Affidavit

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Affiant:

Mr. James Stump

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I, James Stump, have given the following statement regarding my observations and activities on October 9, 1995, truthfully and to the best of my ability. I have not been asked, nor have I been coerced, to make any false statements regarding this matter. My statement is as follows:

- 1. My daughter, Kim, is the wife of Ronnie Kimble.
- 2. Ronnie and I, talked about underpinning his trailer over the weekend of October 7 and 8, 1995.
- 3. On Monday, October 9, 1995, at approximately 4:50 p.m. to 5 p.m., I arrived at Kim and Ronnie Kimble's.
- 4. That when I arrived, Ronnie was there working on the supports for attaching the underpinning to the trailer.
- 5. That Ronnie appeared to be in a completely normal state. He was not excited, nor was he preoccupied with anything. He was just as he has always been.
- 6. That I assisted Ronnie with the support underpinning of his trailer for 30 to 40 minutes and left him at his home between 5:30 p.m. and 5:40 p.m.
- 7. That on October 9, 1995, shortly after 6 p.m., Ronnie and my daughter, Kim, came to my home. I recall the time because the six o'clock news was on. Ronnie and Kim were at my house for approximately one hour. Kim was working with her mother on an ABC distribution order that she wanted her mother to take to work the next day, Tuesday. Kim wanted to send the ABC distribution order out with the other orders from the building her mom works to save on freight charges.
- 8. That when Ronnie and Kim Kimble left my house, they told me they were going to the Winn Dixie Grocery store to buy something for dinner.
- 9. That I did not hear from Ronnie, or Kim Kimble again until approximately 9:15 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. when I received a telephone call from Kim stating that she and Ronnie had received a phone call notifying them that Ted and Patricia's house was on fire.

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- 10. That during Kim's telephone call she asked her mother to try and locate Edna Kimble. Kim stated that she had paged Edna Kimble, but had not received a return call.
- 11. Kim also stated that she and Ronnie were going to Ted and Patricia's house.
- 12. Later that night, Kim and Ronnie Kimble came back to my house. We all rode in my car to Ted and Patricia's church, South Elm Street Baptist, where family and friends were meeting.
- 13. That I observed Ronnie, again while he was at my home, riding in the car and at the church. At this time his emotional state was very different than when I had seen him earlier. He was crying a great deal and stated he could not understand how anything like this could happen. In my opinion he was completely grief stricken.
- 14. That I stayed with my wife, Kim, and Ronnie until the early morning. The following day, at which time I drove Ted's Jeep, with Ted and Edna Kimble as occupants, to Ron and Edna Kimble's home.
- 15. Kim drove Edna Kimble's car, with Ronnie and my wife drove our car to Ron and Edna Kimble's home.
- 16. That detective Church of the Guilford County Sheriff's Department had told me that he has enough evidence against Ronnie Kimble to obtain a Grand Jury Indictment.
- 17. That Detective Church has stated he has evidence that Ronnie Kimble was seen near Ted Kimble's home at 6:20 p.m.on the day of Patricia Kimble's death.
- 18. That I have told Detective Church, that it is for a fact that Ronnie Kimble could not have been at Ted Kimble's house at 6.20 p.m. that day, because Ronnie Kimble was with his wife at my home. Ronnie was watching the news with me as we discussed how the underpinning of his trailer should be done.

This is my statement, given on the 5th day of September, 1996.

James Stump /

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