

STATEMENT SUMMARY

Name: Roberta Jackson

Significance to Beach's Clemency Application: Beach claims that if Roberta was not directly involved in Kim Nees's homicide, she knows something about it that would exculpate him.

Summary of March 21, 2007 Tape Recorded Statement

Relationship with Kim and/or Beach

Kim was Roberta's classmate, but they did not run in the same circle. (5.) She may have cruised around with Kim long enough to get high, but other than that did not spend time with her. (8.)

Recollection of Activities the Evening of June 15, 1979

Roberta cruised around with Maude Greyhawk, Sissy Atkinson and Rose Failing in Maude's car. Her younger sister, Joanne, was also with them, although she did not usually run around with Roberta's crowd. (3, 6.) Roberta remembers parking at the Buckhorn Bar. While parked there she remembers seeing the Nees truck go by and thought some guy was running after it. (3.) Roberta could not remember if they were drinking, but she knows they had smoked some pot. (4.) Roberta and Joanne had an 11 p.m. curfew, and she was convinced they were home on time. She explained that her mom was strict, and if they were not home on time her brother would have come and found them and "kicked their asses." (4.) Roberta found out about Kim's murder the next day when she was getting ready to be on a float in a parade. (5.)

Statements Centurion Ministries Has Attributed to Her

Roberta does not recall ever talking to either Dana Kim or Marie Decker about Kim's murder. (7.) Roberta denied any personal involvement in the homicide or having any knowledge about the homicide. She freely admitted that she might have bullied Kim back when they were in fifth grade, but she never had a physical fight with Kim. Further, Roberta never witnessed anyone else beat Kim. (7-8.)

Assessment of Centurion Ministries' Investigation

Roberta described her interactions with investigators from Centurion Ministries as follows: "They treated me like I did it. They were being very rude and obnoxious, and that's what made me mad. I said, 'You know what, I am not lying. For one, I know where I was that night. I know when I went home because if I didn't, I got beat up by my brother. We had a curfew and we abided by it.' And they made it sound like me and my sister had something to do with it and they just tried to implicate me and made me feel like, um, I knew more than I did and they were just being very rude and obnoxious." (10.) Roberta finally told Centurion Ministries investigators that she believed the right person was in jail and told them not to come and question her again. (10.) Roberta is tired of being questioned about something that happened over 25 years ago, which she knows nothing about. (10.)

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

State v. Beach

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