

Statement of Sharon WILLIAMS (address - wished it not be included)

Taken 91 JAN 22 at 09 15 hrs.

Q. Sharon, I have been requested by the Federal Justice Department to contact you to determine if you have any information which will assist the court in their task of determining if a miscarriage of justice took place with the conviction of David MILGAARD for the murder of Gail MILLER in 1969. First, do you remember David MILGAARD?

A. Yes.

Q. Do you recall providing a statement to police in 1969 on this case?

A. No I don't. I remember them taking a lie detector test.

Q. That was on yourself?

A. Yes.

Q. Where was that given?

A. I think it was in a hotel room, I think it was in Edmonton.

Q. Where was the police officer from?

A. Saskatoon.

Q. Was this with the City Police or RCMP?

A. I don't remember.

Q. Why did they test you?

A. I guess because I knew David.

Q. Do you know of anyone else who was given a lie detector test?

A. No I don't.

Q. Do you recall David MILGAARD coming to St. Albert with a group of friends to visit you?

A. He came to see me shortly after I had arrived in St. Albert and it was during the winter.

Q. Do you remember the year?

A. Well it would have been 69.

Q. Where were you living then?

A. Oh, we moved several times. I think it was the first house we had, can't remember the address.

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Q. Who was with David on this visit to see you?

A. I really can't remember.

Q. Was he alone?

A. No.

Q. Was he with girls or guys?

A. I can't remember, there were guys; for girls, there could have been, I can't visualize them.

Q. How long did David stay?

A. As far as I know, it was just that evening.

Q. Do you recall what you and David did on his visit?

A. It seemed to me he was busy with others at the teen centre in St. Albert. We didn't spend much time, just the two of us, there was always the group.

Q. Was there anything different noticed about David on this visit that you can recall?

A. No.

Q. Do you remember how he arrived in St. Albert?

A. No.

Q. Do you recall if David ever mentioned to you where he had been just prior to arriving in St. Albert?

A. I can't really recall.

Q. Do you recall if David mentioned to you he had been in Saskatoon?

A. I don't recall at that time.

Q. Did David ever tell you about any criminal activity he may have been involved in during his trip to St. Albert?

A. No, nothing.

Q. Did David ever confess to you, or confide in you, that he had committed a serious crime in Saskatoon?

A. No.

Q. Did anyone else in the group with David mention anything about David possibly being involved in an attack on a girl in Saskatoon?

A. Not that I can recall.

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Q. Were you aware of David's activities in the months prior to JAN 1969?

A. Not that I can recall.

Q. Do you ever recall being physically assaulted by David?

A. No.

Q. Did David ever punch you over stupid things.

A. I can't recall.

Q. Do you remember what David was wearing when you first saw him on his visit to St. Albert?

A. No.

Q. Did David or any of the people he was with have any luggage?

A. Nothing that I can recall.

Q. Do you recall David playing with a gun and playing what is known as Russian Roulette?

A. It seems to me there was an incident similar to that.

Q. Tell me about it.

A. I can't really remember any of it, oh gosh.

Q. Do you recall David having a gun?

A. I remember the incident but don't remember the gun, but don't remember what it looked like.

Q. Tell me about the incident?

A. I think he was playing games with me.

Q. Did he point the gun at you?

A. Yes.

Q. Then what?

A. I don't remember.

Q. Was the gun loaded?

A. I don't know.

Q. Can you describe David's character and personality as you remember it?

A. Well he was always wanting or looking to be the top dog. He always had to know what was going on.

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Q. Did his personalty change for no reason or was he pretty well the same all the time?

A. I think he was pretty well the same all the time.

Q. Did David use drugs in those days?

A. Yes.

Q. Can you elaborate?

A. Oh, I guess LSD, speed, marihuana, I can't recall any others.

Q. How did his personality change, if it did, while on drugs?

A. He seemed to get "goofy" and would do silly things, more daring things, but I can't recall any incidents.

Q. Did he do things that concerned you?

A. I can't recall.

Q. Are you afraid of David MILGAARD?

A. I don't think so.

Q. Do you recall if David ever carried a knife?

A. I can't recall.

Q. Do you remember any vehicles David used in 1968 and early 1969?

A. No.

Q. Were you ever at David's home in Langenburg, Sask.?

A. Yes.

Q. Who was present?

A. His mother and sister and that's it.

Q. Do you recall ever getting introduced to any of David's girlfriends at the time?

A. No.

Q. Do you remember seeing any photos of girls that David knew, while you were at the MILGAARD home in Langenburg?

A. No.

Q. Were you ever threatened or sexually assaulted by David MILGAARD?

A. Not that I can remember, no.

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Q. While at the MILGAARD home In Langenburg, do you recall an incident when David had a butcher knife and may have said something like, "I'm going to kill you."?

A. I can't recall that.

Q. Do you know Shorty CADRAIN?

A. Not that I can recall, Shorty sounds familiar, but I can't recall.

Q. Do you know the name Nichol JOHN?

A. Just from seeing it in the newspapers, I don't know her.

Q. Do you know Ronald WILSON?

A. Yes.

Q. Where from?

A. Regina.

Q. How?

A. I guess I met him in the same group. I may have met him before I met David, maybe not. I really don't know.

Q. Do you know Debra HALL?

A. No.

Q. Do you know Ute FRANK?

A. Yes.

Q. Explain.

A. I met her in Regina after I met David. Once I moved back to Alberta we kept in contact. About 1975, 1976 I lost contact with her.

Q. Do you recall any conversation you and Ute may have had about MILGAARD and his murder conviction?

A. She never said anything in her letter. I don't remember her saying anything about it.

Q. When was the last time you saw Ute?

A. In 1974, her and her husband visited us in Calgary.

Q. Do the names LAPCHUK and MELNYK ring a bell?

A. I think his name is George LAPCHUK, he was part of the group.

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Q. How about MELNYK?

A. I can't remember him, but I remember the name.

Q. Sharon, I wish to show you the statement you gave the police in 1969 concerning your activities and association with David MILGAARD. Please read it carefully and tell me what portion of it refreshes your memory.

A. O.K.

Q. Sharon you have now read over your 1969 statement, do you have any comments?

A. No, I guess not, I can't remember any of it.

Q. Did it refresh your memory?

A. I can't remember staying in a motel overnight when they came to St. Albert.

Q. Sharon, one part of your statement states, "The next time I saw David MILGAARD was on Saturday Feb 1st at 6:30 pm, he told me that he arrived in Edmonton early Friday January 31/69, no that was Saturday morning. I suspected that he broke into the Sanctum that night (Saturday) morning." Do you recall David telling you he arrived in Edmonton on Friday or Saturday?

A. I can't recall.

Q. Do you believe David contacted you shortly after arriving in Edmonton, or was he doing other things before getting in touch with you?

A. I just don't remember.

Q. Do you now recall anything of the clothes David was wearing?

A. I cant even remember what I had said in the statement.

Q. Do you recall a suitcase being carried by anyone in David's group, either at your place, but in particular, the motel room?

A. No, I can't even recall the hotel room.

Q. In the statement it is mentioned David had a brown jacket shredded down the front, he said acid was spilt. Do you recall the jacket?

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A. No I don't.

Q. Do you recall anything more of the "butcher knife" incident in Langenburg, when David said something like, "I'm going to kill you."?

A. No.

Q. Did you see any blood on David's clothing while he was at your place in St. Albert or while the group of you were at the motel?

A. No.

Q. When did you first hear that David was a suspect in a murder?

A. I think it was from the police in March when they came. I don't think I heard about it before that.

Q. Did David ever call you or write you letters after he was visiting you in St. Albert?

A. I can't recall.

Q. How many visits did you have from the police over this?

A. I can only remember the one and nothing after that, that I can remember.

Q. In 1968 and 1969 were you an active drug user?

A. Whenever the crowd I was with got any, I would. I was an occasional user of speed and LSD.

Q. Sharon, do you possess any information or evidence that would assist in proving that David MILGAARD did not commit the murder of Gail MILLER?

A. No.

Q. Do you possess any information which would assist in proving that David MILGAARD did commit the murder of Gail MILLER?

A. No.

Q. Sharon, did you know Gail MILLER?

A. No.

Q. Did David ever mention the name of Gail MILLER?

A. Not that I can recall.

Q. Do you know Larry FISHER?

A. No I don't.

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