

1 **TAPED TRANSCRIPT OF LIEUTENANT MELANIE MONROE**

2 **INTERVIEW CONDUCTED BY CORPORAL MELICH**

3 **CASE NUMBER – 08-069208**

4 **AUGUST 14, 2008**

5 **YM – CORPORAL YURI MELICH**

6 **SB – AGENT SCOTT BOWEN**

7 **MM – LIEUTENANT MELANIE MONROE**

8 **YM:** Okay, the date right now is August 14, 2008. The time right now is 1616 hours.
9 I'm Detective Melich with the Orange County Sheriff's Office. I'm here at the
10 Orange County Corrections Facility, in the office of Lieutenant Monroe. Uhm,
11 also present is FBI Agent Scott Bowlan. And uh, Lieutenant Monroe, I wanted to
12 get a quick statement from you regarding a letter that uhm, is in my hand here
13 addressed to Sheriff Kevin Beary. It's stapled three times and it has a little piece
14 of tape on the bottom of. Is this the same letter you just handed to me?

15 **MM:** Yes, it is.

16 **YM:** Okay. Regarding this letter, uh, which inmate did this letter come from?

17 **MM:** My understanding is that uhm, Inmate Anthony wrote that letter.

18 **YM:** Anthony?

19 **MM:** Casey Anthony.

20 **YM:** Casey Anthony? Okay. And how long ago was this letter handed to one of your
21 officers, or when did you first learn of it?

22 **MM:** I got the phone call just prior to four o'clock uhm, that she had written a letter
23 addressed to Sheriff Kevin Beary.

24 **YM:** Okay.

25 **MM:** And I walked over to the facility and took possession of the letter.

1 **YM:** Okay. And how did the, who was the first person to take possession of this letter
2 that you know of?

3 **MM:** That I know of uhm, Officer Marlene Baker is assigned to that unit. And I spoke
4 to Officer Baker briefly and I, and I asked her specifically did Inmate Anthony
5 make any comment when she produced the letter and she said no, and that
6 Baker did not ask anything when she got the letter.

7 **YM:** Okay. And did she give the letter to you?

8 **MM:** No. She gave it to Sergeant Moonsamy and when I spoke to Sergeant
9 Moonsamy uhm, he indicated that he stapled the letter closed so that uhm, there
10 wouldn't be any thought that anybody had read the letter since it was addressed
11 to our agency.

12 **YM:** Okay. And then I got a phone call from you at about uh, 3:40 this afternoon,
13 1540 hours, saying that a letter had been written addressed to Sheriff Beary.
14 And then I came over here and that's why we're having this conversation.

15 **MM:** Right. So they would have, I guess I was off on the time. It was, I called you as
16 soon as I got to the facility. So they probably called me maybe five minutes
17 before I called you.

18 **YM:** Okay.

19 **MM:** So it would have been I guess closer to 3:30.

20 **YM:** Okay. Well actually it's 1550 hours. So that's my mistake.

21 **MM:** Okay.

22 **YM:** 3:50.

23 **MM:** It was probably five minutes before I spoke to you that they notified me that she
24 produced that letter.
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1 **YM:** Okay. And uh, was this letter present, or produced on behalf of the Orange
2 County Corrections Office? Did anyone ask her to write this letter?

3 **MM:** Not to my knowledge, no.

4 **YM:** Okay. Scott, anything?

5 **SB:** No questions from here.

6 **YM:** Okay. Raise your right hand? Do you swear and affirm what you just told me is
7 the truth?

8 **SB:** I do.

9 **YM:** Thank you.

10 **End of recorded statement.**

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

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15 **CORPORAL YURI MELICH, OCSO DEPUTY SHERIFF**

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