okay. All right, so okay, be here by 9:00 o'clock tomorrow. Mr. Dickerson, Mr. Bunnett, I would suggest maybe in the future you got two deputies working. Both of you can be looking at the evidence while the other one's presenting.

MR. DICKERSON: Okay.

THE COURT: I also would suggest that you write down a list of everything you have, Exhibits 1 through 90, or whatever you have, on a piece of paper you have. That way, you can go right to the number you need, and so when one deputy's questioning, he can tell you -- the other deputy, hey, I'm going to need this, and so you can fumble through it.

That way, we're not doing it in front of the jury like that, 1 okay? 3 MR. DICKERSON: Absolutely. 4 THE COURT: All right. MR. DICKERSON: So Your Honor doesn't mind if I'm up 5 there while he's questioning then? 6 7 THE COURT: That's fine. I don't mind. I don't 8 mind --9 MR. DICKERSON: Thank you very much. THE COURT: -- if you're addressing that. It makes 10 it move a little bit easier, okay? 11 12 MR. DICKERSON: We'll be doing that tomorrow. 13 you very much, Your Honor. 14 THE COURT: All right. Okay. 15 MR. FRIZZELL: And Your Honor, I just want to tell you, this was a revo that came up, and I just got noticed 16 about it, so that -- I mean, I'll get here as soon as I can --17 THE COURT: All right, just let her know --18 19 MR. FRIZZELL: -- but that's where I'm going to be. THE COURT: Just let her know you're in trial, and 20 21 we'll wait. We can't go without you. 22 MR. FRIZZELL: That's fine. 23 THE COURT: Okay. 24 MR. FRIZZELL: But I just wanted to let you know it was something that just recently came up. 25

THE COURT: Okay. MR. FRIZZELL: Otherwise -- I had cleared everything otherwise. THE COURT: Okay. All right, we'll see you tomorrow then, okay? MR. FRIZZELL: Thank you. MR. DICKERSON: Thank you, Your Honor. THE COURT: We're off the record. (Court recessed at 4:42 P.M., until Thursday, March 9, 2017, at 9:14 A.M. 

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