

1 **TAPED TRANSCRIPT OF CATHERINE SANCHEZ**
2 **INTERVIEW CONDUCTED BY DETECTIVE JEROLD WHITE**

3 **CASE NUMBER – 08-069208**

4 **JULY 24, 2008**

5 **JW – DETECTIVE JEROLD WHITE**

6 **CS – MS. CATHERINE SANCHEZ**

7 **JW:** Okay, this is Detective White with the Orange County Sheriff's Office Domestic
8 Violence Unit. Today is July 24, 2008. And it's 10:35 a.m.

9 **CS:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

10 **JW:** And then the following interview is in reference to case number 08-069208. And
11 I'm at 7501 East Colonial Drive, which is uh, the Amscot uhm, what's, what's....

12 **CS:** The corner of Colonial, Goldenrod and Colonial.

13 **JW:** Okay.

14 **CS:** Yeah (affirmative).

15 **JW:** Okay. Uhm, and I am with Ms. Catherine Sanchez.

16 **CS:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

17 **JW:** How do you spell your first name?

18 **CS:** Catherine. C-A-T-H-E-R-I-N-E.

19 **JW:** And your last name?

20 **CS:** Sanchez; S-A-N-C-H-E-Z.

21 **JW:** And what's a good address for you?

22 **CS:** [REDACTED]

23 **JW:** Okay.

24 **CS:** [REDACTED]

25 **JW:** Okay, and what's a good phone number for you?

1 **CS:** [REDACTED]

2 **JW:** Okay. And you work at the uh, the Amscot at uh, 7501 East Colonial Drive,
3 correct?

4 **CS:** Yes.

5 **JW:** How long have you worked there?

6 **CS:** Uhm, since April 14.

7 **JW:** Okay. And what's your, what's your job title?

8 **CS:** I'm the branch manager.

9 **JW:** Okay. So that means nothing moves without your say so?

10 **CS:** Exactly (laughs).

11 **JW:** Okay.

12 **CS:** I hope so (laughing).

13 **JW:** Alright. Uhm, I understand that uh, you uh, signed for a car to be towed from the
14 uh, Amscot parking lot. (Inaudible) have Johnson's Wreckers (inaudible). Uhm,
15 on this form it's got uhm, uh, a date and a time, uhm, car make and model, and
16 uh, some property owner data.

17 **CS:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

18 **JW:** Uhm, basically it says it's a uhm, a Pontiac Sunfire, has uhm, lists with the uh,
19 Florida tag that's on it. And it's uh, got uhm, your name printed and is this your
20 signature?

21 **CS:** Yes.

22 **JW:** Tell me how you came about to uhm, filling out this form and to uh, being
23 involved with this car.

24 **CS:** Uhm, when I came into work on Friday I saw the car parked in the, next to a trash
25 can...

1 **JW:** Okay.

2 **CS:** ...in the parking lot.

3 **JW:** Well Friday when?

4 **CS:** Uhm, I can't, prob...probably in the morning. Uhm, oh, Friday, the day the, it was
5 the 27th, June the 27th.

6 **JW:** Okay. So you see the car parked uhm, in the parking lot...

7 **CS:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

8 **JW:** ...by your dumpster?

9 **CS:** Yes.

10 **JW:** Okay, what are you uh, what, what do you do uh, about it?

11 **CS:** Uhm, nothing. I mean it, it was daytime so uh, there's a few cars. I didn't see no
12 customer. At first there probably would be, it belonged to somebody next, to the
13 other businesses, next business so I didn't do anything about it.

14 **JW:** Okay.

15 **CS:** Then when I came back Saturday, the 28th, in the morning, I believe it was seven
16 o'clock in the morning I saw the car again.

17 **JW:** Okay.

18 **CS:** So I kind of figure, all the other business are closed so it can't belong to anybody
19 there. I call my corporate office to let them, specifically my complain uhm,
20 person Richard (unintelligible).

21 **JW:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

22 **CS:** And he told me to call and run the car to make sure that it's not stolen or and just
23 wait and see one more day.

24 **JW:** Alright, so what do you do?

25 **CS:** I call the police, Orlando Police Department.

1 **JW:** Okay, uh, you called the uh, Orlando Police Department or Orange County
2 Sheriff's Office? Who did you call?
3 **CS:** (Sighs.) I, I, uh, it's a non-emergency number. I'm not too sure. It probably was,
4 it could be probably the other one.
5 **JW:** So you called the non-emergency number?
6 **CS:** Uh-hum (affirmative), non-emergency number.
7 **JW:** And what did you say?
8 **CS:** That I wanted to, we have an abandoned car in our parking lot and I wanted to
9 make sure that it's not stolen so we can tow it.
10 **JW:** And what did they, what did they say to you?
11 **CS:** And they asked me for the information on the car.
12 **JW:** Okay.
13 **CS:** And they say it wasn't reported stolen, that I can go ahead and call.
14 **JW:** Okay. Okay, so uh, you off the phone with them....
15 **CS:** Uh-hum (affirmative).
16 **JW:** ...and what do you do?
17 **CS:** Well that was uhm, Saturday. I waited until Monday.
18 **JW:** Okay.
19 **CS:** And I got my corporate entrust me to wait one more day.
20 **JW:** Okay.
21 **CS:** So Monday when I get here the car's still here. I call.
22 **JW:** What time is that on Monday?
23 **CS:** I get, I got here about seven. It's about, it was about seven-thirty I called them.
24 **JW:** Okay. So you come in at seven and uhm, you call corporate?
25 **CS:** No. I didn't call corporate. I call directly the Johns...Johnson.

1 **JW:** Johnson's Wrecker?

2 **CS:** Well the, yeah (affirmative), the towing company.

3 **JW:** And what do you say to them?

4 **CS:** That I have an abandoned car.

5 **JW:** Okay. And what do they say to you?

6 **CS:** No, they just ask me for the address, my name and who I am.

7 **JW:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

8 **CS:** And then they uhm, a gentleman came then.

9 **JW:** Okay, so uhm, when the, when the gentleman comes uh, do you have a
10 conversation with him?

11 **CS:** No. He just asked me to sign. You know, he asks, he verify that that was me
12 that called and the address and the location.

13 **JW:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

14 **CS:** I point him to the car and he asked me to sign this.

15 **JW:** Okay. So what does he uhm, so he comes over. He uhm, he has you sign this
16 form?

17 **CS:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

18 **JW:** This is your signature?

19 **CS:** Yeah (affirmative), it is.

20 **JW:** Alright, so you fill out the form?

21 **CS:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

22 **JW:** And does he give you a copy of it?

23 **CS:** No, I didn't get a copy of that.

24 **JW:** Okay.

25 **CS:** Huh-huh (negative).

1 **JW:** So he says okay, we'll get the car out of here?
2 **CS:** Uh-hum (affirmative), yeah (affirmative).
3 **JW:** And?
4 **CS:** He towed the car.
5 **JW:** Okay. Uhm, have you heard from Johnson's Wrecker since then about this car?
6 **CS:** Not at all.
7 **JW:** Uh, has the car's owner contacted you?
8 **CS:** No, not at all, huh-huh (negative).
9 **JW:** Has uhm, anybody in reference uhm, to the family that might own this car...
10 **CS:** Huh-huh (negative).
11 **JW:** ...have contacted you?
12 **CS:** No one.
13 **JW:** Okay. Uhm, had, have you seen this car before ever?
14 **CS:** No, no.
15 **JW:** Alright. Uh, do you have any other information that you think we need to know
16 about?
17 **CS:** No, not really.
18 **JW:** Alright.
19 **CS:** That's it.
20 **JW:** When you, when you saw the car did you ever walk around the car?
21 **CS:** Yes, I went to the, I walked to the car.
22 **JW:** Did you look inside?
23 **CS:** Yeah (affirmative), I did.
24 **JW:** Okay. How close to the car did you get?
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1 **CS:** Uhm, very close. Just like when I, like when I go to my car. I just wanted to
2 make sure there was nothing out of the ordinary, you know.

3 **JW:** Did you touch it?

4 **CS:** No, I didn't touch it, no.

5 **JW:** Oh, okay. Did you smell anything uhm, different about the car?

6 **CS:** No, no, huh-huh (negative).

7 **JW:** Okay. Did you see anything uhm, out of the ordinary on the seats, or uhm,
8 dashboard, or on the floors or anything?

9 **CS:** Uhm, no. The only thing it was just a little messy inside, but nothing out of the
10 ordinary, no (laughs).

11 **JW:** Okay.

12 **CS:** It was parked next to the trash can too so I could not determine there was
13 anything you know, smell.

14 **JW:** Okay.

15 **CS:** Yeah (affirmative).

16 **JW:** Raise your right hand. Do you swear the information you provided is true and
17 accurate to the best of your knowledge?

18 **CS:** Yes.

19 **JW:** Alrighty. Well today is still July 24, 2008.

20 **CS:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

21 **JW:** And it's 10:41 a.m.

22 **CS:** Okay.

23 **JW:** And that'll conclude this interview.

24 **CS:** Okay, it's no problem. Thank you.

25 **End of recorded statement.**

1 **This transcript has been reviewed for accuracy.**

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