IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 23-02935-CF

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

TOMASZ KOSOWSKI,

Defendant.

VIDEOCONFERENCE

DEPOSITION OF: DANA ZUCHETTO

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- 1 The deposition of DANA ZUCHETTO was taken pursuant
- 2 to notice by counsel for the Defendant on the 15th day
- 3 of April, 2024, commencing at 3:53 p.m., via Zoom
- 4 videoconference. Said deposition was stenographically
- 5 reported by Lori A. Seiden, RPR, FPR-C, Notary Public,
- 6 State of Florida at Large.
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- 8 DANA ZUCHETTO,
- 9 a witness, having been duly sworn to tell the truth,
- 10 was examined and testified upon her oath as follows:
- 11 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.
- 12 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 13 BY MS. RAMOS WICKS:
- Q. Good afternoon, Ms. Zuchetto. How you doing
- 15 today?
- 16 A. I'm good, thanks. How are you?
- 17 Q. I'm good.
- 18 My name is Willengy Ramos Wicks. I am one of
- 19 the attorneys that represents Dr. Tomasz Kosowski in
- 20 State of Florida vs. Tomasz Kosowski. There's five of
- 21 us. I'm the one that's handling the deposition today.
- 22 A. Okay.
- 23 Q. In addition to myself, there's also Nathan
- 24 Vonderheide, the assistant state attorney, that's
- 25 prosecuting the case, and assisting him as co-counsel is

- 1 Alexandra Spadaro. So there's three attorneys, one
- 2 court reporter; okay?
- 3 A. Okay. Yep.
- Q. All right. Excellent.
- 5 So before we get started, I just wanted to ask,
- 6 do you consent to this deposition being recorded on
- 7 audio and video?
- 8 A. Yeah, that's fine.
- 9 Q. Okay. Cool. Because I just didn't want you to
- 10 be blindsided when I hit the record button. I always
- 11 want to ask first.
- 12 A. Oh, okay.
- 13 Q. Yeah. All right. We're going to go ahead and
- 14 get started. I'm going to hit record; okay?
- 15 A. Okay.
- 16 Q. All right. So Ms. Zuchetto, can you please
- 17 state your first and last name, and spell your last name
- 18 for the record?
- 19 A. My name is Dana Zuchetto. My last name is
- 20 spelled Z-u-c-h-e-t-t-o.
- 21 Q. And, Ms. Zuchetto, where do you work?
- 22 A. I work in the forensic sciences division at the
- 23 Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.
- 24 Q. All right. And how long have you worked at the
- 25 forensic science division for the Pinellas County

- 1 Sheriff's Office?
- 2 A. 20 years.
- 3 Q. All right. During your 20-year tenure with the
- 4 forensic science division at PCSO, what positions have
- 5 you held?
- 6 A. That's the only position I've held is forensic
- 7 science specialist with them.
- 8 Q. Okay. And have you held, you know, any
- 9 supervisory positions, or has it been forensic
- 10 specialist the whole time?
- 11 A. I've been a forensic specialist for my entire
- 12 career there.
- 13 Q. Okay. Thank you.
- 14 And, Ms. Zuchetto, did you write a report or a
- 15 supplemental report connected to this case?
- 16 A. I did.
- 17 Q. Okay. And I'm looking here and it appears to
- 18 be Supplement 13; is that correct?
- 19 A. That is correct.
- 20 Q. Okay. And have you had a chance to review this
- 21 Supplement 13 prior to this deposition this afternoon?
- 22 A. Yeah. I looked it over, yeah, over the
- 23 weekend.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. I don't know what day it is. Today is Monday.

- 1 So, yeah, it would have been, like, Friday, Saturday I
- 2 took a look at it.
- Q. All right. Sounds good.
- 4 Are there any changes or additions or
- 5 corrections that you need to make to the supplement?
- 6 A. Not that I'm aware of.
- 7 Q. Okay. So as we sit here, you don't have
- 8 anything to add to the supplement; it's full and
- 9 complete at this point?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. So how did you become involved in this
- 12 case?
- 13 A. I was requested to respond to Mr. Kosowski's
- 14 residence while a search warrant was executed, and I
- 15 took some photographs and made a few collections.
- 16 Q. Okay. And so, when you responded to the
- 17 residence -- and the residence that I'm referring to is
- 18 511 Seaview Drive; is that correct?
- 19 A. Yes, 511 Seaview Drive.
- 20 Q. All right. And so, when you responded to the
- 21 residence, what did you observe?
- 22 A. At the time, at the residence we met with the
- 23 detectives and the SWAT team. They were doing, like, a
- 24 SWAT servant -- serving the warrant -- not SWAT. There
- 25 was a team serving the warrant on the residence and

- 1 clearing it before we entered. And then we went in and
- 2 began taking photographs and collecting evidence.
- Q. Okay. And so, when you had the opportunity to
- 4 enter the residence, where was the first area that you
- 5 went to?
- 6 A. The garage.
- 7 Q. Okay. And what did you observe in the garage?
- 8 A. There was a -- there were vehicles -- a vehicle
- 9 parked in there; a truck I believe it was, a pickup
- 10 truck. There were various other items. It was a large
- 11 garage. There was a lot of items in the garage, but
- 12 particularly of interest at that time was the vehicle
- 13 right inside the garage or the truck. I later did
- 14 photos, overall photos, throughout the garage and also a
- 15 trailer that was inside the garage. I believe there was
- 16 a motorcycle --
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. -- but I would have to refer to the photos to
- 19 tell you everything. There was a lot of items in this
- 20 garage. It was large.
- 21 Q. Thank you. I appreciate it.
- 22 And as far as processing is concerned, did you
- 23 process or assist in processing the pickup truck that
- 24 you just mentioned?
- 25 A. I did collect a couple swabs from it.

- 1 Q. Okay.
- 2 A. I did a -- I believe it's -- I know -- I
- 3 believe it was a touch DNA swab from the tailgate area.
- 4 It was a Toyota Tundra. I'm sorry. It was the interior
- 5 side of the exterior tailgate handle is what I did the
- 6 touch DNA swab on. And then I also took a possible
- 7 blood sample from the interior of the tailgate.
- 8 Q. All right. And so, that's all you did as far
- 9 as collecting samples from the Tundra?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Okay. And then did you take photographs of the
- 12 Tundra as well, like the overall photographs that you
- 13 mentioned?
- 14 A. I believe the -- I would have to look for the
- 15 photos, but initially I was just taking some 360 photos
- 16 with our OSCR360 camera. I believe -- I don't
- 17 believe -- you know, honestly without looking at the
- 18 photographs, I can't remember if the truck had been
- 19 towed out of there yet or not. But the truck was then
- 20 towed to, I believe it was our -- one of our facilities.
- 21 It was towed out of the garage, and then I -- when I did
- 22 take digital photographs with my regular digital camera
- 23 in the garage, the truck was not in there at the time.
- Q. Okay. So in your report there is a mention of
- 25 building a property label. It says that you built the

- 1 property label for the vehicle in ASIS and retained
- 2 chain of custody. It's at the bottom of the second
- 3 paragraph.
- 4 A. Sorry. This is a long report.
- 5 Yes, our lieutenant is the one that escorted
- 6 it, but I built it -- just built the vehicle in ASIS.
- 7 Q. Okay. And what is ASIS? Like, what is that?
- 8 A. It's our computerized report writing and
- 9 property and evidence. That's the system that we use to
- 10 build property as well as do our reports.
- 11 Q. Okay. And so, when you say "build property,"
- 12 you're essentially, like, building a profile, I guess,
- 13 for this particular piece of property in ASIS?
- 14 A. It's just -- yeah, it's just documenting that
- 15 it's in our system, because our lieutenant then followed
- 16 the vehicle, escorted it back to our garage, then other
- 17 specialists would then later process the vehicle.
- 18 Q. Okay. And so, is that the chain of custody
- 19 that you're referring to? Like, all those additional
- 20 steps that were taken would be documented, essentially,
- 21 in ASIS?
- 22 A. It just shows -- yes, because in the property
- 23 reports then it shows that the vehicle was built and,
- 24 then it will be like -- it will have to be released by
- 25 somebody else. But there will be photographs from each,

- 1 and the photographs will be built as -- for each -- for
- 2 whoever did photograph and process the vehicle at the
- 3 garage.
- 4 Q. Okay. So then -- sorry. Go ahead.
- 5 A. At our garage, I meant. I didn't mean in his
- 6 garage. I meant in our garage in our facility.
- 7 Q. Right. Your facility.
- 8 And so, then, essentially, whoever did that
- 9 task, like, take the photographs, would then be
- 10 associated with that particular task and that
- 11 particular, I guess, chain in the custody chain?
- 12 A. So every time we -- like, every time we,
- 13 like -- so whoever did photographs of the truck at our
- 14 garage, they would have to build an evidence label for
- 15 the photo that would encompass the photographs that they
- 16 took. So each time -- like, at this -- at this
- 17 particular scene, I did the OSCR360, so I built a label
- in the system for the OSCR360, which was then submitted
- 19 to the photo lab, as well as I did take -- later take
- 20 digital photos inside the residence and then garage, and
- 21 that I built a separate label for. And that was also
- 22 given to -- you know, submitted to property with my
- 23 disk.
- 24 Q. Okay. And so, who initially received the
- 25 Tundra at impound, like at the impound garage?

- 1 A. I don't know. I was not there.
- Q. Okay. Did anyone from Tarpon Springs PD or
- 3 Largo PD accompany Lieutenant Gross when he escorted the
- 4 tow truck to the forensic processing garage?
- 5 A. I'm not aware. I do not know.
- 6 Q. All right. So you mentioned in your report,
- 7 specifically the second full paragraph of your report,
- 8 that you tested a sample of -- you collected a sample of
- 9 an unknown reddish-colored substance, and then you
- 10 tested a sample of that substance for the presence of
- 11 blood utilizing the phenolphthalein?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. So you said that you obtained a positive
- 14 result for blood in the tailgate of the truck.
- What analysis did you use?
- 16 A. I used the three-step phenolphthalein test,
- 17 which is also -- it's a presumptive test, so it's not
- 18 the end-all, be-all. Once I collected the swab, I
- 19 tested a sample from the swab, I submitted that. It
- 20 will have to get sent to a lab for any further analysis.
- 21 Phenolphthalein is a presumptive test for blood, and
- 22 it's not species specific. So in order to get any
- 23 further analysis, it has to be sent to another lab.
- 24 Q. All right. And so, as far as the positive
- 25 quality control test that you reference in your report,

- 1 can you please describe how that's done?
- 2 A. I take -- yeah. I take two swabs. One I put
- 3 a -- we have a test sample, and I put the -- I use the
- 4 test sample and then I test one empty swab, one clean
- 5 swab, and one with the test sample, and I use the
- 6 chemicals on that. And at that time, I obtained a
- 7 positive result where I used the sample chemical or
- 8 samples -- blood sample for the tester, and on the other
- 9 one I did not receive a positive result. It's just to
- 10 show if there's a positive or negative -- you know, that
- 11 it appears the chemicals are working.
- 12 Q. Okay. And did you do a positive quality
- 13 control test prior to testing the samples that you
- 14 collected from the Tundra?
- 15 A. Yes, I did.
- 16 Q. Okay. Is there a negative quality control test
- 17 for phenolphthalein?
- 18 A. Yes, that's the clean swab, that we just use a
- 19 clean swab with nothing out of the sterile -- sterile
- 20 swab out of the package, and we add the chemicals to it,
- 21 and if there's a reaction, then obviously that's a false
- 22 positive because --
- 23 Q. There's no sample there?
- A. There's no sample there, correct.
- 25 Q. Okay. So that would be a negative quality

- 1 control test; okay?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And so, the -- was there any negative quality
- 4 control test prior to testing the samples you collected
- 5 from the Tundra?
- 6 A. No, I only -- we only test the set once. We do
- 7 it once with no sample on the swab and one sterile swab
- 8 with an actual sample of -- from our sample kit. And I
- 9 did one on each, and they were both -- the clean swab
- 10 was negative and the other swab was positive.
- 11 Q. All right.
- 12 A. So it's only done one time before we use the
- 13 kit, like, each day.
- 0. Understood.
- Are there any other agents, to your knowledge,
- 16 that can give a positive phenolphthalein result that
- 17 isn't one?
- 18 A. Not off the top of my head, but I've been in
- 19 the -- when I was going through classes, I recall them
- 20 telling us that it's often -- you're more likely to get
- 21 a false negative than a false positive.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 A. But, again, once we do the -- we don't really
- 24 know the final outcome unless we look up lab results,
- 25 because, again, it's a presumptive. And before

- 1 there's -- you know, once we do the presumptive and
- 2 submit it to the property and evidence, and then it's up
- 3 to the case agent to decide what samples will go to the
- 4 lab. And those -- then they are further tested to
- 5 actually see if there's a DNA profile. If it's
- 6 confirmed that's it's human blood, you know, what
- 7 human's blood it belongs to, that all has to be done in
- 8 a lab.
- 9 O. Understood.
- 10 What about any other agents in the back of the
- 11 pickup truck or the tailgate? You know, could any of
- 12 those provide a false positive result?
- 13 A. I've never had that happen that I know of.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. I only did the one sample in the tailgate. I
- 16 didn't take multiple samples. I just saw a
- 17 reddish-color substance and that's the only area I
- 18 tested in that vehicle.
- 19 Q. All right. And then you mentioned taking the
- 20 photographs with the OSCR360 camera kit?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. And so, did -- as far as the scope of
- 23 the photography using the OSCR360, was that the entire
- 24 residence that you took photos of?
- 25 A. Primarily, yes -- let me be exact -- but it's

- 1 not like anything close-up. It's just a general 360
- 2 scan of the room. So I did, like -- let me see if I
- 3 listed -- I don't think I listed exactly separately out
- 4 each area I did it in. To my knowledge, I did -- I
- 5 covered most of the rooms inside the residence, I
- 6 believe.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. Yeah, I'd have to look at the photos to confirm
- 9 it, but...
- 10 Q. Right.
- 11 And then you also noted that you took some
- 12 photographs of some license plates?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Okay. And so, you also collected those license
- 15 plates as well?
- 16 A. I did.
- 17 Q. And also various items in the middle of the
- 18 garage area?
- 19 A. Of the photographed?
- 20 Q. Right. So you --
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. -- mentioned a soft-sided open trunk storage
- 23 container that was located near the middle of the garage
- 24 with multiple items in it?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Right.
- 2 And so, you collected the items from that
- 3 particular location, or no?
- 4 A. No, I did not. The only items I collected from
- 5 the scene were the license plates, the blood sample we
- 6 discussed, and the touch DNA swab that I took from the
- 7 truck. Other than that, I didn't collect anything else
- 8 from the residence.
- 9 Q. Okay. So you photographed those areas --
- 10 A. I did.
- 11 Q. Okay. Besides the areas that you -- okay.
- 12 That makes sense.
- So you collected and photographed those other
- 14 areas?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. Okay. So there is a portion in your
- 17 report, you know, as you're going through your
- 18 involvement here, where you indicated that there was --
- 19 that you tested two areas of reddish staining on the
- 20 garage floor?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. What is the significance of having a
- 23 negative phenolphthalein test for those areas?
- 24 A. There was a reddish-colored substance on the
- 25 floor. And, again, without testing it, we don't know if

- 1 it's going to be -- could be blood or could be anything
- 2 else -- paint. Could be nail polish. It could be just
- 3 some reddish-colored drink that got spilled. We don't
- 4 know. So there were some visible areas. I tested them,
- 5 they came back negative.
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 A. There was also -- so that was -- I also tested
- 8 a Bowie knife as well that was found in the closet in
- 9 the garage that was also negative. Then they had me do
- 10 a blind swab on a tactical backpack that was located in
- 11 the --
- 12 Q. Go ahead.
- 13 A. I'm sorry. It's cut out a little bit.
- 14 Q. You're fine. Just go ahead and finish your
- 15 sentence about where the tactical backpack was located
- 16 and I'll ask a question.
- 17 A. It was a blind swab on a black tactical
- 18 backpack in the southwest bedroom.
- 19 Q. Okay. What is a blind swab?
- 20 A. A blind swab is just when you swab to see --
- 21 you don't see a stain but you just swab something to see
- 22 if you can -- if there is anything there. I didn't
- 23 observe anything in particular. Could have been a
- 24 darkened area, but, like, I did not actually see a
- 25 reddish color.

- 1 Q. Okay. So going back to the Bowie knife that
- 2 was tested and then the areas on the garage floor that
- 3 were tested, those reddish areas that I referred to
- 4 earlier, is -- you know, you said that you tested those
- 5 using the phenolphthalein and it was a negative result
- 6 for both -- like, for all three of those areas?
- 7 A. Mm-hmm.
- 8 Q. So is phenolphthalein subject to false negative
- 9 results in your experience?
- 10 A. I haven't had any experience with it, but I
- 11 know it can happen. It's just -- but I've never had it
- 12 happen that I'm aware of.
- 13 Q. And so, that blind -- so right now, like, in
- 14 your involvement, we're talking about that blind swab.
- 15 And thank you for clarifying what a blind swab is.
- As far as, you know, I see in your report that
- 17 you mentioned that you continued to document areas and
- 18 items in the main living space. So when you say
- 19 "document," you're talking about photographing those
- 20 areas; right?
- 21 A. Correct, yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. And so, once the search of the residence
- 23 and the garage was completed, you note in your report
- 24 that you and also Forensic Specialist King covered the
- 25 windows and doors inside the garage to block out any

- 1 light from outside, and then Forensic Specialist King
- 2 applied luminol to the garage floor area?
- 3 A. Yes, she did.
- 4 Q. So I'll ask you about that. Sorry?
- 5 A. I'm sorry. Just dry throat.
- 6 Q. That's okay. No problem. No problem. You
- 7 want to take another moment to get a sip --
- 8 A. No, I'm good. I'm good.
- 9 Q. All right. Let me know.
- 10 Okay. So -- right.
- 11 So did you also -- like, did you process the
- 12 garage floor with the luminol, or was it just Forensic
- 13 Specialist King?
- 14 A. Just Forensic Specialist King.
- 15 Q. Okay. Did you perform a positive quality
- 16 control test for the luminol?
- 17 A. I don't believe I did.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. No, I didn't have anything to do with mixing or
- 20 testing with the luminol. All I did was take
- 21 photographs.
- 22 Q. Okay. So you, essentially, just witnessed it,
- 23 like, happening and then documented it with photographs
- 24 what the results were?
- 25 A. Yeah. I mean, I saw them spray, and then, I

- 1 mean -- well, I mean, I didn't actually see her because
- 2 the lights were out, but I was -- as she was spraying,
- 3 as soon as we saw anything, I took a photograph of it.
- 4 So I was involved in the actual -- while she was
- 5 processing, I was waiting for photo -- you know, any
- 6 results to photograph, because it doesn't stay bright
- 7 for very long, so you have to --
- 8 Q. You have to document it rather quickly?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. So I was focused on doing what I needed to do
- 12 with the camera.
- 13 Q. Right.
- So, in your experience, have you handled
- 15 luminol or sprayed luminol and done an analysis, you
- 16 know, using luminol in your experience -- in your
- 17 20-year experience?
- 18 A. I have been -- I've been involved, yes, when
- 19 we've applied luminol.
- 20 Q. Okay. Is there a negative quality control test
- 21 for luminol?
- 22 A. We used -- we just do it for a positive. We
- 23 look to see if it's working by using, like, usually a
- 24 penny or something, or a bloodstain. A known
- 25 bloodstain, we do it --

- 1 Q. Okay.
- 2 A. -- because luminol is known to react with a lot
- 3 more than just blood. So we use a -- we have -- in our
- 4 kit, we have pennies, because it will react with that,
- 5 too. So we'll spray it on that to see if it works, and
- 6 if it gives a positive result we know the chemicals are
- 7 working.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. But there isn't a negative quality control
- 10 test.
- 11 Q. Okay. Thank you.
- And so, what were the results of, you know, the
- 13 luminol analysis on the garage floor?
- 14 A. There were areas of luminescence that I
- 15 photographed, but I can't tell you anything beyond that.
- 16 I just photographed the areas of luminescence.
- 17 Q. Okay. To your knowledge, you know, being
- 18 involved at least in documenting the results, were the
- 19 areas of luminol kind of luminescent analyzed with
- 20 phenolphthalein?
- 21 A. Yeah. I know that somebody took swabs while we
- 22 were there, but I honestly, to be honest with you,
- 23 wasn't paying attention to that. I was focusing on the
- 24 camera. We had somebody else that was taking care of
- 25 the swabs, so I don't know the exact results of those.

- 1 Q. Okay. To your knowledge, do you know if any
- 2 further testing, like a confirmatory test, was done for
- 3 the samples that were collected from the garage floor
- 4 area that was sprayed with luminol?
- 5 A. No, you'd have to talk to the case agent. They
- 6 have to make the decision if it's even sent to the lab.
- 7 We're not -- we just submit those -- what we collect to
- 8 property, and then the case agent has to get with --
- 9 they have to make the -- they have to get with the lab
- 10 and with -- we do have one person in our office who
- 11 takes those samples to the lab when requested --
- 12 Q. Excuse me.
- 13 A. -- so...
- 14 Q. So in your experience as a forensic specialist,
- 15 what would be the significance of a positive luminol
- 16 test at the scene, followed by a positive
- 17 phenolphthalein test at the scene, which is then
- 18 followed by a negative confirmatory test for blood in a
- 19 laboratory?
- 20 A. I can't answer anything about a confirmatory
- 21 test. We have nothing to do with that. I'm not a
- 22 chemist. I don't even -- most of the time I don't even
- 23 know what the final results are from a lab, because
- 24 we'll often process and swab so many areas and they only
- 25 send what they can. You know, they have to -- they have

- 1 a procedure of how many they can take at a time to the
- 2 lab, so I don't even often get those results, so I
- 3 couldn't be sure.
- 4 Q. Okay. Going back to when you initially
- 5 responded to 511 Seaview as the search warrant was being
- 6 executed --
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. -- were you briefed by Largo PD or Tarpon
- 9 Springs PD about what was going on?
- 10 A. I don't recall which detectives. We were
- 11 working with detectives from both agencies, so I'm not
- 12 exactly sure.
- 13 Q. Okay. At any point during your time at
- 14 511 Seaview, did you discuss when the suspect acquired
- 15 the Toyota Tundra with Largo PD or Tarpon Springs PD?
- 16 A. I'm sorry. When they acquired it?
- 17 Q. Yeah. When the suspect acquired the vehicle.
- 18 A. No, I have no knowledge of that.
- 19 Q. Okay. And so, you wouldn't know anything about
- 20 when the suspect acquired or purchased the truck?
- 21 A. I don't. Not to my knowledge, no. I don't
- 22 know anything about it.
- 23 Q. Okay. Did -- during your time at 511 Seaview,
- 24 did you witness either Largo PD detectives or Tarpon
- 25 Springs PD detectives search, you know, within the

- 1 residence or around the residence?
- 2 A. We were all working together. There were a lot
- 3 of people there. I don't know who specifically looked
- 4 in what areas.
- 5 Q. Okay. During your time at 511 Seaview, did you
- 6 know anyone that seemed out of place or perhaps
- 7 shouldn't have been there?
- 8 A. Not to my knowledge, no.
- 9 Q. Okay. And, you know, in your experience, were
- 10 you able to discern who was a Largo PD detective and who
- 11 was a Tarpon Springs PD detective?
- 12 A. I don't recall. I mean, like, other than some
- of their names and faces, I don't know. It's a large
- 14 residence. We were never all at the same place at the
- 15 same time. So honestly, you know, I'm good with faces.
- 16 Names, hmm. So I'd have to, like, sit there and look at
- 17 their thing. I mean, at the time, I did, but right now
- 18 I can't remember.
- 19 O. Understood.
- To your knowledge, how was the search
- 21 organized? You know, for example, were there teams set
- 22 up to search certain areas? Do you know?
- 23 A. I was just directed -- you know, my supervisor
- 24 directed me where to go, what areas to go to, and that's
- 25 basically what I did. I don't know if they had a game

- 1 plan.
- 2 Q. Okay. How long did the execution of the search
- 3 warrant take?
- 4 A. I don't know. I mean, I was on scene. I can
- 5 tell you how long I was on scene. I can't tell you the
- 6 exact time.
- 7 Q. That's fine. Thank you.
- 8 A. I know I got there at -- I got there at just
- 9 before 11:00 p.m., and I was -- I mean, I still -- I
- 10 don't know what time exactly. I'd need to look at the
- 11 CAD results to tell you exactly what time I left there,
- 12 though.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. Yeah. I don't know what time it was. It might
- 15 have been, like, 6:00 a.m. that we left, but I don't
- 16 know if anyone else was still there.
- 17 Q. Okay. You had mentioned just a moment ago
- 18 that, you know, you don't recall, like, who specifically
- 19 searched what, like as far as, you know, Largo PD or
- 20 Tarpon Springs PD personnel is concerned.
- 21 So is it fair to say that you don't recall
- 22 specifically who might have gone through, like, the
- 23 closets or the drawers or the suitcases, or who was
- 24 handling guns or guitars at the property?
- 25 A. I was made aware from the beginning that Tarpon

- 1 Springs and a Largo detective -- I would have -- there
- 2 would be somebody -- they were working together. So
- 3 there was always -- in each of the areas, there was
- 4 going to be a Largo and a Tarpon Springs, but, like I
- 5 said, it's a large residence and I don't -- I wasn't
- 6 watching them all the time.
- 7 Q. Right.
- 8 So you can't name, like, any specific
- 9 individuals who did any specific things as far as
- 10 searching the property is concerned?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Okay. And one more question.
- During your time at 511 Seaview, did you
- 14 witness any Largo PD personnel, specifically either
- 15 Detective Borne or Detective Hunt, wear shoe covers when
- 16 walking through the garage?
- 17 A. I don't recall.
- 18 Q. Okay. All right. So you have a list of items
- 19 in your -- items. Areas. Sorry. Areas of the
- 20 residence that you photographed.
- 21 And so, these -- is there anything that is not
- 22 on this list that you photographed?
- 23 A. Not to my knowledge. I mean, there -- it was a
- 24 large residence. There were a lot of items. These were
- 25 the primary items of interest that I documented, but in

- 1 the -- as far as the 360, it's just overall. I'd have
- 2 to look at the exact. I believe we did the entire
- 3 interior residence. I can't say that I captured every
- 4 closet or anything like that, but -- and those are just
- 5 general. Like I said, it's like a fisheye 360
- 6 photograph. Nothing is zoomed in on or anything like
- 7 that. And then the other -- these are more of the items
- 8 on the listing that I have of where I did in the garage
- 9 when I had my regular digital camera.
- 10 Q. Okay. Right.
- And that's very helpful, because you do also
- 12 have a list of, you know, what you tested with
- 13 phenolphthalein, and a list of where the positive
- 14 results were and where the negative results were, and
- 15 that's very helpful for me. And so I also see the items
- 16 that you collected.
- 17 So once you were, you know, finished with your
- 18 involvement as far as, like, collecting or documenting
- 19 or testing, did you depart the residence at 511 Seaview
- 20 Drive?
- 21 A. Yeah. After I finished collecting all the
- 22 evidence, I would -- I would respond back to our
- 23 forensic sciences division where I package the items and
- 24 submit my photo disks as well as submit the items for
- 25 property.

- 1 Q. Okay. And so did you have any further
- 2 involvement in the execution of the search warrant once
- 3 you left the scene?
- 4 A. No, I did not.
- 5 Q. Okay. What about the processing of the Tundra
- 6 at the garage? Any involvement there?
- 7 A. No. I had no further involvement in the case
- 8 at all.
- 9 Q. All right.
- 10 A. That's the extent of it.
- 11 MR. RAMOS WICKS: Thank you. I appreciate it.
- I don't have any further questions. I'm going to
- 13 check in with Mr. Vonderheide and see if he has any.
- 14 A. Okay.
- MR. VONDERHEIDE: No questions.
- MR. RAMOS WICKS: All right. Would you like to
- 17 read or waive, Ms. Zuchetto?
- THE WITNESS: Read, please.
- MR. RAMOS WICKS: Okay. I'm going to stop
- 20 recording, and then you can provide your
- 21 information; okay?
- THE WITNESS: Sure.
- 23 (At 4:24 p.m., no further questions were
- 24 propounded to this witness.)

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