

GUILFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.

INTERVIEW SHEET

NAME: Robert Harold NicholsINTERVIEWED BY: DET. J.D. CHURCH DATE: 09 MAY 97 TIME: 1500 hrs.

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In October of 1996 I HAD BEEN WORKING FOR TED KIMBLE FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO MONTHS. EARLY IN OCTOBER THE NEWS MEDIA CAME BY THE LYLES BUILDING MATERIAL TO DO A FOLLOW-UP ON THE

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DEATH OF TED'S WIFE PATRICIA. I ASKED TED ABOUT HIS WIFE'S DEATH LATER AND TED SAID THAT SHE HAD GOTTEN SHOT BUT WAS VERY FADE ABOUT IT. THAT NIGHT I WATCHED THE NEWS AND SAW A PICTURE OF PATRICIA. I WANTED TO KNOW MORE BUT I DIDN'T WANT TO ASK TED AT THAT TIME. THE NEXT DAY AFTER THE NEWS MEDIA HAD BEEN THERE I MENTIONED THE NEWS STORY TO A CO-WORKER AT LYLES NAMED JAMES OGBURN. JAMES WASN'T TOO RESPONSIVE AT THAT TIME. WITHIN THAT SAME TIME PERIOD JAMES ASKED ME IF I WAS A POLICE OFFICER AND I TOLD HIM, "NO" AND AFTER THIS JAMES & I BECAME MORE OPEN WITH OTHER. JAMES TOLD ME THAT ON THE DAY OF PATRICIA'S MURDER THAT Ronnie, TED'S BROTHER, TED AND ANOTHER WHITE MALE THAT HE DIDN'T KNOW WERE OUT NEXT TO THE GATE AND PARKING LOT TALKING. JAMES SAID THAT THEY TALKED FOR A GOOD WHILE. JAMES SAID THIS WAS VERY STRANGE, THAT TED WAS NEVER AWAY FROM CUSTOMERS LIKE HE WAS THAT DAY AND THAT IT APPEARED TO HIM THAT THEY WERE SCHEMING SOMETHING. JAMES ALSO SAID THAT TED NEVER TOLD HIM WHAT HE WAS DOING BUT THAT DAY JAMES

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SAY THAT TED MADE A SPECIAL EFFORT TO TELL
HIM THAT HE WAS LEAVING AND WAS GOING TO MRS WINNERS
TO GET SOMETHING TO EAT AND MEET HIS MOTHER AND
THEN ON TO WORK AT HIS SECOND JOB. JAMES SAID
TED HAD NEVER DID THIS BEFORE. AFTER TED AND
RONNIE WERE ARRESTED I WENT TO JAMES AND TALKED
TO HIM AGAIN, BUT BEFORE HE TALKED TO ME HE
SPOKE OF MY BODY AND ME IF I WAS WIRED. HE SAID
THAT PATRICK PARDEE HAD COME IN THE BUSINESS AND
POINTED OUT STOLEN THINGS AND THAT HE THOUGHT
I WOULD PROBABLY BE NEXT. HE SAID THAT I WOULD
WORK WITH THE LAW TO GET HELP GET MYSELF OUT
OF TROUBLE. I ASKED JAMES WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS
GOING TO HAPPEN TO TED AND JAMES REPLIED. TED IS
GOING TO FRY, HE'S NOT GETTING OUT AND I CAN'T
UNDERSTAND WHY IT TOOK THE LAW SO LONG TO
ARREST HIM.

ON JUST ABOUT A DAILY BASIS TED ASKED JAMES AND
SOMETIMES ME TO ALTER THE STOLEN MERCHANDISE
THAT WE HAD TAKEN. TED ASK JAMES IN MY PRESENCE
MANY TIMES TO CUT LUMBER DOWN AND PAINT THE
ENDS AND TAKE THE BAR CODES OFF SO THE STOLEN

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PROPERTY COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED. I SAW TED INSTRUCT JAMES TO REMOVE NUMBERS FROM DOORS AND SAND THEM AND PAINT OR PRIME OVER THEM SO THAT COULDN'T BE IDENTIFIED. ON OCCASIONS I WOULD ASK JAMES "WHAT ARE YOU DOING", AND JAMES WOULD SAY, YOU KNOW WHAT I'M DOING, TAKING OFF NUMBERS. ON TWO OCCASIONS MR KIMBLE, TED'S FATHER ASKED ME IF THE LUMBER AND OTHER ITEMS WERE STOLEN. I TOLD HIM YES. MR KIMBLE SAID I DON'T CARE AS LONG AS LYLES IS COVERED. HE SAID ROB YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND IF YOU GET CAUGHT, THAT'S YOUR PROBLEM, BUT IF LYLES GETS CAUGHT, EVERYBODY IS OUT OF A JOB, OUR MORTAGES GET PAID FROM LYLES, WE HELP PAY FOR OUR CARS FROM LYLES AND WE HAVE HAVE TO COVER OURSELVES. ONE TIME MR KIMBLE ASKED ME TO GET HIM SOME 2"X4" X 16' that he needed them to build himself a 12'X16' storage building. Another time Mr Kimble asked me to get him another generator like the one Ted had and asked me if the generator was stolen. I told Mr Kimble the generators were stolen and he asked if I could get another one for him to use in his trailer that he had bought for

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his silk screening business. Mr. Kimble said that Ted had the other two generators that we had stolen already stolen.

Ted told his dad, Mr. Kimble to start writing me checks for stolen merchandise so he would be covered. LATER on when some of the checks came back from the bank Ted held them up in front of my face and said, if you ever try to get me in trouble I've got you, all the proof is right here.

After the news media came in October 1996 I wanted to know more about Patricia's death, so I USED THE COMPUTERS, AT UNCG WHERE I WAS GOING TO SCHOOL, TO READ ARTICLES FROM THE NEWS PAPER ON PATRICIA'S DEATH.

On several occasions I asked Ted if he killed his wife and he would say or reply by saying, NO I HAD A ALIBY, THERE'S NO WAY I COULD HAVE KILLED HER AND NEVER SHOWED ANY EMOTION WHATSOEVER
I ASKED AGAIN SEVERAL TIMES AGAIN IF HE KILLED HIS WIFE OR HAD ANY THING TO DO WITH AND HE WOULD ALWAYS SAY THAT HE HAD AN ALIBY AND THAT HIS BROTHER ALSO HAD AN ALIBY. HE SAID THAT RONNIES

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ALIBY WAS THAT HE WAS WATCHING TELEVISION WITH HIS WIFE AND HER PARENTS. BUT, ON ONE NIGHT WE WERE RIDING AROUND IN THE BOX TRUCK TO GO TO THE CARDINAL OFF FLEMING ROAD TO STEAL SOMETHING AND TED TOLD ME THAT HE DID HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH HIS WIFE'S DEATH, AND NOT TO ASK HIM ABOUT IT ANY MORE.

TED TOLD ME THIS AFTER WE HAD STOLEN ABOUT \$25,000.00 WORTH OF ITEMS FROM NORTHLERS AND TED FELT CLOSER TO ME AND TRUSTED ME MORE. BUT, TED ██████████ THREATENED ME THAT HE WOULD KILL ME IF I TOLD. AND HE SAID, YOU ALREADY KNOW I WON'T GET CAUGHT.

IN JANUARY OF 1997 TED TOLD ME THAT HE HAD SIGNED HIS WIFE'S NAME TO AN INSURANCE POLICY BUT THAT HE HAD SCREWED UP BECAUSE SHE HAD NOT TAKEN HER PHYSICAL AT THE TIME SHE DIED, SO THE POLICY WOULD NOT PAY.

TED ALSO SAID IN JANUARY THAT HE WAS GOING TO KILL DET. CHURCH IF HE DID NOT QUIT HARASSING HIM OVER HIS WIFE'S DEATH. HE SAID THAT DET. CHURCH HAD FOLLOWED HIM AND HAD WENT TO HIS

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GIRLFRIENDS PARENTS AND ASKED THEM IF THEY KNEW THEIR DAUGHTER WAS GOING WITH A MURDERER. TED CARRIED A PISTOL ON HIS PERSON ABOUT ALL THE TIME. He said that he would not be arrested I was very afraid of Ted, especially after he had told me that he would kill me. He, Ted came to my house many times and tell me to get up and go with him that he needed my help to steal something. Patrick Paradee would be with him some of the times when he came to pick me up. Ted carried two Police scanners with him every time we went out to steal. Ted specially ordered 800 mhz scanners after Patrick told him the 600 mhz scanners would not pick up THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT. I know AT LEAST 5 occasions that Ted and I along with Patrick heard the Police being dispatched to the location we were stealing things and we were able to get away.

Since Ted has been arrested MR Kimble, Teds father has asked or told me that my story needed to matched Teds in order to destroy Patricks credibility and Ted would be found not guilty.

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MR Kimble also told me that he would help me with my Attorneys costs. He said that he would give me the opportunity to make more money and he did this by letting me deliver storage buildings or lumber for \$50.00 when he or James had been doing this.

The day I met with my attorney at the District Attorneys office and gave a statement I returned to Lytes and Mr Kimble approached me and told me that he had received a call and had been told that I was working with the police. He told me then that it would no longer be in the best interest for me to work at Lytes and not to come back.

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