

August 26, 2014  
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SA Alright, today's date, again is, a, August 26, 2014. Again, this is Special Agent of the FBI along with Special Agent of the FBI. The time is now 9:46 a.m. As recorded was previously turned off by has again agreed to talk to us and have this recorded. Is that correct ?

Yes, I cut it off because my first statement was not completely true and it-and now I'm scared right this moment but I'm calmin' down so I'm gonna record the true statement this time. The first statement was partly true. What I heard was a total of nine shots. What I have saw was the boy was on his knees and I saw the back of him, not the front of him. I saw the officer walkin' down toward Michael Brown and somebody tapped me on my shoulder, I turned my head and by the time I turned back the boy was fallin' to the ground and the police was standing over him and I heard "click click" and that was it and that's the truth.

SA That's still not...

That's the truth.

SA ...you didn't-you didn't change your-you didn't change anything right there

I say I did.

SA

That's the...that's what I saw. He said "click...the gun click click" that's it.

SA

So, did Michael Brown have his hands in the air?

He-he was on knees with his hands up like this. And, I only saw the back of him. I didn't see the front of him. I didn't see no nose or nothin' because I don't know where the wounds was at and I was at the tip of the lot and the boy was on the ground on his knees with his hands up. And, that's the honest God truth. And, the police walked toward him and he...Michael was fallin'...he fell and the officer said "click click" with the gun. That's all I saw and that's what I heard and I'll put my life on that. I am not lying. But, what happened between the time he left on West Florissant until that point there I was not a witness to that 'cause I don't know what happened.

SA

You don't think, that's what we're asking from you.

And now, a as far as the officer, a, he had, a, this part of his right side of his race was like red. I ain't gonna say it wasn't...ya know, because I-it when it hot outside well ya know it ain't where you get red nothin', it was just like a bruise. I'll put it that way on the side of his face. I did see that.

SA

The officer had a bruise on the side of his face.

That's what I saw. Now, I don't know it's because he-he was angry or or what, ya know, 'cause somethin'...I-I-I-I turn red when I get angry too.

SA

Did you see a struggle, did you see a struggle between Michael and the police officer?

No, I saw no struggle at all. I ain't gonna say that I did, 'cause I'd be lyin'. I didn't see no struggle period. I'm (UI) the truth.

SA

Did you see Michael Brown comin' at-toward him?

I didn't see that neither. Like I said, the only part I saw the boy was on his knees and he had his hands up and I saw the back of him and the police walking toward him and the gun said "click click." That's all I saw. As far as the police standing over him...

SA

Was Michael Brown facing toward the police officer or facing away from the police officer?

Yes, toward the police officer. He looking right at the police officer with his hand up on his knees. I did see that.

SA

He was not on his feet?

No, ma'am, I mean no sir. He was not on his feet.

SA

Okay.

He was not on his feet at all. When I saw him he was not on his feet. Michael was on his knees.

SA

There's nothin' else you wanna tell us now? Ya know, if you...

I'm telling you all, look I'm telling you everything that I can remember.

SA

And-and you don't wanna change that story at all?

No, but if I remember anything else, I'll let you know 'cause I do have slightly memory relapse and if you call my doctor he would tell you that. So, if anything fresh come, ya know some more memory come to me, I will notify. I got your number on speed dial so I will notify one of you all or both of you all. I'll let you know if anything else comes to me. 'Cause' I'm only telling you the truth but I saw that boy was on his knees. He had his hands up, it was up like this 'cause his elbow was bent when I saw him up on his knees like this and he was facing the officer.

SA

And just for the recording your hands are just slightly above you head.

Yeah, my hands is...right, hmm, above, slightly above my head and he's on his knees like that. It went up like this. It was like this. That's the way his arms was.

SA

And do you...

That's the way I saw it.

SA

Do you know Michael Brown personally?

No, I don't know him personally. But, I remember when he used to come and visit his momma in Northwinds when I thought that he got a granny who stay in Northwinds so I only know him by if I'm comin' up the street, he comin' down. And, we'll speak to each other. We'll-st-we'll stand there for a minute and talk about God. We talk about his future. He said I just graduated from high school. I'm gonna go to college. I'm gonna do some, ya know, cool stuff. I said that's good, he said yep. The senior citizens that own homes ya know that can't really afford ya know, to pay big bucks, I can help them out, ya know. I said that's good Michael. You keep that-doin' that, ya know, he said everything that I used to do, I'm not gonna do it anymore 'cause I'd like to better my life is what he told me.

SA

Okay.

And I was very proud of him.

SA

Where's-where's do you know what he meant by everything he used to do, what that means?

I did not question that because I'm the type I don't try to pry in people business. Ya know, whatever you tell me, I'm gonna believe what you tell me till you tell me something different or show me something different. And like if I've been like sick or I'm not feeling good, somebody been upsettin' me or somethin' he'll lift my spirits where I can lay up and smile, ya know. And he did quite a few people in the neighborhood like that, that's why so many people was angry. It's not so much that he was murdered, it was that he, ya know, everybody have a good side and a bad. But, I have a good side; bad side (UI). But, he make you feel love in the air. That's the way Michael was.

SA

And, did you know the police officer that was involved in the shooting?

All I know is that I just see him drive around the neighborhood and stuff but he did stop me once and I had to pee and he whipped in front of me 'cause I normally take my walks around up to-to West Florissant and Canfield and I turn back around and I jog back, but I run if I got to pee. So, I was running back down so I had to hurry up and get to the toilet or pee on myself. Last time I pee'd on myself I was two. And, he, a, asked me to stop but I couldn't stop 'cause I'm tryin' not to pee on myself. I know I was not obeying the law 'cause when an officer tell you to stop, you suppose to stop. But, I wouldn't stop. I just kept on runnin'. So he whipped the car in front of me and that's when I ran into his car and I hurt my knees. That's why I was running because I said I'd probably be runnin' from you minutes I have to go pee. He said "you getting smart." I said "no, I'm not getting' smart" and I'm holdin' my tail then and just rockin' and tryin' not to pee on myself. And I said "officer, can I get passed? I got to go to the bathroom"? He said "you sure you're not getting' smart with me"? I said "I'm not getting' smart with you." I said "I just have to pee." I said "unless you want me to pull my pants down and moon ya and go to jail for moonin' you for pissing on public property, I said then let's that be. I says I have to go and I keep on rockin'. Like I'm rockin', like I'm showin' ya I'm rockin'. Then he said okay. He knew I wasn't playin' or nothin' that I really had to go to the bathroom so he moved his vehicle back where I can go on down the street, but I winded up peeing on myself anyway because I couldn't hold it 'cause my legs was hurtin'. And, that's the only time that I had anything to do with him period. Then when I saw him the next following week, he waved; I waved and went on about my business. I don't hold grudges toward nobody. And, I learned how to forgive and forget. 'Cause if I forgive you, I'll forget whatever you did.

SA

Okay.

But, um, for as why me knowin' that he just straight-up just shoot a person and all that stuff, no knowledge of that from me at all.

SA

Okay. Do you have anything else?

SA

A, if you could go ahead and initial, put your initials and d-date on here so we know this is the map that-that you a, wrote on. Today's date's August 26<sup>th</sup>. And I just wanna make sure I understand that this a, this large asterisk mark here is where-that's where you went to and watched the shooting. You started off in building number

Right. (UI) Right.

SA

...and then you moved down the parking lot towards Canfield Road...

Uh huh.

SA

...and you stopped here where this little, a, star is on the map, between  
And, that's where you saw the shooting from?

No, I was really at this tip so I couldn't really see the thing so (UI) right here.

SA

Oh, so you moved all the way down to basically Copper Creek and Canfield Road?

I was at the tip.

SA

Right, 'cause I was right here when I heard the shots and I came down...

SA

Yeah, we're still good.

...and that's when I saw him on his knees with his hands up. I don't...and I was right here. But, I was right here when I heard the shots 'cause I ran from the (UI) and I stopped 'cause one of my neighbors was with me...the one that you all interviewed, a, that stays on the second floor in Apartment A, B Apartment C, I think or Apartment D one of them. He was there with me standing on this porch. That's when I left this porch and went down there.

SA

And, what's his name?

                  somethin'. A guy already interviewed him already.

SA

He said he's been interviewed?

That's what he told me. He said he's been inter...he said the FBI keep on looking for you. I said, well, ain't nobody calling me from the FBI and how you know it's the FBI? I say so, I said that's okay. I'll find out. Let me call them to be for sure they looking for me. And then when I finally got a chance to talk to you, you let me know you was looking for me.

SA Right.

'Cause I saw you was with one of you'all 's with a female Ag-Agent...two Agents. One was a female Agent and the other one was a male and they was soakin' wet. I was pullin' up in a black truck.

SA Yeah, we had a lot of Agents out here...

Right. And they were soakin' wet and I was tryin', I was just gonna stop 'em but I said, no, they already soakin' wet so I'm gonna let them try to get out of the rain. And then I was receiving calls but it had no number. But, when I saw U. S. Government on there I said okay, that's the FBI and that's when I tried to get back in contact with you. They tryin' to-they tryin to...but I did tell the truth the second time. The other time I exaggerated a little bit.

SA Okay.

So, (UI) know that.

SA Okay.

SA So, what's your uncle's name?

Who?

SA What's your uncle's name?

I can't tell you that. That's like I ain't gonna tell nobody your name.

SA Well, but if you tell me your uncle's name I could talk to him.

For what, so you can get me in trouble?

SA We're not gonna get you in trouble.

Yeah, you will get me in trouble.

SA Any other questions?

SA No, I'm good.

You would get me in trouble (UI). You would get me in trouble for real, 'cause see that's my...

SA No, the-the only...

...'cause he's my son's favorite uncle and they talks all the time and my uncle don't lie about nothing. And if you (UI).

SA Well then why would your son tell you not to talk to us?

'cause for one he says that I'm, okay like I said before, I wasn't lyin'. I was a mother and father to all four of my children.

SA I believe that.

And, he said that's all he have, is me. And, he don't wanna lose me.

SA Have you talked to your uncle about this situation?

Nope. God (UI) that I talk to there.

SA Well, you need to...you need to think about what you told us, okay.

And, I told you, if I remember anything else...

SA Yeah, you need to think about it.

...then I-I will tell you,

SA You need to think about...

...because...

SA ...exactly what you saw, okay.

I'm tellin' you, they got-they got in a hurry, then okay, I can call you and-and tell you what, somethin' that's come to mind.

SA No, we-we-we're not in a hurry, we want this...

Okay, well, okay but-but that means. Let's have some quietness so I can think, okay. But, I'm tellin' you the part that I did see that boy was on his knees and his head was up like this. It wasn't all the way up like that, when I seen it it was up like that. His hands was like this when I saw him. And the po...

SA And again you're showin' your hands about a little bit above your head.

Right, just like this. Right like this. He was on his knees. I did see that. I saw the back of him not the front. And the police officer was walking towards him. I did see that.

SA Did you ever see Michael Brown advance towards the police officer?

I didn't see none of that.

SA Walk, crawl, run?

I didn't see none of that. No. I told you-I told you...

SA Are you saying he was on his knees for a while or did-was he-did he hit knees as he was falling down?

Like I told you by the time that I made it down there, he was already on his knees with his hands up. That's all. And then...

SA And this, and you're moving...

And then somebody touched me, (UI) that's touched by my shoulder and I turned my head. By the time I got through talkin' to him and turned back around, Michael was face down on the ground. But I did hear a "click click." I did hear that. There wasn't no bullets or nothin'. No-no fire...no-no bullets come out the gun. You know how a gun empty and you hear "click click"?

SA Well, it-it a gun, once it locks back, it-it would-it would not click.

I heard "click click." Now, it could've been somebody else clickin' their's, but heard a "click click" 'cause people were shootin' too. It-it was just chaos over here.

SA So, there were other people shootin' at the same time?

Like I said. I heard "click click" and then it, there was other people shootin' around here I ain't gonna lie and say there wasn't. Yes there was. We got shootin' around here every day. It's like music to the ears.

SA Okay, so, we've had other people tell us the same thing. There's, it's not uncommon to hear gunfire in this neighborhood.

Right, that is true.

SA But, did you hear other gunshots at the exact same time as this incident?



I know I heard a gun...I heard a...total of nine shots goin' off. I can't tell you who pistol it was or nothin'. The only thing I saw that boy was on his knees with his hands up like this.

SA So-so you heard the gunshots. You didn't see the gunshots? Am I understanding correctly?

No, I-I wasn't tryin' to get to close. 'cause bullets don't have no name.

SA So, by the time you got there...

Okay, I got enough bullet holes in body not to be stupid and go out there.

SA By the time you got to where you could see...

What?

SA ...what Michael Brown was doin', the gunshots were all done?

Right. All of 'em was all gone. He was just on his knee and his hands was up and then that person touched me and I went to say somethin' to them and talkin' to them, by the time I turned my head back he was already layin' stretched out on the ground.

SA So, are you sayin' that-that are you sayin' that all of the nine shots you heard were between the time you turned your head and you turned back?

No, I was not...

SA Then how did you, so you didn't...

...no I'm sayin' I was hearin' the nine shots as I was runnin' down the lot and then when I made it to the lot, he was on his knees with his hands up like this then I just saw the back of him.

SA And, there was no more shots?

No more shots period.

SA So, you just heard shots when you saw the tail end of basically him falling to the ground?

Right.

SA Okay.

That's like sayin' the person touched me on my shoulder and I turned and I was talkin' to...by the time I turned my head back he was already like this stretched out on the ground.

SA So, you just caught the real and very-very tail end of it?

That's what I said. I know a little.

SA Right.

And, that's the honest to God truth. You can take it and don't take it...believe it or don't believe it.

SA So, you never saw them struggle at the car or any...

I didn't see none of that.

SA ...interaction in the car?

I didn't see none of that.

SA But, you did see a mark or what you referred to as a bruise on the side of the policeman's face?

There could have been one. There could have been just because he was scuffling or what, I don't know. I didn't see none of that. I ain't gonna lie and say I saw them tusslin' and all that.

SA No, but you said you saw a mark on the side of his face. You said you referred to it as a bruise.

I said it could be a bruise.

SA Okay.

But um, then they scooped the co...took the...got the officer and scooped him away. They moved so fast with him and I understand that 'cause when there's a-a hiding a situation you got to move people out the way so there won't be no more tragedy. And another tragedy happen around here that I-I ain't never saw nothin' like this before and I've been on this earth years and I ain't never saw none of this before and I saw other people taking each other, heads getting shot off, we were just ...(UI) ya know, I saw that when I was comin' up, ya know and when I saw the boy die, it just bring all bad memories and that's why I really didn't wanna talk to nobody 'cause I was tryin' to compress all of this again. That's why I-I don't wanna cry but, like my Godson got shot up on Goodfellow and West Florissant, by a officer. Oh Lord.

SA Your Godson-your Godson was shot by the police?

Yep.

SA What department was it?

Jennings.

SA Jennings Police Department. When was that?

That was three years ago.

SA Three years.

I'm just tired of the killing. I really am just tired of the killing. I just want everybody to get along. And, like I try to talk to these people in the neighborhood. I see some good cops out here but you all wanna kill the good cops and there some corrupt cops out here but you never know who they are. Let the law handle their own people. Since when you need to call the FBI internal affairs when you have any problem with police officers. 'Cause they the ones always make sure that if anything's corrupt they gonna clinked up 'cause it give them a bad name 'cause there are good cops out there. I'm just sayin' that because you got cops in your families that, I said no, I'm not sayin' it 'cause I got cops in my family. I had a cop (UI) my uncle that died. And, he was the crookedest, dirty, nasty cop you can ever meet. But, they wouldn't believe a 70 year old child. So, but he winded up goin' to his grave. He got killed and it wasn't in the line of duty and I didn't feel no remorse. I didn't cry or nothin' 'cause I think he earned what he got. I should not feel that way and I still feel that way and I shouldn't but I do. Because, he was not right. He was breaking stores and robbing and having them thinkin' that people in the neighborhood did it and it'd be him, beatin' up on folks for no reason, ya know. Accepting money from drug dealers. He was just doin' a lot of crooked stuff and like I told you, you cannot judge one cop or even three or four cops. You cannot judge the others 'cause of what somebody else do.

SA Right.

We all need to get along. But, I did tell you all the truth. I saw the back of Michael with his arms like this; he was on his knees. He was touched on the shoulder having a conversation, turned back, and he was stretched out.

SA Okay. Alright.

That is the truth.

SA Anything else?

That's it. But, if I remember anything else, I'll let you know.

SA Okay.

Because, I already know about perjury and all that stuff. I never jailed a day in my life. I've been in holdings. I ain't gonna lie and say I've never been in there for trespassing, peace disturbance, and stuff like that. I have been in those. But, as far as penitentiary, no...never.

SA Okay. Alright.

But um, now I have to call my psychiatrist because you got me too emotional and I am suicidal. That's why my son got the Power -of- Attorney over me.

SA Well, take care of yourself.

Because, he know the stuff come back to me and I stay by myself and I do have things that I can use to hurt myself. So, if you all could stay a little longer with me until I get myself together, I'd appreciate it.

SA Do you have some kind of plan right now to hurt yourself,

Mmmmm, yes I do. I ain't gonna lie.

SA You do have a plan to hurt yourself?

I ain't gonna lie and say I don't. That's why I didn't wanna talk about this stuff. Oh, Lord. Oh.

SA Okay, well why don't we go ahead and we'll stop the recording and we'll see about getting you some help. Okay?

Oh. Oh Lord.

SA The time is now approximately 10:08 a.m.

Oh.