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Robin and Richard Henry Case #22-80828

SARASOTA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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AR: Detective Andrew Rowe CASE #: 22-80828

RH1: Robin Henry **DATE: 9/24/22**

RH2: Richard Henry **TIME:** 11:08 A.M.

Today's date's Saturday, September 24th, 2022. Time is 1108 hours. I'm Detective Rowe, ID 2187. This is in reference to case number 22-80828. We are presently at 1825 --

RH1: 1827.

RH2: 27.

AR: 1827 --

RH2: Highland Road.

AR: -- Highland Road, uh, with your --

RH1: Highland Road.

AR: -- Highland Road with Robin and --

RH2: Rick Henry.

AR: Rick, all right. Robin and Rick, can you both raise your right hands for me?

RH2: Uh-huh.

AR: Do you swear and affirm the statement you're about to give is the truth to the best of knowledge?

RH2: Yes.

RH1: Yes.

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AR: Okay. Go ahead and put your hand down, Robin.

RH1: Maybe I have a question.

AR: All right. Uh, Robin, is it R-O-B-I-N?

RH1: Yes.

AR: Your middle initial, ma'am?

RH1: Is S.

AR: And your last name?

RH1: Henry, H-E-N-R-Y.

AR: Your birthday?

RH1: 8/10/58.

AR: And a good phone number for you?

RH1: Uh, 941-685-6343.

AR: Robin, how tall are you?

RH1: Uh, 5/4 --

AR: Approximately.

RH1: -- and a half.

AR: We'll say 5-5, we'll give you an extra inch.

RH2: We'll give ya a half --

RH1: I'm shrinking.

AR: About how much do you weigh?

RH1: Um, 108.

AR: Okay. Blue eyes, brown eyes --

RH1: Brown.

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AR: Brown, okay. Do you work, Robin?

RH1: No.

RH2: Must be nice.

RH1: Just stop.

AR: And, Rick --

RH2: Yes.

AR: -- is it Richard or Rick?

RH2: Well, it's Richard A. Henry but I go by Rick.

AR: We'll put your government name in there and I'll call you Rick the rest of the way.

RH2: Okay.

AR: Uh, Rick, what's your birthday, sir?

RH2: 9/22/59.

AR: And a phone number for you, sir?

RH2: 941 --

AR: Uh-huh.

RH2: -- 685, uh, 5743. Right?

RH1: Uh-huh.

AR: We never call ourselves. I get it.

RH2: Yeah. See?

AR: Rick, how tall are you, sir?

RH2: 5-8.

AR: About how much do you weigh?

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RH2: 155?

RH1: Oh, at the most, 150.

AR: Brown, blue or brown and green, what do you go by?

RH2: Well, they're called hazel.

AR: All right. We'll --

RH2: They change on me.

AR: -- go with that. Do you work, sir?

RH2: Yes.

AR: What do you do for a living?

RH2: Uh, sales consultant, wine -- a wine sales consultant.

AR: Oh, fun, fun.

RH2: Not really. It's not all --

AR: I know.

RH2: -- it's supposed to be.

AR: Okay. So we're discussing -- today, we're discussing a gentleman by the name of David and a gentleman by the name of Steve. Are you familiar with those two individuals?

RH2: Well I heard, uh -- now Dave, all I know him by is walking his little Chihuahua --

AR: Okay. That's who --

RH2: -- and just wave.

AR: -- that's who we're talking about --

RH2: That's it.

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AR: -- that's Dave.

RH2: Yeah.

AR: And the other gentleman that we're talking about is --

RH2: He's --

AR: -- Steve --

RH2: -- over here.

AR: -- who lives at 1819.

RH2: Yeah, he's --

AR: Okay.

RH2: -- he's a tool. Uh, I don't know how --

AR: So --

RH2: -- to put that.

AR: -- let's start with this morning. Did you guys hear anything this morning?

RH1: Yes, I did.

RH2: She did.

RH1: I was up and I heard a gunshot and I thought was a car backfiring.

RH2: But we were just right here.

AR: Okay. You were on your porch?

RH2: Yes, when I --

RH1: Yes, I was. He was asleep.

RH2: -- yeah, I was asleep. I didn't know.

AR: Okay. So, Robin, you heard a gunshot?

RH1: Yes.

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AR: Uh, about what time do you think that was?

RH1: About 7:15.

AR: Okay. And did you do anything afterwards?

RH1: No, I just was looking around and because, you know, cars backfire all the time --

AR: Yeah, you butt up right to 41 there, don't ya?

RH2: Yes.

RH1: Yeah.

RH2: That right there, it's --

AR: Yeah.

RH1: And, um --

RH2: -- we can hear.

RH1: -- so I --

RH2: It's like a hotel here.

RH1: -- heard it and then when Rick came downstairs, I said, "You know, I thought I heard a gunshot." And then we look over there and there's all these cops and I said, "I think that's what I heard."

RH2: We thought it was next door.

AR: Okay.

RH2: Until I -- 'cause we had -- or Frontier come this morning --

AR: Okay.

RH2: -- or I wouldn't have known. And we come out and was like what's going on.

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AR: Okay.

RH2: That's -- yeah.

AR: Um, so, let's go and do a little bit of history with David first.

RH2: Yeah.

AR: So the guy with the dogs.

RH1: Uh-huh.

AR: Have you -- have you had any, uh, contact with David --

RH1: A wave.

AR: Just a wave?

RH2: Just a -- yeah, when I'm leaving for work, hey --

RH1: Cute dog --

RH2: -- that's -- that's about it.

AR: Okay.

RH2: That's all, I haven't --

AR: Uh --

RH2: -- yeah.

AR: -- you guys aren't over -- overtly friendly, you're not hanging out all the time or anything like that?

RH2: No.

RH1: No.

RH2: We don't -- yeah.

AR: Okay.

RH2: That's -- that's all it is is just a -- like a casual wave.

AR: Okay. Um, have you ever known him to be aggressive with anybody in the neighborhood?

<u>RH1: No.</u>

RH2: No.

RH1: What I've heard about him --

RH2: Just walking his dog. That's it.

RH1: -- he's just a really nice guy.

AR: Okay. All right. Uh, that seems to be the general consensus with everybody I've talked to at this point.

RH2: Uh-huh.

AR: Uh, so let's talk about Steven, the gentleman that lives at 1819. Uh, what kind of history can you provide me on Steven?

RH1: Um --

RH2: We --

RH1: -- for instance we just

RH2: -- we've seen a lot of activity with the police over there.

AR: Okay.

RH1: Well we -- at -- for instance we were just getting our whole, um -- all the condos here, getting our driveways, uh, redone.

AR: Uh-huh.

RH1: And he refused to move his car. And so they had the police come over there and try to get him up, um, and Gary, our -- our -- our president of the community, he went over there and he said, "Come on, get up." And he

wouldn't move and, um, apparently went -- they were all trying to, you know, dig around him 'cause they had like a big bulldozer right next to the car. And I guess the mother came over and -- well Gary can tell you a little bit more but he said it wasn't pretty.

RH2: There's been some issues --

AR: Okay.

RH2: -- with him.

RH1: A lot.

RH2: A lot --

RH1: A lot and he --

RH2: -- of issues.

RH1: -- Colleen --

AR: We'll go into 'em.

RH2: Yeah.

RH1: -- Colleen could probably tell you a lot more. She lives right next door.

RH2: Yeah.

AR: Okay.

RH1: She's seen a lot.

AR: Okay. So, since the -- the grading -- the regrading of the driveway incident, has there been any other incidences with this gentleman with anybody else in the neighborhood?

RH1: Yes. Uh -

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RH2: No, before -- oh, yeah, before -- there's -- there's always something going on over there.

AR: Please explain those to me.

RH2: Well all we would do is hear and --

AR: Oh, so you're not part of anything?

RH2: No, we weren't --

<u>RH1: No.</u>

RH2: -- part of it.

AR: Okay.

RH2: All I -- I met -- I tried to meet the guy when we -- we just moved here a couple of years ago and the first time I met him he had a hoody on, hey, how you doing, just no response, that kind of person. It's like not -- I'm like I'm staying away from that guy.

AR: Okay.

RH2: That kinda thing.

AR: Um --

RH2: I just stayed away from him.

AR: -- so what have you heard in the neighborhood that has gone on?

RH2: There's been some quite -- lot of screaming, yelling over there.

AR: So you hear screaming and yelling at his residence?

RH2: Yeah, there was some times.

RH1: Yes.

RH2: I think he had a girlfriend over there one time and oh, it was pretty --

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AR: Okay.

RH2: But personally, between him and us, no.

AR: Have you ever seen him be aggressive with anybody in the neighborhood?

RH1: No, because --

RH2: Well --

RH1: -- he's -- I haven't.

RH2: -- I've just heard.

AR: What have you heard?

RH2: You know, like I said, just the --

AR: Oh, the -- the screaming and yelling?

RH2: -- the screaming and stuff like that and --

AR: Okay.

RH2: -- yeah.

AR: Um, so the cops have been over there a few times?

RH1: Yes.

RH2: Yes.

AR: Okay. I'm --

RH2: Several times.

AR: -- I'm sure you guys probably know it 'cause there's nowhere to park back

here.

RH2: Right.

AR: (Unintelligible) --

RH2: Yeah.

AR: -- um, so -- so David -- so I wrap this up, around 7:15 this morning you heard what you described as a gunshot.

RH1: Yeah, about that time, I don't know exactly.

AR: Um, later on 'cause Verizon or Frontier was coming, you guys got up and saw all the hoopla outside --

RH2: Yeah, I was like what's -- wow.

AR: -- and, uh --

RH2: Yeah, that's what -- yeah.

AR: -- and then you found out who was involved by everybody talking, right?

RH2: Yes.

AR: And, uh --

RH1: Yes.

AR: -- you -- you realized the guy with the dog, he's always walking his dog or holds the little dog or something like that.

RH2: Yeah, he's go a little Chihuahua, yeah.

AR: Okay. And, uh, the other gentleman you're familiar with because he lives <u>relatively --</u>

RH2: Right there, yeah.

AR: -- close to you --

RH2: Yeah.

AR: -- and you know there's been issues with law enforcement.

RH2: Yes.

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AR: Has there been -- and you don't know of any issues with any other <u>residences -- residents here?</u>

RH1: Um, I know --

RH2: I've heard but --

RH1: -- with Gary.

RH2: -- I've heard some like threats but, you know, that's just talking --

RH1: That's hearsay.

RH2: -- at the pool.

AR: Who was he --

RH2: That's hearsay.

AR: -- who was he threatening or who was that person that they were threatening?

RH2: It was -- like I've heard he's threatened his own, uh, grandparents.

AR: Okay.

RH2: Yeah.

RH1: Oh, and also, he was -- I don't know if he was threatening --

RH2: And actually --

RH1: -- Dave --

RH2: -- I think I heard about he was threatening Dave, too.

RH1: Yeah, I heard --

RH2: I've heard about that.

RH1: -- that they've had some run ins --

RH2: They've had some run ins.

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AR: They have had run ins?

RH1: But that is just hearsay. We heard it --

RH2: Yeah, it's hearsay.

RH1: -- from Toby.

RH2: Yeah.

AR: Who's Toby?

RH1: Toby, he lives at the very end with his wife Beth.

RH2: No, I thought that was Dave. Eh --

RH1: No, I don't know.

AR: Now Dave lives over --

RH2: Yeah.

AR: -- on that side?

RH2: No, there's another Dave.

AR: Oh, there's another Dave?

RH2: Yeah, there's another Dave.

AR: Of course there is.

RH2: Yeah.

AR: Dave's not here, man.

RH2: Yeah, Dave -- yeah, exactly.

AR: Okay. Uh --

RH2: But we've just -- yeah, there's -- yeah.

AR: Can you expound on what you -- I understand it's hearsay but, you know, neighborhoods talk and they're usually more forthcoming with you guys than they are us.

RH2: Uh-huh.

AR: What have you heard about him and Dave with the Chihuahua?

RH1: Um --

RH2: I've -- I've --

RH1: -- just basically --

RH2: -- just heard there's --

RH1: -- what Toby --

RH2: -- been some run --

RH1: -- told me --

RH2: -- run ins.

AR: What -- what did Toby tell you 'cause I --

RH2: Like --

AR: -- can't talk to him?

RH2: -- or --

RH1: He's not very, um --

RH2: That's not Toby.

RH1: I thought it -- well, it's this guy.

RH2: Yeah.

RH1: Um, he just said that, um, Dave's a really nice guy with his dog, loves his dog and apparently, they've had run ins before.

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AR: Okay.

RH1: And, uh --

RH2: Where he had just like spit on him or something like that, I heard --

RH1: I --

RH2: -- that -- something like that.

RH1: -- I didn't hear anything like that.

RH2: He spit on Dave kinda thing.

AR: So, Steven would have spit on Dave, you've heard that possibly happened?

RH2: Yeah, I -- that's -- that's about all. Personally I have not seen this. This is just hearsay.

RH1: We started trying to stay out of the whole --

RH2: Yeah.

AR: Okay. All right. Is there anything else that we haven't talked about that you think I need to know?

RH2: No, that's about it, yeah.

RH1: No, um, I just know that Dave took a walk every single day and would wave and was friendly to everybody.

RH2: Yeah.

RH1: We never talked to him but, um -- 'cause he's sorta --

RH2: That's about it.

RH1: -- lived down there so --

AR: Uh-huh.

RH2: Yeah, he lives that next building --

AR: Yeah, the next little --

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RH2: -- yeah.

AR: -- street cut through --

RH2: Yeah.

AR: -- there?

RH1: Yeah.

RH2: Yeah.

AR: Okay. Uh, time is 11:18. That'll conclude this interview.

(CONCLUSION OF INTERVIEW)

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