

ORLANDO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Orlando, Florida

STATEMENT TRANSCRIPT

STATEMENT OF: Lisa Nowak

STATEMENT TAKEN BY: Det. Chris Becton

LOCATION TAKEN AT: Orlando International Airport
Interview Room

DATE:

RE:

ALSO PRESENT:

STATEMENT BEGINNING TIME: HOURS

Q: (Inaudible) of how far you're gonna' in, in talkin' with 'em.

A: (Inaudible) known each other for a long time (inaudible).

Q: Okay. Give me just one minute. (Detective Becton steps out. Radio is transmitting in the room). (Ofc. Hengehold speaking in background (inaudible). Sorry about that. All right I'm back. All right. Um, first of all I don't want to waste anybody's time, okay. Um, you've been placed under arrest for what happened in the parking lot. I would like to talk to you about what happened in the parking lot. You're not willing to talk to me, just say so now and we deal with what we've got and let everybody interpret what they interpret out of what we've got. If you would like to tell me your side, then we'll go ahead and we'll continue and you get a chance to say what it is you want to say.

A: (Very low volume) How can that help me?

Q: Well, what you say can change what you're charged with, okay. Um, right now we're looking at possible life felony of car jacking. Um, but that's just from interpretation of what I've seen and what I've heard.

A: (inaudible) I was trying to steal a car?

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- Q: Well, there's a little bit more to car jacking than that. Um, that, that's why I would like to talk with you. So, if you're willing to talk to me I've got some formalities I need to get out of the way get out of the way before we can go any further.
- A: Do you advise that I need a lawyer?
- Q: I can't give you any advice at all, okay. Um, I can tell you that you're a very educated woman. Um, so (interrupted).
- A: You don't have to tell me (Inaudible).
- Q: No, um, so I think you're capable of making those decisions. I would really like your side of the story 'cause I can tell you that things aren't looking really good, right now, okay. Um, I believe in this, and that is there's three sides to every story. There's your side, the other person's side and the middle. Right now I have the middle and another person's story. The question is do you want to complete that and give me your side?
- A: Who else have you talked to?
- Q: Um, well, I've talked to the person who's driving the car and um, I've talked to the officers. So, it's a little lopsided right now.
- A: (Inaudible) you have made some phone calls.
- Q: Yeah. Well, I've gotta' make phone calls to check up and find out the real Lisa, is it Nowak?, you know what. Okay.
- A: Did you already calmly work? *no // my?*
- Q: No. I haven't talked to anybody from NASA on purpose.
- A: (Inaudible). You were talking about JSC Security (inaudible).
- Q: I've mentioned JSC security 'cause I, I need their phone number.
- A: Are you going to call them (meaning JSC Security).
- Q: Well, eventually I'm gonna' have to tell them something. If not they gonna' call me and it's gonna' be bad if they call me. Because my captain's gonna' wonder what's going on (inaudible).

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A: Why would they call?

Q: Well, because eventually somebody's gonna' find out that an astronaut was arrested here.

A: There's no way to not do that?

Q: Well...that's kinda' why I need to talk to you. I need to find out what happened. I, I really do and, and I would like to get your side of the story, okay.

A: Is there any way to not (inaudible) it?

Q: At this point I don't know of any way. I can check and find out and I can go through my chain of command to see if there's something we can do to help you out. I can't make you any promises.

A: O.K. can you keep it private? (meaning keeping her arrest private).

Q: Well, I can't make you any promises right now. Okay. Because my chain of command is gonna' want to know why are we doing this and...you know, right now I don't have any answers. All I have is what I see here and what I've heard from the driver of the car and the officers. So, you, you willing to discuss this with me?

A: First, the person that was there, I wish to talk to with her. She had not met me yet. (Inaudible) you will not um, let me I (inaudible) (interrupted).

Q: Hold on, well, before, before we start discussing this I've got some formalities I got to go through.

A: Okay.

Q: Okay. So, you want to want to discuss this with me?

A: Tell me the formalities first.

Q: Okay. Well, I need to let you know what your constitutional rights are. That's only fair to you, okay?

A: Okay.

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Q: So, are we at that point where I can let you know what your constitutional rights are and (inaudible)?

A: Give them to me, yea.

Q: Okay. (Inaudible). Alright. First you have the right to remain silent, do you understand?

A: (answers softly) Yes.

Q: Anything you say and let me, before I go any further, did you ever watch "Cops"?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. Um, let me continue this, anything you say can be used against you in court, do you understand?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: You have the right to talk to your lawyer before and during questioning, do you understand?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Yes?

A: (Softly spoken) yes.

Q: Okay. And you understand that any, whatever you tell me is gonna' be used in court.

A: I guess the question is whether I should have one (meaning a lawyer).

Q: Well, let me finish reading this and then maybe I can answer your questions, okay?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: If you cannot afford lawyer and want one will, one will be provided for you before question without charge, do you understand?

A: Uuhhmm.

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Q: Alright. Has anyone threatened you, or promised you anything to get you to talk to me?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: All right. Now, (inaudible) your constitutional rights, something I'm required to read you before I can ask you any questions concerning what happened, okay?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Now, you do have the right to talk to a lawyer before and during questioning. You can stop questioning at any time you want. However, we go back to it's a lopsided situation, okay. There's obviously a reason why you're here tonight. Something has happened to you and if you're not gonna' tell me what's gonna' happen or, or if you're not gonna' tell me why you're here tonight, then you're kind of on your own, okay? Um, again, I cannot make you any promises about anything; I'm not authorized to do that. But I can step up to the plate and speak up for you.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Well, you know, if there's a, a logical explanation to all this, it's very easy from when I comes time for me to discuss with the State Attorney's office what's going on to say, "Well, you know, have you read her BIO?"

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Actually it does, this is pretty impressive. You're not, here's the thing, for you to be here something serious had to happen to you. I mean, you know, when you look at the fact that you have 1500 flight hours in more than 30 different aircrafts, that's impressive. Um, you're a Navy test pilot. You went through Navy Test Pilot School, is that where you got (inaudible)?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Yeah, you were selected for Navy Test Pilot School, that's impressive. Okay? So, something had to happen for tonight to go down. And if you need help, you know, why that? Let's, let's face it...everybody needs help at some point in their life and you can't always do everything by yourself. Okay.

A: I really needed to talk to her. I mean, I just wanted to sit and talk and sit (interrupted).

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Q: Well, what would you (interrupted).

A: [REDACTED]

Q: Well, do you even know her?

A: I've never met her before. In person.

Q: Okay. So, what would you talk to her, what, what would you say to her?

A: I would, a matter, I think we had in common.

Q: Okay. Do you mind telling me what that matter is?

A: You said you you've talk to her.

Q: I have talked to her.

A: O.K., then I assume you already know. I don't want to bring other people into it, if it's not necessary.

Q: Okay. You don't think (interrupted),

A: I mean, if she has already done that, then I should (interrupted).

Q: She tells me she doesn't know you. She's never met you.

A: We've never met, that's true.

Q: Okay. Um, let me do this, and, and I kinda' see where you're going with this, you're trying to protect somebody from a lot of um, undue stress, can we say?

A: [REDACTED]

Q: Okay. So, let's start with um, we won't use their real names, how's that?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: The person that you two have in common, let's refer to him as um, Tim. Can we do

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that?

A: Can you tell me what she talked to you about? That would help.

Q: Well, once, once you've told me your side, then I can go ahead and verify that, but there's no sense in me giving you everything she'd say 'cause then I should, why even talk to you? I need to hear your side. Okay. I tell you what, let me ask this, do you mind if I refer to him with a different name?

A: You can say whatever you want.

Q: Okay. Well, we'll say Tim. The two of you somehow, I know what her connection with him is; I don't know what your connection with him is. Can you tell me what that is?

A: Well, maybe that's what we (meaning Nowak and Shipman) needed to talk about that (Chuckling).

Q: Okay. Um, we'll start with this did you work with him?

A: Is this going to help?

Q: Well, I don't know right now because I don't know what the connection between you and Tim is. You want answers from me, but I'm not getting any answers. I, it's like having a map equation and not without the proper information you can't resolve it.

A: Um, does she, does she see an association, I mean, I guess if you think there is an association (Meaning Nowak and Shipman) that we have in common. Then you have discussed that with her(inaudible) person (inaudible) then (inaudible) discuss that with her.

Q: Possibly.

A: Okay. I'm trying to keep other people out of this.

Q: I understand, that's why I was using different names.

A: Well, it's like I've already been overcome by her wishes and I um, (interrupted).

Q: Well, here's the thing (interrupted).

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A: I, I, I believe it's not in her wishes to do that. Does it make sense?

Q: Yes. It does make sense. And right now I'm not really concerned with her wishes, I'm more concerned with yours, okay? I'm, she's had her chance to tell me what's going on, I'm giving you that chance. I'm trying to find out (interrupted).

A: Did you tell her who I was?

Q: Yes. I mentioned your name. She says she's never met you.

A: But she knows me?

Q: She knew of you.

A: Okay.

Q: But she's never met you. Now...I see you're a captain in the Navy...so, you're not stupid, you're extremely intelligent especially to be where you are today. I mean, (interrupted).

A: Wait. I would like to forward. [REDACTED]

Q: Okay. I, I can help you do that once I know what's going on in your life.

A: That's what's going on. [REDACTED] She (Interrupted).

Q: So, you sprayed something in her car to talk to her?

A: No, [REDACTED] And she's going away, I was like.. [REDACTED]

Q: Where do you live?

A: Don't you have that?

Q: No, actually I don't, I don't look at that

A: (inaudible).

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Q: Where do you live?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Uhm.

A: (Inaudible)

Q: Because I'm going to make a point with that.

A: what is it?

Q: You need to answer my question first.

A: Tell me the point first.

Q: You need to answer my question first.

A: I live in Houston.

Q: O.K., you're here in Orlando, which means you have to fly here, am I correct?

A: There is more than one to get here.

Q: O.K., you could have driven here, or you taken the Greyhound. I doubt that you took a bus. But you had to come to Orlando from Houston. And, I see you have three children. So, that means your children are still in Houston. So, you left your children to come to Orlando just to chitchat. I'd greatly appreciate it if you would not insult my intelligence by the cockamamie story that you just gave me. It, I would, I would rather you spit in my face as if you were no better than somebody out in the ghetto than insult my intelligence. Either you want to be up front and you want to tell me your side of the story, or you don't it's that simple. I'm trying to give you the ability to try and make some good out of what happened. If you don't want that ability, show me that respect and say so, but you're toying around with me.

A: No actually I'm not.

Q: You are, okay 'cause what you just told me, "I'll just sit here and talk to her and sit in my car and talk to her, bull. You don't leave three children in Houston. It, I mean, where are your children? Is there somebody watching your children? Hopefully somebody you trust because you're in Orlando and their in Houston, and if your children needed you like my daughter needed me this morning, you're not gonna' be

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there for them. Just like I can't be there for my daughter right now because I'm sitting here, now. If you wanna' come clean, and you wanna' tell me what happened, the truth, then please do so, but don't insult my intelligence. I understand that you don't wanna' hurt anybody...

A: Yes.

Q: ...but I think we're at a point right now where all we can do is minimize the impact of what's occurred.

A: How do we do that?

Q: Well, I don't know. It depends on how honest you're gonna' be with me and what you tell me.

A: Everything I told you is the truth.

Q: Okay. So, you want me to just state that an astronaut with NASA left her three children in Houston to come to Orlando, to speak to another person.

A: They're with their dad right now, like they are every other weekend.

Q: Okay. Well, it's Monday morning and it's 7 o'clock, which means time with their dad is up.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. So who's gonna' pick up your children.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. Well, still pretty serious to be in Orlando from Houston to talk to somebody at 4:30 in the morning.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. So, you plan on going to Houston.

A: I was planning on going back.

Q: Okay.

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A: I understand that.

Q: You couldn't wait 'til later on this morning to speak with Colleen?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Doesn't she work for NASA?

A: I don't think so.

Q: Okay. I thought she did. Where does she live?

A: I don't know. If I knew that I could have (Interrupted).

Q: Okay. So, how did you know she was gonna' be here at 4:30 in the morning?

A: I didn't know exactly what time she was coming. I knew she was flying in.

Q: How did you know she was flying here, unless you talked to her.

A: Because somebody else told me.

Q: Somebody else who knows her.

A: Yes.

Q: Okay. It wasn't Tim was it? Tim being the person the two of you have in common.

A: Is that important (As she chuckles)?

Q: (Inaudible) maybe, 'cause maybe he's your out.

A: Out for what?

Q: Making things a little less serious than they appear to be.

A: What do they appear to be?

Q: They appear to be extremely serious.

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- A: I don't understand.
- Q: Well
- A: (Inaudible).
- Q: If it says ISS.
- A: It's a list of... It has nothing to do with anything. A list of different assignments.
- Q: Okay. Well, my question is I'm going to jump off a ledge and say ISS space station, international space station.
- A: These are people who are assigned different jobs in our office.
- Q: Okay. Why would you bring that to Orlando with you if you live in Houston?
- A: I didn't bring it to Orlando for a particular (inaudible). It was just in my purse.
- Q: Glad to have you back?
- A: (Inaudible) those are a year old.
- Q: Doesn't look a year old.
- A: I have stuff in there that's probably two years old.
- Q: Okay. (Inaudible).
- A: My kids teacher.
- Q: Is this your checkbook? Yeah. Paul?
- A: Um, (interrupted).
- Q: It's a D.C. number.
- A: It's an old friend from about ten years ago.
- Q: Is your divorce final, or are you just separated?

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A: (Inaudible).

Q: Is this something you wanted, or he wanted?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Is this your daughter?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: How old is she?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: (Inaudible). Okay. So, we have a schedule for satellite parking, the bus route.
(Inaudible).

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Johnson Space Center.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: (Inaudible), like Cape Kennedy Space Center, or bigger or smaller or?

A: Smaller

Q: (Inaudible). What's what land?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: (Inaudible). (Inaudible) year old. Just got promoted to captain. See this looks like about six months (inaudible).

A: (Inaudible), yeah. That's six month's ago.

Q: Okay. Now, do you see the difference? This isn't a (inaudible) year old.

A: (Inaudible). I did that last January.

Q: Yeah, but (interrupted).

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A: (Inaudible) tracking numbers. I did that last January.

Q: That was in calories...fat?

A: Yeah.

Q: So, how many calories do you take per day.

A: I don't know

Q: That was in calories...fat?

A: I did that a year ago.

Q: Were you competing? Are you (inaudible)?

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A: Are you a concerned mom?

Q: Private school?

A: Um..

Q: You been on the Nimitz?

A: Personally, No. My husband has been.

Q: Your husband in the Navy?

A: He retired.

Q: Did he retire (inaudible)?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: What was his rank when he retired?

A: (Inaudible).

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Q: So you actually one up him. You know it's interesting having grown up in the military and I'll tell you why its interesting growing up in the military. The (inaudible) branch I think creates certain (inaudible). (Inaudible) you have a, a map of the airport? (Inaudible). When were you suppose to check out of La Quinta? Actually, La Quinta.

A: I wasn't staying there.

Q: How long have you been here, in Orlando?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: (Inaudible), two days. A day or two days?

A: A day, two days.

Q: Did he break your heart?

A: (Inaudible)

Q: You didn't like him?

A: My husband is the only person who broke my heart.

Q: I'll start with your husband. (Inaudible). Didn't you say he broke your heart?

A: Gradually.

Q: (Inaudible) departure.

A: Over the years I guess. It happened over time.

Q: Well, was it careers, was it interest change, was it somebody else?

A: people grow apart sometimes

Q: It happens

A; you don't believe me (laugh).

Q: Oh, I believe ya', it could happen.

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A: (Inaudible) over the years.

Q: Do you think he got jealous over your career?

A: No (Inaudible).

Q: Was he proud of you?

A: I think he was.

Q: Well, you actually went up in July? You know that's (inaudible) okay; you know the 4th of July was the very first launch I took my daughter too. We were right there. Have you ever been too the entrance of KSC, you can either go right to go the cape, or you go left to go the beach. That road that ends, um, there's two long roads across the Banana River (inaudible). We were right smack dab in the middle between of the bridge and the where the (inaudible) begins. That's were we saw the shuttle go up. You know something, actually come to think of it I, I'm sure (inaudible) to think of it.

A: You know I have an idea.

Q: Yeah. Yeah. I've got all the video clips, four, five, six, six video clips. It was the very first shuttle my daughter saw go up. You never seen it live before. And I remember when, I've grown up here, I remember when the very first shuttle when up we (inaudible). This is why I bring this up to you. You have a lot going on inside of you. It's either a lot of pain, a lot of anger, or it's both. And right now you're bottling it up alot, hear me out 'cause you know you and your husband grew apart and knowing how the common person sees you and see this, you would have thought that your husband would have been extremely proud of you.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Now, there is a, a connection in the issue between you, your husband, and this other guy and (inaudible).

A: There is no connection between those four people.

Q: Well, that's what everything appears right now, what I'm looking at.

A: I don't understand.

Q: Well, with everything I've got, I've got more people involved in this incident, okay.

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You're not telling me what's going on. I can't pre, I cannot prevent you from going to jail, and I can't prevent that you, your name and her name from being entered into any paper work. People (interrupted).

A: What if she drops the charges?

Q: I don't think she's gonna' drop the charges.

A: But if she did?

Q: I want to press charges and I will be a witness. I doubt very seriously she's gonna' drop the charges.

A: Maybe if you could let me talk to her. Let me talk to her.

Q: No

A: Why not?

Q: No, absolutely not 'cause I don't know what you're capable of doing. Right now,

A: (Inaudible).

Q: ...I've got, right now I've got you flying into Orlando, or driving which ever way, I haven't figured that out yet, with a hotel, possibly with a hotel room here, which I'm going to end up finding out later on.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: With a map of the airport, a bus schedule, her flight information possibly. It looks more like a chat, it was more than chit chatting.

A: [REDACTED]. I needed to talk to her.

Q: It's so important that you were going to fly out here from Houston.

A: I needed to talk to her.

Q: It, what were you gonna' say to here?

A: To tell her, if I could talk to her about it first maybe, I didn't get to talk to her

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(interrupted).

- Q: You think I'm gonna' let you talk to her without knowing what you're gonna' say, uh, uh, I ain't stupid. I know you think I am, but I'm not.
- A: If I did that, then it would defeat the whole purpose of what I was going to talk to her about.
- Q: Well, here's the thing right now, it doesn't matter your purpose is, okay. The thing is it matters why you were gonna' talk to her, and what you're gonna' say to her.
- A: Okay, then your telling me it doesn't matter then?
- Q: Your purpose, well okay, I tell you that without knowing what your purpose is. You're not even telling me what your purpose is. You told me jack.
- A: The purpose is to resolve the issues that I'm not sure she had all the issues, the facts of what I wanted to talk to her about. I wanted to find out how she wanted to handle it.
- Q: Okay. Then why can't you tell me what the issues are?
- A: because I'm trying not to bring other people into it.
- Q: Okay. We'll wait, you've already brought her into this. I appreciate you're trying to limit the impact in the damage that's occurred, but you being here you reach a point of no return, okay. And damage has been done. I cannot (inaudible) control damage unless I know what's goin' on, and you're not goin' to tell me what's goin on then it is what it is. And, you know, there's not much I can do about that. If you want to tell me what's going on I might be able to help you, considerably.
- A: (Inaudible) everything I say is the complete truth.
- Q: Well, I don't doubt that, but you haven't said anything. All you said, here, you told me you; you needed to talk to her. It was about 4:30 in the morning, and basically for all intents and purposes (inaudible) satellite parking lot, and there's pepper spray in your car that supposedly you sprayed in the car. It sounds to me a little more than you wanted to chitchat, not to mention that you came all the way from Houston to Orlando.
- A: I didn't.

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Q: Not to mention, this is why a shock it was, that could be translated as 9mm ammo, blue suede sneakers black, black jacket with hood, that don't look good. Sounds to me like more than a chat, and this looks like it's written down from JSC. So, you know, plastic bag, we've got a, a where did I see the garden stuff here hat, black hair, dark face makeup.

A:

Q: Okay. So, you're gonna' disguise yourself up as a totally perfect stranger, instead of her ID-ing ya'.

A:

Q: What was the lawn and garden bag for?

A: Trash.

Q: Okay. So, where's your car?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Do not, please do not make me track down and run every license plate and every vehicle in this airport because that is gonna' be just about as much disrespectful for any person could show me. Now, where's your car?

A: (No response).

Q: You're not protecting anybody, by telling me where your car is.

A: Okay.

Q: Where's your car?

A: (No response).

Q: Alright. Well, I tell you what; we can do this one of two ways: You're gonna' either tell me where your car is or I'm gonna', I'm gonna' go call KSC security and I'll find out where your car is and I'll tell them why I'm lookin' for your car. And, and I'm just gonna' stop this whole thing because you know what, I'm tired of getting jerked around right now. You're wasting my time and you're insulting my intelligence.

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A: I (interrupted).

Q: I appreciated the fact you want to protect people, but right now you're not in a position to decide (interrupted).

A: I (interrupted).

Q: ...if you're able to protect anybody.

A: If you would tell me (Inaudible).

Q: You know what...you have a bachelor's in science, an aerospace engineering in the Naval Academy, a master's of science in aeronautical engineering, and a degree of aeronautical and astronomical energy, engineering from the U.S. Naval post graduate school. I think you're intelligent enough to realize that what is going to be best in this situation. And I think you're intelligent enough to realize that you're insulting my intelligence, okay. I'm trying to help you out. I'm trying to help you control damage as much as possible. You're not giving me anything to help you out with. And all I've gotten is to ask you where did you park your car. In (interrupted).

A: How will that help?

Q: Well, right now we don't have any trust between you and I. I have you with personally half screwed up in the head right now, okay. And I'll try and get help for you and (interrupted).

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Well, first of all you have to earn my trust, okay. I might be able to help you control some of the damage that's been done. I don't know because I don't know what's going on in your head, okay.

A: The best case that you can imagine, how could you help me?

Q: I can say, "Well, she's under a lot of stress. Her personal life as gone to shit. She's a human being. We need to get her some help, whether it be counseling, whether it be whatever." I, I don't know what the options are right now, but if right at the top of my head right now, that's your best case. Maybe it's the fact that, you know what, life dealt her a really nasty, nasty blow. She's separated from her husband, which, how long have you been married?

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A: (Inaudible).

Q: You've been married almost 19 years, and you're separated and this has no effect on you? Then, let me tell you something (interrupted).

A: It has an effect on me.

Q: Okay. Well, you're not telling me anything so I, as far as I can tell you don't. You know, when you look at, when you look at Lisa as a person, okay, she's competitive, intelligent, um, she is a mother who is juggling being a mother and a career. I mean, you know, as a person just from what I've seen here going through what you're going through I'd snap. I would need help. So, why are we gonna' treat her any different? As a matter of a fact, to be quiet honest, we owe Lisa a lot.

A: How do you see that change what happened to me?

Q: Yeah. Right now, as far as this is concerned, Lisa's a stone cold criminal, she could care less. You know what, this was all show. When you look at, when you look at Lisa's biographical data it's all just a show. She's nothing more than a street thug. Now, it's easy if you tell me what's going on for me to sit here and say, "You know what, Lisa is not a street thug. Lisa ran into some issues." Well this looks like is a trifold billfold reminder card, two versions of contact information. And I thought law enforcement had a lot of neumonics for different things.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: It may have been in your bio 'cause that's for office emergency (inaudible). Mm, I wonder if this is from the (inaudible) in the (inaudible). Anyway, the thing is this, you're a person having it, or living in hell right now, or you're a street thug.

A: The second thing is not true, and first is closer to true.

Q: Okay. Well, here's the thing Lisa is living in close to hell, if not in hell, needs help. Now, (interrupted).

A: What happens from here? What is the best case scenario?

Q: Okay. Let me paint this picture, you and I start talking, we start sharing information, okay. I'm able, you're, you're gonna' go to jail, I can't prevent that.

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A: Does that mean (Inaudible)?

Q: Well, it depends upon what you tell me, could be anywhere from 72 hours to 8 hours, okay.

A: What's the eight hours?

Q: Well, that's best case scenario. Again, it depends on what you tell me, okay. Um, if you tell me what I think is the problem, okay, then it's a matter of me saying okay, we have some red flags here Lisa needs some help. We need to get her help quickly.

A: O.K (Inaudible).

Q: Well, again it depends on what you tell me, okay. Best case scenario we get you into some counseling, okay. But without knowing what's going on, we get back to just being a regular street thug. Well, get your attorney deal with it. This is what I see in the evidence that has been presented before me. This is where I think either it happened, or it's going to happen and let's allow a jury of 12 people to decide.

A: The jury of 12(Inaudible)?

Q: The jury of 12 people? Well, that's in your hands, I can't control that.

A: Is it also in her hands?

Q: Not well....mmmm... (inaudible).

A: You need to be truthful.

Q: Yeah. I am. I don't and the catch is, I do not know what the State Attorney's office would do. If she were to decline prosecution, I don't know if the State Attorney's office will accept that or not. They do have the option of not accepting that. I can think of several cases where the victim was uncooperative and they've gone on with the case. So, I don't want you thinking that if you were to decline prosecution you're off scott free, that's not the case. So, her wanting to prosecute right now it's kind of not, very much an option. And knowing (interrupted).

A: you understand, if we had been able to talk she would not (inaudible).

Q: Okay. So, what would you have said that would have changed this whole (inaudible)? (Inaudible).

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A: I'm trying.

Q: I, I see that. I see what you're trying, I see it's difficult, so let's try something else, okay. Let's work up to it, okay. Maybe that'll be easier. You printed these things out in January 23rd, which was what a week or two ago? 23rd, 23rd when was this (printed. Okay. So, this is something that's been going on for a while. Um, do you want refer to him as his real name, or do you want use Tim? Whatever's gonna' be easiest for you.

A: The person were talking about?

Q: Mm, huh (meaning yes).

A: Okay. You can call him whatever.

Q: Well, what's gonna' be easiest for you?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. Let's say that...she's dating him, what's your connection with him? You guys work together? Did you use to live together? Um, are you high school buddies, college buddies? Um, is there something about him she needs to know? Um, does Tim do, you and your Tim. Let me try this again. Your husband and Tim, are they buddies? What's the connection? Alright. Let me try (inaudible).

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Let me try something easier. How long have you been with NASA?

A: (Inaudible) 10 years.

Q: And...you obviously didn't start out in NASA, you started in the Navy.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. And have you always been a pilot in the Navy? (Beeper goes off). Um, so, how long have you been in the Navy?

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A: (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. So, you're in the Navy from '81, actually you're still in the Navy, right?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Just assigned to NASA. Okay. So, you're comin' up on 15 years in the military.

A: I just made Captain, so its been 22 years.

Q: Okay. 22 years in the military. Um, when you went...what was your temporary duty at the Johnson's Space Center in '85?

A: Miscellaneous.

Q: Just miscellaneous?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: So, you've actually pretty much been connected with NASA in some aspect since the Naval Academy

A: (Inaudible).

Q: So, after you went to...flight school, well actually at the end of the 6 months you didn't have any other connection with NASA.

A: No Response

Q: Okay. Um,...now, if you've been with your husband, been married for almost 19 years that means you were single when you went through the academy, and when you went through flight school. So, how did you meet your husband?

A: We went to the Academy together.

Q: So, you guys when to the Naval Academy together.

A: Flight School

Q: Okay. And he went to flight school with you?

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A: We were (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. Now, where was (inaudible) stationed in Florida? What (inaudible) Air Force base (inaudible)?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Or the Navy, I'm sorry, or the Navy base, (inaudible).

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Now, did you know Tim during this time that you had met your husband?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. So, you get accepted into NASA.

A: (inaudible).

Q: What year was that?

A: About 10 years ago.

Q: I would say think about think about 10 years ago since '96.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. Did you meet Tim when you first got into NASA?

A: (Um. That's a personal question.

Q: Do you (inaudible)?

A: (Inaudible) a person that we know in common. Yes, I new him before I went into NASA.

Q: Okay. So, you met him when you first came to NASA, or were you at NASA for a while?

A: I knew him for a previous (Inaudible).

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Q: Okay. So, then you guys kinda hooked up together.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Well, (interrupted).

A: We knew each other.

Q: Okay. You knew each other. When you got assigned to NASA is that when you started working on your friendship with him?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: No. But, I mean when I say work on it it's just a, very rarely do you just meet somebody and you're instant friends. You have to work on the friendship. You have to develop the trust. You have to develop the connection as far as what you're gonna' tell them. (Tape 2) And because you're a thinker, and you're intellectual by nature, it's very hard for you to deal with the emotions that you're feeling, and that you've been experiencing for quiet some time. Am I right?

A: That's not true.

Q: O.K. You're trying to gain control of yourself and of your emotions, and you're finding it very difficult to do especially where sitting right now.

A: I'm trying to see where things go from here, and I have no idea.

Q: And you don't know how to process that.

A: I feel very uncomfortable. I, I know that, that's natural (inaudible).

Q: Okay. Now, here's the purpose in me not going on until you tell me where the car is.

A: I promise I will tell you.

Q: Well, then tell me.

A: There's something I asked you earlier.

Q: What was that?

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A: When a um, her statement about me.

Q: Mm, huh (meaning yes).

A: Is it all it was is if she knew my name.

Q: Mm, huh (meaning yes).

A: And that was it.

Q: And she didn't even put it in her statement.

A: Well, then, then she told it to you.

Q: Mm, huh (meaning yes). Actually, I had to ask her if she knew you. She had no idea who you were until I threw your name out.

A: That's what I mean, when you say my name...

Q: Mm, huh (meaning yes).

A: ...you said just that she knew who I was I've never (inaudible).

Q: She knew who you were because of where you work and what you did.

A: That's what you said that um in private she would have said the same thing about anybody else that worked there.

Q: Initially, that was her response.

A: Initially, okay, there was more.

Q: Yeah. She was able to put two and two together.

A: What does that mean?

Q: She's not a stupid individual. She's just as intelligent as you are. And when I threw your name out, she started thinking about your relationship with him, meaning working together, and what was explained to her by him (interrupted by a knock on the door). Hold on. (Steps out of the room). How did you know she was going to be parked in

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the Blue Lot?

A: I didn't.

Q: Okay. So, out of the one, two, three, four...six parking lots in a 20 mile square area, you just got lucky and picked the Blue Lot.

A: I only knew about the blue and the red (Inaudible) at the airport. (Inaudible)

Q: (Inaudible).

A: We've almost (inaudible).

Q: Okay. So, you took a guess.

A: Can I finish what I was talking about earlier?

Q: Sure go ahead.

A: The rest of what she said to you.

Q: Well, where's your car?

A: I promise I will tell you. I, I it's not like I have a choice anyway, you know that.

Q: Well, actually, you do have a choice. You cannot tell me, and then I can go through hours of (interrupted).

A: Wait! Wait! I know.

Q: (Inaudible) list (inaudible) and find it.

A: I know. I know.

Q: So, you do have a choice, okay. So, (interrupted).

A: You're going to the, you're going to go get the car, and I am not (inaudible) that.

Q: Okay.

A: I'm gonna' tell you where the car is.

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Q: So, far you haven't done anything to earn my trust in that area, okay. And, and let me explain this to you...honesty is everything with me. You are (inaudible) by being honest. Grant it you haven't lied, you haven't said much though. Now, I'm not here to spill out information.

A: Okay. (Interrupted).

Q: I'm not a public information officer.

A: The rest, the fact, what I needed to do was talk to her and if some of what I needed to talk to her about if it's already, if she's already aware of and its no point in not saying to you, does that make sense?

Q: No. That doesn't make sense, sorry.

A: If the rest of what you were going to say is what I'm reluctant to say, then there's no point in me being that way anymore.

Q: Okay. (Inaudible), I understand where you're coming from, okay. The purpose for me not telling me the information is so I know if you're being truthful or not. Because some of the questions I'm getting ready to ask you, I already have the answer to. I'm just tryin' to see how truthful you are.

A: Okay.

Q: Okay. And I can tell you that, do you want more? (Det. Becton speaks to someone outside the interview room) Would you mind getting some water for me please? Thank you. (Continues interview) Sorry, you're being evasive and vague has done nothing but just make me even more suspicious of your of your intentions.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: And my suspicion is that um, there's more to the story than you're telling me.

A: Yes. I, I've told, yes I told you that also that there's (interrupted).

Q: A lot more.

A: Well, I (interrupted).

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- Q: (Someone hands water to Detective Becton). Thank you. (Detective Becton continues interview). And I also understand that...I also understand that you're trying to protect people and you're making it worse. And you're making it worse because of how bad everything appears. I can't even get the location of your car out of you.
- A: I will give you that.
- Q: You keep saying that, but I still don't have it.
- A: Okay.
- Q: Why did you, why did you want to be an astronaut?
- A: (Inaudible).
- Q: Okay.
- A: Um, (inaudible).
- Q: Okay. Out of all the programs in NASA that you can do as an astronaut why go to space? Well, why go up in the shuttle?
- A: (One thing we do after being there for ten years, is go up to spend 12 days (inaudible).
- Q: Okay. So, you left three children behind (inaudible)? Hum, why do it?
- A: Why?
- Q: Um (meaning yes) why go to space? 'Cause I mean if you look at it statistically speaking you've got two rockets with how many millions of pounds of fuel, plus three engines (inaudible). It, when you look at the statistical chances of surviving such a trip?
- A: I believe in the program.
- Q: Okay. Then, if you believe in the program so much, and you obviously have the qualities that you have as an individual then you realize how serious the situation is.
- A: I can see that this is being painted to look a lot worse than it was.
- Q: Well, it's being painted that way because of what is occurring right here now.

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A: No, it's because it's let's say (interrupted).

Q: Can we get back into (interrupted). We get back into being vague again.

A: Okay. I'm...

Q: That's the problem is the vagueness and the dancing around with your words, makes things look worse for you.

A: It is important for me to resolve and discuss the whole big picture with what regards to other people involved. ...And that with the intention of...changing anything unless that what would naturally occur might be more aware of things.

Q: So, you brought a toy gun?

A: [REDACTED] (interrupted).

Q: I doesn't matter, you brought it with you. Why would you have it in your purse?

 A: [REDACTED] I mean (interrupted).

Q: Okay. What if that didn't work?

A: What if what didn't work?

Q: What, if (interrupted).

A: The Gun?

Q: What if the [REDACTED]

A: She just, she refused to talk to me about this. Then the only other thing I could of done is gone back, and requested to make it a three person discussion which I didn't want to do because (interrupted).

Q: Because of the outcome?

A: No. I didn't know the outcome. I just wanted, like you do, like you would like to talk

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to me without me talking to her. I wanted to, uninfluenced version of what she thought about me. Without it being now changed because this conversation was probably gonna' happen.

Q: Okay. So, you're afraid of the influence that he might have on her, or she might have on him?

A: Either one. I wanted to be able to discuss it without (interrupted).

Q: Discussing it with him face to face wasn't enough for you?

A: Discussing it with him?

Q: Mm, huh (meaning yes).

A: But I don't know what he discussed with her.

Q: Well, what about the discussion you have with him?

A: What about, we had lots of discussions.

Q: Okay. About her?

A: We didn't have lots of discussions about her.

Q: Okay. Well, what was the last discussion you had about her? (Inaudible) was it?

A: Mm. It. And that he had a companion in a dating kind of way, that she was free to be that, where as obviously whether or not he wants to, I'm at the moment not able to act in the same way.

Q: That wasn't enough for you?

A: For me what? No.

Q: Know where he stood.

A: We still do some things together and (interrupted).

Q: On a personal level, at work, or both? So, he tells you one thing, but his actions show you something else.

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A: It's possible.

Q: Which would leave confusion on your part as to where you really stand.

A: I can think of the word confused, but um, I guess that's more along the lines of.. pointing to if she knows more along the lines if she had any idea...I need to know where she stands. If she even had any idea that I fit in or not . Or whatever.

Q: Does it really matter what she thinks?

A: Well, (interrupted).

Q: 'Cause he told you where you stand.

A: Um, he told me where she stands.

Q: I thought you told me, he told you (inaudible) where you stood. You found a companion and (interrupted).

A: Yes. But that doesn't say where I stand, or where I want to stand.

Q: And where do you think you might stand if you found a companion?

A: Well, given the right conditions, one could have a number of companions now. You take that to a more serious level at one point most people don't wish to have multiple companions that are very serious. So, I don't think to many people are interested in doing that.

Q: Did he use the word companion?

A: He did use the word companion.

Q: What does companion mean to you, if you had to define it?

A: I think in this case it means to go out with people without wondering if it's okay, without issues about it, doing things together and (interrupted).

Q: So, your not really a companion with her?

A: Am I a companion with her?

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Q: let me re-phrase, not a companion with her (inaudible).

A: Oh.

Q: ...with him. You were the companion, but now you're not.

A: Um, I still feel like I'm a companion not if I'm not one. I mean, you know, we go on bike rides and other events. As far as someone to do them with...wether there are other issues, I guess I see that better right now.

Q: That doesn't irritate you, upset you, or cause you concerned or.

A: It would cause me concern if...she was aware of my...I can't find the word...The word... whatever... I didn't, I didn't think that...people should define what they want to do, how they want to run their lives, and who they want to spend time with. And some cases... at first don't criticize it... that means spending time with a number of people it, at several different levels. But if you don't have that information to make that decision decide if you want to do that then yes, that's keeping something from somebody. And I don't know that it would have been my position if not, if that wasn't the case to give it, I guess it was worth trying to find out if it needed to be given then it may have been more appropriate to then go back and say, "Well, I think there's a number of things that you guys should discuss, or we should all discuss." Whatever, but I do know that part that was, I guess, probably something that is very important to myself.. I think that was very important, that's all.

Q: Okay. Where's your car parked?

A: I am going to tell you.

Q: You keep saying that you haven't told me yet. I personally think you're lying.

A: That I'm gonna' tell you?

Q: No. That you're not gonna' tell me.

A: I am gonna' tell you. I am not lying to you.

Q: When? Any time soon?

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A: I'm going to tell you.

Q: When! Well? You know where you parked.

A: I know. I'm trying...

Q: You're tryin' to what? It's not difficult. It's either the Blue Lot.

A: No, no.

Q: It's either the terminal parking, A-side parking, B-side parking. If it's in the A-side parking, or B-side parking it's a matter of what floor and what row. If it's in the Blue Lot it's a matter of what section and what does your car look like. It's not a difficult question. (Inaudible) it's very simplistic in nature actually.

A: (Inaudible).

Q: What are you worried about?

A: it seems like she was aware of my name and who I was from a working stand point and then you said that she put two and two together and, and then figured I was (inaudible) jealous or...

Q: I don't know, I didn't ask. I just asked if she knew you. So, let's get back to where you is your car? 'Cause right now that's actually the point.

A: Whether or not you got it (inaudible). She told you something about me that was more than an astronaut stuff.

Q: No. She didn't. You know the problem is and, and I'll spill it all out, okay. The problem is this, you're not understanding the relationship that's going on between you and Tim. And you really question whether or not he's telling you how he truly feels because she's involved. The problem with this is, is the fact that you're reading more into the whole situation then what really exists.

A: That I am reading more into the situation than him?

Q: With both of them.

A: but what that means... between the two of them what do you mean?

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Q: Between the three of you and you can't process that. It, it doesn't, doesn't process for you. It, it doesn't register, okay. So, you are of the opinion that she's giving all this information about you and she hasn't. As a matter of fact, the only information I have is from the time you started following her before she got on the bus to the time that you sprayed pepper on her, pepper spray on her. Now, you can choose to believe that, or not but that's the truth. And the matter of the fact is you're trying to protect people and hide the whole story 'cause you don't want people to get hurt. And you know what you've crossed that line, there's no going back to that. It is done, finito. So, did you, you need to decide now, what you need to worry about now, is getting the help you need. Well, I've been lending a, a hand out to help you, but you don't want to take it.

A: And you were telling me the truth.

Q: Mm, huh (meaning yes).

A: All of the truth, everything? what you want from me, but you won't give it to me.

Q: So, I can't give you one hundred percent of the truth 'cause there's some facts I need to keep to myself to make sure you're telling me the truth. I wouldn't be a detective if I did otherwise.

A: Facts concerning this relationship?

Q: No. Facts concerning what's happened.

A: O.K.

Q: So, the thing is that (turned tape over).

A: I'm not sure it's(Inaudible) not my place to directly do something. I am going (inaudible) that she should be able to make decisions knowing, having all the

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information available to her just as I would like to. I'm not sure neither of us did (inaudible).

Q: By information if he was going to see which one of the two of you he was going to see and be with?

A: Well, obviously that was... I didn't get the chance to do that (inaudible). I mean the time. I see the times that I spent. I was there, but I don't know... I got (inaudible).

Q: I, I mean 'cause you never (inaudible). You put a lot on the line into this relationship with him.

A: Well, (interrupted).

Q: Personally, not professionally, personally. How old are your kids?

A: Why would I be putting something on the line, if (interrupted).

Q: How old are your kids?

A: Five and fourteen.

Q: You got three, right?

A: Two.

Q: Oh, you got twins? Get out of here, poor thing. There's double work. Okay. So, you've got, you've got three kids. Five and fourteen?

A: (Inaudible).

Q: Okay. You're not going to just bring any man into their lives.

A: Well, well, I know that. That, I (interrupted).

Q: That's why you got a lot riding on having a relationship with him.

A: That's why I would like to have gotten the information. I understand that she's desperate about it it's because I understand that.

Q: So, okay, this is coming together...the two of you had a sexual relationship at one

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point. And you would like it to turn into something else... let me finish (inaudible).

A: O.K., your not quite accurate, but go ahead.

Q: And you're struggling with the fact you and your husband have split up, and here's a guy that has shown interest in you. But you also have three children to think about. So, you can't just let any Tom, Dick or Harry come into your, your life because when you do that it's, you not only committed your life you've committed the life of your children.

A: That would be true.

Q: And, you know, if this guy isn't going to, if he's not going to be exclusively you and your children because you don't want your children seeing men coming and going out of your life, then you won't have nothing to do with him...romantically.

A: Yes. That's true.

Q: Okay. The problem comes from the fact that you find out that he's been seeing Colleen.

A: it wasn't...I mean, It wasn't kept from me.

Q: No. But he wasn't telling... he didn't bring it... He didn't tell you. You found out. They weren't keeping a secret, but they didn't, he didn't come out and tell you. He wasn't, he wasn't forth coming in setting out the entire blue print of what was going on.

A: Um, I don't know what the whole blue print is.

Q: Okay.

A: And, and, and it, as far as, I didn't like find out separately, or by accident. I mean, he told me that he was going out with her.

Q: Okay. So, then why do you need to know where you stand?

A: I don't know if what... to what degree he (inaudible) me, or whatever... how serious his plans for developing something further, and I also don't know what she thinks...about that, or about if, if she believes that I have potential... I don't know either.

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Q: But if she's going out with him why would you have potential?

A: She may not believe I do, I don't know that.

Q: Goes back to why would she think that you have potential if she's going out with him.

A: Define going out.

Q: Their dating. If she's sleeping with him, why would you have potential?

A: Well, that's what's going on then it doesn't necessarily mean, that some people do that without intending to make a life long commitment out of it. Um, (interrupted).

Q: Would you wait for him.

A: Would I wait? Um, wait for what?

Q: For him to finish with her.

A: I don't know that he was in a position of exclusively being with one person, I don't know that.

Q: Okay. So, if he was going to date both of you would that be acceptable to you?

A: As long as everybody knows that that's the case and nobody else (inaudible) Deos that make sense. As long as everybody is aware of that.

Q: As long as everybody know that he's dating two women, you're okay with it.


A: I mean, a single person can go out with as many people as they want without making it a (inaudible) desire, and everybody else is fine with that.

Q: Are you fine with that?

A: Well, it depends. Uh, I think for a time, I think it's possible for a, a period of time for people to go out and with other people and (inaudible) give it a thought. Now, if somebody gets to a point of wanting to make a commitment whether, you know, maybe there's five people involved. If any one of them wants to be more serious (inaudible) then yes, something has to be done about that.

Q: I'm gonna' step off (inaudible), am I correct?

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- A: (Inaudible). In, in the context (interrupted).
- Q: (Inaudible) by cheating. You did have sex with another man. Your husband was (inaudible), am correct? Okay, maybe I'm not.
- A: Well, it's not pertinent to what (interrupted).
- Q: It was pertinent. Let me go back to the fact that you're not in a position to decide what's pertinent, or not. If you don't have an answer just say you're not gonna' answer, okay. I'm not gonna' ask a question that I don't have a point to, okay.
- A: Okay.
- Q: So, did you cheat on your husband?
- A: In the context of (interrupted).
- Q: Physically cheating.
- A: Right.
- Q: Okay. And with your answer I'm gonna' say that there have been times that you allowed certain thoughts about other people (inaudible) to go beyond what they should have gone. Which shows (interrupted).
- A: 
- Q: ...which shows that you're very committed. That you stick to one thing.
- A: (Inaudible).
- Q: Look at your career.
- A: (Inaudible). I try not too think of it.
- Q: You have thoughts of being less than faithful to your husband, but you didn't go through with it. You have a career that you have stuck with through the good times, and the bad and then you probably been times just getting out, but you didn't. Which means that you're the type of person that believes in having a goal and going for it. Your're, you're (interrupted).