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Subject: John Bissell

I called John Bissell this evening, 770/579-2129. I was caught off guard at how pleasant he was since I expected a hostile reaction once I told him who I was and working for. Bissell said he is not David Coffin's cousin, but he did not say how he was related to him other than that he was. He said that he wanted to talk to the family attorney before talking with me, and that he would meet with me if they Okayed it. I asked if K & S was their attorneys, and he said he would have to check who is handling the matter at this time. He promised to get back with me one way or the other.

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John Bissell called me back to say that he had spoken with the family and that they advised against talking with me. He said that he would follow their advice. He did not elaborate on who in particular he spoke with in the Coffin family and volunteered no additional information.

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# Oliver,

I will lay out some notes here for the folks you listed that I have any input on. I already mentioned Bill Howell. So here follows the rest on your immediate list (all of which I am assuming you have all the interviews done with them or any other relevant documents (if not they will either be in the State OCR Discovery I put on your computer or Christine can immediately get them to you):

- 1. John Bissell (Coffin Step-Brother): This guy apparently knows Coffin well. We want to ask him about Coffin's drinking, drugs, women habits and many other general things if he talks to us...
  - a. Did they party together?
  - b. Was Bissell around Coffin that much in the few weeks Coffin knew Megan? What had Coffin said about
  - c. Did Coffin discuss dating other women (Linda Moran) or asking any other girls out like Jenny Jackson?
  - d. Bissell admits in his State interview that he is at the Coffin Home crime scene the day after the fire and he is running around the unsecured crime scene taking things like Coffin's AK 47 Assault rifle! What else did he take? Why did Coffin have so many guns?
  - e. Who else was at the crime scene taking things and why were the police not securing the scene?
  - f. Who were Coffin's business associates? Did he know of any trouble with them?
  - g. How was Coffin's relationship with his family?
  - h. Did Bissell Here Megan call me or anyone else and say "David had been shot in the head" that late Tuesday night/early Wednesday morning of the fire? Has he heard that at least four other people hear her say that before anyone officially knew it?
  - i. What does he know about the reward and how it is given out and who has made claims for it?
- 2. Keith Hicks (HR Manager at Andersen Consulting when I was working there). I generally thought I had a friendly and good relationship with Keith Hicks but his interviews have not been particularly positive if not even slanted negatively which I find weird since I worked for AC for two more years after the crimes happened. We will be serving him with our Subpoenas which we are working on.
  - a. Hicks has made the comment it would be considered very weird for me to have left my jacket, laptop and briefcase there overnight. First of all, I did not do it regularly but I did it on many occasions if I was going to be in the same office the next day, and you know the actual reason I did which he has no clue about.
  - b. Secondly, we should ask him if someone were to leave their stuff in an office with the intent of coming back that evening to do late night work (which happened all the time at AC), it would not be considered weird would it to leave some of your stuff in the office would it? (I did this all the time on time crunched projects - go run a few errands or grab some food and come back and work until after midnight.
  - c. You should ask him "Mr. Hicks, you don't know the reason Mr. Davis left his stuff in the office or what his plans were that Tuesday late afternoon/early evening do you? He should say "no". Well therefore, it really would be hard for you to judge without purely speculating whether Mr. Davis actions were odd at all since you don't know those reasons, am I correct?
  - d. Hicks also apparently read some letter that I might have been drafting to Megan which was apparently lost, we should ask him to describe it in detail if he can.
  - e. We should ask Hicks how AC rated me as an employee and how my performance was over my career

- there? It should be documented that I was a very strong performer.
- f. We should ask Hicks to descibe Roger Pollard, how he did or did not fit in at AC and how was he rated as an employee. Were there any problems with him? Why did he leave after a realtively short-time there? Did Roger mention anything in particularly important to you personally about the case back in 1996/1997 or over the last 9 years ( we would like to know if Pollard actually mentioned his lie about smelling gas on me that afternoon even though we never saw each other in the afternoon and of course never mentioned the gas before)
- g. We should ask Hicks to descibe Erik Voss, how he did or did not fit in at AC and how was he rated as an employee. Were there any problems with him? Why did he leave AC? Was Erik caught up in the property theft scandal back in that timeframe? Has Voss contacted him concerning my case?
- h. Mr. Davis always maintained his innocence concerning the crimes as far as you know, correct?
  - i. Andersen Consulting Subpoenas:
    - 1. Roger Pollard: Roger Pollard's Personnel File, Performance Reviews, Notes of Complaints against him and any disposition of those complaints as well as any disciplinary action, his ARTES time reports including the periods from December 1997 thru his termination or when he left the firm. Roger Pollard's card swipes for 12/9/1996 thru 12/13/1996. Roger Polllards's phone extension phone records for 12/9/1996 thru May 30, 1997. (Note to Oliver: Pollard is lying his ass off about you know what in his interview. He is also dead wrong on many other facts which we might be able to prove thru these records. Pollard actually worked for me again after I got out of jail and returned back to work in the Atlanta Office in March of 1997, yet he says he never saw me again after 12/10/1996.)
    - 2. Erik Voss: Erik Voss' Personnel File, Performance Reviews, Notes of Complaints against him and any disposition of those complaints and any disciplinary action, documentation of how Voss left AC and when.
    - 3. Angela Laughter's Personel file, card swipes from 12/10/1996 and her Artes Time Report for the week of 12/09/1996.
- 3. **Keith Royal**: Megan's divorce attorney. My only memory of him was that he was rude and an asshole. I guess we should ask him about his interaction on the divorce with me and Megan. In the State Discovery OCR, he has lot so notes written and memos typed that should be read.

That is it for the one's on yout list. Again, don't call Jackson Faw.

When are you calling Bill brown and Joe Wheeler?

Also, I want you to call this guy who had his car broken into on the same report Coffin did. The guy with the green Isuzu. When might that happen?

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# Interview with John and Renee Bissell 06-15-2006

On this date, I interviewed John and Renee Bissell at their home regarding their knowledge of the David Coffin Murder. John Bissell provided the following information:

- A. John Bissell was David Coffin's step-brother, and had a close relationship with David Coffin both in Connecticut and in Atlanta;
- B. Bissell moved to Atlanta in 1993 and saw David Coffin socially (rode motorcycles, went boating, etc.) and had a close relationship with David Coffin;
- C. John Bissell married in 1995, and David Coffin was in the wedding party;
- D. Coffin told Bissell about his car being broken into and his cell phone being stolen, and that Coffin "had a good idea about who had done it."
- E. John Bissell never met Megan prior to the murder, but David Coffin had mentioned her to Bissell, and had spoken in general terms about Megan and Coffin's relationship;
- F. John Bissell said that he never had direct conversations on the subject of the nature of Coffin's relationship with Megan;
- G. Coffin never told Bissell about Scott Davis by name;
- H. John Bissell knew that David Coffin kept firearms, and had previously examined Coffin's Beretta which Coffin kept, loaded, in a bedside table;
- I. Bissell knew that Coffin had several shotguns, an AK-47, and other long guns as collectibles. Coffin showed Bissell the AK-47 which Coffin kept in a closet near the laundry area. Bissell found the charred remains of the AK-47 when Bissell cleaned out the house after the fire. Bissell gave the weapon to Robert Coffin, but kept the charred magazine from the AK-47;

- J. Bissell spoke with Coffin on the Sunday that Coffin learned his house was burglarized; Bissell said that he got the impression that someone was with Coffin when Coffin was on the phone;
- K. Bissell said that Coffin sounded "down and frustrated" but not particularly angry about the burglary, and Coffin seemed more motivated to get the insurance claims started; the conversation lasted 5-10 minutes;
- L. Coffin told Bissell that he "had a pretty good idea" who had done the burglary, but Coffin did not mention any names;
- M. Bissell said that Coffin told him that among the items taken in the burglary were: the computer tower, the 911 Porsche, a shotgun or two, the Beretta pistol, and possibly some watches (although Bissell was not sure about the watches);
- N. On the night of the fire, Bissell received a phone call from his mother or father telling Bissell that Coffin's house was on fire, and asking Bissell to go to the house and learn what was happening;
- O. Bissell and his wife, Renee arrived at the house at approximately 12:30 or 1:00 AM on the 13th of December;
- P. Most of the flames had been dowsed, but the firefighters were still putting out "hotspots," and there was no word on whether any body had been found or whether Coffin had been home;
- Q. Bissell remembers speaking to Det. Chambers, and when trying to determine if Coffin had been home, Bissell told fire or police that if Coffin's jeep was at the house, it was very likely that Coffin was home; Bissell was led up the driveway, and saw Coffin's white jeep;
- R. Approximately one half hour after Bissell arrived, he learned that a body had been found in the rubble, but that the body was unidentifiable; Bissell knew that the "first sweep" of the house did not find a body;
- S. Bissell said that there was no mention of any injuries to the body, and no mention of any weapon being recovered that night nor the next day:
- T. Bissell said that they stayed at the scene for approximately 1 ½ hours, and never gave, nor were asked to give, official statements to police;
- U. Bissell did learn about the fire at Scott Davis' house while at the scene (Bissell believes it was from one of the police detectives,

- but cannot be sure,) and started putting the pieces together over the next few days;
- V. Bissell did not see Megan or any other of Coffin's friends at the scene;
- W. Bissell said that he and his wife returned to the scene the next day, and watched as investigators continued to look through the scene;
- X. Bissell and his wife were allowed to go into the less damaged areas of the house, and made the following observations:
  - a. The bedroom bed was made, and there were stacks of papers that appeared to be insurance documents for items related to the burglary. When Bissell picked up the papers, he noticed that the bedspread was clean underneath were the papers were stacked, while every other surface in the rooms had evidence of soot and smoke;
  - b. Bissell found the box for the Beretta pistol in the basement on some shelves where storage boxes were;
  - c. Bissell began to recover everything of value in the house, and eventually dug through all of the rubble to find personal items and mementos to David Coffin:
- Y. Bissell said that he never saw David Coffin use drugs, nor drink to excess, and that due to the frequent contact Bissell had with Coffin at different times of the day, Bissell felt confident that Coffin did not regularly overuse alcohol;
- Bissell said that Craig Foster gave Bissell the dog collar that Coffin had kept in Coffin's jeep from Coffin's deceased dog, Tanner.

## Renee Bissell's observations

- A. Renee Bisell said that Megan came to the scene on the Wednesday or Thursday after the fire, and introduced herself to Renee:
- B. Renee said that she did not know if she should talk to Megan, but Renee did have a conversation with Megan;
- C. Renee said that Megan seemed to be in shock, and said that she was sorry about everything
- D. Renee said that Megan told her that Megan and David Coffin had "mixed words" after the burglary, and that David Coffin was not happy about the burglary.