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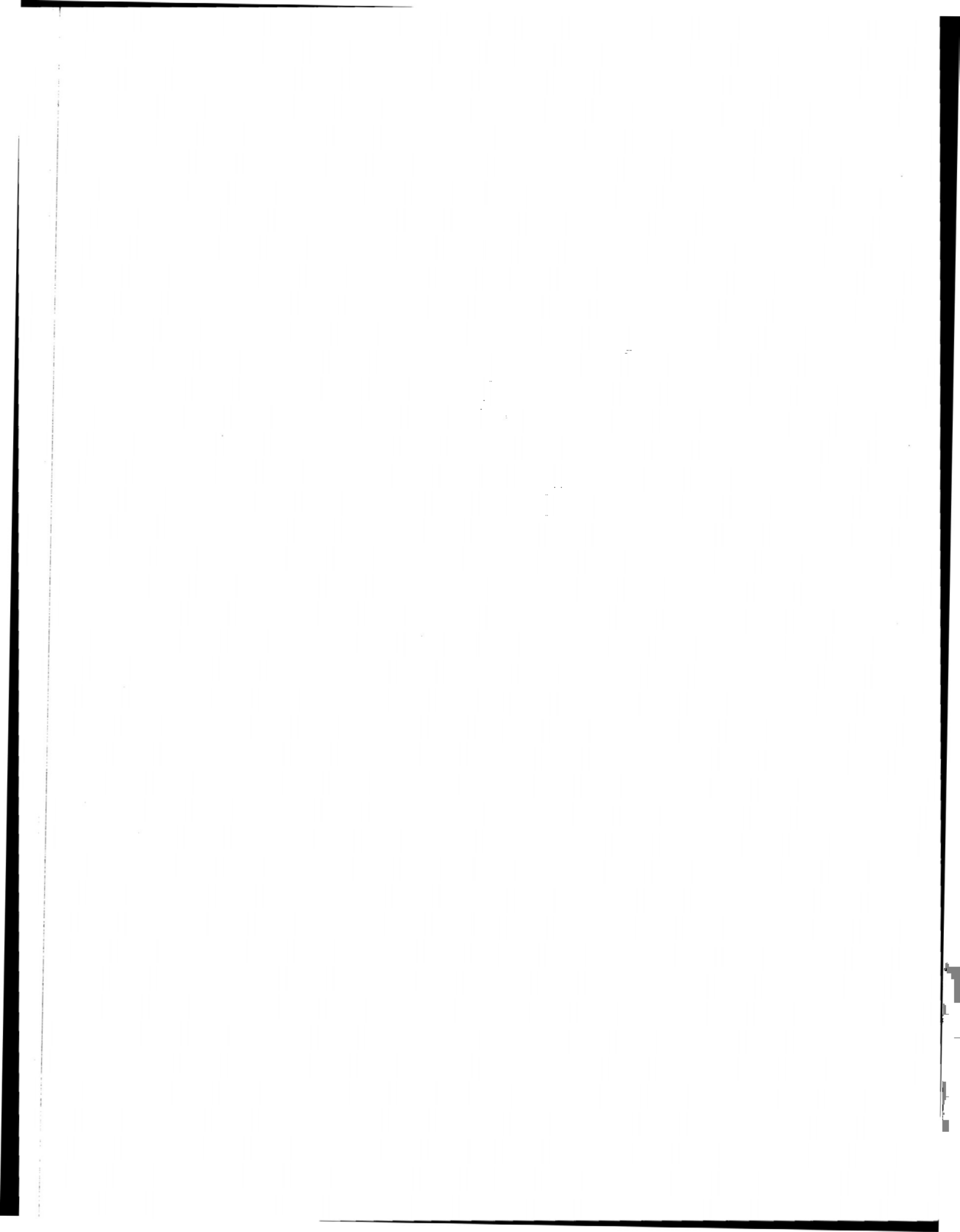
Alvarez said he ran to the North/East corner of [REDACTED] and could see Patton standing outside in the alcove of the front door. This area is the north/east corner of the property and is an elevated position so Alvarez was looking down towards Patton's location.

Alvarez said he could see Patton standing in the alcove still holding the knife in his hand. Alvarez said he did not know in which hand Patton held the knife. Alvarez said there were also a number of deputies that were there. He said he could not get in a position to engage Patton if he had to do so. Alvarez said he was making his way around the deputies to get in a better position when he heard the shots being fired. He said he did not know exactly how many shots were fired.

Alvarez said Patton went down. He said they looked at Patton for a second and realized that he had been shot. Alvarez said the knife that Patton was holding was laying off to his left side. Alvarez said Patton was still moving and making noises. Alvarez said he did not know if Patton was trying to speak, but could hear him making noises.

Alvarez told me that he said, "Okay, lets get the knife." Alvarez said one of the deputies said something to him, but he does not remember what was said because everyone was talking. Alvarez said he walked up to Patton and removed the knife while another officer covered him. After removing the knife, Alvarez said he walked back to Patton and handcuffed him.

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I stopped Alvarez at this point to clarified details from the point he jump over the west fence of [REDACTED]

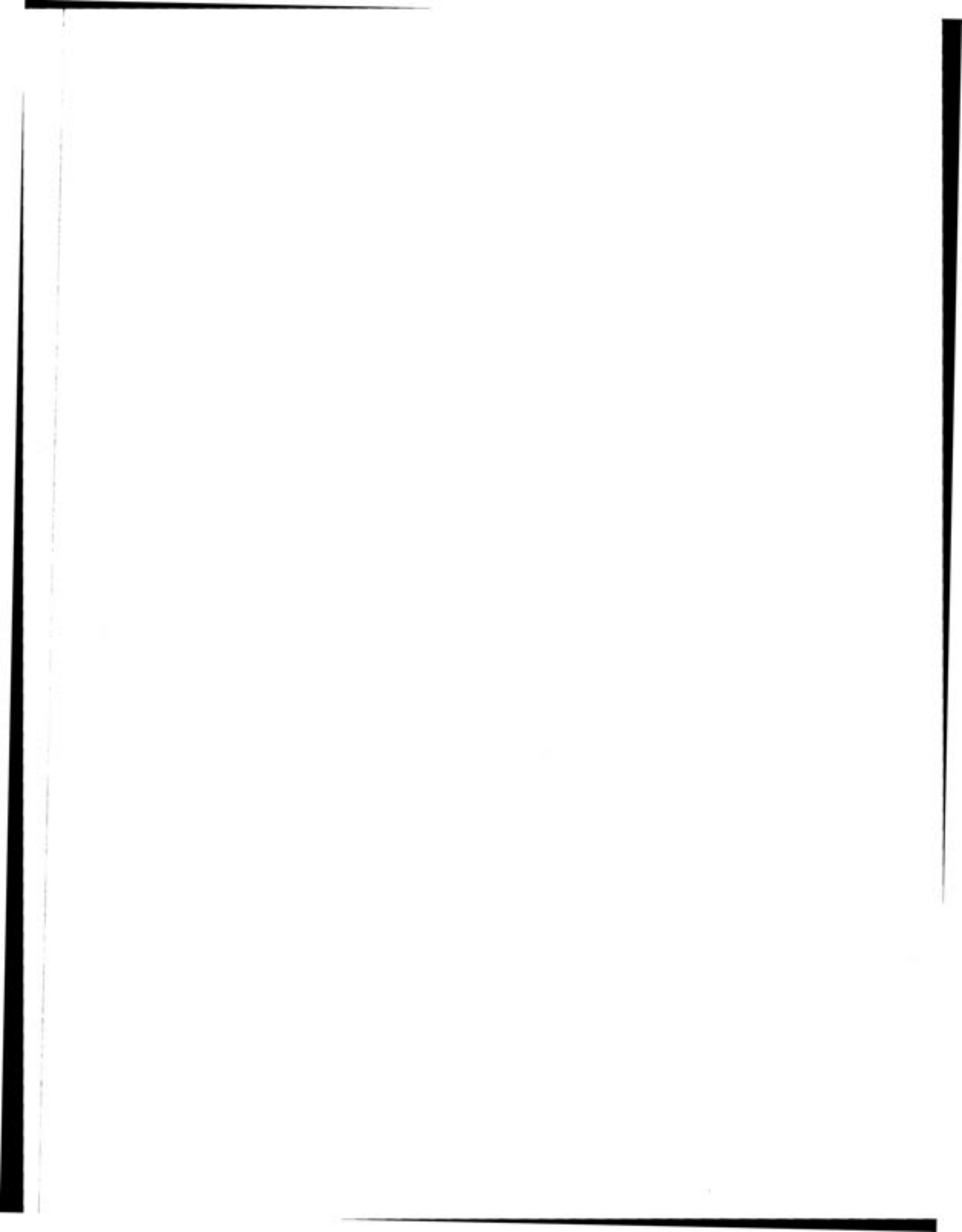
Alvarez confirmed that he jumped over the west fence of [REDACTED] and then ran across Montgomery Avenue. Alvarez said there were several deputies standing near some chairs and the area where the medical supplies now lay.

This area Alvarez described was about 10 feet north/ east of the front door to [REDACTED]

Alvarez said he made his way down the slopping front lawn and was standing behind the deputies. Alvarez said that if he had to engage Patton and take a shot at him, he would not be able to do so from this position because of the deputies were standing in front of him. Alvarez said that deputies were in a "quarter moon" pattern at the front of the house. Alvarez said he had to find a different position because there were too many deputies in front of him and did not want to accidentally shoot them. Alvarez said that as he was repositioning himself and that was when Patton was shot. Alvarez said he then went in and took the knife away.

I asked Alvarez if he saw the deputies with their guns drawn when he first saw them in front of [REDACTED] Alvarez said that everyone had their guns out. I asked Alvarez if the deputies had their guns at a "low ready" position or if they were pointing their guns at Patton. Alvarez said the deputies were pointing their guns at Patton. I asked Alvarez if Patton was the same person that was holding the knife at [REDACTED] Alvarez said Patton was the same person.

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I asked Alvarez the manner in which Patton was holding the knife. Alvarez said Patton was holding the knife at waist height and out away from his body. He could not remember if Patton was holding the knife with the blade pointing up or down.

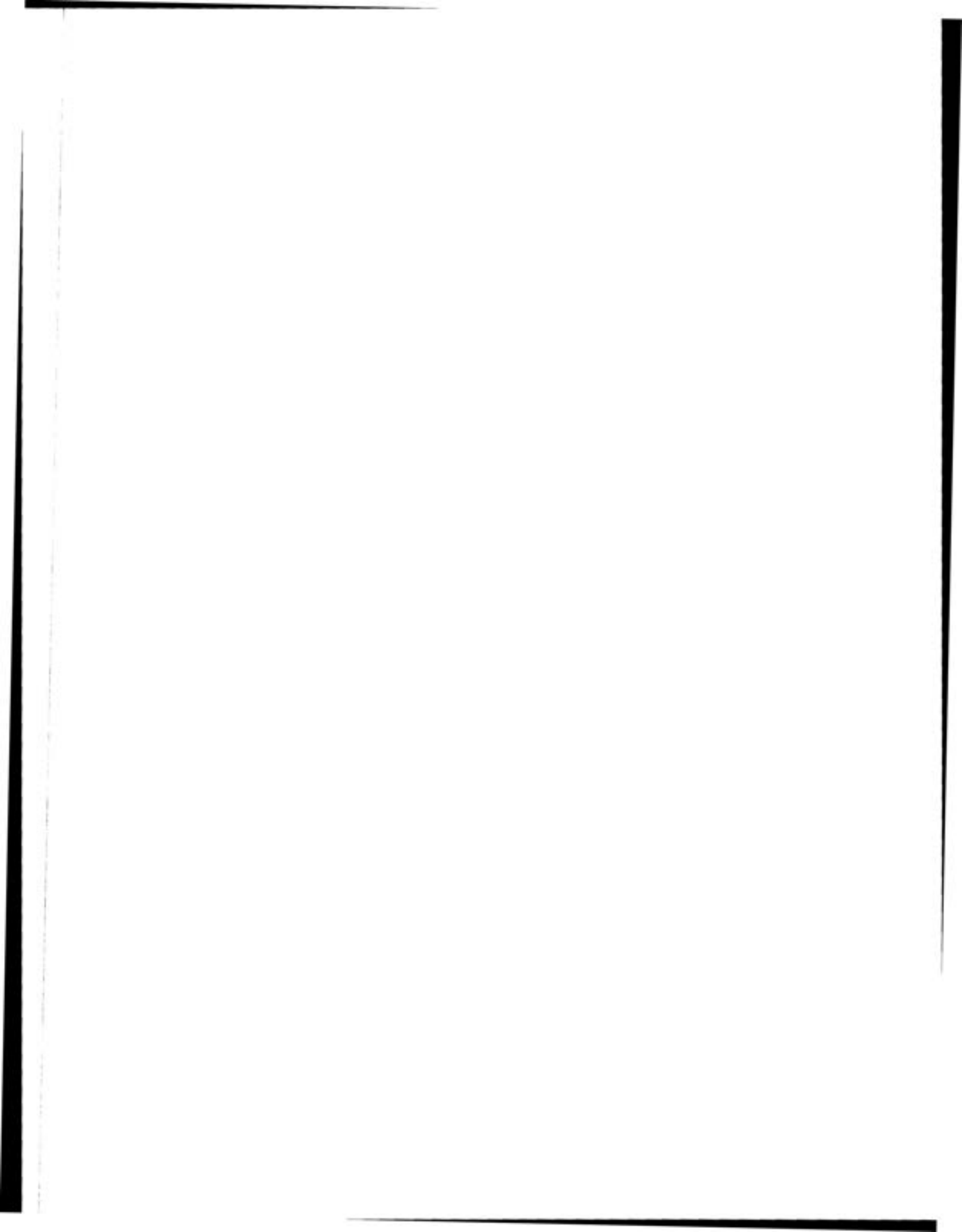
I asked Alvarez if Patton was saying anything. He said he could not remember if Patton said anything, but he remembered that the other deputies were yelling at Patton. I asked Alvarez what the other deputies were yelling. Alvarez said the deputies were yelling, "Drop the knife, Drop the knife, Drop the knife!"

I asked Alvarez if he remembered which deputies were standing in this area. Alvarez said that Sr. Deputy Vaden was standing to the north/west and was armed with a shotgun. He said Sabio and Sedgwick were standing to his left side. Deputy Coulter was standing near a bush to the east of the tree where Vaden was standing. Alvarez said that the deputies were facing Patton.

I asked Alvarez what the suspect did while he was standing in the alcove holding the knife. Alvarez said he saw all the deputies around and he was trying to figure out what Patton was doing. Alvarez said he was repositioning himself when the shots were fired. I asked Alvarez if he saw Patton's actions before the shots were fired. Alvarez said he did not see his actions. He said that he could see from between the deputies that Patton was holding the knife.

I asked Alvarez where the knife was after Patton went down. Alvarez said the knife was to the left of Patton. I asked Alvarez if Patton was still holding the knife and he said,

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“No.” Alvarez estimated that the knife was about 6 to 8 inches away from Patton left hand. Alvarez said he picked up the knife and walked north up the lawn. Alvarez said he dropped the knife in the middle of the lawn and then returned to where Patton was laying. I asked Alvarez if he placed the knife near the street sign at the North/East corner of the property. Alvarez said he placed it in the middle of the lawn and someone else moved it and placed it in a bag. I asked Alvarez if he knew whom that person was. He said he did not know.

I asked Alvarez if he went back and handcuffed Patton. Alvarez said, “Yes.” I asked him if he handcuff Patton behind his back. Alvarez said, “Yes.” I asked Alvarez if Patton was breathing or saying anything. Alvarez said Patton was making sounds, but he could not understand what Patton was saying. I asked Alvarez if this was the same subject he dealt with at [REDACTED] Alvarez said it was the same person.

I asked Alvarez to describe the knife. He said it was about 12 to 16 inches in length and had a dark wood handle. He said it looked like the type of knife you would find in a butcher’s block and the type you would use to cut meat.

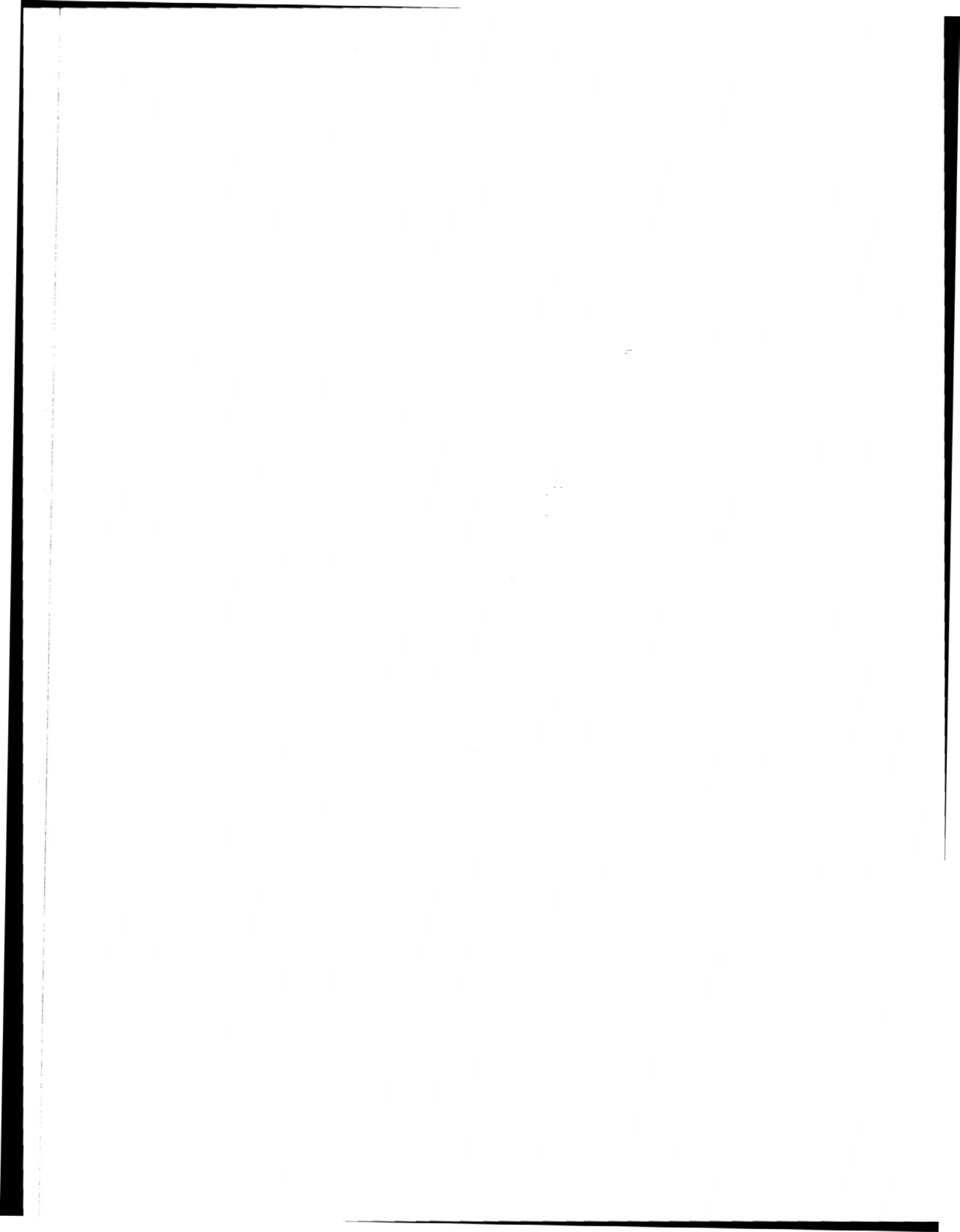
I asked Alvarez if the officers he saw at [REDACTED] were all wearing tan and green patrol uniforms that included patches and badges. Alvarez said, “Yes.” I asked him the same question about the deputies in front of [REDACTED] Alvarez said they also were wearing tan and green patrol uniforms with patches and badges. I asked Alvarez if they were dressed in the same way he was now dressed. Alvarez said, “Yes.”

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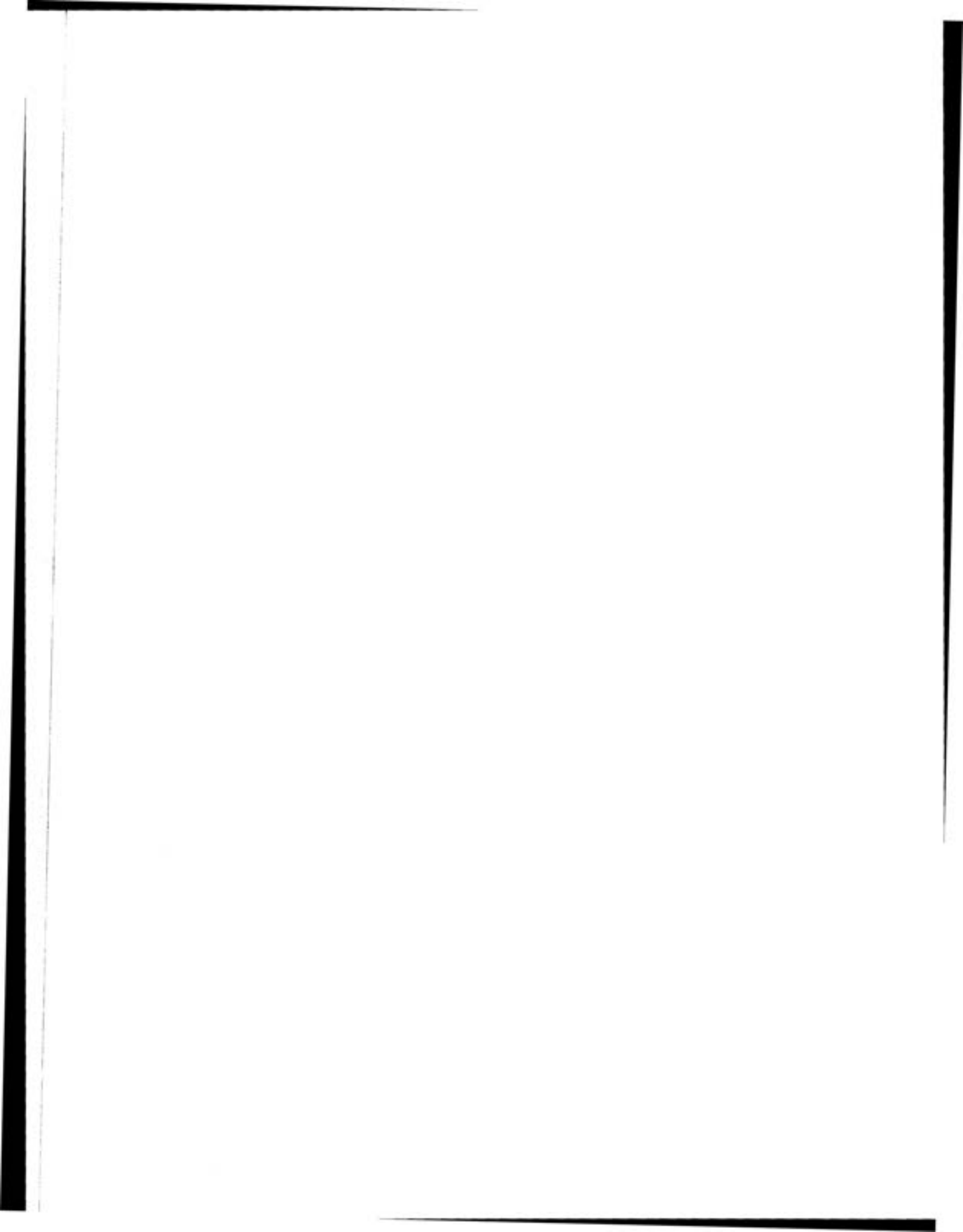
I asked Alvarez if he noticed any injuries on Patton when he first saw him. Alvarez said he did not notice any injuries when he first saw him, but when he looked over the fence at Patton, he saw blood around his abdomen. Alvarez added that Patton was not moving around as if he was wounded. He remembered thinking to himself, "Whoa, this guy been shot." I asked Alvarez if he saw Patton grab his stomach. Alvarez said, "No." He said Patton was still moving around and did not make any kind of motion that he was hurt or injured.

I asked Alvarez if he heard any gunshots from the time he arrived on scene to the time heard the shots at the front of [REDACTED] Alvarez said he did not hear any gunshots until he heard the shots fired in front of [REDACTED] I asked Alvarez if he remembered how many shots were fired in front of [REDACTED] Alvarez said, "No." He said it was definitely more than one shot.

I asked Alvarez if anyone administered first-aid to Patton. Alvarez said that after he handcuffed Patton, Coulter asked for a first-aid kit. Alvarez said he went to Sergeant Adford car and got a first-aid kit. The kit was in a red zippered fanny style pack that had Adford's name written on the top.

Alvarez said that before he was able to remove anything from the first aid kit, fire personnel were already on scene and preparing to administer aid to Patton.

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I concluded my interview with Alvarez at this point.

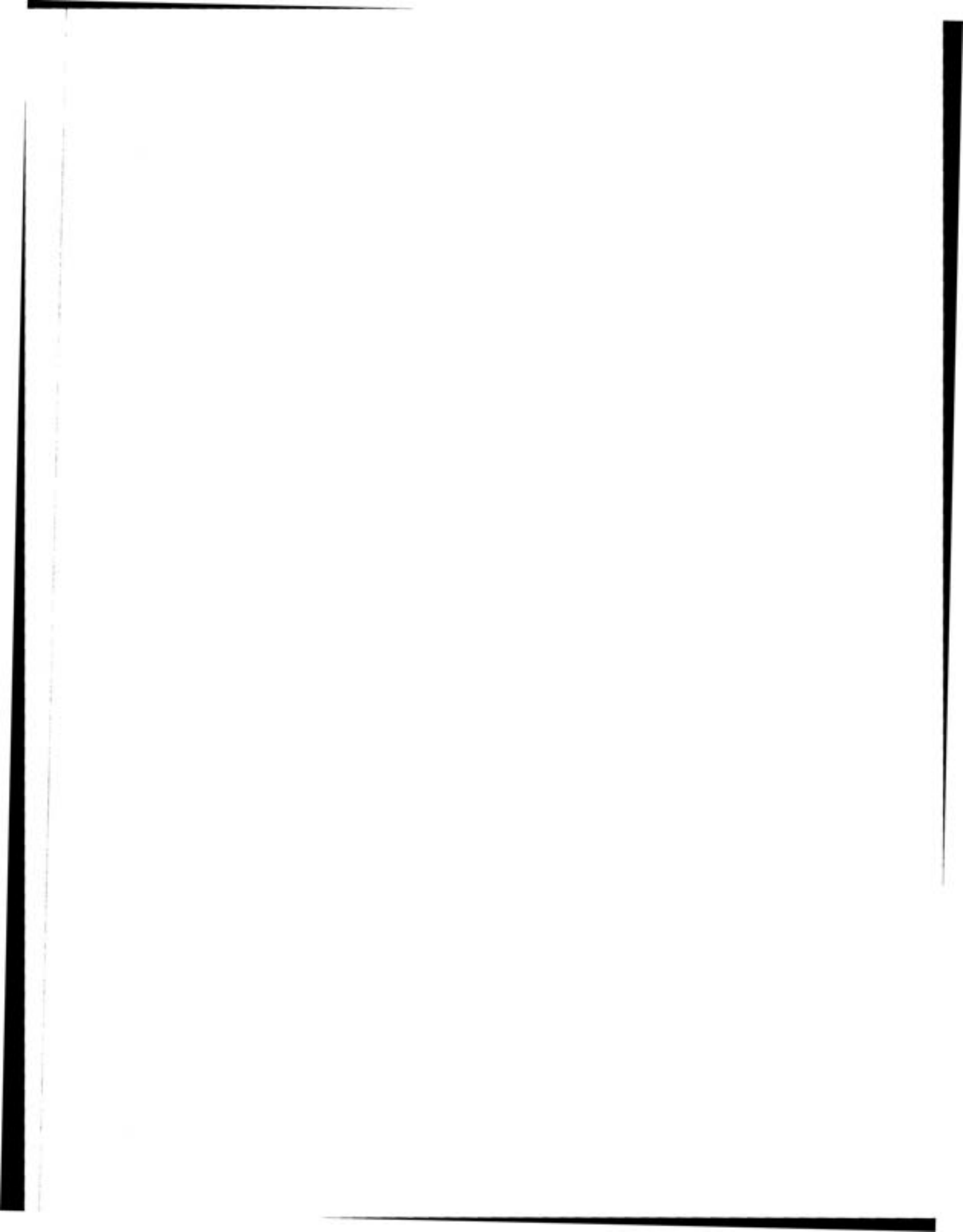
On 10-17-01, at 1615 hours, I met with Alvarez at the East County Sheriff's Station. The reason I met with Alvarez was to clarify some of the details he told me on the night of 10-13-01. I also had several other questions that I needed to ask him. I tape-recorded the interview and the following is a synopsis.

I asked Alvarez what the lighting conditions were when he arrived at Avenida De Las Flores and Montgomery Avenue. Alvarez said it was getting close to dusk. He added that there was still plenty of daylight. I asked Alvarez if it was dark enough where they needed a flashlight. He said, "No."

I asked Alvarez about hearing the call of "a man with a knife" go out over the radio and asked him if he also heard the dispatcher give an address or a location. Alvarez said he remembered hearing, "Flores and Montgomery." Alvarez said he did not remember a specific address being said.

I told Alvarez that during our first interview he said he was looking down at Patton from the fence and that was when he saw him with the knife. I told Alvarez that he made the comment, "Here we go." I asked Alvarez what he meant by the comment. Alvarez said he looked over the fence and saw Patton holding the knife. He said that Patton was not complying with the orders given to him by deputies to drop the knife. Alvarez said, "Oh my God, this guy is going to fight us all the way."

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I asked him what tone of voice Patton used when he made the comments, "guys, just leave me alone" and "I've done nothing but good." Alvarez said that Patton sounded calm when he made the comments. He said Patton was not yelling or excited.

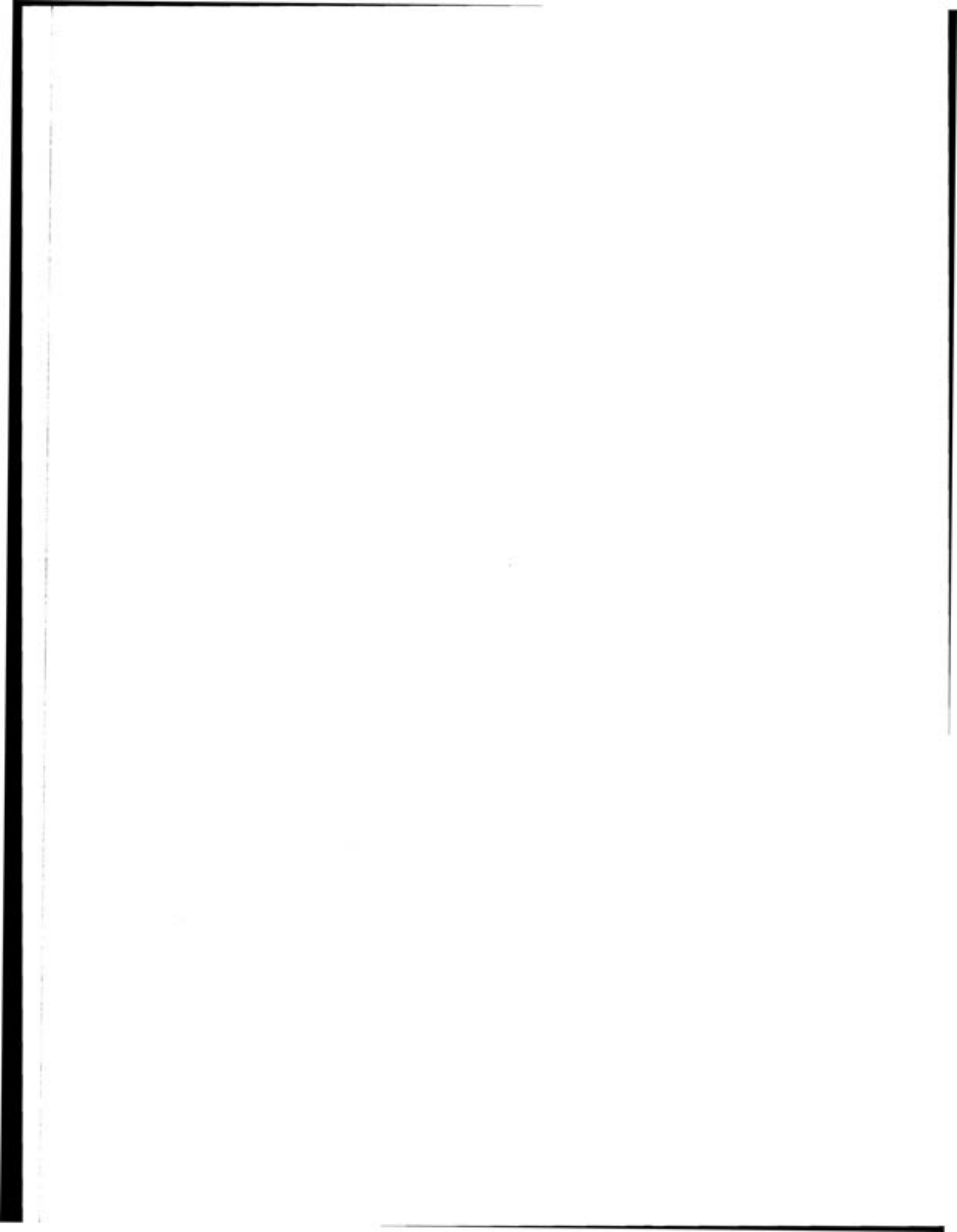
I told Alvarez that he said that Sedgwick jumped over the fence after Patton went to the rear yard. I asked Alvarez if he and the other deputies also jumped over the fence or if they went through the gate. Alvarez said he and the other deputies entered through the gate. I asked Alvarez how many other deputies followed him through the gate. Alvarez said Sabio and another deputy were with him. He does not know who the other deputy was.

Alvarez told me he saw Vaden and several other deputies in the rear yard. I asked him where Vaden and the others were standing. Alvarez said Vaden and the other deputies were standing between the west fence and the pool. He said Patton was standing between the pool and the tree in the middle of the rear yard. I asked Alvarez who else was with Vaden. He said he did not know which deputy was standing with Vaden.

I asked Alvarez if he was able to get a better look at Patton's injuries while they were in the rear yard. Alvarez said the best look he had at the injuries was while Patton was standing by the side gate. Alvarez said he could see blood on Patton's shirt around the abdomen area. Alvarez said Patton was wearing a light colored tee shirt.

I asked Alvarez if Vaden and the other deputy with him had their guns drawn. Alvarez said they did and they were pointed at Patton. I asked Alvarez what he meant when he

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said that Vaden and the other deputy "engaged" Patton. Alvarez said he meant they had their guns pointed at Patton and were ordering him to drop the knife.

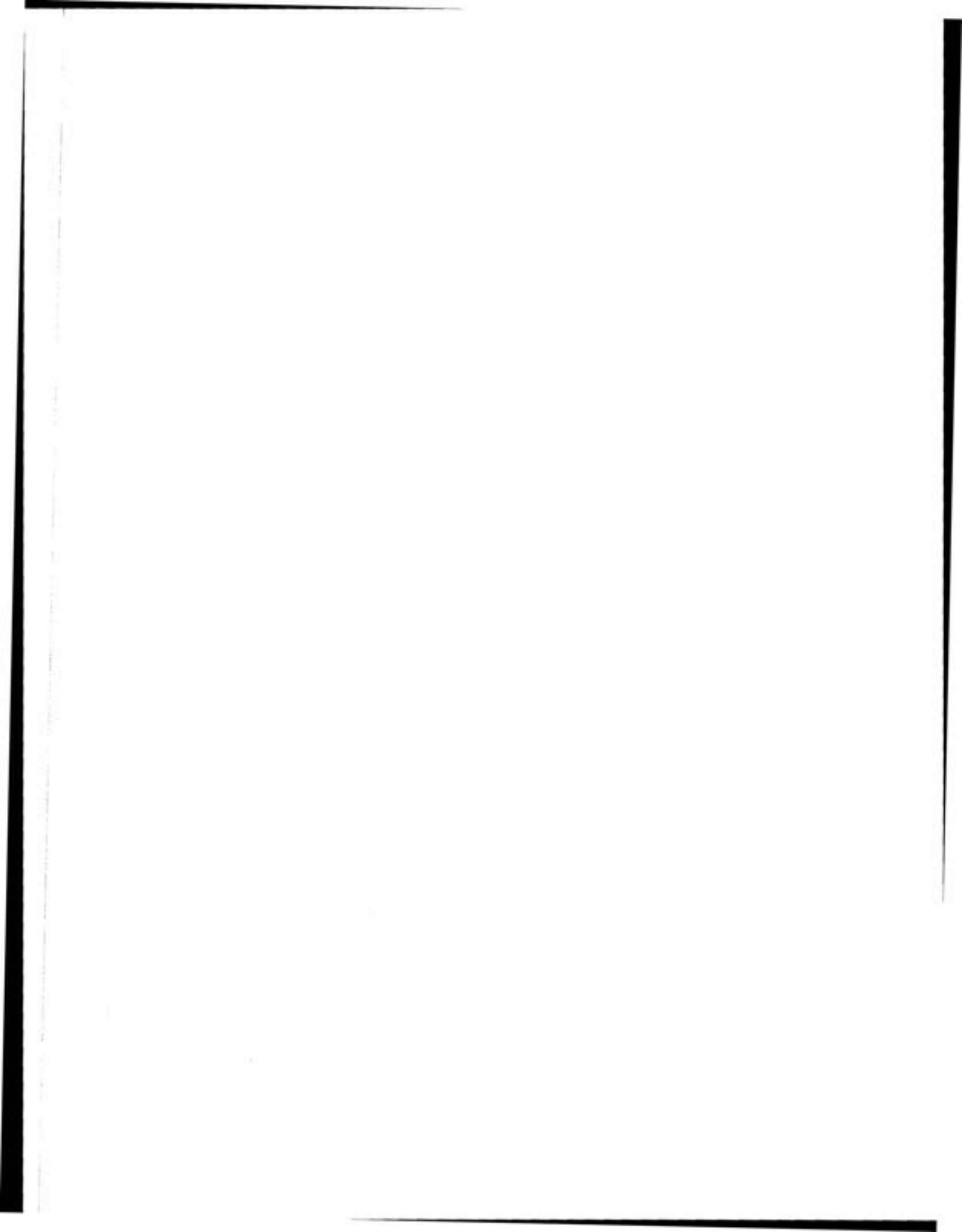
I asked Alvarez if he knew who yelled out, "OC, OC, OC." Alvarez said he did not know who said that. I confirmed that he did hear someone say that and also heard some one say, "spray him." Alvarez said, "Right, and that was when I pulled mine out and sprayed him."

I told Alvarez that he told me he walked into the house after he sprayed Patton and saw two civilians inside. Alvarez said it was a man and a woman. He said he did not have any idea who they were. I asked Alvarez if the man and woman said anything to him. He said they did not say anything to him, but he remembers hearing the man tell the woman to get down. Alvarez said he saw that the man help the woman down into a corner.

I asked Alvarez what part of the house he saw the man and woman. He said they were in the family room. I asked Alvarez if the man and the woman stayed in the room the entire time. Alvarez said that while he and Sabio were in the house, the man and woman stayed in the family room. Alvarez said the man got up when he and Sabio were trying to get out through the rear slider. He said they were unable to open the rear slider so the man walked up and opened it for them. I asked how old the man and woman were. Alvarez said they were between 40 and 50 years old.

I asked Alvarez if he saw anyone else inside the house. Alvarez said, "No." I asked Alvarez if the man and woman looked scared. Alvarez said, "Oh yeah." I asked Alvarez if they were shaking. He said that just the fact that there were police running around the

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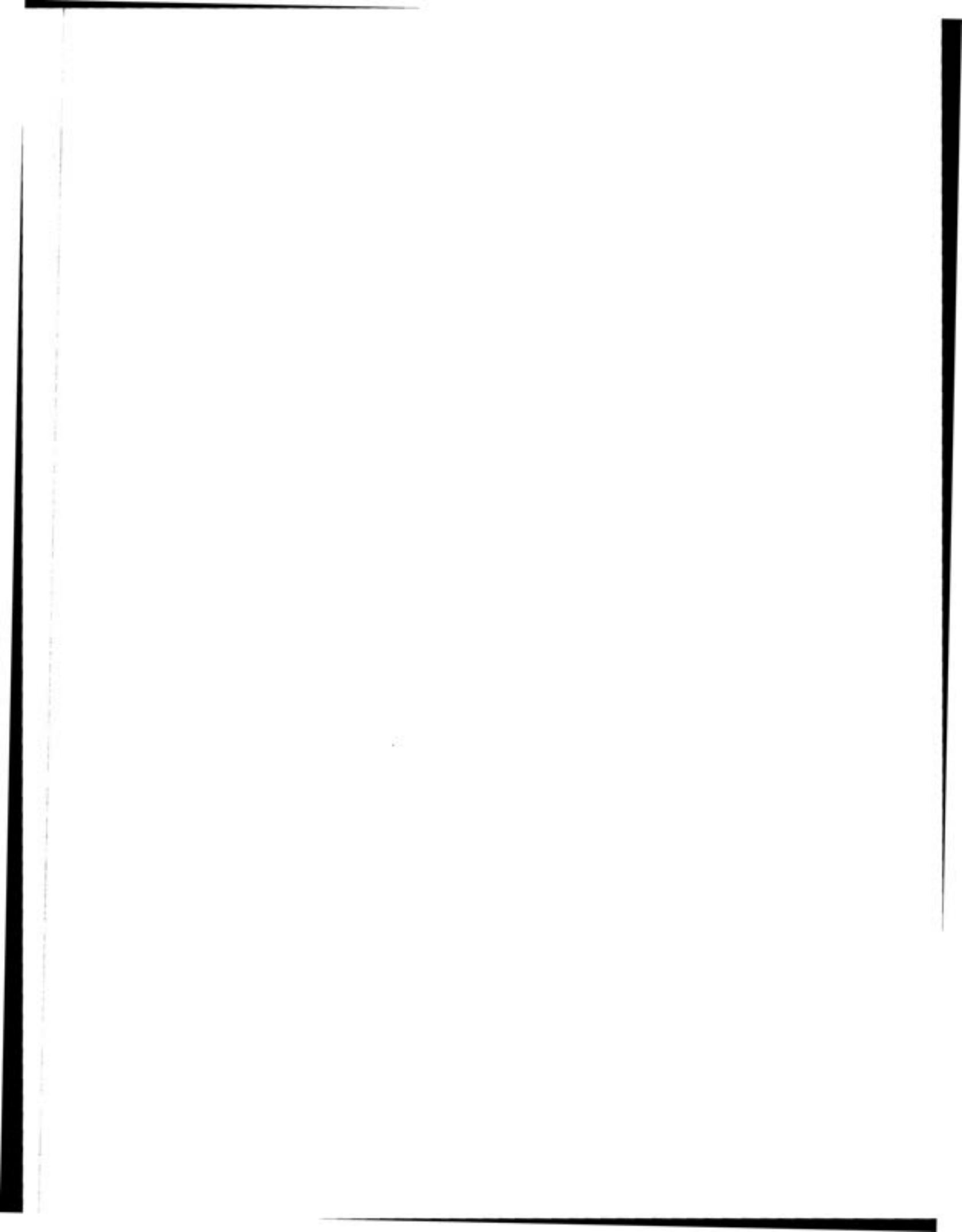
house with guns drawn and a man with a knife was trying to get in their house, the man and woman were scared.

I asked Alvarez that he mentioned he could see Patton outside the front door. I asked him how he was able to see Patton. Alvarez said the front door had a glass panel and was able to see Patton through the glass panel. I asked Alvarez how far Patton opened the door. He said Patton opened the door about 1 to 2 feet. Alvarez said he saw the door opening and thought that if he did not stop Patton he was going to get inside the house.

I told Alvarez he said during the first interview that if Patton came inside the house there were going to be problems. I asked him what kind of problems. Alvarez said that he would have to engage Patton in a small room at very close range. He mentioned the hallway was only about 3 to 4 feet wide and not very long. Alvarez said that if Patton made his way in he would have to engage him within one to two feet. Alvarez also said that Patton was armed with a knife and knew that he or Sabio would be stabbed. Alvarez also said he thought that if he had to shoot Patton there would be deputies on the other side who could be caught in a crossfire. He said he did not want Patton to come inside because it would place them at a tactical disadvantage. That was why he closed and locked the door.

I asked Alvarez if Patton tried to open the door even after he closed and locked it. Alvarez said Patton did not turn the handle, but tried to push the door open. Alvarez said he could see the door move slightly. Alvarez said that if Patton would have kicked the door hard enough it would have opened because the only lock was the one on the knob. Alvarez said he did not remember there being a dead bolt lock on the door.

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I reminded Alvarez that he told me he left the house [REDACTED] and then jumped over the west side fence and then saw several officers running towards [REDACTED]. I then asked Alvarez if he saw Patton at that point. Alvarez said he did not see Patton until after he had crossed the street and reached the house. He said Patton was standing in the alcove at the front of the house.

I asked Alvarez if Patton ever tried to go back into the house. Alvarez said that Patton was trying to go in the front door of the house. I asked Alvarez if Patton turned all the way around or reach back to open the door. Alvarez said he did not remember. I asked Alvarez if he remembered Patton facing the officers. Alvarez said, "Yeah." He said that Patton was still holding the knife.

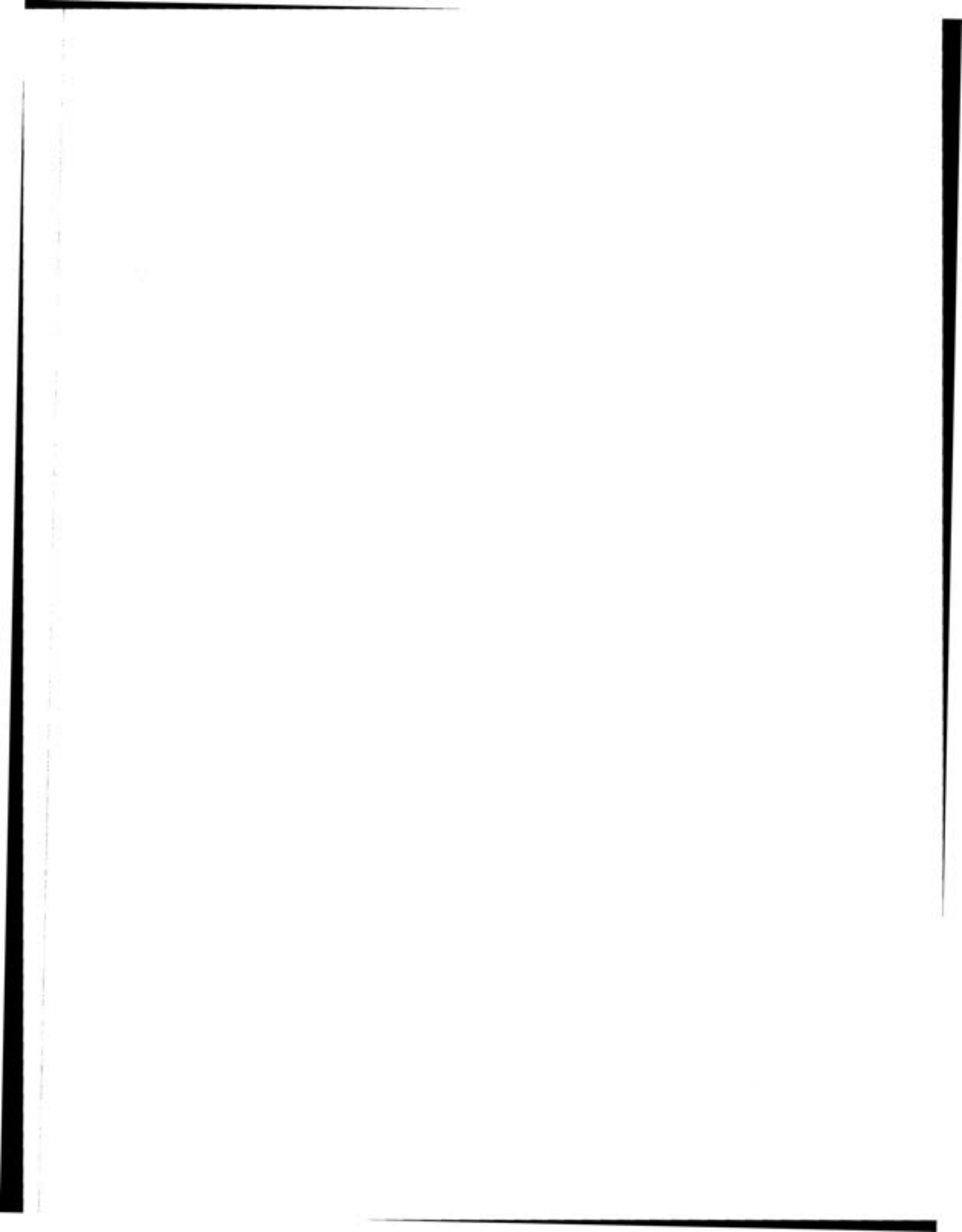
I asked Alvarez what position Patton was in after he was shot in front of [REDACTED]. Alvarez said that Patton was laying face down on his stomach.

I asked Alvarez if he thought Patton was going to hurt someone when he first saw him by the gate. Alvarez said, "Oh yeah, I thought he was going to hurt us." Alvarez added that he was asking himself, "What is this guy doing." He said Patton was running around even though he was injured. Alvarez said he assumed that Patton had been shot because of the radio transmission regarding shots being fired. He said Patton was still moving around like nothing happened.

Alvarez said that when he went into the house and saw the two civilians inside he thought to himself, "God this is going from bad to worse." I asked Alvarez if he was concerned

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about the civilians being in the house. He said, "Yes." He added that he was surprised they were in the house. He said that if he had to engage Patton in the house it would have been bad for him, Sabio and the two civilians. Alvarez also did not know if the two civilians were the cause of this incident.

I asked Alvarez if he was able to see the front door from the family room. He said you would be able to see the front door if you stood in the west corner of the room.

I asked Alvarez if the pepper spray canister he had with him now was the same one he had that evening. Alvarez said it was the same one. I asked him for the serial number and he said it was, [REDACTED] The pepper spray was Cap-Stun brand, model "Z-305." I shook the canister and found that the can was about 3/4 full.

I had no further questions for Alvarez and concluded my interview with him.

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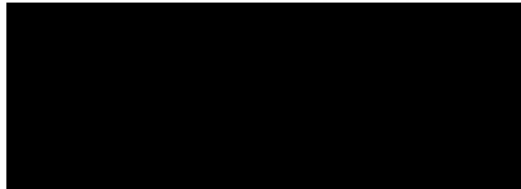
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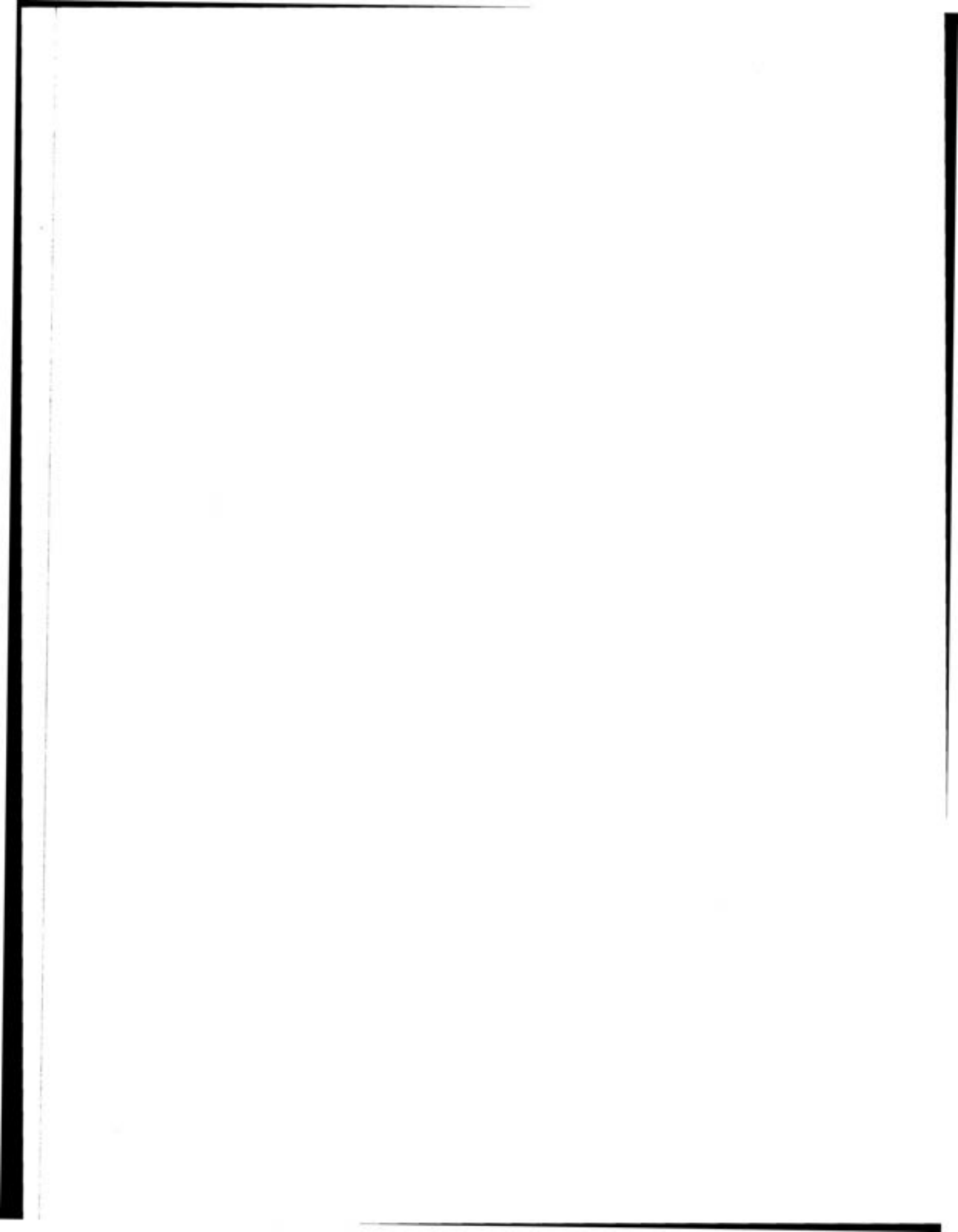
On 10-18-01, at 1715 hours, I met with [REDACTED] and interviewed him regarding this incident. [REDACTED] had been identified as a possible witness. [REDACTED] spoke limited English and felt more comfortable speaking In Spanish. I conducted this interview in Spanish. The interview was tape-recorded and the following is a synopsis.

[REDACTED] told me that he was with his friend [REDACTED] when they drove by the front of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said they were traveling West on Avenida De Las Flores when he saw a motorcycle officer traveling East at a high rate of speed. [REDACTED] said they turned around to see what was going on.

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██████████ said that he turned around and traveled East of Avenida De Las Flores and stopped near Calle Rosa. ██████████ said he heard deputies yelling, "Put your hands up."

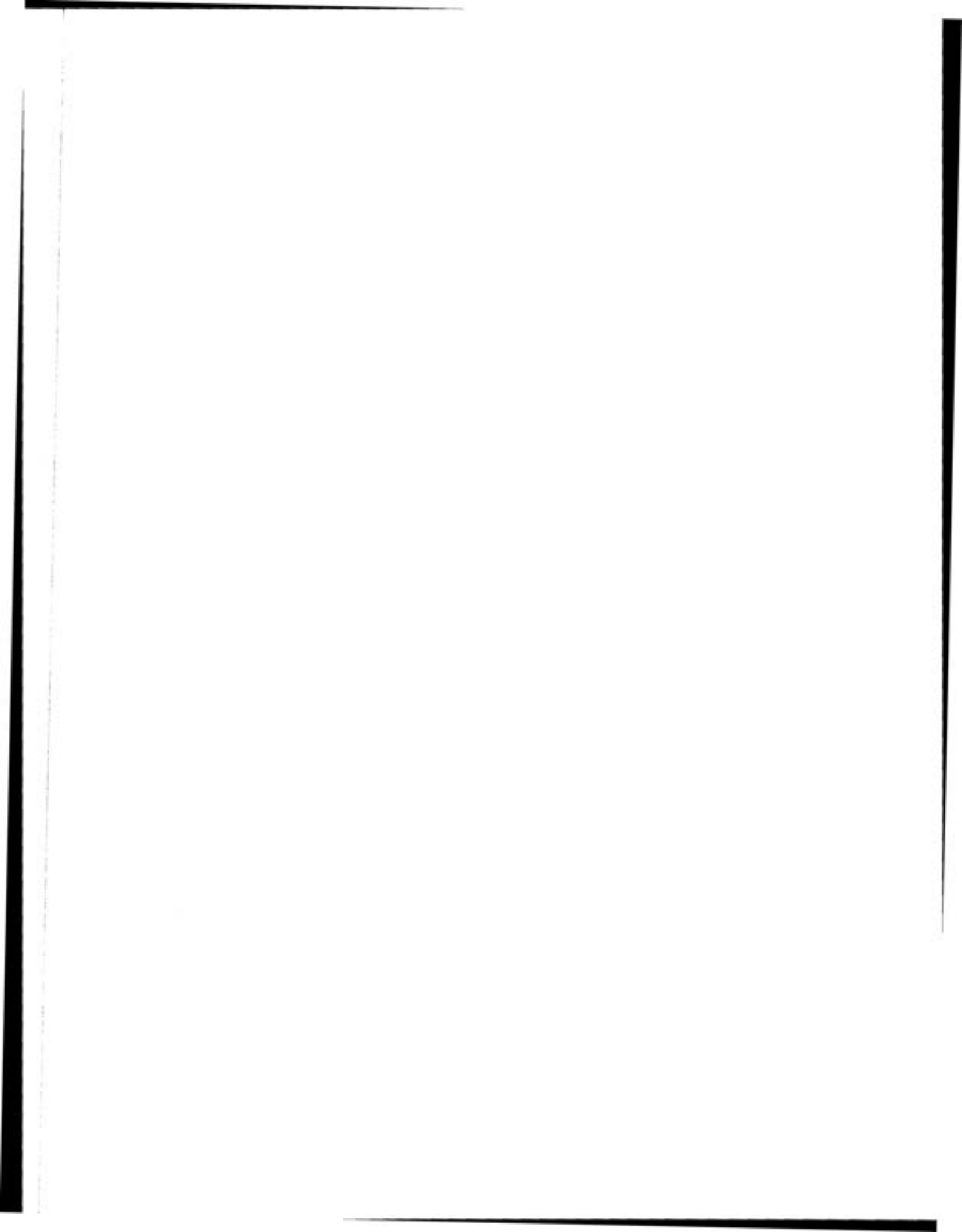
I stopped ██████████ at this point so he could clarify some of his details. ██████████ said he first saw a police car parked in the middle of the street. He said he saw the officer pointing their weapons down the east side of ██████████. He said the officers were yelling, "Put your hands up." ██████████ said the officer entered the rear yard and a short time later he saw Patton coming out from the back of the house holding a knife.

██████████ said he heard them telling Patton to drop the knife. ██████████ then saw one of the officer hit Patton twice with a baton, but Patton would not drop the knife. He said that Patton then began to walk away.

██████████ then questioned the number of shots being fired and the fact that it had to come to that extreme. ██████████ said he felt that there were too many shot fired considering it was an elderly person. He said that if it were a younger and stronger person then you would have to consider how that person would react.

██████████ said he was 100% that if he could have hit Patton from behind, he would have been able to knock him down. He added that if he had a different type of baton he could have knocked Patton out and there would not have been necessary to shoot him. I asked ██████████ if he has stopped someone armed with a knife before. He paused for a second and said that he did it once when he was in Mexico.

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I asked [REDACTED] if he saw the shooting take place in front of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said that he did see the shooting. He said that Patton was standing outside in front of the door facing the officers. He said Patton was holding the knife down at his right side. [REDACTED] said he saw Patton turn towards the door and that was when he was shot. [REDACTED] said that Patton did not make any move towards the officers. He said that maybe Patton was turning to go in the house.

I asked [REDACTED] where he was when he saw the shooting. [REDACTED] said that he was on the street directly in front of Patton's residence. I asked [REDACTED] if the officers were saying anything to Patton while they were standing in front of the residence. [REDACTED] said the officer was telling Patton to drop the knife.

[REDACTED] said that he first heard one shot being fired and then the rest of the officers began to fire their weapons. I asked [REDACTED] if Patton said anything to the officer [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said, "No."

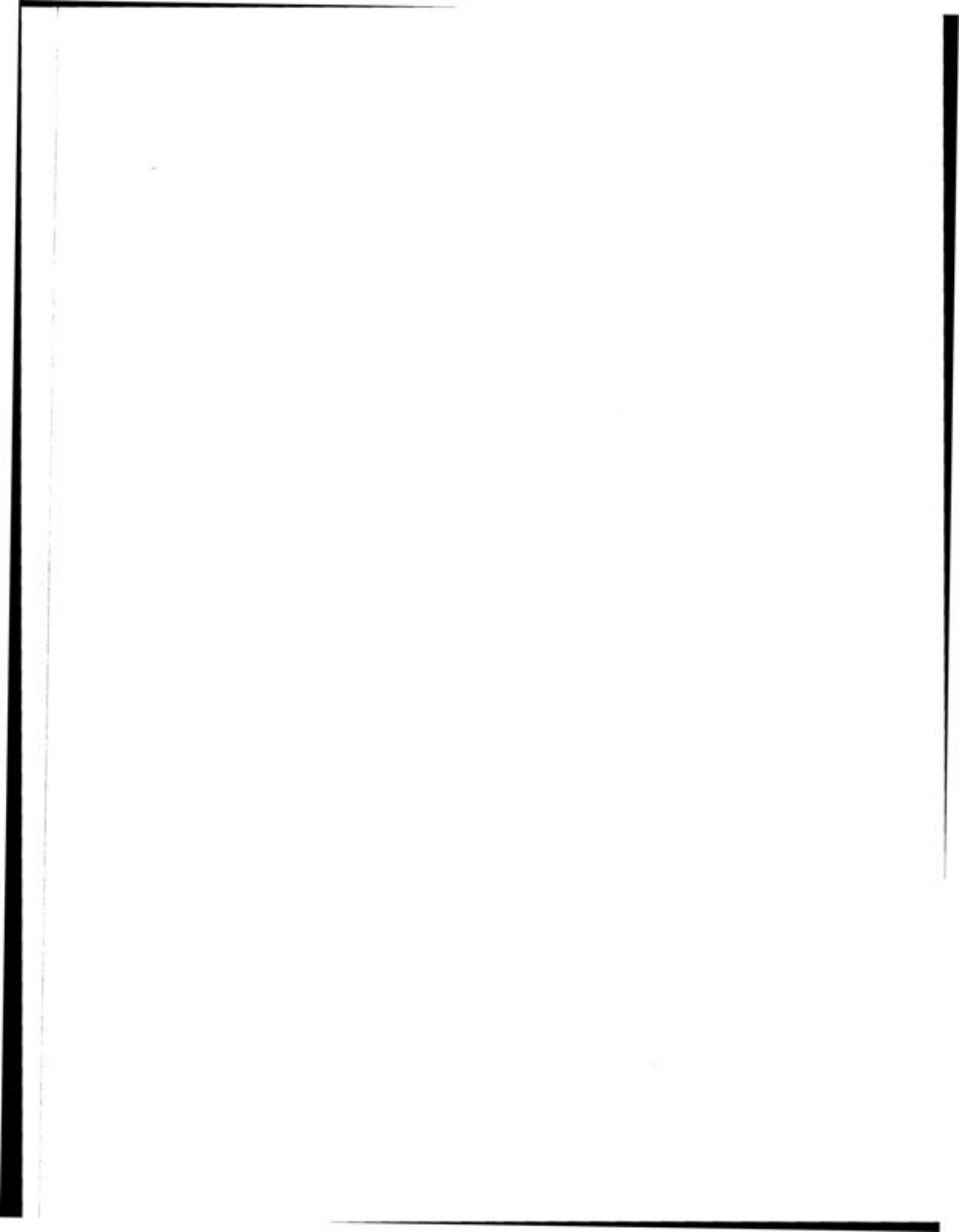
I asked [REDACTED] if he noticed whether Patton was injured prior to the shooting in front of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said, "No." [REDACTED] added that Patton had something under the front of his shirt. He said he did not know if it was a gun.

[REDACTED] said that his friend, [REDACTED] mentioned to [REDACTED] that he heard some gunshots. [REDACTED] said he arrived shortly afterwards.

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I asked [redacted] if he had ever spoken to Patton's wife. He said he has gone to her house on some occasions when they have a garage sale. [redacted] said that Patton's wife did not appear well. He said that she might have some mental problems.

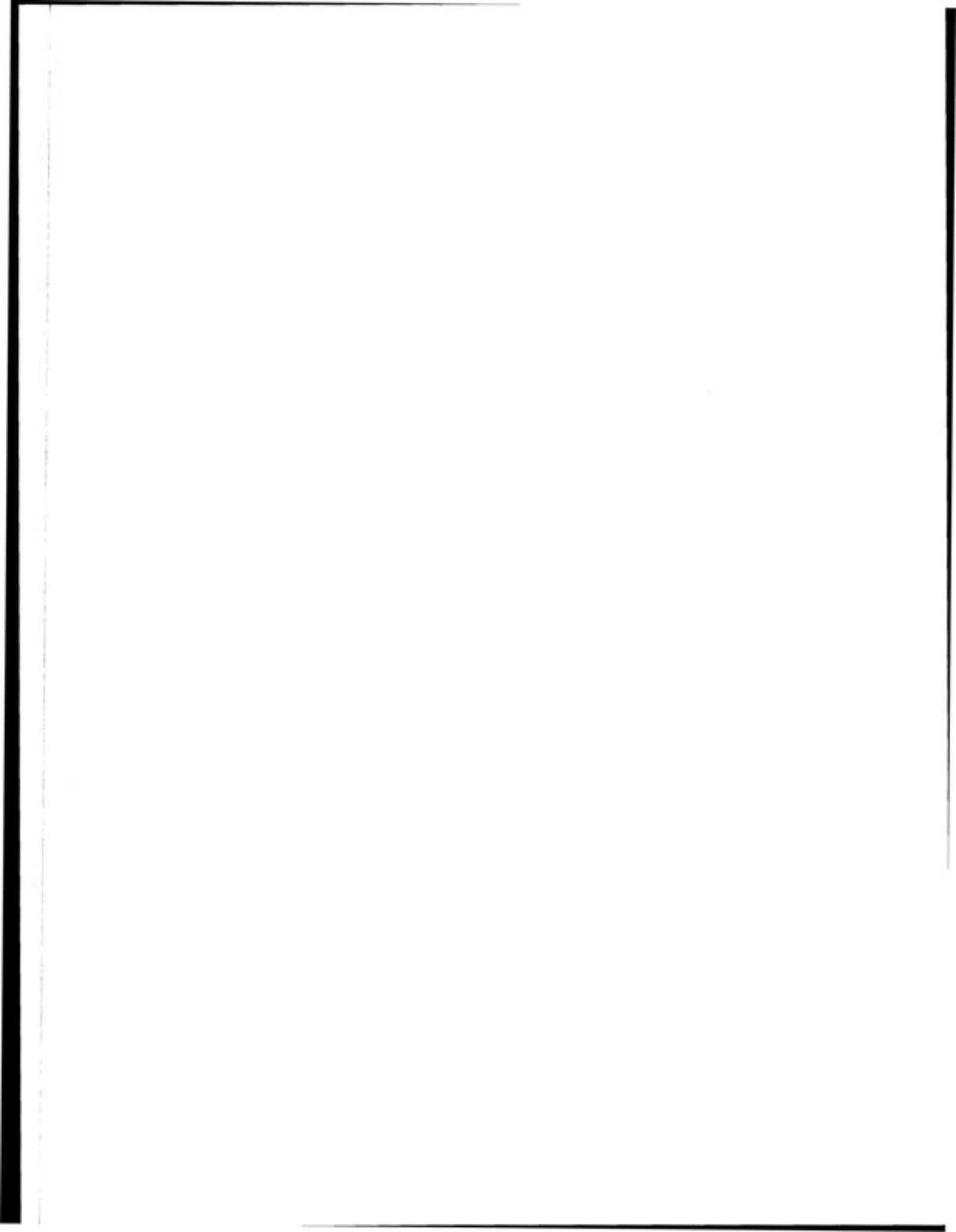
[redacted] said he remembered seeing an officer with a shotgun running to the front of the house. I asked him if he saw the officer before or after the shooting. [redacted] said the deputy armed with the shotgun arrived after the shooting had taken place. [redacted] added that the deputy did not fire the shotgun. I asked him how many deputies he saw. He said there were six. I asked [redacted] how many deputies he saw with a shotgun [redacted] said there was only one deputy armed with a shotgun. He said the rest of the deputies were armed with a handgun. [redacted] said he heard approximately 10 to 15 shot being fired.

[redacted] said that Patton was handcuffed right after he was shot. He also said the deputies were checking Patton's pulse. I asked [redacted] if he saw anyone pick up the knife Patton was holding. [redacted] said no one picked up the knife. He said someone just pushed it aside. [redacted] said medical personnel arrived shortly afterwards.

I went over details with [redacted] about what he saw at the front of [redacted] [redacted] said that he saw Patton standing outside the front door. He said he was facing the officer holding the knife in his hand. [redacted] said that as Patton turned for the door the deputies shot him.

[redacted] said that he heard one gunshot and there like a "chain reaction" he heard several more gunshots. He said that Patton then fell to the ground onto his back. He said one of

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the deputies walked over and turned Patton over and handcuffed his hands behind his back.


I asked [redacted] if Patton was holding the knife when he came out from [redacted]. [redacted] said Patton was holding the knife when he came from [redacted]. He described the knife as a kitchen knife approximately 12' long. [redacted] said that Patton held the knife in his right hand.

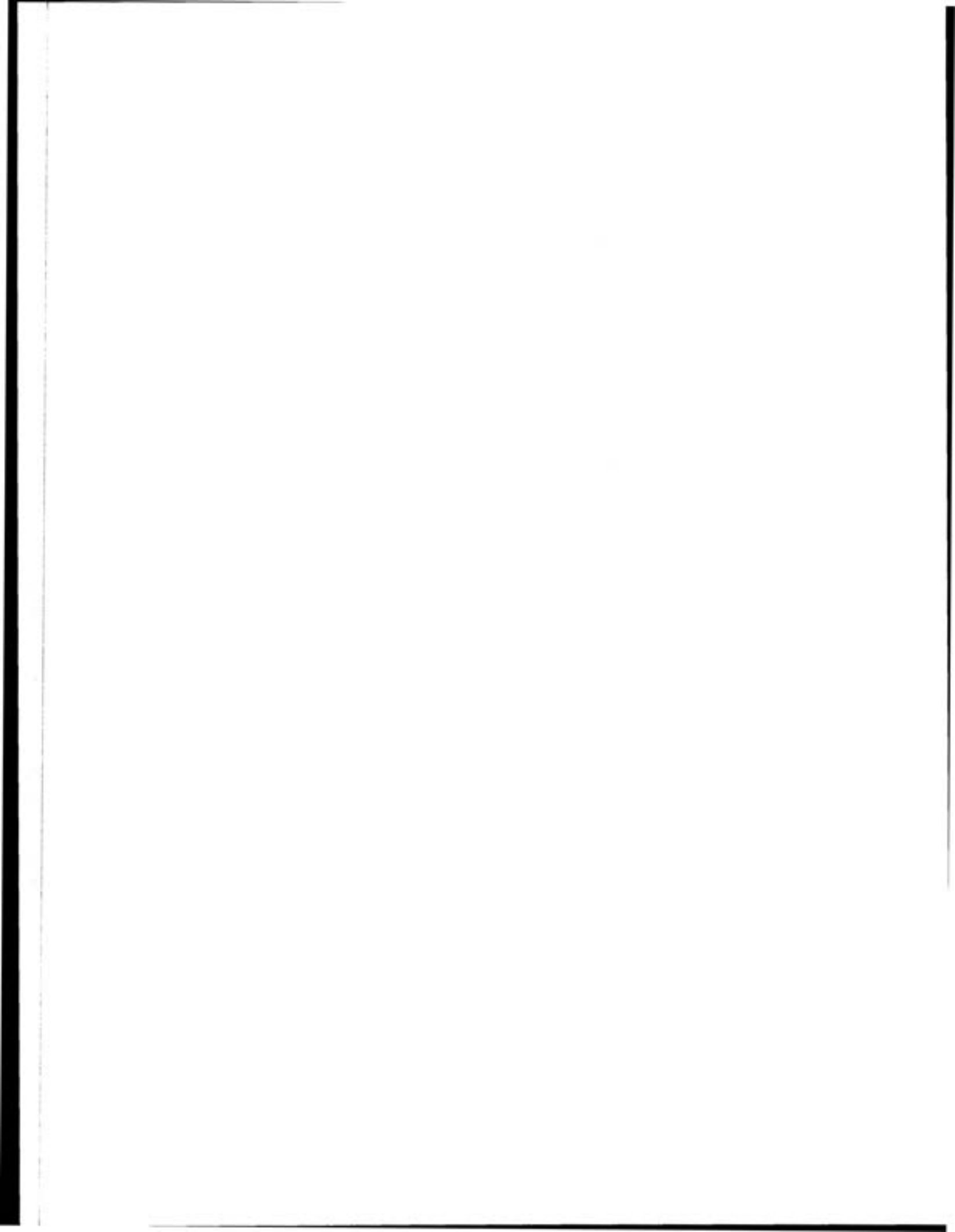
I asked [redacted] how Patton held the knife. He said he positioned it down to his side. [redacted] said that Patton never pointed the knife in an aggressive manner towards the deputies.

I asked him if he watch when the deputy hit Patton with the baton. [redacted] said Patton was leaving [redacted] when the deputy swung a baton at Patton. [redacted] said the deputy struck Patton on the hand twice. He said the swings with the baton were very hard strikes. [redacted] said the deputy used both hands to swing the baton. [redacted] said that Patton still did not drop the knife.

[redacted] said that after seeing that he realized that there was something wrong with Patton. He said that in Mexico they would refer to someone acting like Patton as being "Endiblado." This terms us used to describe someone who is possessed by the devil.

[redacted] said that Patton might have been on drugs.

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I asked [REDACTED] if he has spoken to Patton before. He said he has only seen him when he leaves for work in the morning. [REDACTED] said that he sees Patton sitting out in front of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] did not have any further details regarding this incident. I asked [REDACTED] to call and asked his friend [REDACTED] to call me so I could interview him. [REDACTED] did not know [REDACTED] telephone number or address at the time. He said he would get a message to [REDACTED] to call me.

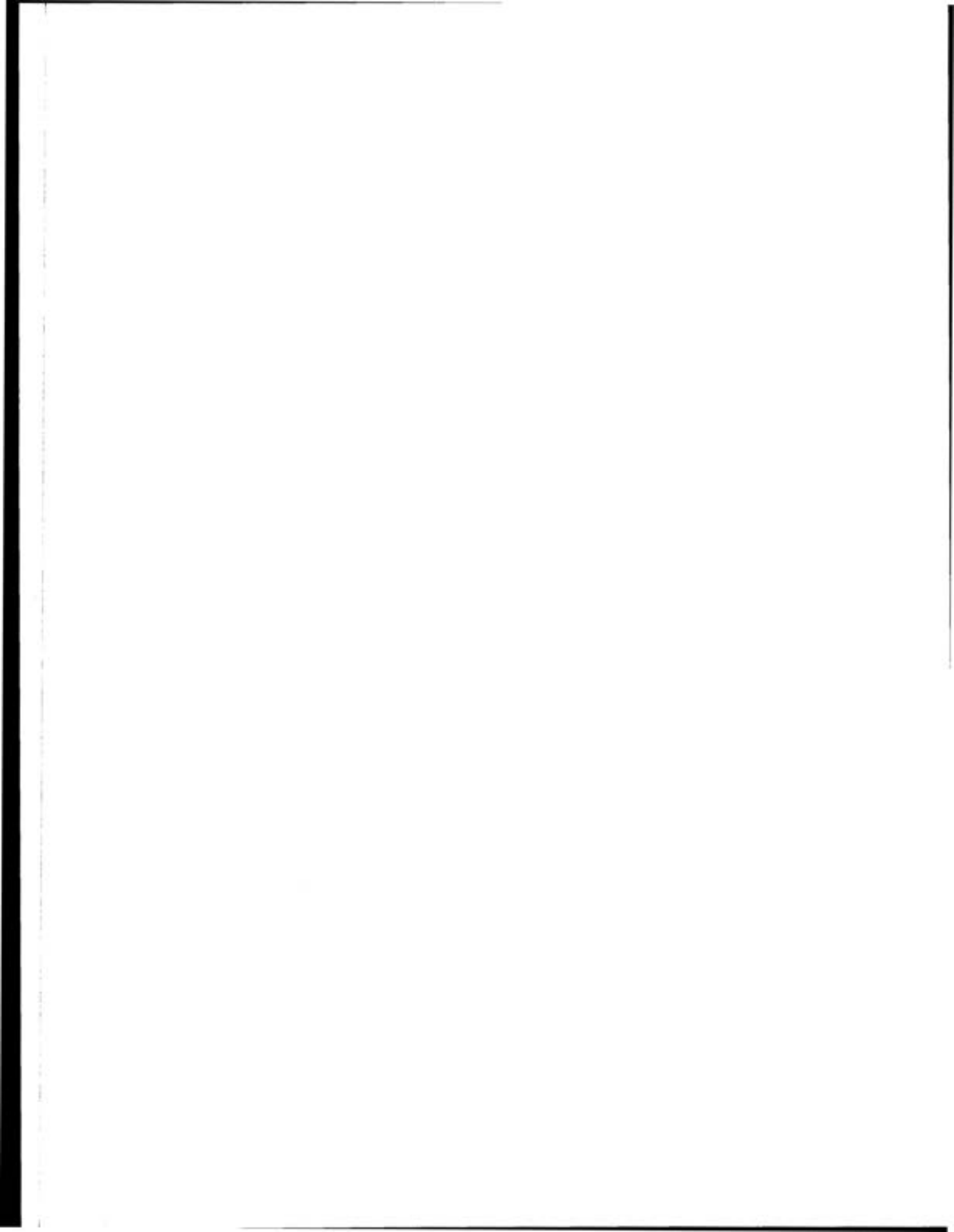
I then left [REDACTED] residence. No further details.

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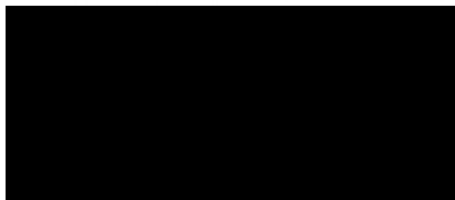
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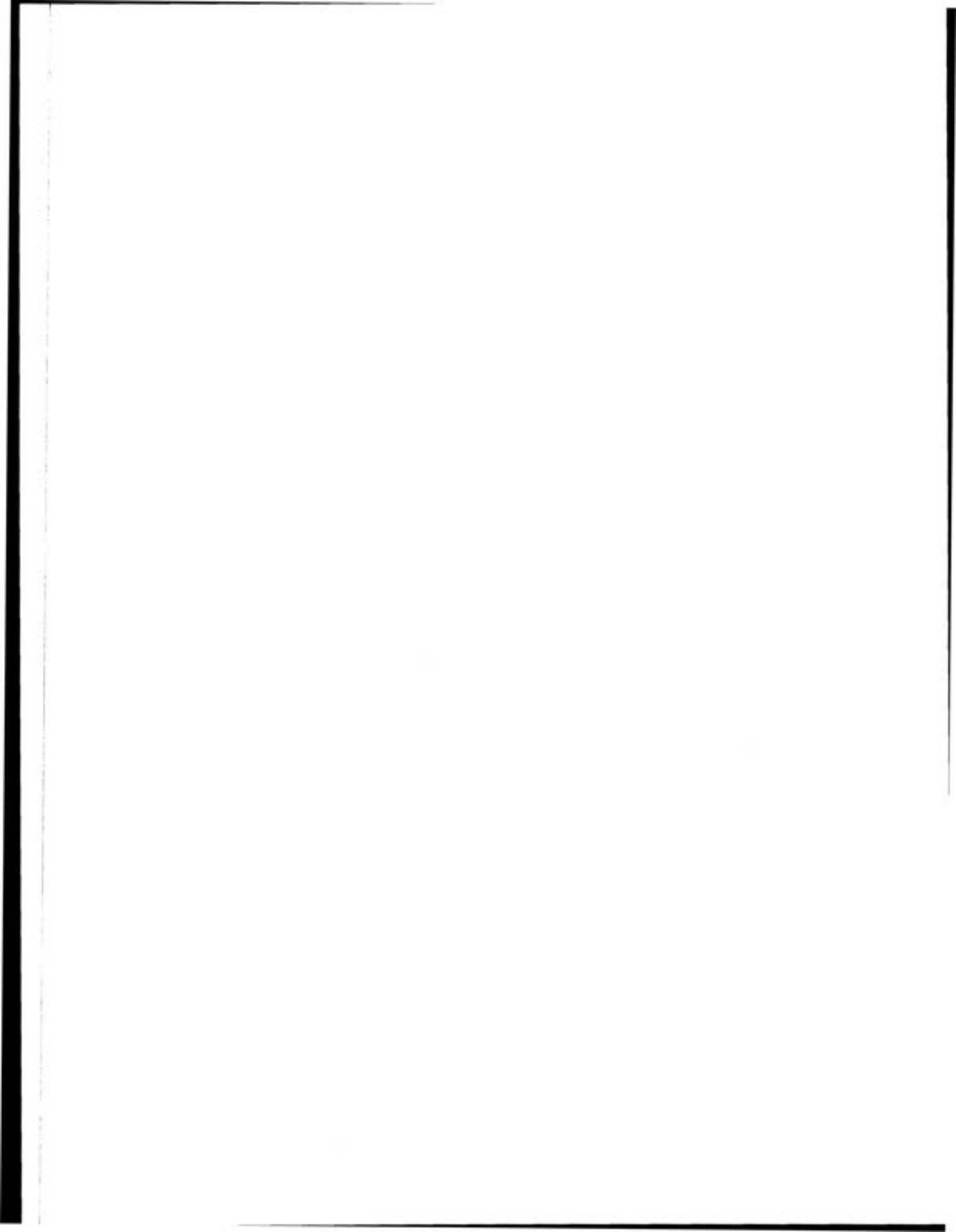


On 10-16-01, at 1324 hours, I interviewed [REDACTED] regarding this case. [REDACTED] is the owner of Conejo Graphics where Thomas Patton had worked prior to being laid off earlier this year. My interview with [REDACTED] was recorded and the following is a synopsis.

[REDACTED] said that Patton was a former employee and had worked for the company for approximately 14 years. [REDACTED] also told me that he knew Patton was on probation due to a driving under the influence arrest that occurred about three or four years ago.

[REDACTED] said Patton told him he was not "real crazy about the idea of ever having to go back to jail." after spending time there. [REDACTED] said that he thought Patton had done everything that was required of him as far as his probation was concerned.

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██████████ said Patton went to alcohol school and told ██████████ that he had quit drinking. ██████████ said that there were many different requirements that Patton had to complete. ██████████ said he knew that Patton was required to pay certain fees and attend classes because he sometimes had to leave work early to attend these classes.

I asked ██████████ if he knew how much time Patton did in jail. ██████████ said it was about 30 days. ██████████ said that Patton was also required to complete community hours and perform some type of cleanup work.

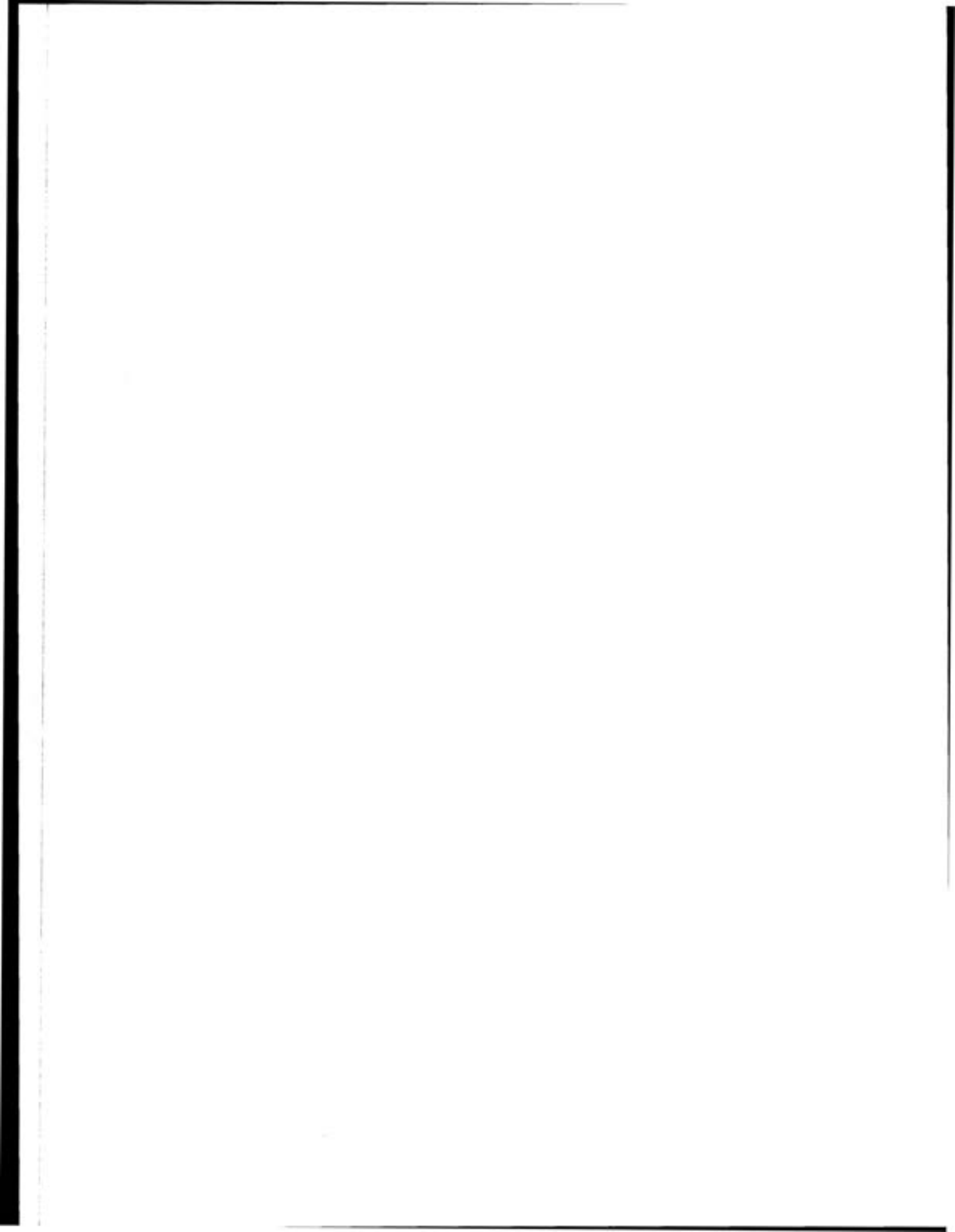
██████████ said that with all of the required fees that resulted from Patton's arrest, Patton was "financially strapped." ██████████ said that Patton was not financially stable before the DUI arrest and that the DUI arrest put a bigger strain on Patton.

I asked ██████████ how Patton was as an employee. ██████████ said Patton did an average job. ██████████ said that sometimes he would have to talk to Patton about his work performance, but that Patton would always come through and finish his work.

I asked ██████████ how Patton got along with the other employees. ██████████ said Patton had a good working relationship. He said that Patton mostly kept to himself and did not have any problems with anyone else.

I asked ██████████ if Patton had ever talked about having problems at home or with his wife. ██████████ said sometimes things would come up and he did not think that Patton was very happy with his marriage. ██████████ said he did not get involved very much with Patton's

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personal life, but knew Patton was very happy with the way his daughter was doing in school. ██████ said he felt that Patton's daughter was the one positive part of Patton's life. ██████ said thinks that Patton and his older daughter had some problems between them.

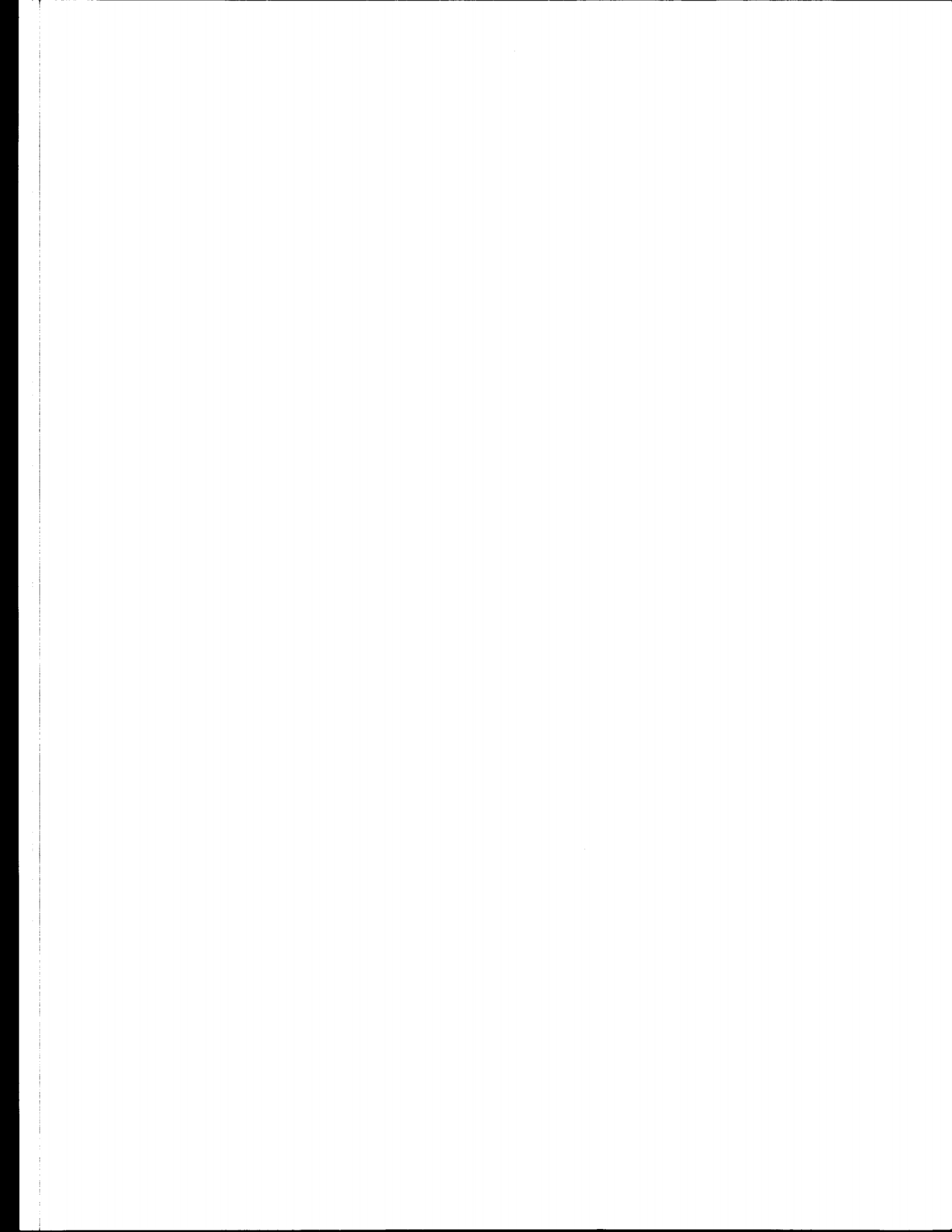
I asked ██████ if he knew whether Patton had been mentally or physically sick or seeing a doctor for any reason. ██████ said he did not think that Patton was seeing a doctor, but felt that Patton was going through some overall depression due to all of the financial problems.

I asked ██████ if Patton ever talked about divorcing his wife or leaving her ██████ said, "No." ██████ added that he never got that impression. He thought that Patton was maybe just going to "tough it out."

I asked ██████ if Patton was laid off or fired. ██████ said that about 6 to 7 months ago he realized that his company was not at the level of business it needed to be to continue to operate. ██████ said he made a tough decision and laid off four of his employees. He said Patton was one of those employees. I asked ██████ how Patton took the lay off. ██████ said that it hit Patton hard. ██████ said he spoke to Patton shortly afterwards because Patton had come by to pick up some paperwork. Patton told ██████ that he was collecting unemployment and trying to figure out what to do.

I asked ██████ if there was a certain point where he began to notice that Patton was depressed. ██████ said that before Patton was arrested for the DUI, he was somewhat depressed because Patton was not happy at home. ██████ aid he did not know any

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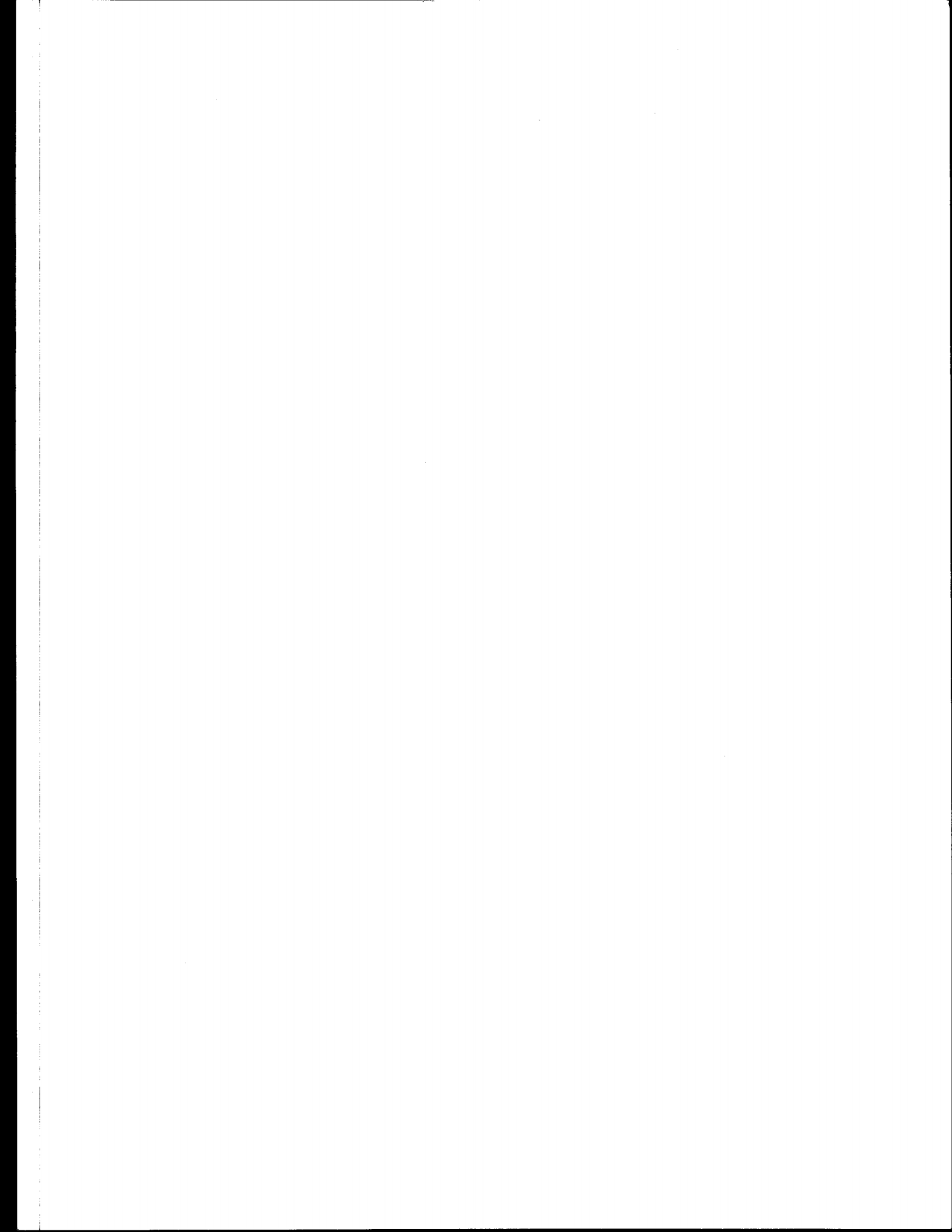
certain time that Patton's depressing began but being arrested for the DUI was the worst things that he knew of that happened to Patton.

I asked [REDACTED] if Patton ever talked about suicide or not being around anymore. [REDACTED] said that Patton never mentioned or talked about suicide. He added that it would not surprise him if Patton had thought about suicide before because of his depressed state of mind and all of the things he had to deal with. He said that it probably would have been a good idea if Patton had counseling. I asked [REDACTED] if he knew if Patton had received any type of counseling. [REDACTED] said, "No."

[REDACTED] told me he got the impression from Patton that he did not want to go back to jail. [REDACTED] said that Patton was very serious about this. [REDACTED] said he stuck with Patton during his jail time and ensured that he had a job waiting for him when he returned.

[REDACTED] did not have any further information. I concluded my interview with him.

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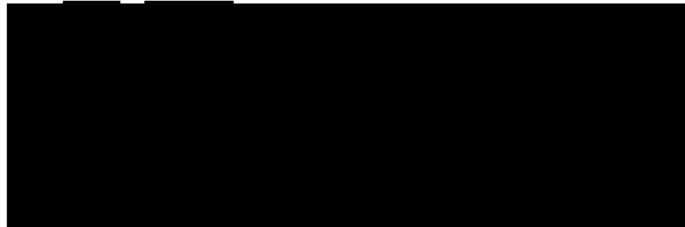
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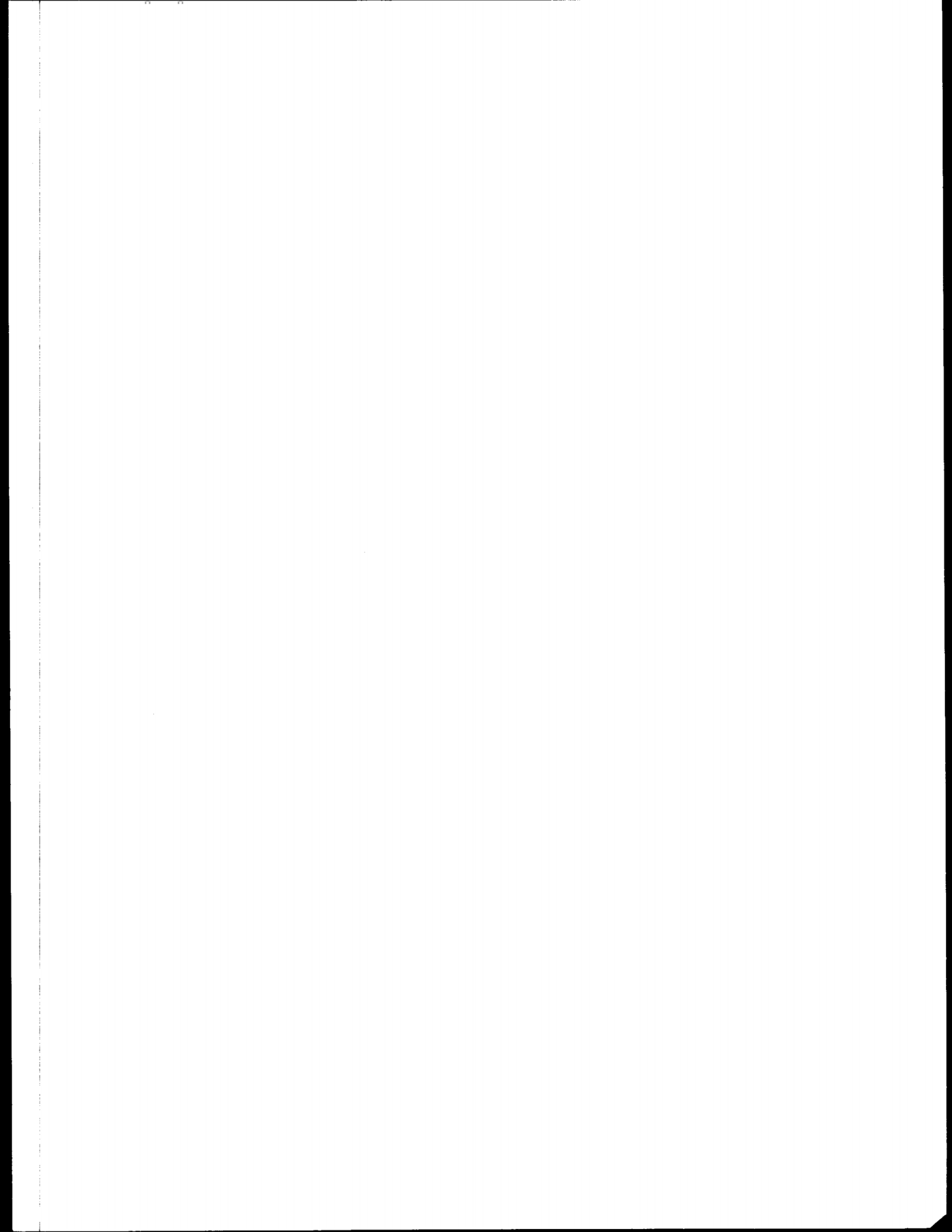
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On 10-16-01, at 1130 hours, I met with [REDACTED] who is the owner of Quick Print. This was the company where Thomas Patton was currently employed. My interview with [REDACTED] was recorded and the following is a synopsis.

I asked [REDACTED] how long Patton had been employed with his company. [REDACTED] told me that he hired Patton about 6 or 7 months ago. He later said Patton has been working since the end of May 2001. [REDACTED] said that Patton works Monday through Friday and no weekends. [REDACTED] said that Patton was a good employee. He said that Patton would always show up to work and never called in sick.

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I asked [REDACTED] if he ever had any problems with Patton. [REDACTED] said, "Not at all." I asked [REDACTED] if Patton appeared depressed. [REDACTED] said that Patton seemed "pretty even" and added that he has only known Patton for a short while. I asked [REDACTED] if Patton ever complained about anything or talked about problems at home. [REDACTED] said, "No."

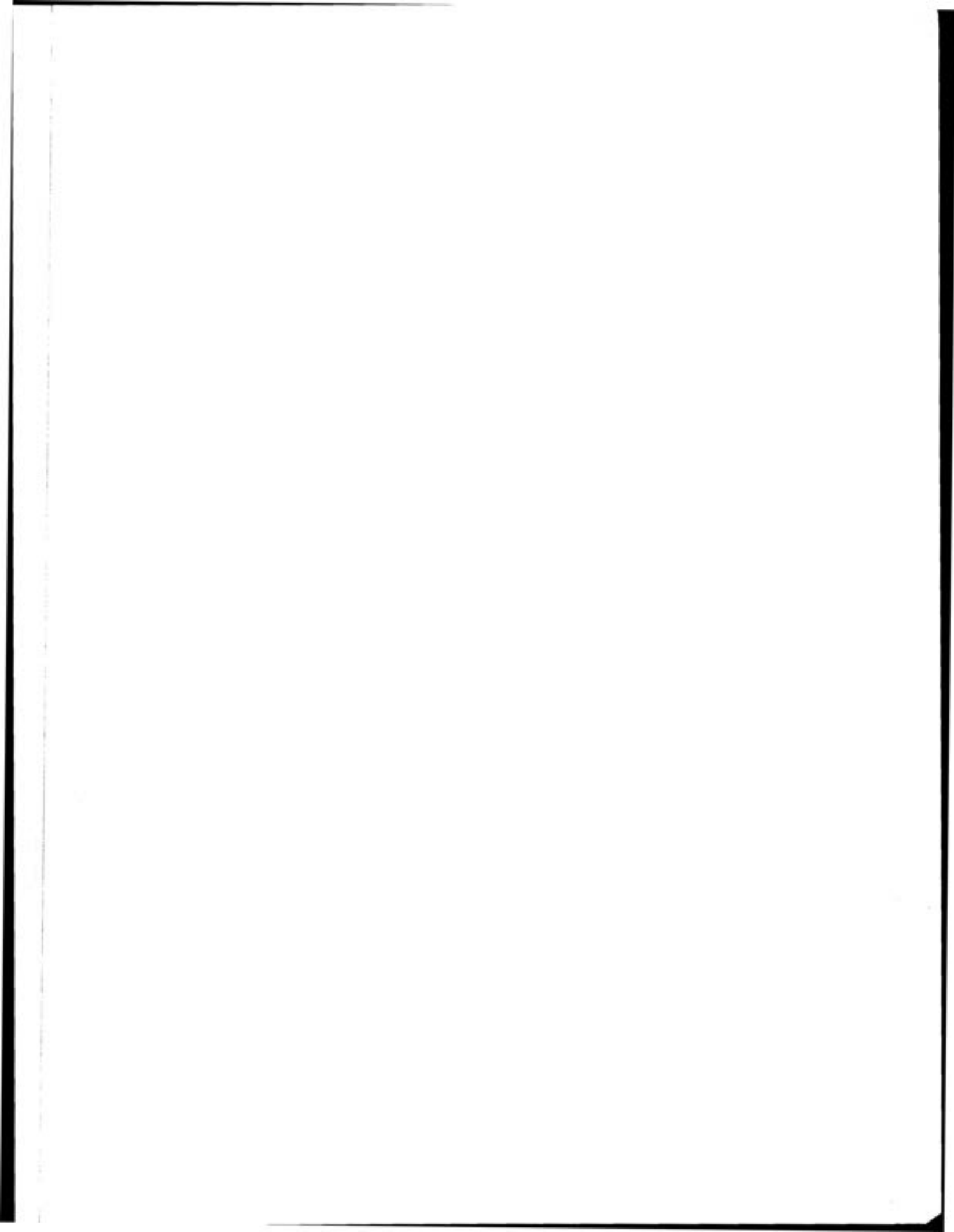
[REDACTED] told me that Patton last worked on Friday, 10-12-01. I asked [REDACTED] if he knew whether Patton was taking any medications or mention anything about seeing a doctor. [REDACTED] said, "No."

[REDACTED] said that Patton was an ideal employee. He said he was very courteous. [REDACTED] said that Patton ran a printing press at the company.

I passed on a request to [REDACTED] from Patton's wife. She had requested Patton's previous and current paycheck. I told [REDACTED] that his wife also asked if they could issue the checks in her name. [REDACTED] said he would have to check to see if Patton's previous check had cleared before he requested that a replacement be issued. He said that he would also check to see if they could issue the checks in the wife's name.

I concluded my interview with [REDACTED] and left the business.

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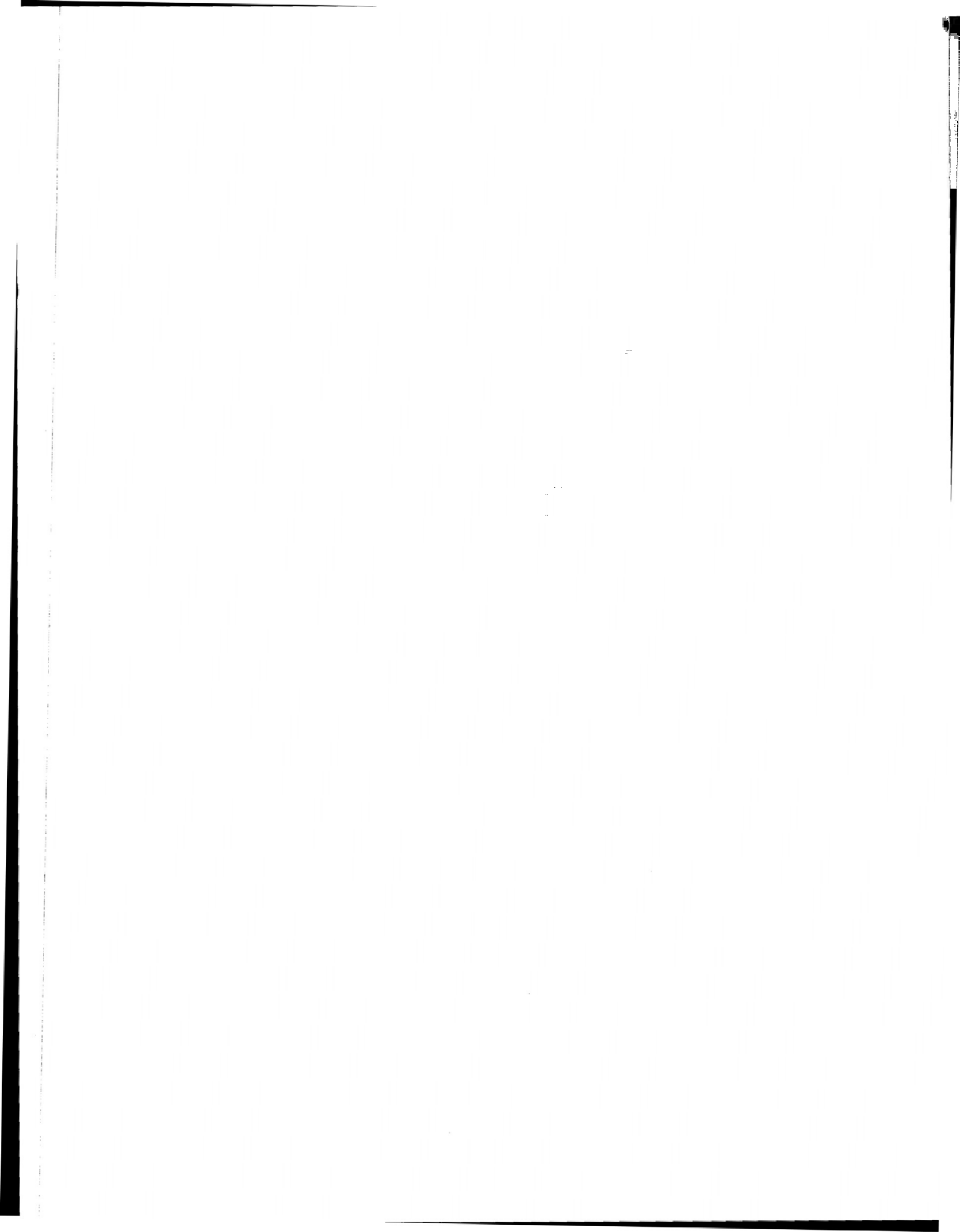
Third Interview and Videotaped Reenactment with Witness [REDACTED]

On October 16, 2001 at approximately 1040 hours, I conducted a third interview of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] a witness to this investigation. [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED] Thousand Oaks. This interview was also videotaped while [REDACTED] reenacted the events of October 13, 2001. Field Evidence Technician [REDACTED] videotaped the interview. This interview was also tape-recorded. The following is a summary of the interview. Refer to the videotape and audiotape of the interview for additional information:

We began the interview in the front yard of [REDACTED] residence at the front door. I told [REDACTED] during her earlier statement to me, she said she was outside when she first saw [REDACTED]. I asked [REDACTED] where she was located. [REDACTED] showed me the second park bench below the kitchen window in her front yard. She was seated on this bench. Her father was seated on the bench next to her.

I asked [REDACTED] when did she first see [REDACTED]. She said, "First time I saw [REDACTED] she had crossed the street and entered at the handicapped ramp. And was walking down the sidewalk." [REDACTED] confirmed that [REDACTED] was walking eastbound on the sidewalk in front of her house. I asked [REDACTED] what she did. She said, "When [REDACTED] got directly in front of me, I said, "Hello." And she was looking towards the other side of Las Flores. And she would not look at me or acknowledge me. So I again said, "Hello [REDACTED]. And she wouldn't acknowledge me. And I

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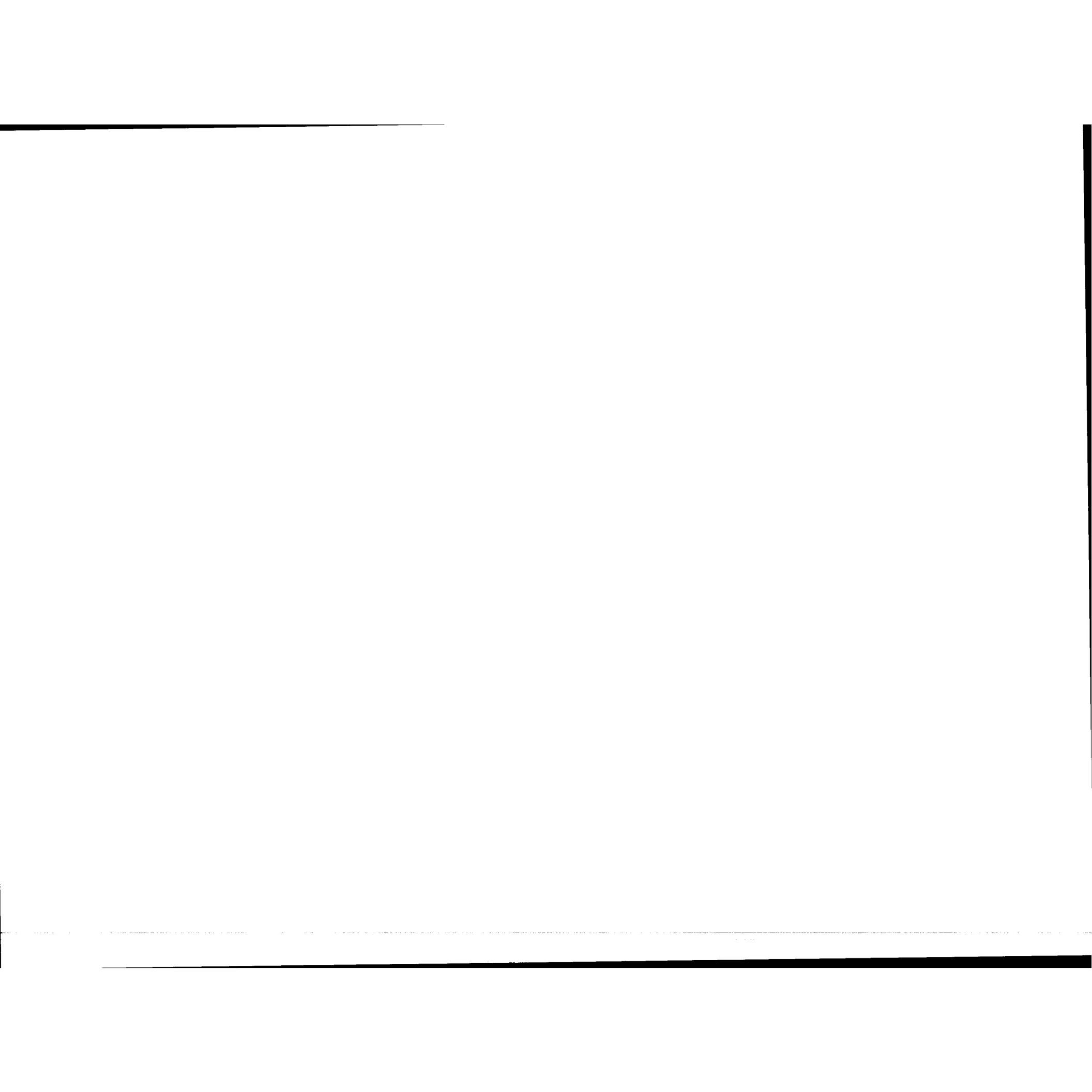
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noticed that there -- something wrong. Because she does not do that. So I -- I -- [REDACTED] proceeded to walk towards the end of the walkway there, before it enters my driveway, and I tol -- I said, "[REDACTED] something's up. Don't make me have to get up and chase ya." I asked [REDACTED] [REDACTED] stopped. She said, "She stopped there. And I proceeded to get up." I told [REDACTED] to walk the same route she took toward [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] walked to the top of her driveway where it meets the sidewalk and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] old [REDACTED] "Don't make me have to run. You know I don't like it." [REDACTED] stopped on the sidewalk near the driveway. I asked [REDACTED] what she did. She said, "I grabbed [REDACTED] like this, and I turned her around. Because she was still facing that side (the opposite side) of the street." [REDACTED] confirmed that when she stopped [REDACTED] was facing the opposite side of the street away from her. [REDACTED] added that [REDACTED] had her dog with her. When [REDACTED] turned [REDACTED] around, [REDACTED] had tears streaming down her face." [REDACTED] said above [REDACTED]'s left eye, she had a "very large egg shaped bump. And it was very raised and swollen." As [REDACTED] said this, she demonstrated where the injury on [REDACTED]'s face was located by using her hand to point to her own face.

I asked [REDACTED] what she and [REDACTED] talked about at the top of her driveway. She said, "At this location I said, "[REDACTED] what in the hell did he do to you this time?" [REDACTED] said, "Oh, it's gonna be okay. I just asked him if we could watch a different T.V. show. He didn't mean to hit me that hard with the T.V. controller in the head." [REDACTED] said, "[REDACTED] [REDACTED] replied, "I know. It's gonna be bad because [REDACTED]'s not home." [REDACTED] confirmed that [REDACTED] is [REDACTED]'s daughter. [REDACTED] added, "The daughter plays referee usually." [REDACTED] continued, "So she says, "Tom is gonna be very angry with me if he knows I'm telling you." [REDACTED] old [REDACTED] "I don't care. You can tell him that, just like before, I stopped you. You didn't tell. And I'm gonna go talk to Tom." [REDACTED] continued, "And then I said, "No, we need to call his bluff or he's gonna keep on doing this to you [REDACTED]. We've warned him and warned him." [REDACTED] added, "And I said, "You know what he had told me the day before. That he could kill you and nobody would ever know." [REDACTED] said that everybody thinks that [REDACTED] is crazy.

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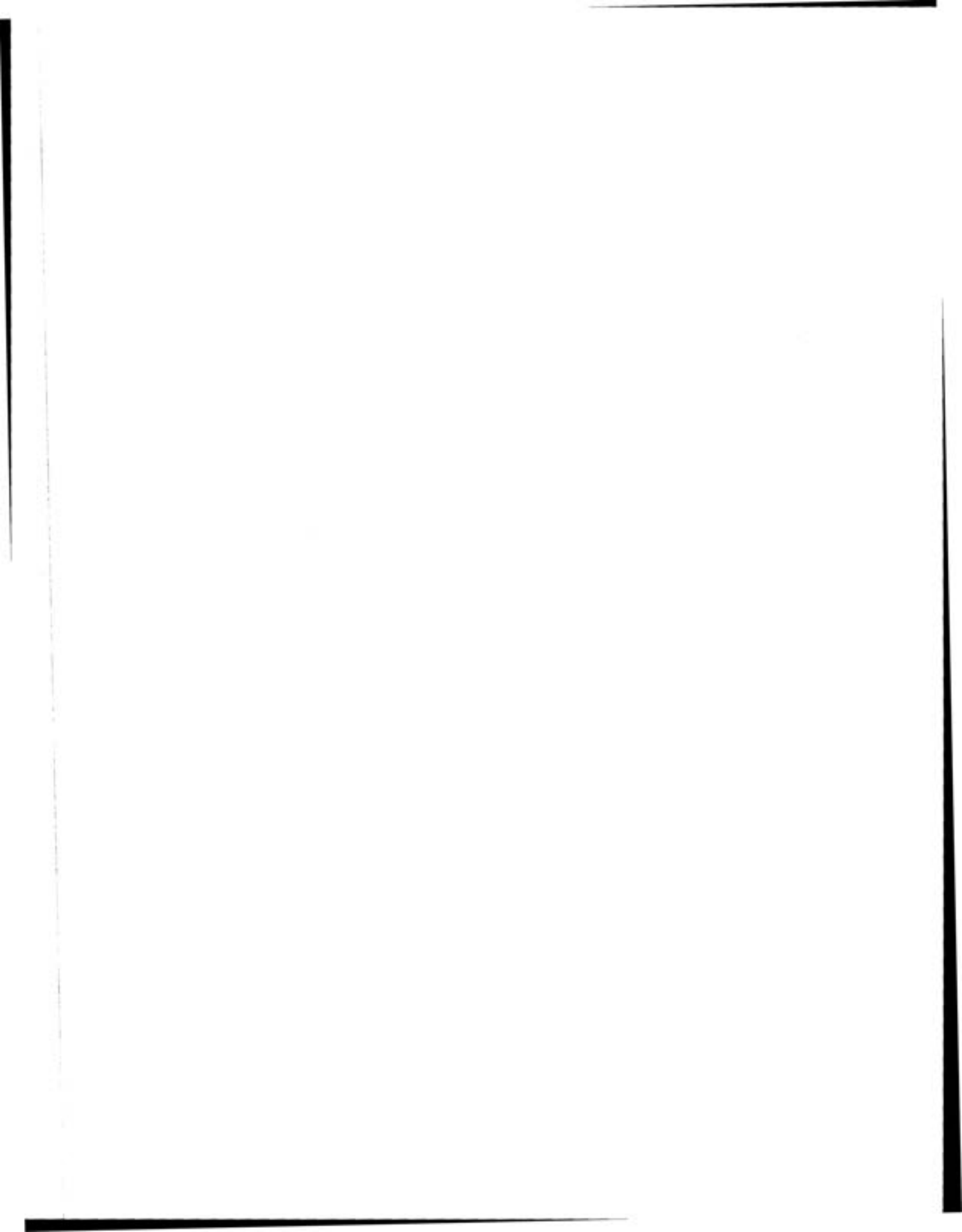
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█████ walked with █████ to her (█████'s) house. █████ was walking by herself, and she did not need assistance. I asked █████ if she discussed anything with █████ as they were walking. She said, "No not real- -- I asked her just to come with me. Down -- like we came. And stopped here, and daddy still on the bench down there. And then I hugged █████ and rubbed her. And I told her, and wiped her tears off her face, and I told her that, "Love's not supposed to hurt. It's not okay." █████ continued, "And if she doesn't call his bluff and actually do something about it, or if I don't actually call, he's never gonna believe it. And he's gonna kill her. And that would leave █████ motherless. And it's not right. He -- she -- it's getting worse. It was, you know, once a month. And now it's every other day. And my father said, "That's true █████ This can't go on. This cannot happen." █████ confirmed that her father was still seated on the bench during this conversation.

At this time, █████ and I were standing on the walkway in her front yard. █████ continued, "And I told her, and I said, █████ you know, I'm your friend. I'm not one of Tom's friends that pretended to be your friend. You know I'm your friend." █████ said, "And she cried more and told me, "Yes." And she hugged me. And I said, "Please, Let's call. Let's at least go inside and call the battered -- the battered women's line." █████ continued, "Because we had been calling that before, and she had used another name of Alice. Just to know that what was going on was not okay, and that she's not crazy. So, we stood here and we talked some more, just about, you know, it's not okay and this and that. And we needed to call his bluff. And she says, "Yes, we could -- let's call and we'll call the police and maybe they'll just come out and talk to Tom." █████ continued, "And I knew in -- in -- daddy says, "Yes, you need too." █████ said, "And I said -- then my husband had came out through the gate and sat down on the bench there too." █████ confirmed that her husband came out to the front yard through the east gate on the side of her residence, and he sat down on a bench.

█████ said, "And I asked them to respond to █████ that it's not okay, you know, I said is real- -- "Daddy, tell her that this isn't what it's supposed to be. Tell her." █████ continued, "And so they did. They said, "It's not right. It's not right. You need to do something." At this time, █████ agreed to go inside █████ house." I asked █████ what happened next. She said, "So then we

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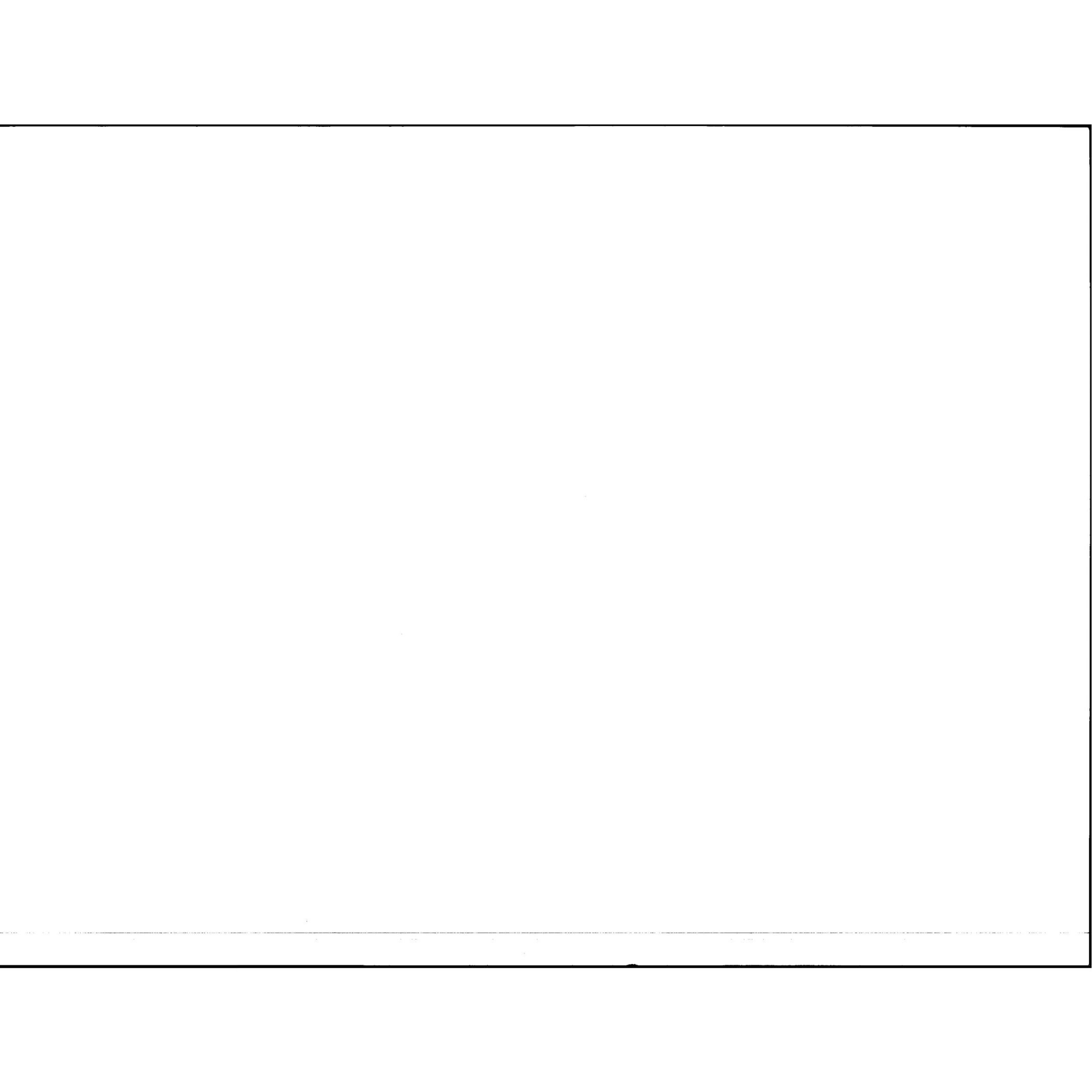
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proceeded to walk down the walkway. And she still had her dog. And my husband was still sitting on that bench." [REDACTED] continued, "And we asked my father, I -- I said to my father, my husband, "Would one of you please hold the dog. We are going inside to call them." [REDACTED] said, "My dad -- said, "Good. Good [REDACTED] Good. Be strong." [REDACTED] father held the dog, and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] went into the house.

At this time, [REDACTED] and I entered her residence through the front door. She walked with [REDACTED] down the hallway of her house toward her bedroom. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] went into [REDACTED] bedroom. [REDACTED] bedroom is located on the southwest corner of the house. There is a window in the bedroom that looks out toward the backyard. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] sat on the bed, and she sat next to her. [REDACTED] hugged [REDACTED] and then they called the Sheriff's Department. [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] "I'm too afraid. I can't start the phone call." [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] "I want you to listen carefully and pay attention." [REDACTED] continued, "And I told the police dispatcher that her husband had hit her in the head with a remote controller. And had left a large mark on her head. This has been going on in the past. And that we needed somebody to come out and talk to him. And she asked if [REDACTED] was safe here. Where was [REDACTED] I said, "At my location, [REDACTED] Where was Tom? "At [REDACTED]" Is she safe at your house? I said, "Yes." She sa-- they asked about -- is -- was there anybody else in the home? "No." Were there any weapons in the home? "No." Because, [REDACTED] had already snuck and shipped 'em all back to the mother, because she was afraid that Tom would kill her with 'em. And then I gave the phone to [REDACTED] for [REDACTED] to answer a couple of questions. I don't know what they were. She just said, "Yes. Yes." And then that's the end of it in here."

[REDACTED] continued, "So then, I gave her a great big, and told her she was doing the right thing. And she said, "All I wanted them to do is to talk to Tom." [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] "Their gonna talk to Tom." [REDACTED] continued, "In my heart I knew that they'd probably arrest him, and that's what he needed. But, you know, I told her, "Yes, their gonna talk to Tom." [REDACTED] added, "Cause that's not a lie." At this time, [REDACTED] and I exited her bedroom and walked down the hallway toward the front door. We exited the front door and went to the benches where we were previously located. [REDACTED] said, "My husband ha-- had went inside with my father. And I was here and [REDACTED] was here." Both

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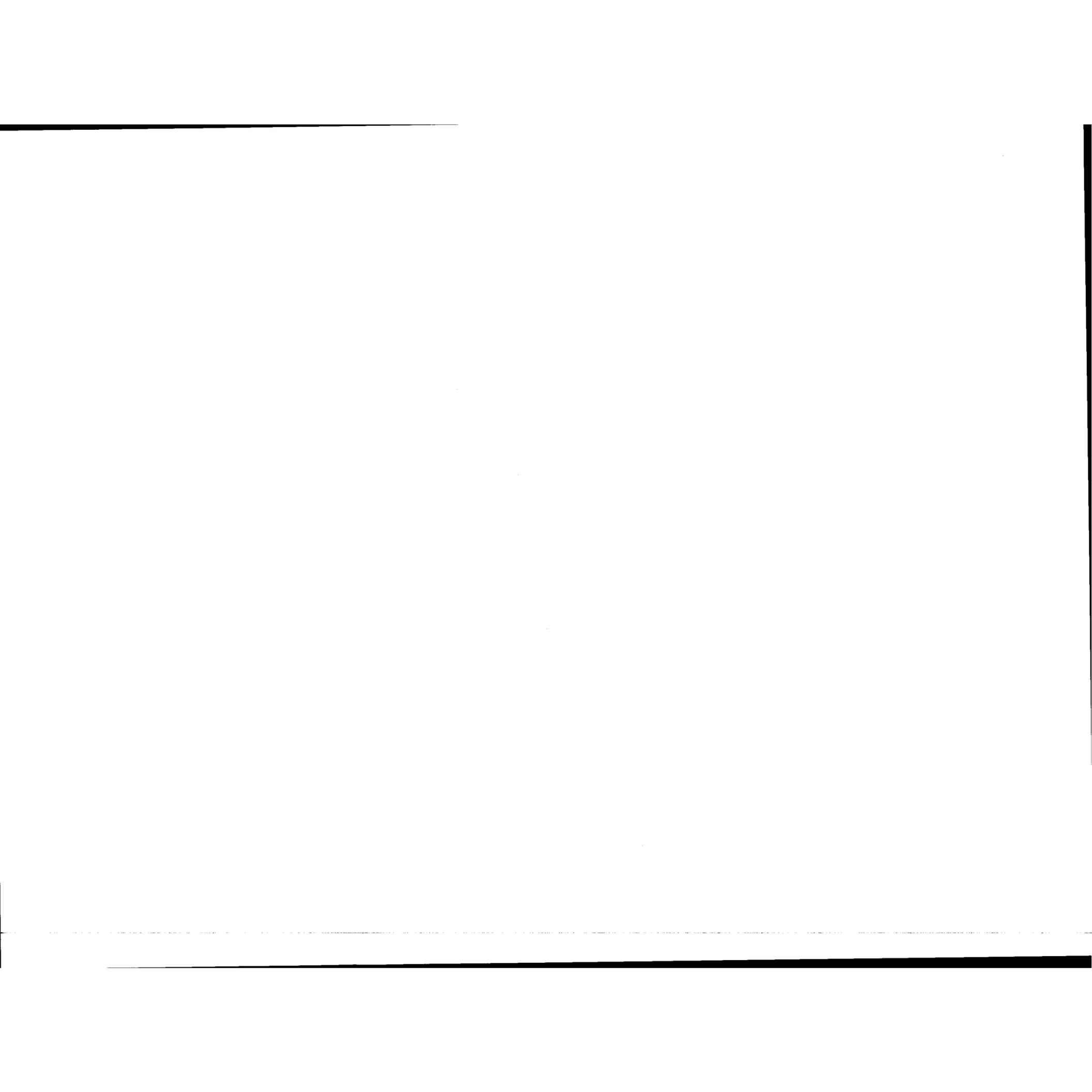
██████████ and ██████████ were seated on the benches smoking cigarettes. ██████████ said, "I put out my cigarette, and I asked ██████████ if she wanted something to drink. And I got back up, and went into my kitchen." At this time, ██████████ and I entered her residence and went into her kitchen.

██████████ continued, "Well, I had gotten the glasses out. I had gotten the ice out. And I sat down on the cups. And then my father was out front and he proceeded to say, "Their here. Their here." ██████████ said, "So, I went back out front. Did -- never got the sodas. Walked out front (At this time, ██████████ and I walked outside to the front yard)." ██████████ then took me to where the deputies parked their patrol vehicles. ██████████ and I walked across East Avenida De Las Flores. ██████████ said, "The first officer car proceed to pull up and park directly right here." ██████████ confirmed the deputies were driving marked patrol vehicles. She said the "blonde haired officer" was driving the first patrol vehicle. I placed photo marker "A" at the location where the first deputy parked his patrol vehicle.

I asked ██████████ where the other deputy parked his patrol vehicle. She said, "Instantly, a second officer pulled up." ██████████ confirmed that another deputy parked his patrol vehicle behind the first patrol vehicle. ██████████ continued, "And I noticed he was say right about here, roughly. Because, he was blocking this area." ██████████ said the "young Asian officer" parked at this location. I placed photo marker "B" at the location where the second deputy parked his patrol vehicle.

I asked ██████████ if she saw the deputies exit their patrol vehicles. She said, "Yes I did." I asked ██████████ if she saw the deputies walk to her residence. She said, "Yes I did." ██████████ and I then returned to her residence. She took me to the location by the benches in her front yard where the deputies contacted her and ██████████. I asked ██████████ if she and ██████████ had moved from the positions where they had previously been seated. She said, "██████████ was always here. I was inside getting the sodas." ██████████ confirmed that when she first saw the deputies, she was standing up, and then she moved over and sat on the bench next to ██████████. ██████████ said, "Because ██████████ was starting to panic." ██████████ confirmed that ██████████ was seated on her right side. ██████████ said, "She was starting to panic because they got here. I was telling her, "It's okay. It's okay." I asked ██████████ when the deputies arrived, how did they come to where she was

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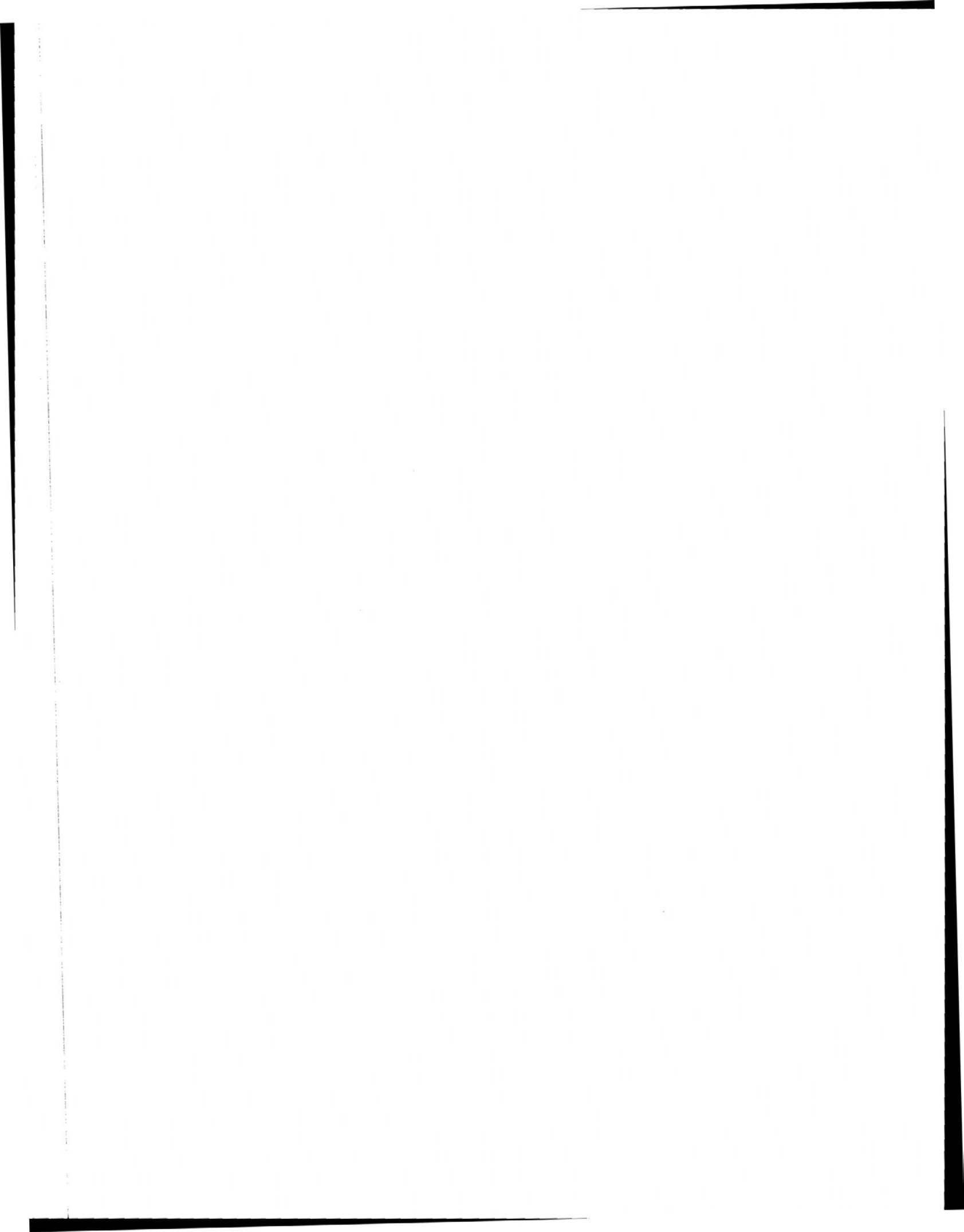
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located. She said, "They just dr- -- like cattycorner across the street. First was the blonde haired officer -- or sandy blonde. He was the first one down the walkway and down to -- he was standing right here ([redacted] motioned to where the deputy was standing) when he first came up. And, this is where he stood basically the whole time." I asked [redacted] where the Asian deputy was located. [redacted] took me to the position in her front yard where the Asian deputy was standing. [redacted] confirmed that the blonde haired deputy was standing at the end of the walkway where the walkway meets the driveway, and the Asian deputy was standing at the top of the driveway on the sidewalk. [redacted] was still seated on the bench when the deputies came to her residence.

I asked [redacted] what happened next. She said, "Okay, so [redacted] was sitting here, and [redacted] starts to panic. Because it's just [redacted]. And I told her, "It's gonna be okay." [redacted] continued, "And [redacted] didn't wanna start telling him because she's scared. And I told her she needed to talk to him and let him -- and the first thing out of his mouth is, "What kind of drugs are you on?" And "How much alcohol have you taken in today?" [redacted] said, "So, I proceeded to tell him that that's not -- that's not what it is, it's she's been -- and he told me to, "Shut up," he wasn't talking to me, and to go away. [redacted] confirmed the blonde haired deputy said this to her. I asked [redacted] what happened next. She said, "I proceeded to get pissed off, and I got up and walked over there." [redacted] showed me where she walked. [redacted] continued, "And I opened up the front door and my father was inside. And I proceeded to tell my father that the man was the total rude, and excuse me, asshole. That there was no reason for that. That they don't know [redacted]. So, I came back out front because I wouldn't abandon [redacted] And the Asian officer that was up there, I had walked up the walkway right here. And he's still where he was. And I (INAUDIBLE) and I proceeded to tell him to, "Please listen to me." [redacted] continued, "And I'm not being rude. But he -- but the officer was being rude, and that they don't know [redacted] [redacted] can't trust anybody. And that they don't accusing her of doing that. That's what Tom's always put in her head. And she's afraid she's gonna go to the looney bin. So she doesn't trust anybody. And she'll talk -- I don't have to talk for her, I just need to -- to be by her. And if he could tell the other officer that she's been battered for fifteen years, and she can't even think without, you know, thinking she's gonna get hit. So, at that point he proceeded to walk down the walkway."

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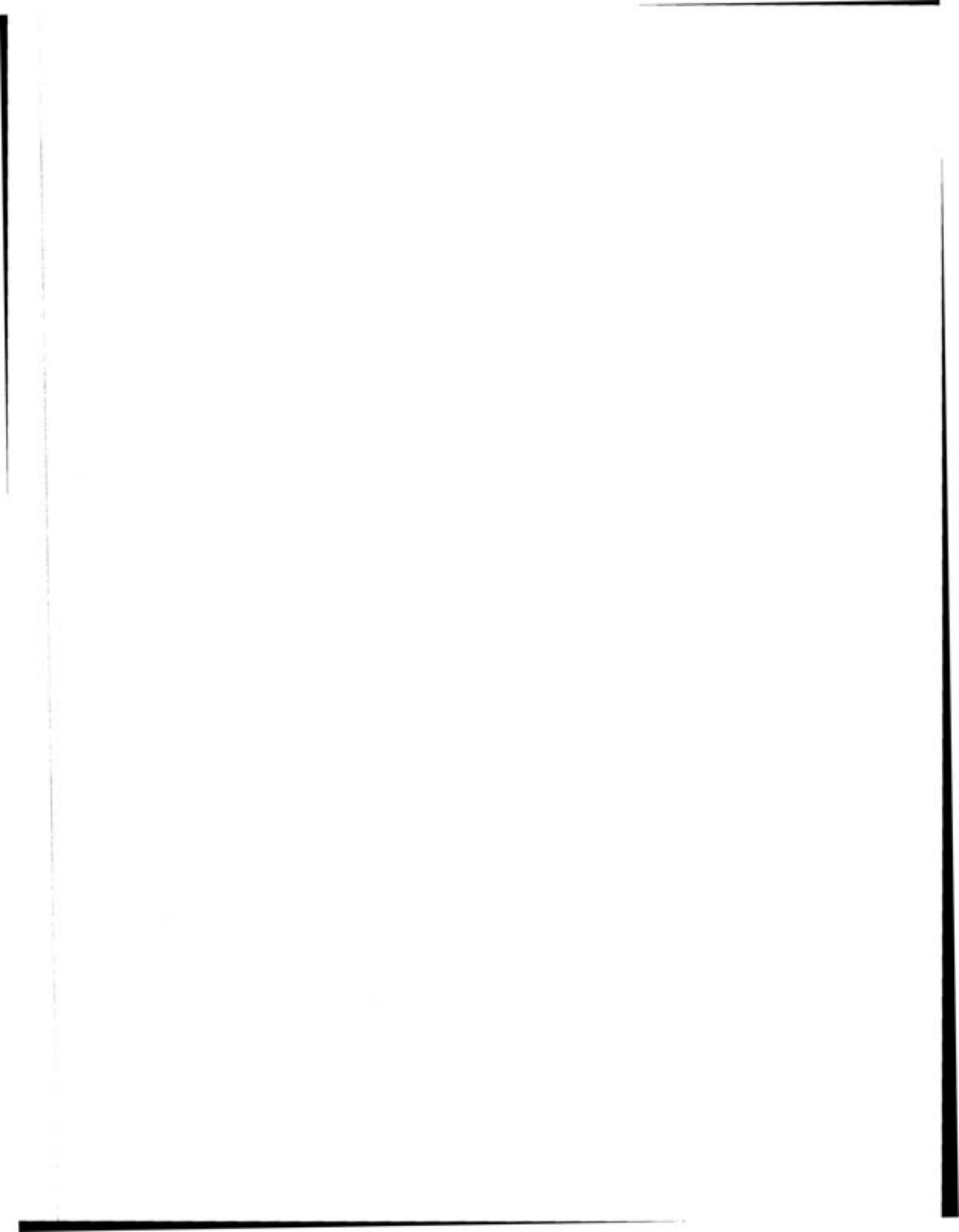
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I asked [redacted] while she was talking to the Asian deputy at the top of her driveway, was the blonde haired deputy still with [redacted] next to the benches. She said, "Yes, he was talking to [redacted] [redacted] and I went to where she stood while the deputy talked to [redacted] [redacted] said, "And the one officer told the other officer something I don't know." [redacted] confirmed that she was standing in the alcove area of the front door to her house. [redacted] said, "And then he told her to calm down, and just stay here. They were just gonna walk next door and -- they were gonna go next door and talk to Tom. But she wasn't supposed to go anywhere."

I asked [redacted] what happened next. She said, "Okay so next, the police officers left and walked this way." [redacted] showed me where the deputies walked. She confirmed that both deputies left her residence. The deputies walked to the front of [redacted] At this time, [redacted] and I were in the front yard of [redacted] I asked [redacted] to show me where the deputies went. [redacted] said, "The blonde haired officer, which went, this is what I could see. Was in the alcove here." [redacted] showed me where the blonde haired deputy was standing in the alcove leading to the front door of [redacted] [redacted] said, "He must have been up here. Because I could hear, ([redacted]s knocking on the front door of the residence) "Ventura County Sheriff's Department." [redacted] said, "I could hear that. And then the Asian officer was like, I hate the mud, was like here. And he had his hand on his gun." I placed photo marker "C" where the blonde haired deputy stood at the alcove of [redacted] [redacted] I placed photo marker "D" where the Asian deputy was standing in the front yard next to the front door of [redacted]

I asked [redacted] if she was at [redacted] when the deputies contacted the residence. She said, "No, I was -- I was still sitting right over there. But I was watching." [redacted] and I returned to her front yard where she was standing when she observed the deputies make contact at [redacted] [redacted] said, "I wasn't standing. I was still sitting on that park bench." When we returned to the bench, I had [redacted] sit down on the bench. [redacted] said that [redacted] was seated with her. I asked [redacted] from her position, could she see the deputies. She said, "No, I nev- -- I didn't say -- I -- I said I saw him go up to the door. But the alcove, you can not see him." [redacted] confirmed that she could not see the blonde haired deputy in front of [redacted]

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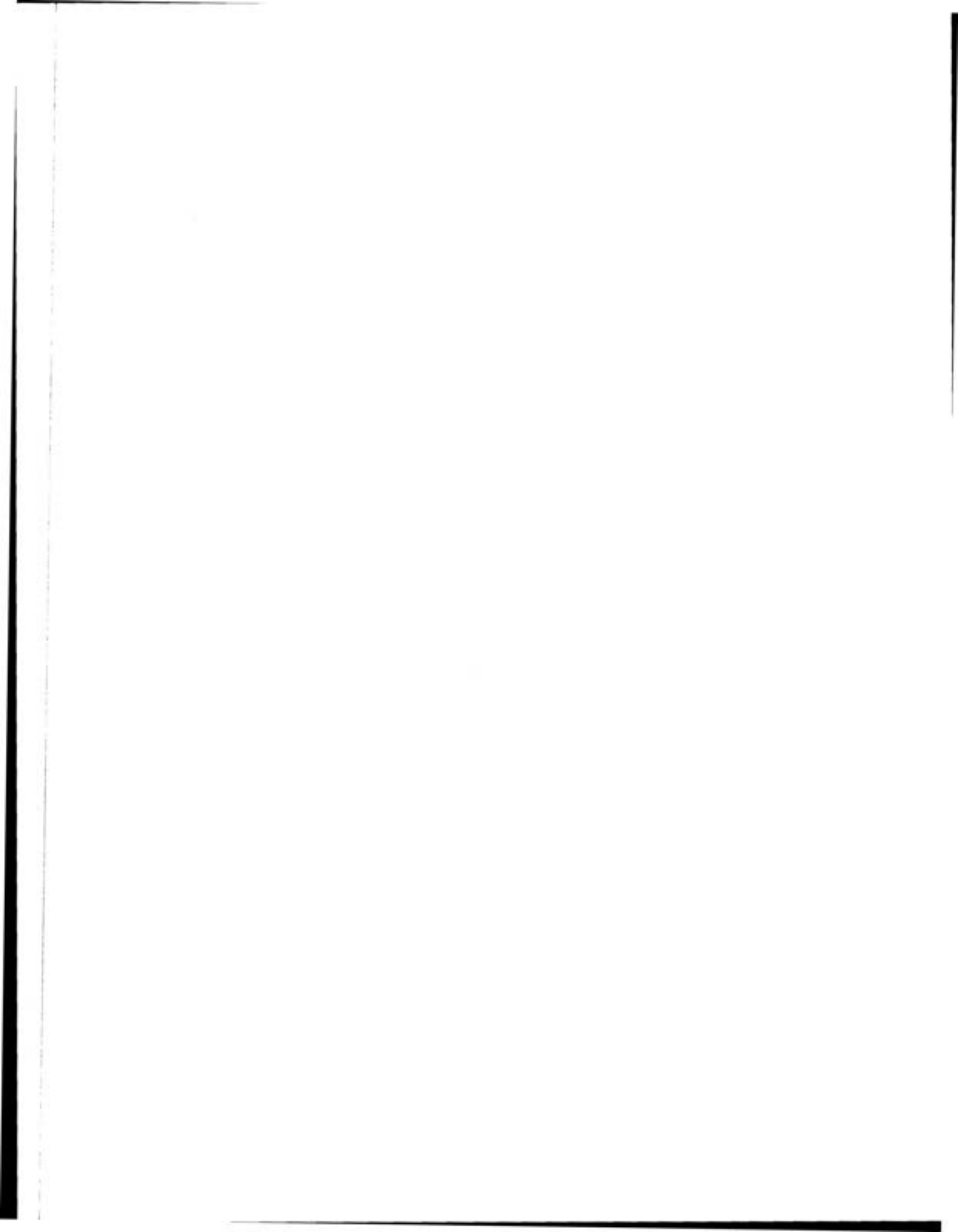
██████████ but she could see the Asian deputy. I asked ██████████ from her location, could she see what the deputies were doing. She said, "I -- the blonde haired officer, nothing. You could hear him knock, knock, knock. "Ventura County Sheriff's Department." ██████████ continued, "And we could watch the Asian man with his hand on his gun. And, like, you know, like looking towards the door." ██████████ confirmed she was referring to the front door of ██████████

I asked ██████████ what happened next. She said, "It hap- -- and the Asian man, the guy must have -- the other officer must have opened the screen door. Because, the Asian man, you could tell, he was like holding the door open, but still staying back a little bit with his hand still on his gun. And then ██████████ and I started talking, and I was looking at ██████████ I interrupted ██████████ and asked her if the Asian deputy had his hand on his gun while it was holstered or unholstered. She said the Asian deputy had his hand on his gun while it was still holstered.

██████████ continued, "And then they were in the house, so ██████████ and I started talking. And she says, "I don't want him to go to jail. I don't want him to go to jail." ██████████ said, "I said, ██████████ just relax. Their gonna talk to him, you know. They'll be what they need to do." ██████████ continued, "So were talking here (while seated on the park benches in front of ██████████'s residence), and then I hear, "Drop it. Drop it." ██████████ added, "And I look over." I stopped ██████████ to ask her a question. Before I asked the question, ██████████ asked to take a break to get something to drink. I obliged.

At the conclusion of the break, we began the interview again. I asked ██████████ while she was seated on the bench, what did she hear. She said, "Drop it. Drop it. Drop it." I asked ██████████ what she did. She said, "Nothing at this time. Because I might -- I -- yeah -- it was shock." I again asked ██████████ what she did. She said, "Nothing. I sat here. I was freaking out. And I grabbed ██████████." I asked ██████████ when did she first see Thomas and the deputies. She said, "They were across the yellow line on Montgomery, heading up to the yard. I mean, up to the sidewalk, you know. And when he crossed the street and entered the handicap ramp too, and was right there on the corner." I asked ██████████ if the first time she saw Thomas and the deputies was when they were on the west side of Montgomery Road, on the opposite side of the painted

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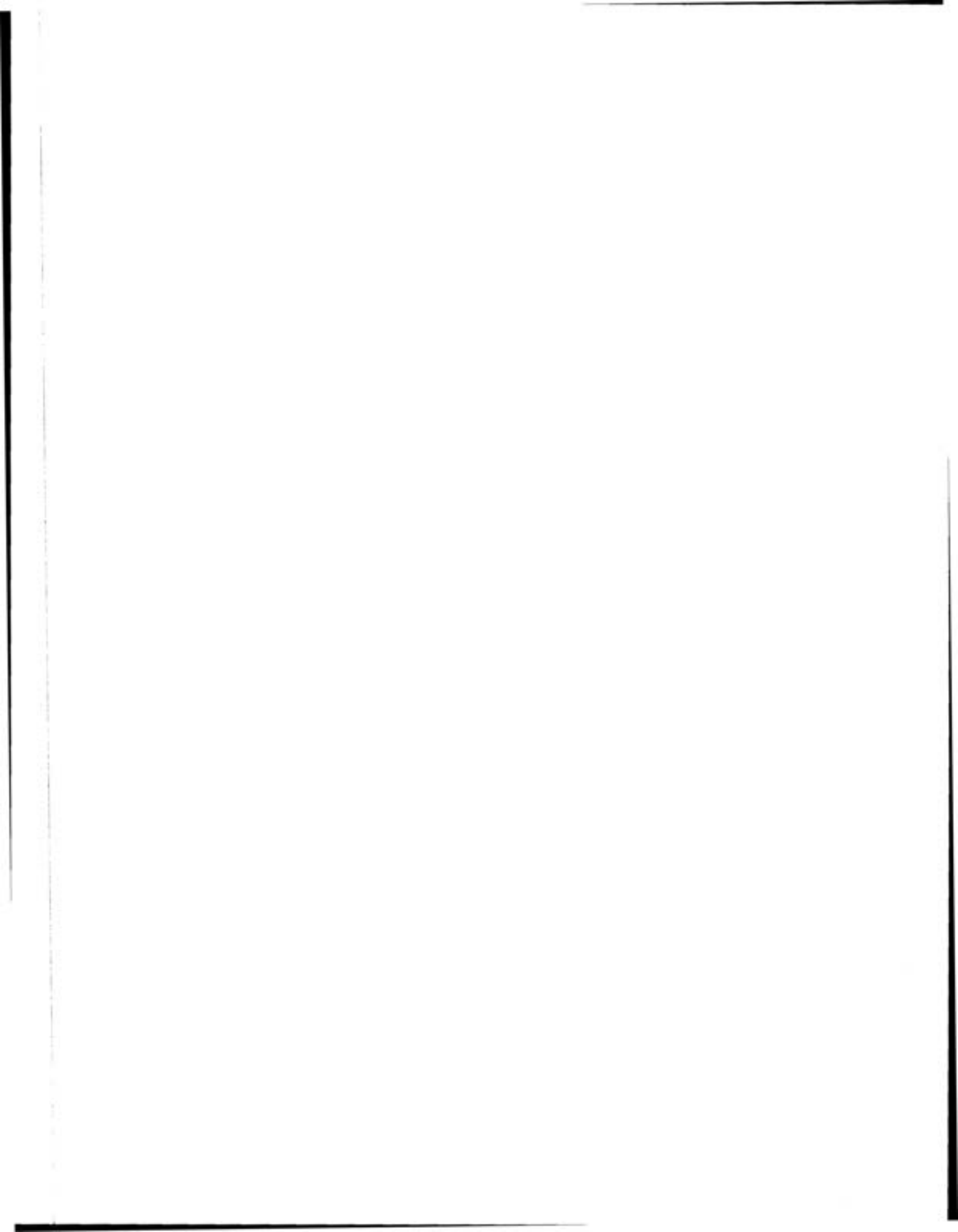
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yellow center divider line. She said, "Uh huh, towards my side." I asked [redacted] if the deputies were walking in front, or was Thomas walking in front. She said, "Tom was in front, with the knife like doubled handed over the -- over the handle part. And the knife was at his up -- right in his rib cage, between his breast cage." [redacted] confirmed that Thomas had the blade of the knife pointed at his chest.

I asked [redacted] how much space separated Thomas from the deputies. She indicated the deputies were behind Thomas, and to either side of him. Thomas had his back turned toward the deputies. I asked [redacted] who was the deputy to the right of Thomas. She said it was the blonde haired deputy. The Asian deputy was on the left side of Thomas. [redacted] made a motion with her hands as if she was holding a firearm. I asked [redacted] if the deputies had their weapons outside their holsters. She said they did. The deputies pointed their weapons at Thomas.

I asked [redacted] when she saw Thomas and the deputies, what were the deputies saying to Thomas. She said, "The first time I remember hearing them say something is when they were - he had just entered the si- -- sidewalk area. And that's when they were screaming, "Drop it. Drop it." [redacted] continued, "And, you know, like I said, we were talking before that. And they could have said something before that, and I wou- -- you know, I don't remember. I don't know." I asked [redacted] if she heard Thomas say anything. She said, [redacted] And, [redacted] a, why did you do this to me?" [redacted] added, "And -- and then the officer, the blonde haired officer, screamed, "Get out of here. Get out of here." I asked [redacted] where the deputies were located when they told her to leave. She said, "I can't show you. Get up and g- -- go demonstrate. Tom was still at the corner, but I -- h- -- he was like at the corner, but a hair in on my grass. And he still had the knife at his chest with both hands on it. And the officers were basically in the same spots where they were." I asked [redacted] if the Asian deputy was still on Thomas' left side, and if the blonde haired deputy was still on Thomas' right side. [redacted] confirmed this. I asked [redacted] if Thomas' back was toward the deputies, or was Thomas facing the deputies. She said, "No, he was facing us." I asked [redacted] what the deputies said to her. She said, "Get out of here. Run. Get out of here."

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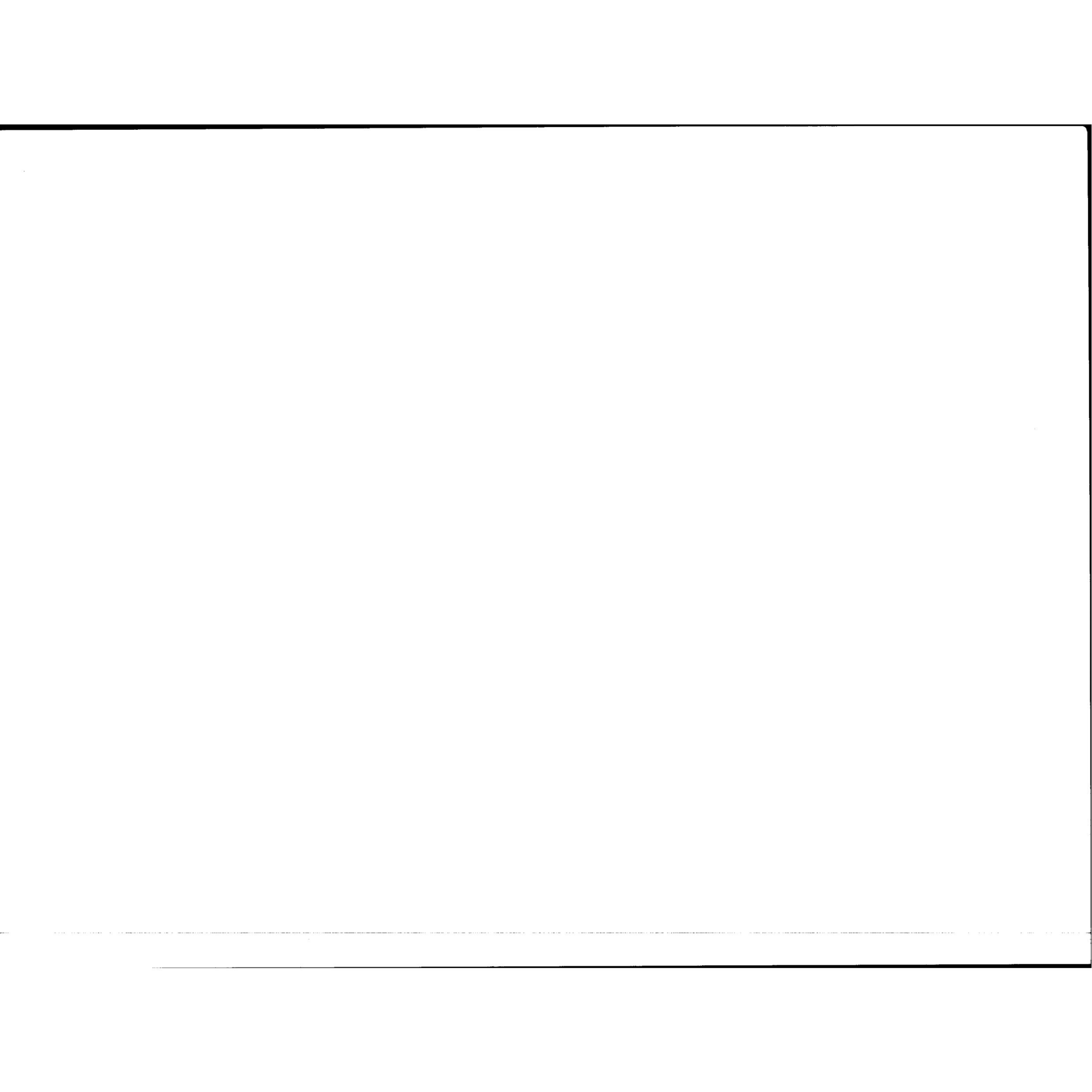
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I asked [redacted] to show me where she first saw Thomas and the deputies on Montgomery Road. [redacted] showed me their location on Montgomery Road. Due to traffic on the street, I later placed photo marker "E" on Montgomery Road where [redacted] first saw Thomas and the deputies.

I asked [redacted] to show me where Thomas and the deputies were located when she was told to flee the area. [redacted] said Thomas stepped onto her front lawn. [redacted] continued, "He stepped into the grass, and at this point, oh there going off. He stepped into the grass say, right about here. And then he was like this." [redacted] added, "He had the knife like this, and then at this point, now the blonde haired officer is here, and the Asian officer is here. Now at this point. And that's when they tell us to run. You know, "Get out of here." I placed photo marker "F" at the location where Thomas was located on the front lawn of [redacted] residence. Thomas was still holding the knife at his chest with both hands. I placed photo marker "G" at the location where the blonde haired deputy was located on the front lawn of [redacted] residence. [redacted] said the blonde haired deputy was still pointing his firearm at Thomas. I placed photo marker "H" at the location where the Asian deputy was located on the front lawn of [redacted] residence.

I asked [redacted] what she did when the deputies told her to flee the area. She said, "Get up." I asked [redacted] if the deputies told her to "Get up." She said, [redacted] Yea- -- no, Jac- -- they said ge- -- "Get out of here. Go. Go. Go." [redacted] continued, "And [redacted] was freaking, she just started --. So I picked [redacted] up." [redacted] clarified that she assisted [redacted] up from the bench. [redacted] continued, "And said, "For God's sake, run. Run." [redacted] said, "And I was screaming, "Oh my God. Oh my God." As [redacted] said this, we were walking eastbound on the walkway in front of her house, toward the gate on the east side of her driveway. [redacted] said, "I pulled this little thing (referring to the latch on the gate) and [redacted] still wasn't doing ver- -- anything very quickly." At this time, [redacted] and I went through the east gate and were walking on the east side of her residence toward her backyard. [redacted] continued, "And we were ru- -- I was running and like pushing her, trying to help her." [redacted] confirmed that [redacted] was with her, and she was assisting her as they walked along the east side of the residence. [redacted] and I entered her backyard. We walked to the sliding glass door leading from her backyard to the inside of her house. We then entered [redacted] house through the sliding glass door. [redacted] said the screen door was closed, but

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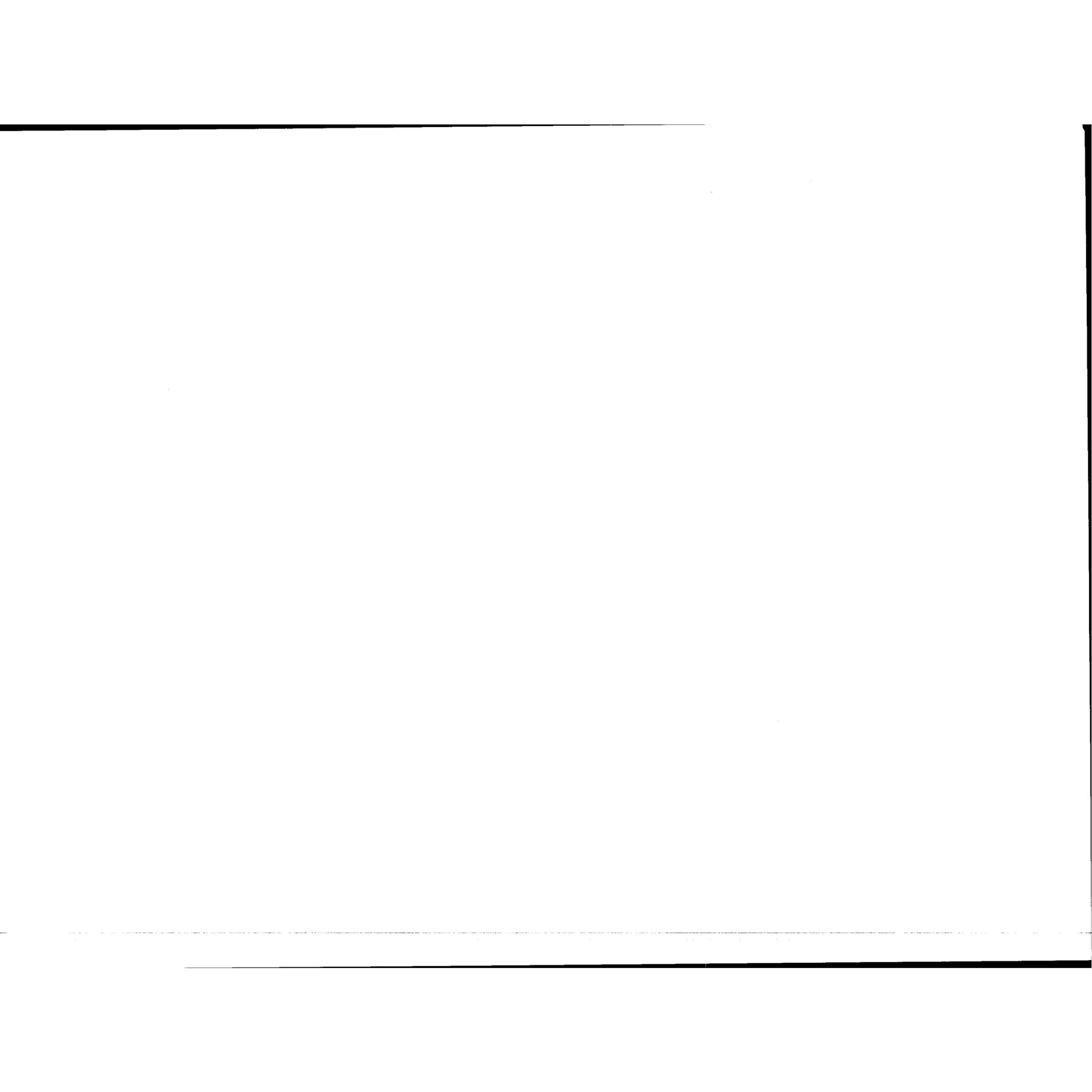
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the sliding glass door was open the day of the incident. [REDACTED] added that she and [REDACTED] entered her house and ran down the hallway to her bedroom. [REDACTED] said, "And I went to the bedroom and [REDACTED] was screaming, "Oh my God. Oh God, what's happening?" At this time, [REDACTED] and I entered her bedroom on the southwest corner of the residence.

Once inside the bedroom, [REDACTED] said, "I took a pillow and I gave it to [REDACTED] And I tol- -- made her lay on the floor, and I -- I could see now that they're in my backyard." I asked [REDACTED] where she was standing in her bedroom. She said she had just placed the pillow on the floor. I asked [REDACTED] where [REDACTED] was located. She said, "[REDACTED] - [REDACTED] s standing like right there, where those shorts are. Right there ([REDACTED] ndicated to me where [REDACTED] was located). And just freaking out. Because I was trying to make a spot for her to lay down and be safe."

I asked [REDACTED] rom if the blinds to her bedroom window open further than they currently were. She said, "My blinds, yeah, are usually open all the day." I asked [REDACTED] if the blinds were fully open, or were they pulled up which would create a clear field of vision through the bedroom window. She said the blinds were "pulled up." I asked [REDACTED] o open her window blinds. [REDACTED] looked out the window and said Thomas was located between the nectarine tree and the pool in her backyard. [REDACTED] hen told me, "No, when [REDACTED] and I got back here, I'm sorry I need to back up. When [REDACTED] and I got back here, I had -- [REDACTED] was here, and was screaming for dad, "Oh my God. Oh my God." [REDACTED] continued, "And that's when they fired the shots. 'Cause I guess he had tried to open the front door or something." I asked [REDACTED] "So, at this point, you hadn't seen Thomas in the backyard?" She said, "Let me think. I'm sorry. It's like -- I've tried to -- we came in here (INAUDIBLE). And I put [REDACTED] n here. Yeah, now 'cause we -- we -- I hadn't seen him in the backyard yet. I didn't see him in the backyard yet." [REDACTED] came into her bedroom with [REDACTED] and had [REDACTED] ay on the floor. [REDACTED] father began to scream, so [REDACTED] left her bedroom. Before leaving, she told [REDACTED] o stay in the room and lay down. [REDACTED] went to the kitchen. At this time, [REDACTED] and I exited her bedroom, walked down the hallway, and went to her kitchen.

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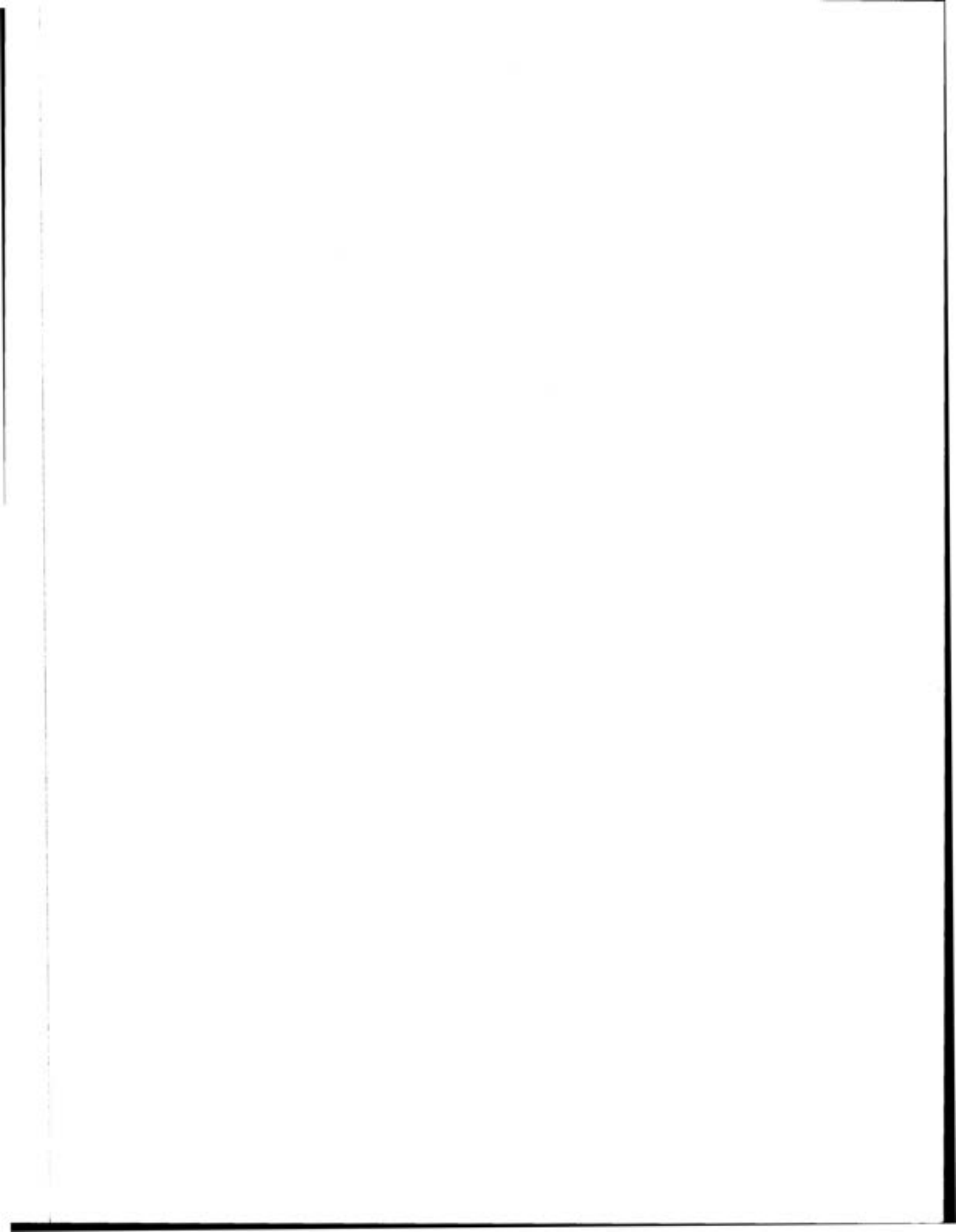
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█████ said, "And as I got to here (near the inside of the front door), I heard pop, pop, pop, pop. I heard three pops." █████ confirmed she was standing in front of the front door on the inside of her residence, when she heard the three gunshots. I asked █████ if the front door was locked, or unlocked. She said, "The door is always unlocked." I asked █████ if the door was unlocked at the time she heard the gunfire. She said, "Yes." I asked █████ how she knew the door was unlocked. She said, "Because we don't lock the door during -- we don't lock our door during the daytime at all." I asked █████ what happened next. She said, "I ran to █████" █████ continued, "So then I ran back to █████ who's now standing in the hallway." At this time █████ began walking down the hallway of her residence. I asked █████ to stop.

I asked █████ when she was standing by her front door and she heard the gunshots, did she go into the kitchen and look out the window to see what had happened. She said, "No, I didn't notice anything until Tom got back up and started running. But that's --." I asked █████ if she was standing near the doorway to the kitchen, and from this position, could she see Thomas running. She said, "Yea- -- 'cause my dad came to me this way. Because I was losing it." █████ said her husband was also in the kitchen. I asked █████ to stand at the same location and direction where she was located when she saw Thomas running. █████ said, "Like I saw Tom running. I never saw Tom running, I saw the police running." █████ confirmed that she did not see Thomas, only the deputies. █████ said she could hear the deputies yelling, "He's going around back. He's going around back." Deputies were also "pounding" on the front door of █████ house. █████ said her husband or her father had locked the front door.

█████ continued, "█████ in the hallway screaming and freaking out." █████ confirmed that █████ was in front of her bedroom in the hallway. █████ said, "Now at this point, █████ freaking out so I have to do something. So I went to █████." At this time █████ and I walked down the hallway of her house toward her bedroom. We entered her bedroom. █████ said, "And I knew at this point in time that now this -- now this is when I saw them out back." █████ said she was hugging █████ and █████ fell onto her bed. At this time she saw Thomas in her backyard. █████ said █████ asked her, "Oh my God. Oh my God. What happened?" █████ continued, "I said, "They shot him. They shot him." █████ added, "So I took █████ from here, because now I

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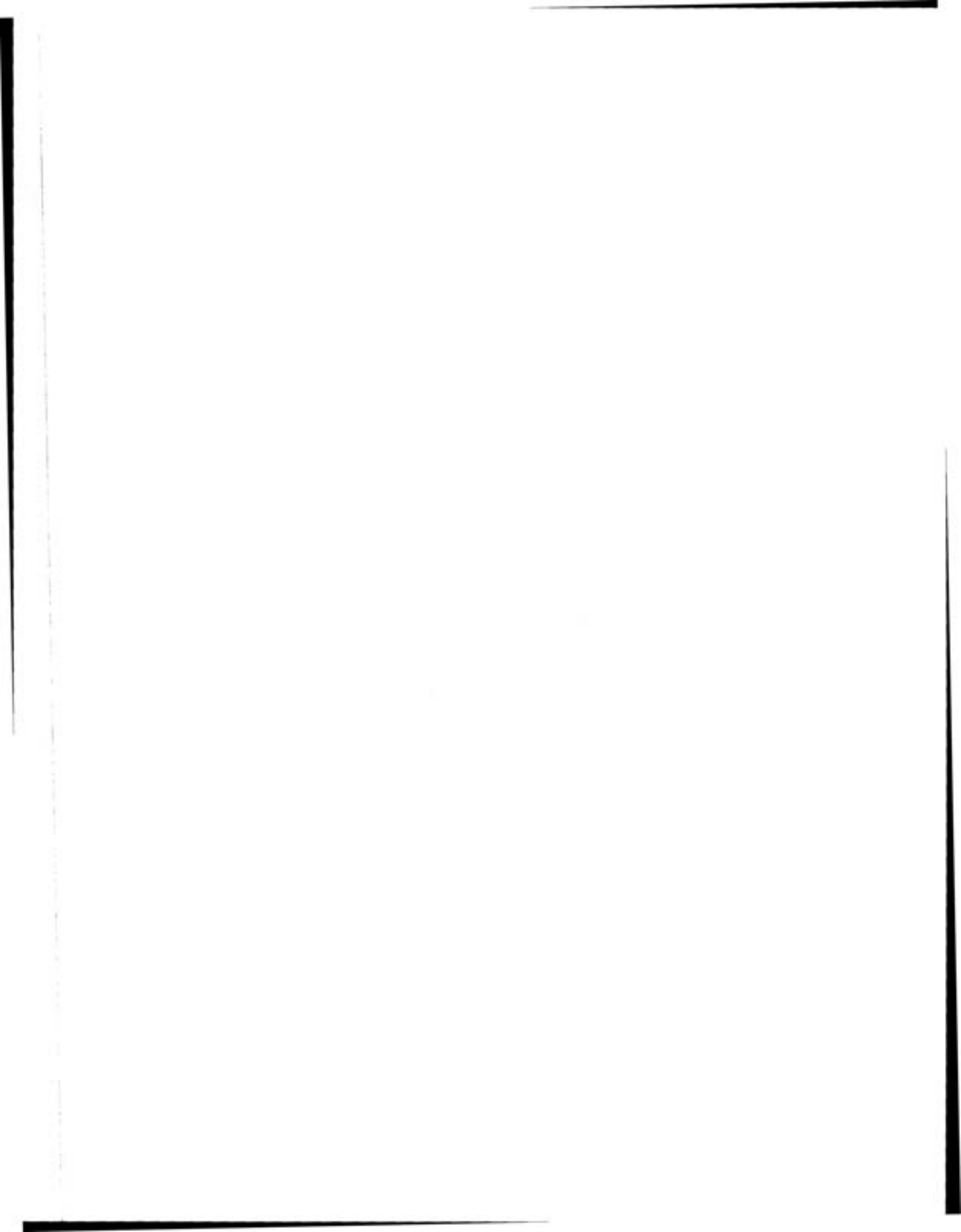
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know their all in the backyard, and you could hear 'em. They were entering and exiting through the living -- back door to front door."

I asked [redacted] how many deputies she saw in her backyard. She said, "Guesstimation like, let's say four to five." I asked [redacted] if she could see Thomas. She said, "Not until there -- I put -- I took [redacted] from here, and took her and put it -- her -- not from here. Until I went in my living room." I asked [redacted] if she could not see Thomas from her bedroom. She said, "Well yeah. Well, when I looked out there you could see Tom and he was standing by the -- between the peach tree and that." [redacted] confirmed that Thomas was standing between the peach tree and the pool in her backyard. I asked [redacted] where the deputies were located. She said, "Around him. And there was some on the backside of him. You know what I mean. So, basically had him circled." I asked [redacted] what the deputies were doing. She said, "Telling him just to drop it, "Give it up. Drop it." I asked [redacted] what Thomas was doing as the deputies were giving him commands. She said, "Like this. But -- he was just, you know, he still had his hands -- the knife up. And he was just kind of not saying anything, just kinda doing his little thing." I asked [redacted] Thomas was still pointing the knife at his chest. She said he was. I asked [redacted] if the deputies had their weapons holstered or unholstered. She said, "No, they were -- they're weapons were pointed at them." I asked [redacted] where the deputies were pointing their weapons. She said, "At Tom Pattonson." I asked [redacted] if she saw the deputies do anything other than make verbal commands at Thomas. She said she did not. I asked [redacted] if she heard Thomas say anything. She said, "From this room, no."

I asked [redacted] what happened after she finished in her bedroom. She said, "Now I picked up [redacted] because I know their in the backyard. So I took tha- -- [redacted] nto -- this is my mother and father's room (At this time, [redacted] and I went into her parent's bedroom. This bedroom is located on the northwest corner of the residence across from her bedroom). Or, sorry my mother's (INAUDIBLE). I told [redacted] to lay here on the floor down here. Because I knew she'd be safer there. To shut the door and lock it." I asked [redacted] if she left her parent's bedroom after she placed [redacted] inside the bedroom. She said she did. [redacted] said she also told [redacted], "Do not move," before she left the bedroom.

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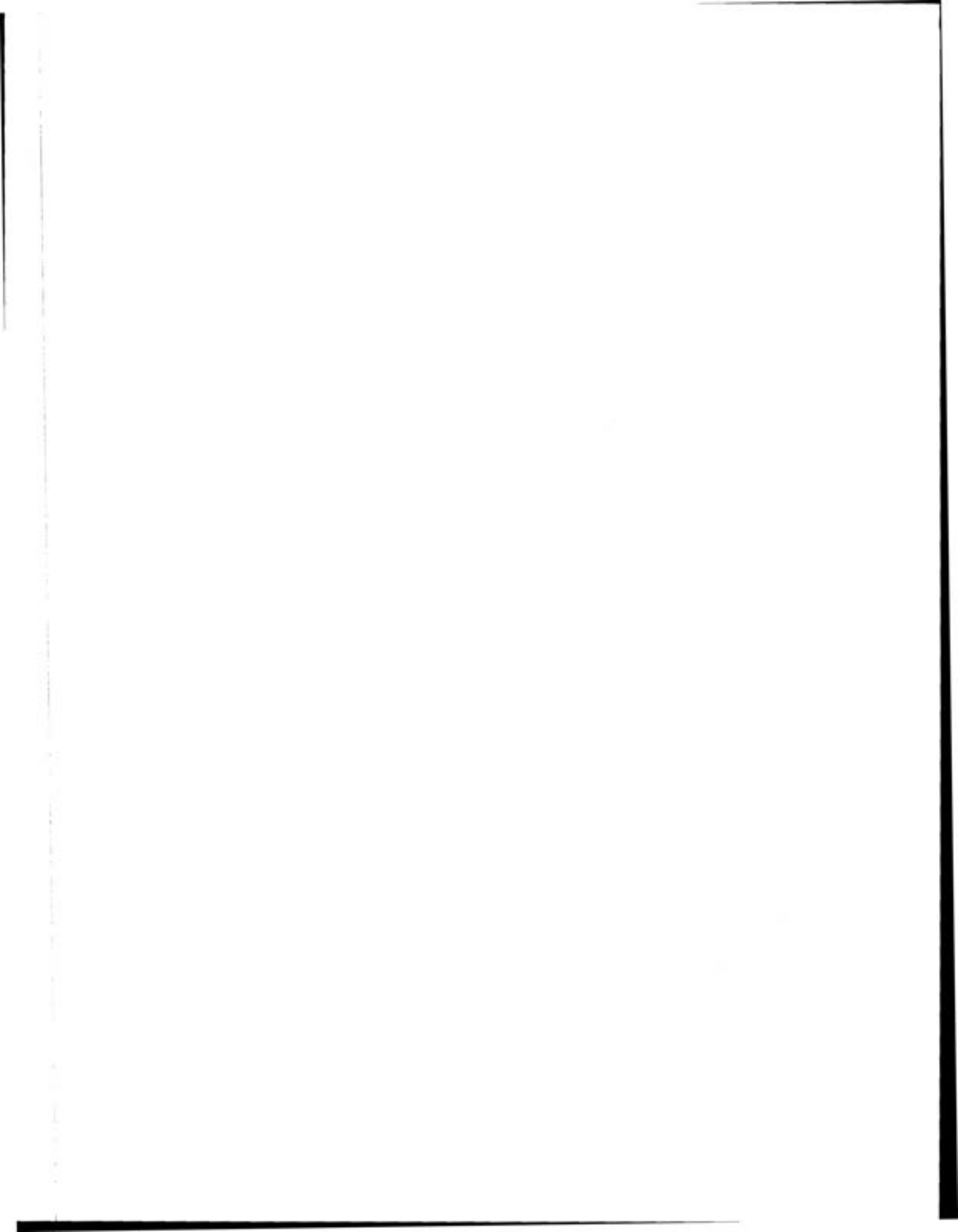
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[redacted] pulled her parent's bedroom door shut, and she confirmed that the door was locked. I asked [redacted] where she went to next. At this time, [redacted] and I walked down the hallway toward the living room. We then entered the living room. [redacted] said, "I went out here because I ne -- I wanted my husband." [redacted] said her husband and father were in the living room. [redacted] continued, "And directly out in front, Tom still had the knife and --." I stopped [redacted] a. I asked [redacted] if she was looking through the door into her backyard. I also asked [redacted] if the sliding glass door was open or closed. She said, "No, the screen door -- the screen door was shut. The glass door was open." I asked [redacted] what she saw in her backyard. She said, "I see Tom's bleeding from the abdomen and stuff. He had blood all over." I asked [redacted] where Thomas was located. She said, "Just straight out. Saw by the cat food dishes that are out there. He was ther- -- there." [redacted] indicated Thomas was standing next to a cat food dish in the backyard. The dish was located between a tree and the pool in the backyard. I asked [redacted] what Thomas was doing as he stood in the backyard. She said, "He had now -- he still had the knife. But it was getting like lower." I asked [redacted] if Thomas said anything. She said, "No, I -- I could not -- no I did not remember him saying anything. I'm not saying he didn't, I'm saying I don't remember."

I asked [redacted] where the deputies were located in her backyard. She said, "Surrounding him. Around, surrounding him." I asked [redacted] if the deputies were circled around Thomas. She said, "No, like it -- like a semi-circle. Almost like a "u" shape. Where -- you know what I mean. So that if Tom was in the center, they would be around him this which. Not letting him come to the house." I asked [redacted] what Thomas was saying. She said, "I don't remember." I asked [redacted] what the deputies were saying. She said, "To drop it. "Give it up. Drop it. Give it up." [redacted] continued, "And then one of them hit Tom in the hand, and I don't -- can't remember which one it was. With the, what do you call it, the baton. I think. And I thought it would have broken his wrist, but Tom would just kept going." I asked [redacted] which of Thomas' hands was struck with the baton. She said, "I don't I -- I just know they hit him." I asked [redacted] when Thomas was struck with the baton, where was Thomas located. I also asked [redacted] where Thomas' hands were located when they were struck with the baton. She said, "No, they were dropping -- his hand was dropping, because like, I don't know if it was because the blood was going down. Or what. But he was like instead of the two hands now, this hand was like getting weak. You know -- you

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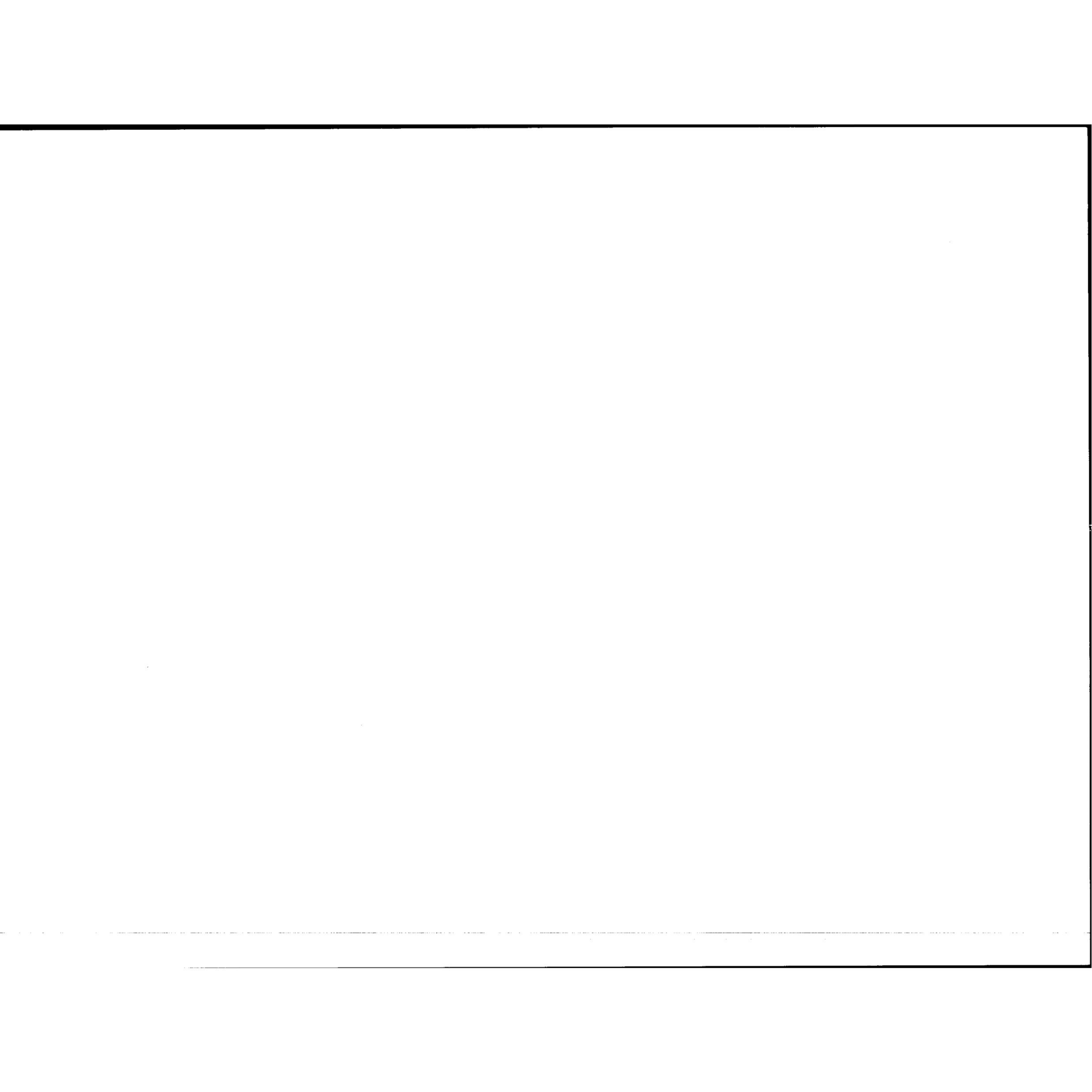
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know what I mean." I asked [redacted] if Thomas' left hand was getting weak. She said, "Yeah, yeah. He was trying to yeah. He was trying to -- and it wasn't no longer in his rib cage. It was like sliding down." I asked [redacted] which of Thomas' hands was struck with the baton. She said, "The one that the knife was in." Earlier, [redacted] had said that Thomas was holding the knife in his right hand. [redacted] continued, "And it hit him hard. They hit him s- -- hard enough that I was assume seriously that his hand would have broken. But he never -- never let go."

I asked [redacted] if she heard the deputies say any commands or orders to Thomas. She said, "Yeah. "Stop. Drop the knife." [redacted] continued, "And then Tom, should I go on, and then Tom ran to the left I guess." [redacted] confirmed that Thomas ran eastbound through her backyard. [redacted] continued, "And he must have went out the gate." [redacted] confirmed that she was referring to the gate on the east side of her residence. [redacted] said, "Because now you could all the (INAUDIBLE) in the front yard. And then I don't know what happened." I asked [redacted] if the deputies followed Thomas out of the backyard. She said they did, and there were approximately eight deputies who were following Thomas. I asked [redacted] what she was doing as Thomas and the deputies were going down the east side of her residence. She said, 'Just be honest with you, freaking out."

I asked [redacted] what happened next. She said, "What happened next is I was in the living room at the end of the table here. And because I've been out of work anyway due to my own emotional stuff that I've been dealing with, I just freaked. And I lost it. And I was hugging my husband, crying and freaking out. And then before I knew it, there was officers in the backyard, at the back door running through. And they were holding the front door shut." [redacted] confirmed that deputies went into her house with their "guns drawn." [redacted] said there were two deputies inside her house, and then a third came in and his eye was injured. [redacted] said, "And they were at the door leaning -- at the door it was just like -- ho- -- closing the door. They had the door locked." [redacted] confirmed that the deputies had locked the front door. [redacted] continued, "What I assume is Tom was trying to get back in my front door now. He had went around and was now there. So the police officers were trying to protect us, this way." I asked [redacted] if she was still in the living room when the deputies were inside her residence at the front door. I also asked [redacted] if she

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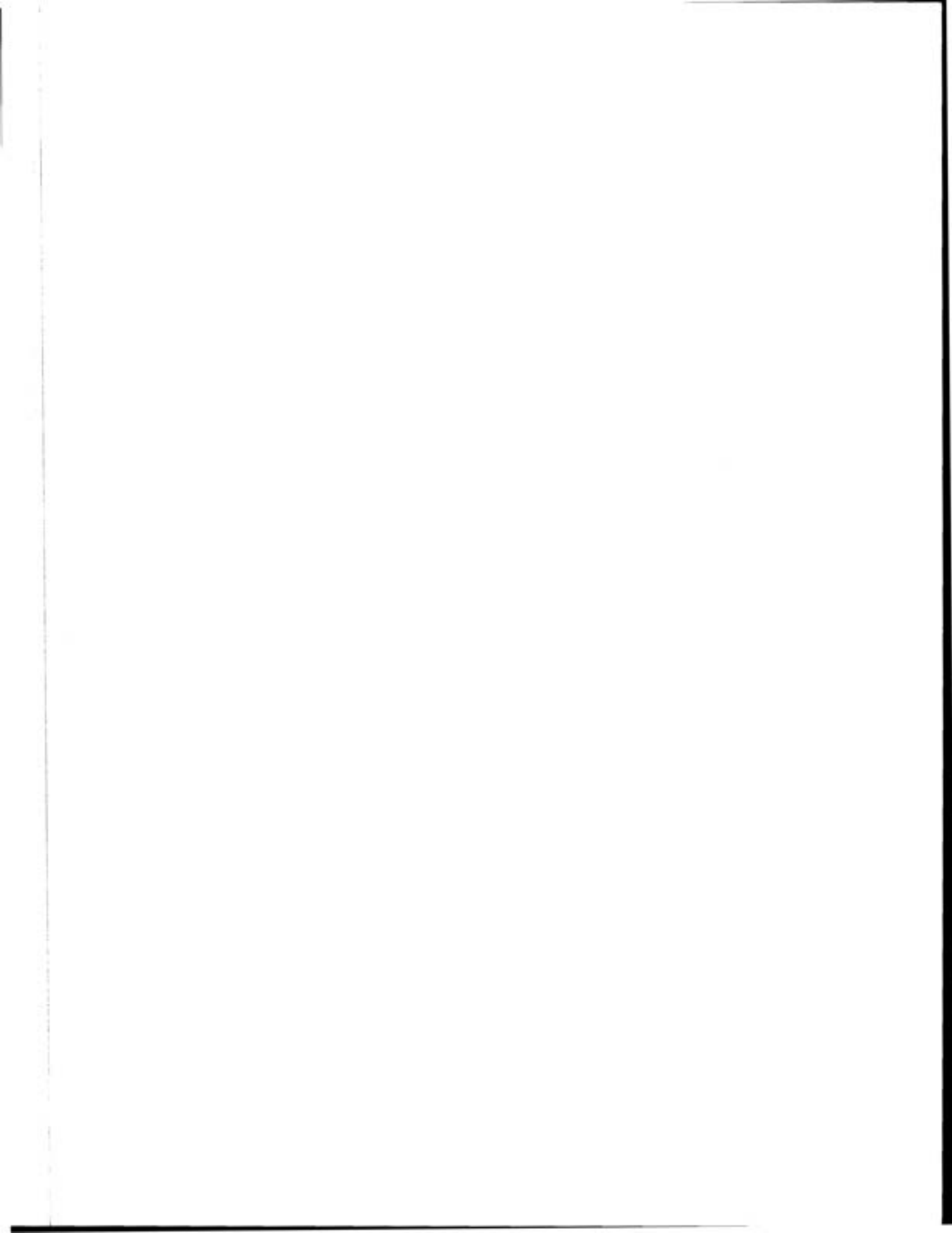
could see the deputies closing her front door. She said, "You can hear. I -- I -- I cannot see them physically, but you can hear them. Their pushing on the door and the other one says, "To keep it closed." [redacted] added, "And they had their guns drawn." I asked [redacted] how many deputies were at her front door. She said, "Two." I asked [redacted] what else she heard the deputies say. She said, "To get -- no, he didn't tell me to get down. It was the next officers that I -- Tom must have went arou- -- I don't -- the next officers came in and they said, "Hide. Hide. Hide." I asked [redacted] where she hid. She said, "I tried -- there's no where for me to hide. So I hid underneath here (a glass coffee table in the living room) as far as I get underneath there. And my husband was laying next to me with his arms around me."

I asked [redacted] what happened next. She said, "I kinda lost it." At this time I stopped the interview because I was running out of audiotape on side "A" of the audiocassette. I switched the audiotape to side "B," and began the interview again.

I asked [redacted] what happened after she hid under the table. She said, "I started screaming and freaking out. And he had locked the back door." [redacted] clarified that her husband had locked the back door. [redacted] pointed out a pin that her husband inserted into the back door that locks the door. [redacted] continued, "But the door was shut, so he had locked it. And it -- there was two officers still that came I guess, around or something. And came through this way. And, so, they were pounding on the glass. So my husband unlocked the door." At this time, [redacted]'s telephone rang and she asked to stop the interview. I obliged.

I began the interview again. I asked [redacted] what the deputies did when they came into her house. She said, "They ran through the house, out through the front door, and they left the front door open." [redacted] showed me how the front door was left open. [redacted] continued, "And the -- by this time the streets filled with police officers." I asked [redacted] when the deputies went through her house, were they armed or were their weapons still holstered. She said, "No, no. The weapons were out -- out -- out and drawn in their hands." I asked [redacted] what she did after the deputies exited her residence. She said, "I could hear them on the side of my house." [redacted] confirmed that the deputies were on the west side of her residence, which is located next to Montgomery

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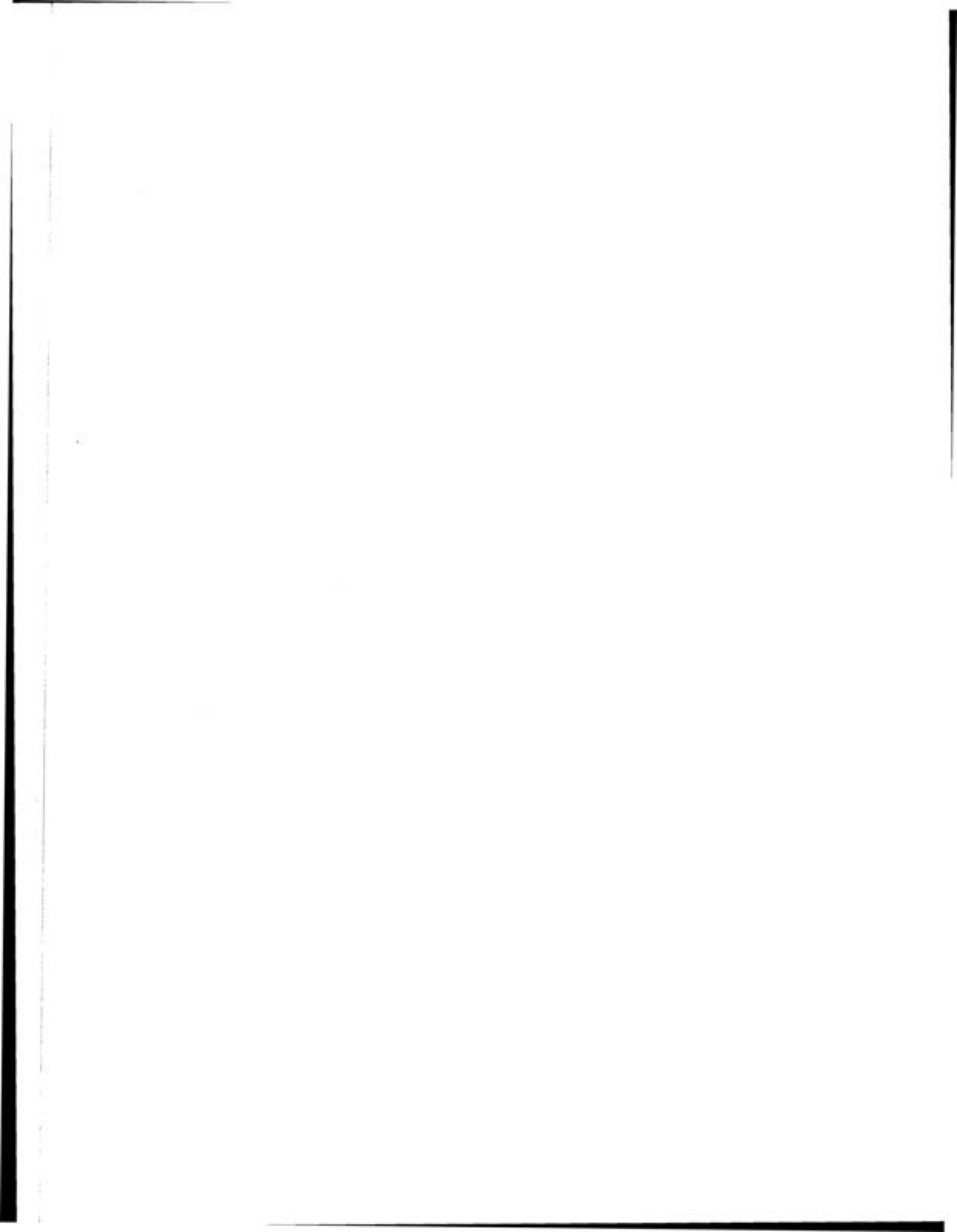
Road. [redacted] continued, "Because I went back to go check on [redacted] in the bedroom." At this time, [redacted] and I went to the bedroom where she had earlier placed [redacted]. This is her parent's bedroom located on the northwest corner of the residence.

[redacted] said, "I walked back here and I -- and banged on the door and told [redacted] it was me. It was safe. [redacted] opened the door and I told her that just to stay where she was, and that I'd come back. I promised. And at this point I could hear them over there saying, "Give it up. Give it up. Give it up." I asked [redacted] if she heard this from the deputies on the west side of her residence. She said, "At -- on the west side, either -- I -- I'm not exactly sure at that point where they were. But I could definitely hear them when they were o- -- down towards my back driveway, because it -- you could tell by the way the noise is." I asked [redacted] if the deputies were on her driveway in her backyard, or on the west side of her residence. She said, "Back toward -- on Montgomery Road, towards my back driveway and on the side of the house." I asked [redacted] what happened after she met with [redacted] in the bedroom. She said, "I could them all arou- -- out there. I looked out this window here ([redacted] looked out the bedroom window that faces East Avenida De Las Flores) and peeked. And now I could see -- I don't know if you need a picture of it. You can see the Montgomery street sign in the front yard. And the sidewalk was filled with officers."

[redacted] clarified that she was referring to the sidewalk in front of [redacted]. I asked [redacted] how many deputies were present. She said, "I would say, I don't know, guesstimation, that I could see. Probably eight, and all of them had their guns drawn. And one of them I saw, that I can remember, had a shotgun in his hand. And I remember seeing a K-9 dog, I believe. That might just be my imagination, but I thought -- could have sworn I saw somebody pull up with a K-9."

I asked [redacted] if she could see Thomas. She said she did not. I asked [redacted] when she was looking out the window toward [redacted] what were the deputies saying. She said, "Give it up. Give it up. Drop it. Please drop it." I asked [redacted] if the deputies actually said, "Please drop it." She said, "Oh yeah. Yeah." [redacted] continued, "And so I'd -- I went out and I forgot one part too that was important to me." I asked [redacted] what she forgot. She said, "Is when I was in the kitchen, when tha- -- we first ran in the house. And I tried to talk to Tom out

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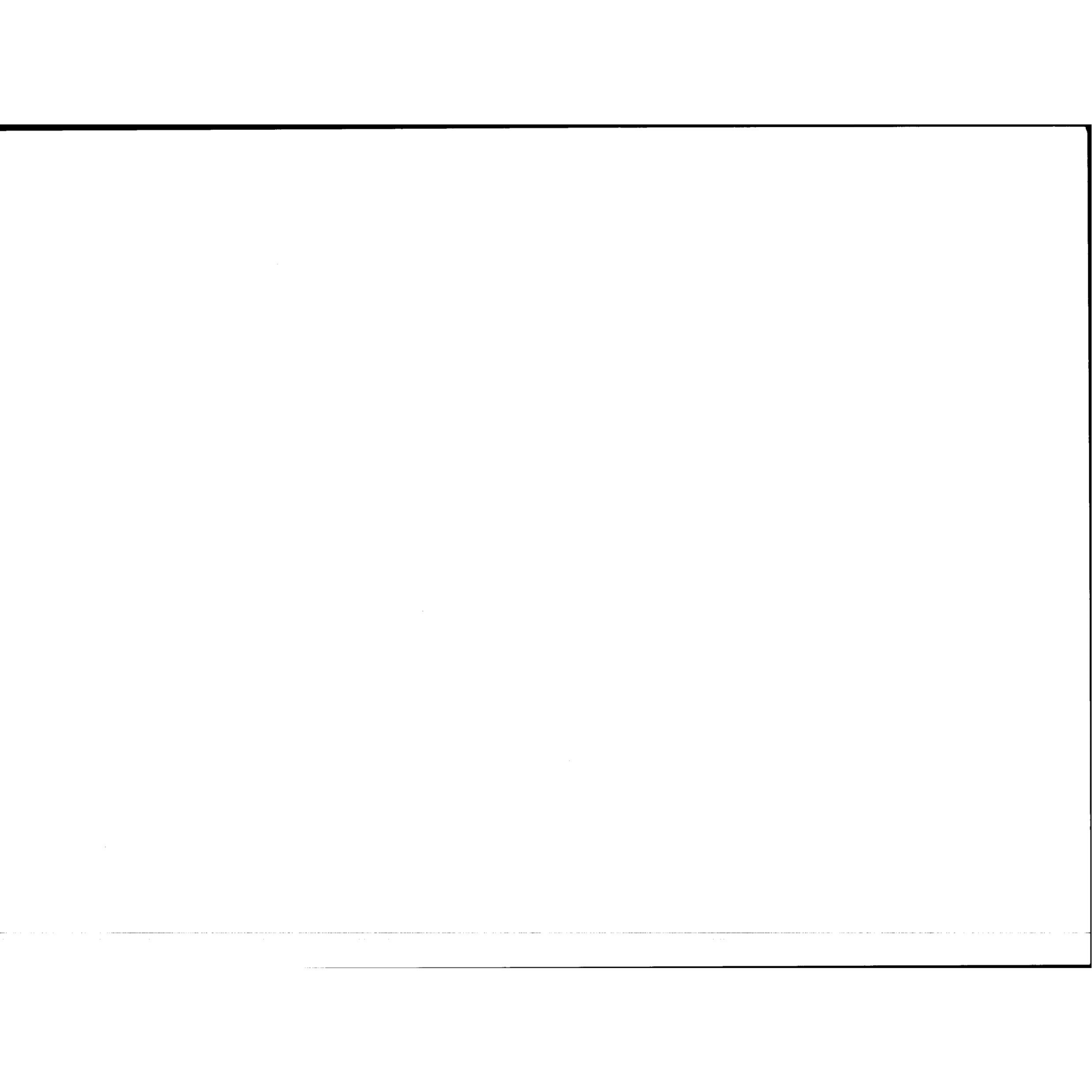
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the window. And the one blonde haired cop -- Tom -- I say out to Tom. "Tom stop, please. Don't do this." [redacted] continued, "And I was inside the house behind the window, and Tom even stopped. Witnesses across the street said that he even responded. And the officer told me to "Shut my mouth. Shut my mouth." I asked [redacted] if her conversation with Thomas occurred before or after the shots were fired. She said, "No, this was before the shots were fired. This was when he just entered." At this time, [redacted] and I went into her kitchen. I asked [redacted] when she had her conversation with Thomas, where was she standing in the kitchen. She said, "Like this (as [redacted] stood near the window) because he was -- he was running dow- -- out there by the sidewalk." I asked [redacted] if Thomas was positioned on her lawn near the photo markers I had placed there earlier, or closer to her house. She said, "He was right in front of where the markers are." [redacted] confirmed that Thomas and the deputies were near the photo markers, which I had placed earlier on her front lawn, when she talked to Thomas. I asked [redacted] what she said to Thomas. She said, "I said -- I yelled, "Tom," because I was crying. "Tom please. Please don't do this. We can talk. Please." [redacted] continued, "And he turned around and he had his gun, you know, like this, and he went like that with his finger. And looked over at me." I asked [redacted] which deputy did this. She said, "The sandy blonde one. And told me to shut -- "Shut my mouth." "Shut up." [redacted] added, "And my dad says, "Boy, that's not rude." [redacted]'s father was in the kitchen with her.

I asked [redacted] where [redacted] was located when she was in the kitchen. She said, "[redacted] was in the back." I asked [redacted] where in the back. She said, "In my room. I protected her the whole time." [redacted] confirmed that she left [redacted] in her bedroom, and then she went to the kitchen where she had the conversation with Thomas. After the conversation, she returned back to her bedroom where she got [redacted] [redacted] said she returned back toward the kitchen, and at this time the deputies in her front yard fired the shots. I again confirmed the series of events with [redacted] a. I asked [redacted] why she decided to come back to the kitchen after taking [redacted] to her bedroom. She said she came back to the kitchen to be comforted by her father. When [redacted] was coming back to her father in the kitchen, the gunshots were fired in her front yard. [redacted] clarified that she did not enter the kitchen at this time, however, she stood in the entrance near the front door

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to the kitchen. From this area, she could look out her kitchen window and she saw the deputies running toward the east side of her residence.

At this time, I stopped the interview to take a short break. A short time later, I began the interview again in the front yard of [REDACTED]'s residence.

I asked [REDACTED] after she looked through the window of her parent's bedroom, where did she go. She left her parent's bedroom and went outside to the front yard through the front door. The front door was open when she went outside. [REDACTED] stood on the walkway outside the front door underneath the bathroom window. The bathroom window is adjacent to the alcove of the front door. I asked [REDACTED] what she could see from where she stood. She said, "Well between there and here, I heard bam, bam, bam, bam, bam." I asked [REDACTED] if she heard the shots being fired, or did she see the shots being fired. She said, "They were already starting, and when I came out, I can't say that I saw them, but I heard 'em." I asked [REDACTED] to stand in the same position where she was standing when she heard the shots being fired. [REDACTED] did as I asked. [REDACTED] was standing inside the front door when she first heard the shots being fired. She then walked out and stood underneath the bathroom window. [REDACTED] said, "And I grabbed my face and said, "Oh my God. Oh my God. Oh my God." [REDACTED] continued, "And there was officers all in a "u" shape around the yard. And the man had a shotgun up in the air. That -- and then the other officers -- and he still had the guns pointed on Tom. But you could not see, because Tom must have been going for the front door. And you cannot see the front door because of that alcove like my house."

[REDACTED] confirmed that Thomas was in the alcove of his residence at [REDACTED] and the deputies were in the front lawn area of the residence. [REDACTED] added, "And some were on the front sidewalk on Las Flores too." I asked [REDACTED] when she stopped at her position underneath the bathroom window, had the gunshots stopped, or did they continue as she walked out the front door. She said, "I -- I'm not -- I can't say honestly. So I'm not gonna make a statement." I asked [REDACTED] what the deputies did after the shots were fired. She said, "They -- stood there, still with their guns pointed. And for a few. And then there -- by -- there was par- --

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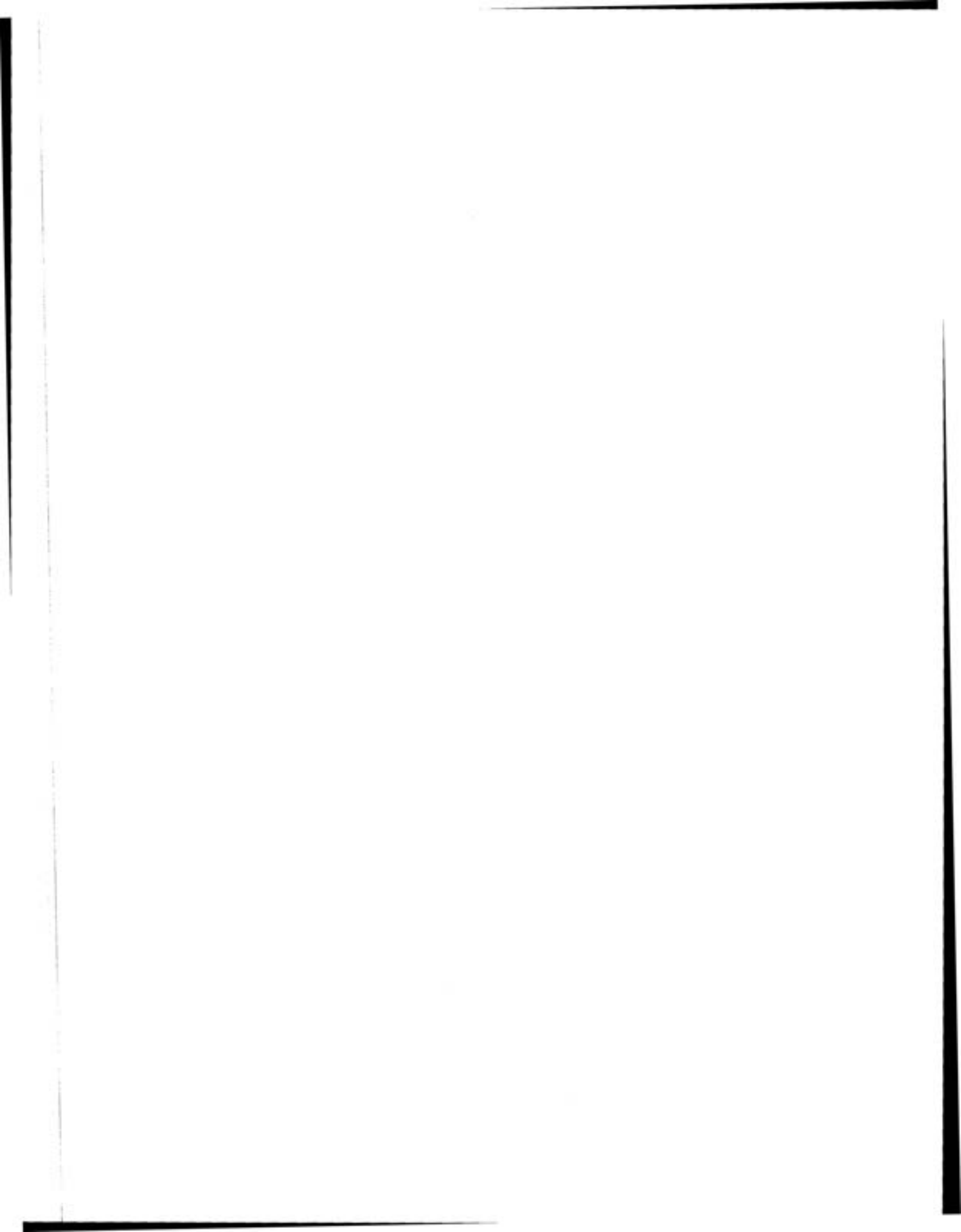
fire trucks and all those down here. Because the street was all blocked off with officers and stuff. And then some of the officers went down to Tom and you could just see them leaning down over. So I presume its Tom. Their leaning down over him and stuff." I asked [redacted] if it appeared the deputies were performing first aid on Thomas. She said, "No, the officers, no." [redacted] continued, "Then -- then the police came -- no then the paramedics came, and they ran across the street. And Tom was laying down -- or Tom was on the ground. And I was just screaming and --." I asked [redacted] if she could see Thomas. She said she could not.

I told [redacted] when she said the paramedics arrived, it sounded to me as if the paramedics and fire department were staged at the scene. [redacted] said, "Yes." [redacted] said the paramedics were "probably waiting for a an all clear sign I guess it would be." [redacted] added, "Because they were -- they never came past the mailboxes that are in front of my house. But they had the bags."

I told [redacted] wanted her to walk with me to the front lawn of [redacted] and show me where I should place photo markers to indicate the position of each deputy that she could remember in the front yard. I told [redacted] to stand in the position of the first deputy. I placed photo marker "I" at this position. I then placed photo markers "J", "K", and "L" at the next positions. [redacted] said the deputy with the shotgun was at the next position. I placed photo marker "M" at this position. I then placed photo marker "N" at the next position. [redacted] said the deputies at this position were kneeling down. I placed photo marker "O" at the next position. [redacted] said the deputies at this position were also kneeling down. I placed photo marker "P" at the next position. [redacted] believed there were two deputies at this position. At this time, I stopped the interview to obtain additional photo markers.

I began the interview again. At this time I was not interviewing [redacted] a. I used this time to indicate on the tape-recorder a rough estimate of the location of each photo marker I had placed on the front lawn area of [redacted] Once this was completed, I asked [redacted] the position of other deputies that she could remember. [redacted] said, "I just -- I can't honestly tell you if that's where they were standing. But I know that there was -- but also to, it's fair to say that there was still officers pulling up due to the scene. And getting out of cars and running up. So I

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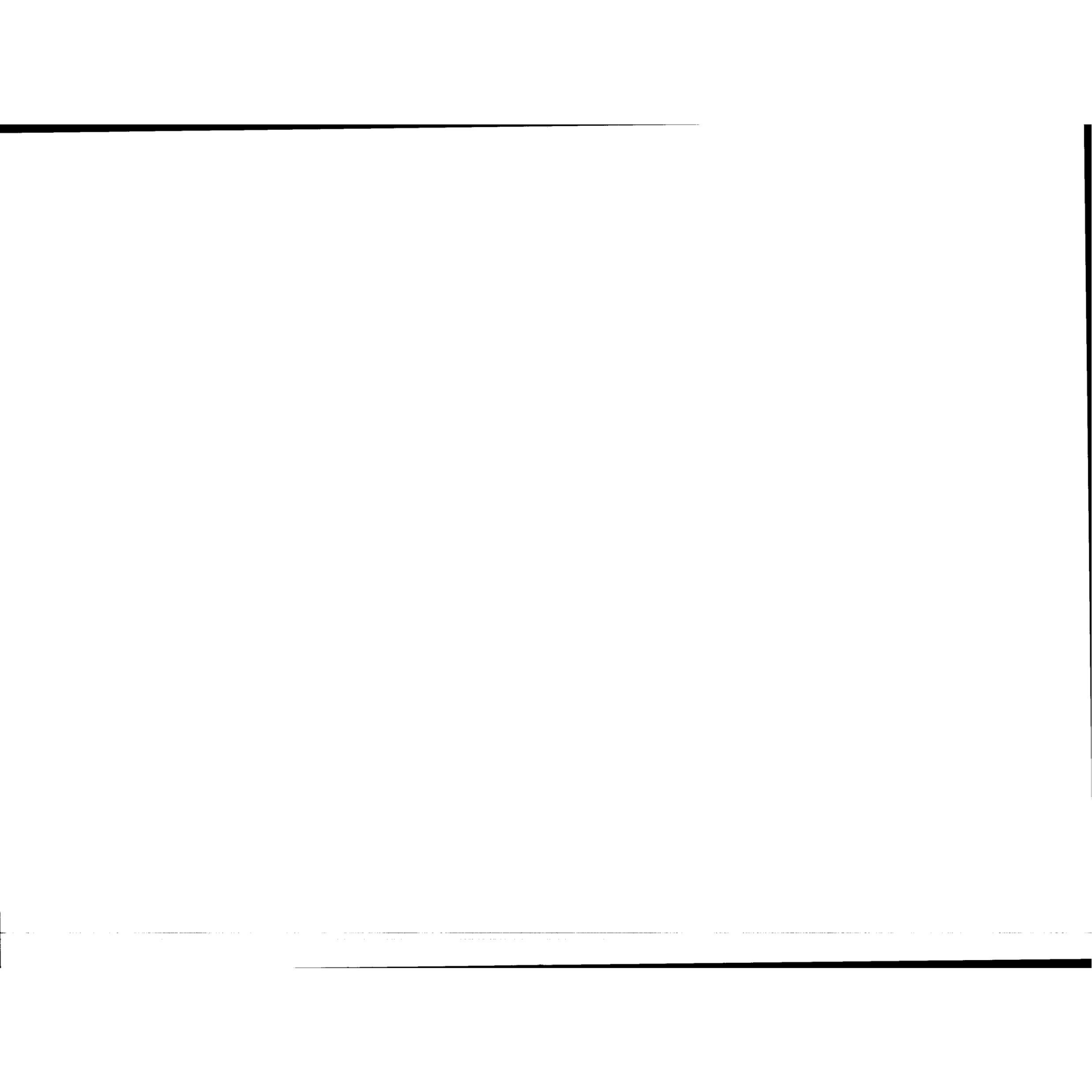
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can't, you know what I mean. I could honestly say that there was probably another off- -- that I saw -- another officer over this way, with his guns drawn." I placed photo marker "Q" at this position. I asked [redacted] if she could remember the position of other deputies. She said, "This is the only ones I can remember, kinda where they were. Because as I stated, [redacted] more officers were just coming and coming and coming. And they would get out of the car of course, to back -- to back-up. So, it -- you -- it -- they also had their guns out not -- so it's not fair to say that there was anymore because I -- so many of them were running up. These [redacted] ones I can remember them be- -- you know what I mean." [redacted] confirmed that the photo markers I placed were the positions of the deputies that she could remember, however, there could be deputies that she could not remember their positions.

I asked [redacted] as the series of events was occurring, how was she emotionally. I also asked [redacted] if she was frightened or scared. She said, "I was freaking out." [redacted] added, "I was shaking, trembling, scr- -- scr- -- screaming, crying." I asked [redacted] if these emotions were caused by fear. She said, "Fear, yes. Total fear. Guilt, and just I've already had been out because of -- due to my own stress problems." I asked [redacted] if she was scared of what Thomas might do to her. She said, "Hell yea- -- oh, yes." [redacted] added, "I was terrified. I was terrified that he would get in there and get [redacted] or get me. And because I had called, and yes, I was terrified. I'm still ter- -- I mean even though he's gone, I'm still terrified of the whole scene that happened." I asked [redacted] if Thomas had entered her residence, what did she think he might have done. She said, "Tom would have, I believe, hurt [redacted] and I if he could have. He would have killed us. I -- I -- honestly believe that in my heart. He -- he would have got -- if he would have gotten to either [redacted] or myself for calling, he would have hurt us." I asked [redacted] if there were any children inside her house when the incident occurred. [redacted] said her children were not at home.

I told [redacted] that before I began this interview, she said a neighbor "from across the street" had talked to her. I also told [redacted] that she said due to this conversation her opinion about this incident had changed. I asked [redacted] what she was told by her neighbor. [redacted] refused to tell me the name of the neighbor she talked with. She said, "And what she had told me, is I had an opinion that it was wrong that you shot him in front of my house. Because I thought I could

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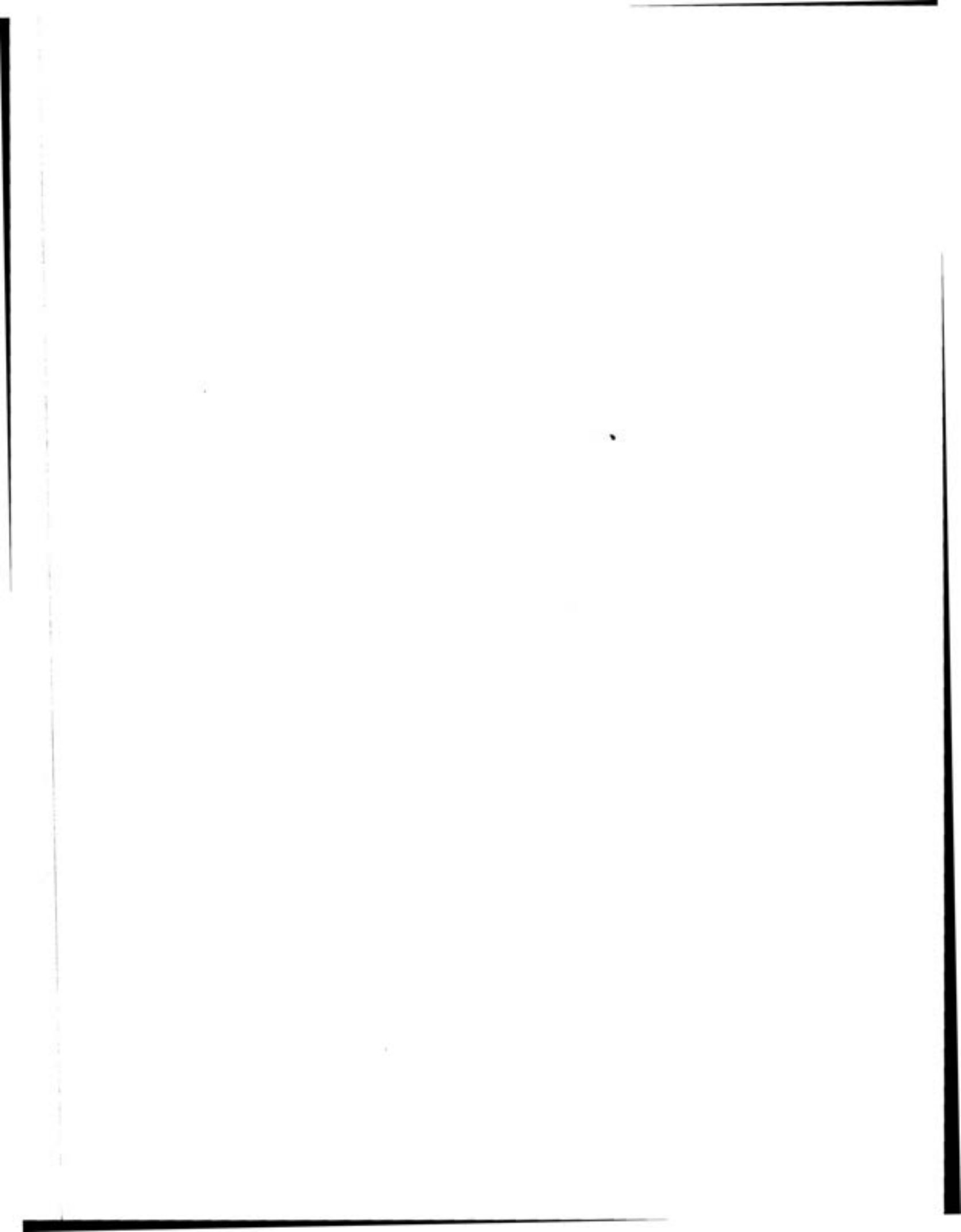
have talked to him. But the neighbor stated to me last night that her and her husband had clearly seen Tom's hand on my doorknob. And that would explain the blood that was down the front of my door." [REDACTED] clarified that she was referring to her front door. [REDACTED] continued, "He was trying to get into my house with the knife." I asked [REDACTED] if her neighbor saw that the door had actually been opened. She said, "They -- they sai -- no, they said that it -- yes, they did. They said it looked like that he had op- -- that he had gotten the door open in front. And that has changed my opinion. Because I didn't -- I thought that -- yes I was in fear that he would hurt me, but I didn't really realize it as much. Until I heard that statement last night." I asked [REDACTED] due to her conversation with her neighbor, had this changed her opinion of the events that occurred. She said, "As far as over at my house, yes. I think over here might have been overkill. But that -- but then again I have not -- I cannot say. I didn't see what happened here." I asked [REDACTED] if it would be "fair" for me to say that she can only base her opinions on what happened based on what occurred at her house, however, she did not see what happened at [REDACTED]. She said, "Yes, I cannot tell you what Tom did when he came over here. I feel justified that they shot him, to not get -- so he could not come into my house and hurt [REDACTED] and myself. And when he came over here, I don't know what actions he took towards officers to make them shoot him that many times. But I'm still under the impression in my heart that -- that maybe there was less -- less lethal ways. And I'm sorry, but that's just my opinion. Not saying that you guys are wrong, and I'm not saying -- I just think that, maybe."

End of interview.

At the conclusion of the interview, Field Evidence Technician (FET) [REDACTED] took photographs and measurements of all the photo markers I had placed during the interview. For additional information concerning the evidence retrieval, refer to my Supplemental Report titled, **Evidence Collection on October 16, 2001**. FET [REDACTED] also booked the original videotape of this interview as evidence, and he provided me a copy of the videotape.

I released the videotape copy and audiotape of this interview to Sergeant Montagna.

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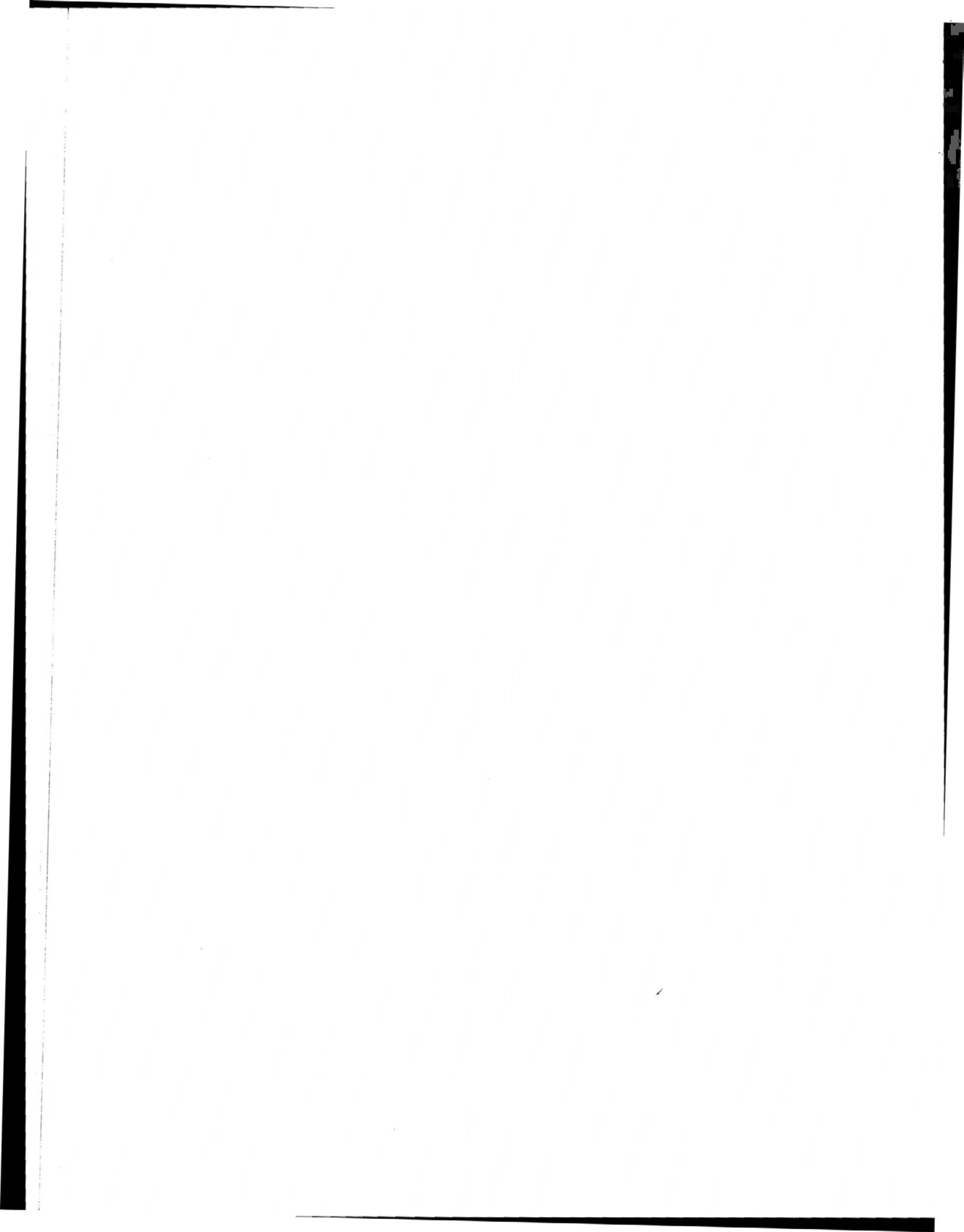
INTERVIEW OF SR. DEPUTY VADEN

On Friday, October 13, 2001, at approximately 1800 hours, I received a telephone call at home from Commander Richard Purnell. Commander Purnell advised me that an officer involved shooting had just occurred at [REDACTED]

Several detectives, including myself, from the Major Crimes Bureau responded to this location. Upon my arrival, Sgt. Ernie Montagna (case agent) gave me the responsibility of interviewing the officers involved in the shooting.

I attempted to interview Sr. Deputy Kevin Vaden at the East County Police Services Station. I was directed to read Kevin his rights per Miranda (Saturday, October 14, 2001, 0021 hours) in the presence of his Attorney (Steven L. Rader). Kevin refused to waive his rights and the interview was concluded.

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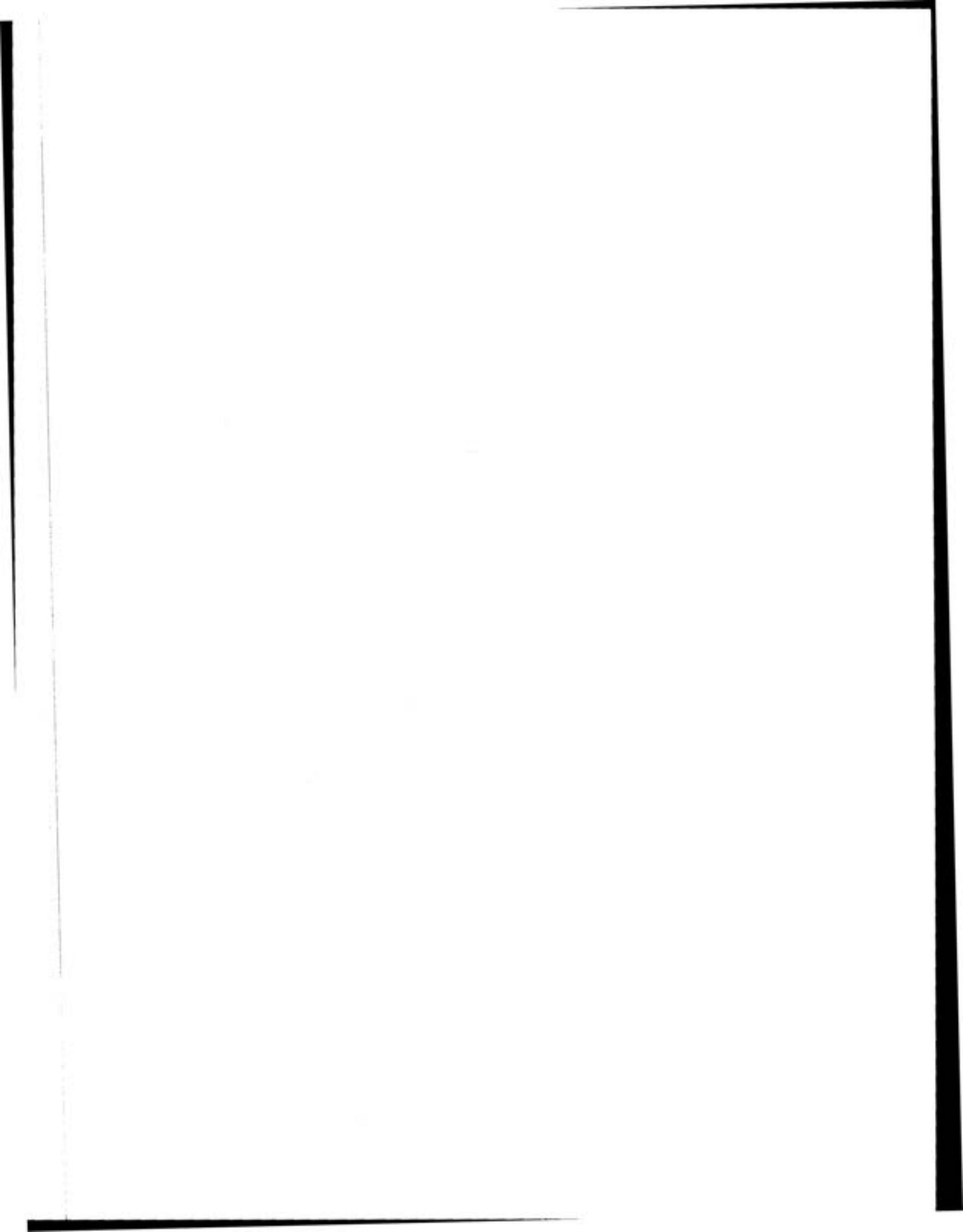
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I delegated the interview of the witness officers to Detective Ian Laughlin and Detective Jose Rivera. For details on their interviews refer to their supplemental reports.

Detective DeMattia, Detective Mesa, Detective Laughlin, and I interviewed the officers involved in the actual shooting. For details refer to their supplemental reports and my report titled, **Interview of Sr. Deputy Vaden.**

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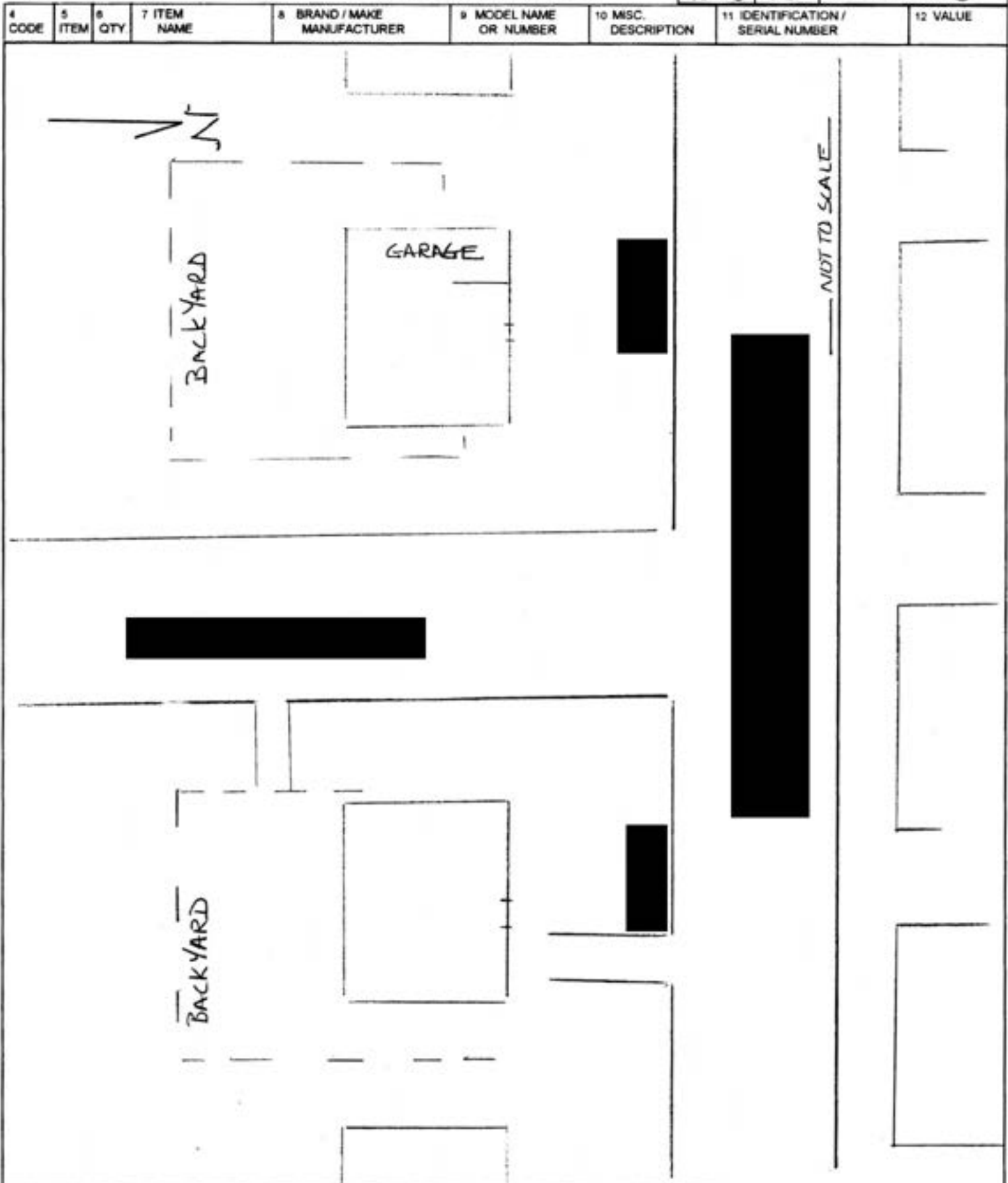


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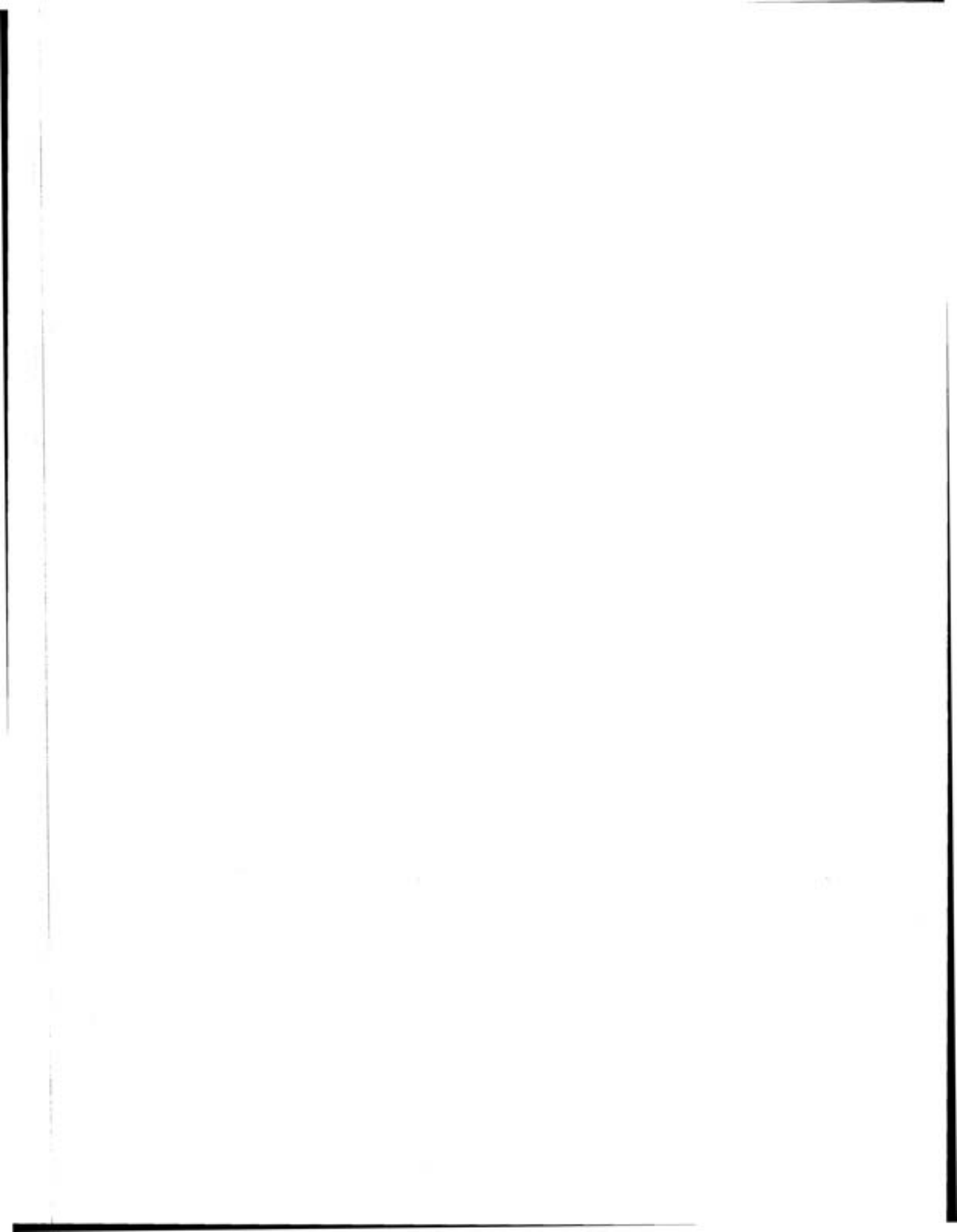
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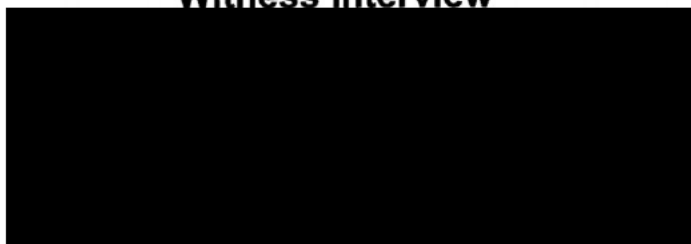
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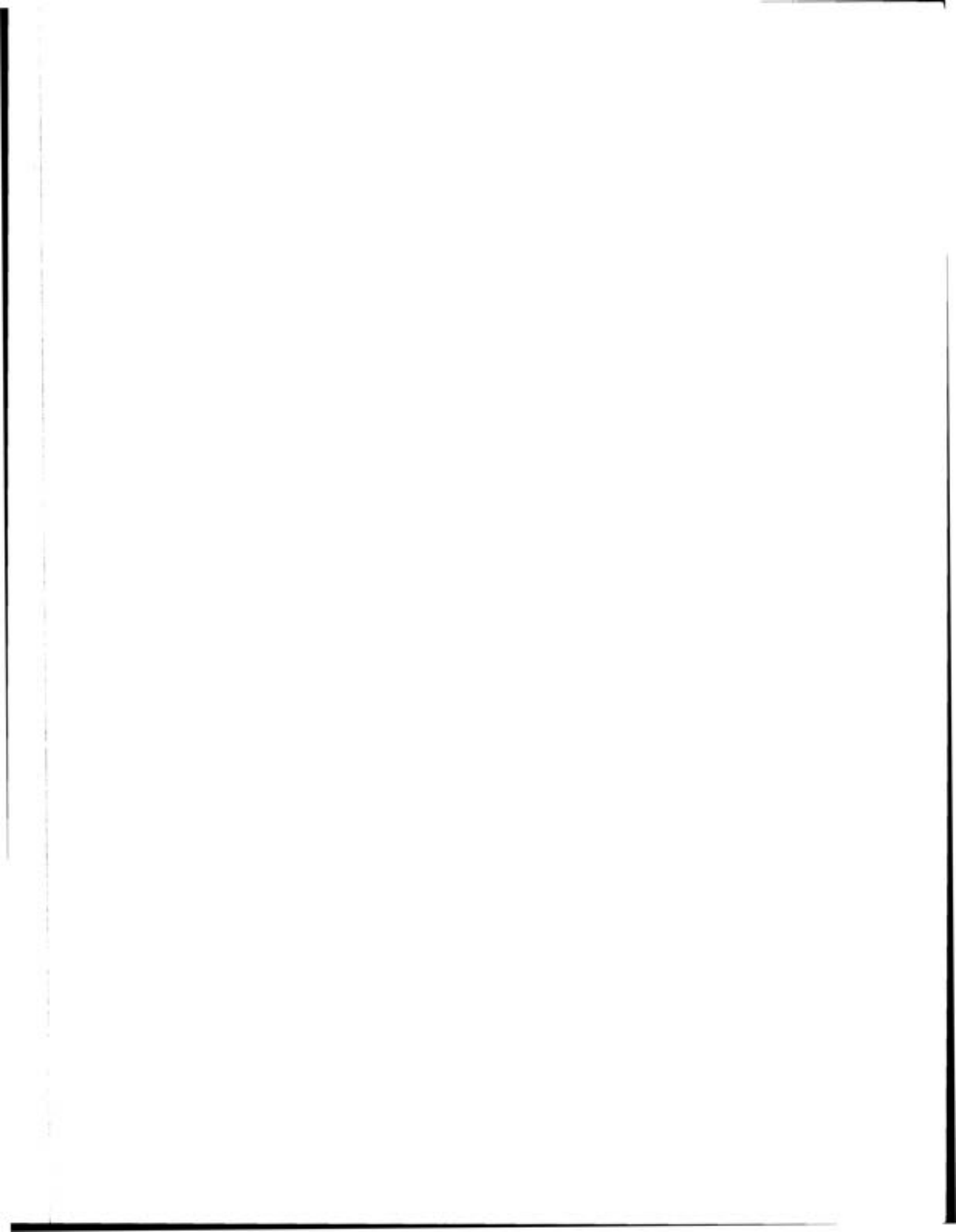
Witness Interview



On October 22, 2001 at approximately 1540 hours, I interviewed [REDACTED] at his residence in his backyard. [REDACTED] is a witness to this investigation. During this interview, I referred to [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] his nickname that he prefers to be called. This interview was tape-recorded. The following is a summary of the interview. Refer to the audiotape of the interview for additional information:

I asked [REDACTED] how long he has known [REDACTED] and Thomas Patton. He said he has known them for approximately two years. He met them after they moved into [REDACTED]. This residence is across the street from [REDACTED] house. I asked [REDACTED] if he was "good friends" with either [REDACTED] or Thomas, or just "acquaintances." He considers them to be "neighborhood acquaintances." I asked [REDACTED] if he was aware of any problems at [REDACTED] and Thomas' residence. He said he was. I asked [REDACTED] what type of problems was he aware of. He said, "Spousal abuse." I asked [REDACTED] if he could remember any specific incidents of spousal abuse. He said, "No, it -- I only really started to notice it of late. Because [REDACTED] daughter [REDACTED] was trying to help her. And she was aware of it, I think before any of us were."

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████ continued, "And she kinda brought it to our attention. Then I got to notice it more and more and more, and it was getting more and more frequent." I asked █████ when did he first notice that █████ had been abused. He said, "Probably a couple of months, but, you know, a lot of people had suspicions that there was something wrong prior to that. Because of her physical actions." I asked █████ what he meant. He said, "She walked with a list to one side, and tel- -- it -- things that just aren't normal, that she didn't have when she moved in." I asked █████ if he ever saw any injuries on █████ person. He said he had. I asked █████ what type of injuries had he seen. He said, "Well on the day of the shooting, she had a golf ball size knot on her forehead." █████ believed the injury was on the left side of █████ head. I asked █████ if he had ever seen any other injuries on █████ He said, "No, basically that was it. Because usually when I've spoken to her in the past, she's like on the sidewalk and then down on the front part of the house down there, so it's har- -- hard even to hear her. You know with the road traffic."

I asked █████ if █████ ever told him about her problems she had in regards to spousal abuse. He said, "Not until after the fact." I asked █████ what he meant. He said, "She has never told me directly that she had problems. Until after the shooting." I asked █████ if he learned about █████s problems through █████ He said I was correct. I asked █████ what █████ has told him about █████s problems. He said, "Just that it's like everyday beatings for █████ And █████ had gone over and had a serious discussion, more than one occasion, with Tom and █████ To knock it off, or for both of them to go to counseling. Or it's gonna wind up with somebody getting seriously hurt. Which happened. Or somebody's gonna go to jail."

I asked █████ if anyone lived with █████ and Thomas. He said, "They have a daughter, █████ that's about fifteen I think." I asked █████ if he ever had any contact with █████ He said he has talked to █████ and she was always "really friendly and outgoing." I asked █████ if █████ ever told him about any problems her parents were having. He said she did not. █████ added, "I think this was a well shielded family secret for a long time."

I began to interview █████ about the events of October 13, 2001. I asked █████ if he remembered the events of this day. He said, "Basically, yeah. █████ was walking down the sidewalk in front

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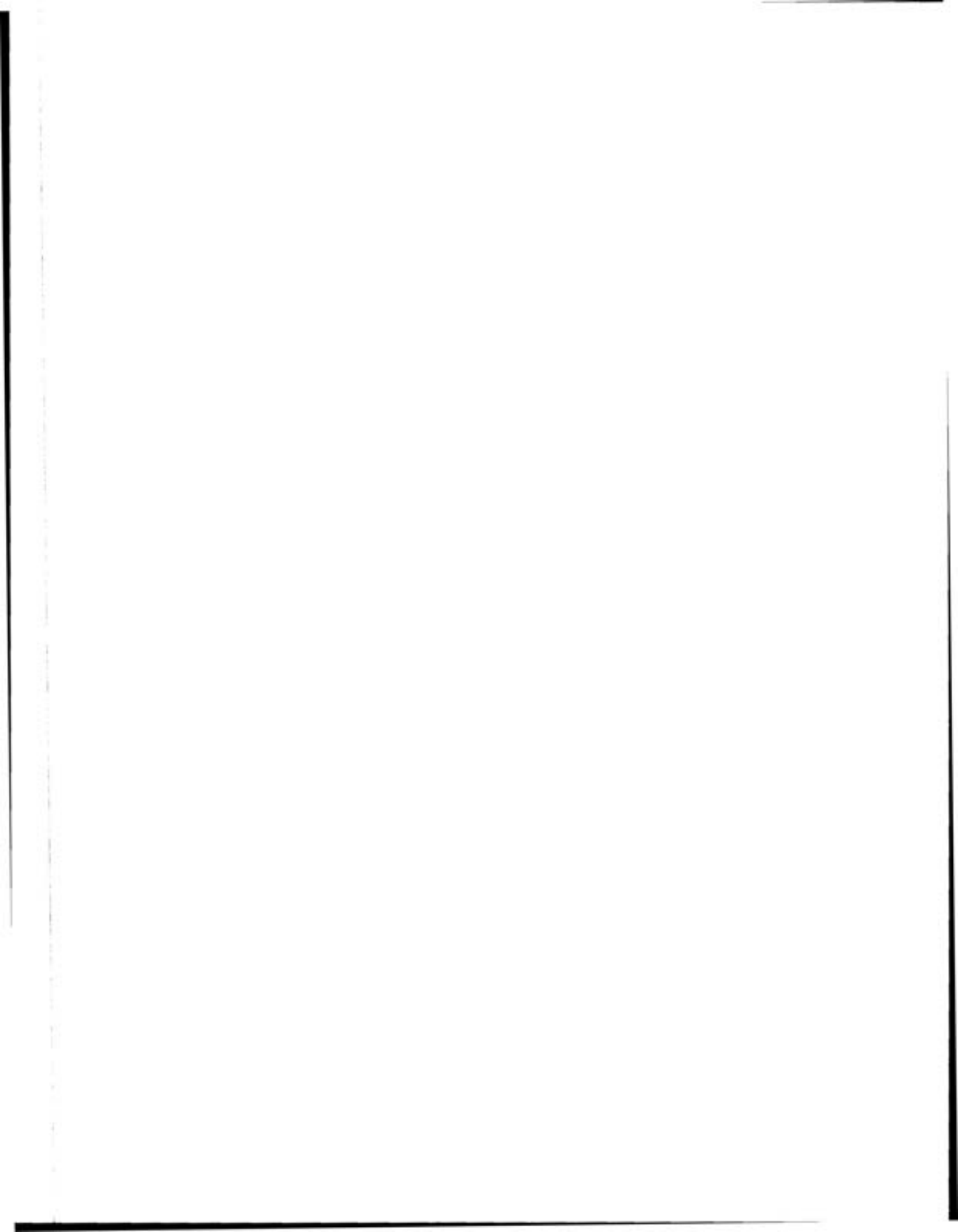
of the house, with her dog. And she's headed east on [REDACTED]. And she was talking to [REDACTED] but she had a real slur and was mumbling. And [REDACTED] was trying to find out what was wrong with her. And I could tell, because I had the profile of her, that she had a big goose egg on her forehead. I told [REDACTED] "For Christ's sake, she got a golf ball on her head." [REDACTED] continued, "So [REDACTED] went up and looked at it, and brought her down to the house and put some ice and stuff on it. And talked to her to find out what was happening."

I asked [REDACTED] if he overheard the conversation between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. He said he did not. [REDACTED] continued, "And it wasn't too long after that, I guess, that [REDACTED] decided she wanted [REDACTED] to call 911 for her." I asked [REDACTED] where [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] went to when it was decided that the Sheriff's Department should be called. He said, "I think they were still standing on the sidewalk out there." I asked [REDACTED] if the call to the Sheriff's Department was made from inside his residence, or if the call was made from a telephone outside the house. He said, "I honest to God don't know."

I asked [REDACTED] to think back, and tell me his next recollection regarding October 13, 2001. He said, "Okay, that would be the arrival of the first squad car, which was, I don't know who the guy is. He's an Asian fellow, kinda small statured. Then there was a second car that showed up, with a bigger guy, with a crew cut, quite large." I asked [REDACTED] where the deputies parked their patrol vehicles. He said they parked across the street from his residence. [REDACTED] continued, "And they came down and they talked to [REDACTED]." [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were outside when the deputies arrived. [REDACTED] added, "And they told us to stay put. They started to go across the street." [REDACTED] confirmed that there were only two deputies at the scene at this time.

I asked [REDACTED] if he heard any of the conversation between [REDACTED] and the deputies. He said he did not. I asked [REDACTED] if the deputies said what they were going to do when they left his residence. He said, "Not that I heard, no." [REDACTED] said, "Then they went across the street." [REDACTED] confirmed that the deputies went to [REDACTED] the residence of [REDACTED] and Thomas Patton. [REDACTED] then spoke to his daughter, [REDACTED] who lives next door to him at [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] to get her children inside her house because it was "gonna be ugly, and the kids don't need to see it." I asked [REDACTED] what he meant by it's "gonna be

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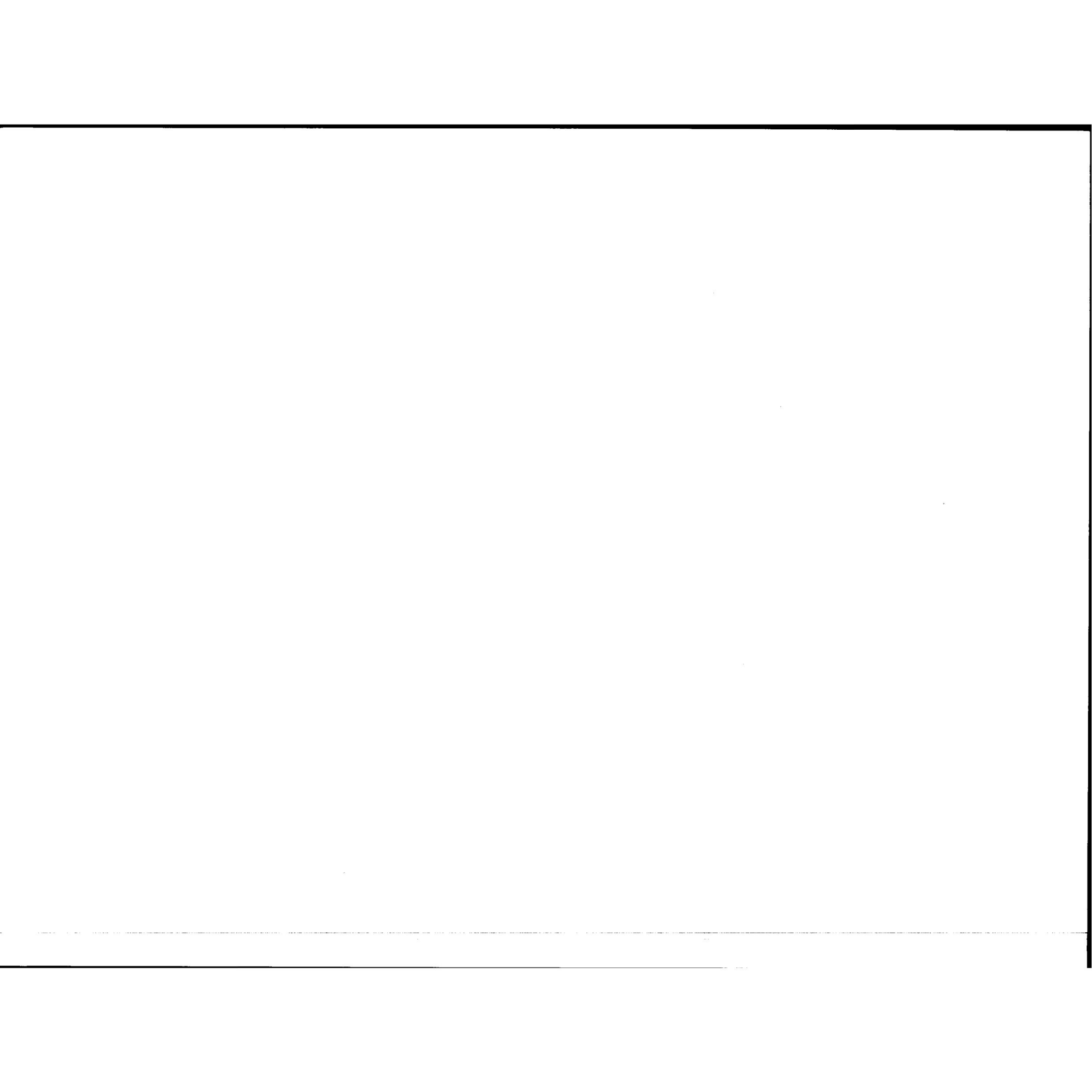
ugly." He said, "Because ninety -- ninety percent of these are combative. So I -- I mean even if it was a nice arrest, they usually wound up getting drug from the house on their knees and feet. And I mean everyone I've ever seen, was at 'em. I mean I've seen anybody just walk out of the house on one."

I asked [redacted] when the deputies went to Thomas' residence, did he see how they entered the house. He said, "Vaguely, and it looked as though they were invited into the house." [redacted] observed this from his front yard. I asked [redacted] if both deputies went into Thomas' residence. He said, "God, I honest to God couldn't tell ya." I asked [redacted] if he remembered the deputies saying anything at the front door of Thomas' residence. He said, "If they did, I don't think it was audible here."

I asked [redacted] what happened next. He said, "The next thing, all of this kinda gets sketchy. They went into the house and they were in there for a few minutes, it seemed like." [redacted] continued, "And then they came out of the house, and Tom was like -- they were backing out of the house." I asked [redacted] where Thomas and the deputies exited the residence. He said, "Out of the front door." [redacted] confirmed that the deputies were backing out of the front door. I asked [redacted] if Thomas was in front of, or to the rear of the deputies. He said, "They proceeded Tom out the door, and then Tom came out the door. And he had the knife to his throat. And somehow he got ahead of them, or whatever, and he crossed the street. And then the officers started hollering to get in the house and lock the door."

I asked [redacted] if he remembered what the knife looked like that Thomas held. He said, "Yes, like a kitchen knife. Probably fourteen, sixteen inches long or so." I asked [redacted] where Thomas had the knife pointed. He said, "At his throat." I asked [redacted] if he heard Thomas say anything to the deputies. He said, "Not until he got over here." I asked [redacted] when he saw Thomas and the deputies leave Thomas' house, did he hear the deputies say anything to Thomas. He said, "I -- not that I can swear too, no." I asked [redacted] if he remembered what the deputies were doing. He said, "They had their weapons drawn, and they were trying to get him held in check. But he didn't check, he just came on across the street." I asked [redacted] to tell me how he thought Thomas

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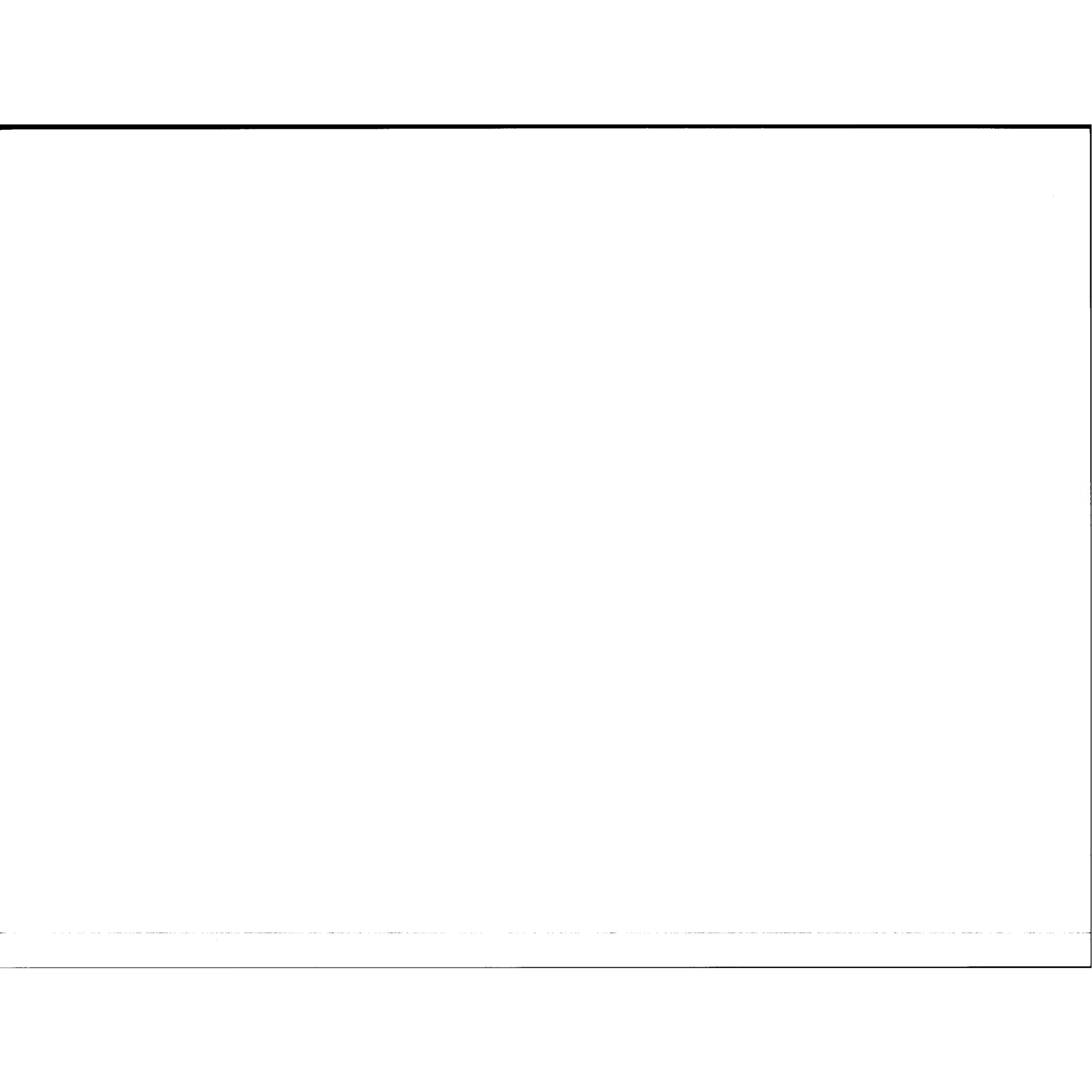
was acting. He said, "Depressed, erratic, bizarre." I asked [redacted] if he felt Thomas was a threat. He said, "Not until he actually physically tried to break in the house. I didn't really think that he was that much of a threat, 'cause worse case, he could have just stuck himself in the throat, you know. And -- and nobody would have been hurt or anything, other than himself. But then when he tried to break in the front door, it's a whole new ball game. In fact, when he came across the street it entered a whole new ball game."

I asked [redacted] after Thomas crossed the street, were the deputies following him. He said, "Yeah, I think there was -- by that time one had gone out around him. I think the Asian kid had gone -- gone out around him. And was on this side, and the bigger officer was on that side." [redacted] confirmed that one deputy was either side of Thomas, to the rear of him. I asked [redacted] if Thomas was walking forward or backward. He said, "No, he was like pretty much just headed over here." [redacted] confirmed that Thomas still had the knife. I asked [redacted] where Thomas was pointing the knife. He said, "His throat."

I asked [redacted] when Thomas reached his property, what was he doing. He said, "He wound up -- he came across -- he walked -- I don't know if he came up this little sidewalk thing, or if he was in the grass. I think the officers were in the grass, and maybe he was on the little sidewalk piece. But as he got to where the walkway goes up to the street." [redacted] confirmed that he was referring to the walkway in front of his house. [redacted] continued, "He kinda went up there a little bit and then out onto that piece of grass over there. And we were in the kitchen window watching him, [redacted] and all of us. And they asked him to please put the knife down, and he wouldn't. And [redacted] hollered out the window and asked him, "Please Tom, Stop." [redacted] added, "And Tom did stop and started to drop his arm. And then one of the officers, I don't know who it was, hollered at her to shut her mouth and get in the back of the house. Now she ran into the back of the house scared half to death, and took [redacted] with her, back there."

I asked [redacted] when Thomas was coming toward his property, was he [redacted] still located in the front of his house. He said, "Yeah, they had told us all to go in the house." I asked [redacted] who was outside with him. He said, [redacted] and [redacted] confirmed that he was referring to [redacted]

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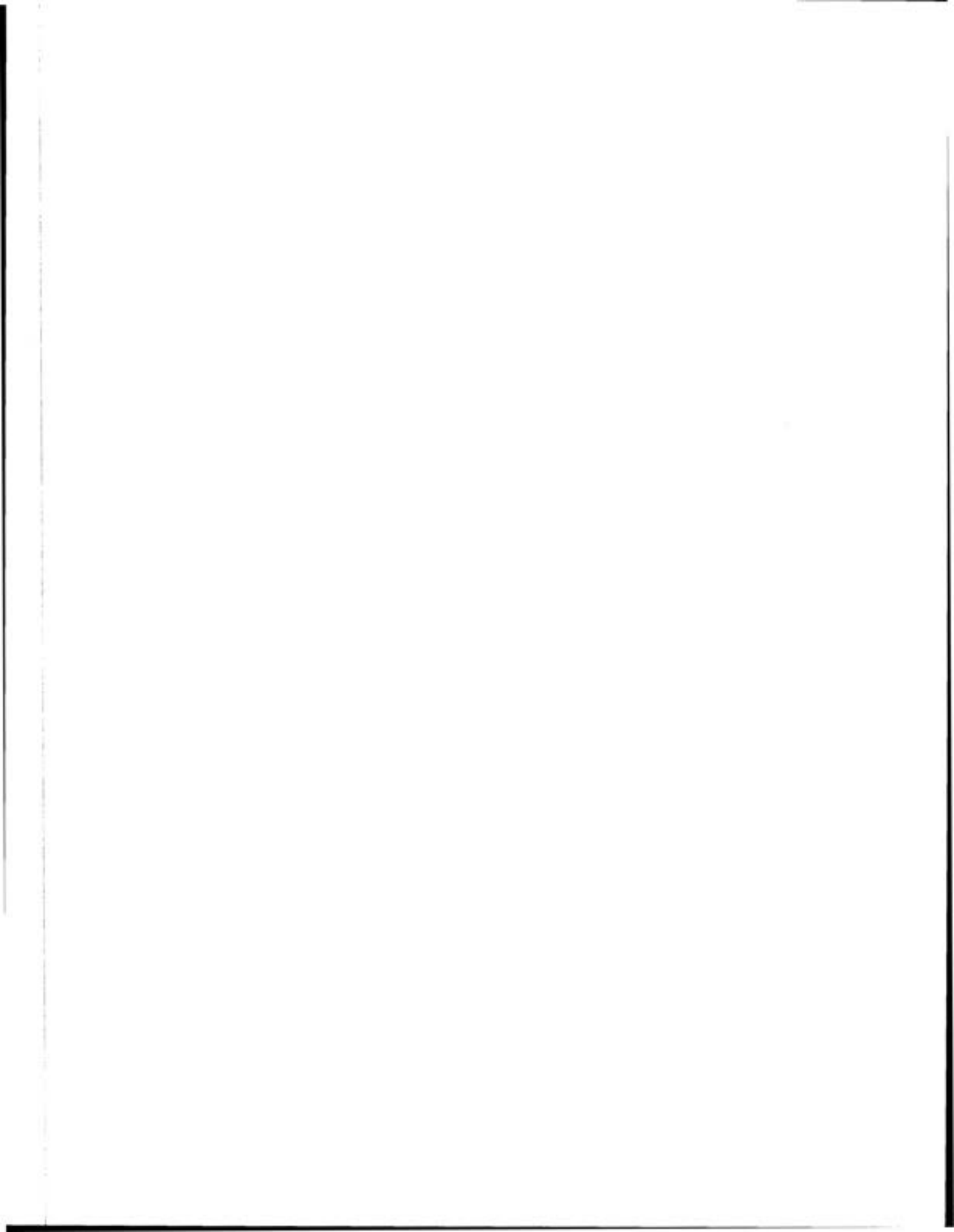
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██████████ husband. I asked ██████ how he entered his house. He said, "Open the front door and walked in." I asked ██████ if the front door was unlocked when he entered. He said it was. I asked ██████ who came into the front door with him. He said, "I think the girls came in, I came in, ██████ came. And then we locked the door. Actually we didn't lock the door until he got right back on the front porch and tried to get into the house. Then we locked the door."

I asked ██████ what happened after ██████ ran out of the kitchen toward the back of the house. He said, "She and ██████ were back there just freakin. 'Cause Tom actually tried to break in the front door of the house." ██████ confirmed that he and ██████ remained inside the kitchen. I asked ██████ what Thomas did next. He said, "He couldn't get in the front door -- well when he got in the front door, there was a third -- when he was beating on it -- there was a third officer that showed up. Either just a split second before, or -- or while that was going on. I think it was a motorcycle officer, but I'm not sure. And after he pounded on the front door, slammed it or whatever -- whatever he did to it, that's when they opened fire on him." I asked ██████ if he saw the deputies fire their weapons at Thomas. He said, "I -- I did, but it's all so gray. That -- that I don't know, honest to God, don't remember who shot, who didn't shoot, or in what order." I asked ██████ if he saw this series of events take place from his kitchen window. He said, "Oh yeah." I asked ██████ if Thomas had opened the front door. He said, "No, we -- we -- ██████ had jumped over there and locked it. Right as he approached the door." ██████ then returned back to the kitchen.

I asked ██████ if he had a clear view of Thomas and the deputies. He said, "Yeah, they sh- -- sh- -- he took -- they shot at him three times. And he was laying down on the sidewalk." I asked ██████ if he was referring to the sidewalk area near the street, or in front of his front door. He said, "The walkway right in front of the front door." I asked ██████ what happened next. He said, "That for some -- unknown reason he got up." I asked ██████ when Thomas was at his front door, did he hear Thomas say anything. He said, "I think that he said he wanted to kill ██████ He wanted to get in the house and kill her and take her with him." I asked ██████ if the deputies said anything to Thomas. He said, "No, I honestly don't. I -- I -- I there was a lot of shouting and yelling, and I'm, you know, and repeatedly they told him to put the knife down. Which -- which he didn't do. The -- the guys did what they got paid for. They did their job."

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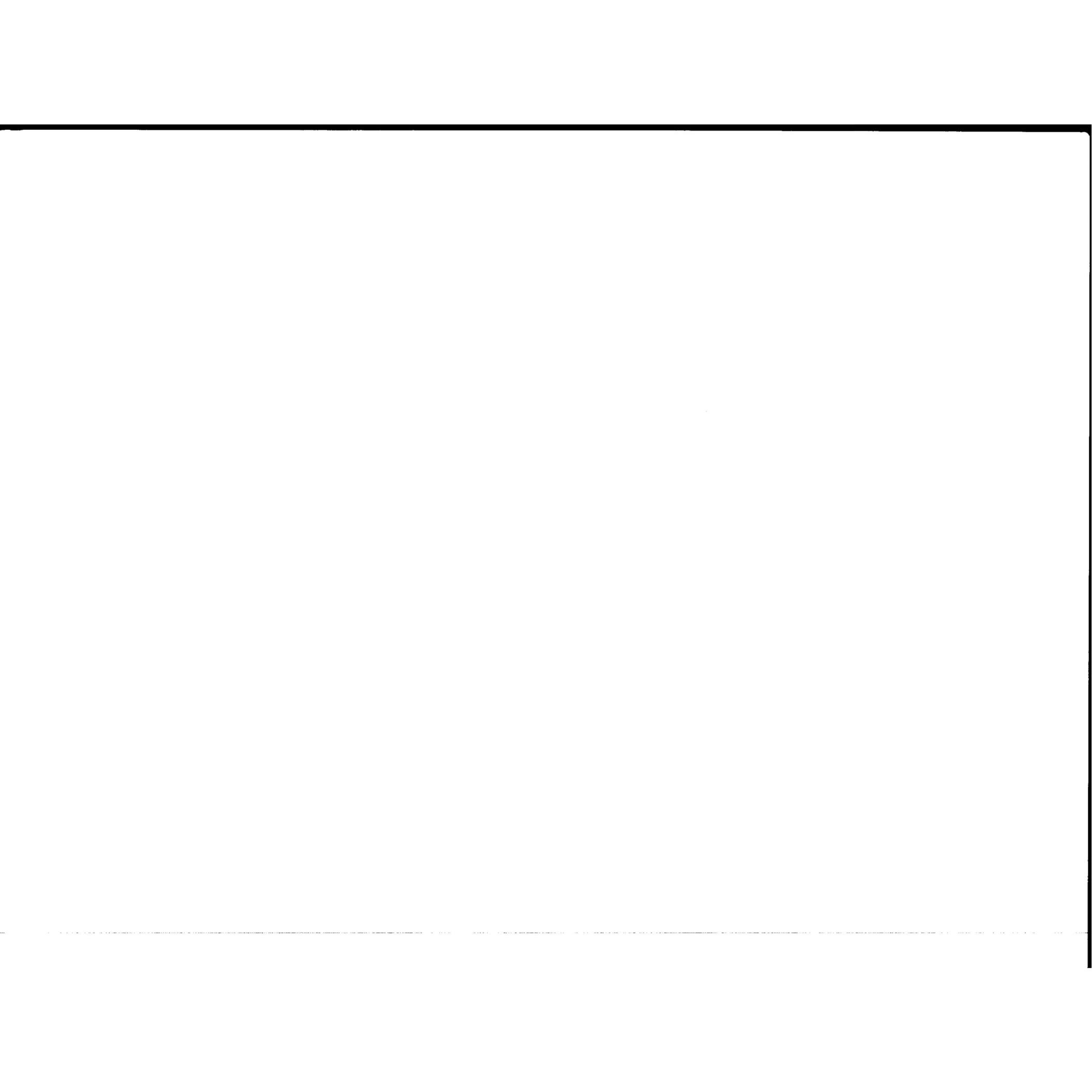
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I asked [redacted] what happened after Thomas got up off the ground. He said, "Yeah, he was down briefly, and then he got up and somebody smacked him with a baton." I asked [redacted] what he meant by "smacked him with a baton." He said, "Across the wrist. I mean really nailed him. That'd shoulda shattered his arm." I asked [redacted] where this occurred. He said, "Right on the front porch, when he got up. And he still had the knife." [redacted] confirmed that Thomas was still holding the knife in his hand.

I asked [redacted] if Thomas pointed the knife at the deputy who had the baton. He said, "Not that I could see. But there's -- there's a recess in -- in the porch." [redacted] confirmed that he was referring to the alcove area at the front door, and this caused him to not be able to see what happened from the kitchen window. [redacted] added, "There's a gray area there that you can't see." I asked [redacted] who was the deputy that struck Thomas with the baton. He said, "I think was the third guy that came on scene. Whoever he was." I asked [redacted] if Thomas said anything when he was struck with the baton. He said, "Something in the back of my mind tells me made some kind of a smart crack, but I don't remember what it was. Like it was like is that the best you got or, you know, I -- I don't. Like I say, a lot of this I, you know, I just don't know. And then he came around and tried to get in the backyard, which he succeeded at." I asked [redacted] if he knew which of Thomas' hands the deputy struck with the baton. He said, "No, that I don't know."

I asked [redacted] what happened after the deputy struck Thomas' hand. He said, "He proceeded to go around the house, open the gate, and come into the backyard, 'cause he wanted to get in this glass door." [redacted] confirmed that Thomas came into the backyard through the gate on the east side of his residence. I asked [redacted] where he was located when this took place. He said, "[redacted] and I were locking this glass door." I asked [redacted] if the glass door locks with a pin that goes into the door, and extends into the doorframe. He confirmed this. I asked [redacted] when Thomas came into the backyard, could he hear Thomas say anything. He said he could not, and he also did not hear the deputies say anything as well. I asked [redacted] if any deputies were following Thomas. He said, "Yeah, all three of them."

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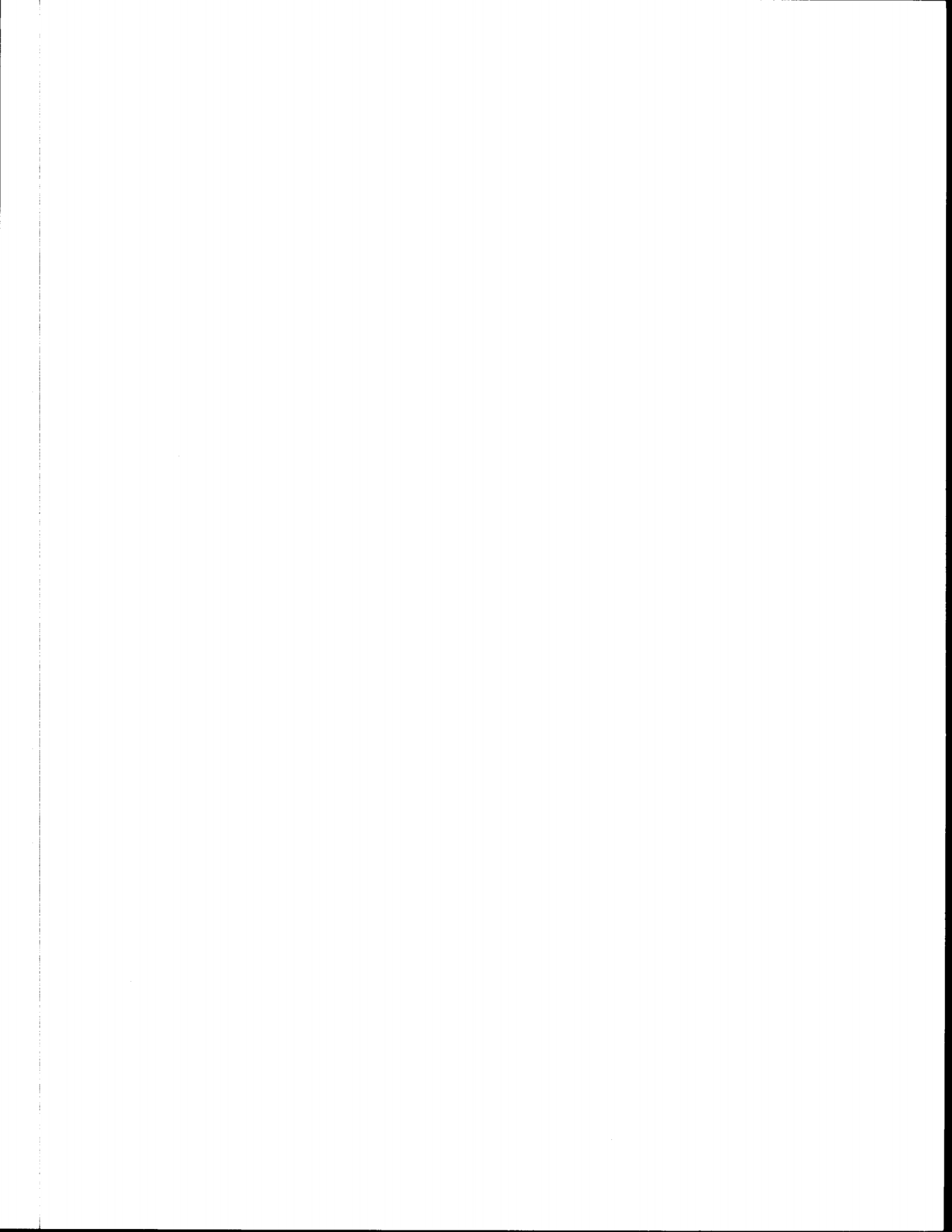
I asked [redacted] what happened next. He said, "I think they maced him, back here." I asked [redacted] where this took place in his backyard. He said, "Somewhere in this area right here." [redacted] pointed to the area between the pool and the tree in his backyard. I asked [redacted] if he remembered which deputy used the mace. He said he did not. I asked [redacted] if he remembered how many deputies were in his backyard. He said, "All three."

I asked [redacted] what happened next. He said, "Then -- he was only back here briefly. And for some reason, he turned and fled for home." I asked [redacted] in which direction Thomas fled his backyard. He said, "Back up the side of the house." I asked [redacted] if this was the same direction in which Thomas entered his backyard. He said, "Uh huh, across the front of the house to the west. Across Montgomery and home, and then he was out of our vision." I asked [redacted] when Thomas fled the backyard, was he [redacted] still in the living room. He said, "No, I was in the kitchen, and when he went by, going back." I asked [redacted] if he saw Thomas running westbound across the front of his house. He said, "Yeah, but it wasn't real swift. But I mean he -- he was moving the best he could." I asked [redacted] if he could see if Thomas had been injured. He said, "Yeah, it looked to me like he had at least one gut shot, and maybe three."

I asked [redacted] if he could see what happened next through his kitchen window. He said, "No." I asked [redacted] if he could tell me what he heard that happened next. He said, "I heard what I thought to be eleven rounds fired." I asked [redacted] where the gunshots were fired. He said, "I would assume over there ([redacted] is now pointing toward [redacted])." I asked [redacted] if from his kitchen window, could he see Thomas at [redacted]. He said, "Nothing. We- -- fr- -- fr- -- from my kitchen you can't see anything because the -- the bathroom comes out from the house, and it blocks all that off. You don't see anything over there." [redacted] confirmed that he could not see [redacted] from his kitchen window. [redacted] also confirmed that he believed that he heard a total of eleven gunshots at [redacted]. [redacted] added, "And three here."

I asked [redacted] what happened next. He said, "Basically, I think that was pretty much it. [redacted] was so scared she wound up crawling under the coffee table in the living room, trying to hide.

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And she's been freaked ever since. She thinks this is her fault that she -- 'cause she's the one that dialed 911. And that's gonna take some time to get her straightened out."

I asked [redacted] if Thomas had entered his house, what did he think Thomas would have done. He said, "Well, [redacted] and I had thought that over a few times, and we both had pretty much the same fleeting ideas. We're building a half bath in the entryway, and it's full of hammers and stuff. And we'd probably took him on with a hammers." I asked [redacted] if he thought Thomas would have tried to hurt anyone inside his house. He said, "Oh yeah, pretty much no doubt in my mind. Yeah."

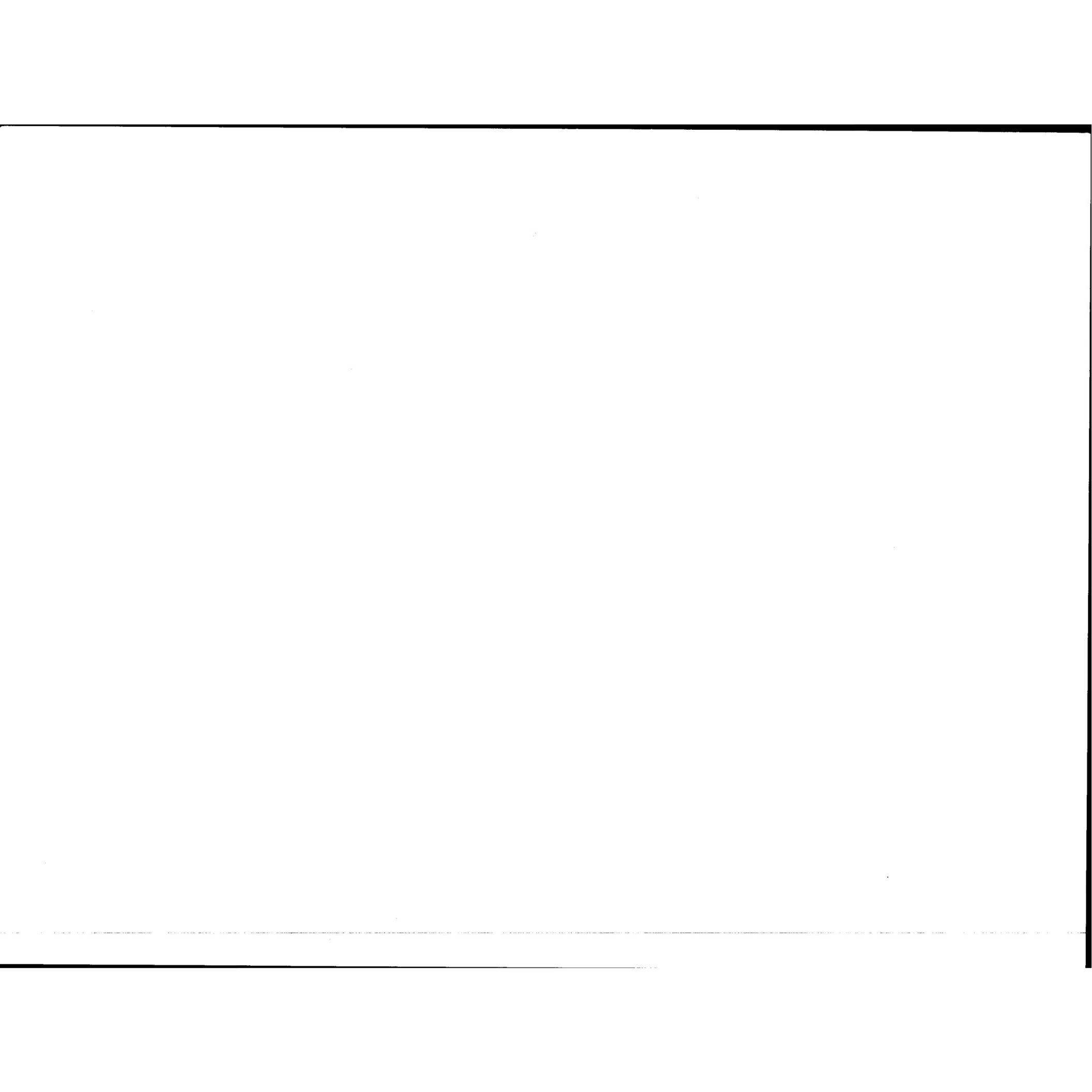
I asked [redacted] while the events occurred, was he in fear for his safety or the safety of his family. He said, "No, because this kind of stuff doesn't bother me." I asked [redacted] if he was worried for his family. He said, "Yeah, yeah, tremendously. Yeah. And -- and -- and for the people outside of the -- but -- I've seen enough of this in my lifetime without, you know."

I asked [redacted] if there was anything I had not asked him that he wanted to tell me. He said, "No, I - I just think that the guys went over there, had they been better prepared or had some more back-up, it never should have never left that piece of property. Nu- -- number one. But since it did, and it came over, the guys did their job. And, you know, I don't hold any grudge against them at all. They -- they did what they got paid for, and I thank 'em for it."

End of interview.

I released the audiotape of this interview to Sergeant Montagna.

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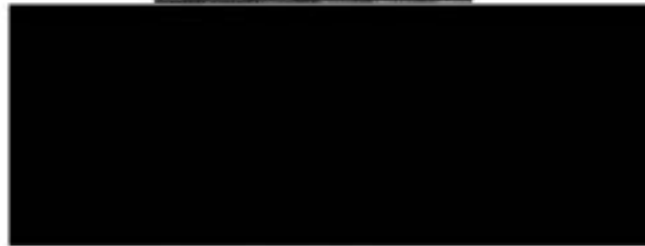
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On October 22, 2001 at approximately 1646 hours, I interviewed [REDACTED] at her residence. [REDACTED] is a witness to this investigation. [REDACTED] lives next door, and to the east of, [REDACTED]. This interview was tape-recorded. The following is a summary of the interview. Refer to the audiotape of the interview for additional information:

I asked [REDACTED] how long she has known [REDACTED] and Thomas Patton. She said she did not know them. I asked [REDACTED] what she knew about [REDACTED] and Thomas. She knew they were renting the house at [REDACTED]. I asked [REDACTED] if prior to the incident on October 13, 2001, had she ever been told about any of the problems [REDACTED] and Thomas were experiencing. She said her sister [REDACTED] told her that she talked to [REDACTED] everyday. [REDACTED] said that Thomas would do things to [REDACTED] including threatening her. I asked [REDACTED] if she had ever seen [REDACTED] with any injuries on her body. She said she had not. [REDACTED] added that [REDACTED] usually walks by her house with her dog, and they say "Hi" to each other. I asked [REDACTED] if she ever had any conversations with [REDACTED] prior to October 13, 2001. She said they had

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conversations related to how they and the children were doing, but that was all. [REDACTED] considered [REDACTED] to be an acquaintance.

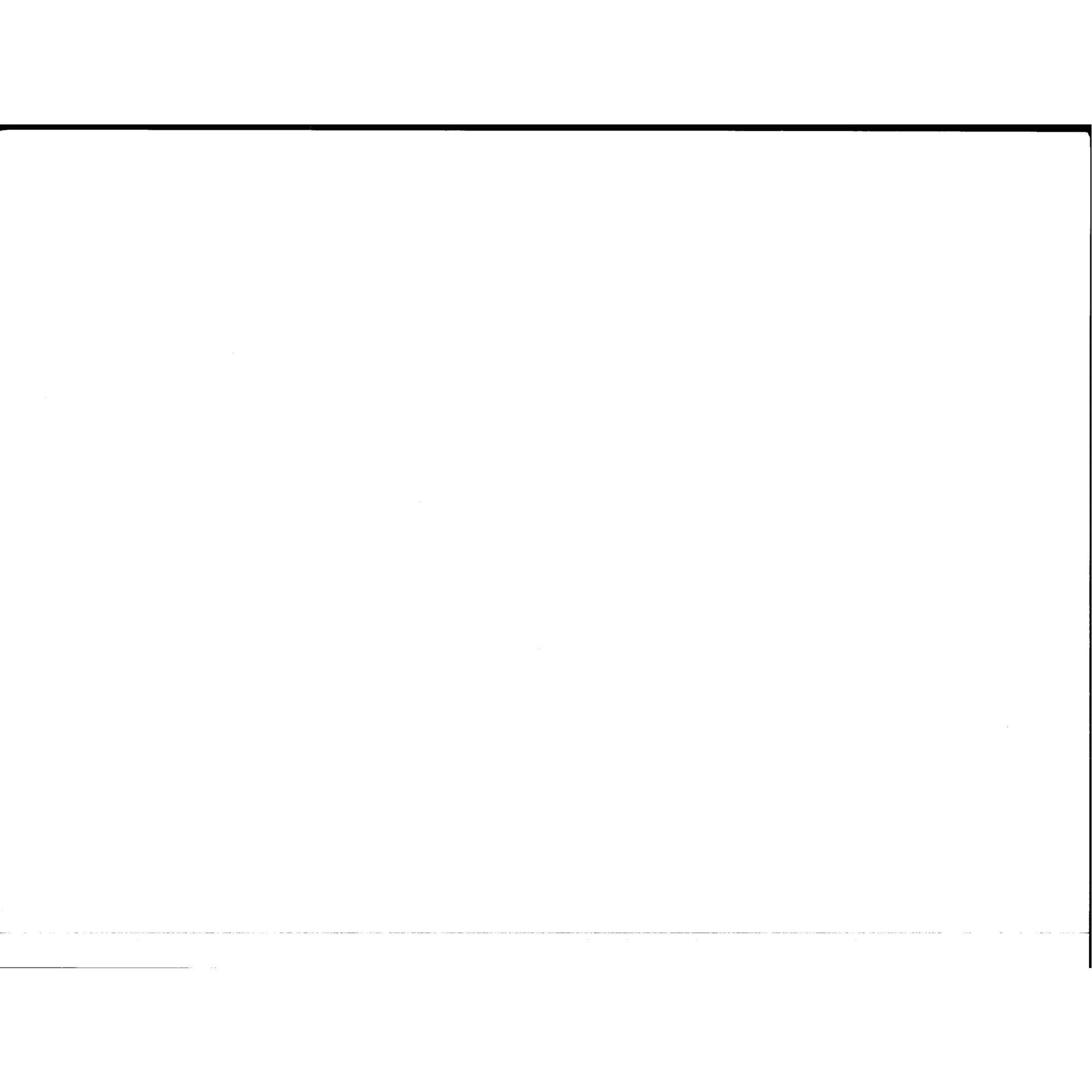
I asked [REDACTED] if she remembered October 13, 2001 "vividly," or could she not remember everything that happened. She said, "Some of them are -- I would have probably fading a little bit. But -- but the beginning of it, yeah, def -- I mean it, that part I remember." I asked [REDACTED] what time the events took place. She said it occurred at approximately 1645 to 1700 hours. I asked [REDACTED] where she was when the incident occurred, and what did she see [REDACTED] was in her front yard on her driveway with her husband, [REDACTED] and they were washing their cars. [REDACTED] children were also outside with her and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] has two children, a five-year-old boy and a 7-year-old girl.

I asked [REDACTED] what she saw. She saw [REDACTED] talking to [REDACTED] on the sidewalk in front of [REDACTED] residence a [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was hugging [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] was crying. [REDACTED] look [REDACTED] inside her [REDACTED] house. Several minutes later, two deputies from the Sheriff's Department arrived. The deputies parked their patrol vehicles across the street from [REDACTED]s house. She could not remember if they arrived in separate vehicles. One of the deputy's talked to [REDACTED] and the other talked to [REDACTED]

I asked [REDACTED] what happened next. She said, "After they were done talking with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] they started to cross the street, across Montgomery to [REDACTED]s house." [REDACTED] saw the deputies go to the front door of [REDACTED] house. [REDACTED] confirmed that the deputies went to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] I asked [REDACTED] what the deputies did at the front door. She could not see what the deputies did, she only saw them go to the front door. I asked [REDACTED] if she heard the deputies say anything. She did not because [REDACTED] was using a pressure washer. I asked [REDACTED] if she saw the deputies enter [REDACTED]s residence. She said she did not.

I asked [REDACTED] what happened next. She said, "I remember seeing the officers kinda like walking but run- -- like a run walk whatever, but backwards. And then I saw them with their guns drawn." I asked [REDACTED] when she saw the deputies, where were they coming from. She

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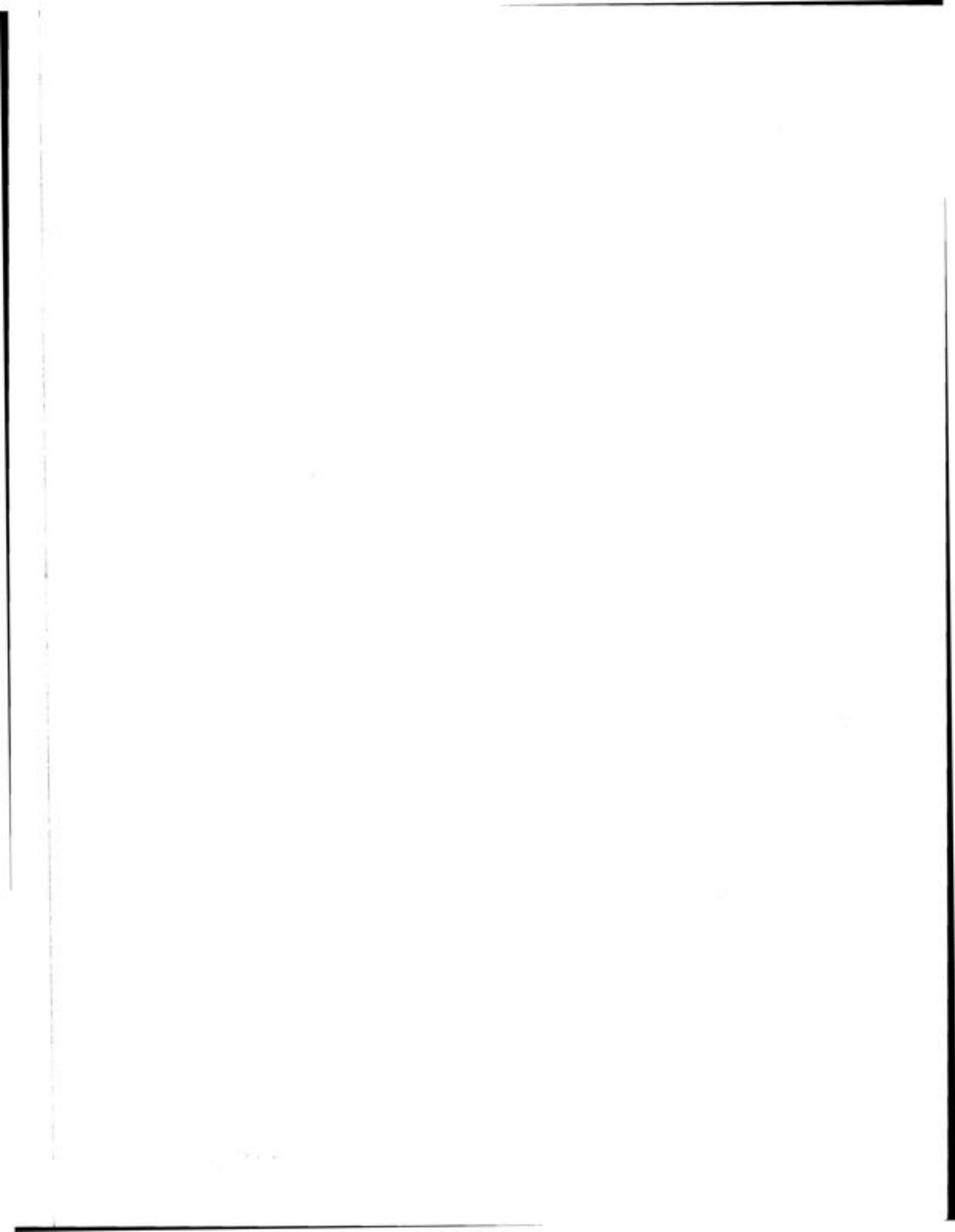
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said, "The front yard, and they were crossing Montgomery." [redacted] confirmed that the deputies were walking backwards. I asked [redacted] what the deputies were doing. She said, "Well the -- Tom wh- -- had a knife at his chest, and they were just walking backwards." I [redacted] if Thomas was in front of the deputies, or behind them. She said, "No, they would be -- he'd be in front of him, and they were walking backwards. Pointing at them." I asked [redacted] if the deputies were walking backwards across Montgomery Road, and Thomas was in front of them walking. She confirmed this. I asked [redacted] where Thomas held the knife. She said, "Pointed at his chest." I asked [redacted] to describe the knife. She said, "It looks like a -- like a kitchen knife." I asked [redacted] how long the knife was. She said the knife appeared to be a "preparing knife." I asked [redacted] to estimate the size of the knife. She used her fingers to indicate the knife was approximately one foot in length.

I asked [redacted] if she could hear Thomas saying anything to the deputies. She said, "No, I heard the deputies say, "Drop it. Drop it." [redacted] continued, "And then, but before this I sa- -- as Tom stepped foot on the sidewalk, and the deputies were now in my dad's front yard. One deputy was on the sidewalk, the other was in the grass. And at that point is when I looked across the street, I'm trying to get my kids in my house, and I saw the neighborhood child's scooting and that's when I was grabbing my kids and trying to come in here. To dial 911 because I didn't want that kid getting hurt." [redacted] said she was able to get her children and bring them into her house. During this time, [redacted] heard the deputies say, "Drop it. Drop it." [redacted] continued, "And then [redacted] from inside her kitchen said, "Tom no. Tom don't do this. Don't do this. Stop." [redacted] said, " And he stopped. And he actually loosened up around his chest. It was like he was gonna -- he was relaxing. He started -- you could see his arm start relaxing." [redacted] said Thomas still held the knife. [redacted] added, "But it was starting to relax and then the cop said, something to the effect -- he was saying something to [redacted] I can't say for sure if it was don't say anything or stop or whatever. He had said something to her, and then -- then Tom just kept coming."

I asked [redacted] where Thomas was coming toward. She said, "Tow- -- like towards coming down the sidewalk I believe." [redacted] said Thomas was going toward her father's front door at [redacted]

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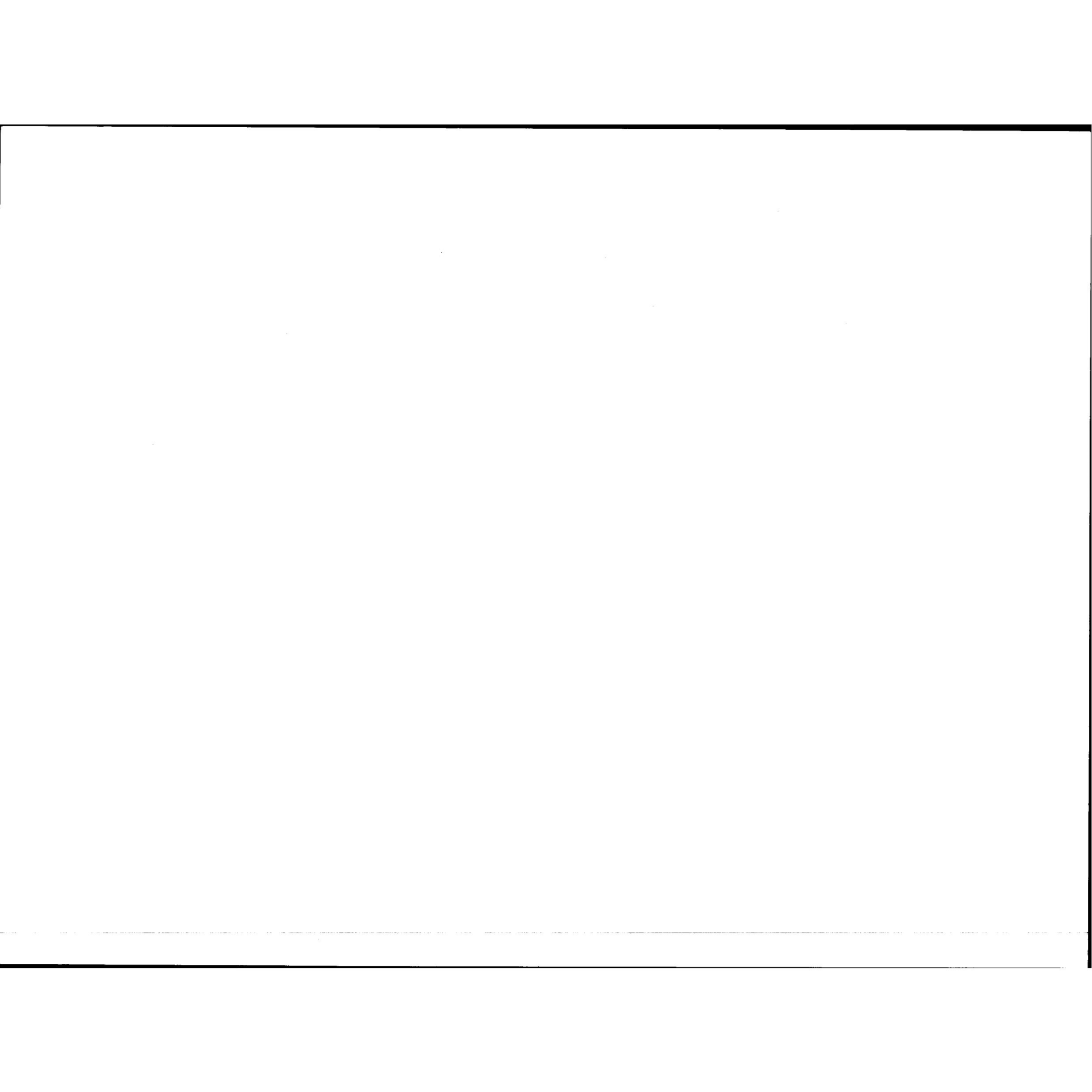
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██████████ I asked ██████████ if she was earlier referring to the sidewalk by the street, or the walkway to her father's front door. She said, "He was still walking up the sidewalk at this time." During this time ██████████ was gathering her children and brought them into her residence. ██████████ remained outside because he could not get the garage door to close. While ██████████ was in her house, she called 911. ██████████ continued, "And then he finally got the door to go down, and then at that time I had my kids back in the bedroom, in the- ██████████ room. And I said, you know, stay in there. But then I went out front." I asked ██████████ if she did this before or after she called 911. She said, "This is during. All of this was during I called 911." I asked ██████████ if she was on the telephone with the 911 operator when she went to the front yard. She said she was. ██████████ added, "I was out front, I was looking, and I also talking to my kids at the same time. So I had the dispatcher, and then I was talking to my children, keeping them back there, whatever at that time."

I asked ██████████ if she went outside through her front door. She said she did. ██████████ added, "I wanted to make sure that he wasn't coming at my house. But I also wanted to make sure my dad was okay. I wanted to make sure he was the -- you know, I just had to make sure he was okay. And then at that point, I saw them aiming their guns down by the front door. And were -- I -- I did not at that point put my eyes on Tom." ██████████ confirmed that the deputies were pointing their weapons at the front door of ██████████ I asked ██████████ if Thomas was located at the front door. She said, "I can't say. And then at that time I came back in. And then I reached my daughter's bedroom, and I heard three shots." I asked ██████████ where her daughter's bedroom is located. She explained to me that her daughter's bedroom is located on the southeast corner of her residence. I asked ██████████ what she heard when she got to her daughter's bedroom. She said, "I was talking with my daughter, and then I heard three shots."

I asked ██████████ what happened next. She said, "My daughter thought they had shot Grandpa. So I'm trying to console her. And told her that it was a stranger." I asked ██████████ what else happened. She said, "My husband came running in the house. He was outside. My husband comes running in the house, "Get down. Get on the floor, here he comes." ██████████ said ██████████ entered the house through the front door.

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I asked [REDACTED] what happened next. She said, "He did whatever he was gonna -- I don't know. I was in the bedroom with my children. And then I was -- I did start coming out here." [REDACTED] confirmed that she was coming to her front door. [REDACTED] continued, "And he said, my husband was saying, "He's still walking. He's up." [REDACTED] said, "And I guess at that time it's whatever he did over there. And then, yeah. And then the next thing I know is I'm still at my -- trying to calm my daughter down. And then I heard eleven shots." [REDACTED] was on her telephone when she heard the shots being fired. I asked [REDACTED] where she heard the shots coming from. She said, "From the front yard of [REDACTED]"

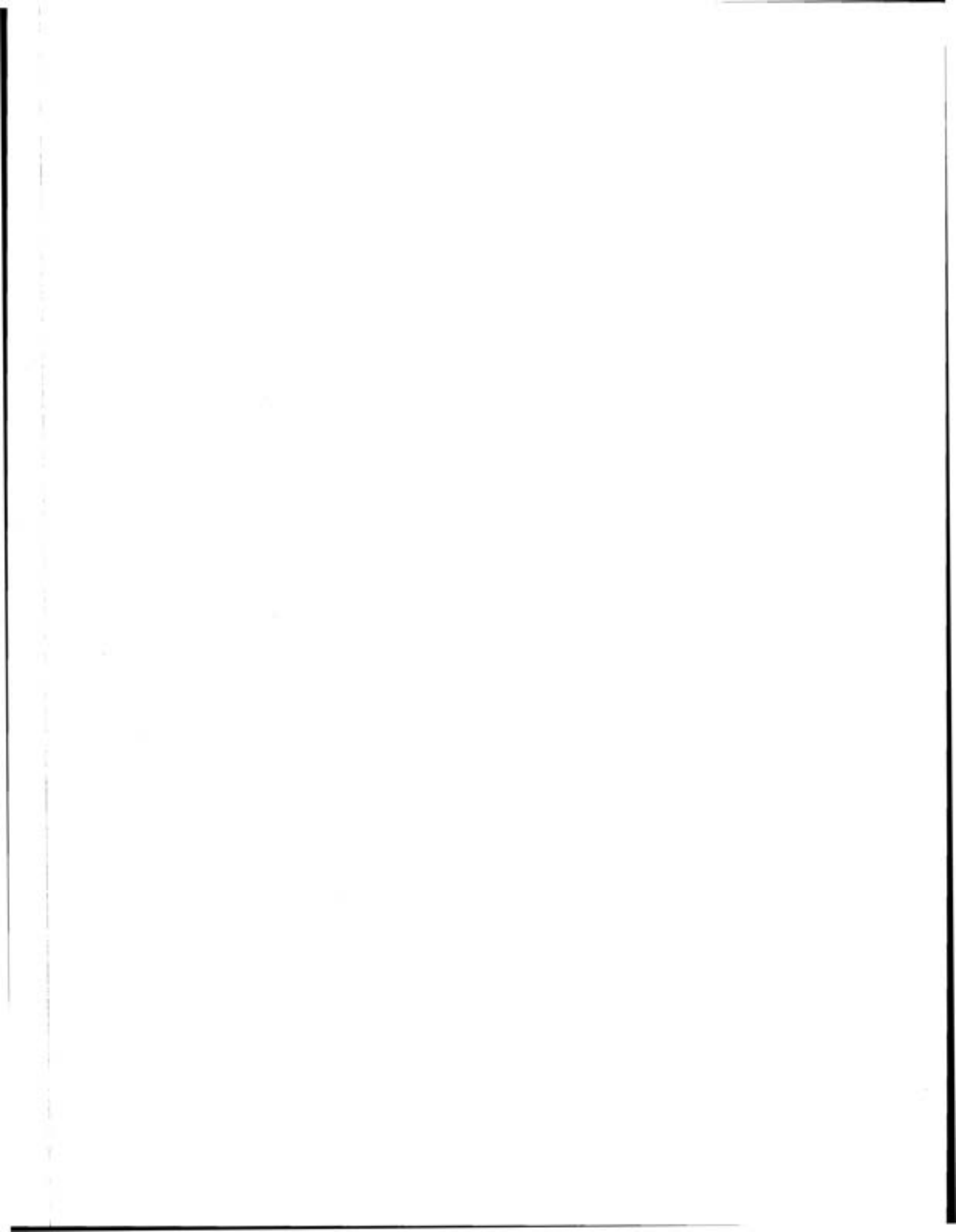
I asked [REDACTED] what happened next. She said, "Oh, I'm sorry. I did look out my front door after the three shots. We thought it was over. And I saw several officers in the front yard of [REDACTED]. And that was it. And then, I just shut the door, and I that's -- and then I was in there with my daughter. 'Cause at that time I'm sure my husband was with me." I asked [REDACTED] how many deputies were in front of [REDACTED] when she looked outside. She said, "It was a glance. I would -- I would say at least four, five. I -- I wasn't counting. But there was several." I asked [REDACTED] if she heard the deputies say anything to Thomas. She said she did not. I asked [REDACTED] if she saw the deputies do anything to Thomas. She said, "No, I saw them with their guns drawn, and I'm sure their talking to him. I mean there not just gonna ignore him, but, and then wh- -- as I came in my daughter came out the hallway, we were still by her room, and then we heard the eleven shots. So we assume, it would have to be over by then. So then we -- I was just talking to the 911. I -- I -- I need to go make sure my dad's okay (as [REDACTED] spoke about her father, she pointed toward her heart)." I asked [REDACTED] if she afraid her father may have suffered a heart attack. She said she was.

[REDACTED] had no additional information to add to this interview.

End of interview.

I released the audiotape of this interview to Sergeant Montagna.

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Interview of Co-worker



On 10/17/01, I was assigned to canvass the neighborhood where Patton lived to determine if there were additional witnesses to the shooting. While in the area, I received information from another party that [REDACTED] had information relative to our investigation.

I contacted [REDACTED] in front of his residence at which time he related to me that he had worked with Patton at Conejo Graphics for approximately 12 years. I spoke to [REDACTED] for a short time before I retrieved my tape recorder.

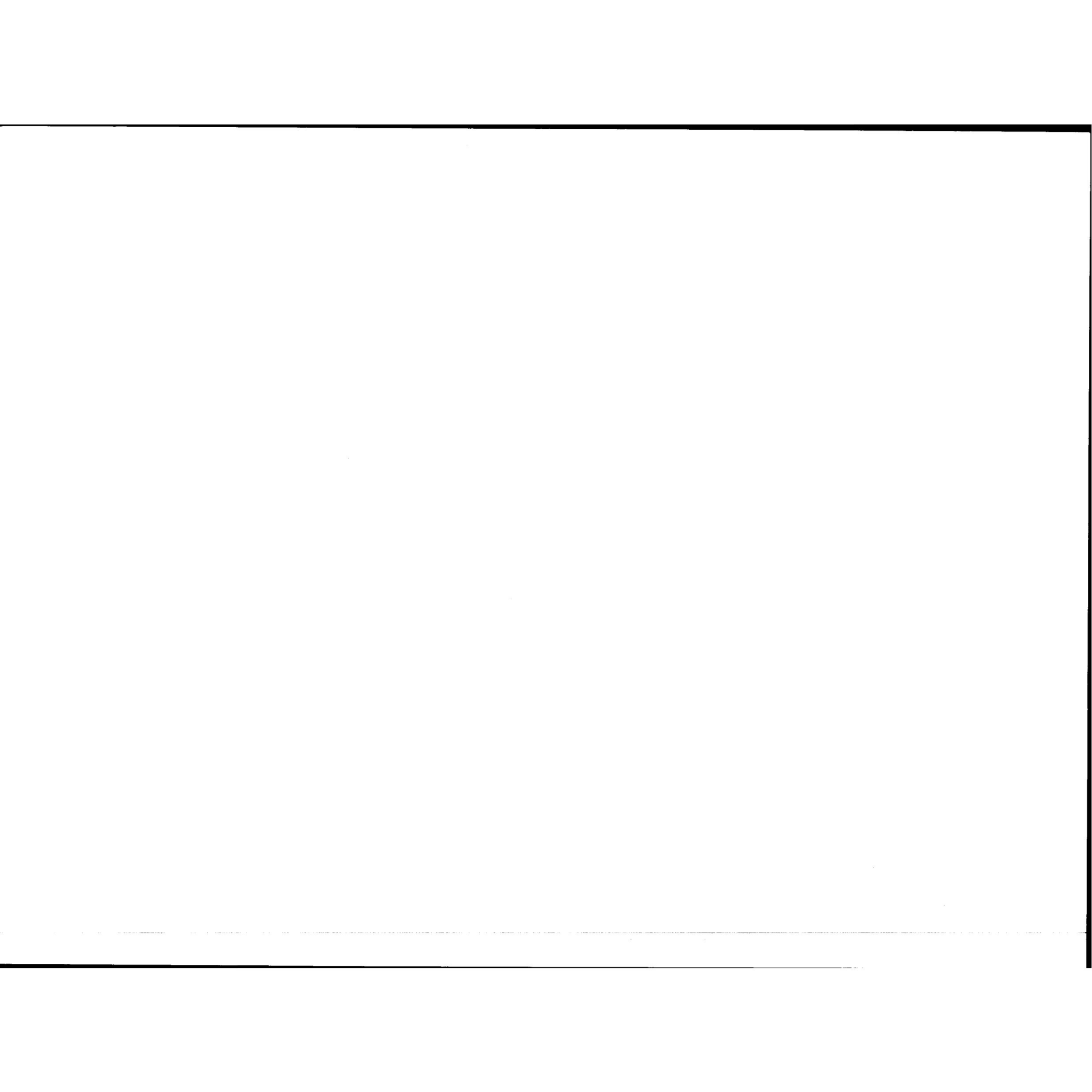
The following is a synopsis of a tape recorded interview and is not verbatim.

I asked [REDACTED] what Patton's job was at the company. He told me that Tom was a "small pressman", and he was a "large pressman" (printer).

[REDACTED] went on to tell me that Tom had a lot of problems, especially financial and was mad at the police. When asked why he was mad at the police, [REDACTED] said that Tom had at least one DUI arrest, maybe two.

[REDACTED] told me that Patton felt that his problems were the fault of everyone else. When I asked if he was a "malcontent", [REDACTED] characterized his as "troubled". He added, "according to

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Tom, everything that happened to him was because of this or because of that and wasn't because of him".

I asked [redacted] about Tom being laid off from work [redacted] told me that Tom was laid off in May after the whole shop went through layoffs and they lost 7 or 8 people. He added that Tom made decent money for a small pressman in the area.

I asked if the layoffs were due to "cut backs" or something that Tom had [redacted] [redacted] said that it was due to cutbacks.

I asked [redacted] if he knew if Tom drank often. [redacted] told me that Tom was sober for the last three years, but used to "binge".

I again asked [redacted] about Tom's financial problems, and if he was in fact making decent money, then why the financial problems. [redacted] explained to that Tom used to own a home, took out a second, drank it away, and ended up moving into the house where he now lived after losing his first house.

I asked [redacted] if he knew where Tom's first house was located. [redacted] said he thought it was on [redacted]

I next asked about a comment that he had made earlier in reference to Tom and his wife having problems. [redacted] said that he knew Tom and his wife have had a lot of problems in the past. He went on to say that he got bits and pieces from Tom.

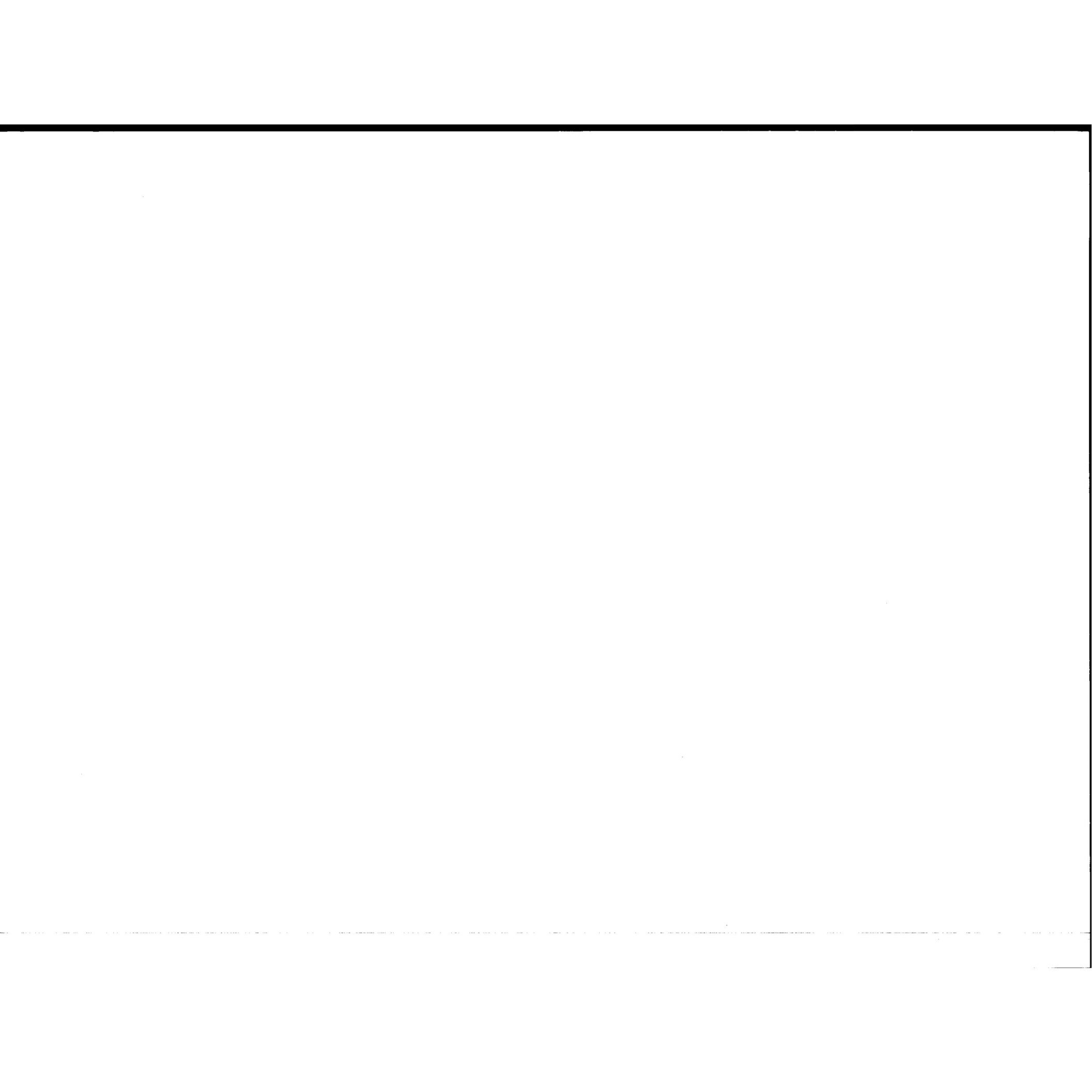
[redacted] said that Tom and his wife were married, but have not been a couple. He explained that even though Tom and his wife were living in the same house, Tom was living in the garage.

When I asked what the reason was for this arrangement, [redacted] told me the wife didn't want them sleeping together, not even in the same bed. I confirmed that it was the wife's idea, and [redacted] thought that it was, but it may have been both their ideas.

I asked [redacted] if he was aware of any domestic problems between Tom and his wife. [redacted] said, "yes". When asked if he was aware of any, [redacted] told me that Tom would sometimes talk about hitting his wife.

[redacted] told me about one incident that he remembered. One day at work he was talking to Tom when he told [redacted] "I really nailed her last night".

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██████ told me that he doesn't believe in hitting women and this upset him. ██████ explained to me that after hearing this from Tom, he told him "why don't you go to a bar, have a few drinks and beat up a man". ██████ said he thought what Tom told him was a cowardly act.

I asked ██████ if Tom had said why it had happened and he told me, "no". ██████ did say that he thought a lot of it was the wife "pushing" him. When I mentioned "pushing his buttons", ██████ readily agreed with this summation. When I asked in what way, ██████ did not know, and was relaying this information to me from what he had heard from work. ██████ added that he did remember one incident that Tom told him about. He explained that according to Tom, the wife was asleep on the couch with the TV on. When Tom sat down in a chair to watch TV, the wife awoke and was upset with him because he changed the channel.

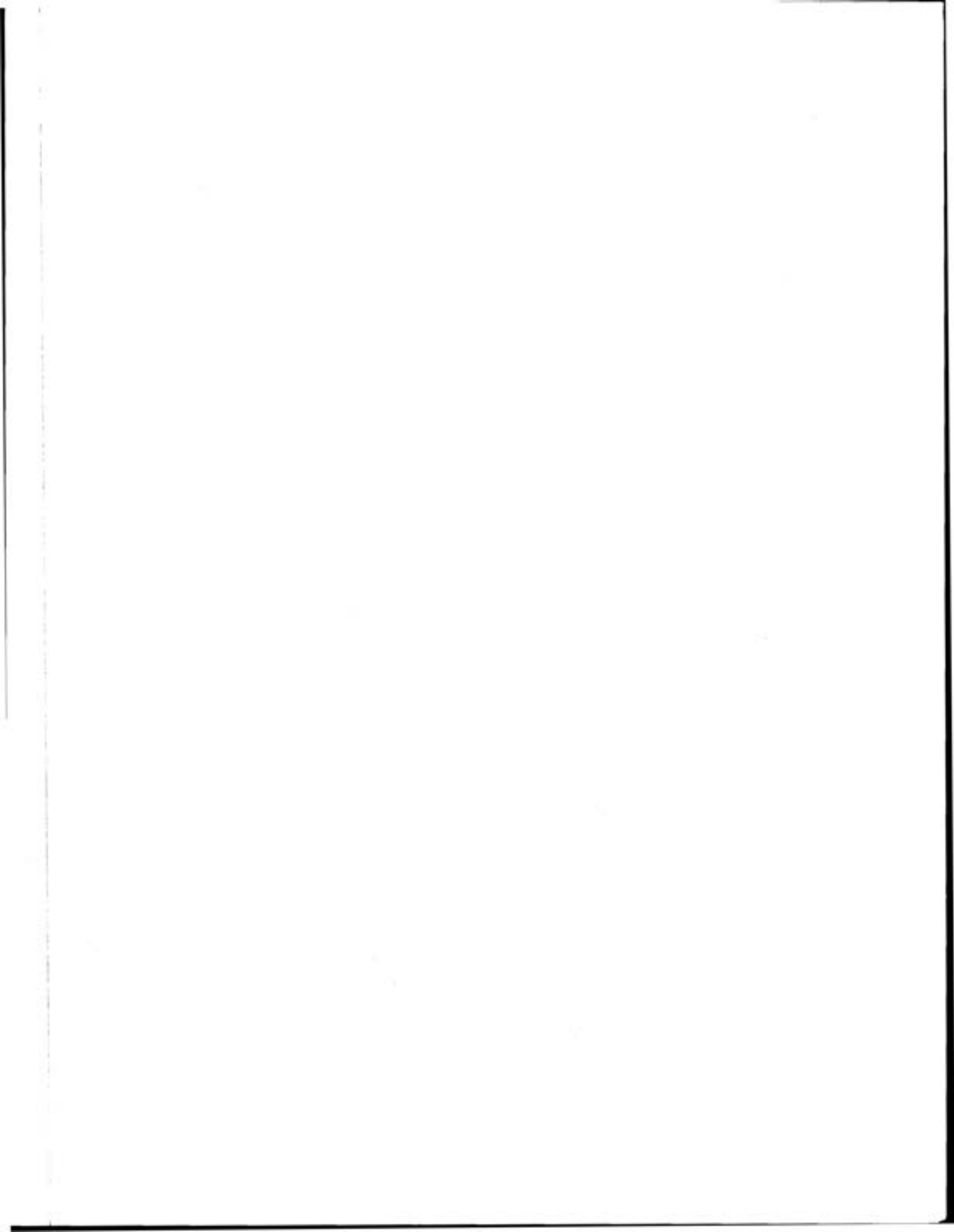
I asked ██████ if he knew if the wife drank also. He said that she did not.

I asked ██████ about a comment he had made earlier in reference to Tom having owned guns at one time, but the wife got rid of them. ██████ told me the wife got rid of the guns due to prior domestics that she and Tom had had. When asked if he knew the time frame for the guns, ██████ said "years".

Next, I asked about a statement ██████ had said about what he had read in the papers about Tom having a knife during the altercation. ██████ said although there were no weapons in the house, he knew that Tom could be violent. ██████ told me that he and Tom almost fought on two different occasions. He explained to me that during the time when Tom was drinking, there was a Christmas party at his boss' house. ██████ told me that Tom had asked him to pick him up for the party. When ██████ got to Tom's house, he knocked several times on both the front door and the back door, but never got an answer. ██████ said that he went back to the front door and knocked again. After no response, ██████ said he left and went to the party without Tom.

Later that night, ██████ said Tom showed up at the party "tanked". The first thing that Tom said to ██████ was, "I should punch you in the face for not picking me up". ██████ said that he invited Tom outside for the opportunity, but decided against it because it was a company Christmas party, so he ██████ left.

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I asked [redacted] about Tom being upset with the cops. [redacted] told me that Tom was not happy with the DUIs. [redacted] explained to me about an incident at work one day after they heard about a police shooting and one of the officers went down. Tom's comment was "ah.... maybe we'll get ten more next time". [redacted] commented again that Tom did not like to police.

I asked [redacted] if he was aware of any mental health issues that Tom may have had. [redacted] said that he didn't, but added that his boss tried to get Tom into "AA", but Tom failed to go to the meetings.

Next, I asked [redacted] if he was aware of any drug use by Tom. [redacted] said that he was not aware of any besides alcohol.

[redacted] said that Tom could be violent. I asked if he was aware of Tom being violent with anyone else. He said it was verbal only. He said that during Tom's drinking period, Tom would try to take on all comers, however when he was sober, he was different.

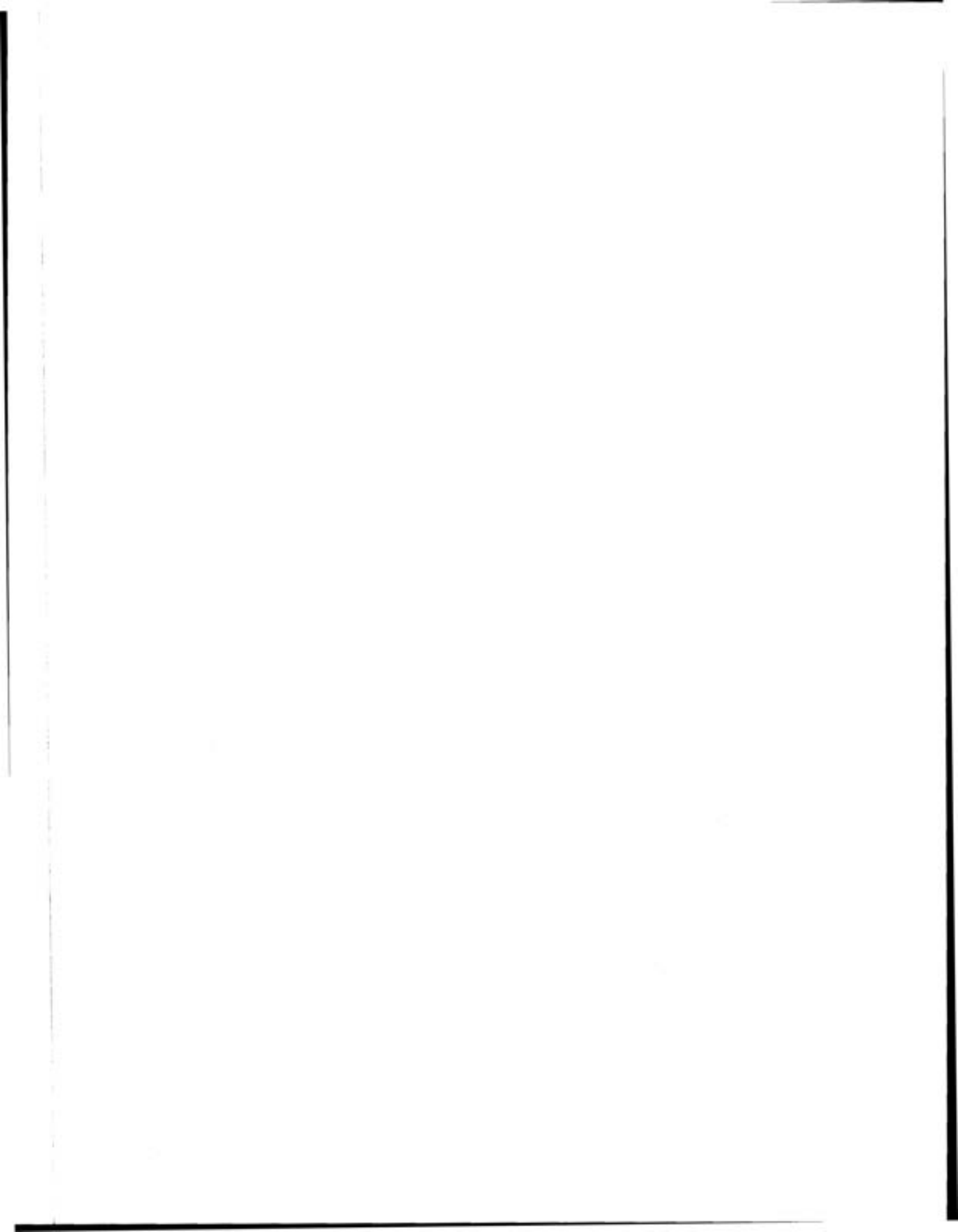
[redacted] said that he never really felt safe after Tom was laid off at work. He explained to me that he sometimes would go to work at 3 or 4 in the morning and always thought, "Tom was the type that would come through the back door" (to shoot someone). [redacted] said that for some reason, Tom blamed him for his layoff.

[redacted] concluded the interview by saying that he hated to see good police officers go down for this incident. He added that the incident did not surprise him, although he was somewhat shocked. [redacted] said that he still thinks, "if Tom had the chance he would have taken one of the police officers down because he hated them so much". He then asked me, why wouldn't he drop the knife.

Shortly after this, my interview concluded.

After writing this interview, I turned my tape over to Sgt. Montagna, the case agent

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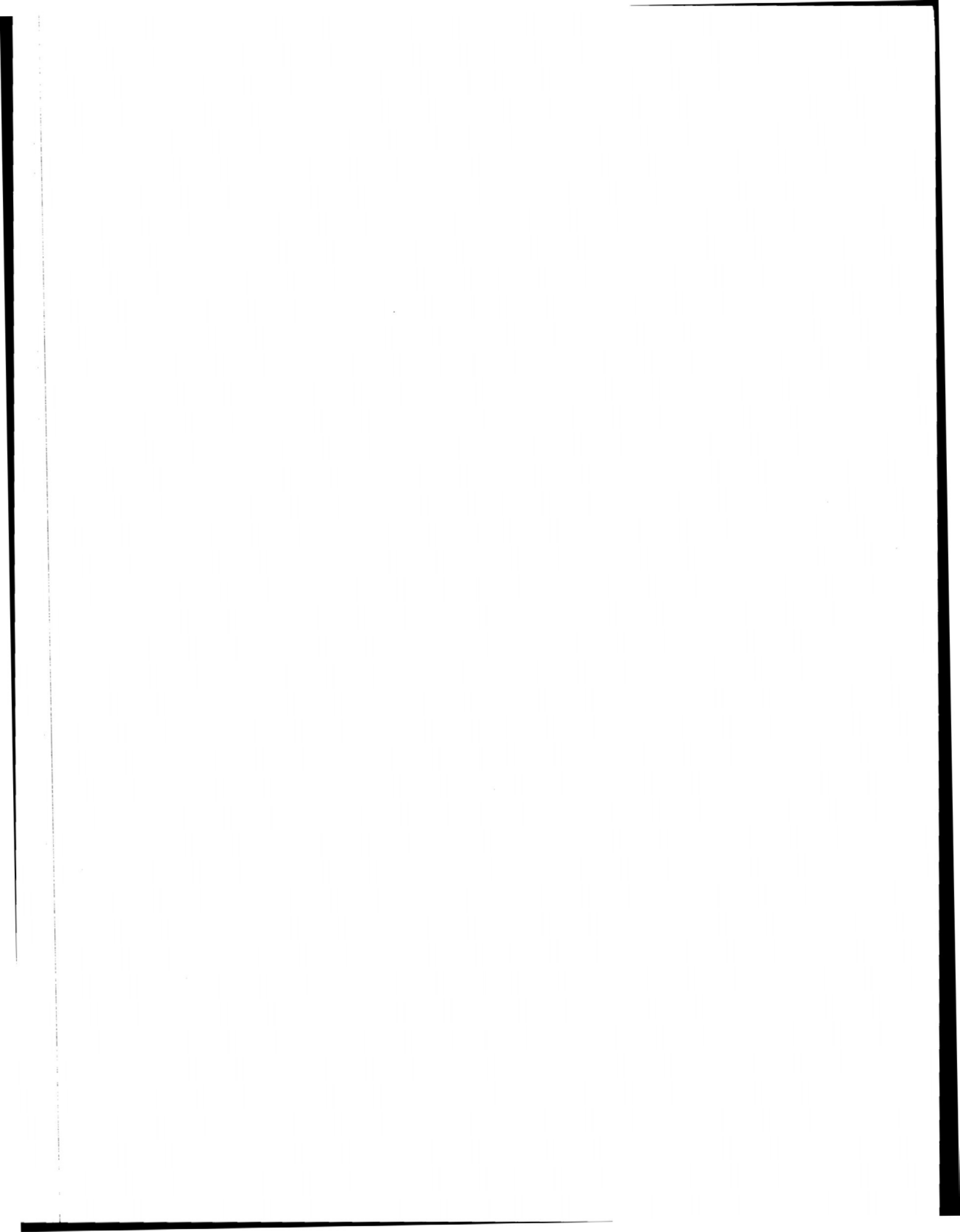
On 10-13-01, I interviewed [REDACTED] regarding this incident. She was identified as Thomas Patton's wife. [REDACTED] was in the backyard of the residence located at [REDACTED] when I contacted her for this interview. At the time [REDACTED] was being interviewed By Detective Tougus. The following is a synopsis of my interview with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] appeared shaken and was sobbing. I noticed a large bump on the left side of [REDACTED] forehead and saw her applying a cold pack to it. During my interview with [REDACTED] I noticed that her speech was slow.

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██████████ said that she just wanted someone to talk to "him" because he was hurting her. ██████████ said, "Maybe they just come over and say, 'Hey' don't do that."


I asked ██████████ if she was okay and asked her if she was hurt. ██████████ said that she was all right and added that Thomas had thrown a television remote at her. I asked ██████████ if her head was okay or if she had a headache. ██████████ said it comes and goes.

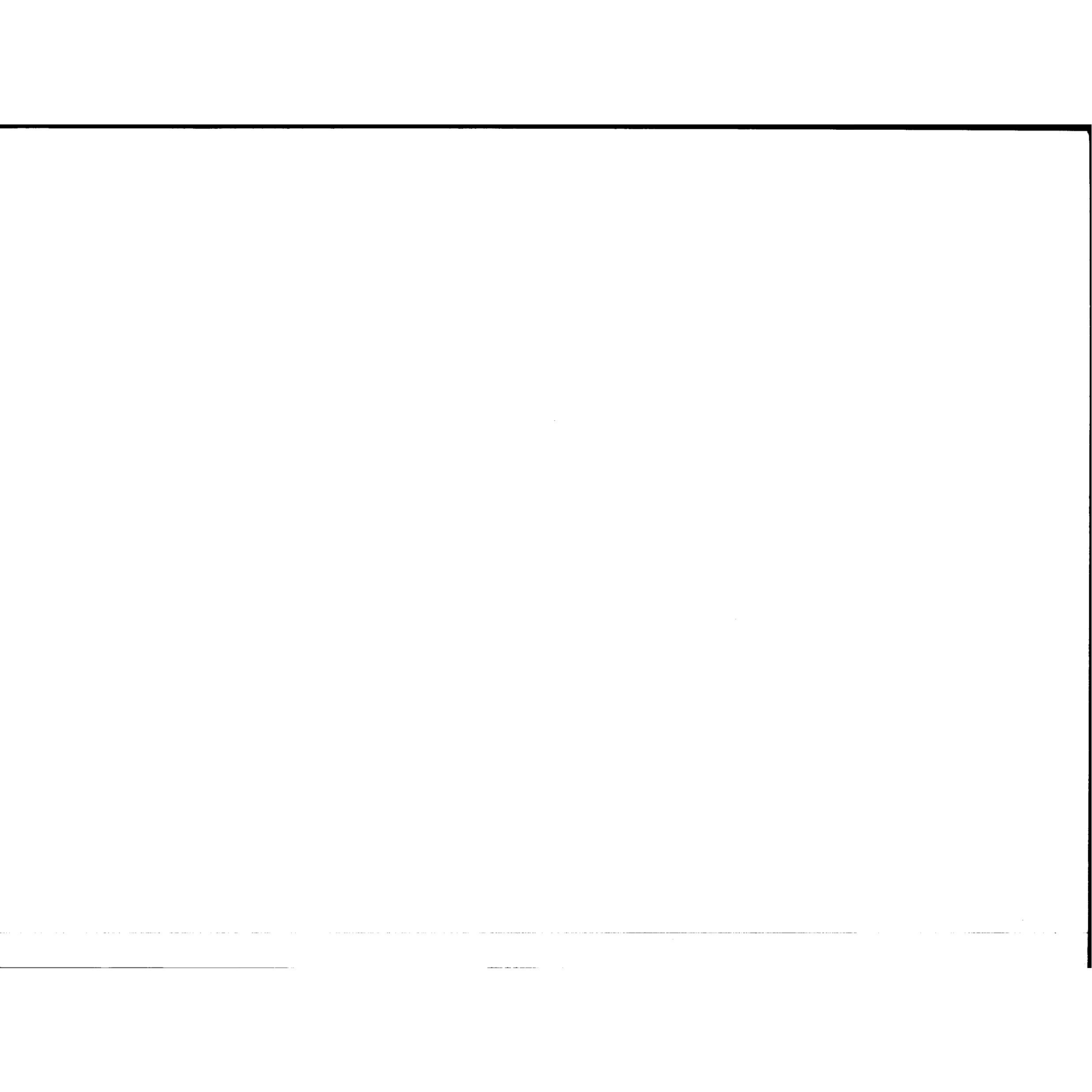
██████████ then asked if it would be okay if she had a cigarette. I told her that it would be okay. ██████████ apologized and said that she has smoked for 20 years. She added that it was the only thing she had in her life. ██████████ said, I don't drink because he was...he drank a lot and he...Uh...now he had a DUI but...now it's all cleared and he is on probation for five years."

I confirmed with ██████████ that she lived at ██████████. She said that she has lived at the residence for about four or five years. ██████████ said they rent the residence and that their landlord lives across the street. I asked for the name of the landlord and she told me it was ██████████.

I asked ██████████ whom she lived with. She told me that she lives with her husband, Thomas Patton and her 15 year-old daughter ██████████. ██████████ said that ██████████ attends Thousand Oaks High School and is an honor roll student.

I asked ██████████ how long she and Thomas have been married. She said that they have been married for 36 years. ██████████ also said that they have two other daughters. She

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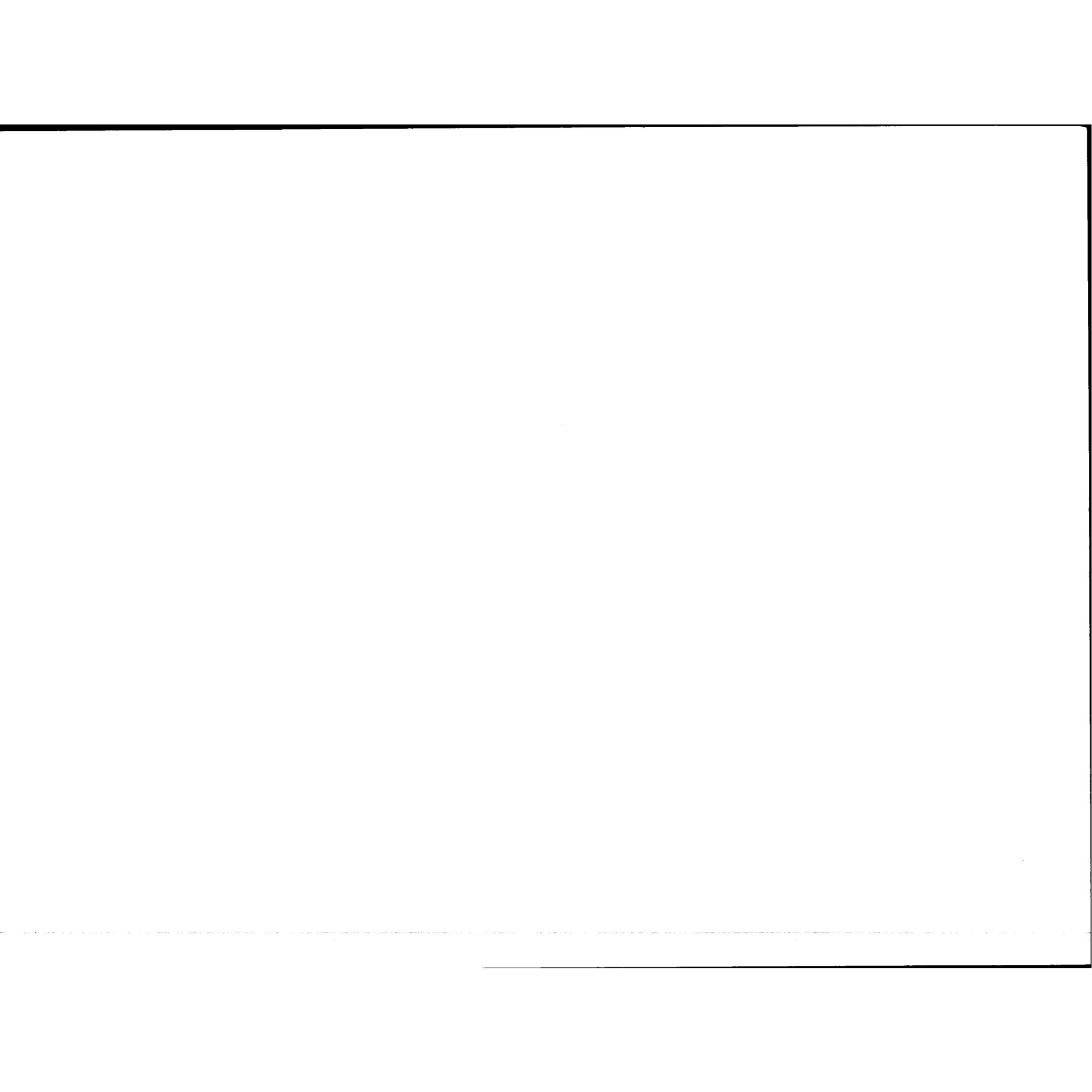
said one of her other daughters is named [REDACTED] and lives on [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said that her daughter [REDACTED] was with [REDACTED] this evening. [REDACTED] also said that she has a 32 year-old daughter named [REDACTED] who lives in Illinois.

I asked [REDACTED] about the incident that occurred tonight that caused her to call the police. [REDACTED] told me that Thomas got upset with her this morning so she just stayed out of his way. I asked [REDACTED] why Thomas became upset with her. [REDACTED] said she did not know. She then went on to tell me that Thomas lost his job over the summer and had to get another job. [REDACTED] said that Thomas felt bad because he was only getting paid half of what he was getting paid before.

[REDACTED] said that they had to go to the county to get aid. She said that Thomas had just enough money to pay the rent, but not enough for food. [REDACTED] said they have been trying to figure out what to do until she got a job or Thomas could find a different job. [REDACTED] said Thomas was very depressed over their situation. [REDACTED] said she tried to tell Thomas that they needed to just try and do the best they could.

[REDACTED] told me that Thomas was making \$12 dollars an hour and was not too happy about his pay. [REDACTED] said Thomas worked for Conejo Graphic for 14 years before he was laid off. I asked [REDACTED] why Thomas was laid off. She said that Thomas's boss told him that he was cutting down. [REDACTED] said that Thomas was now working for Quick Print.

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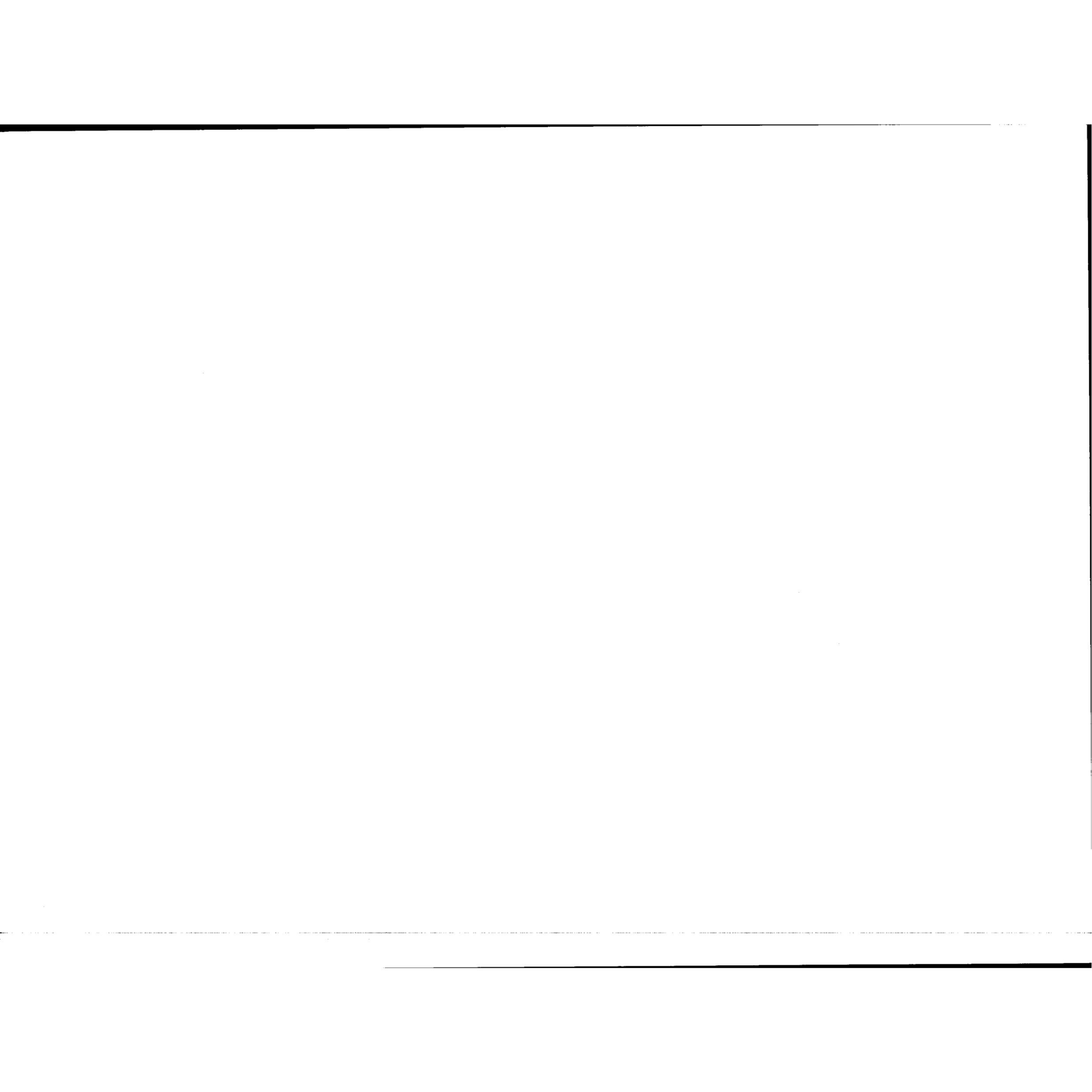
██████████ told me that they had lived in Thousand Oaks for 30 years. She said that they lived at their previous address for about 20 or 30 years. She said they had to move from their previous residence because their landlord went bankrupt.

I asked ██████████ if Thomas was depressed before or after he lost his job. ██████████ said that she thought Thomas was happier before he lost his job. I asked ██████████ what type of assistance they got from the county. She said they tried to get some help, but they were not able to get food stamps because Thomas made \$200.00 too much. ██████████ then told me they did receive food stamps during the month that Thomas was looking for a job.

I asked ██████████ what time they got up this morning. She said they got up at about 0700 hours. ██████████ said they got up early because ██████████ had cross-country. I asked ██████████ if Thomas had to work today. She said, "No." ██████████ said that they dropped ██████████ off at the coach's house. ██████████ later called her at 1100 hours and told ██████████ she was ready to come home.

I asked ██████████ what time they left this morning. She said that ██████████ had to be at the coach's house at 0830 hours and it only takes about 5 to 10 minutes to get there. I asked ██████████ if Thomas was upset or angry with her during the time they got up and left. ██████████ said that Thomas appeared depressed. I asked her why and she said that Thomas felt bad because he was not bringing in as much money. ██████████ said that Thomas was doing the best he could and that she could not find a job.

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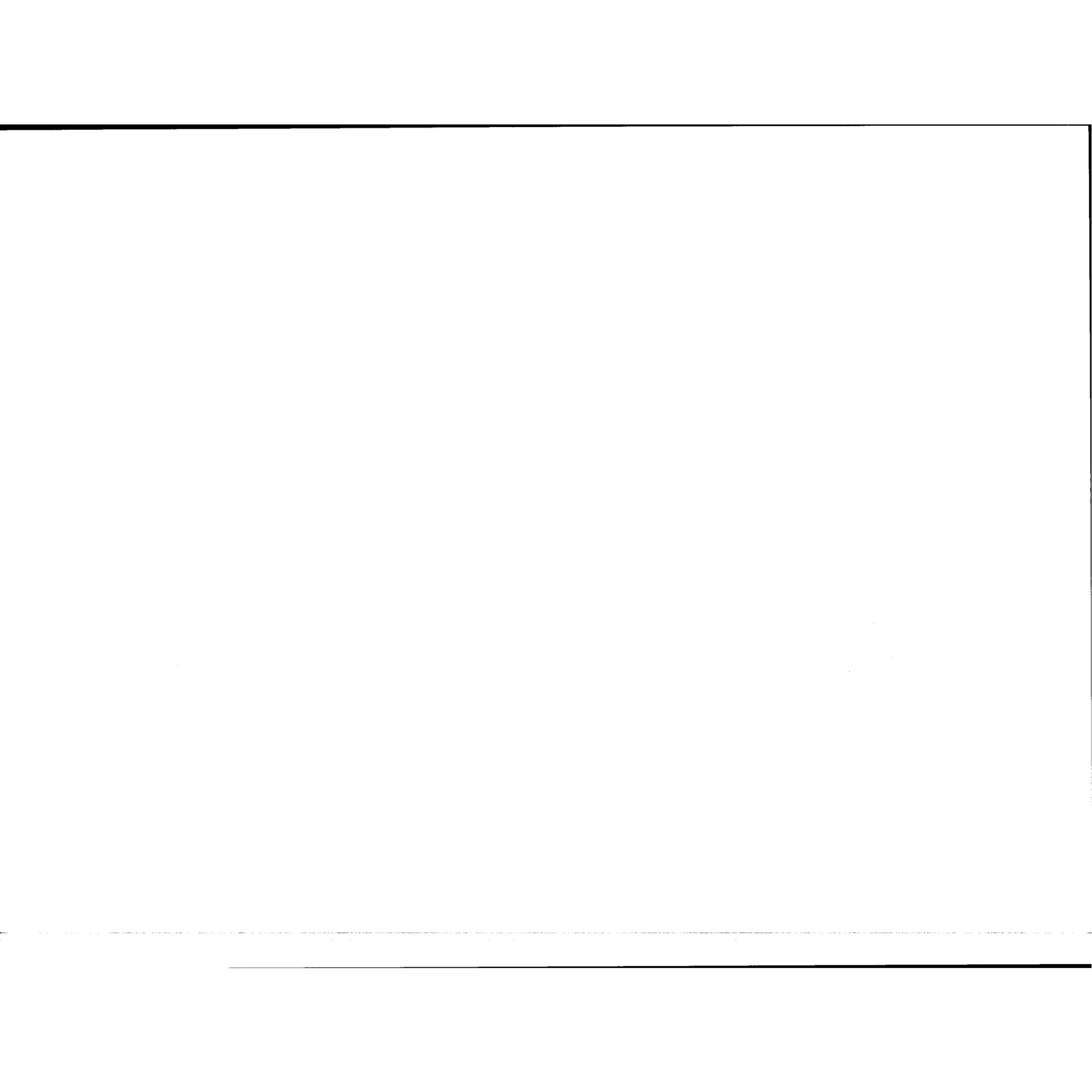
I asked [redacted] if Thomas said anything to her this morning that made her feel he was depressed. [redacted] said that all he did was watch football. She said Thomas watched football from the time it started this morning. [redacted] said she just checks in on Thomas every once in a while.

I asked [redacted] if she and Thomas dropped off [redacted] this morning. [redacted] said that her daughter [redacted] picked her up and she and Thomas did not leave this morning. I asked [redacted] what happened between her and Thomas after [redacted] left. She said that Thomas watched television all day. I asked her if she and Thomas had any arguments during the day. [redacted] told me that there were a couple of things that did not make Thomas happy. I asked her what those things were. [redacted] said she asked Thomas about putting up Halloween decorations. She told Thomas that she did not care if he did it between games or later on during the weekend. I asked her if the decoration were put up and she said, "No."

I asked [redacted] if she and Thomas discussed anything else during the day. She said there were a couple of times that she might have upset Thomas. I asked about those times. [redacted] told me that Thomas told her he just wanted to watch the television. [redacted] said she went into the other room and she turned on the other television. [redacted] said that for some unknown reason, Thomas became upset and threw a remote control at her.

I asked [redacted] if she and Thomas were arguing before he threw the remote at her. She said, "No." I asked [redacted] where she was standing when Thomas threw the remote.

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██████████ said that she was in the garage where Thomas was watching television and that was when he threw the remote control at her.

I asked ██████████ if Thomas was upset or gave her any indication that he was going to throw something at her. She said that sometimes she just has to be careful. ██████████ then said she did not know. She added that she just could not understand because she always tried to be so positive. ██████████ said there was always something she would say or do that would set Thomas off.

I asked ██████████ if she said anything to Thomas before he threw the remote at her. She said they were just talking about what to have for dinner. ██████████ said she also asked Thomas if he wanted to go out and do anything. Thomas told her that he wanted to stay home.

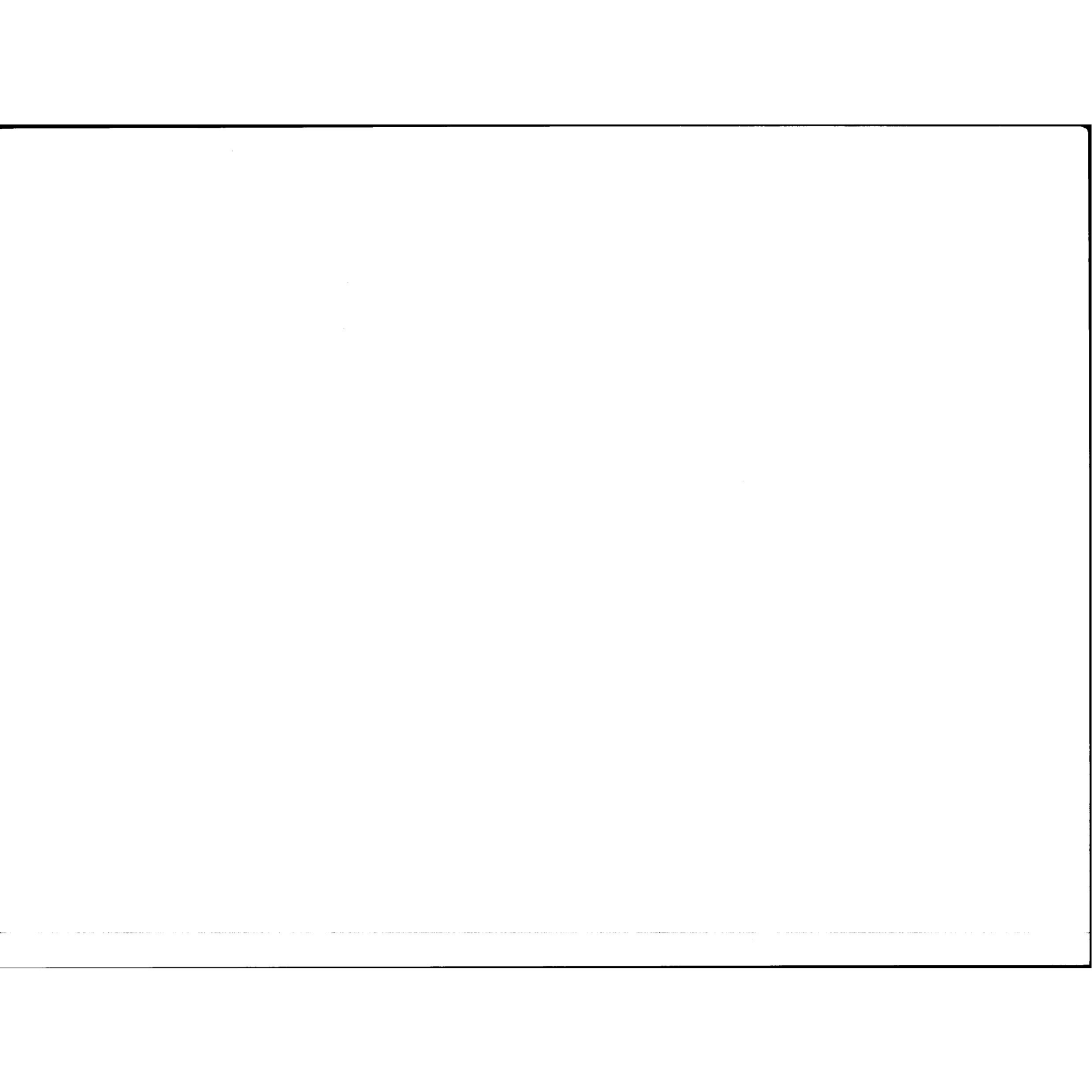
██████████ then said that there were just a couple of times that Thomas got mad at her. She said that it takes a lot for her to get angry. She said that she basically takes a lot of "crap." ██████████ said that she just lets it go or walks away. She said that Thomas would say things to hurt her feelings. She also said things that would belittle her. I asked ██████████ if Thomas was angry with her when he threw the remote at her. She said, "Yeah, I guess I said something." ██████████ said that Thomas picked up the remote after he hit her with it and said, "Hey you got a bump on you."

██████████ said that Thomas took the remote and threw it at himself a couple of times. Thomas then told ██████████ "Must really...what's wrong with you, you have a big bump there." Thomas also said to her, "I'm taking the remote and throwing it against my head

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and I don't get a bump." [REDACTED] said the injuring to her head hurt so she went and got an ice pack to apply over it.

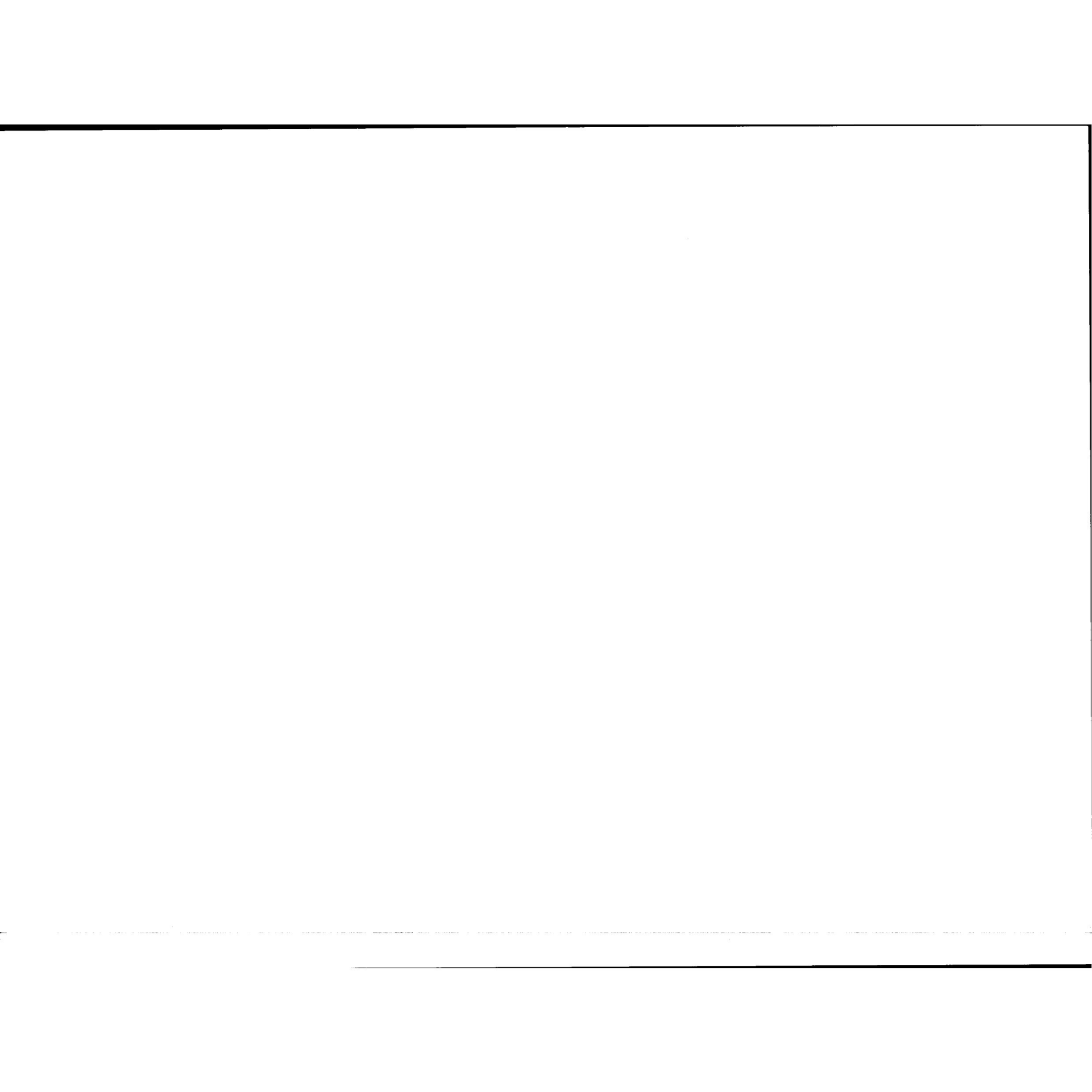
[REDACTED] said that Thomas stayed in the garage and continued to watch television. Thomas then came in the kitchen where [REDACTED] was and said, "That ice pack might help." [REDACTED] told Thomas that she did not know and that she figured it might take a little longer. Thomas told [REDACTED] "Maybe it can get down before [REDACTED] gets home."

[REDACTED] said that every time something happened, Thomas would always apologize for his actions. She said that they have been married for 36 years and that they have seen a lot. She said that you get to the point where you can almost "read each other."

[REDACTED] said that after she got the ice pack for her head, she got the telephone and made a call to her daughter, [REDACTED]. She said that [REDACTED] was not home so she left a message on the answering machine. [REDACTED] said that in her message she told [REDACTED] "your father hit me and I don't think he should have and I just think maybe [REDACTED] should try to say, 'you don't do this.'" I asked [REDACTED] what time it was when she made the call. She said it was sometime between 1430 and 1500 hours.

I asked [REDACTED] what happened later this evening. She did not answer me. I asked [REDACTED] if she and Thomas got into another argument. [REDACTED] shook her head, "No." [REDACTED] told me that she came over to her neighbor's house. [REDACTED] said she was out walking her dog when her neighbor saw that she was in pain. [REDACTED] said, "I tried to act cool, you know, and she said, 'Oh, my God.'"

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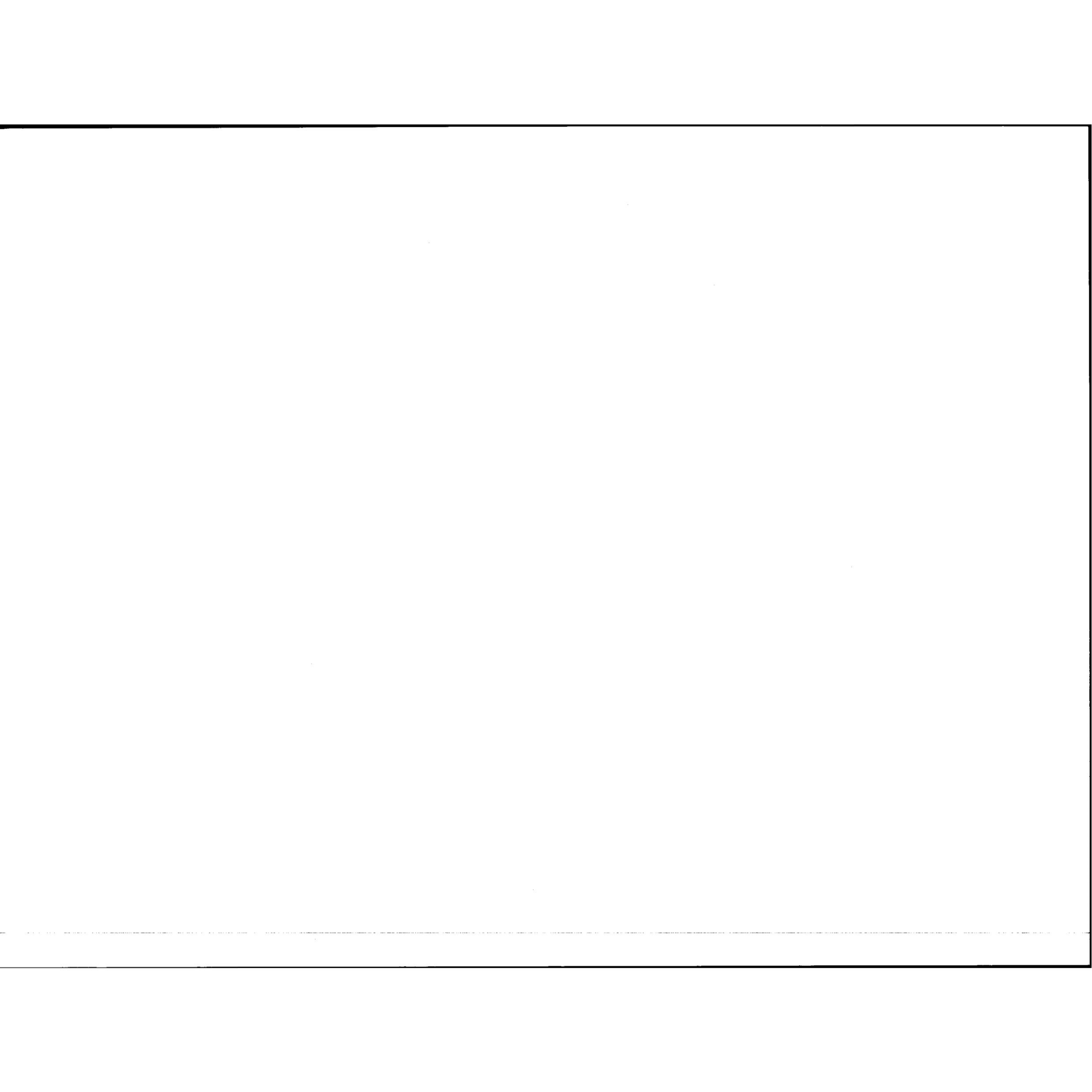
I asked [redacted] if her neighbor asked her what happened. [redacted] said she did not have to say anything because her neighbor already knew. I asked [redacted] if they called the police. [redacted] said that her neighbor called and that she wanted the police to go and talk with Thomas. I asked [redacted] if the police came to her neighbor's house. [redacted] said, "yeah."

I asked [redacted] if she knew how many officers came to the house. She said she did not know, but said it was a few. I asked [redacted] if she knew they were police officer because they were wearing uniforms. I asked [redacted] if they questioned her about what had happened between her and Thomas. [redacted] said they did. I asked her if she told the officer that Thomas had thrown the remote control at her. She said, "Yeah."

I asked [redacted] what happened after that point. She said that she was talking to the officer and does not remember too much after that. She said that the officers were trying to figure out if she was okay. I asked [redacted] if the officers left after they spoke to her. [redacted] said that some of the officers went back and forth and that some of them stayed with her.

[redacted] said that she thinks there was a gunshot. I asked her if she heard any gunshots. She nodded her head "yes." I asked [redacted] where she was at when she heard the gunshots. [redacted] said that her neighbor told her to get in the house because Thomas was after her. I asked [redacted] where she was at when her neighbor said that to her. [redacted] said she was outside in front of the residence. I asked her if this was after the police officer talked with her. [redacted] said, "Yeah." I asked [redacted] if she and

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
her neighbor walked outside after the police officers left. [REDACTED] said she did not know because the officers told her to stay in the house.

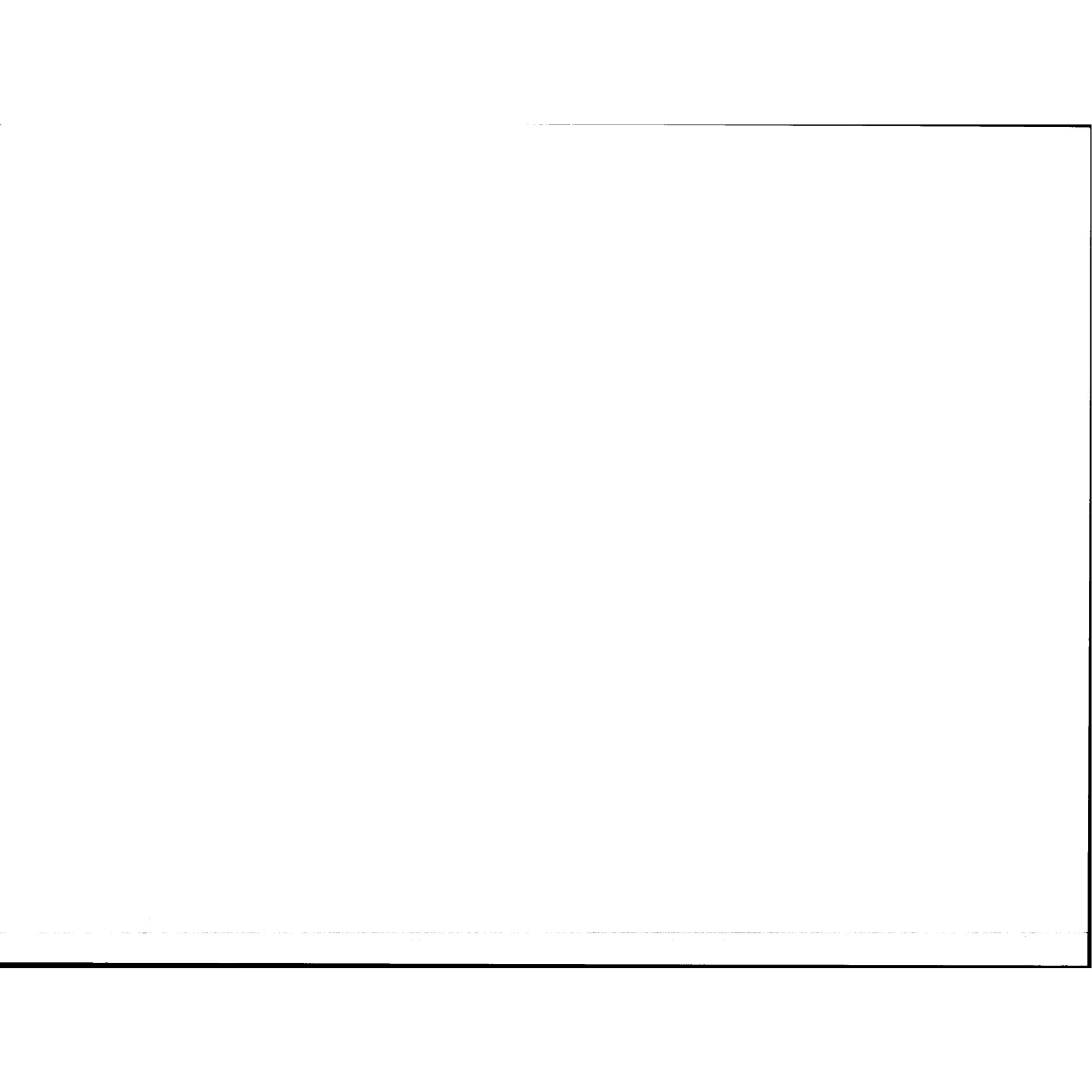
I asked [REDACTED] where she was at when she heard the gunshots. [REDACTED] said that she was inside the house. I asked her how many gunshots she heard. She said that she did not know how many. I asked [REDACTED] if she saw Thomas. She said that she might have seen him for an instant moment. I asked her what Thomas was doing when she saw Thomas. [REDACTED] said, "I guess he was talking." [REDACTED] added that someone told her that Thomas was after her. I asked her where she was when she saw Thomas. She said that Thomas was out in front of her neighbor's house.

I asked [REDACTED] if she remembered what Thomas was wearing when she saw him. [REDACTED] said she did not remember. I asked [REDACTED] if she remembered if Thomas was holding or carrying anything. She said, "no."

I asked [REDACTED] if she remembered hearing any other gunshots. She said, "No." I asked her what happened after that point. [REDACTED] told me that she did not know. [REDACTED] said that she wanted to call [REDACTED] and also get her cigarettes. I asked her if she remembered Thomas coming to the house. She said she did not remember. I asked her if she remembered hearing more than one gunshot. She said, "Yeah, there was more than one."

I asked [REDACTED] if Thomas had been drinking today. [REDACTED] said, "no." She added that they do not have any liquor in the house because of Thomas' DUI arrest. She said

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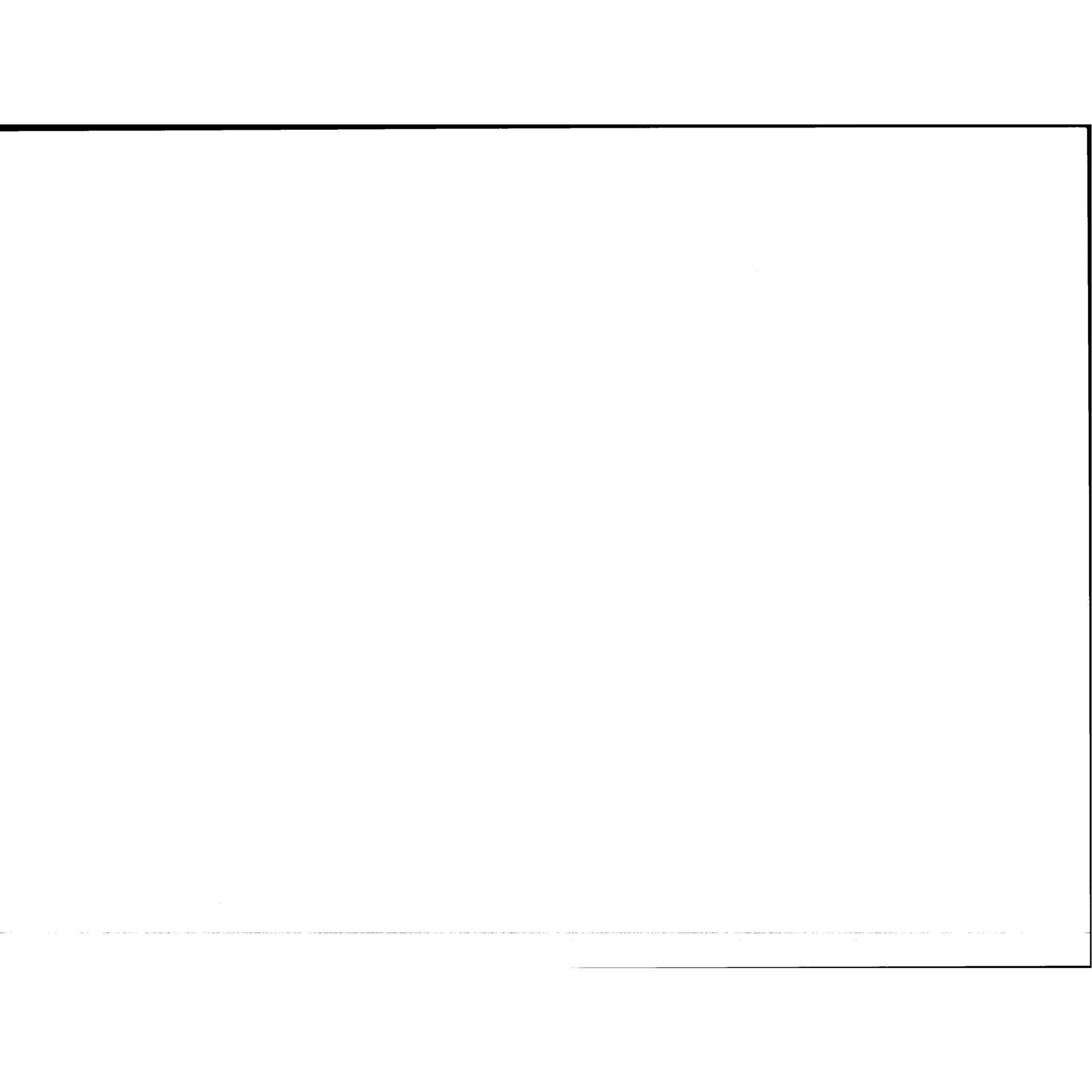
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that Thomas was doing really well with his probation. She said that Thomas still had a couple more years before he completed his probation.

I asked [redacted] if she stayed at this house after her neighbor saw the injury to her head. [redacted] told me she was at the first house. I asked her if she went back to her house after she came over to this house. She said, "no." [redacted] said she wanted to call [redacted] and let her know what's going on. [redacted] said she did not know [redacted] telephone number because she had it on a speed dial. I asked her for [redacted] last name and she said it was a really weird last name and said that [redacted] number was not listed. She said that [redacted] works at Albertson's Supermarket. I asked [redacted] if [redacted] was at work. [redacted] said, "No, she is with my daughter [redacted]" [redacted] said that [redacted] last name was [redacted]

[redacted] began to cry. She then said, "I just really messed up, I should have just grinned and bear it." I asked [redacted] if things like this have happened before. [redacted] said, "Well, yeah...I just do something else or you know...here and there...you know married couples you know how it goes." I asked [redacted] if the police have contacted them before regarding their domestic problems. [redacted] said that about ten years ago when Thomas was drinking, the police were coming out. I asked [redacted] how many times Thomas has hit her in the past. [redacted] said, "Quite a bit here and there." I asked [redacted] if she ever had to go to the hospital or doctor because of the beatings. [redacted] said, "No." I asked [redacted] what kind of injuries Thomas had inflicted on her. She said bruises, pulled hair, choking, and pushing. [redacted] said that Thomas had pushed her through a screen door about one month ago. I asked her what screen door and she said it was the rear door.

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
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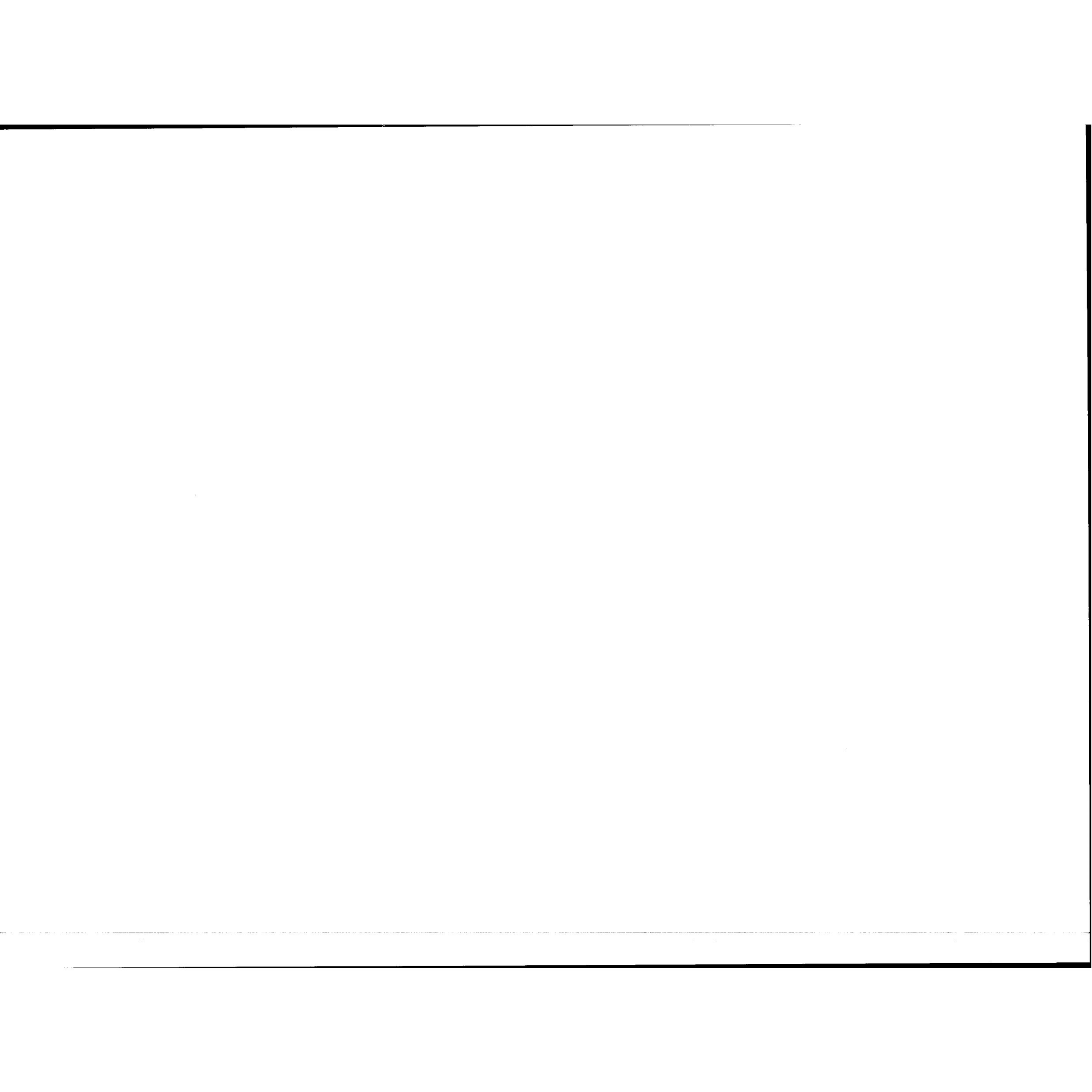
I asked [REDACTED] if Thomas had any guns in the house. She said they got rid of their guns a long time ago. I asked [REDACTED] if Thomas carried any knife on his person. [REDACTED] said, "No." I asked her if Thomas had ever threatened her with a knife or a gun before. [REDACTED] said, "No, but I have had a bunch of weird stuff stuck in my face." I asked [REDACTED] what she was referring to and she said, "like a broom."

I asked [REDACTED] if Thomas has ever cut her or broken anything. She shook her head, "No." I asked [REDACTED] if Thomas has ever been violent with anyone else. [REDACTED] said, "No, just me." [REDACTED] said that she loved Thomas and he loved her.

[REDACTED] said it was hard after they lost their last home and when Thomas lost his job. [REDACTED] said that it took her a while to get herself together after they lost their last home. [REDACTED] said that they always had fun together, but there was always "something that would get" to Thomas that she could not figure out. [REDACTED] said that Thomas would call her names that really hurt her. [REDACTED] said that she would just let it go in one ear and out the other.

I asked [REDACTED] if she knew what time she came over to her neighbor's house. She said she did not know. I asked her if she last saw Thomas at their home. She said, "yeah." I asked [REDACTED] if Thomas had any knives in the garage. She said, "No." I asked [REDACTED] if Thomas had threatened her with a knife. She said, "No, just the remote." She added, "That's what he got me with right here." [REDACTED] then pointed to the bump on the left side of her head. [REDACTED] said that Thomas said he was sorry and said it looked like it hurt.

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██████████ then told me that she wanted to go back home and that she did not know what was going on. ██████████ said she did not know what to do. ██████████ then began to talk about her daughter, ██████████. She said that other than her daughter, ██████████ she did not have any other relatives living her locally. She said she has another daughter who lives in Illinois.

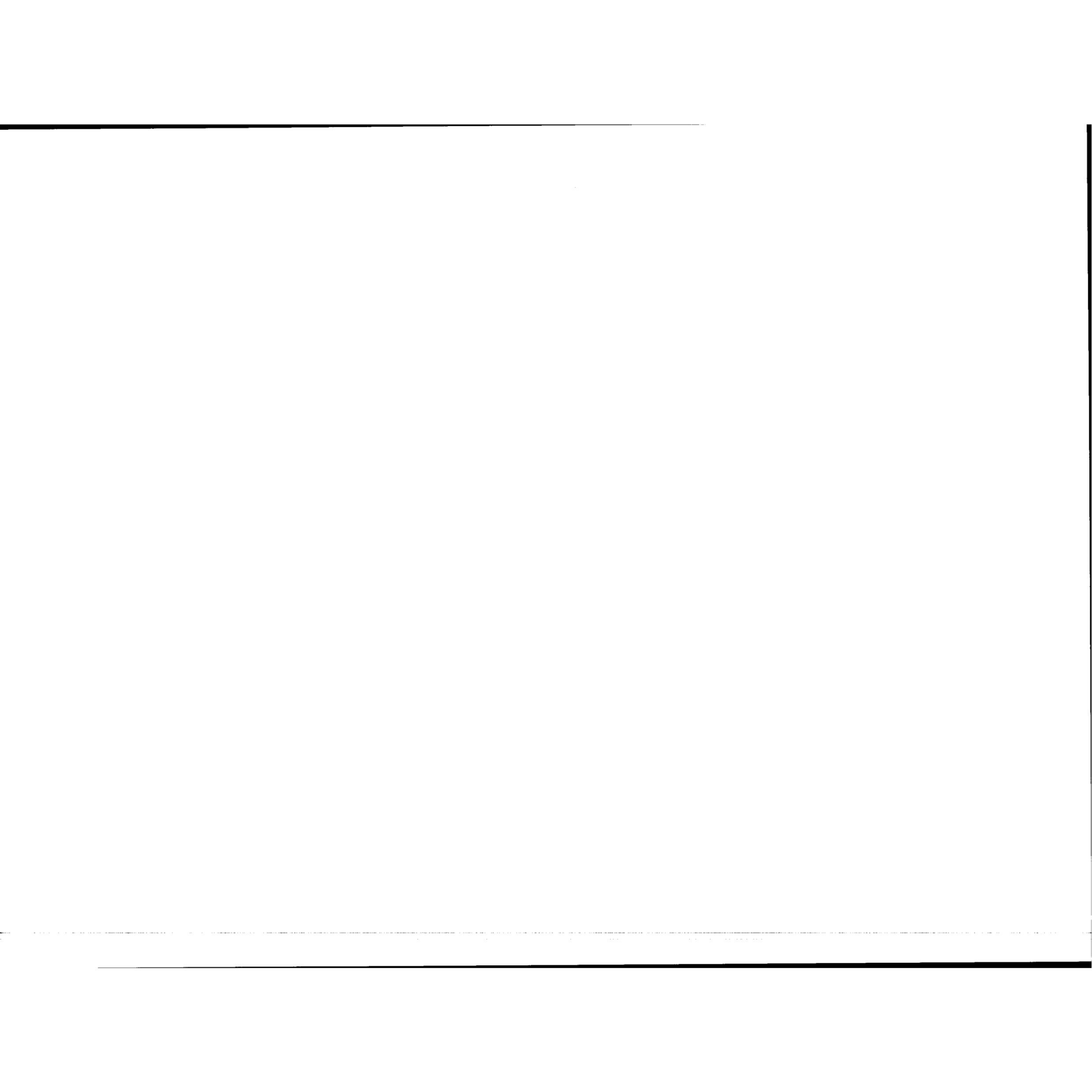
██████████ neighbor, ██████████ joined us. She had been talking with Detective Peterson. ██████████ was the neighbor who ██████████ went to after Thomas hit her. ██████████ was also the one who called the police to report the spousal battery.

At this time the first side of the audiotape had ended. While I turned the tape over, ██████████ began talking with ██████████. I heard ██████████ asked ██████████ if she had told me that Thomas choked her a few days ago. ██████████ said, "No." I started the tape and asked ██████████ about Thomas choking her.

██████████ told me that Thomas would sometimes choke her. I asked her if Thomas choked her a few days ago. ██████████ said, "yeah, when he would hit me and I put my hands out to protect myself and I got a couple of bruises too." ██████████ said she figured she would just "go with the flow."

██████████ then said, "What did he tell you he was going to do to you ██████████ and no one was going to know...what did he say?" ██████████ said, "He said he was going to kill me." ██████████ said that Thomas also told her that he was going to kill ██████████. ██████████ said

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that was the reason she called the police. [REDACTED] said that she thought that Thomas was really going to kill [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said that it has gotten worse.

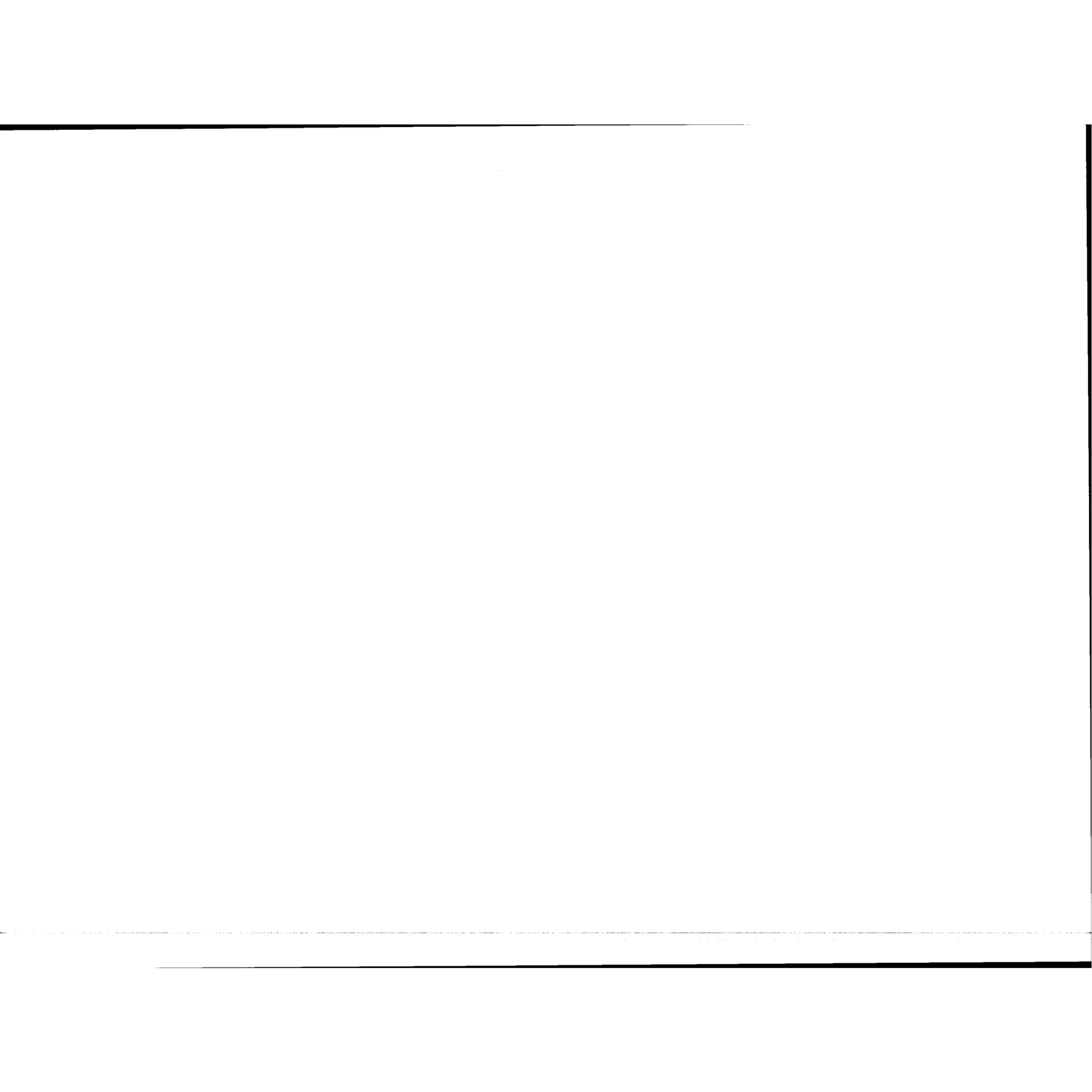
I asked [REDACTED] if Thomas has been beating her on a more frequent basis. [REDACTED] said it depended on what came up. She said sometimes they would go four days or a week and everything would be fine. [REDACTED] said that most of the time they were doing fine. I asked her if Thomas has become more violent with her. [REDACTED] said, "Yes...just a little, but I just stay out of his face...and...I mean I love him he's my husband and you grin and bear it...you know...it's a wedding, I mean we were married."

I told [REDACTED] that it was not right for Thomas to hit her. [REDACTED] said that she was not working right now. I told her that was also not a reason for Thomas to hit her. [REDACTED] asked [REDACTED] to tell me how many years Thomas had been beating her. [REDACTED] said, "Well it was when he was drunk." [REDACTED] said it has been about ten years. [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that she told her it was since their daughter [REDACTED] was born, 32 years.

[REDACTED] said that she felt sorry for [REDACTED] because everyone always thinks that [REDACTED] is on drugs or alcohol because of the way she is. [REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] couldn't even think. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] couldn't even go to the store without having her home telephone number in her pocket.

[REDACTED] said that when Thomas was drinking he would drink 12 or 24 beers a day. [REDACTED] said that Thomas would fall asleep and they would just "tippy toe" around him. [REDACTED] said that Thomas would wake up the next morning and say he apologizes to her.

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
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█████ said that Thomas does not beat █████ so much when █████ is home. █████ said that Thomas takes █████ in the garage and beats her there. █████ said that █████ has told █████ "Mom if you would not open up your mouth and not speak at all daddy wouldn't have to hit you."

I concluded my interview with █████ at this point.

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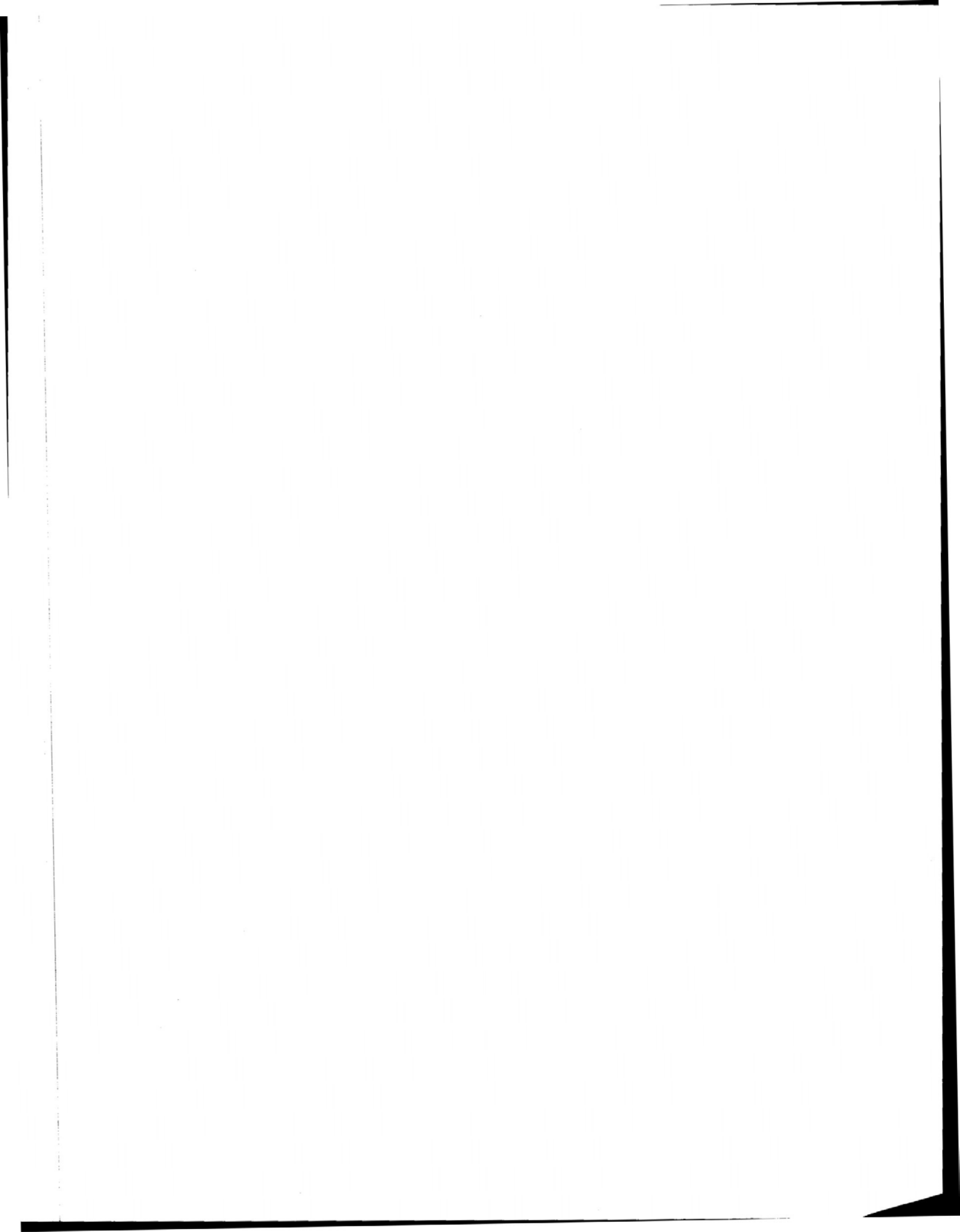
On 10/15/01, I was asked to interview [REDACTED] who lives next door (first house west) to the Patton residence, and was a witness to the shooting on 10/13/01.

I contacted [REDACTED] inside his residence and interviewed him as to what he saw and heard in reference to the officer involved shooting that took place on 10/13/01.

As I sat down, [REDACTED] introduced me to his wife [REDACTED]. I began the interview by asking [REDACTED] how long he had lived at the present address. [REDACTED] told me that he has been renting there for the last five years.

I asked [REDACTED] how long he had known the next-door neighbors. [REDACTED] told me that he did not socialize with the people next door, but was friendly with them. [REDACTED] often said "hi neighbor" to Patton, who would return the greeting with "hi neighbor", as they prepared to leave for work early each morning. [REDACTED] went on to characterize the wife as "ditsy or funny, but meant well".

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██████████ also added that he has never heard any "screaming or hollering" from the neighbors. He did mention that his son once heard yelling coming from the neighbor's house next door.

I asked ██████████ again if he had heard any domestic type incidents next door. He said that he never heard anything, nor had he seen either of them with "cuts or anything" until he read about it in the paper after the incident.

I addressed ██████████ statement about the wife being "ditsy" ██████████ told me that everyone has their "quirks", and several times the wife would come over to his house in an attempt to sell some small antique items for a few dollars. He added that he thought the wife liked to drink a little bit. He added that he never smelled anything on her breath.

I asked ██████████ if the wife ever came over to drink at his house and he said, "no". He added that he never saw her with a drink in her hand, but said that she used to carry a small cup around with her.

Next, I then asked ██████████ what brought his attention to the incident on Saturday. ██████████ explained to me that he and his wife ██████████ had just sat down to eat dinner, when he heard a series of shots. He said he heard the sounds of three shots and then two more, for a total of five shots.

After hearing the shots, he said to his wife that it sounded like a "drive by". ██████████ and ██████████ then walked outside to the front yard to see what was going on. ██████████ said that when he looked toward the neighbor's (east), he saw two police cars parked in the street. He said that he then heard people screaming, "put down the knife... put down the knife"... "put down the knife".

██████████ continued by saying that as he heard people yelling, "put down the knife", he looked over to the area in front of ██████████ and saw one of the officers try to hit the subject with a baton. ██████████ told me that at that point, he didn't know that the subject was his neighbor. He also said that he heard a "smack" as if the officer connected with the baton.

I asked ██████████ where he was at when he saw the "baton action". He told me that he was in the center of the street, looking toward the east. I asked where he saw the "baton action" taking place. He said it was in front of the house located at ██████████

With this, I asked ██████████ if we could go outside when we were done and he could show me what he was talking about and where he was standing. He agreed.

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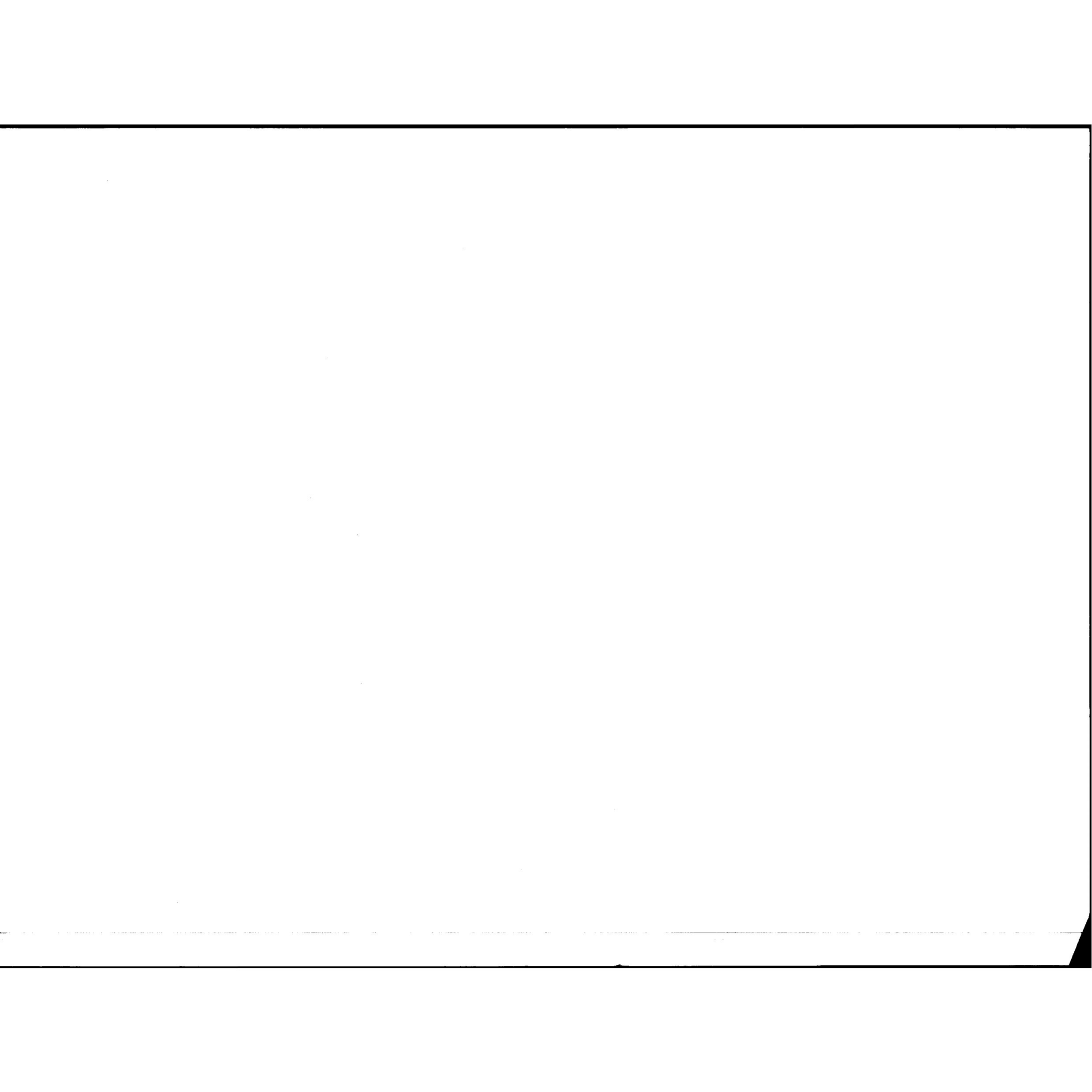
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I asked [redacted] again about what he saw in reference to the officer trying to hit the subject with the baton.

[redacted] told me he saw the officer try hitting him a couple of times as the others were yelling, "put the knife down.... "put the knife down".

[redacted] said he could see one of the officers with his gun up (demonstrated a two handed hold) and the officer with the baton was next to him. He said that he saw two swings "to knock the thing out".

I asked if he could see the knife in the subject's hand, and [redacted] said, "I couldn't see it because he was in a little alcove". [redacted] said that he didn't actually see the knife until the subject began to walk away from the house (at [redacted] and toward his direction.

[redacted] told me that about this same time, two or three additional police cars pulled up and those officers also got out with their guns drawn. He said that the officers began moving as a group from the area in front of [redacted] back toward the house next-door.

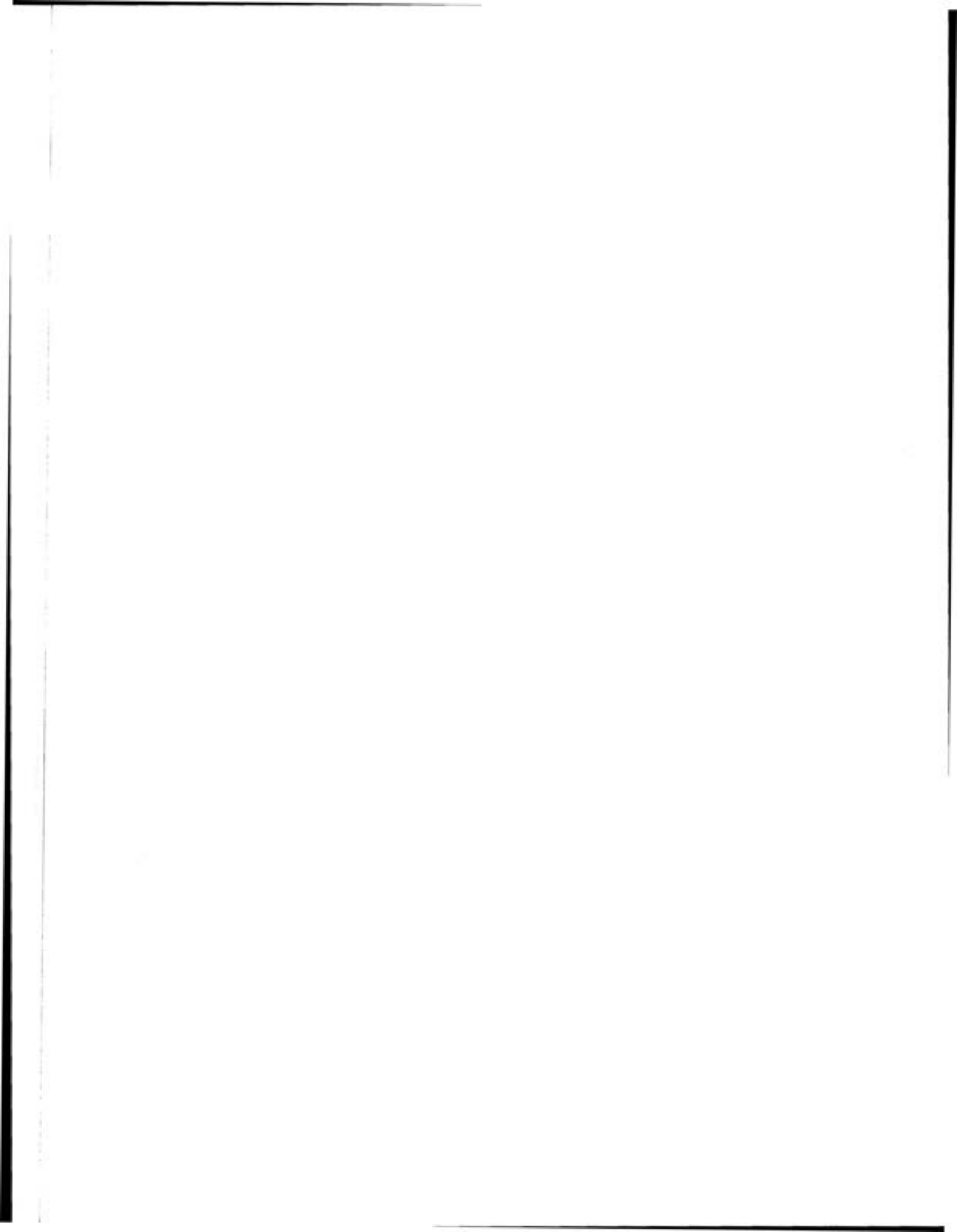
[redacted] said that he could see his neighbor carrying the knife down by his side (demonstrated by [redacted]) and kind of "lackadaisical". He added that his neighbor said something kind of "muffled" or "mumbled", but he couldn't hear what it was.

I asked [redacted] about when the officers were ordering the neighbor to drop the knife, did he hear his neighbor say anything back to the officers. [redacted] said that he didn't say anything back to them at that point, and said that he was just walking. [redacted] then described to me that he saw blood on the left of his neighbor's torso and shoulder area. He then demonstrated by pointing to the area around his waist.

[redacted] then demonstrated to me a slow walk with a limp. [redacted] said this is when he noticed blood on the subject's shoulder area and near his (demonstrated left side) waist as he carried the knife next to his side. [redacted] said that there was something dripping off the knife as the subject was walking, but he did not know what it was.

[redacted] continued on and said that as the subject moved, approximately five officers near him, moved with his neighbor. [redacted] commented that he thought the officers were going to jump the neighbor as he was walking with the knife down by his side. [redacted] demonstrated this for me as he spoke about what he saw.

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When the group reached the front of the house next door ([REDACTED] [REDACTED], [REDACTED] said he could hear the officers telling his neighbor, "put the knife down.... put the knife down". [REDACTED] said that he then thought to himself, "oh my God... in that his son had just called from a neighbors and he was enroute home and he usually rode up that street (Montgomery).

[REDACTED] added he and his wife stood there (in the street) watching and dreading the fact that their son was on his way home and usually came past the house next door. [REDACTED] said the officers kept telling the neighbor, "put the knife down.... put the knife down", but he didn't.

[REDACTED] said his neighbor made a gesture by holding the knife near his chest. [REDACTED] added that he heard the neighbor say, "I just want to talk to somebody". [REDACTED] said he then saw what he thought was the neighbor tossing the knife. He added that there was a lot of commotion and an officer blocking his view, but then, all sorts of shots rang out. He said that after the sixth shot, he just turned away.

I asked [REDACTED] about the movement that he was demonstrating, that being an under hand thrust. [REDACTED] said that he saw the knife down by his neighbor's side. His [REDACTED] feeling was that his neighbor was saying, "ah fuck it" as he went to throw it like that (demonstrated under hand movement) [REDACTED] demonstrated again an underhand thrust type movement. [REDACTED] commented, that the movement could have also been interpreted as an attack.

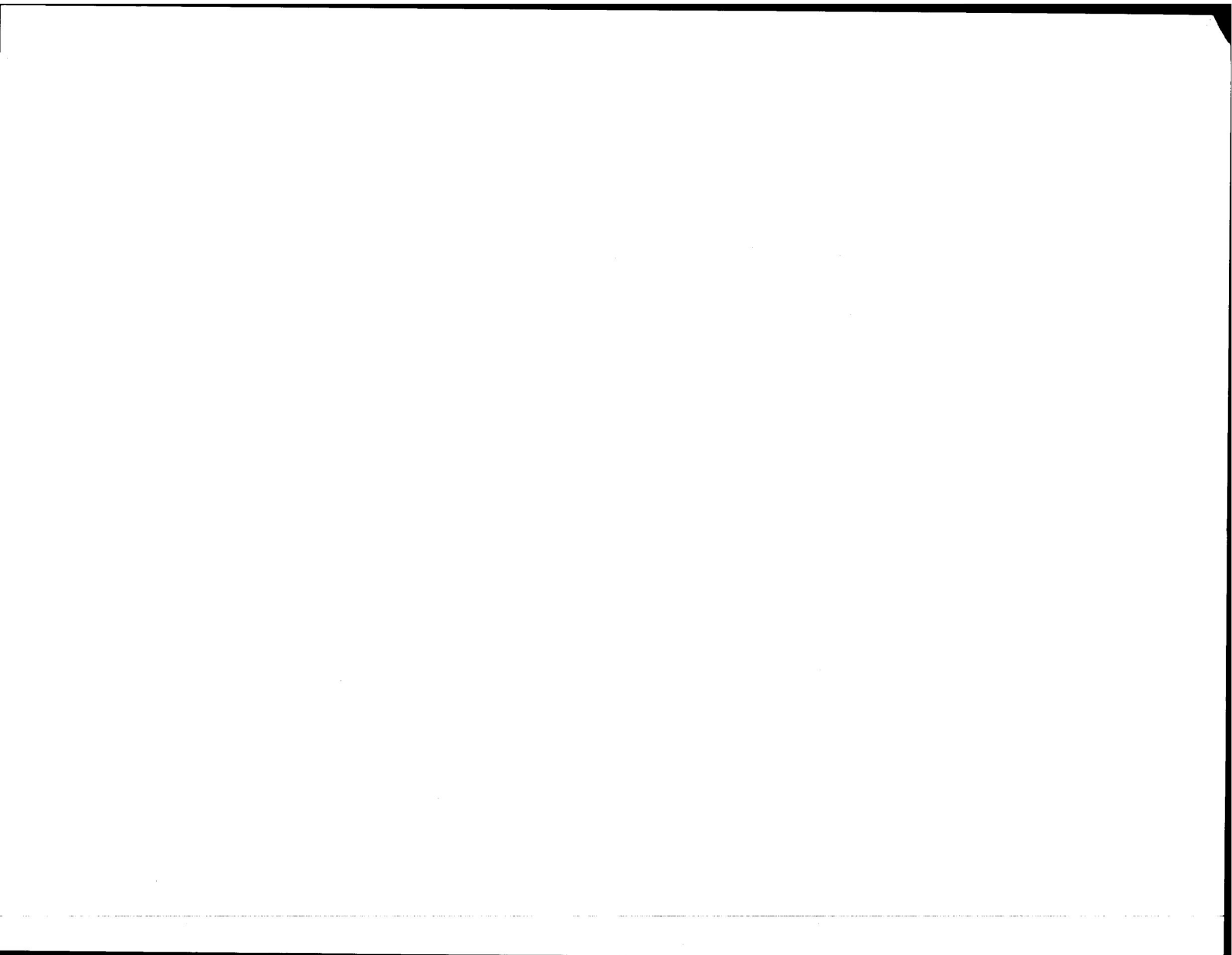
I asked [REDACTED] again if he had heard his neighbor ever say anything back to the officers who were ordering him to drop the knife. [REDACTED] said, "he didn't say anything". [REDACTED] asked his wife [REDACTED] who was sitting there, if the neighbor had said anything. She concurred that the neighbor didn't say anything. [REDACTED] did say that she heard someone say, "drop the gun". [REDACTED] added that when he first went outside, they both heard, "drop the gun".

[REDACTED] commented on the fact that after hearing the first five shots is when they went outside, and they didn't know what had gone on at the house across the street [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] told me that when she was standing in the street watching what was happening, she could not see the movement of the knife as her husband described. She explained to me that she is shorter and her view was blocked by the other officers.

[REDACTED] added that he didn't see his neighbor raise his arm above his head (demonstrated) as if to attack, but did see him trying to get into the screen door.

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█████ added that her neighbor looked "distraught" and was walking "distraught". She also said that they didn't know he had already been shot "three times" at the other house.

█████ again said that his neighbor looked as if he were daze ██████ interjected that he (the neighbor) was walking in slow motion.

█████ commented on the fact that he seemed harmless. She also said that it (the shooting) got to her and she was angry, in that, she felt the officers could have done something else, "like sedate him ... or could have thrown a blanket on him... or used a billy club". She also mentioned that she didn't think it was necessary that the officers killed him.

█████ said that after the shooting, she began to yell at the officers for what they had done. She said, "what the fuck did you guys kill him like a dog for?" "why did you guys do that?" With this, she said that one of the officers turned and looked at her. ██████ commented that the officers all shot at the same time, as she mimicked the sound of a machine gun as she told me this.

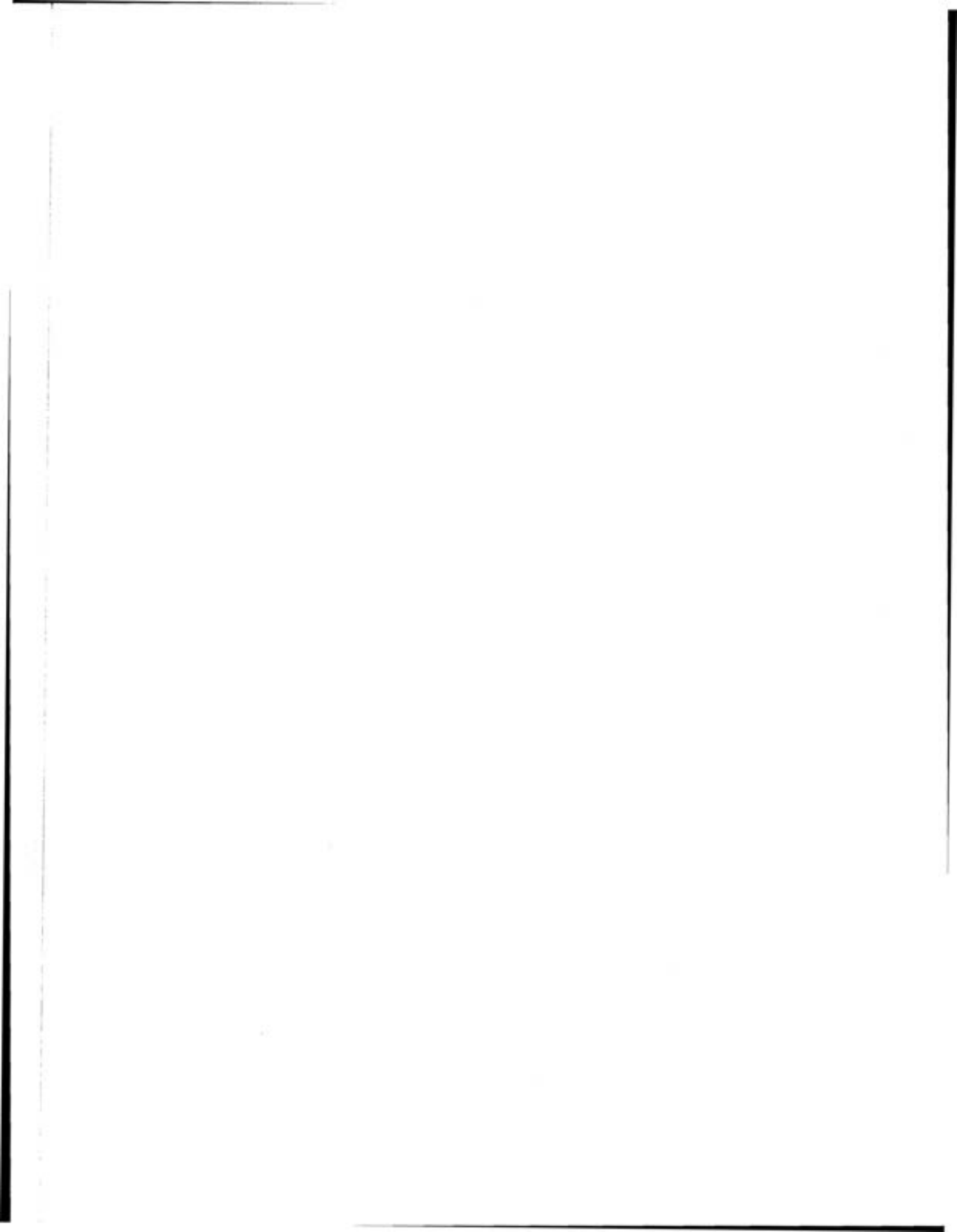
█████ commented on, and showed me an underhand motion with the knife as he said, "once the knife was tossed out of the way into the front part of the grass....once that motion... and I heard one (shot) and then they just all... they just kept going" (shooting).

I asked ██████ about the knife coming up (underhand motion) and what happened to the knife after that. ██████ said the knife went out into the grass. ██████ then began to show me with his own body what he saw. He said that they (the officers) were talking to his neighbor as he was standing in the "alcove" in front of the house and the officers had their guns on him. He said that he could hear the officers yelling, "put the knife down... put the knife down... put the knife down". ██████ added that three or four of the officers were telling this to the neighbor and saying "or we're going to shoot".

█████ said, "all I remember seeing was it (the knife) come out. He said that he didn't remember seeing the neighbor charge the officers.

I then asked ██████ and ██████ if they could show me outside where they were standing and what they saw. We exited the house and walked to the front yard. ██████ began to explain to me that as he came out of his house, he saw two police cars parked in the street near the front of ██████ As he started hearing yelling, he and his wife began to walk into the street to get a better look at what was going on. ██████ then walked into the E/B traffic lanes and stood where he thought he and his wife were that night.

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I later got [redacted] to show me again where he was standing and had FET [redacted] mark the spot with orange paint. Refer to photos.

[redacted] pointed out the area of [redacted] and said that was where he first saw the two officers who were yelling, "put the knife down ...put the knife down". He also said that he then saw one of the officers swing at the neighbor with a baton. When asked where it was that he saw the officer swing the baton, [redacted] pointed out an open front window and an American flag on the front of the house located at [redacted]. [redacted] added that the officer swung the baton two or three times while in the area near the front of that residence. [redacted] added that she saw an officer swing at the neighbor once more in front of [redacted].

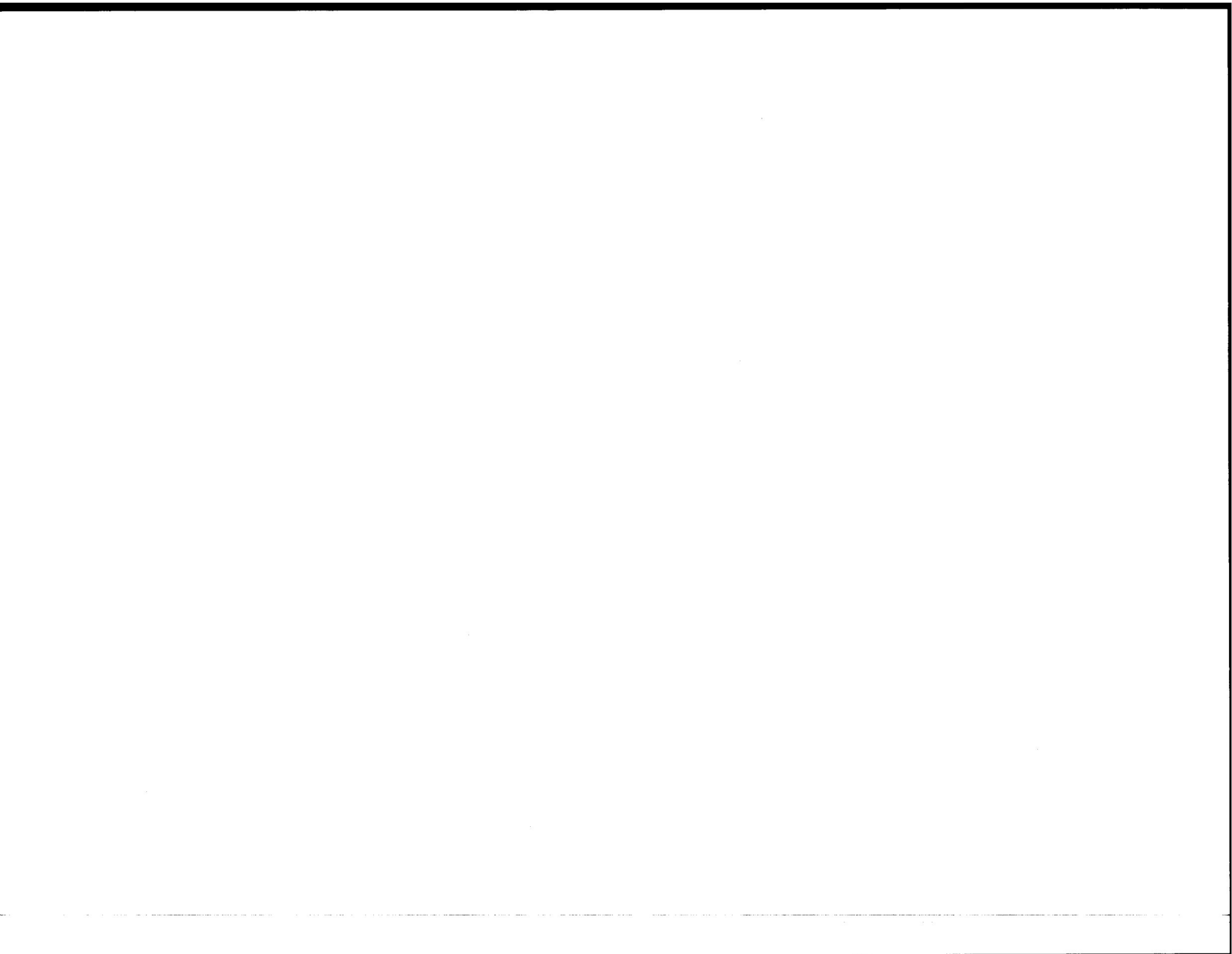
I asked [redacted] about the number of shots he heard while inside his house. He and his wife both said it was five shots. [redacted] said that he first heard three, and then two more.

Both [redacted] and [redacted] commented on the fact that they didn't hear the neighbor say anything to the officers and thought that he was "dazed". [redacted] added that after the shooting, the officers started first aid and an ambulance arrived about ten minutes later.

Shortly after this, I concluded my interview with the [redacted].

The above information is a synopsis of a tape recorded interview and is not verbatim. The tape was turned over to Sgt. Montagna, the case agent.

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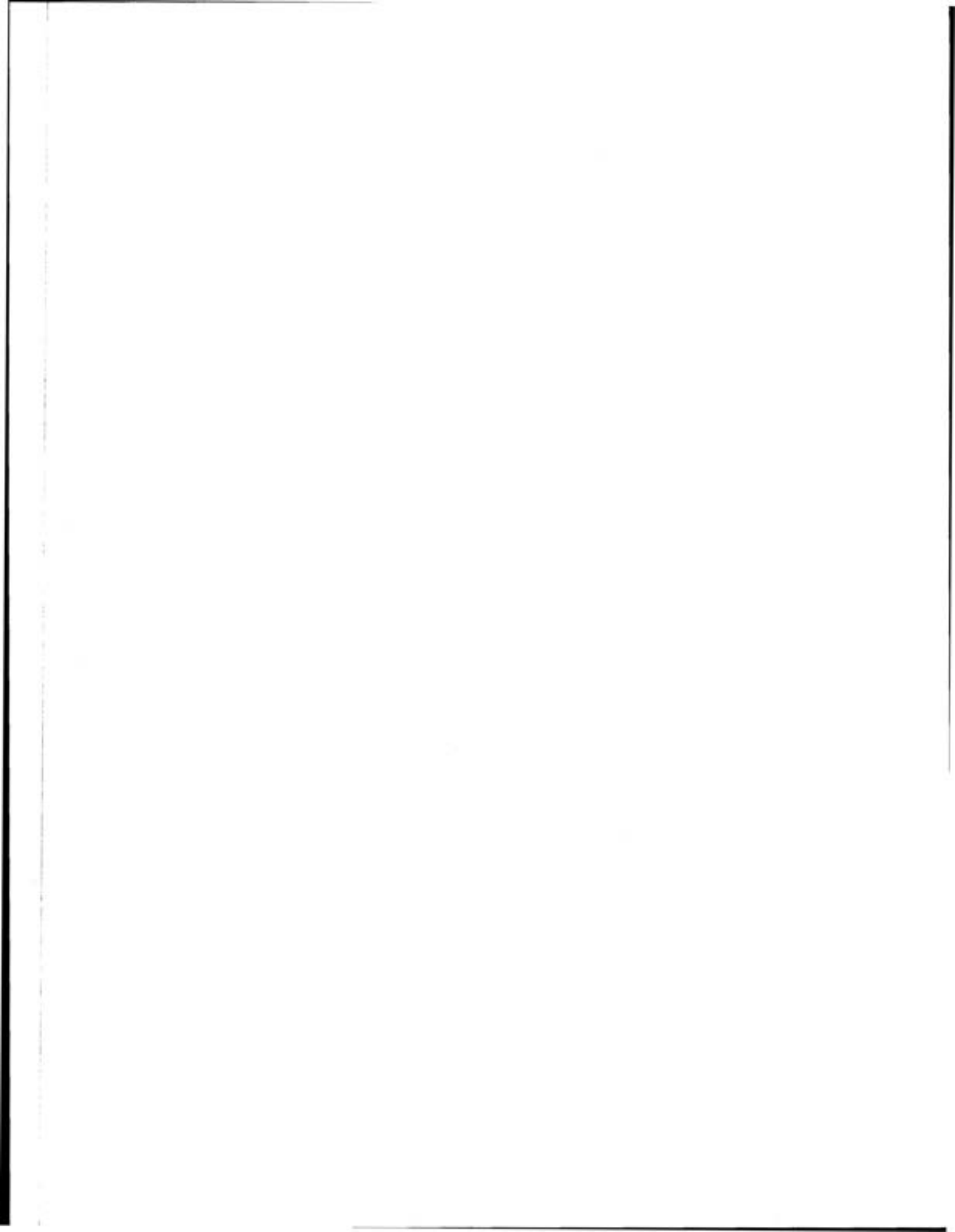
Witness Interview



On October 25, 2001 at approximately 1847 hours, I interviewed [REDACTED] at his residence. [REDACTED] is a witness to this investigation. [REDACTED] lives next door, and to the east of, [REDACTED]. During this interview, I called [REDACTED] by the name of [REDACTED]. This is his nickname that he prefers to be called. This interview was tape-recorded. The following is a summary of the interview. Refer to the audiotape of the interview for additional information:

I asked [REDACTED] how long he has lived at his residence. He has lived there for approximately four years. I asked [REDACTED] if he knew [REDACTED] and Thomas Patton. He knew them "casually," from saying hello to them. [REDACTED] did not consider [REDACTED] or Thomas to be his friends [REDACTED] if he ever had any conversations with [REDACTED] or Thomas. He said he had talked to [REDACTED], but not to Thomas. I asked [REDACTED] if [REDACTED] ever told him about her marital problems. He said she did not. I asked [REDACTED] if he ever noticed that [REDACTED] was injured. He had seen bruises on [REDACTED]'s arms. I asked [REDACTED] how he saw the bruises. He saw the bruises when [REDACTED] came over to his father-in-laws residence at [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] father-

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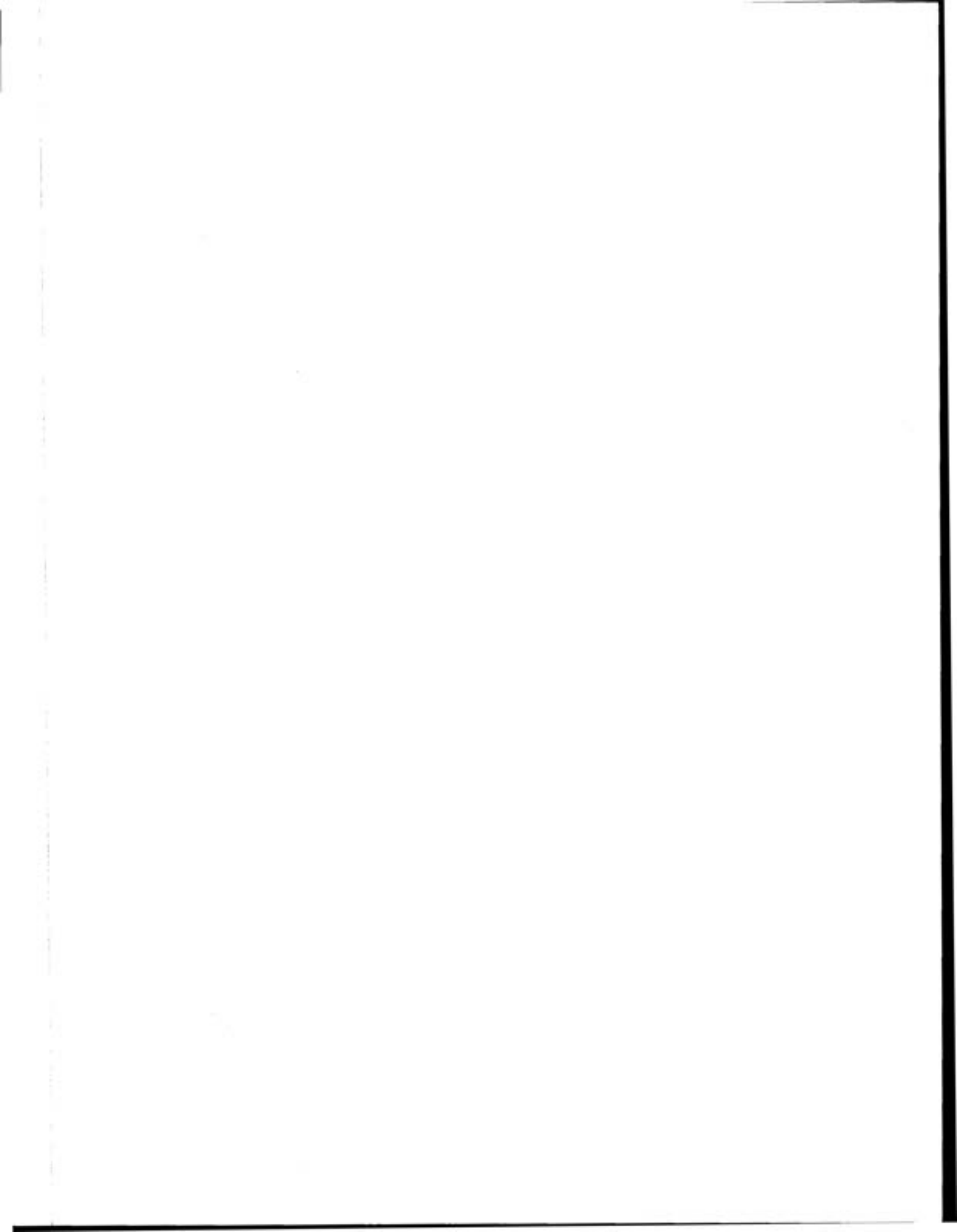
in-law, and they live next door to each other. I asked [redacted] if he was aware of any problems that [redacted] was experiencing with Thomas. He had heard that [redacted] was abused, but he never saw the abuse occur. [redacted] heard about [redacted]'s abuse from his wife, [redacted] who heard this from her sister, [redacted]. [redacted] also resides at [redacted].

I began asking [redacted] about the events that occurred on October 13, 2001. I asked [redacted] how his memory was concerning that day. He said, "It's -- it's pretty -- pretty good." I asked [redacted] if he felt comfortable talking to me about the events of that day. He said he did. I asked [redacted] what time the incident began. He said he was washing his cars on his driveway, and the incident occurred at approximately 1630 to 1700 hours. I asked [redacted] if anyone was outside with him as he was washing his cars. [redacted] and the children were outside with him. He added that [redacted] and his children were going "back and forth" between his residence and [redacted] residence at [redacted].

I asked [redacted] if he saw [redacted] as she talked to [redacted] in front of [redacted]. He said [redacted] and [redacted] were talking while on the walkway that leads to the street. I asked [redacted] if he overheard the conversation. He said, "Bits and pieces. I wasn't really paying much attention. I was washing the cars. I know that [redacted] was crying. [redacted] was hugging her and -- and trying to, you know, comfort her. And I heard something about it happening again, and I go -- I just heard well he must have -- must have hit her." I asked [redacted] if anyone else was outside in front of [redacted]. He said [redacted], [redacted] and his children had been in front of the house.

I asked [redacted] what happened after [redacted] had her conversation with [redacted]. He said he had heard the Sheriff's Department had been called to talk to [redacted] about her abuse. I asked [redacted] if he saw [redacted] and [redacted] go inside [redacted] or did he hear that this occurred. He said he heard about this before the deputies arrived. He could not remember who told him this information.

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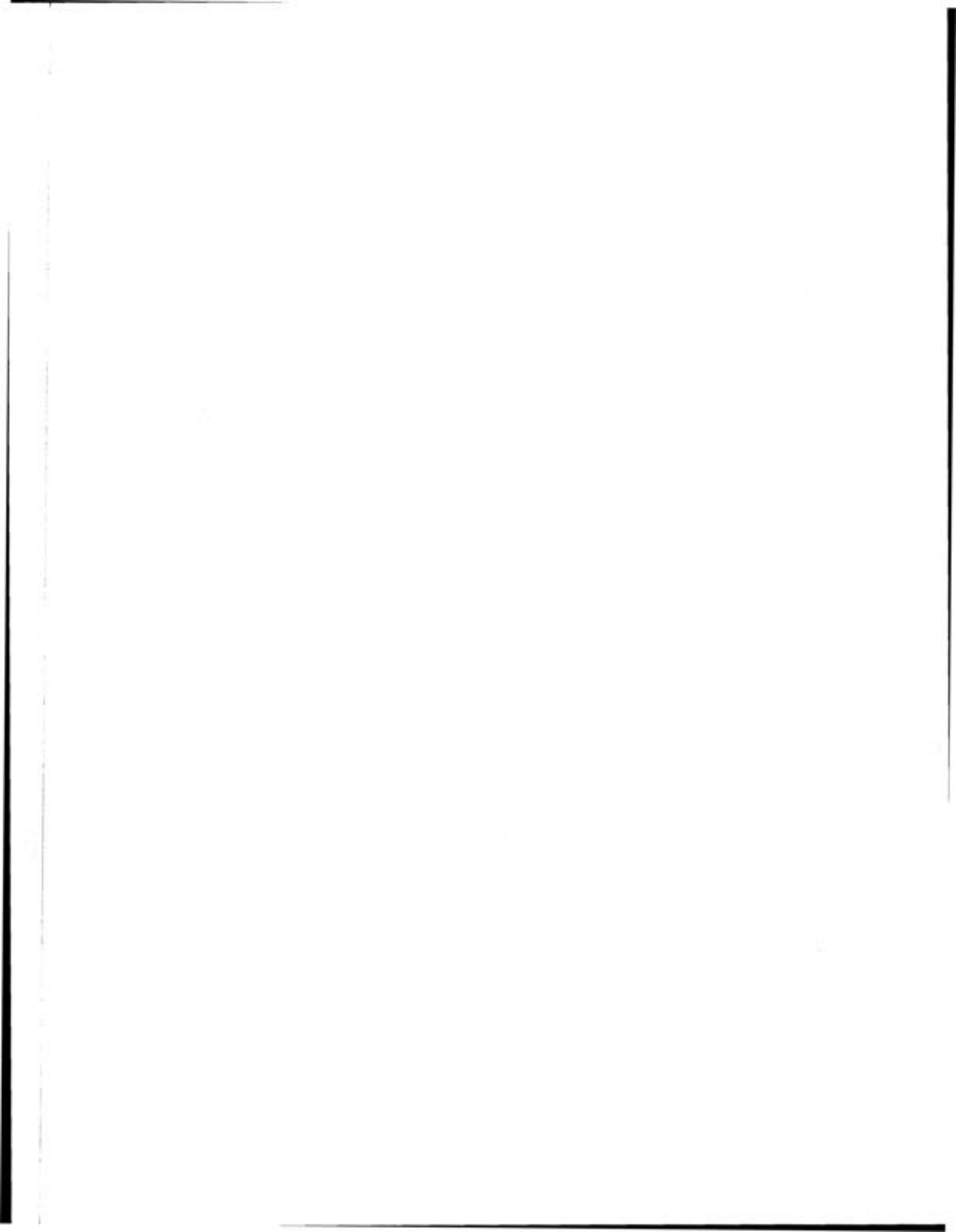
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I asked [redacted] what was his next memory of the events as they occurred. He said deputies pulled up in their patrol vehicles and parked across the street from his house. There were two deputies driving separate patrol vehicles. He believed the deputies then talked to [redacted] said he did not pay attention to what happened because he was washing his cars. I asked [redacted] what happened next. He said he looked over and saw the deputies walking toward [redacted] [redacted] I asked [redacted] if he saw the deputies enter [redacted] [redacted] He said he did not. I asked [redacted] if he heard anything being said at [redacted] [redacted] He said he did not. He knew the deputies had entered the residence because he looked toward the house and saw that the deputies were no longer there.

I asked [redacted] what happened next. [redacted] said, "All of a sudden, I was startled by a commotion." [redacted] continued that he heard someone yell, "Put down the knife," or "Stop." [redacted] looked over and saw Thomas and the deputies. The deputies had their guns drawn and were telling Thomas to "Put down the knife," and "Stop." Thomas and the deputies were walking toward [redacted] I asked [redacted] if Thomas was walking in front of the deputies, or behind them. [redacted] tried to explain his observation to me. He said the deputies were between Thomas and himself. I told [redacted] his explanation did not make sense to me. I asked [redacted] if he saw Thomas and the deputies walking across Montgomery Road from [redacted] [redacted] He said he remembered Thomas and the deputies being in the roadway. I asked [redacted] if Thomas was walking ahead of the deputies, or were the deputies walking ahead of Thomas. He said he "could not be positive," but he thought the deputies were in front of Thomas. I asked [redacted] if he heard Thomas say anything. He said he did not because there was so much "shouting." He heard the deputies yelling at Thomas.

I asked [redacted] what Thomas was doing. He said Thomas was walking with his hand up to his neck. [redacted] added, "He was walking very slowly like, you know, he knew exactly where -- where he was going. He was not making any fast movements or anything like that to try to provoke anything. He just had a kni- -- a knife held up to his chest, throat area." I asked [redacted] to tell me the length of the knife. He said the knife was approximately 9 inches long, and it appeared to be a steak knife. Thomas was holding the knife in his right hand.

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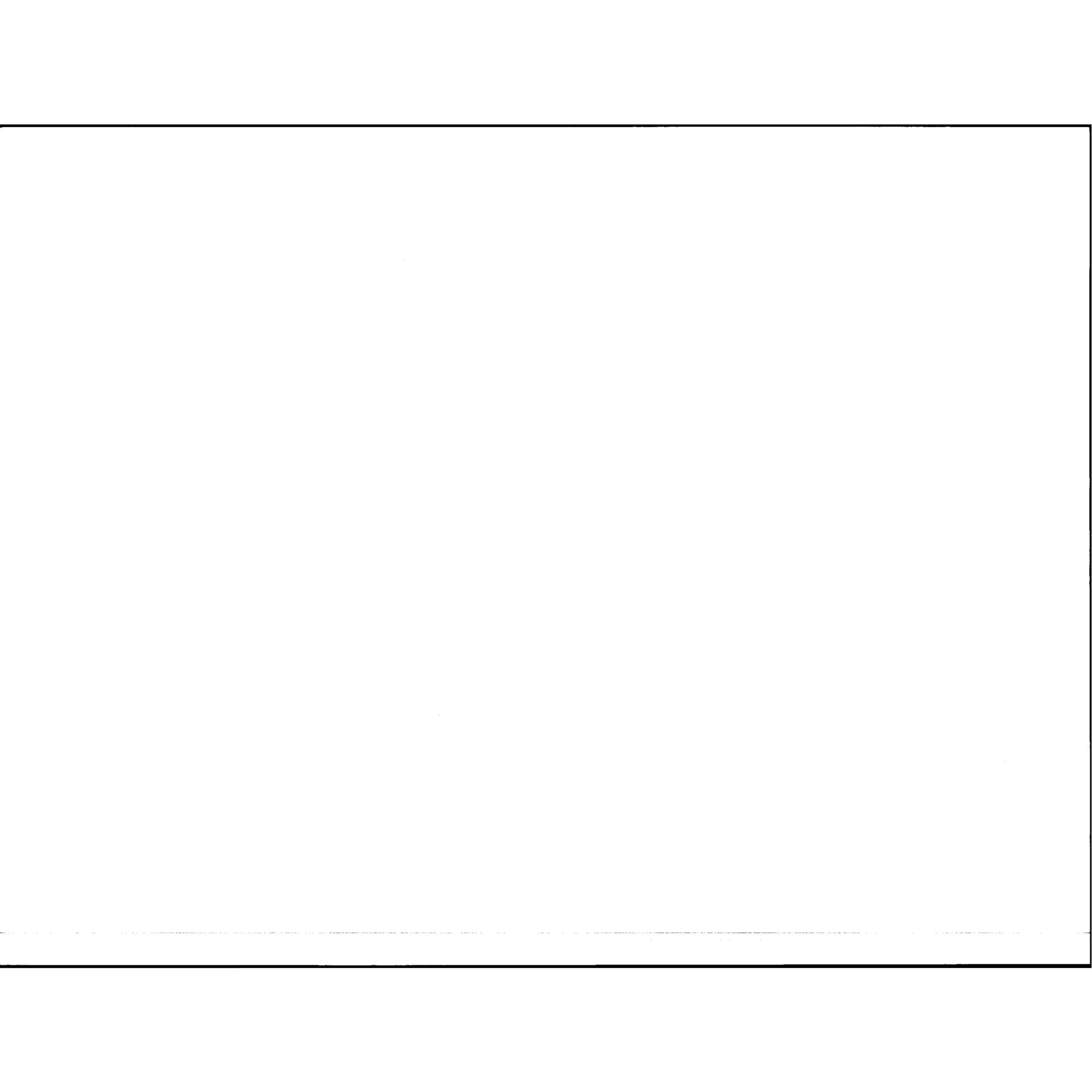
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I asked [redacted] what happened next. He said he was scared at this time. He remembered the deputies being on the grass at [redacted] with their guns drawn. The deputies were telling Thomas to, "Drop the knife. Drop the knife." [redacted] believed he heard Thomas say, "I just wanna talk." I asked [redacted] where Thomas was located during this time. He said Thomas was on the grass near the walkway to the front door of [redacted]. [redacted] heard [redacted] yell, "Tom. Tom. Don't do it. Drop the knife." [redacted] then yelled at Thomas and said, "Drop the knife Tom." The deputies then told [redacted] to not say anything and be quiet. The deputies continued to yell at Thomas. The deputies were yelling, "Drop the knife."

I asked [redacted] what happened next. He said, "At that point, I knew that things were not looking very good. He was not dropping the knife. We, of course, I went inside and -- my garage at [redacted] and closed the door." [redacted] said he has an electronic garage door. He entered his garage to close the garage door, and then he went through his house and back outside through the front door. [redacted] saw that Thomas had moved closer to the house at [redacted]. [redacted] went back into his house to check on his kids. [redacted] was on the telephone talking to 911. [redacted] said, "Moments after that, s- -- s- -- me still hearing the shouting going on out there. I heard three shots fired." When he heard the gunshots, [redacted] was inside his house. [redacted] said he told his wife, "They shot him."

I asked [redacted] what happened next. [redacted] went outside his front door and walked down the walkway next to his house toward [redacted]. [redacted] stopped in front of his garage. He saw Thomas lying on the ground next to the front door of [redacted]. Thomas began to get up and the deputies told him, "Stay on the ground. Stay on the ground. Don't get up." Thomas stood up and looked at his "abdomen area." Thomas shook his head and said, "Why did you do that, " or "You didn't have to do that." [redacted] added, "He of course, he was not listening or responding to what the officers were saying. He looked towards me, at my house, over to [redacted] starting walking towards me. At that point I turned around and got back into the house and -- to make sure that my kids were out of, you know, harms way. I was concerned that he was coming towards me, and that the officers

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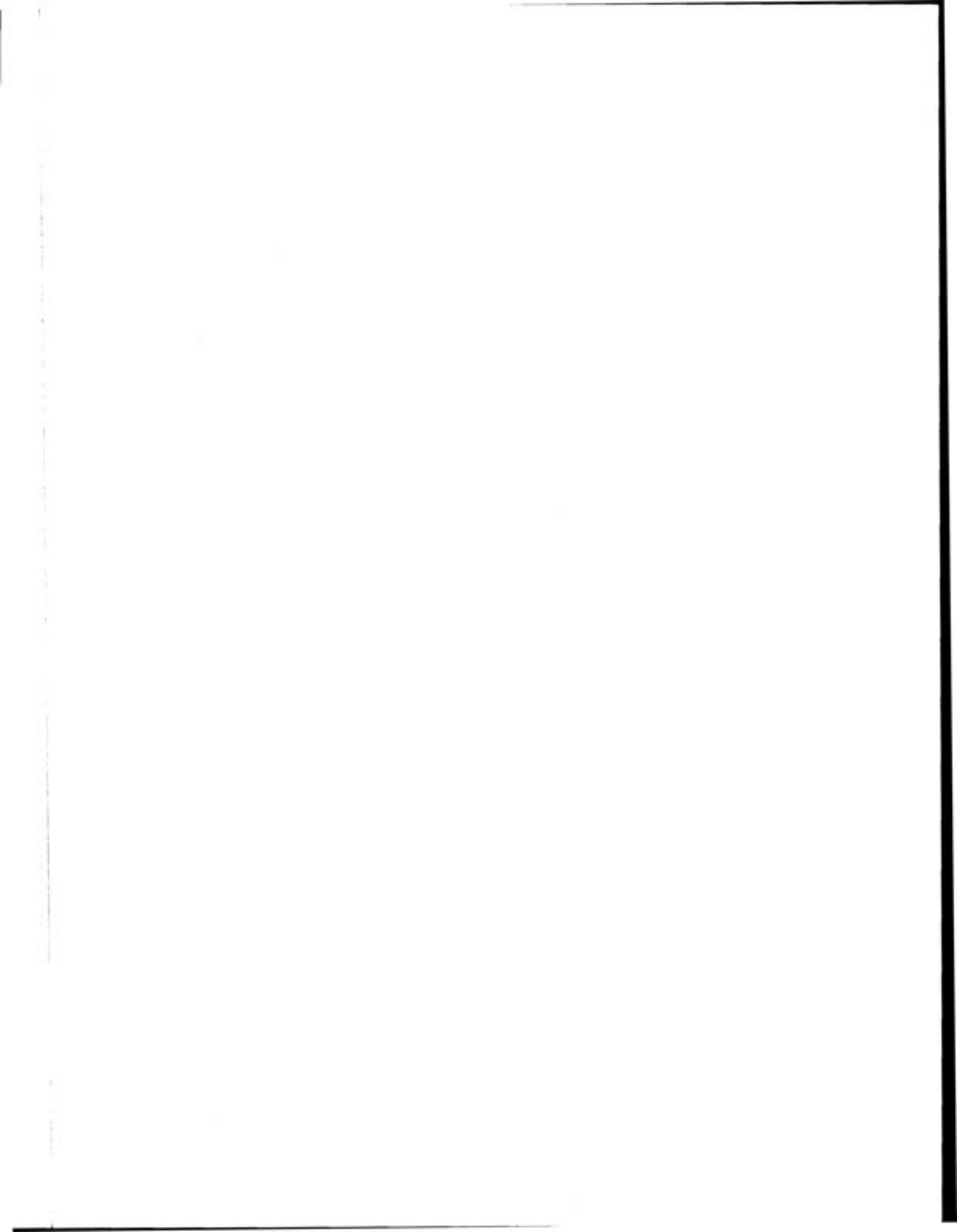
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would, you know, they could have been on the other end of any other further firing that may occur." I asked [REDACTED] where Thomas had the knife as he was walking toward him. He said, "In his hand." I asked [REDACTED] which hand Thomas was using to hold the knife. He believed Thomas was holding the knife in his right hand. I asked [REDACTED] where Thomas was pointing the knife. He said, "At that time it was -- I did not see him pointing it, really at himself. It -- it was, you know, pretty quick. He got up and said what I had mentioned about why did you do that, to that effect. And it was not directed really anywhere." I asked [REDACTED] if it would be fair for me to say Thomas was still holding the knife in his right hand. [REDACTED] said this was true.

I asked [REDACTED] what he did when he came back inside his residence. [REDACTED] made sure his children were in the back of the house, and he had them lay on the floor. He then went into the kitchen where [REDACTED] was located. [REDACTED] was still on the telephone with the 911 dispatcher. He then heard "multiple shots fired." Later, [REDACTED] said he believed he heard eight to ten shots. I asked [REDACTED] where the shots were fired from. He said, "I did not find out until later, after I had come out, that it was the -- been fired across at Tom's house." I asked [REDACTED] what he did when he heard the shots being fired. He said, "I told my wife that he's dead." I asked [REDACTED] if he went back outside. He said he did. He went back to the front yard near the front of his garage. [REDACTED] said he did this "a couple of minutes" after the shots had been fired. I asked [REDACTED] if he looked toward [REDACTED] while he was outside. He said he did. I asked [REDACTED] what he saw. He saw the deputies "all around" and scattered. [REDACTED] also saw Thomas lying down on his front porch.

I asked [REDACTED] if he was in fear for his or his family's safety during the incident. He said, "Yes, yes I was. Not really not from Tom. But -- because I'm wo- -- that -- that didn't concern me. I was just concerned of what sh- -- shots being fired." [REDACTED] confirmed that he was worried about being in the cross fire of the shots that were being fired. I asked [REDACTED] what he believed Thomas would have done to him. He said, "I honestly don't think that he would have really done anything to me. I -- that didn't really -- doesn't really -- didn't -- doesn't in- -- didn't concern me that he would do something to me." I asked [REDACTED] even though he felt Thomas would not hurt him, was still in fear for his family's safety. He said, "Not -- I would say that I was in fear of my family's

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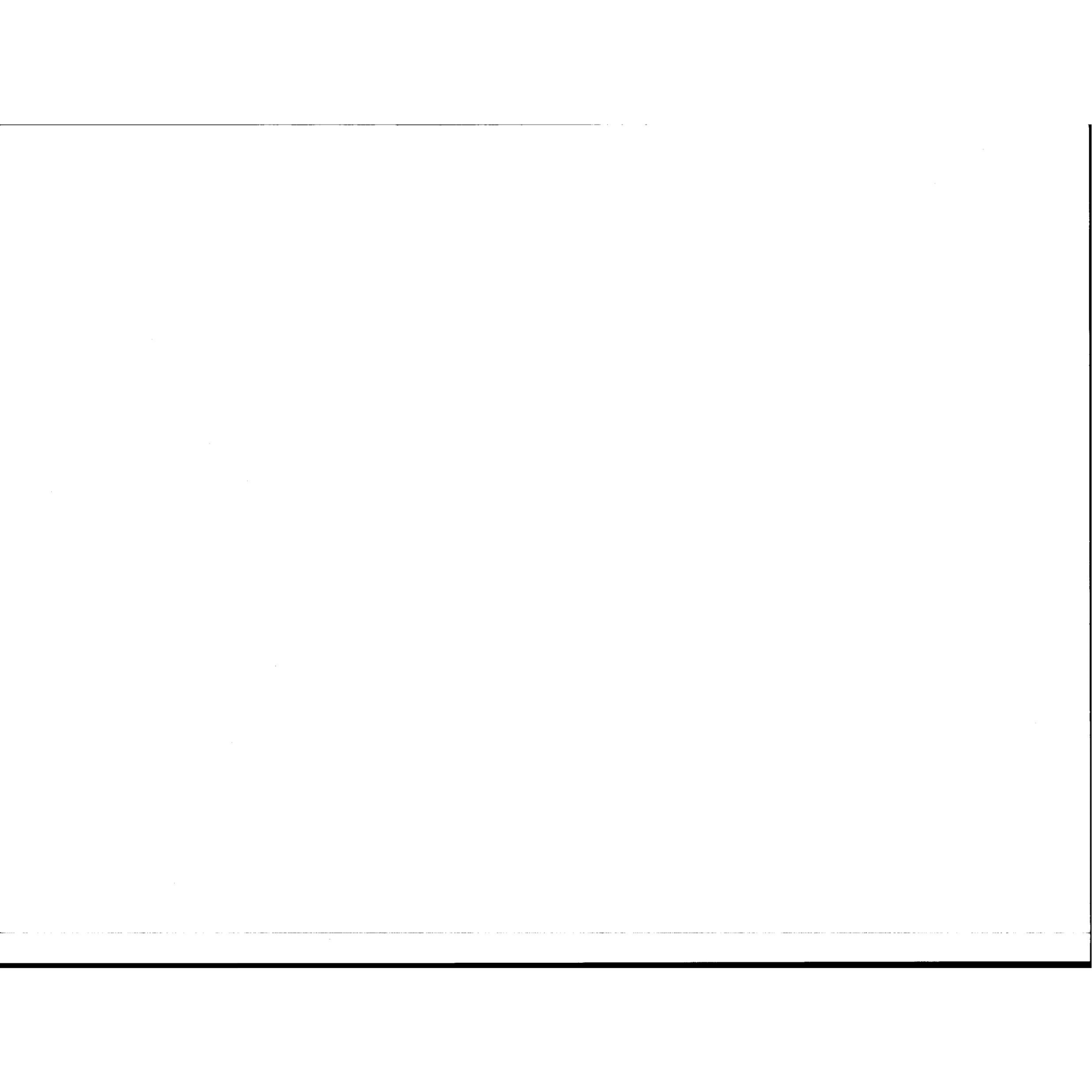
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safety from the events that were happening, because Tom had the knife, but not -- not from -- not -- I wasn't -- I was not concerned from Tom personally. Just any crossfire or any stray -- any bullets that may have been, you know, shot -- may have been fired. That's my concern, not -- not of Tom."

End of interview.

I released the audiotape of the interview to Sergeant Montagna.

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Supplemental Case Closed

Gang Domestic Hate Child Abuse Elderly Abuse

Connecting Report Numbers:

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Code: Name: **Patton, Thomas**



On 10/17/01, I was asked to canvass the neighborhood near the intersection of Avenida de las Flores and Montgomery Road in Thousand Oaks.

At approximately 1825 hours, I knocked on the door of [REDACTED]. I asked [REDACTED] if saw what had happened on 10/13/01 down the street. [REDACTED] told me that he pretty much saw everything. I asked him to tell me in his own words what he saw in reference to the shooting.

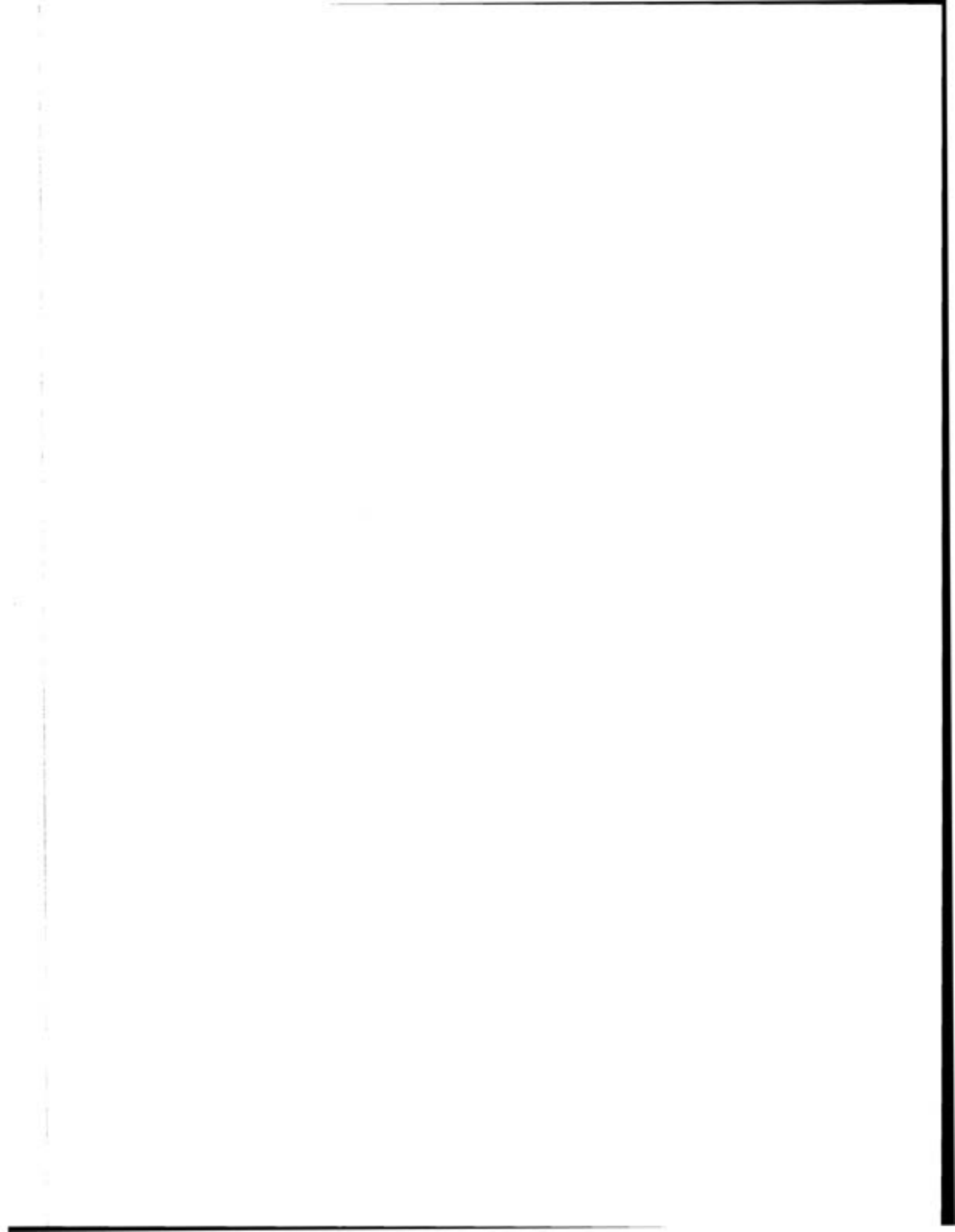
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[REDACTED] went on to tell me that he was having dinner when he heard what he thought was three or four shots. He walked out of his house and then ran down the street to the corner of Avenida de las Flores and Montgomery Rd. There he

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hid behind some railroad ties near the front of the house where the guy was shot

██████████ said that from where he was at, he could see over the fence at ██████████ where the officers had the subject in the backyard ██████████ said he could hear the deputies telling the subject "drop the knife... drop the knife", but the subject kept walking away from the deputies. He said the officers had him cornered in the backyard for a time, but then he came out into the front yard.

██████████ continued on and said that as he watched, the subject came around the front of the house as a deputy was walking up Montgomery Rd. with a shotgun. ██████████ told me he yelled at the deputy "he's coming right at you sir.... he's coming right at you" in an attempt to warn the officer. He said that the subject walked across the front of the house and met the deputy face to face.

██████████ said that at this time, one of the officers yelled to him to get out of there. After this, ██████████ ran across Flores to the north side of the street.

I asked ██████████ about when he saw the officers in the backyard yelling at the subject to drop the knife, did the subject say anything back to the officers.

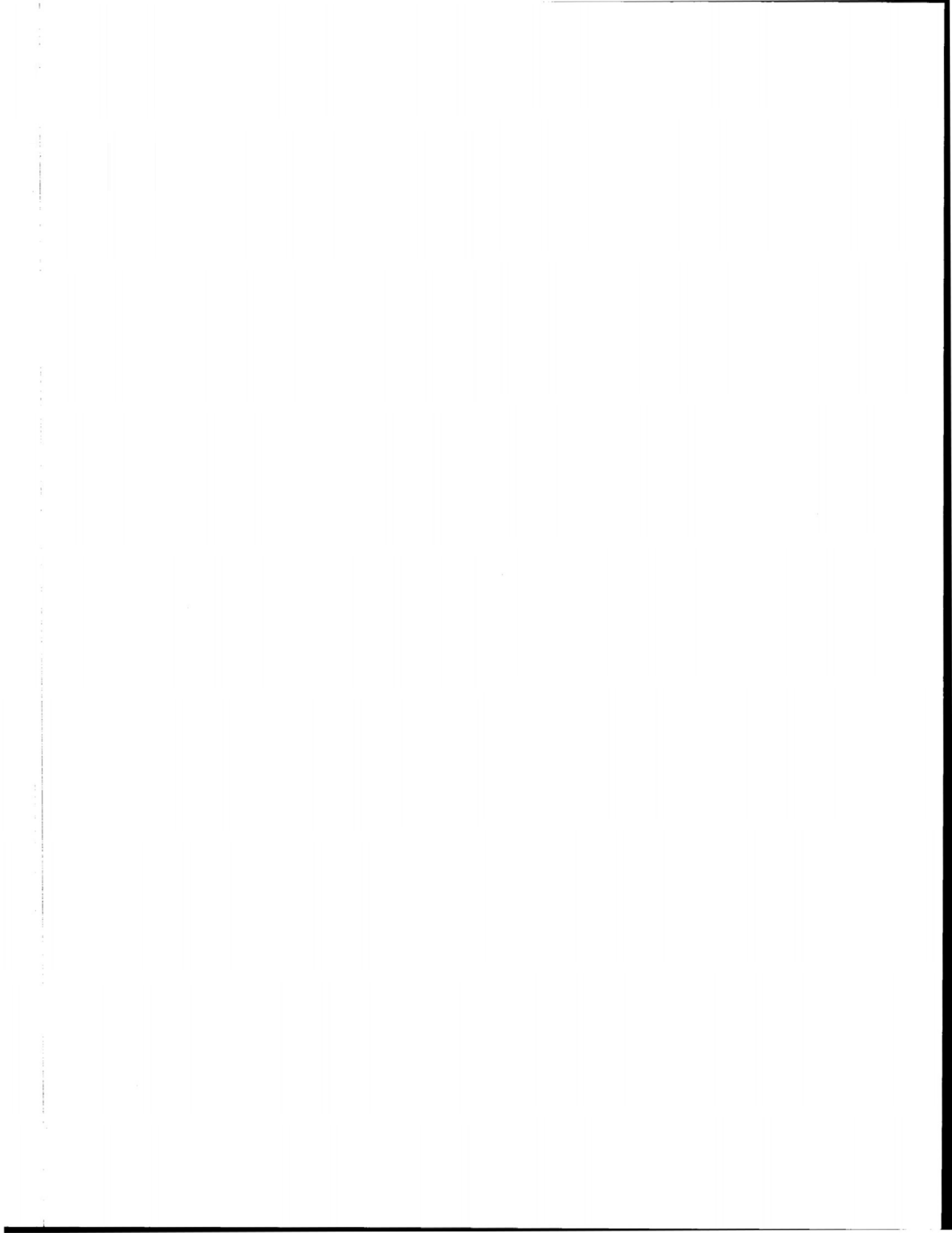
██████████ said he heard the subject say several times, "why.... why should I... why should I".

██████████ went on to say that when he saw the subject in the front yard across the street, he saw the subject had a knife down by his side. ██████████ commented that he didn't see anything "like that" as he demonstrated an "over the head" attack motion. He did say he saw one of the officers try two or three times to hit the subject with a baton.

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I asked [REDACTED] if he heard the subject say anything back to the officers after being struck by the baton. [REDACTED] said that he didn't hear him say anything, but he did say he heard the officers tell the subject a "gazillion" times to drop the knife.

I asked [REDACTED] to estimate how many times he heard the officers tell the subject to drop the knife. [REDACTED] said, "it was at least thirty". He said that there were several officers saying it and they were loud enough that everyone heard it.

I asked [REDACTED] about when he was near the corner and the officers told him to get out of there, were they still in the front yard of the house located at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said they were and he watched as the subject walked across the front yard, and met the deputy walking up Montgomery. [REDACTED] said that he was still near the railroad ties [REDACTED] and conceded that he was too close in the event of a cross fire.

[REDACTED] added that when he was told to get out of the area, he ran across the street (Flores) and stood with his neighbor [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] told me that he didn't think the officers needed to do that (shoot), but he didn't want to be the first guy to say so. [REDACTED] also said his kid was recently hit by a car in front of his residence, and these days he is on a different side of the law. He added he loves the protection that the police give him.

I asked [REDACTED] if he saw the events that happened in front of the yellow house at [REDACTED] He said that he did. I asked him to explain what he saw.

[REDACTED] said that they (officers) had the subject backed into a corner and it looked like he was trying to make it back into the house. He then heard approximately ten to fifteen shots.

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I asked [REDACTED] if he could see anything in the subject's hand as he walked across the street. [REDACTED] told me that he saw a knife with a blade about 10 inches in length.

I asked if he saw the subject swing or thrust the knife (demonstrated) at the officers. [REDACTED] said that he didn't and said his view could have been blocked by approximately eight officers that were around him.

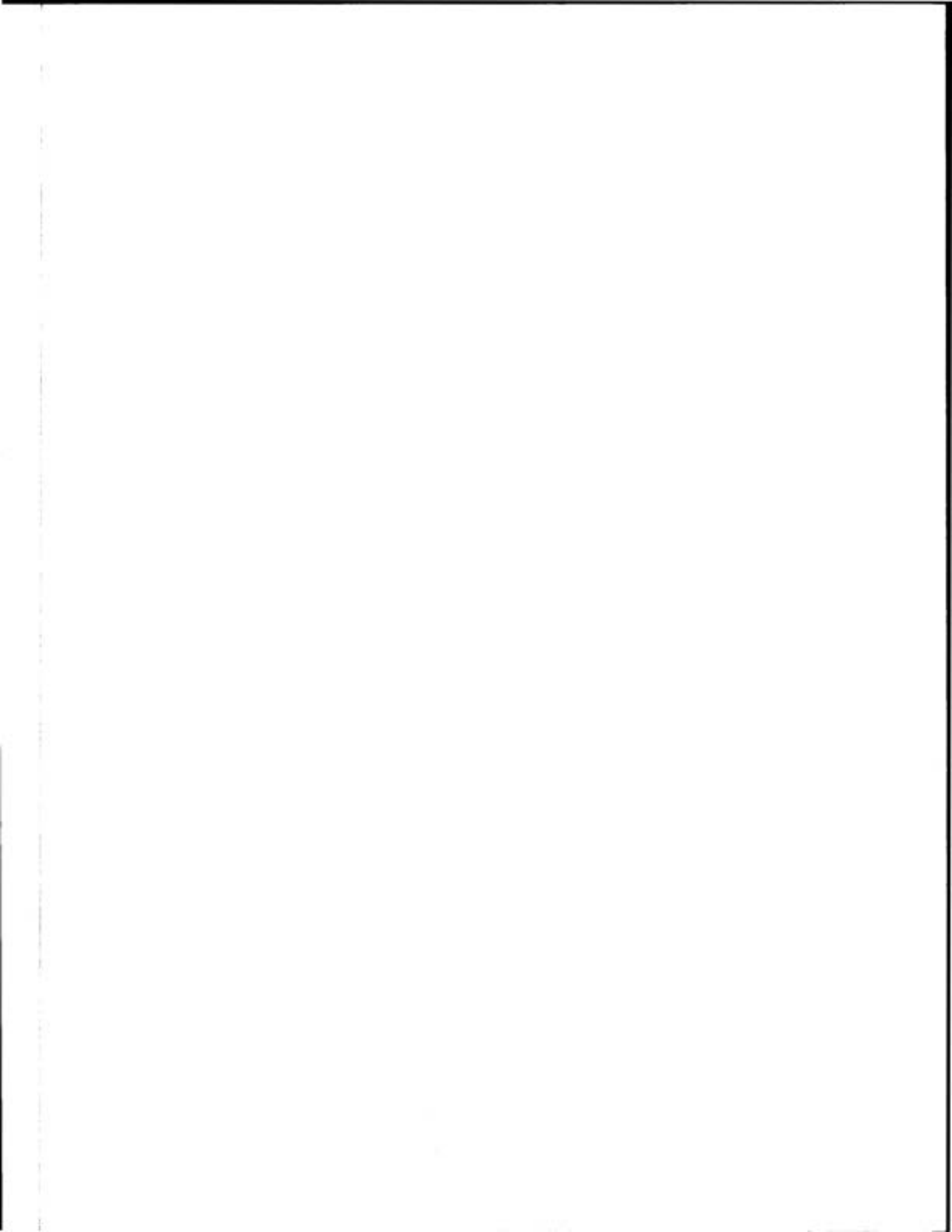
I asked [REDACTED] again if he heard the subject say anything while he was in the front yard of the yellow house [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said that he did not and explained that the officers were very loud while telling him over and over, "drop the knife". [REDACTED] said he thought the officers got a "little wild" in that they were scared and did not need to do that (shoot).

I asked [REDACTED] if he saw any of the other events beside what he described in the back yard at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] answered, "no, I saw that, and then the finish".

I asked [REDACTED] again about the officer trying to hit the subject with the baton and where it actually took place. [REDACTED] told me it was in the front yard of the house located at [REDACTED]. He went on to say he thought the officers had the subject cornered in the back yard, but he somehow came around to the front of the house through the east gate. He said this is where an officer attempted "two or three times" to hit the subject with the baton, "but didn't budge it". I clarified with [REDACTED] that the officer actually struck the subject's arm, and he said that he not only heard it, but saw it.

[REDACTED] also said that it looked like the subject wasn't facing the officers when they shot him, but he would not want to testify against them (the officers).

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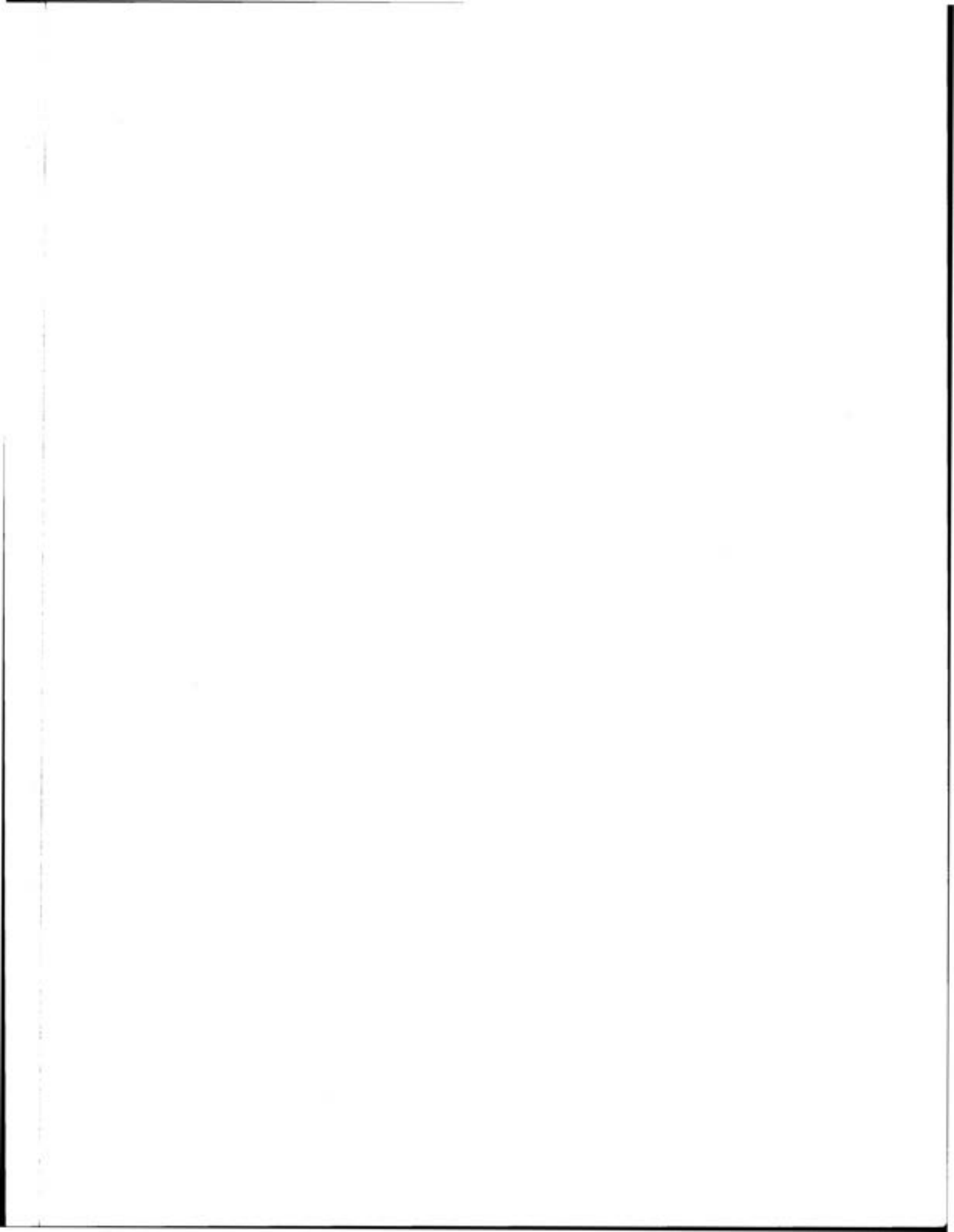
Shortly after this, my interview with [REDACTED] concluded.

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The tape was turned over to Sgt. Montagna, the case agent.

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On 10-27-01, I drove to the [REDACTED] residence for an in-depth interview with [REDACTED]. Initially, I obtained a brief statement from [REDACTED] on what he saw and from where he saw it. I took some digital photographs from [REDACTED] vantage point; placing the camera at his eye height from the vantage points he told me he viewed the incident. I drove home and printed out the photos returned to the [REDACTED] residence and used them in the interviews with [REDACTED] and his wife [REDACTED].

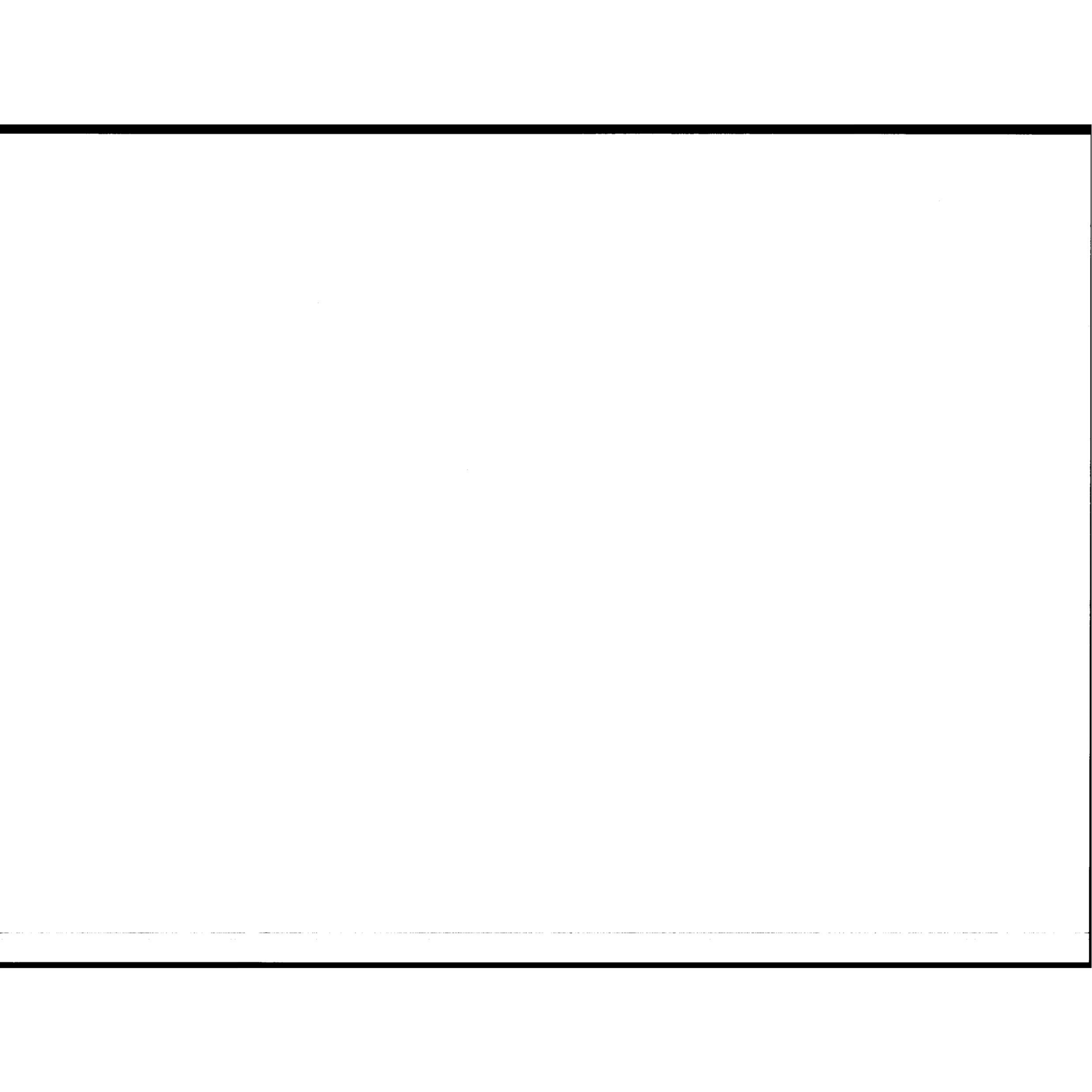
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On 10-27-01, I interviewed [REDACTED] in his dining room at about 1245 hours. I explained that I wanted to interview him in detail about a shooting that occurred behind his house a couple of weeks prior. I told [REDACTED] that if he didn't remember or know the answer to a question I asked him, not to speculate on the answer.

I asked [REDACTED] to briefly tell me what happened. [REDACTED] said he was sitting on his chair in the living room and heard 3-4 gunshots in "pretty rapid fire." [REDACTED] ran out through his backdoor

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onto the patio. While he was on the patio, [REDACTED] could hear loud voices involved in a confrontation. [REDACTED] ran to the rear most portion of his property at the corner of his garage. [REDACTED] looked over his fence and saw several officers shouting at a man (Patton). [REDACTED] said he didn't know who the man was that the officers were shouting at. For purposes of clarification in this report, I will refer to the person who [REDACTED] referred to as "the man" by his name, even though [REDACTED] never called Patton by name or said he knew him. [REDACTED] said at that time, Patton was at the front door area of the "brown" house [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said there were 5-6 officers at the scene at that time.

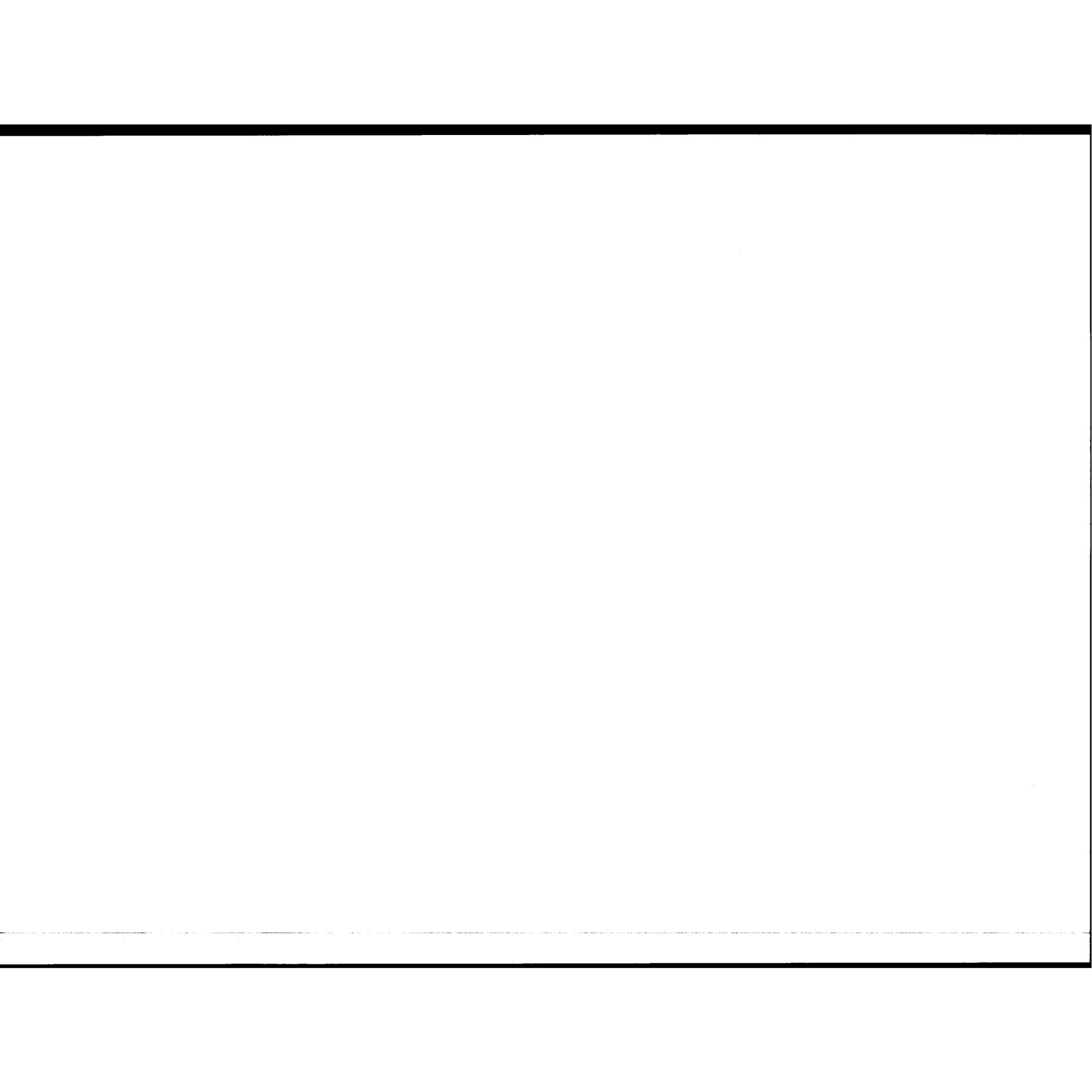
[REDACTED] said that the officers were forming a semi-circle around Patton and shouting to him, "Drop the knife, or we're going to shoot!" [REDACTED] said that he could only hear voices shouting commands; [REDACTED] couldn't hear if Patton was verbally responding to the commands. [REDACTED] said he could tell that Patton had a knife in his left hand. Patton said that when Patton's back was to the officers, Patton made a swinging motion from front to back at about waist level.

Then Patton began walking toward the East end of the house (at [REDACTED] at a slow pace. [REDACTED] said Patton was walking in a slow lethargic pace like he didn't comprehend what people were saying to him. [REDACTED] described Patton as walking "like a zombie." [REDACTED] said Patton walked up to the officers and the officers backed away. [REDACTED] said Patton walked down the (East) side of the house (at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said at least one officer jumped the fence to go into the backyard (of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said the other officers followed Patton down the (East) side of the house, "continually shouting, 'Drop the weapon! Drop the weapon, or we're going to shoot!'"

[REDACTED] said when Patton and the officers were in the back (of [REDACTED] he could hear them shouting. [REDACTED] said he couldn't see very well into the backyard (of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] from his vantage point.

[REDACTED] said Patton came from the backyard to the front yard (of [REDACTED] with the officers following him and shouting commands the entire time. [REDACTED] said Patton

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walked across Montgomery Rd. with the "officers pursuing him and shouting commands all the way across the street." [REDACTED] said that Patton moved to a point to where he [REDACTED] could no longer see him (Patton).

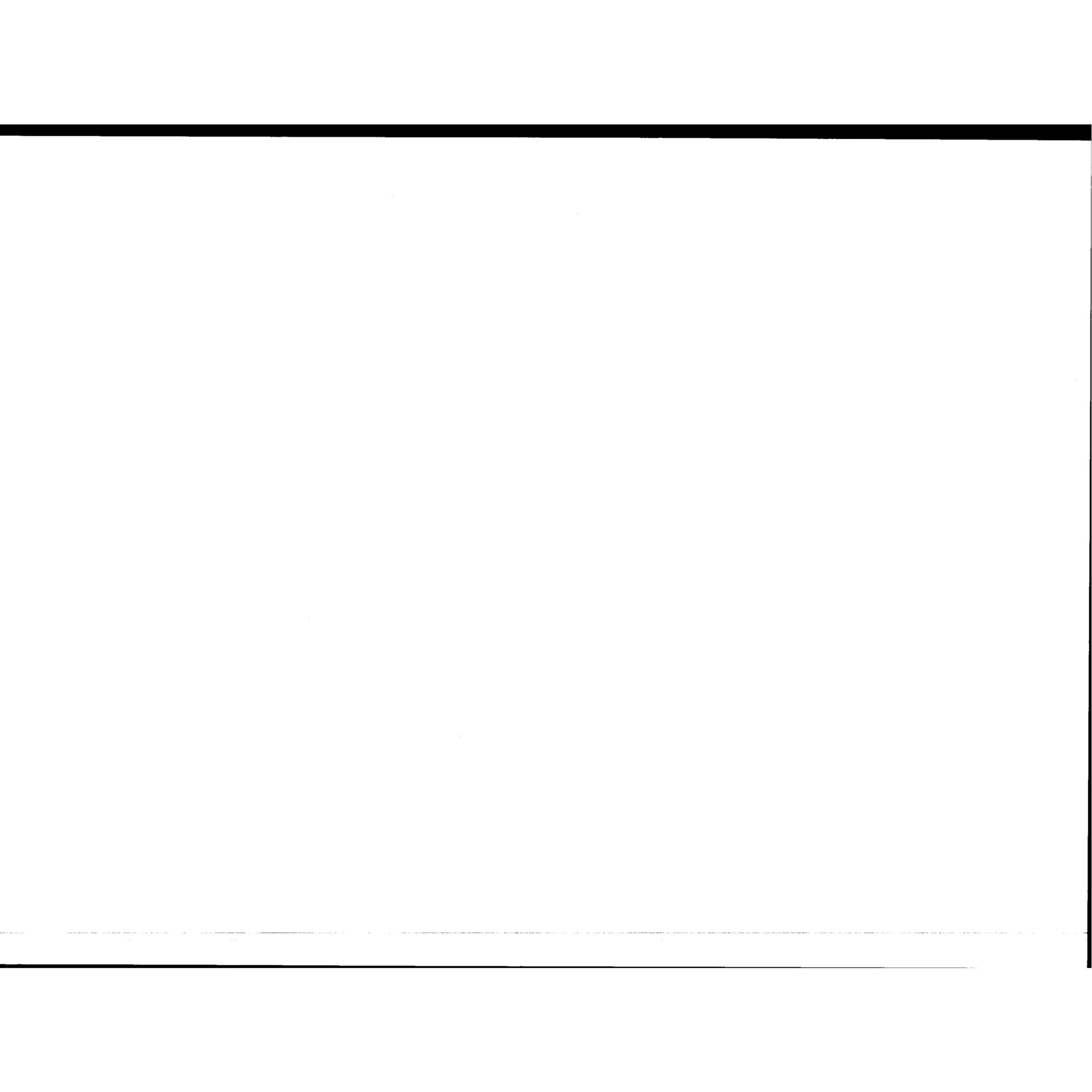
[REDACTED] said he could still see the officers who were shouting at Patton. [REDACTED] said, "All of the sudden, there was just, probably between ten and fifteen gunshots, just rapid fire within two seconds..." [REDACTED] said after the gunfire, he felt the officers had shot Patton because they put their guns down and backed away from Patton. [REDACTED] added that he never could see what Patton had done at the time the gunfire erupted. [REDACTED] said he could not see Patton being struck by the shots, falling down or anything like that [REDACTED] could only see the officers.

The following statements were a result of my questioning [REDACTED] and his answers to those questions.

[REDACTED] said that he didn't work the weekend day of the shooting and didn't remember what he had done during the day preceding the shooting. [REDACTED] said that the rear of his house faces south. [REDACTED] said around 1700 hours, he was sitting in the leather chair that is about 15 feet North of the South wall of his living room. [REDACTED] said he was watching television, but didn't remember the program he was watching. [REDACTED] said that the two windows on the South wall facing [REDACTED] were open. Photo #8 depicts the rear of [REDACTED] house and lines are drawn to the two windows that were open at the time [REDACTED] heard the shots. [REDACTED] later said that he didn't hear what led up to the gunshots.

[REDACTED] said he heard 3-4 gunshots from behind (South of) his house. [REDACTED] said upon hearing the gunshots, he immediately got up from the chair, thinking that someone was shooting a gun. [REDACTED] said he was "curious" and "concerned" to find out who was shooting and what was going on. [REDACTED] said he ran out the door between his living room and bedroom to the back yard. [REDACTED] said initially he stopped at the S/W corner of his garage. Photo #1 depicts the area behind (South of) [REDACTED] garage. [REDACTED] pointed to a spot near the S/W corner of his garage where I marked with a "1" as the area where he initially stopped.

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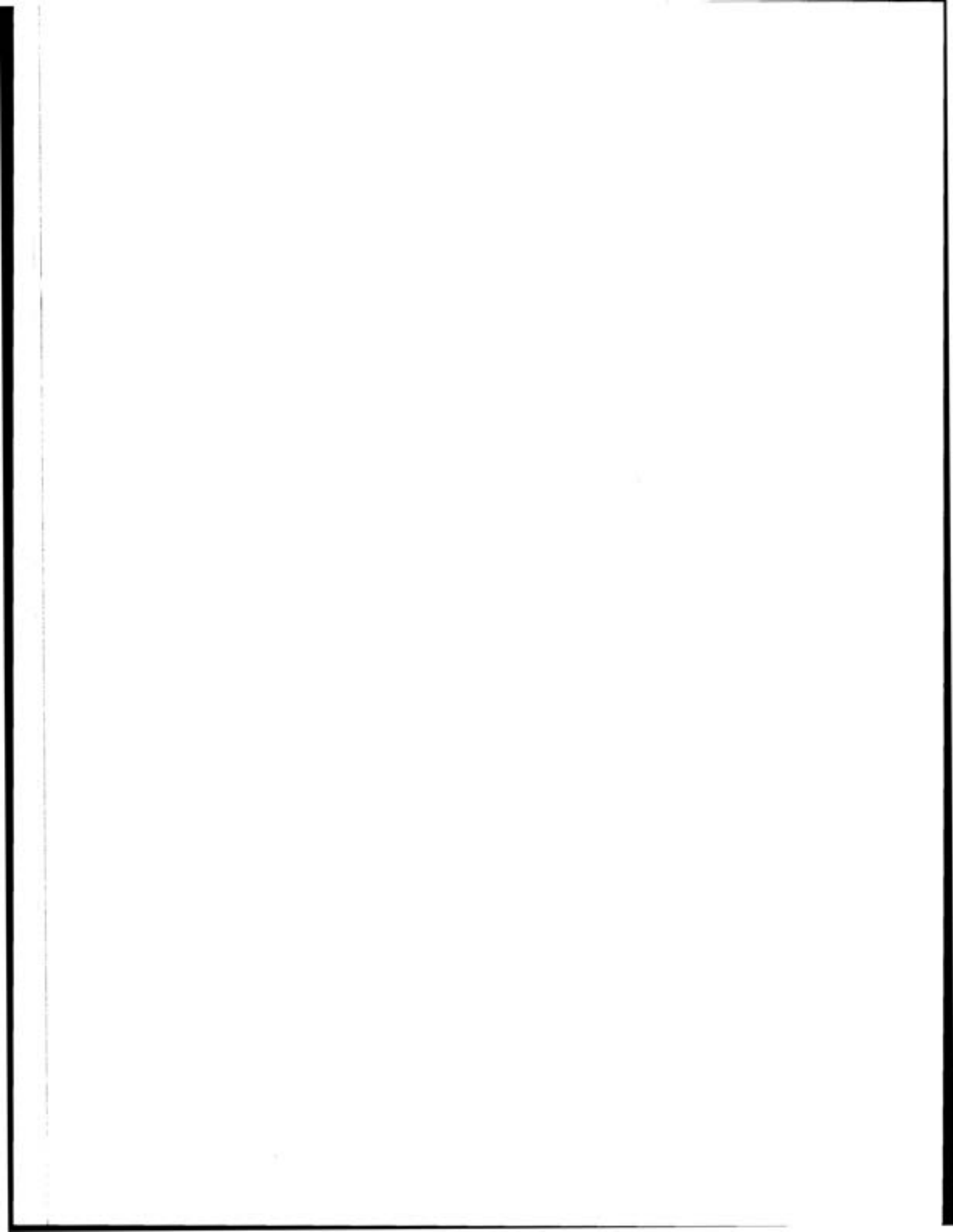
I took photos #2 and #3 from [redacted] eye level prior to this interview. [redacted] agreed that the photos accurately depicted what he could see. Photo #3 depicts both [redacted] on the right side background of the photo, and [redacted] on the left side background of the photo. [redacted] pointed to the front door area of [redacted] as where he first saw Patton and the deputies. I put a number "2" in the area where [redacted] pointed. I pointed out that in the photo that the blue house in the foreground appeared to block part of his view of that area. [redacted] said he could see from the waist up of the persons involved, depending on where they moved. [redacted] said he first saw about 5-6 officers in position #2. [redacted] said initially Patton was facing the street, the officer [redacted] with his back to the house. [redacted] said the officers were positioned in a semi-circle facing Patton with their backs to the street and [redacted]

[redacted] said the officers had their guns drawn and he heard the officers "distinctly shouting, Drop the knife or we will shoot!" [redacted] that there were other commands being shouted, but those two are the main ones he heard. [redacted] said he saw "all" the officers pointing pistols at Patton. [redacted] said he "thinks" Patton had a knife in his left hand. [redacted] said that from the distance he was watching from, it was hard for him to see an object in Patton's hand. [redacted] said that he could see that Patton had "something" in his hand. [redacted] said he assumed it was a knife because he could hear the officers telling Patton to drop the knife, opposed to actually being able to see a knife in Patton's hand. [redacted] said he wasn't sure whether Patton was holding the object in an underhanded or over handed fashion. [redacted] said he couldn't tell the color of the object that Patton was holding.

I noticed that [redacted] was wearing prescription glasses during our interview. [redacted] said he uses the glasses to see far distances. [redacted] said he had his glasses on when he was observing the incident involving Patton and the deputies.

[redacted] said that Patton wasn't moving in a fluid motion. [redacted] described Patton's movements as "robotic" and a "zombie state." [redacted] said Patton's arms were down at his

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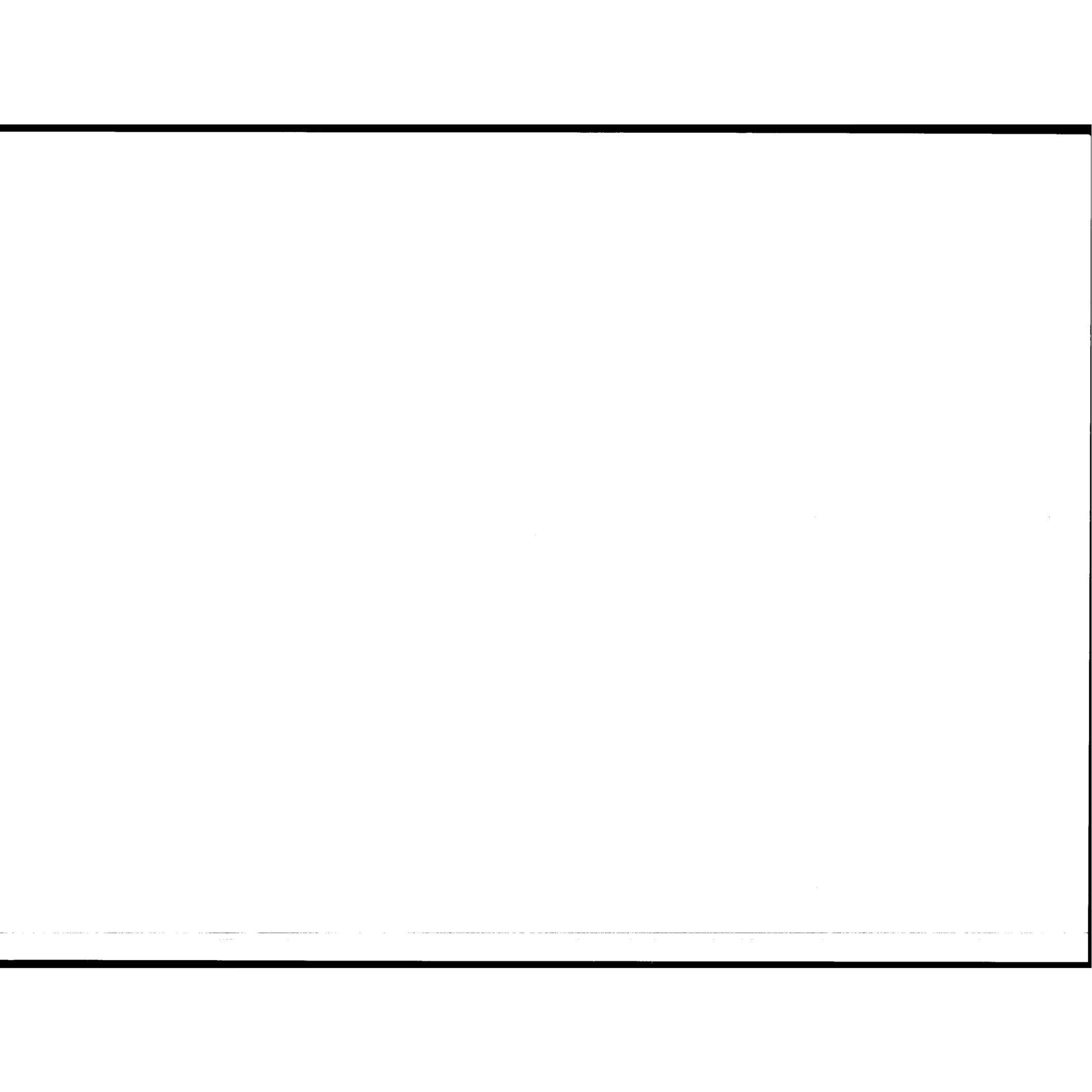
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sides when the officers were telling him to drop the knife. [REDACTED] said that Patton didn't appear to be responding to the officers and Patton appeared, "totally zoned out." [REDACTED] said that he didn't hear Patton saying anything to the officers. [REDACTED] said that Patton could have been saying something and he just didn't hear it opposed to [REDACTED] being sure Patton wasn't saying anything at all. [REDACTED] added that the officers were "screaming at the top of their lungs" and the officers could have easily drowned Patton out. [REDACTED] said from that distance he couldn't see if Patton's lips were moving or not.

[REDACTED] said that Patton stayed in the front area about 30 seconds or a m [REDACTED] said that during that time, he moved from the corner of the garage to standing atop a utility trailer where he is positioned in photo #1. [REDACTED] said that he maneuvered around the back of his yard so he could see Patton walk down the East side of his house. I began using photo #5 which depicts [REDACTED] and put the number "2" to an area around the front door of that residence. [REDACTED] said from position #2, Patton walked East along the front of his house (double arrows drawn on photo #5). Patton then turned South walking along the East wall of the house, indicated by arrows pointing behind the house in photo #5 I drew at [REDACTED] direction. [REDACTED] said he lost sight of Patton as he went into the backyard. [REDACTED] said Patton was walking "very slow." [REDACTED] said the officers were trying to keep one officer ahead of Patton, and one officer behind Patton, while the others were completing a semi-circle formation as they moved. [REDACTED] said that the house was a barrier that completed the containment area. [REDACTED] said Patton still had something in his hand as he walked East across the front yard of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said he couldn't see what the object was that Patton was carrying and reiterated that it must have been a knife because of what the officers were yelling.

[REDACTED] said an officer jumped a fence on the East side of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said the officer, maybe two officers jumped the approximate 6 foot tall fence at about the same time or before Patton entered the backyard of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] explained the opening on the East side of [REDACTED] where Patton walked through only allowed for persons to go through the opening (gate) single file and he saw the rest

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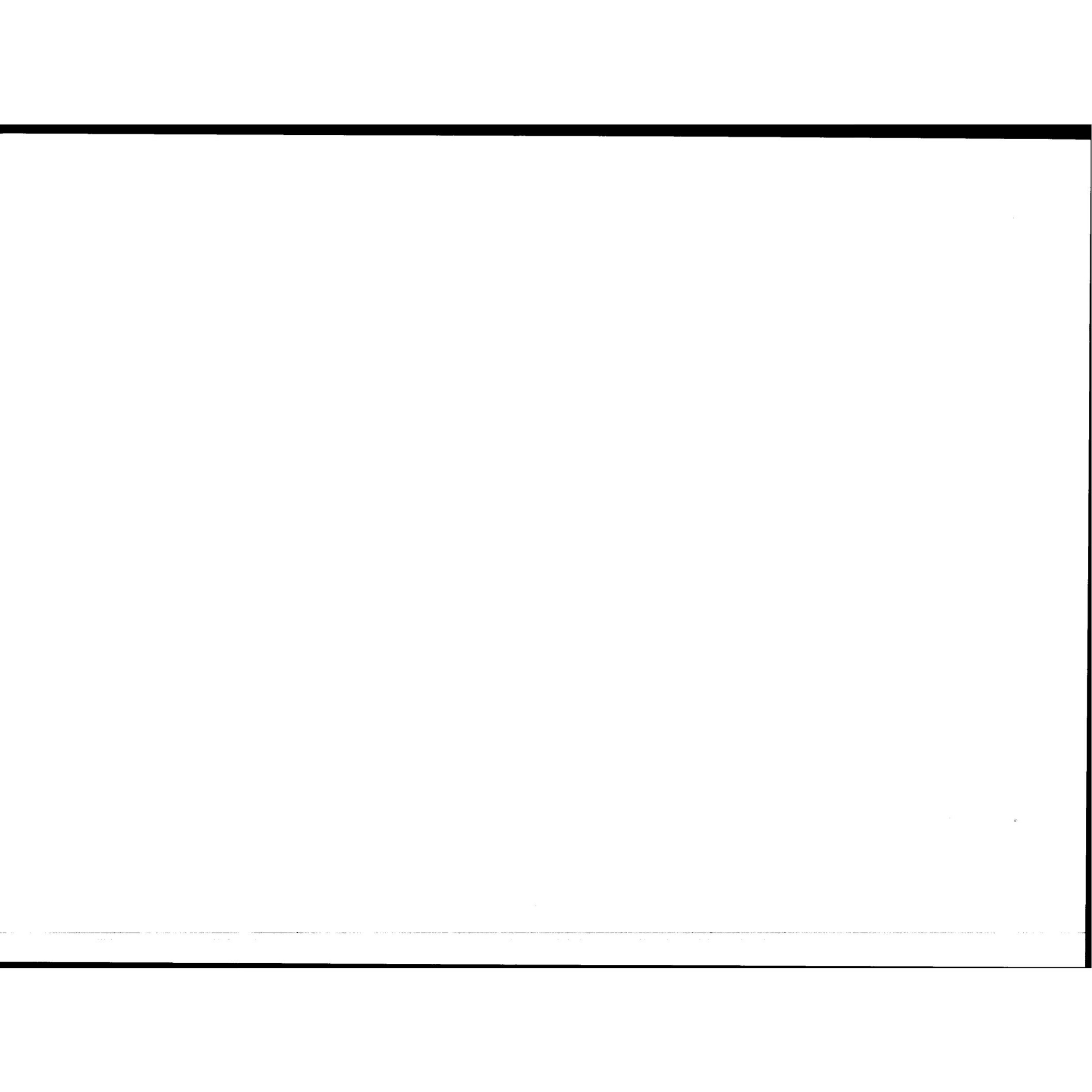
of the officers (except the one maybe two who jumped the fence) go through the fence single file behind Patton. I asked [REDACTED] if he saw any officers go into the house as Patton began going around the back. Patton only spoke about seeing the one or two officers jump the fence. He did not speak about seeing any officers go into the residence at [REDACTED]

I asked [REDACTED] about his vantage point to see the activity on the East side of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said he came up to the back of his fence at some point and showed me an area of the fence he believed he was standing which I marked in as area #2 in photo #2.

[REDACTED] said even though he couldn't see Patton when he was in the back of [REDACTED] he could hear the officers yelling the same type of commands for Patton to drop the knife or they were going to shoot him. [REDACTED] estimated the time Patton and the officers spent in the back of [REDACTED] as about "thirty seconds." [REDACTED] said he saw an officer first around the East side of [REDACTED] from the back to the front. [REDACTED] said the officers had their guns drawn and pointing them at Patton. [REDACTED] said he didn't see anyone with a baton in his or her hand. [REDACTED] said he didn't see anyone with "mace." [REDACTED] demonstrated the position he saw the officers pointing their guns at Patton as both hands on the gun at shoulder height (isosceles firing position). [REDACTED] said it seemed like there were 5-6 officers in a semi-circle the entire time Patton was moving.

Patton came out from the backyard of [REDACTED] which I marked with a "4" on photo #5. [REDACTED] said Patton walked back toward the front door or [REDACTED] and continued past the front door. [REDACTED] said Patton walked directly toward [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said Patton's hands were at his sides. [REDACTED] said that the officers continued the semi-circle in front and back of Patton and continued yelling at him to drop the knife. [REDACTED] walked Westbound across Montgomery Rd. toward [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] drew a line on photo #6 from [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said he couldn't tell if Patton was holding anything when he walked from [REDACTED]

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██████████ because Patton's hands were out of his view.

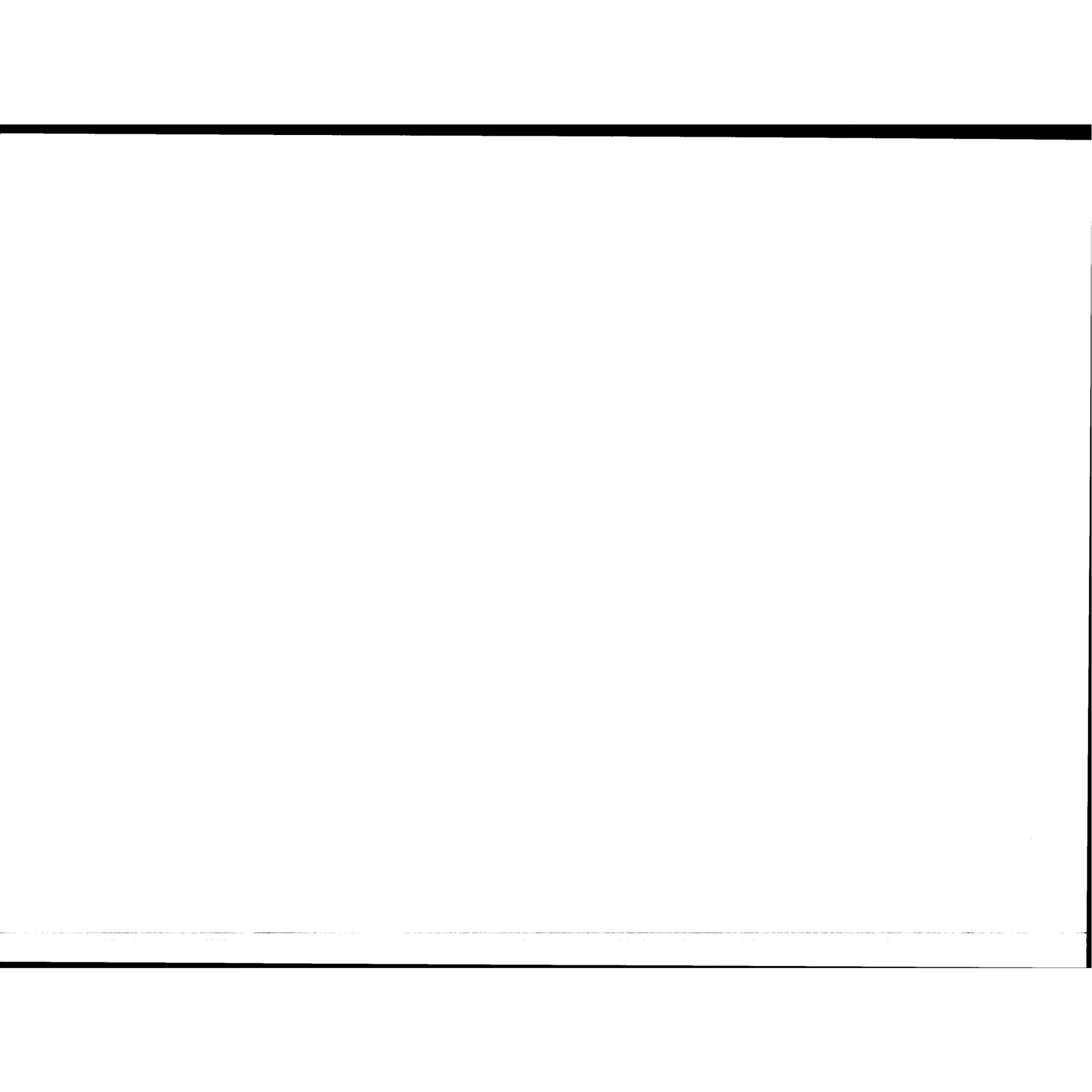
██████████ said as Patton walked behind a tree, he lost sight of Patton, but could sporadically see the officers. I put a "5" in the area of photo #6 where ██████████ showed me he lost sight of Patton. ██████████ showed me that Patton went behind the tree that is depicted just East of position "5" and that was where Patton was when he heard the volley of gunshots. Photo #4 is a photo that concentrates on ██████████ I transferred the "5" to the same general area on photo #4. ██████████ pointed to an area on photo #4 and said he could see some of the officers among the tree leaves in that area I marked with a "6." ██████████ said that the officers in area "6" were shouting repeated commands that Patton to drop the knife or they were going to shoot. ██████████ said about a minute after he lost sight of Patton, was when he heard 10 - 15 gunshots fired very rapidly.

██████████ said he has been to a firing range where he has heard multiple persons shoot at one time and he has heard automatic weapons fire. I asked if the rapid fire sounded like multiple persons firing or one person with an automatic weapon. ██████████ said it sounded like multiple persons firing "a shot or two" at the same time. ██████████ estimated the total time from when he first heard the gunshots to the final burst of gunshots in front of ██████████ was "under ten minutes, easily."

██████████ said he didn't see any of the officers with a rifle type of weapon, nor did he see anyone with a baton drawn or strike Patton with a baton. ██████████ said he didn't see anyone with pepper spray. ██████████ said as far as he could tell, the officers were using semi-automatics. ██████████ said he has owned a .357 revolver in the past and has fired a semiautomatic pistol in the past and knows the difference.

██████████ said after hearing the final volley of fire, the officers stopped yelling, appeared to have put their guns away and began milling around as though there was no further threat. ██████████

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heard the sirens from the fire department and ambulance from a distance getting louder as they approached. [REDACTED] said the fire department and ambulance arrived on scene.

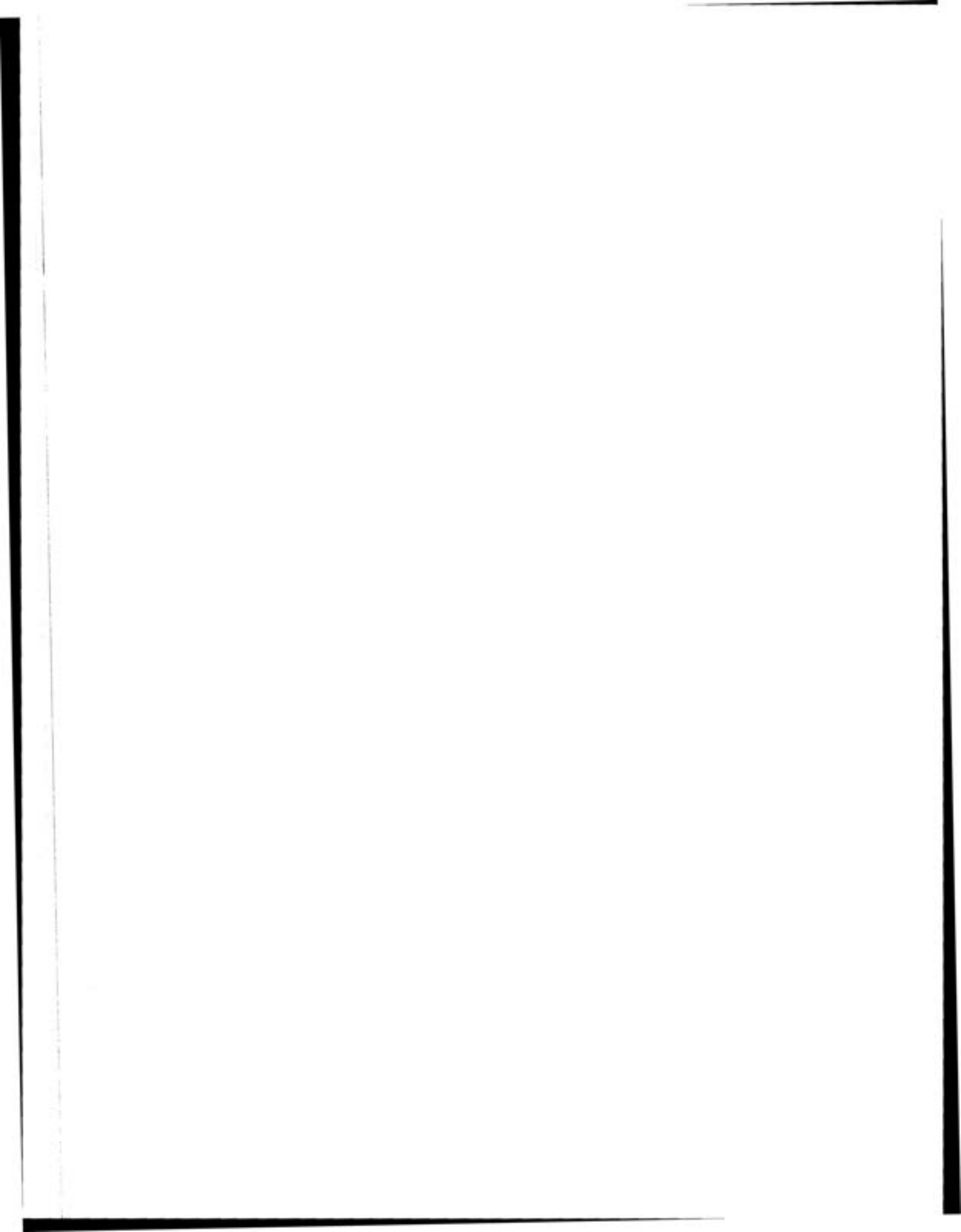
[REDACTED] rode his bicycle to the scene and approached one of the officers and told him that he saw the entire incident.

[REDACTED] said that he is not acquainted with the persons who live at either [REDACTED] [REDACTED] nor has he ever interacted with the residents of either house. [REDACTED] said he thought he saw a police car in front of [REDACTED], but it could have been in front of the house across the street as well. [REDACTED] said he has never heard any yelling or shouting emanating from either [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said initially he thought Patton lived at [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said he thought deadly force wasn't necessary. I again asked [REDACTED] if he saw Patton after he went behind the tree between "5" and "6" in photo #4. [REDACTED] said he didn't see Patton behind the tree at all. I asked [REDACTED] if he ever saw Patton lunge at anyone when he was behind the tree between "5" and "6" in photo #4. [REDACTED] said he didn't see Patton lunge at anyone while he was behind that tree.

I asked [REDACTED] if he saw Patton lunge at anyone at anytime during the incident. [REDACTED] said that he did see Patton make sweeping waist high motion backward with the hand he holding the object. [REDACTED] said that Patton was sweeping the object "definitely towards the officers." End of interview.

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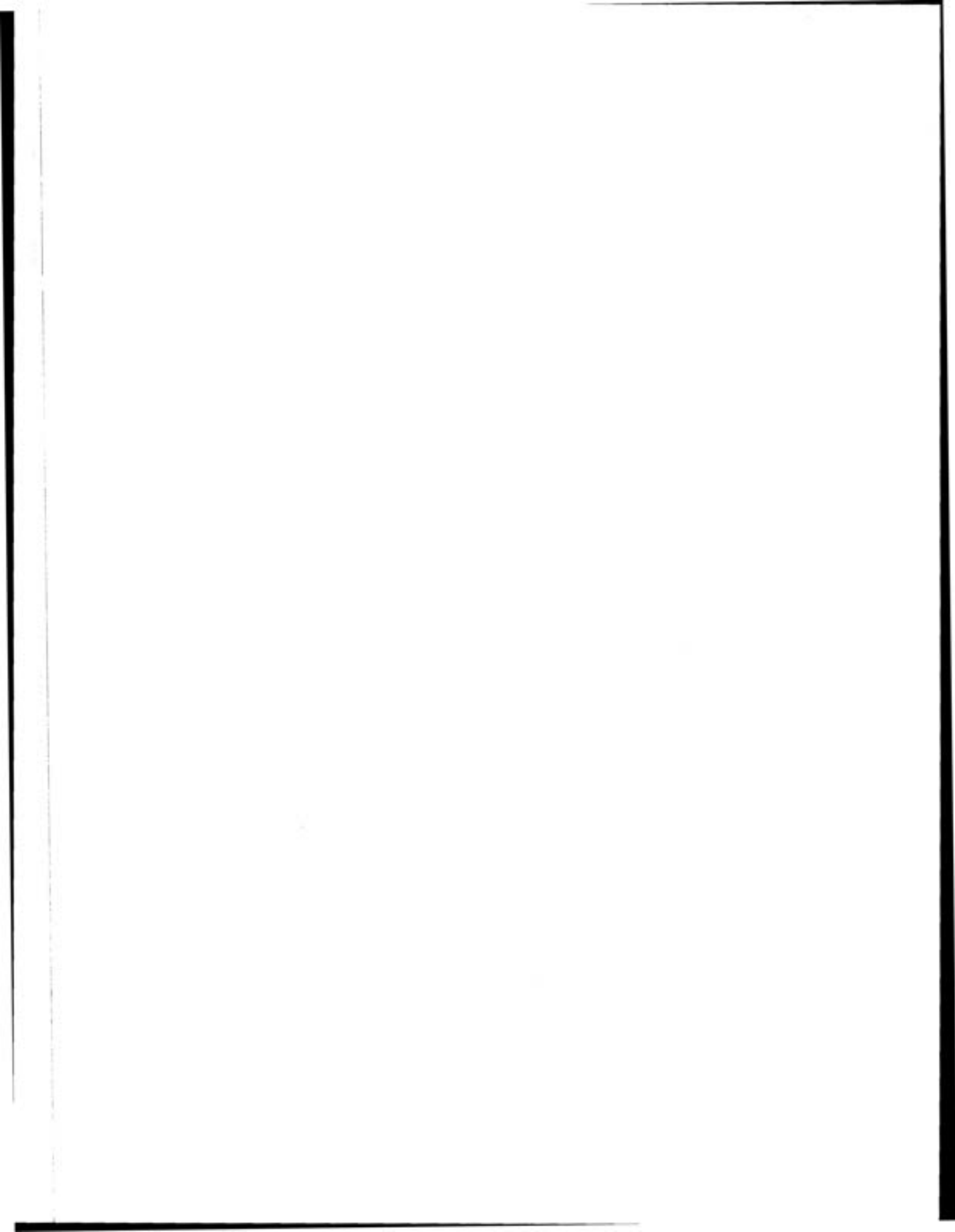
After interviewing [REDACTED] I interviewed [REDACTED] in the same location. I told [REDACTED] if she didn't see or hear something, don't speculate about it and stressed the truth was the most important concept.

[REDACTED] said that she was in her bedroom on the East side of the living room, putting her shoes on to take the dog for a walk about 1730 hours. [REDACTED] said her rear bedroom windows that face Avenida De Las Flores were open. [REDACTED] bedroom windows are marked in photo #8 as "open bedroom window." [REDACTED] said that the sun was direct and it was starting to cool off. [REDACTED] said she didn't look at the clock. [REDACTED] said she heard what sounded like shots being fired. [REDACTED] said that there are also people in her neighborhood who light off similar sounding fireworks, so she didn't immediately react.

[REDACTED] said she heard some voices shouting commands. The voices sounded in "distress." [REDACTED] initially believed there was a domestic fight going on. [REDACTED] left her house meeting [REDACTED] who had gone out of the house before her, at the back of their garage. [REDACTED] said their son [REDACTED] came outside with them later. [REDACTED] could see several officers surrounding a house, but she could not see the officers pursuing anyone. [REDACTED] initially thought there was someone barricaded in the house. [REDACTED] said as she watched, she heard the officers yelling, "put your weapon down." [REDACTED] said it appeared as though the officers were following someone based on their movement, but she couldn't see who they were following.

[REDACTED] said she first saw some of the officers run around to the back of the yard and one officer jump over the fence. [REDACTED] said that she didn't initially see the man she [REDACTED] said she saw one officer wearing a motorcycle helmet back by the fence. A few minutes later,

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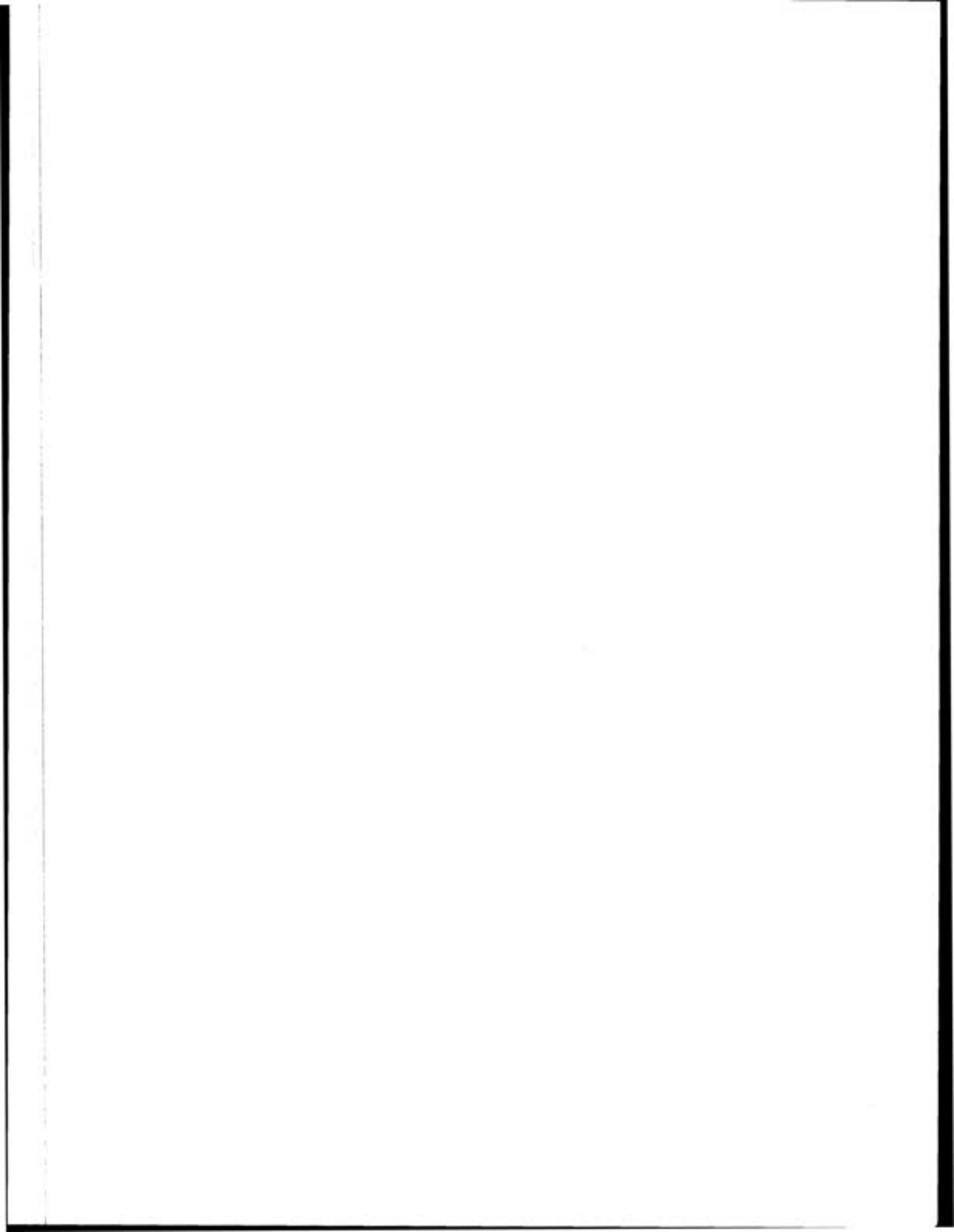
█████ saw a male (Patton) walk out of the backyard of ██████ wearing a teal green faded t-shirt. ██████ later described Patton as being stocky about 5-10 tall and having a "little bit of a belly." ██████ never mentioned Patton by name, but for the purposes clarification, I will use Patton's name in the remainder of this report. ██████ wasn't paying attention to what Patton was wearing for trousers. ██████ estimated Patton's age as 52. ██████ said that Patton was walking "kind of sluggish like, almost like someone who had a stroke, but had recovered and had a little bit of a, slur you know like with his walk, his leg drawn a little. ██████ said Patton's hands were down by his sides. ██████ didn't think Patton had anything to do with what was going on because he was "so mellow."

Looking at photo #4, ██████ said that she was standing on the driver's side fender of the utility trailer at some point. I marked photo #1 with a "10" depicting the vantage point ██████ described to me. ██████ showed me that earlier she had been standing next to the "1" previously marked on the concrete slab in photo #1. ██████ said from where she was standing, the cottonwood tree hiding the door of ██████ in photo #5 was not obstructing her view of the front door.

█████ said that she saw Patton try to open the front door of ██████. It appeared as though the front door was locked. ██████ said that at that point, the 4-5 officers that were in a semi-circle around Patton began to close in on him. ██████ said that she could only see the officers that were on the East side of the cottonwood tree. ██████ said that the officers were telling Patton to put the knife down. ██████ said it appeared as though when Patton turned around he "swung at one of the officers." ██████ said she couldn't see if Patton had anything in his hand, but his hand was closed in a fist. ██████ said that Patton swung to his left hand in a backward direction at the officers like he was "swatting a fly." ██████ said Patton could have said something when he turned around; she heard something when he turned around, but couldn't be sure it was Patton.

█████ said when Patton swung at the officers there was more shouting from the officers with one voice shouting "put the knife down" and another voice shouting "drop your weapon."

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██████████ said as Patton swung his arm to the left, he turned his body about 270° and walked West along the front of ██████████ then across Montgomery Rd. ██████████ said Patton had his hands down at his side as he walked across the street. ██████████ said the motorcycle officer had a gun in his hand and was facing Patton. ██████████ said that every officer she saw pursuing Patton had a pistol in his hands. ██████████ demonstrated the same isosceles shooting position as the position she saw the officers using when pointing their guns at Patton.

██████████ said she lost sight of Patton near a large tree on the East side of ██████████ which she pointed to and I marked with "11" on photo #4. ██████████ said she saw the officers pursuing Patton on Montgomery Rd. pointing to a spot which I marked as "12" on photo #4.

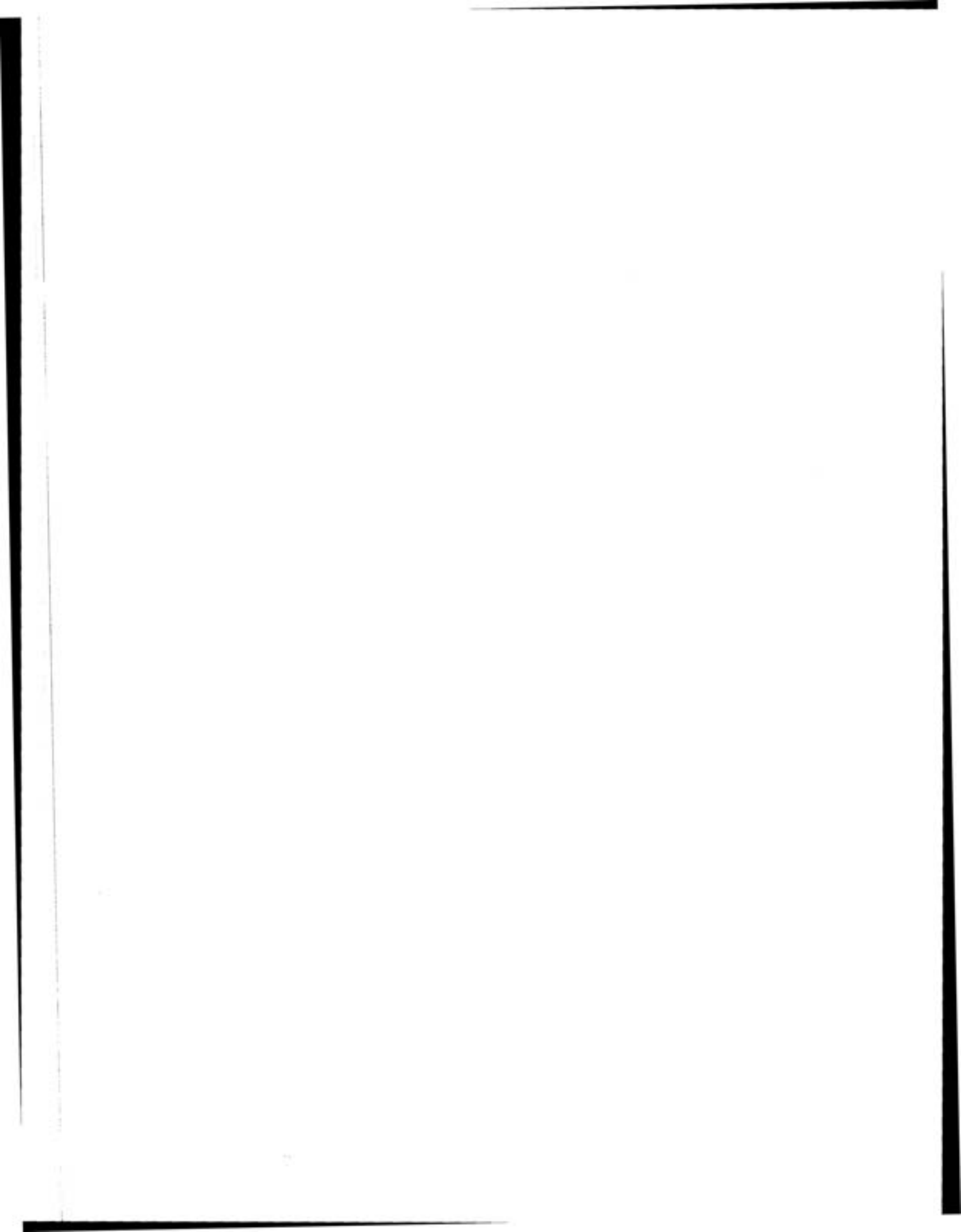
██████████ said that a couple more minutes went by where she couldn't see anything, but could hear yelling then she heard the shooting. ██████████ said that the shooting lasted about 3 seconds. ██████████ said it sounded like many officers fired at once, then complete silence. After the gunshots, a heavy lady in blonde hair wearing a salmon colored outfit with black polka dots, came out of ██████████ put her hands to her face and gasped.

██████████ didn't see either the officers or Patton after hearing the gunshots. ██████████ said she went back into her house about a minute after hearing the gunshots and went to the front of her house telling others on her street to keep away from the area of the gunshots. ██████████ said about 15 minutes later she took her dog for a walk and saw an ambulance at the scene.

In photo #7 ██████████ showed me that she was moving up and down the walkway between the peach tree and the SW corner of her garage while viewing the incident. I circled the area ██████████ pointed to. ██████████ told me that she has good eyesight and doesn't wear glasses. End of interview.

██████████ told me that his son ██████████ saw some of the incident, but didn't want to talk to the police the night they interviewed him and ██████████ I asked ██████████ if he would ask ██████████ if I

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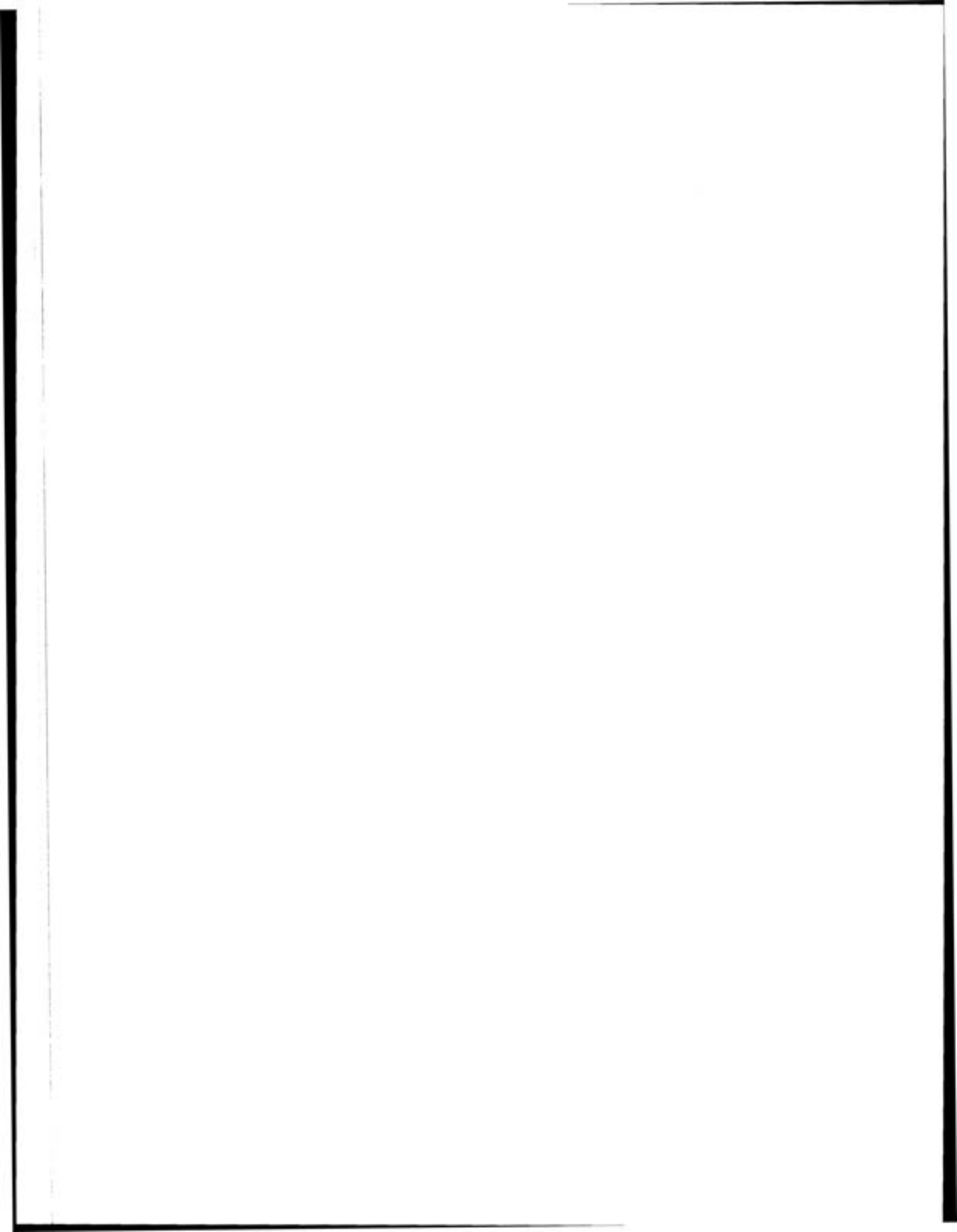
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could interview him. [REDACTED] left the room and came back a few minutes later and told me that [REDACTED] didn't want to talk to me. [REDACTED] told me [REDACTED]

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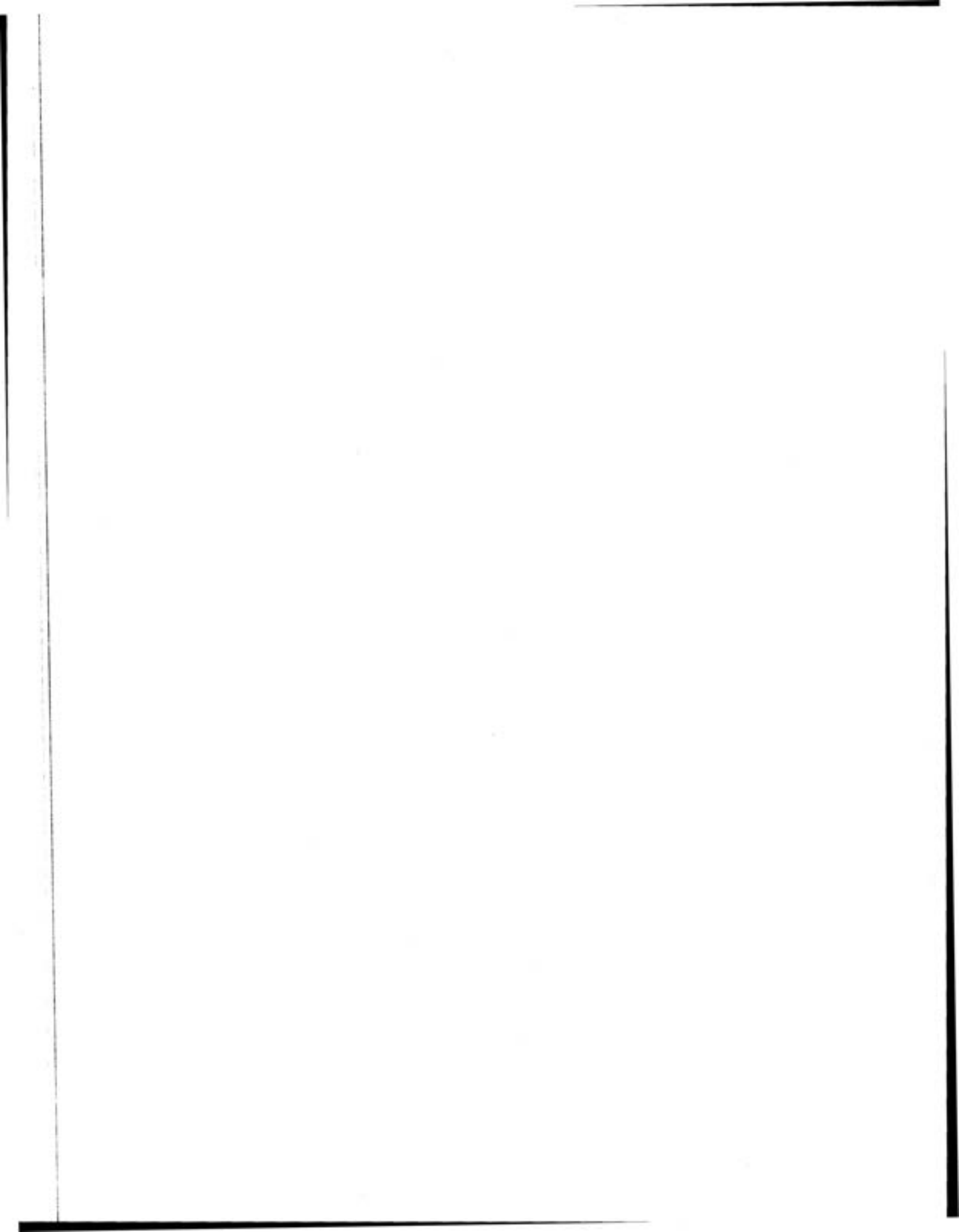
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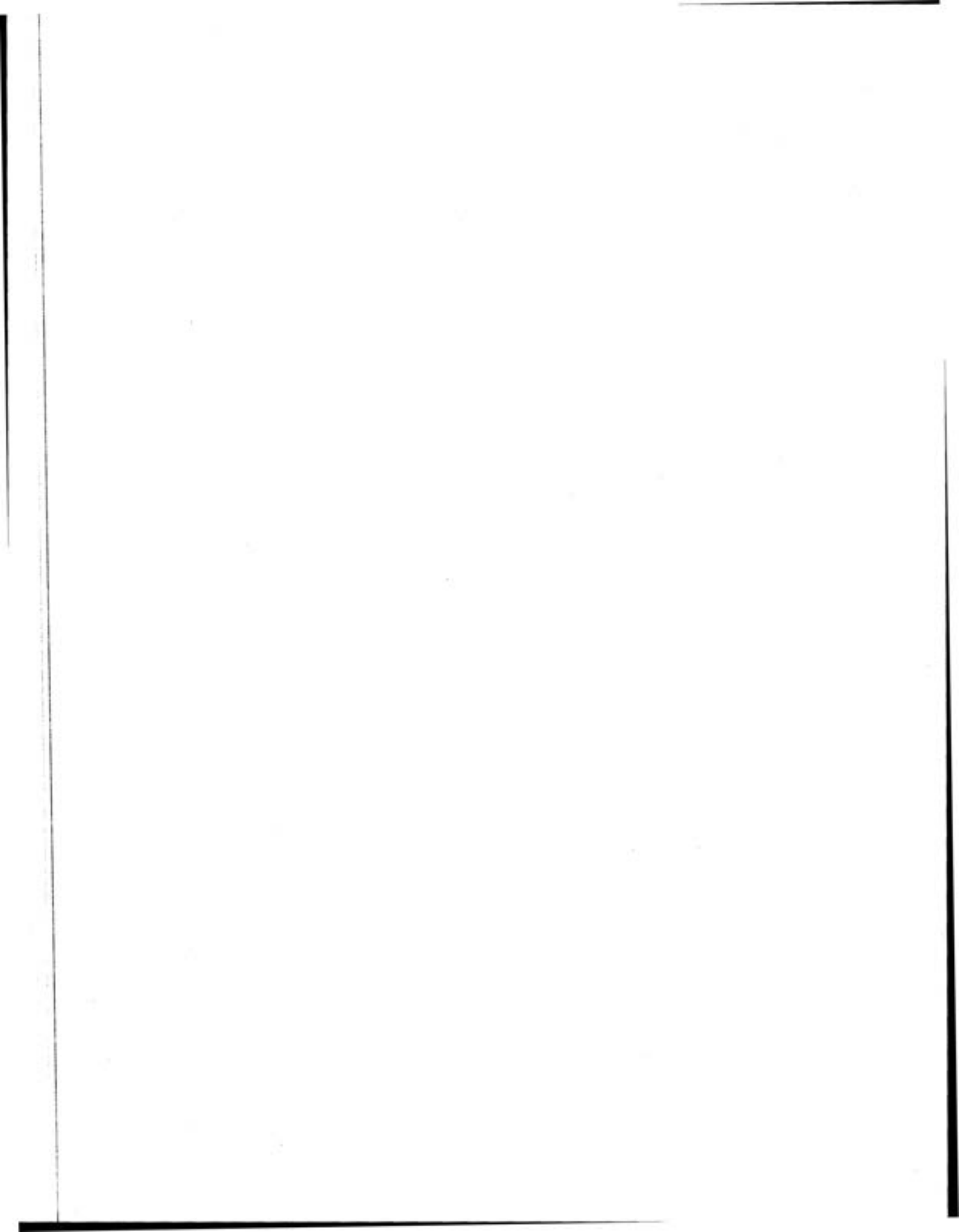
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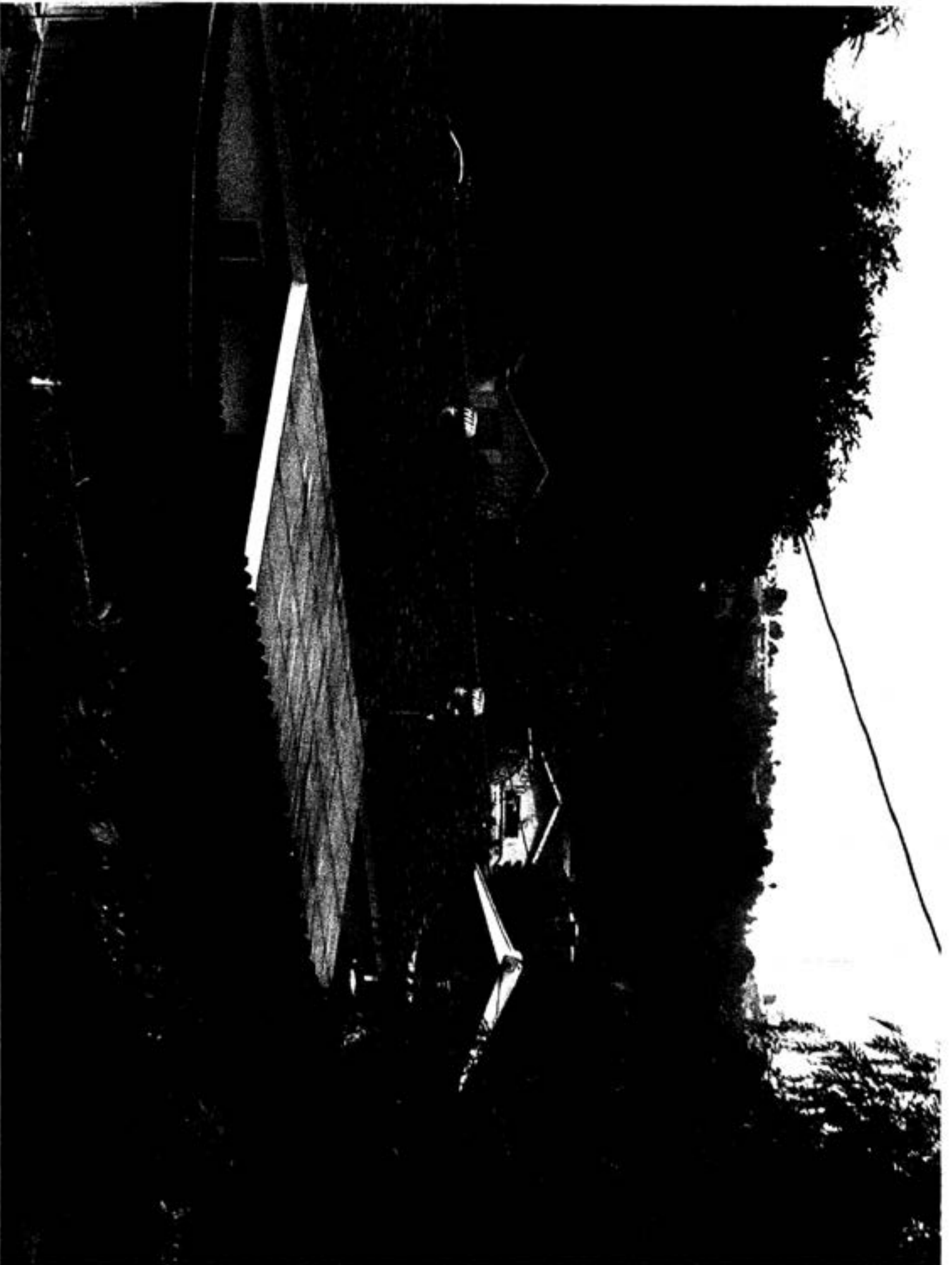
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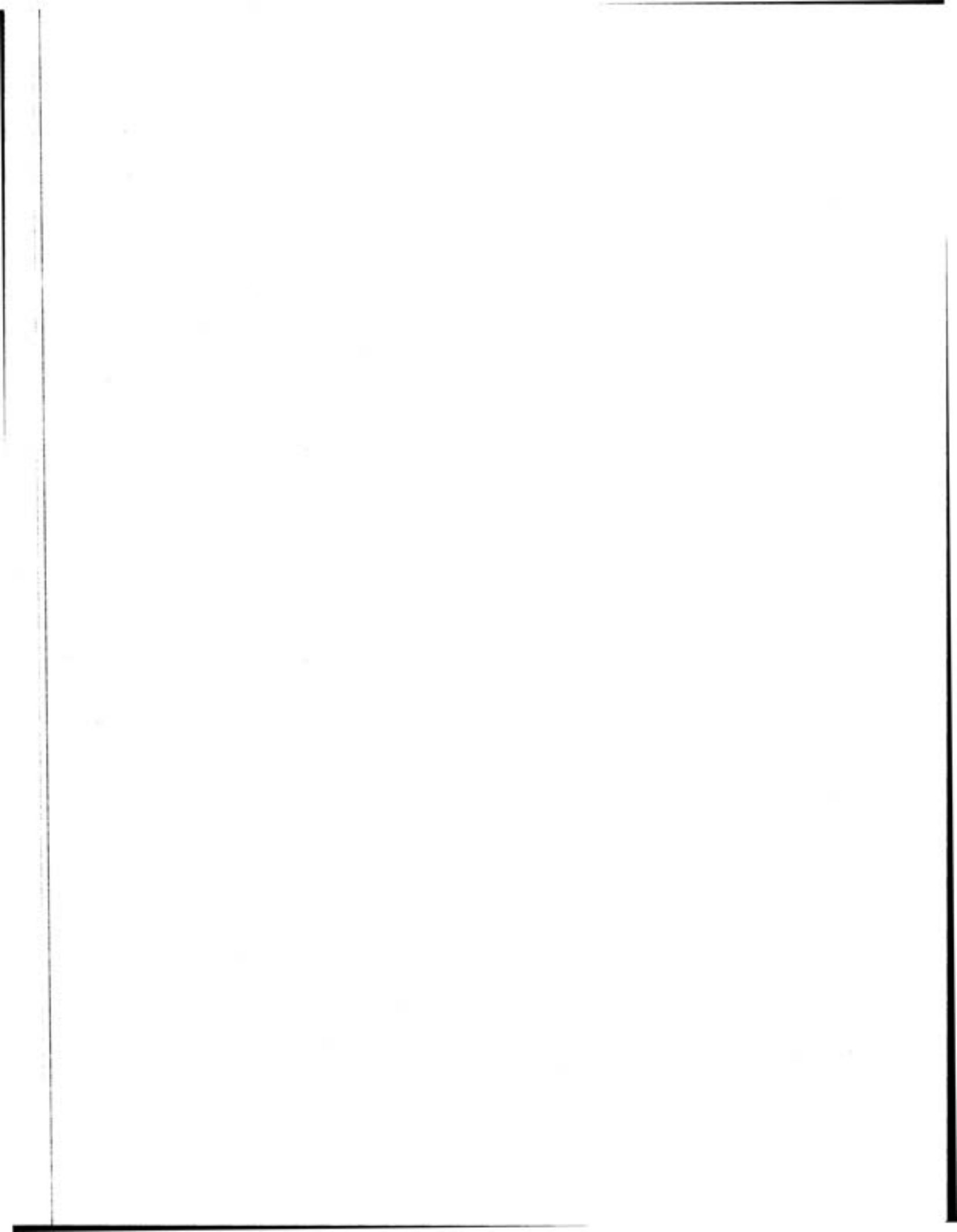








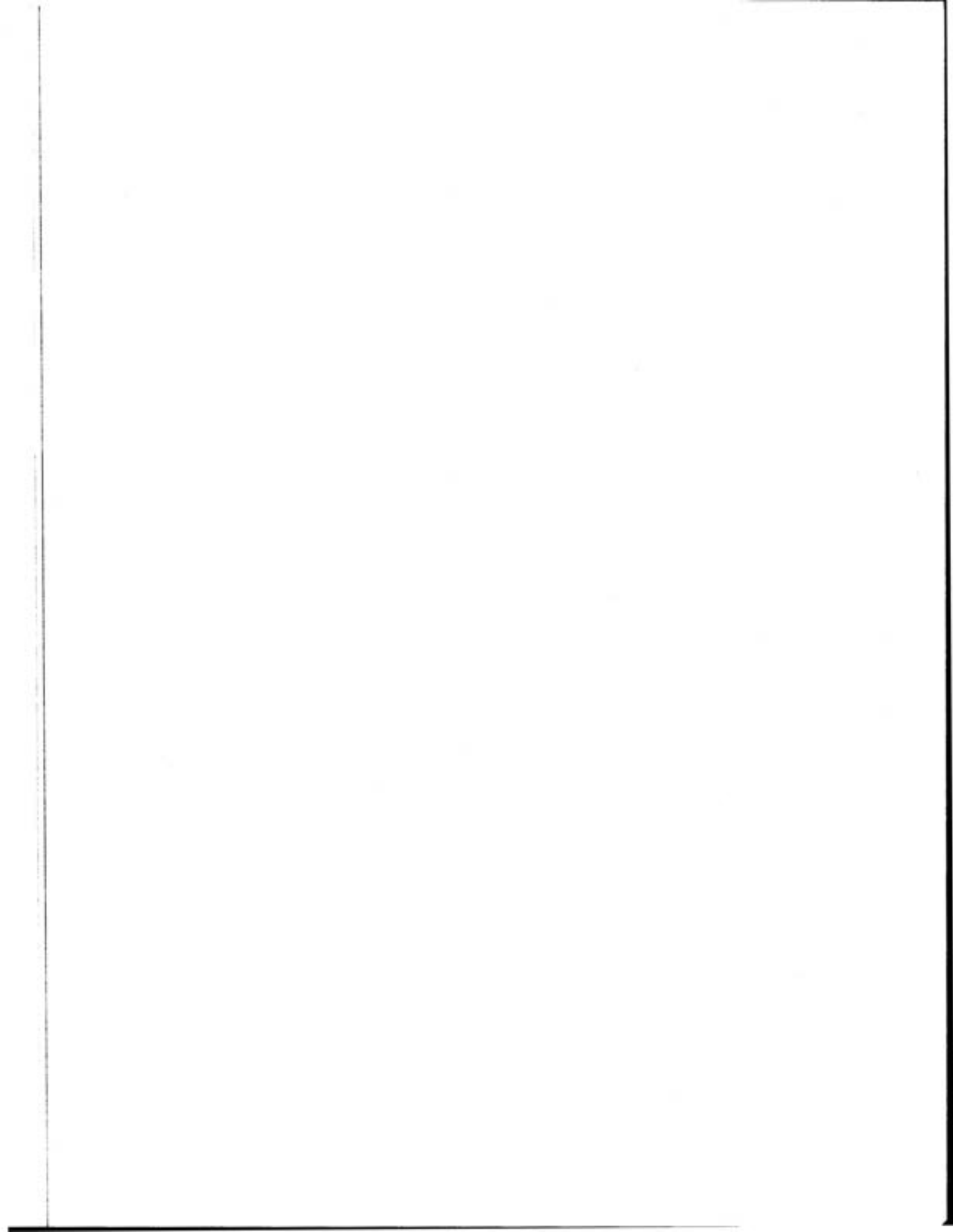
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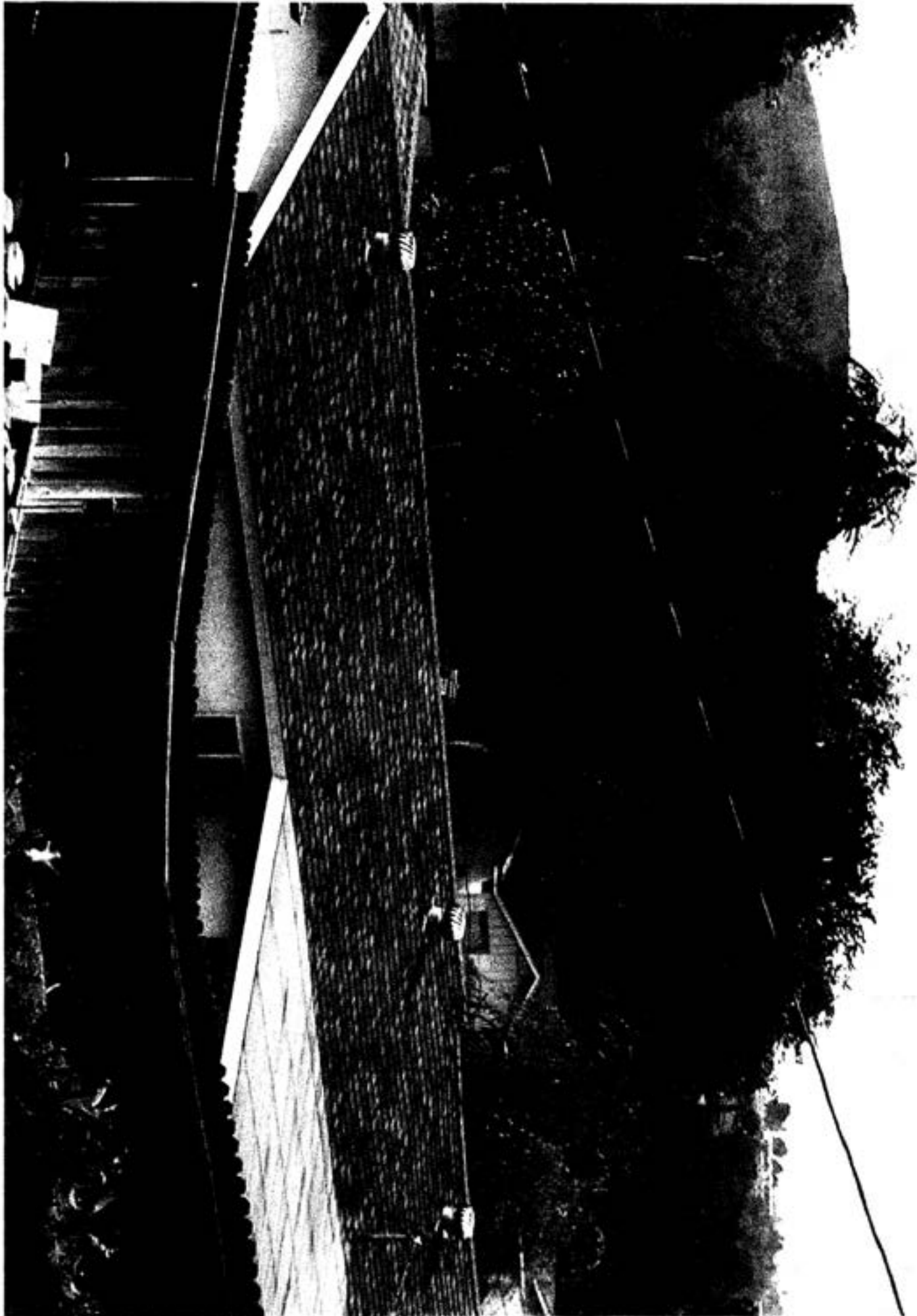


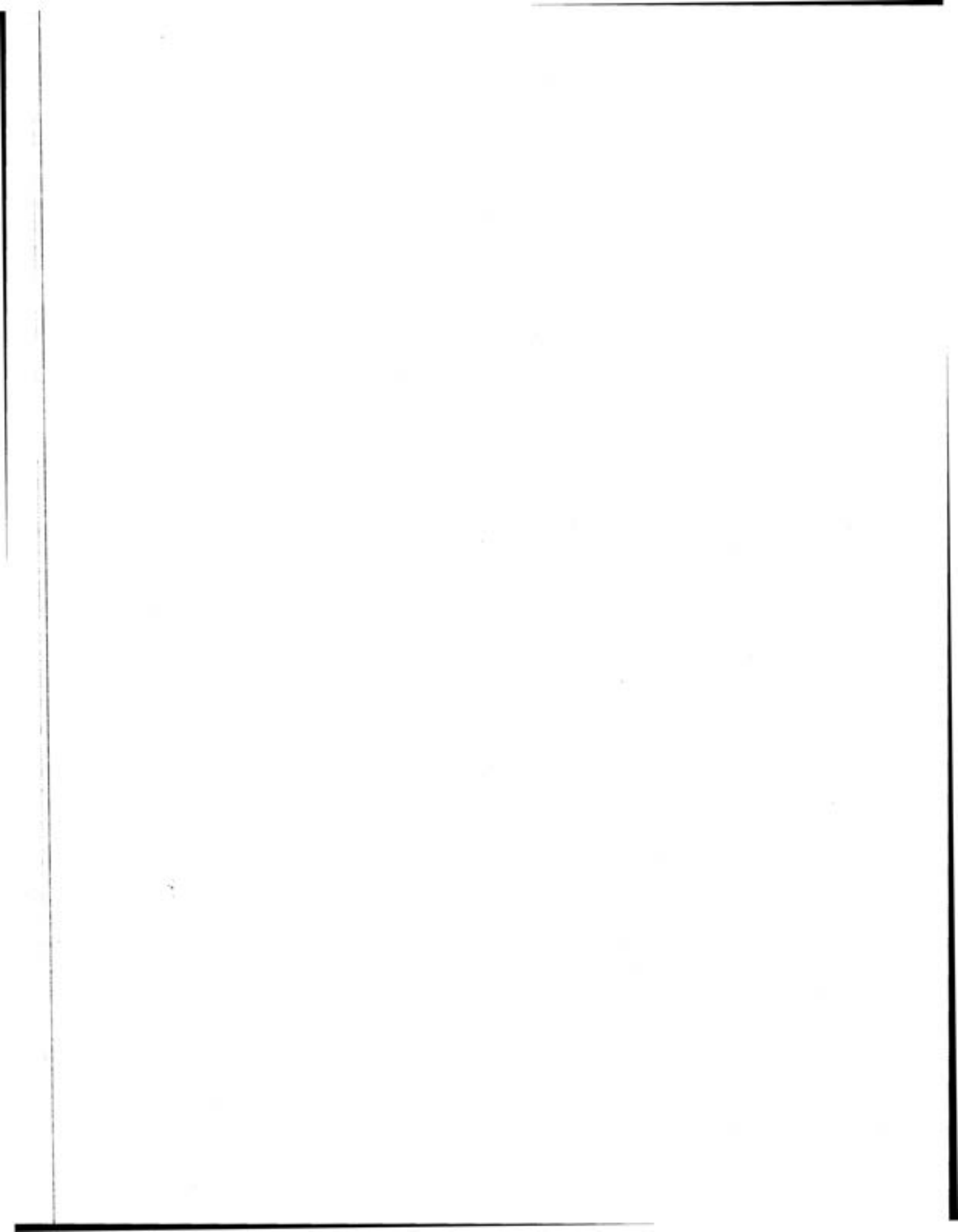


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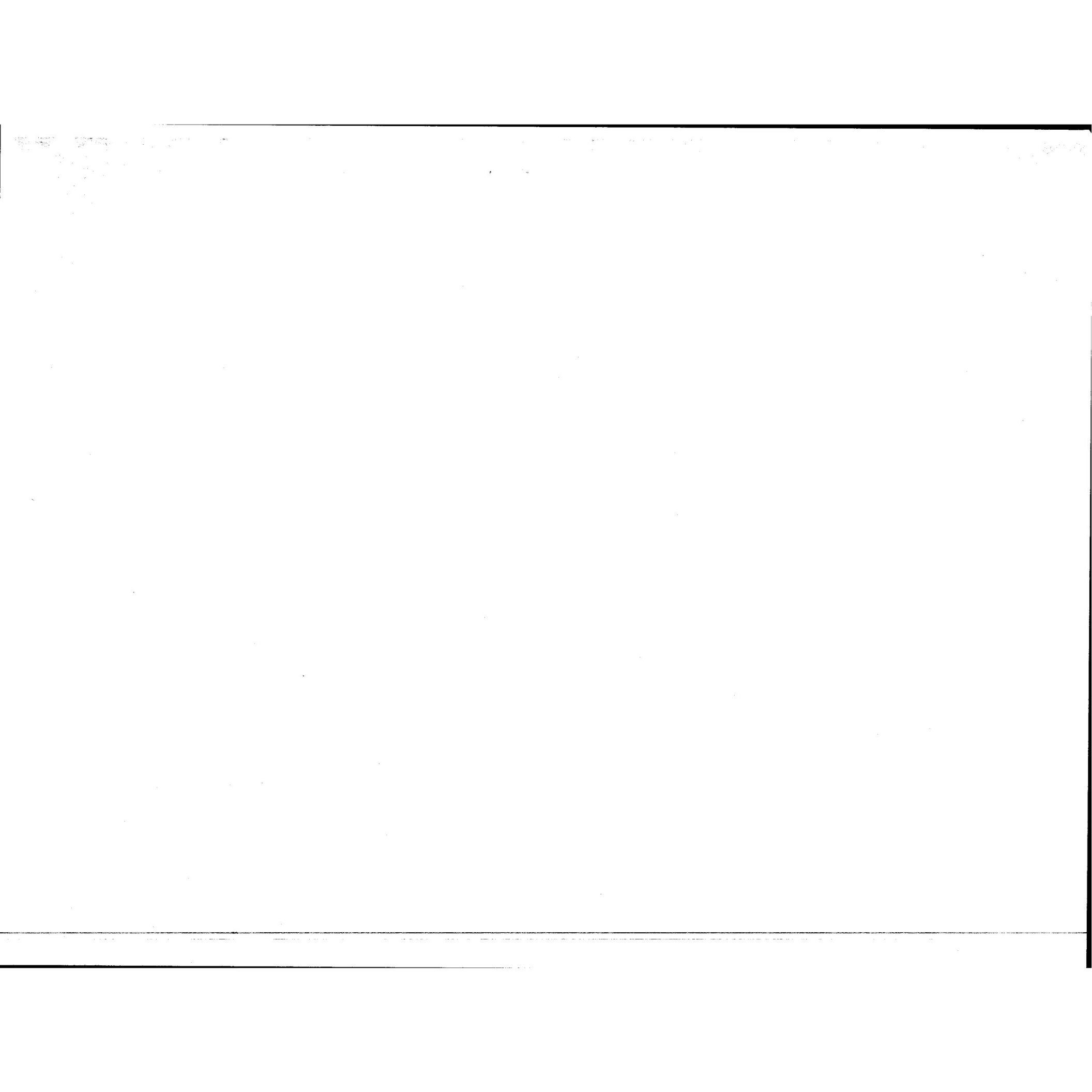
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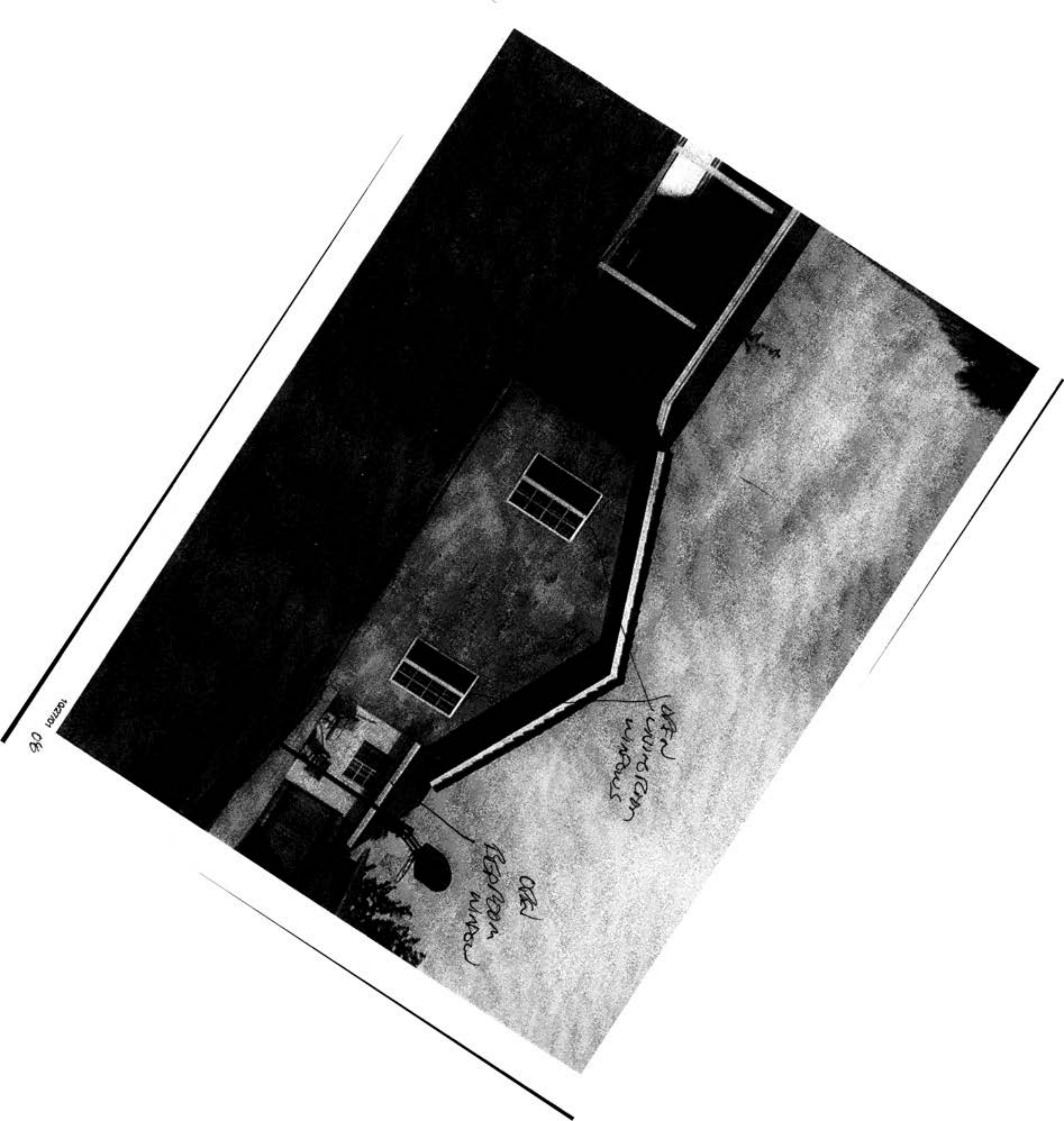








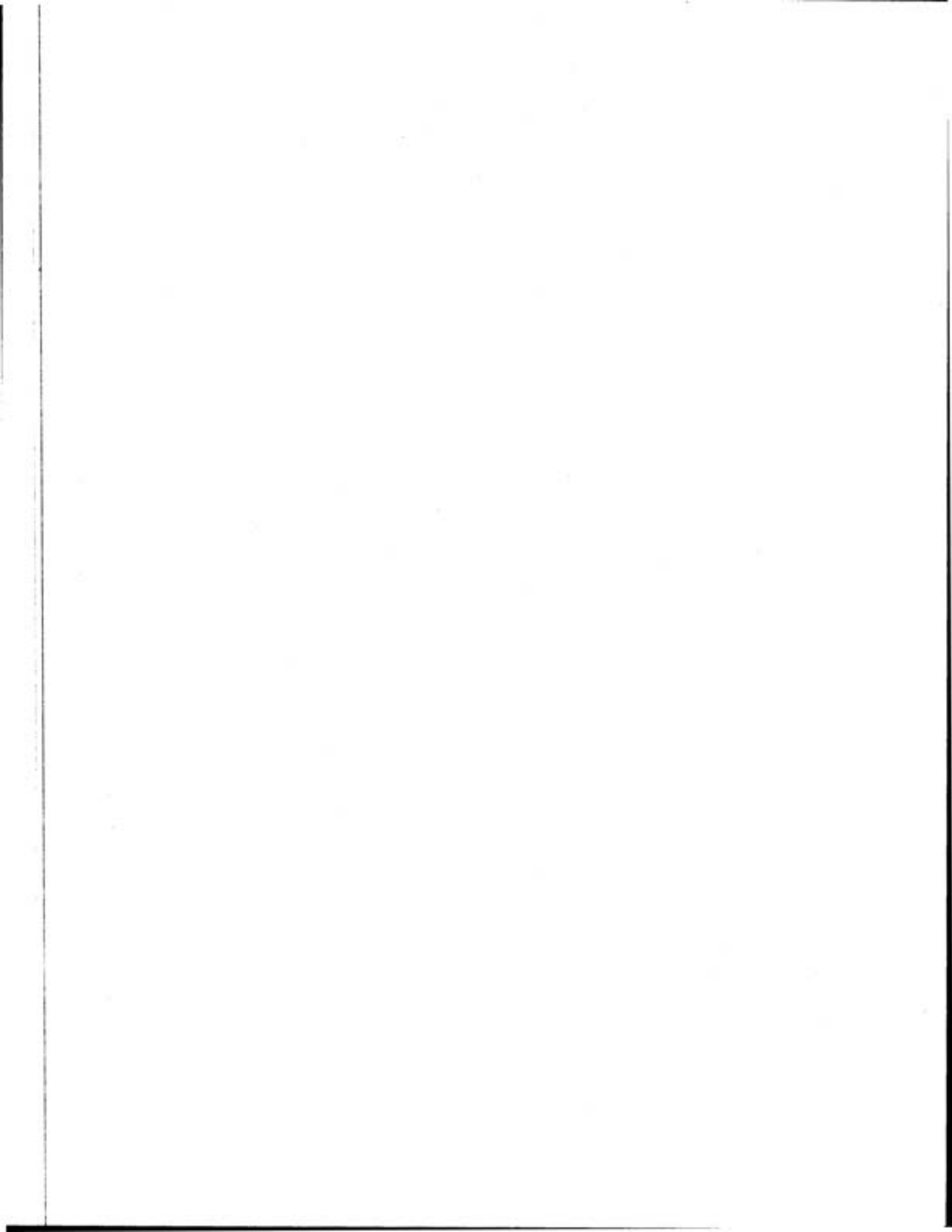




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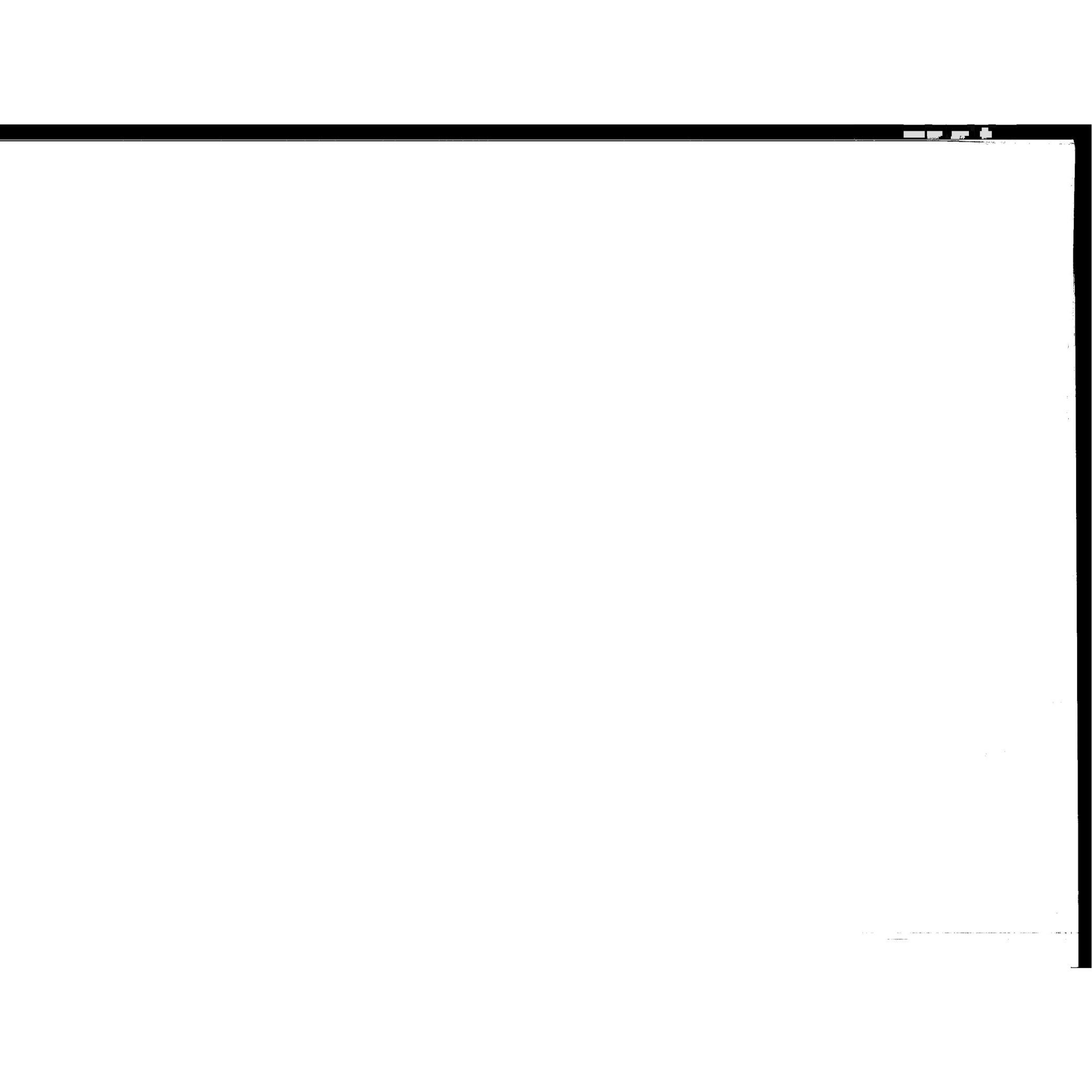
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[REDACTED] went on to tell me he was in his back yard when he heard the first shots. He said that, after hearing the shots, he went up to see what was going on. He said that when he got to the area, he saw several officers following the subject across the street. He said at that time, he thought he was too close and when he turned around to move away, he heard more shots.

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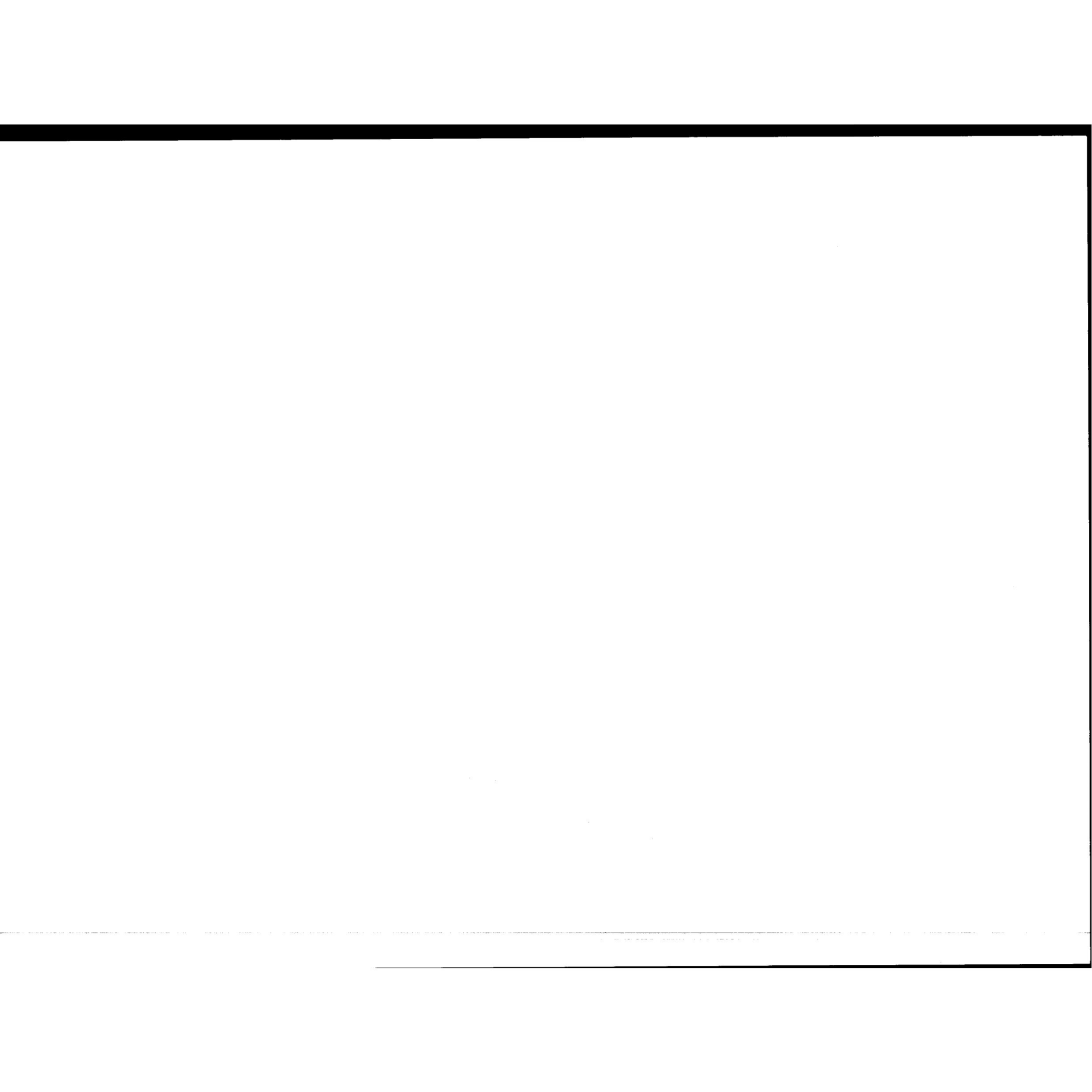
Interview with



On 10/17/01, at approximately 1840 hours, I contacted [REDACTED] at his residence in reference to the above incident. I told [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] had mentioned he was with him and may have witnessed some of the actions of the officers.

[REDACTED] went on to tell me he was in his back yard when he heard the first shots. He said that, after hearing the shots, he went up to see what was going on. He said that when he got to the area, he saw several officers following the subject across the street. He said at that time, he thought he was to close and when he turned around to move away, he heard more shots.

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I asked [REDACTED] about the first shots he heard and if he could say how many there were. [REDACTED] said there were four.

I asked what he saw when he first got to the next street. He said he saw his friend [REDACTED] running up the street and several police cars. He said that he was in the area of the house next to where the shooting took place. After we talked it over, it was decided that he was in the area of [REDACTED] residence [REDACTED]

I asked [REDACTED] if he saw anything that happened at the house across Montgomery [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] told me that when he got the area, he saw an officer try to hit the knife out of the subject's hand with a baton.

I asked if he actually saw that. He said that he did.

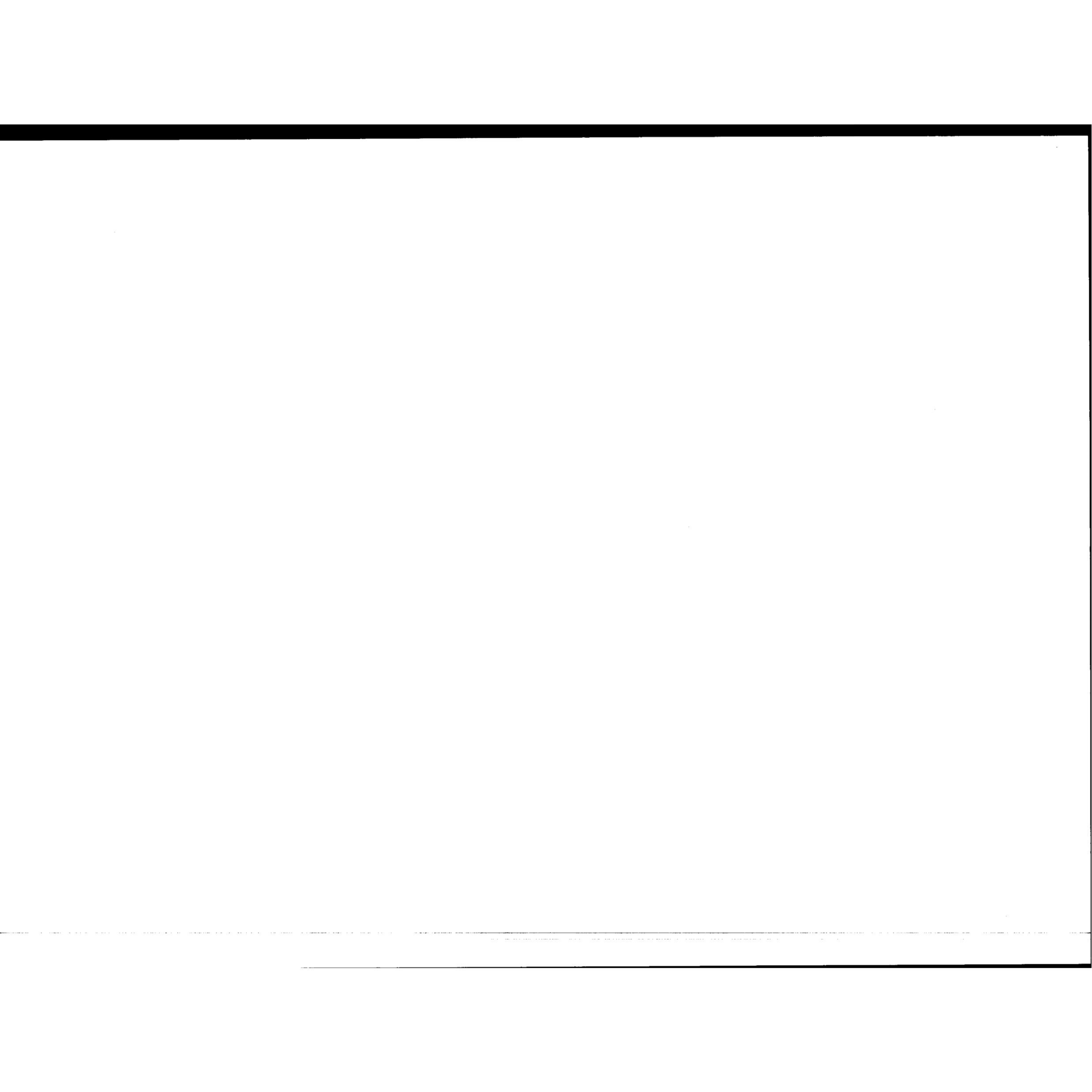
I next asked if he saw the baton strike the subject and he said that he did. I also asked if he heard it [REDACTED] said that he probably did, but added that he was all "pumped up" because of all that was going on.

I asked [REDACTED] again how many times he saw the officer strike the subject with the baton. He said he only saw the one time.

I asked where this took place. [REDACTED] said it was outside the door in front of [REDACTED] and he was hit across the right hand. [REDACTED] demonstrated what he saw in reference to the subject holding the knife. He showed me his arm, with his elbow was against his waist and his forearm out horizontal to the ground.

When asked what happened after that, [REDACTED] explained that the subject started to walk away from the front door and started across the street. He said

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there were four to six officers pointing their weapons at him and telling him, "drop the knife... drop the knife".

I asked [redacted] if the subject with the knife responded back to the officers. [redacted] said that he heard the subject say "why.... why". [redacted] also said that he could see a stain on the subject's left side and thought he was bleeding. When I mentioned the left side, [redacted] commented and demonstrated that he thought the guy had a gun in his waistband.

I asked [redacted] if he saw the subject advance toward the officers with the knife. [redacted] said that he didn't.

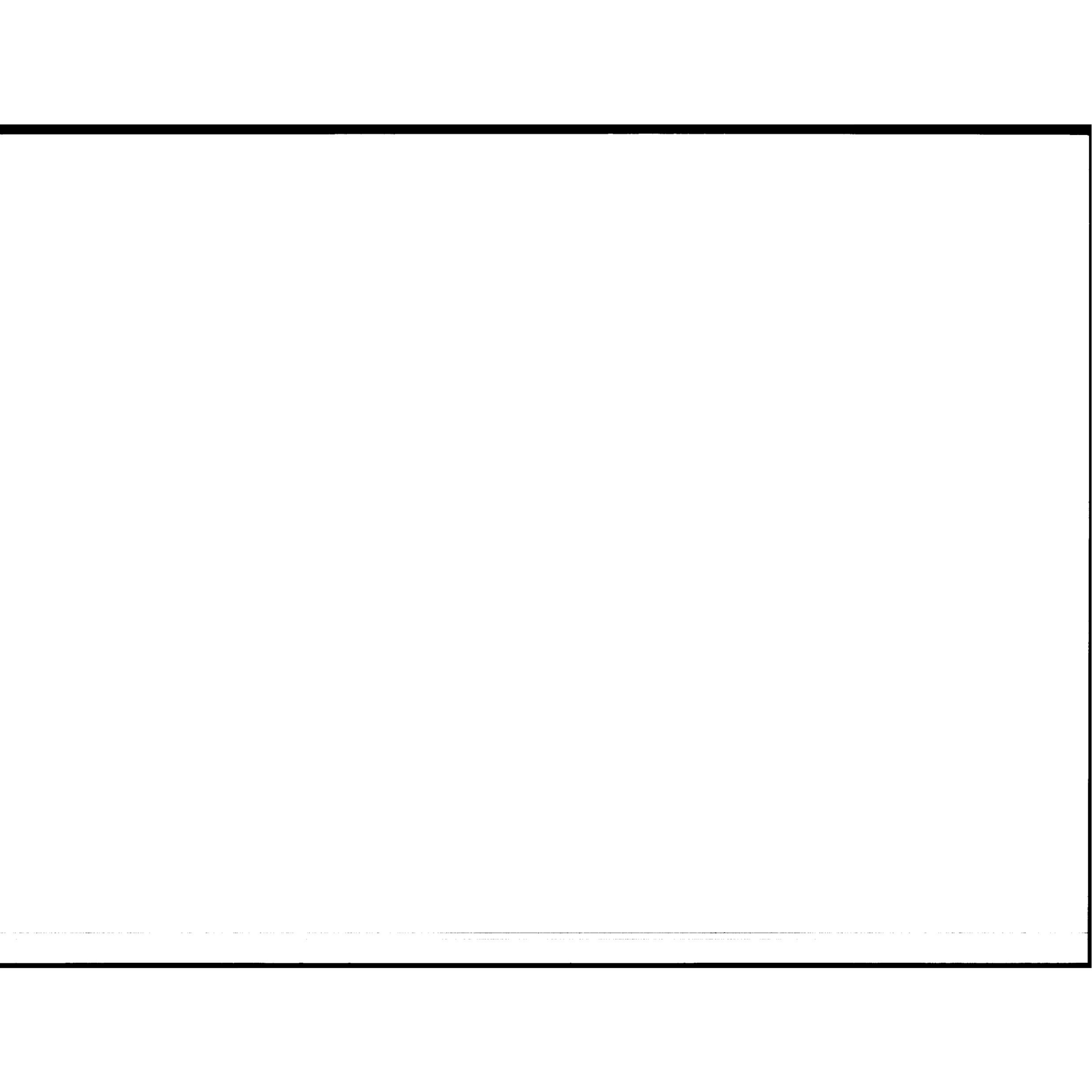
I asked again about the officer striking the subject with the baton, and the position of the subject's arm being at waist level. [redacted] said that by where the (baton) strike hit, he felt the subject had the knife at waist level. [redacted] also commented that he was surprised the guy didn't drop the knife after being hit and thought to himself, "what's this guy on".

I then asked [redacted] to tell me about what happened after the guy left the residence at [redacted]. [redacted] said the officers formed a semi circle around the subject as they pointed their weapons at him, while yelling at him to drop the knife.

I asked [redacted] if he saw what happened when they got in front of [redacted]. [redacted] said the subject went to his doorway, at the time that [redacted] decided that he was too close. [redacted] said he turned around to go the other way, when he heard approximately twelve shots.

I asked [redacted] if he heard the subject say anything while in front of his house and he said that he did not.

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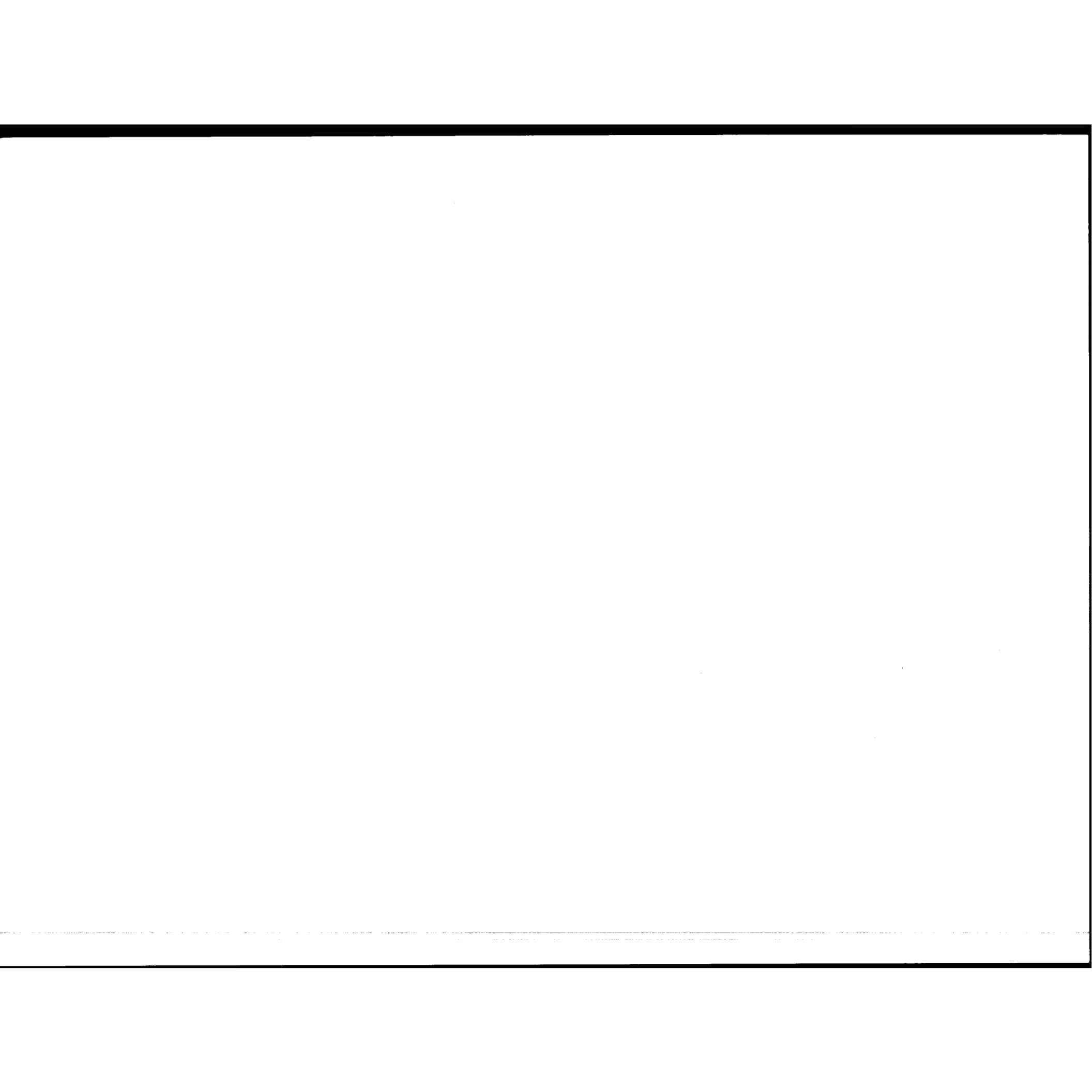
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Shortly after this, I concluded my interview with [REDACTED]. The above information is a synopsis of a tape recorded interview and is not verbatim. The tape was turned over to the case agent, Sgt. Montagna.

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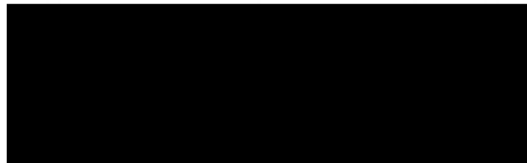
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Code: Name: **Patton, Thomas**

Interview with



On 10/17/01, I was asked to canvass the area near where the above shooting took place.

At approximately 1800 hours, I contacted [REDACTED] at her residence, which is on the north side of Ave. de las Flores, across the street from the scene of the shooting.

In talking with [REDACTED] she told me she didn't know the people (Patton's) very well, but she did talk to [REDACTED] the wife, sometimes.

I asked [REDACTED] if she ever talked to [REDACTED] about problems or fighting between herself and her husband. [REDACTED] told me her neighbors were strange people and very quiet.

[REDACTED] said she heard that [REDACTED] had been over at [REDACTED] crying, about a half hour or forty-five minutes before the shooting.

[REDACTED] also told me that she was at a friend's house (3 houses west of [REDACTED]) and heard four shots. She then heard a lot of shots she described as "like firecrackers".

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I asked [REDACTED] how much time was between the series of shots. She said that first there were four and then right away, there were the other ones.

I asked [REDACTED] if she had talked to [REDACTED] after she came back to her house that day. She said that she didn't because there were a lot of police. She did say she talked to [REDACTED] two days after the shooting.

As I was concluding my interview with [REDACTED], I asked her again if she was aware of any problems across the street. [REDACTED] said that her friend that lives with her told [REDACTED] that she heard an argument and someone being slapped around two o'clock in the morning. I asked for the friend's name. [REDACTED] told me that it was [REDACTED] and she worked the graveyard shift and does not speak English.

Shortly after this, I concluded my interview with [REDACTED]. The above is a synopsis of a tape recorded interview and is not verbatim. Also, [REDACTED] speaks with a heavy accent and is sometimes difficult to understand.

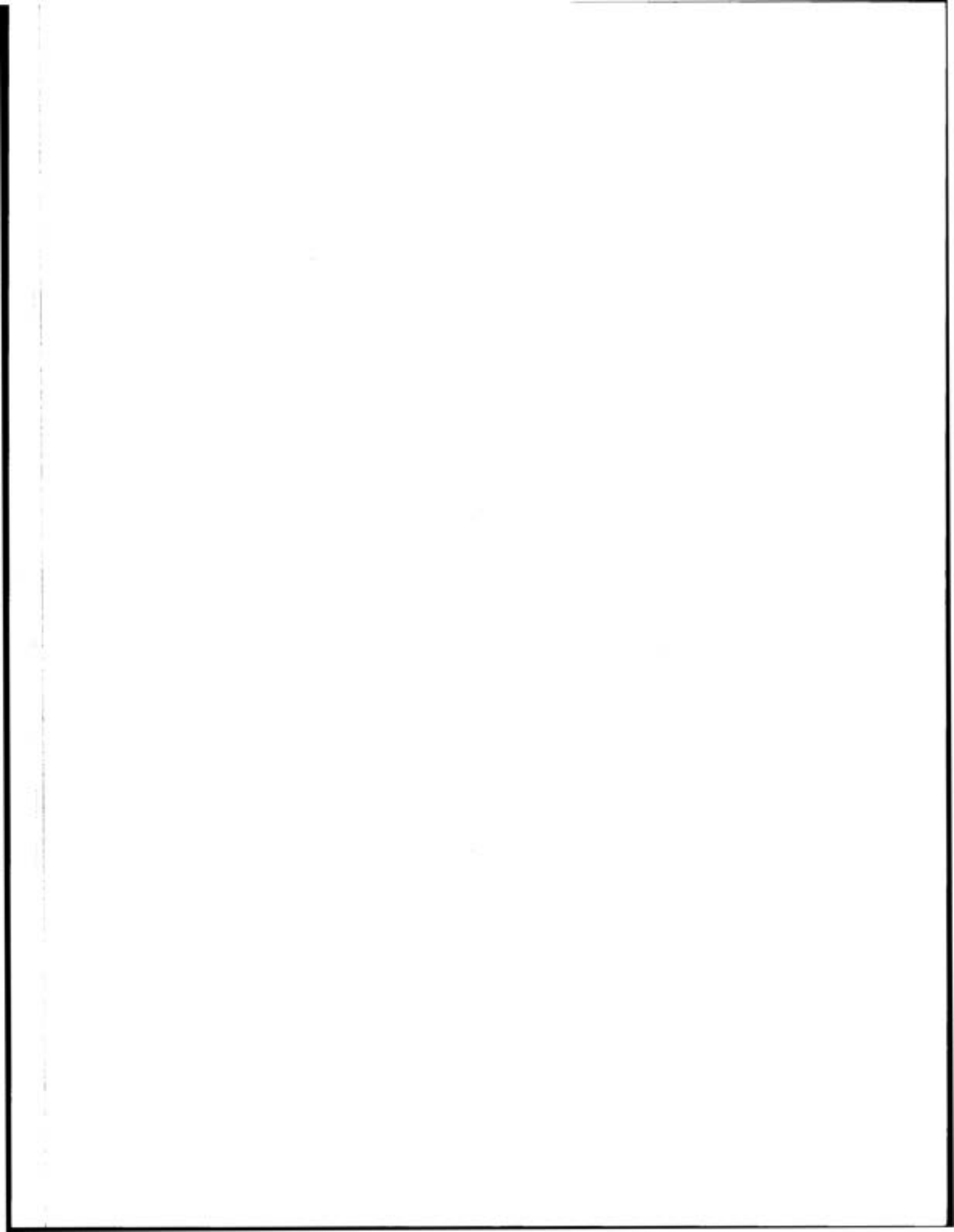
The above tape was released to Sgt. Montagna, the case agent

After my interview with [REDACTED] I walked to [REDACTED] where I briefly spoke to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] told me that both she and her husband [REDACTED] were not at home during the above incident and did not know anything.

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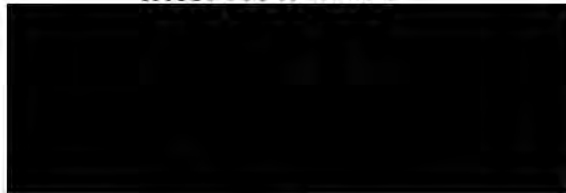
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Code: Name: **Patton, Thomas**

Interview with



On 10/17/01, I contacted [REDACTED] at his residence. During this time, I asked him if he had seen anything in reference to the shooting across the street. [REDACTED] told me that he was working inside and only heard the shots. When he did go outside, he saw the subject being taken away in the ambulance.

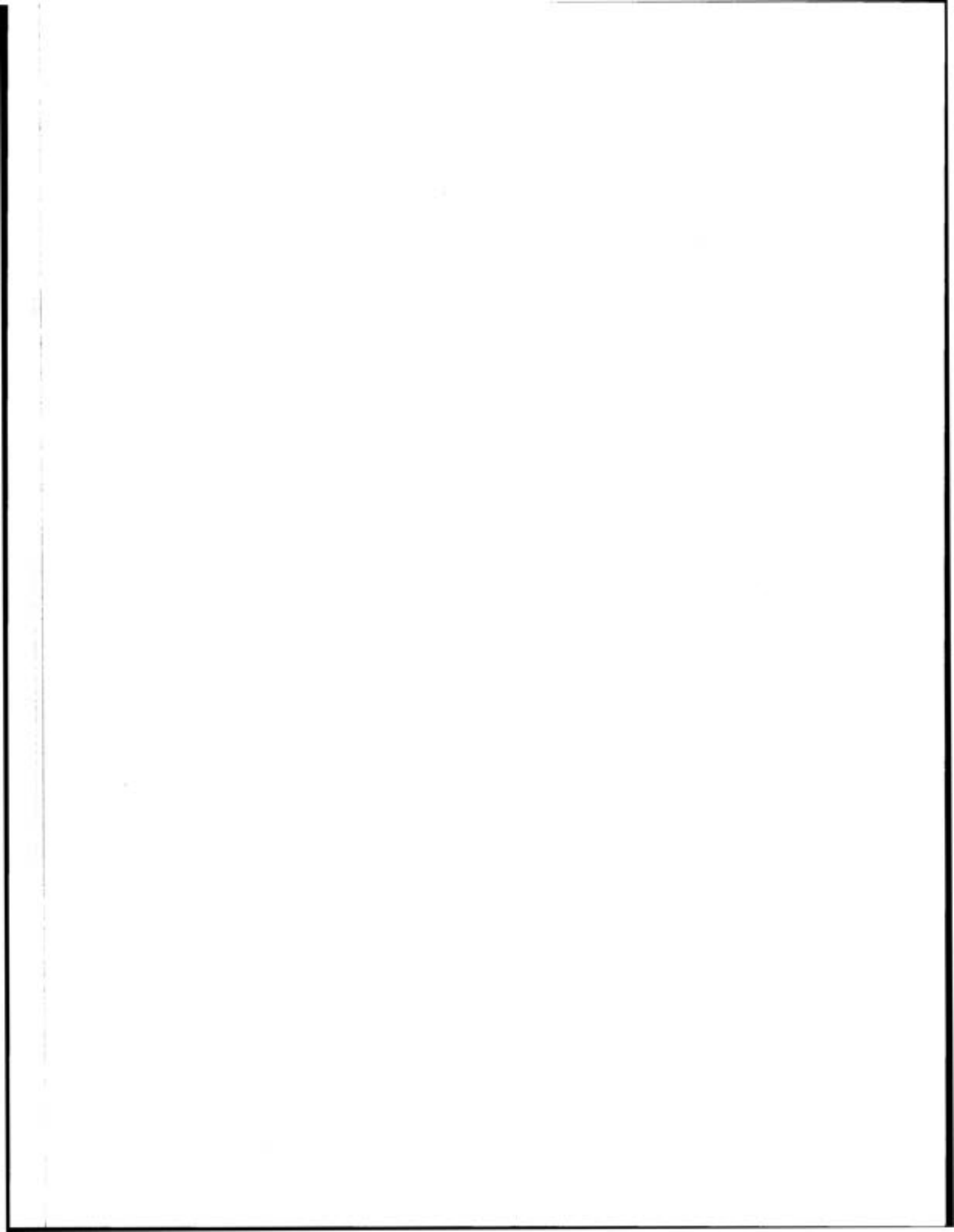
I asked [REDACTED] what he heard and he said that he heard yelling, but could not understand what was being said.

I asked how many shots he thought he heard, and [REDACTED] said that it was eight or nine. When asked if the shots were all together, he said that they were. [REDACTED] then mentioned that his brother in law told him that he first heard four shots and then a bunch more after that.

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I asked [REDACTED] if his brother in law was available. He then went to the back of the house and reappeared with a subject and introduced him as [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] then translated for me in that [REDACTED] did not speak English.

[REDACTED] then told me in Spanish that he was watching TV when he heard the shots. When asked how many he heard, he said that there were four and then after that he heard eight more.

I asked if he heard any of the yelling, and he said that he did not. He did say that after hearing the shots, he also walked out of the house with his brother in law and saw the police and ambulance.

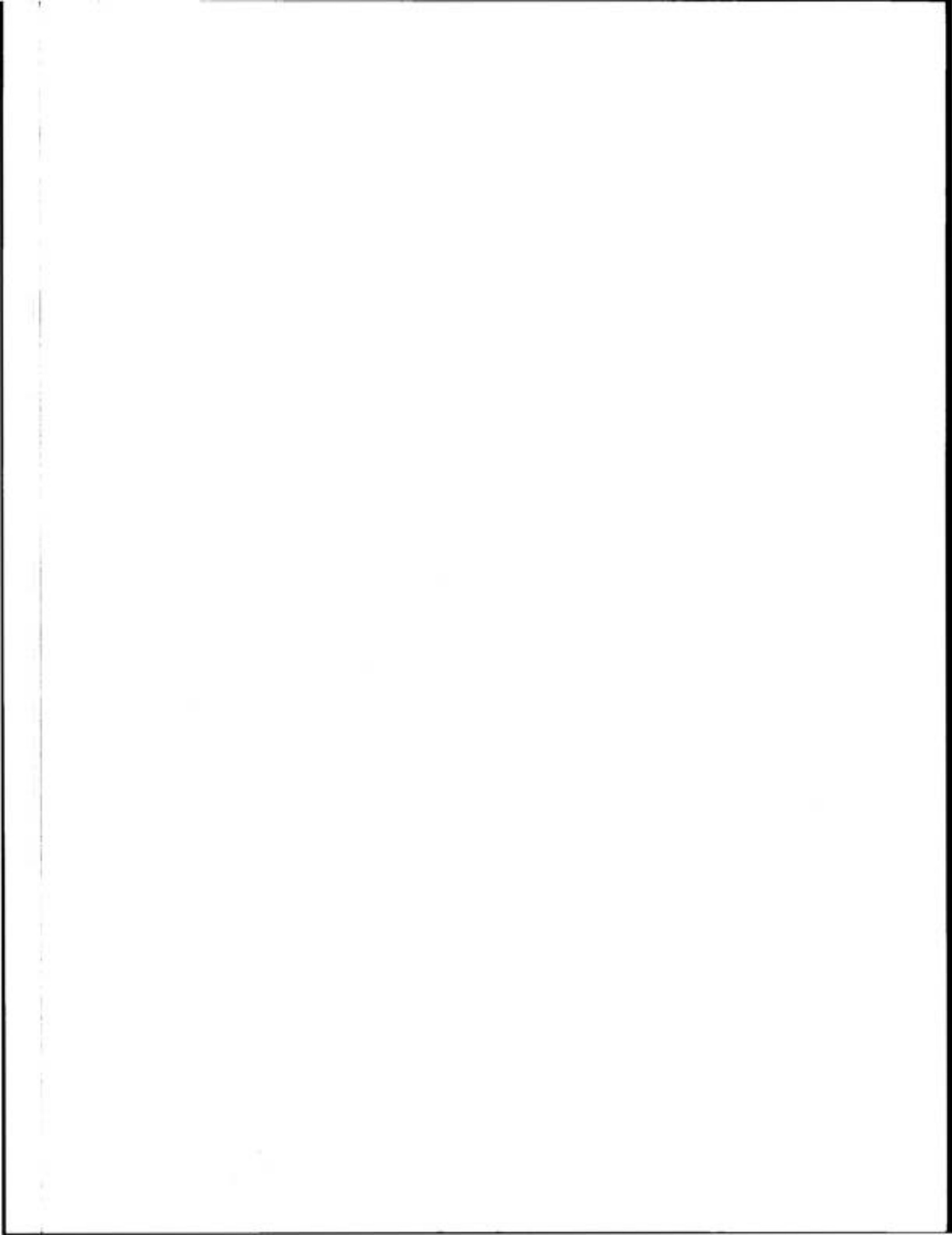
Shortly after this, I concluded my interview with the above two subjects. The above information is a synopsis of a tape recorded interview and is not verbatim.

Both subjects at times are hard to understand and there is background traffic noise during the interview.

The tape was turned over to Sgt. Montagna the case agent.

After this interview, I walked to [REDACTED] I knocked on the front door of each residence and did not receive a response at approximately 1830 hours.

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Code: SUSPECT Name: PATTON, THOMAS

On 10-13-01, at approximately 1745 hours, I received a telephone call from Commander Purnell. Commander Purnell requested I respond to [REDACTED] Thousand Oaks, in reference of an officer involved shooting. I was also advised I would be assigned as the case agent.

At 1815 hours, I arrived at the Command Post located at the intersection of A.de Las Flores and Montgomery Street. Sgt. Adford was acting incident commander. He briefly advised that six deputies were involved in a shooting. The six deputies are:

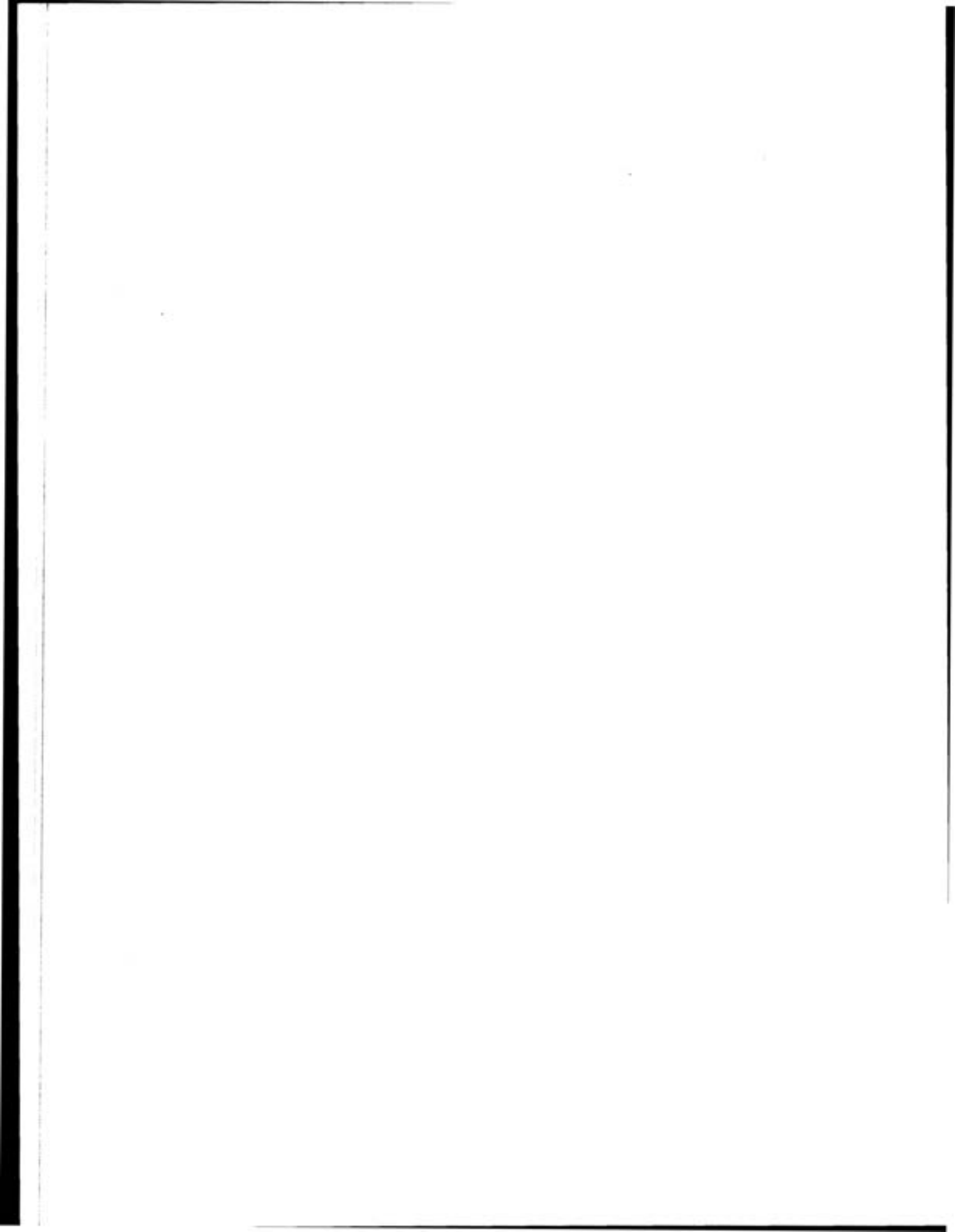
- Senior Deputy Kevin Vaden #2241
- Deputy Matthew Hutchinson #3048
- Deputy Marciano Sabio #3335
- Deputy Christopher Coulter #3237
- Deputy Kristopher Waters #3093
- Deputy Scott Sedgwick #3065

The suspect was transported to the Los Robles Hospital via ambulance. Deputy Ebersole was assigned to remain with the suspect at the hospital. I saw two residences [REDACTED] were secured with yellow crime scene tape, along with deputies maintaining perimeter security. In brief, I was advised Deputies Hutchinson and Sabio responded to a domestic violence call that originated at [REDACTED] Upon arriving on scene, the deputies contacted the victim, [REDACTED] at a neighbor's residence located at [REDACTED] After a preliminary investigation, the deputies determined that [REDACTED] was a victim of spousal battery. [REDACTED] identified her husband, Thomas Patton, as the suspect. The deputies contacted suspect Thomas Patton at [REDACTED] Thomas was contacted in the garage. When Thomas was advised he was under arrest, he retrieved a large steak knife from a nearby sofa. The deputies drew their handguns. After a short standoff,

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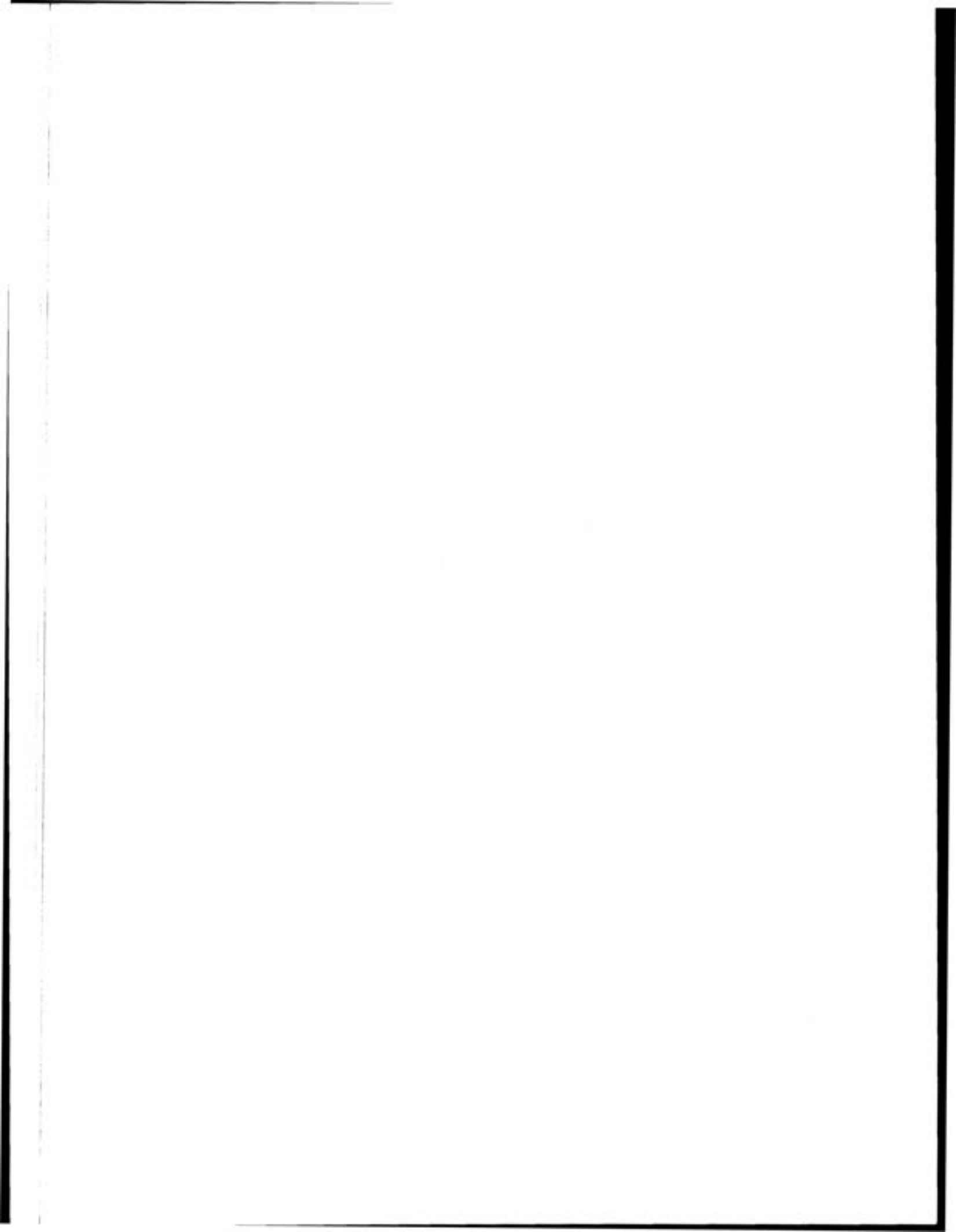
Thomas ran through a rear door into the back yard. The deputies pursued Thomas and confronted him again. Thomas was still in possession of the knife. The deputies still had their handguns drawn. Thomas ran from the backyard to the front yard of [REDACTED]. Thomas continued to run eastbound, across [REDACTED] Street to the front door of [REDACTED]. Inside the residence were the residents and Thomas' wife, [REDACTED]. The deputies pursued Thomas and confront him at the front door area. During this time, Thomas confronted the deputies with the knife, causing them to shoot him. Thomas was hit one or more times. Thomas fell to the ground. Thomas got up and ran to the east side of [REDACTED] through the side gate and into the backyard. The deputies confronted Thomas in the backyard. After a short standoff, Thomas returned to the front yard of [REDACTED]. Thomas went to the front door and attempted to open the door. Unable to open the door, Thomas continued westbound, across Montgomery Street to the front door of [REDACTED]. During this time, additional deputies arrived on scene and pursued Thomas to the front patio. While at the front patio, deputies confronted Thomas with their handguns drawn. One of the deputies was in possession of a shotgun. Thomas continued to refuse to drop his knife and lunged at the deputies. In doing so, the deputies fired several rounds, hitting Thomas multiple times. Thomas was treated by paramedics and transported to the hospital.

Both residences, [REDACTED] were secured. The officers involved in the shooting were isolated and were awaiting further instructions. The shotgun was placed on the rear seat of Sgt. Adford's locked patrol unit. The involved deputies were in possession of their handguns. All handguns were holstered.

Shortly thereafter, a command post was established. Additional investigators arrived on scene to assist in the investigation. A briefing was conducted. During this briefing, investigators and fellow deputies were assigned various tasks that included locating and interviewing any witnesses and deputies, search warrant preparation, and crime scene investigation. Refer to supplemental reports for details.

Several investigators conducted a canvass of the neighborhood in an attempt to locate and interview potential witnesses. Refer to attached supplemental reports and canvas list. Sgt. Hammer responded to the hospital to assist Deputy Ebersole. Sgt. Sparks and several deputies examined the front exterior of [REDACTED] and nearby parked vehicles for any bullet holes. Sgt. Aranda and several detectives responded to the East County station to interview the deputies involved in the shooting. Detective Petersen responded to Ventura to complete a search warrant for the [REDACTED] residences. Refer to supplemental reports for details.

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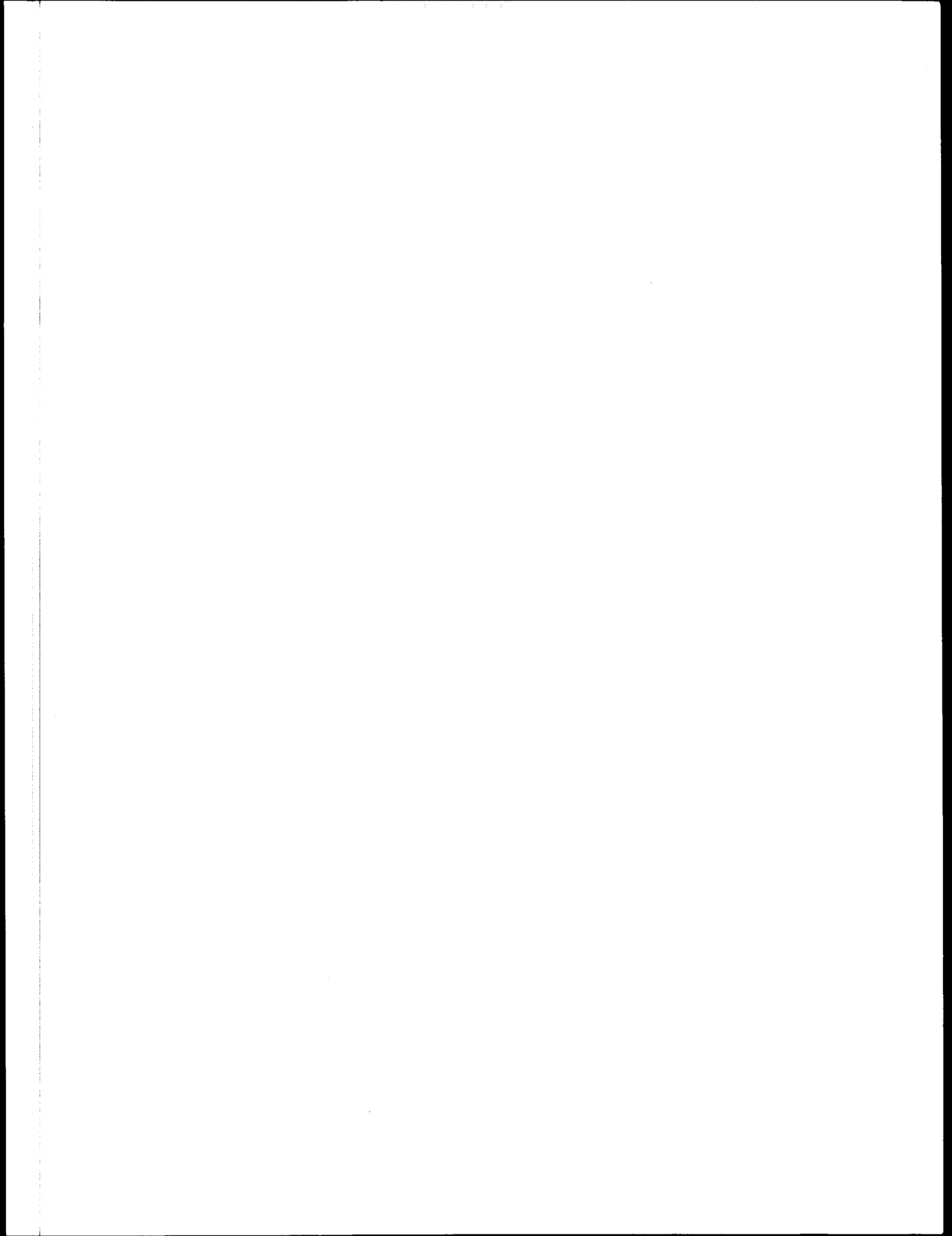
Sgt. Aranda advised that the involved deputies refused to waive. Fellow officers from the Personnel Division, Internal Affairs, continued with their investigation and interviews with the involved deputies. Sgt. Aranda and fellow detectives returned to the command post.

On 10-14-01, 0110 hours, Detective Petersen advised he obtained a search warrant signed by Judge K. Riley, Ventura County Superior Court. At 0150 hours, I served the search warrant at [REDACTED]. The residents of [REDACTED] were standing nearby. The residents were advised of the search warrant and our intent to collect evidence reference to the shooting. Several detectives and I entered the front and rear yard of the [REDACTED]. At the scene, I saw spots of blood along the entire front walkway. The blood spots continued along the walkway to the east side of the residence and into the backyard. At least one blood spot was found on the lawn and appeared to stop at the rear patio. No blood was found on the concrete patio. Based upon the initial information, the suspect entered and exited the backyard through the gate located on the east side of the residence. On the front doorknob was a spot of blood. The stucco wall adjacent to the front door also had several small spots of blood.

The blood spots continued westbound on the front walkway towards Montgomery. Several more spots of blood were found on Montgomery Street (asphalt street) towards [REDACTED]. The blood spots continued towards the front door of the [REDACTED] residence. On the front lawn of [REDACTED] I located three shell casings. The casings were located several feet north of the front door. Measurements of the locations of the casing were obtained on the front lawn. BI officer [REDACTED] collected the casings. Several samples of the blood spots were also collected by BI officer [REDACTED] and booked into property. BI officer [REDACTED] seized all of the items, including taking photographs of the front and back yards and the interior portions of the residence.

As BI [REDACTED] completed his investigation at [REDACTED] I served the search warrant at [REDACTED]. I knocked on the front door, identified myself as a deputy sheriff and announced I had a search warrant and demanded entry. At that time, Detectives Rivera, Petersen, Mesa, Laughlin, and I attempted to locate and mark all items in the front yard of [REDACTED]. Numerous shell casings were found on the front lawn. Adjacent to the front patio and walkway is a small patch of ivy. A portion of the ivy was cut in an attempt to locate any additional casings. Several other casings were found in the ivy. On the patio directly in front of the door were large spots of blood, clothing, first aid items, several bullet fragments, and shell casings. Slightly to the east of the patio I located Patton's shoes and socks. The items were collected and booked into property.

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The front door at [REDACTED] consists of a white metal screen door and a wooden door. Around the exterior of the front door is a white wooden molding. In the lower right-hand corner of the molding was a bullet hole. A piece of the molding was cut and removed where a single bullet was recovered. In the screen door were three bullet holes. In the lower right-hand corner where the screen meets the metal frame of the door are two small bullet holes. The lower portion of the screen door is solid metal. In the lower center portion of this metal section is a larger bullet hole. The wooden door did not have any bullet holes. Further investigation revealed that the front wooden door remained opened throughout the incident.

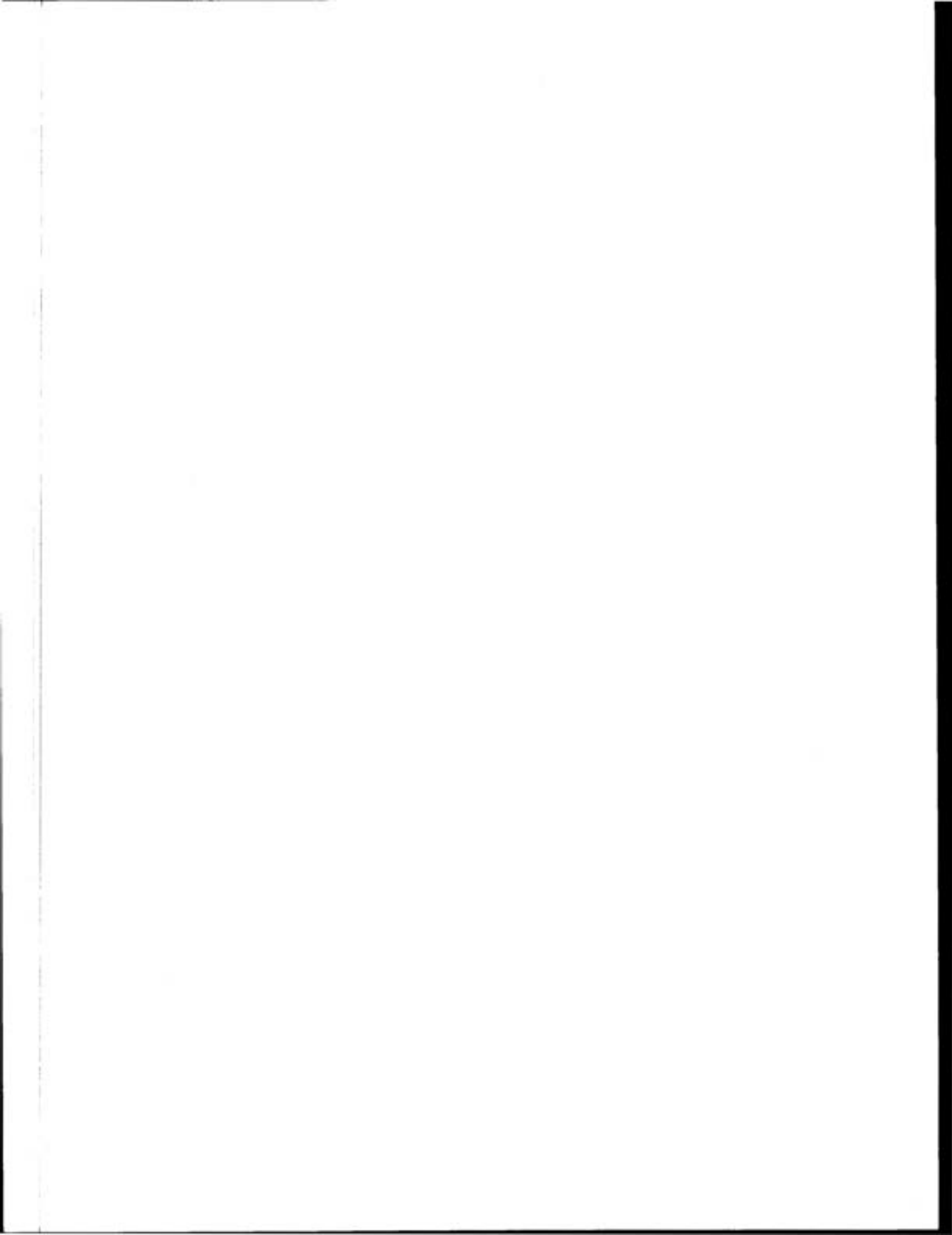
With the front door open, one would enter into a small entryway that leads either into the living room, kitchen, or the hallway. In the entryway were two obvious markings on the linoleum floor that appeared to be the result of bullets striking the floor. On the west wall of the entryway is a wall heater. The lower portion of the heater is approximately one inch from the floor. At the bottom of the heater, the metal frame of the heater had a large indentation resulting from a bullet striking it. Just below and to the left of the lower portion of the heater, the floor molding was broken into small pieces. Pieces of the molding were located on the carpeted entryway into the living room. Just inside the living room is a small sofa chair. An examination of the chair revealed that a bullet had traveled through it.

In the living room, I found three separate bullet/bullet fragments. One bullet was found behind the television set located in the southeast corner of the living room. Two other bullets were found on the carpet near the rear glass sliding door and under the center coffee table. The bullets were collected by BI [REDACTED]

The preliminary investigation revealed that Thomas Patton was living in the garage. The garage consisted of a large sofa, desks, dresser, boxes, books, and miscellaneous other items. A search of the garage revealed papers/mail in the name of Thomas Patton. A search of the kitchen revealed a set of knives in a drawer that were similar to the knife retrieved from Thomas. Several television remotes were found in the garage and living room. During the preliminary investigation of the initial domestic violence call, deputies reported that Thomas Patton threw a television remote at [REDACTED], hitting her in the forehead. The television remotes were collected and booked into property.

Prior to obtaining the search warrant, [REDACTED] Patton requested that I attempt to contact her daughter. [REDACTED] indicated she could only contact her daughter via a telephone with memory and speed dial that was located inside her residence. At the time of the request, all residents were out of the house pending a search

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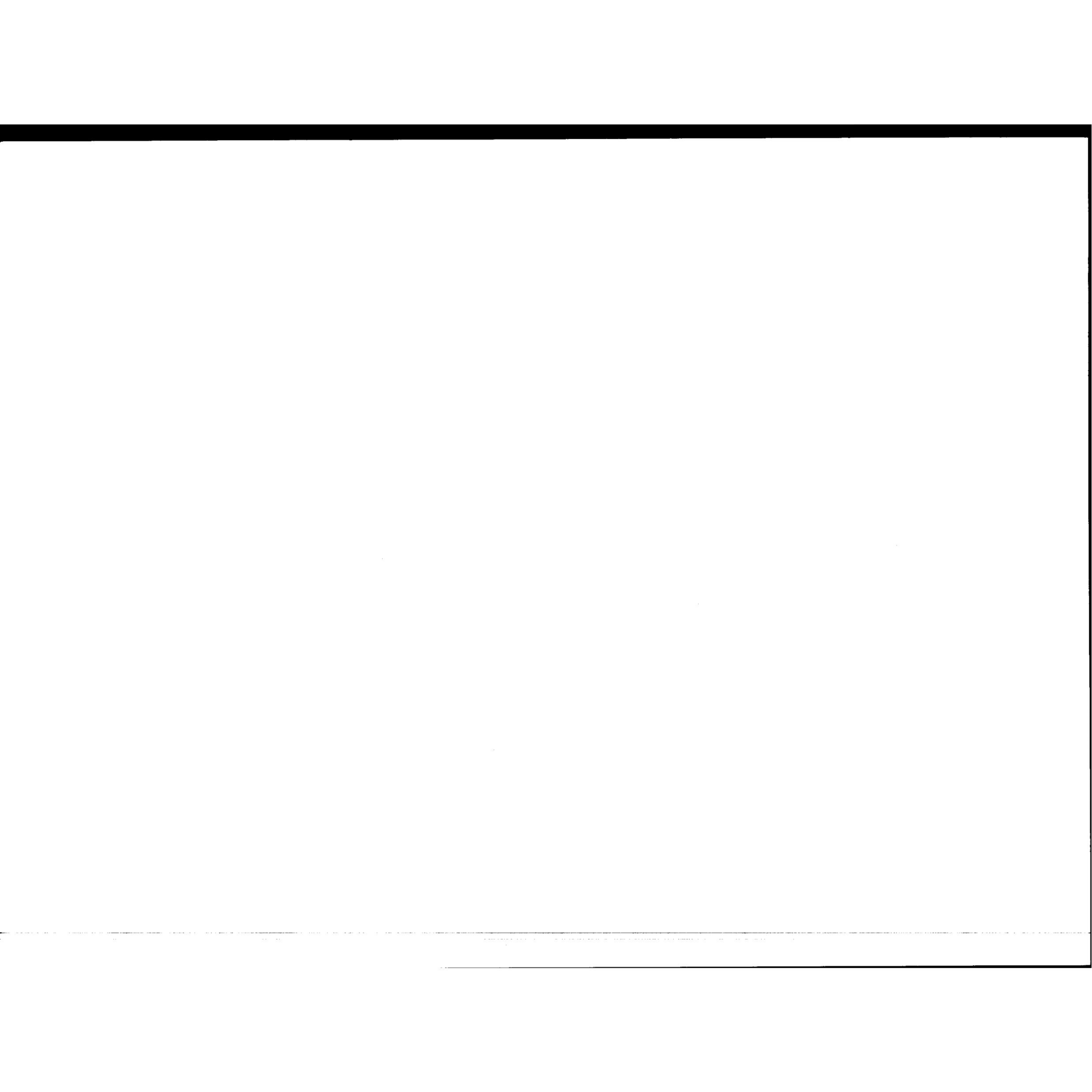
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warrant. With [REDACTED] signed consent to enter her residence, I directed Detectives Kaspar and Laughlin to enter the residence and telephone her daughter. Both detectives entered the residence, contacted [REDACTED] daughter, and left the residence. During this time, Detective Kaspar advised me that [REDACTED] had reported there maybe an answering machine tape recording in the residence that may have a recording about the domestic incident earlier today. A request to retrieve that recording was attached to the search warrant affidavit. No tape-recording was recovered in the residence. Upon completing the searches of both residences, a copy of the warrant and property list was left inside the residences.

On 10-14-01, Detective Tougas reported that Witness [REDACTED] told him that [REDACTED] Patton and [REDACTED] had discovered illegal drugs in the garage of [REDACTED] as they were attempting to locate the suspect's wallet. On 10-15-01, I directed Detective Hagel to respond to [REDACTED]. Upon his arrival, he contacted [REDACTED] and was told by her that illegal drugs were found inside the residence. Based upon Detectives Tougas and Hagel reports, I directed Detective Petersen to complete another search warrant for [REDACTED] to search for illegal drugs. While waiting for the search warrant, the residence was secured with one patrol officer at the residence. At 1535 hours, Detective Petersen obtained a signed search warrant. Shortly thereafter, I served the search warrant. Again, I knocked on the front door, identified myself as a deputy sheriff and announced I had a search warrant and demanded entry. A search of the residence did not recover any illegal drugs.

As the investigation continued, detectives contacted surrounding neighbors for any additional witnesses as well as re-interviewing several other witnesses. Refer to supplemental reports for details. The reports indicate that the suspect attempted to gain entry into the [REDACTED] residence via the front door. The suspect was in possession of a knife and several deputies had their handguns drawn. During this time, the suspect confronted the deputies with the knife. The deputies shot several times at the suspect. The suspect appeared to have fallen to the ground and then immediately got up. The suspect walked to the east side of the residence and entered the backyard through a gate. All the while the witnesses continued to hear the deputies yell at the suspect to drop the knife. While in the backyard, Deputy Alvarez sprayed the suspect with O.C. Shortly thereafter, the suspect returned to the front yard where a deputy hit the suspect's hand with his baton. The suspect was holding the knife with the same hand that the deputy had hit. The suspect was able to hold onto the knife. The suspect continued to the front door of [REDACTED] and unsuccessfully attempted to gain entry into the house. Then the suspect

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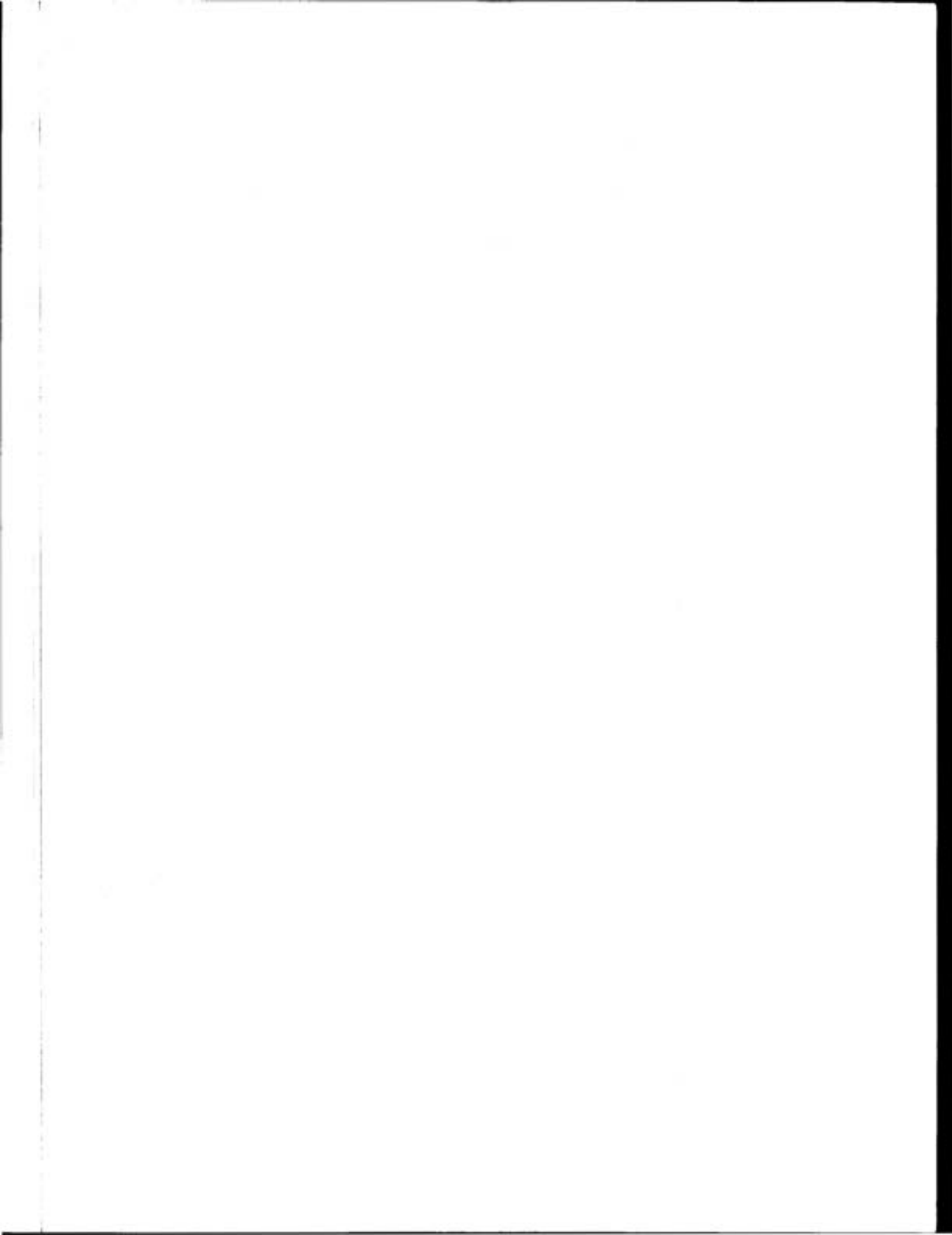
was seen walking westbound across Montgomery Street towards [REDACTED]. At this time, several other deputies arrived on scene. Again, the deputies had their firearms drawn and continued to yell at the suspect to drop the knife. The suspect walked to the front door of [REDACTED]. The witnesses continued to report that they heard the deputies yell numerous times at the suspect to drop the knife. While near the front door, the suspect turned towards the deputies while still holding the knife. The suspect lunged towards the deputies, causing six deputies to shoot the suspect numerous times. The suspect was hit multiple times. Paramedics responded to the scene, administered first aid, and transported the suspect to Los Robles hospital. The suspect died a short time later.

On 10-14-01, an autopsy was performed on Thomas Patton. Sgt. Hammer and Detective Rhods were present during the autopsy. Sgt. Hammer reported the suspect was shot numerous times. A number of bullets were retrieved from Patton's body. Refer to Sgt. Hammer's report for details. Later that day, the Medical Examiner reviewed her reports and discovered several additional bullets. Refer to the M.E. reports for details.

On 10-18-01, Detective Petersen returned to the scene with BI [REDACTED] to obtain additional measurements and photographs. While at the scene, residents at [REDACTED] discovered two bullet holes in the front yard. An inspection of the yard resulted in the recovery of one additional bullet. Refer to supplemental reports for additional details. Investigators continued with their canvass of the neighborhood for potential witnesses. Refer to supplemental reports for details.

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SUSP BRANDISHED KNIFE AT OFFICERS.

OFFICERS INVOLVED SHOOTING.

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LOCATION BOOKED: Crime Lab E.C. SEARCH WARRANT ? Yes No FINDER WISHES TO CLAIM? Yes No

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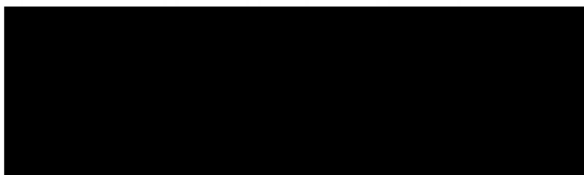
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 Gang Domestic Hate Child Abuse Elderly Abuse

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Code: VICTIM Name: HUTCHINSON, MATTHEW



On 10-22-01, I contacted [REDACTED] at his residence. The following is a summary of a tape-recorded interview I had with [REDACTED]

On 10-13-01, at approximately 1700, [REDACTED] was at home with his wife, [REDACTED] and her father. During this time, [REDACTED] law Victim [REDACTED] with his wife. [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that the suspect had "hit her again." [REDACTED] noticed that [REDACTED] had a lump on her head. [REDACTED] indicated that the suspect had thrown a television remote at her. [REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as "pretty upset about it. And didn't know what to do." [REDACTED] discussed with [REDACTED] that she should stand up for herself and recommended that she call the police. [REDACTED] indicated that [REDACTED] and the suspect have had prior domestic disputes involving physical abuse. [REDACTED] indicated he was aware of several prior incidents where [REDACTED] claimed the suspect had hit her. After a short conversation, [REDACTED] telephoned the police.

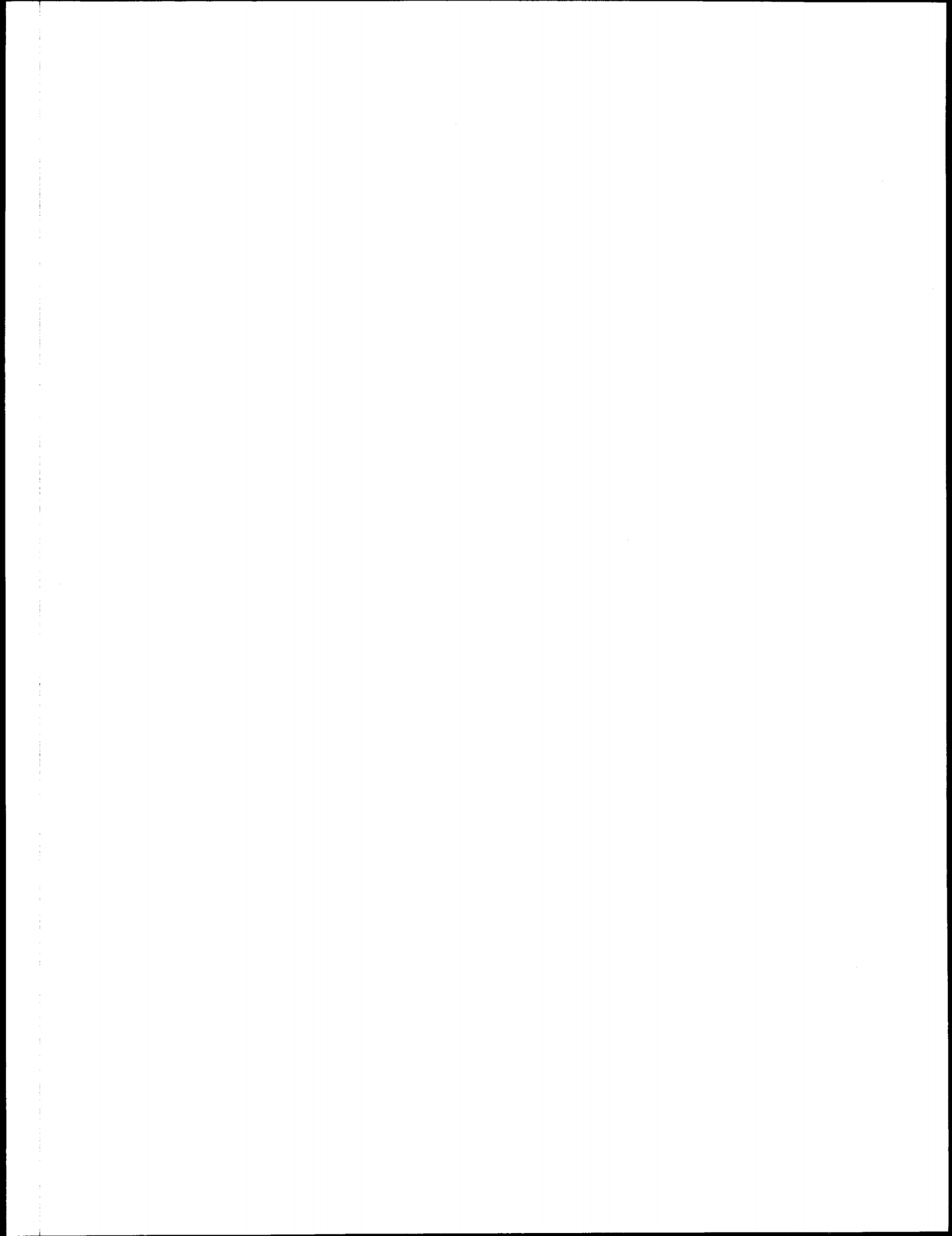
A short time later, the police arrived at the house and spoke with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. After talking to them, the deputies walked across the street towards [REDACTED] to talk to the suspect. [REDACTED] remained at the house along with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

Shortly thereafter, while still inside his house, [REDACTED] law the suspect and the two deputies walking across Montgomery Street. [REDACTED] law the deputies "with their guns out", yelling at the suspect to drop the knife. Both the suspect and deputies were walking quickly across Montgomery Street towards the corner of Montgomery and Las Flores. The suspect started to walk towards the front of the house. One of the deputies

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was facing the suspect walking backwards, between the suspect and the house. The other deputy was on Montgomery Street facing the suspect. Both deputies were pointing their handguns at the suspect. ██████ heard the deputies yell at the suspect to drop the knife. The suspect was holding the knife with both hands close to his chest. The blade of the knife was pointing toward his chin. The deputies continued to yell at the suspect to drop the knife. The suspect replied that he was not doing anything wrong. At this time, ██████ and ██████ were standing at the front door. Both ██████ and ██████ yelled at the suspect to drop the knife. ██████ yelled at the suspect, "Tom. Drop it. It is not worth this. They just want to talk to you." The deputies yelled at ██████ and ██████ to get into the house. Both ██████ and ██████ entered the house and closed the door.

█████ saw the deputies and the suspect continue southbound Montgomery Street, passing the house. ██████ poked through his window and noticed the suspect and the deputies disappear along the west side of the house. ██████ walked out the front door and continued to walk towards Montgomery Street in an attempt to locate the deputies and the suspect. As ██████ approached the corner of his house, he saw the suspect and the deputies walking northbound Montgomery Street towards him. The deputies yelled at ██████ to get inside the house. ██████ complied. Upon entering the house, ██████ locked the front door. During this time, ██████ and ██████ went to a rear bedroom. ██████ continued to hear the deputies yell at the suspect to drop the knife.

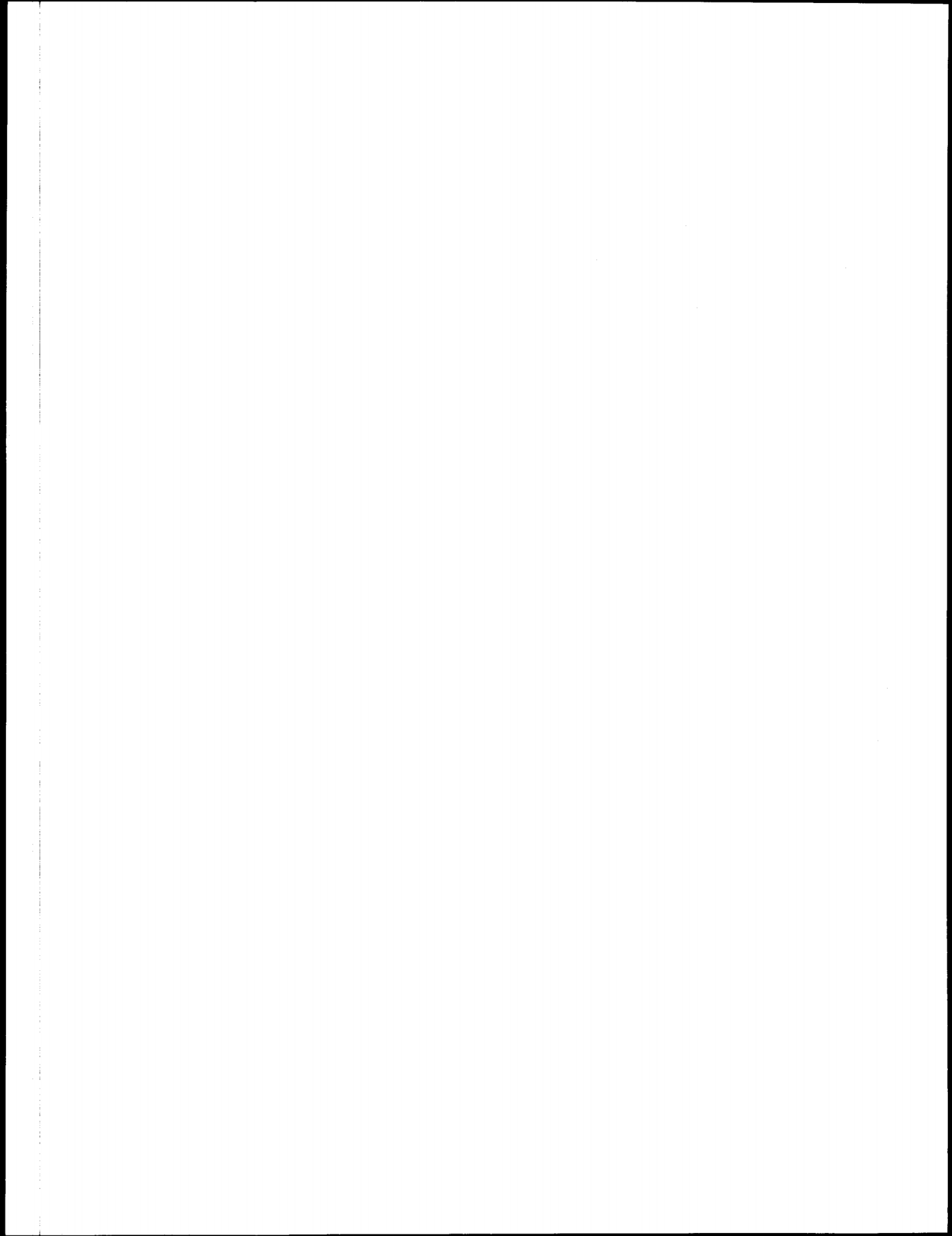
Once inside the house ██████ stood in the kitchen near the refrigerator and continued to look outside through the kitchen window ██████ could hear the suspect near the front door but could not see him. ██████ saw three deputies in the front yard. The suspect was somewhere near the front door. ██████ could hear one of the deputies requesting backup. Then ██████ heard three shots. ██████ did not see the shooting. After hearing the shots, ██████ moved closer to the window and saw the suspect on the ground. Then he saw the suspect "get back up." ██████ heard the suspect say "something like.. Why did you do that...?" ██████ recalled that the front door was locked and believed the suspect was trying "to get in" through the front door. Then the suspect began to walk eastbound along the front walkway to the side gate, still holding the knife.

█████ could hear the deputies entering his back yard on the east side of the house. Fearing the suspect was going to attempt to enter the house through a rear sliding door, ██████ ran to the rear sliding door and locked it. Then ██████ saw the deputies in the backyard and heard the deputies yelling at the suspect to drop the knife. ██████ backed away from the living room sliding door. Shortly thereafter, he heard the deputies on the east side of the house again. ██████ assumed that the suspect was returning to the front yard. At that time,

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several deputies knock on the front door. [REDACTED] unlocked the door and opened it. The deputies ran through the house and out the sliding door. [REDACTED] immediately locked the rear sliding door. Moments later, the deputies returned to the sliding door. [REDACTED] unlocked the sliding door and opened it. Again, the deputies ran through the house and out the front door. [REDACTED] locked both the front and rear doors. During this time, both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were in the rear bedroom.

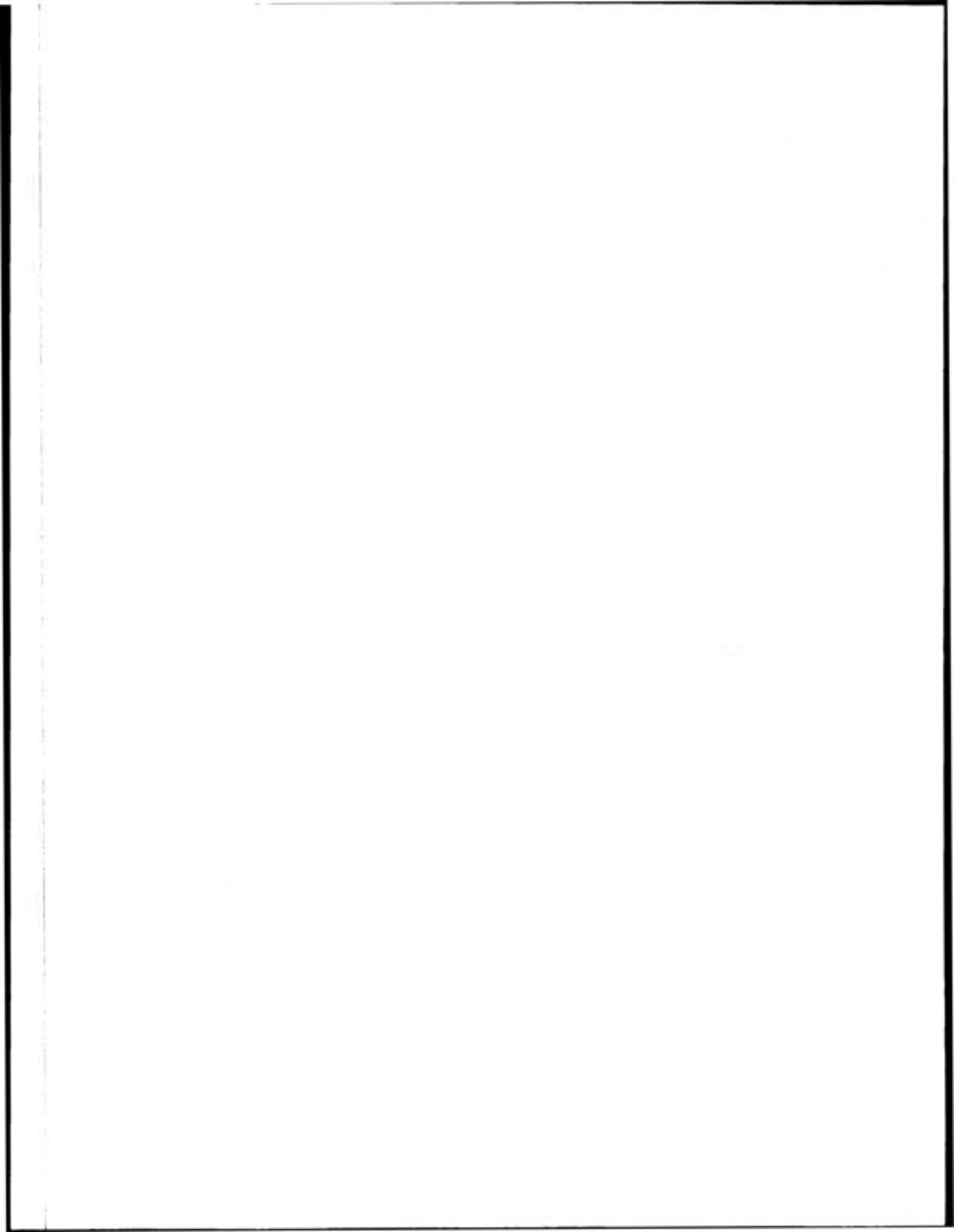
[REDACTED] saw the suspect and deputies "run across" Montgomery Street. [REDACTED] continued to hear a "lot of yelling." At this point, [REDACTED] could not see the suspect or the deputies. Shortly thereafter, [REDACTED] heard numerous gunshots. [REDACTED] remained at the house with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. While at the house, he heard the paramedics arrive on scene.

In summary, [REDACTED] did not see the shooting at his front door, but recalled hearing three gunshots. [REDACTED] feared that the suspect was attempting to enter his house to get [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] heard the deputies continued to yell at the suspect to drop the knife throughout the entire incident. He saw the suspect continued to hold onto the knife. [REDACTED] saw the suspect and deputies returned to the suspect's house. Again, [REDACTED] did not see the second shooting, but heard the deputies yelling at the suspect followed by numerous gunshots.

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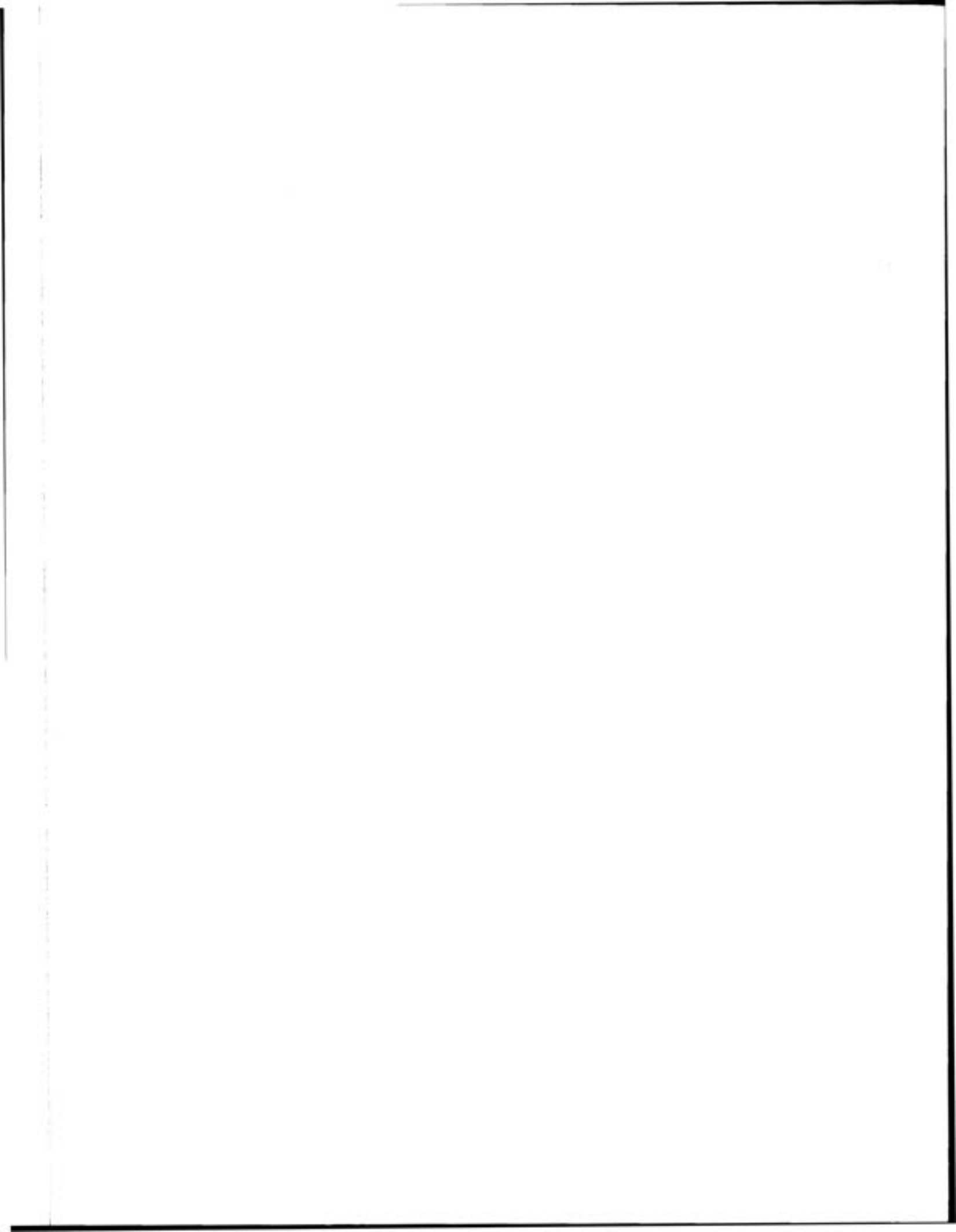
On or about 10-22-01, Detective Kaspar advised that an ex-neighbor of the Pattons, identified as [REDACTED] had information concerning several incidents involving her family and the Pattons. The following is a summary of a telephone interview I had with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated she and her husband and kids had lived at [REDACTED] next door to the Pattons. In the late 1990s, Pattons had lived at [REDACTED] While living on [REDACTED] [REDACTED] indicated she had a fence built in the backyard separating her backyard with the Pattons' backyard. During that time, the [REDACTED] and Thomas Patton began harassing her and her family members. Between 1995-1997, [REDACTED] and her husband had call the police numerous times concerning the harassment incidents involving the Pattons. On many occasions, [REDACTED] reported she saw the Pattons "drunk a lot" and felt that they were "major alcoholics." She indicated Tom had cut down a portion of their fence. She stated "Tom pretty much always had a beer in his hand" and "the wife [REDACTED] I think kind of drank the hard stuff." She said she always heard Tom and [REDACTED] yelling at each other, but was unaware of any physical abuse. The Pattons continued to harass not only her and her family but friends and fellow neighbors who visited her home [REDACTED]

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recalled an incident involving Tom chasing her babysitters in his car. [REDACTED] believes the incident was reported to the police.

During the time of the harassments, [REDACTED] stated that Thomas had lunged towards her during a verbal argument. She indicated that Tom was intoxicated and "just snap." After this particular incident, [REDACTED] and her husband obtained a restraining order against [REDACTED] and Thomas Patton. Since the restraining order was served on the Pattons, the harassments had stopped.

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