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A: SEEN SUSPECT RUNNING AND HE HAD THE GUN IN HIS HAND.

Q: PRIOR TO THE SHOOTING HAD YOU SEEN THE SUSPECT?

A: YES.

Q: LEE IN YOUR OWN WORDS TELL THE EVENTS THAT TOOK PLACE?

A: DON AND I WAS WORKING PRIVATE SECURITY AT CRUMPY'S COMEDY
CLUB, JUST A CONTRACT BETWEEN US AND THE CLUB. WE STANDING
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ALLEY. I GAVE CHASE, TURN THE CORNER, STOPPED FIRED ONE SHOT. HE THEN FIRED THREE SHOTS AT ME. I DIDN'T HEAR HIM HIT ANYTHING, THE SHOTS WOULD HAVE WENT BACK DOWN TOWARD THE STORAGE BUILDING ON THE SOUTH END OF THE LOT. I GOT BEHIND A CAR, HIS DOOR WAS OPEN, HE GOT IN THE CAR AND I FIRED TWO OR THREE MORE SHOTS, AND HE SPED OUT NORTHBOUND TOWARDS JAMES ROAD.

Q: WHERE YOU EVER PUT IN FEAR OF YOUR LIFE?

A: YES, WHEN THE SUSPECT TURNED AND FIRED AT ME.

Q: WILL YOU DESCRIBE THE WEAPON THE SUSPECT HAD?

A: BLUE STEEL, MIGHT HAVE BEEN A REVOLVER, ABOUT A FOUR TO SIX INCH BARREL.

Q: WHAT WERE YOU ARMED WITH?

A: MY SERVICE REVOLVER A SMITH AND WESSON, FORTY CALIBER, MODEL 4043 AND THE SECURITY SQUAD HAS IT NOW.

Q: DID YOU EVER SEE THE FACE OF THE SUSPECT AFTER HE SHOT OFFICER WILLIAMS?

A: YES. WHEN HE TURNED AND SHOT AT ME I COULD SEE HIS FACE FROM THE NOSE UP AND IT WAS AT THAT TIME I REALIZE IT WAS THE SAME SUSPECT.

Q: DESCRIBE THE SUSPECT WHO FIRST CAME OUT OF THE CLUB COMPLAINING HIS CAR WAS STOLEN?

A: 5'9" TO 5'10 1/2", HE WASN'T TO MUCH TALLER THAN I WAS, 150-165LBS, M/B, MID-20'S, I DIDN'T SEE ANY HAIR ON HIS FACE, MULTI-COLOR SWEATER, BLACK DERBY LIKE THE ONE DEONNE SANDER WHERES, THE SWEATER WAS KIND OF A YARN MATERIAL, NOT THAT BULKY, IT WAS CIRCULAR DESIGNS AROUND THE ARM, AND AROUND THE BODY OF THE SHIRT, THEY WERE GOLD, YELLOW, RED, AND A GOLD SLEEVELESS LEATHER VEST, BLACK OR NAVY BLUE TROUSERS, HUSHPUPPIES ARE ORANGE OR ORANGE GOLD.

Q: WAS HE WITH ANYONE?

A: YES HE WAS. HE WAS WITH ONE MALE BLACK, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, APPROXIMATELY 5'7" TO 5'8", BROWN LEATHER JACKET WITH A BEIGE SHIRT, MID-20'S, HE HAD BEEN DRINKING, UNIFORM OFFICERS HAD HIM UP AGAINST THE WALL, I HOLLERED TO HOLD HIM AND THAT HE WAS WITH HIM AND THE OFFICER PUT HIM IN THE SQUAD CAR. I DON'T KNOW HIS NAME AND I DID'T TALK TO HIM. I JUST SAW HIM WHEN HE CAME OUT THE CLUB AND HE'S THE SAME ONE WHO SAW THE SUSPECTS CAR AT THE DOOR.

Q: HOW LONG AFTER THIS FIRST ENCOUNTER WITH SUSPECT DID THE SHOOTING TAKE PLACE?

A: FIRST ENCOUNTER ABOUT 12:00 OR 12:30 AND THE SHOOTING HAPPENED ABOUT 2:30.

Q: DID YOU SEE THIS SAME PERSON AGAIN ANYTIME BEFORE THE SHOOTING?

A: WHEN HE CAME BACK AND WANTED TO GET BACK IN THE CLUB AND

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THAT WAS ABOUT 1:00. HE WAS STILL WEARING THE SAME CLOTHES.

Q: HOW FAR FROM DON WERE YOU WHEN THE SHOT WAS FIRED THAT HIT HIM?

A: HE WAS STANDING ON MY LEFT SIDE, WE WAS BOTH FACING OUT TOWARD THE SOUNTWEST.

Q: WHAT WAS YOUR FIRST REACTION WHEN YOU HEARD THE SHOT?

A: TURNED AND LOOKED AND SAW OFFICER WILLIAMS WAS DOWN. SUSPECT WAS RUNNING EASTBOUND WITH THE PISTOL IN HIS RIGHT HAND.

Q: HOW FAR FROM YOU WAS THE SUSPECT WHEN YOU FIRST SAW HIM RUNNING?

A: ABOUT FIVE FEET.

Q: DESCRIBE THE SUSPECT YOU SAW RUNNING?

A: MALE BLACK, 5'9 TO 5'10 1/2", 150-165LBS, BLACK T-SHIRT, BLACK PANTS, ORANGE OR GOLD HUSHPUPPY LIKE SHOES, ORANGE BANDANA AROUND HIS MOUTH, NO HAT

Q: DESCRIBE THE VEHICLE THE SUSPECT WAS COMPLAINING ABOUT BEING STOLEN ON THE FIRST ENCOUNTER WITH HIM AROUND 12:30?

A: A DELTA 88, MAROON OR BURDUNY, WITH WHITE OR GRAY VINYL WHOLE TOP, I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S TWO DOOR OR FOUR DOOR, I SAID HERE'S YOUR CAR GO AHEAD AND LEAVE.

Q: DID HE LEAVE WITH SOMEONE?

A: HE LEFT THEN BY HIMSELF.

Q: DID YOU SEE THAT SAME CAR LATER THAT NIGHT?

A: YES I DID. IT WAS THE VEHICLE THAT THE SUSPECT RAN TO, PARKDED IN THE ALLEY, BACKED IN CLOSE TO ANOTHER CAR.

Q: HOW CLOSE DID YOU GET TO THIS CAR?

A: THREE CAR LINKS, THIS TIME I DIDN'T SEE ANYONE ELSE IN THE CAR. WHEN HE OPENED THE CAR DOOR THE DOME LIGHT CAME ON AND IT DIDN'T APPEAR TO BE ANYONE ELSE INSIDE THE CAR WITH HIM. I COULD TELL THAT IT WAS A OLDMOBILE TAIL LIGHTS.

Q: DESCRIBE THE LIGHTING CONDITIONS OF THE PARKING LOT AND THE SURROUNDING OF THE CLUB?

A: THE PORCH HAD LINED UP AND DOWN FLOOD LIGHTS FROM ONE END TO THE OTHER AND THE END OF THE ALLEY HAD A BIG STREET LIGHT. I HAD GOOD VISUALIBILTY. WE MAKE SURE THAT THERE IS PLENTY OF LIGHT OUT ON THE PARKING LOT, SO WE CAN SEE WHAT'S GOING ON AND THAT WHY ONE REASON I COULD SEE WHAT HE WAS WEARING SO WELL CAUSE HE WAS STANDING UNDER ONE OF THE STREET LIGHTS.

Q: DO YOU WEAR GLASSES OR DO YOU HAVE ANY VISUAL PROBLEMS?

A: NO, I USE GLASSED TO READ ONLY OTHER THAN THAT I CAN SEE PERFECTLY.

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Q: WHAT WERE THE WEATHER CONDITIONS?

A: CLOUDY, COLD, DAMP, BUT DRY AND WHERE WE WERE THE STREETS WERE DRY.

Q: IF SEEN AGAIN WILL YOU BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY THE SUSPECT THAT SHOT AT YOU THREE TIMES?

A: YES.

Q: WE ARE GOING TO SHOW YOU A LASER COLORED COPY OF SIX SIMILAR MALE BLACKS AND ASK YOU IF YOU CAN IDENTIFY THE PERSON THAT SHOT AT YOU?

A: YES. THE PERSON THAT SHOT AT ME IS NUMBER FOUR.

Q: IS THIS THE SAME PERSON WHO SHOT OFFICER WILLIAMS?

A: YES.

Q: IS THIS THE SAME INDIVIDUAL THAT YOU HAD PROBLEMS WITH EARLIER THAT COMPLAINED ABOUT HIS CAR BEING STOLEN AND THE SAME PERSON THAT YOU AND OFFICER WILLIAMS HAD PROBLEMS WITH THAT CAUSED YOU TO CALL THE POLICE?

A: YES.

Q: IS THIS THE SAME PERSON WHO THREATENED TO SHOOT UP THE CLUB AND THREATEN OFFICER WILLIAMS?

A: YES.

Q: DO YOU WISH PROSECUTE THE PERSON THAT YOU IDENTIFY AS NUMBER FOUR FOR THE ASSAULT AGAINST YOU?

A: YES.

Q: WILL YOU INITIAL AND DATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE IDENTIFICATION THE LASER PHOTOSPREAD OF THE PERSON YOU IDENTIFIED WHO SHOT AT YOU AND SHOT OFFICER WILLIAMS?

A: YES.

Q: WHAT COMMENTS DID THE SUSPECTS MAKE TO YOU AND OFFICER WILLIAMS WHEN HE FIRST CAME OUT OF THE CLUB COMPLAING ABOUT HIS CAR BEING STOLEN?

A: HE STATED SOMEONE IS GOING TO PAY FOR HIS CAR OR HE WAS GOING TO COME BACK AND SHOOT THE CLUB UP AND BLOW IT UP. HE SAID THAT SEVERAL TIMES AND THAT'S THE REASON OFFICER WILLIAMS TOLD HIM TO LEAVE AND CALLED THE SQUAD CAR.

Q: DID HE EVER SAID ANYTHING THREATING TO OFFICER WILLIAMS?

A: YES. HE WAS SHOUTING SOMETHING ABOUT YOU DON'T BOTHER ME AND YOU DON'T SCARE ME. OFFICER WILLIAMS SAID GO AHEAD AND LEAVE BEFORE I HAVE TO LOCK YOU UP AND HE SAID I JUST DID EIGHTEEN YEARS AND GOING BACK TO JAIL DON'T BOTHER ME. I SEEN HIM GET IN THE CAR AND HEAD OUT TOWARD HOLLYWOOD AND THIS IS WHEN DON CALLED THE POLICE.

Q: HOW LONG WAS IT BEFORE THE OFFICERS ARRIVED AND DID THEY LOCATED THE SUSPECT?

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- A: IT MIGHT OF TAKEN THREE OR FOUR MINUTES TO GET ON THE SCENE, ONCED THEY ARRIVED OFFICERS WILLIAMS TOLD THEM ABOUT THE SUSPECT. THEY DROVE AROUND THE PARKING LOT LOOKING FOR THE SUSPECT AND HIS VEHICLE. THERE WAS FOUR CARS THAT MADE THE SCENE AND ABOUT FIVE MINUTES LATER THEY ADVISED OFFICER WILLIAMS THEY COULD NOT LOCATE HIM AND THEY CLEARED THE SCENE. ABOUT FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER I SAW THE SUSPECT WALKING TOWARD US FROM HOLLYWOOD AND I TOLD OFFICER WILLIAMS HE'S BACK AGAIN. I DIDN'T SEE WHERE HIS CAR AT THAT TIME.
- Q: AT WHAT POINT DID OFFICER MARSHALL ARRIVE ON THE SCENE?
- A: ABOUT A MINUTE BEFORE THE SUSPECT STARTED WALKING TOWARD US WHILE WE WERE STANDING IN FRONT OF THE CLUB. OFFICER MARSHALL WAS ON DUTY IN UNIFORM AND IN A MARKED CAR.
- Q: AT WHAT POINT DID OFFICER MARSHALL ASK THE SUSPECT FOR HIS DRIVER'S LICENSE?
- A: MYSELF, OFFICER WILLIAMS, AND OFFICER MARSHALL WAS STANDING IN THE FRONT DOOR OF THE CLUB RIGHT BY THE SQUAD CAR. HE STARTED FOR THE DOOR AND I SAID TO THE SUSPECT, HEY YOU CAN'T GO IN AND HE WAS STANDING UNDER THE LIGHT THEN. OFFICER MARSHALL ASKED HIM DID HE HAVE ANY IDENTIFICATION, HE REACHED IN HIS POCKET, PULLED OUT HIS DRIVER'S LICENSE AND HANDED THEM TO OFFICER MARSHALL. OFFICER MARSHALL IN TURN HANDED THEM TO OFFICER WILLIAMS AND I WALKED IN THE CLUB. OFFICER WILLIAMS CAME IN A FEW MINUTES LATER WITH A PIECE OF PAPER IN HIS HAND SAYING I GOT HIS NAME AND ADDRESS. WE STAYED OUTSIDE THE CLUB FOR ABOUT TWENTY OR THIRTY MINUTES WHILE THE CLUB WAS CLOSING DOWN PEOPLE WAS LEAVINIG AND THEY WERE LOADING UP THE BAND EQUIPMENT AND THIS IS WHEN THE SUSPECT WALKED UP TO WILLIAMS AND I AND THAT'S WHEN HE SHOT WILLIAMS.

NAME: Frank M. Lee DATE: 12/26/97 TIME: 12:28pm