

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CRIMINAL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 22-09348-CF-T

STATE OF FLORIDA,)
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 Plaintiff,)
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 vs.)
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 JUAN ARIEL MOLINA-SALLES,)
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 Defendant.)
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DEPOSITION

OF

OFFICER ANDREW MCENTEGART

(Appearing via Zoom.)

TAKEN BY: Defendant

DATE: Wednesday, November 20, 2024

TIME: 1:18 p.m. - 1:26 p.m.

PLACE: Videoconference (Zoom)

Reported By: Gina M. Manning
Court Reporter, Notary Public
State of Florida at Large

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(No exhibits.)

1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 Thereupon,

3 OFFICER ANDREW MCENTEGART

4 was called as a witness by the DEFENDANT and having
5 first been duly sworn by the court reporter was examined
6 and testified on his oath as follows:

7 DIRECT EXAMINATION

8 BY MS. DELIBERATO:

9 Q. Good afternoon. Could you please state and spell
10 your name for the record.

11 A. It's Andrew McEntegart, A-N-D-R-E-W and
12 M-C-E-N-T-E-G-A-R-T.

13 Q. Where are you employed?

14 A. The Property and Evidence Division with the
15 Pinellas Sheriff's Office.

16 Q. My name is Maria DeLiberato. I'm an assistant
17 public defender. Myself and Nichole Blaquiere represent
18 Mr. Molina-Salles. Present for the State are Nathan
19 Vonderheide and Elizabeth Constantine. We're here for your
20 deposition. It's PCSO Case Number 22-305232.

21 I don't note that you authored any supplements in
22 this case. Is that correct?

23 A. Correct. No, I didn't.

24 Q. How long you've been with PCSO?

25 A. Since 2005. So coming up on 20 years.

1 Q. Have you been in Property and Evidence that
2 whole time?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. What is your role in Property and Evidence?

5 A. I'm a supervisor here now.

6 Q. Okay. And what does that entail?

7 A. Just supervising the technicians that enter or
8 receive the evidence that comes in.

9 Q. Do you ever go out to crime scenes or process or
10 anything like that?

11 A. No.

12 Q. Do you ever process evidence in the Property and
13 Evidence division?

14 A. The only thing -- everything already comes in
15 packaged, and on the package it has all the information,
16 and we literally just log it into the database.

17 Q. What was your involvement in this particular case?

18 A. From what I can recall, the only thing I saw was
19 that it appeared that the case agent, which was
20 Detective Syers, added me into one of his supplements due
21 to him coming to pick up some of the property that belonged
22 to the deceased.

23 Q. Okay. It looks like, from his report, you gave
24 the keys and access to PCSO Cruiser 4761, which was
25 Deputy Hartwick's cruiser.

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Does that sound right?

3 A. That sounds about -- yeah, it sounds correct.

4 Q. Okay. Did you participate in, like, the search of
5 that cruiser or anything like that?

6 A. No.

7 Q. You just handed them the keys and signed out that
8 they took the keys?

9 A. Correct, yeah.

10 Q. How did you -- this is maybe a silly question,
11 but if the cruiser was the accident scene, was there like
12 a separate set of keys in Property and Evidence, or was
13 this somehow after the fact that you got them back?

14 A. Do you mean how we got the keys?

15 Q. Uh-huh.

16 A. With the cruiser -- from what I recall, the cruiser
17 from the accident scene came to us very temporarily, and
18 then it was released out back to the agency, I believe,
19 because there was no -- I don't think that cruiser was
20 involved in anything.

21 Q. The report notes that on October -- it was
22 October 4th, 2022, which was a couple of weeks after the
23 accident -- that's when you gave them the keys. Does that
24 sound right?

25 A. I don't remember in the report them mentioning

1 about anything about a cruiser. I know he came and picked
2 up some of his, like, personal, like, duty weapon, duty
3 belt, and stuff like that.

4 Is that what it mentions?

5 Q. No. It mentions that "he... -- "he" meaning you --
6 provided us with keys and access to PCSO Cruiser 4761."

7 A. Okay. Yeah, that sounds about -- that sounds about
8 right. I must be reading a different supplement, then.
9 There's another supplement where he came and picked up,
10 like, his -- some of his personal belongings like his duty
11 weapon, his belt, his uniform, stuff like that.

12 Q. Okay. And that would be your part of your role as
13 Property and Evidence supervisor as well, to hand that out
14 if somebody comes for it?

15 A. Yeah. So if the case agent comes in and wants
16 to -- typically when there's an agency-involved shooting or
17 anything like that, then, yeah, the detective or case agent
18 will come and get the firearm, the duty belt, the agency
19 issued items.

20 Q. Okay.

21 Did you have any other involvement in this case
22 at all?

23 A. Not that I recall, no.

24 Q. Did you know Deputy Hartwick personally or
25 professionally?

1 A. I did not.

2 Q. Did you know anything about the accident itself or
3 the allegations against my client or anything like that?

4 A. No, not other than what was going on that night
5 as far as them looking for him and stuff like that, from
6 what I heard. But I don't know anything personal, no.

7 Q. And when you say what you heard, were you, like,
8 hearing radio traffic or you were hearing things in the
9 news or both?

10 A. No, not radio traffic. We don't have access to
11 radio traffic or anything like that. Just in the news and
12 stuff like that.

13 Q. Okay. And people coming into the station?
14 Things like that?

15 A. Yeah.

16 Q. Okay.

17 Did you attend any meetings or briefings in your
18 department or with the state attorney's office about
19 this case?

20 A. No.

21 Somebody was looking for the front loader, I guess,
22 but we never housed that. We never took possession of that.

23 Q. When you say "somebody," do you know who that was?

24 A. I thought it was the Defense. I don't know
25 if it was you or if it was somebody else. I don't

1 know, but...

2 Q. But you never took control of the front loader
3 at all?

4 A. No. No. It never came to us directly, no.

5 MS. DELIBERATO: I don't have any
6 further questions. Thank you so much for your
7 time. I don't think my co-counsel has any.
8 If the State has any, they generally jump in.

9 MS. CONSTANTINE: I don't have any questions.

10 MS. DELIBERATO: Thank you so much.

11 (The deposition concluded at 1:26 p.m.)

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CERTIFICATE OF OATH

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF PALM BEACH)

I, the undersigned authority, certify that
OFFICER ANDREW MCENTEGART appeared before me via Zoom
teleconference and was duly sworn.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 16th day of
December 2024.

GINA M. MANNING
Shorthand Reporter
Notary Public - State of Florida
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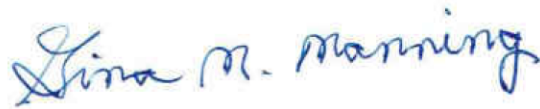
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STATE OF FLORIDA)
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I, GINA M. MANNING, Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public, certify that I was authorized to and did stenographically report the teleconference deposition of OFFICER ANDREW MCENTEGART and that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of my stenographic notes.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not a relative, employee, attorney, or counsel of any of the parties, nor am I a relative or employee of any of the parties' attorney or counsel connected with the action nor am I financially interested in the action.

Dated this 16th day of December 2024.



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