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 11 DEPOSITION OF SERGEANT BRYCE EASLEY
 12 Taken on behalf of the Defendant
 13 June 1, 2026
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 9 DEPOSITION OF WITNESS, SERGEANT BRYCE
 10 EASLEY, produced, sworn, and examined on the 1st day
 11 of June, 2026, between the hours of 10:26 in the
 12 forenoon and 11:16 in the forenoon of said day, at
 13 Camden, Missouri, before [REDACTED] a
 14 Certified Court Reporter within and for the State of
 15 Missouri, in a certain cause now pending before the
 16 Circuit Court of Camden County, State of Missouri,
 17 wherein State of Missouri is the Plaintiff and [REDACTED]
 18 [REDACTED] is the Defendant.
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PROCEEDINGS

1 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and
2 between counsel for Plaintiff and counsel for
3 Defendant, that the deposition of SERGEANT BRYCE
4 EASLEY may be taken by [REDACTED] a Certified
5 Court Reporter, and afterwards transcribed into
6 written form, and that the signature of the witness
7 is expressly reserved.

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9 **SERGEANT BRYCE EASLEY,**

10 of lawful age, being produced, sworn, and examined
11 on behalf of the Defendant, deposes and says:

12 **DIRECT EXAMINATION BY [REDACTED]**

13 Q. Can you please introduce yourself for the
14 record?

15 A. Yeah. My name's Bryce Easley. I'm a
16 sergeant with the Camden County Sheriff's Office.

17 Q. And is this your first time doing a
18 deposition?

19 A. It is not.

20 Q. Okay. So you know with Madam Court
21 Reporter, that she can only record what we say out
22 loud so it's very important that all of our answers
23 be out loud and full words. She can't take down our
24 head shakes or our uh-huhs, uh-uhs. Additionally,

1 I'm gonna try really hard to wait until you're done
2 answering a question before I ask you a question,
3 and I ask that you try to wait until I'm done asking
4 the question before you start answering so we're not
5 talking over each other. Okay?

6 A. Yes, [REDACTED]

7 Q. And even though there's no judge present
8 in the room, you understand that you're testifying
9 in an official court proceeding?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. There might be times when [REDACTED]
12 objects. Typically, unlike in court, it will be
13 fine to answer. [REDACTED] will state [REDACTED] grounds for
14 objection and then [REDACTED] say if you can go ahead and
15 answer or not. Okay?

16 A. Okay.

17 Q. All right. And then at the end we'll
18 circle back about whether or not you want to waive
19 your signature or review the transcript.

20 A. Okay.

21 Q. This may be my only opportunity to
22 question you about the case, so the answers that
23 you're giving me today will help me in preparing.
24 So as I prepare my case, I'm gonna rely on those
25 answers. It's very important that you give me

1 complete answers. Do you agree to do that?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And very important that you give me
4 accurate answers. Do you agree to do that?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And it's also very important that all of
7 your answers are honest. Do you agree to do that?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. If I ask you a question and you do not
10 understand, I would ask that you stop me and let us
11 work through that. Do you agree to do that?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Otherwise, if you answer a question I'm
14 going to assume that you understood it and that your
15 answer is complete, honest, and accurate. Is that
16 fair?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Okay. There may be times today where I
19 restate the answer I think you just gave me, so I
20 may do that just to make sure I'm understanding. If
21 the restatement I gave is not accurate — it's not a
22 reflection of what you meant to say — I ask that
23 you help me walk through that as well. Okay?

24 A. Understood.

25 Q. All right. If you do not understand — or

1 if you think I do not understand an answer that
2 you've given, I want you to stop and tell me that as
3 well. Is that fair?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Okay. There may be — we might jump
6 around from topic to topic today. If there's
7 something that we're revisiting and that triggers a
8 memory from something that we covered or already
9 discussed, I want you to feel free to stop me so we
10 can revisit that. Okay?

11 A. Okay.

12 Q. If during this deposition you wish to
13 clarify or change an answer you've already given, I
14 want you to stop and tell me. Will you agree to do
15 that?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. If I ask you a question today and
18 this case goes to trial and you take the stand and I
19 ask you the question at trial, I would expect the
20 answer to be the same as the one you give today. Is
21 that fair?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. If during this deposition you can't
24 remember an answer but you think there may be
25 something that will help you remember such as a

1 photo or a report or body camera footage, will you
2 agree to tell me what that would be?
3 **A. Yes.**
4 Q. Okay. And last, I may ask you a number of
5 questions that you just genuinely don't know the
6 answer to because you don't recall or you don't
7 remember or you just don't know, and that's fine.
8 Okay?
9 **A. Okay.**
10 Q. Do you have any questions about any of
11 those expectations?
12 **A. I do not.**
13 Q. Okay. Do you have any physical or mental
14 health problems that could adversely impact your
15 memory?
16 **A. No.**
17 Q. Okay. And I'm sure you're familiar —
18 this is a standard line of questioning. It's not
19 that I think any of this applies to you. Are you
20 taking any medications that could adversely impact
21 your memory?
22 **A. No.**
23 Q. Are you currently in treatment for any
24 alcohol or substance abuse?
25 **A. No.**

1 Q. What was that complaint?
2 **A. I really don't remember. I think it was**
3 **like my conduct unbecoming and an unlawful arrest**
4 **complaint.**
5 Q. Okay. Do you — what was the — I
6 guess how was that investigation resolved?
7 **A. It was unfounded.**
8 Q. So you did not receive any disciplinary
9 action for that?
10 **A. No, I did not.**
11 Q. Okay. And you mentioned there was more
12 than once?
13 **A. Yes.**
14 Q. What was the next time?
15 **A. Very similar, a use-of-force complaint**
16 **after a traffic stop —**
17 Q. When —
18 **A. — also unfounded.**
19 Q. When was that?
20 **A. Twenty four ['24] or '25. Twenty — it**
21 **would be '23 or '24. Sorry.**
22 Q. Okay.
23 **A. I don't remember for sure.**
24 Q. Ultimately unfounded?
25 **A. Ultimately unfounded, yes.**

1 Q. Do you have a history of any alcohol or
2 substance abuse?
3 **A. No.**
4 Q. Okay. Have you ever been accused of lying
5 in a serious situation before?
6 **A. No.**
7 Q. Has anyone formally accused you of
8 something that resulted in an investigation?
9 **A. Yes.**
10 Q. And one time or more than one time?
11 **A. More than one time.**
12 Q. Okay. So let's start with the first time.
13 When was that?
14 **A. That was a internal affairs investigation.**
15 Q. In what year?
16 **A. Oh, I think it was the summer of '22,**
17 **maybe, but I don't know for sure.**
18 Q. Okay. So maybe around then —
19 **A. Around that time.**
20 Q. — sometime in '22?
21 **A. Yeah.**
22 Q. And what was the nature of the
23 investigation?
24 **A. It was a complaint from somebody I pulled**
25 **over on a traffic stop.**

1 Q. And those internal affair investigations
2 are conducted internally, I'm assuming?
3 **A. The first one was an internal affairs, the**
4 **second one was internal affairs and also went to**
5 **IDCC, and then was reviewed by the Miller County**
6 **Prosecuting Attorney and unfounded.**
7 Q. You said IDCC?
8 **A. Yes.**
9 Q. What does that stand for?
10 **A. Division of Drug and Crime Control, with**
11 **the Missouri Highway Patrol.**
12 Q. Okay. And you said it also went to the
13 Miller County Prosecutor's Office?
14 **A. Correct.**
15 Q. Okay. And so you didn't receive any
16 disciplinary action for that?
17 **A. No, I did not.**
18 Q. Okay. Is there another incident outside
19 of those two?
20 **A. I think that's it.**
21 Q. Okay. So you have no — you didn't face
22 disciplinary action for either of those?
23 **A. Correct.**
24 Q. And outside of those two investigations,
25 during the course of any employment have you been

1 the subject of an investigation outside of those two
 2 that we discussed?
 3 **A. Not that I remember.**
 4 Q. Okay. Have you ever been placed on
 5 suspension?
 6 **A. Internal suspension.**
 7 Q. Okay.
 8 **A. Administrative suspension.**
 9 Q. Was that during one of those two
 10 investigations?
 11 **A. I believe so, yes.**
 12 Q. Okay. So the disciplinary action was just
 13 pending review, I guess?
 14 **A. Pending the investigation, yes.**
 15 Q. Okay. And what did that suspension look
 16 like? Did you —
 17 **A. It was two paid days off.**
 18 Q. Two paid days off?
 19 **A. Yeah.**
 20 Q. Okay. And that was for the use-of-force
 21 incident or the conduct unbecoming incident?
 22 **A. The traffic stop, the conduct unbecoming**
 23 **one, I think.**
 24 Q. Okay. So two days paid leave for the
 25 traffic stop?

1 action 'cause you were already on light duty on the
 2 second incident. Correct?
 3 **A. Correct.**
 4 Q. Outside of those two, have you received
 5 disciplinary action for anything during the course
 6 of any of your employment?
 7 **A. No. I have nothing in my personnel file.**
 8 Q. Okay. How long have you been with the
 9 Carden County Sheriff's Office?
 10 **A. I've been in law enforcement for o — just**
 11 **over nine years, I think, total. I spent six months**
 12 **with the sheriff's office in the jail, a year and a**
 13 **half with the Cardenton City Police Department, and**
 14 **then the majority of the rest of that has been with**
 15 **the sheriff's office.**
 16 Q. Okay. So you were with Carden County
 17 Sheriff's Office as a jail deputy for six months?
 18 **A. Yes.**
 19 Q. And then you went to Cardenton Police
 20 Department?
 21 **A. Yes.**
 22 Q. Where you said you were there for one and
 23 a half years?
 24 **A. Yes.**
 25 Q. Okay. What made you leave Cardenton

1 **A. I believe so, yes.**
 2 Q. For the use-of-force allegation, did
 3 you — were you placed on any kind of suspension for
 4 that?
 5 **A. I was not. I was on light duty anyway.**
 6 Q. Due to an injury, or —
 7 **A. Due to an injury, yes.**
 8 Q. Okay. What kind of injury was it?
 9 **A. I broke my hand.**
 10 Q. Okay. How did you break your hand?
 11 **A. Punching the sus — suspect.**
 12 Q. In the use-of-force?
 13 **A. During the use-of-force, yes.**
 14 Q. Okay.
 15 **A. Yeah.**
 16 Q. So same incident?
 17 **A. Yes, same incident.**
 18 Q. Okay. And was that the allegation, that
 19 you punched him and that was —
 20 **A. Yes.**
 21 Q. — unnecessary use of force?
 22 **A. Yes.**
 23 Q. Okay. Outside of those two investigations
 24 where you were placed on two days paid leave or
 25 suspension — and then you said no disciplinary

1 Police Department?
 2 **A. Just more opportunities at the sheriff's**
 3 **office.**
 4 Q. Okay. So you were hired on with the
 5 sheriff's office from CPD?
 6 **A. Correct.**
 7 Q. And you said the majority of that time has
 8 been with Carden County Sheriff's office. Was there
 9 any time since then that was not with Carden County
 10 Sheriff's Office?
 11 **A. The — I think the beginning of '23, I did**
 12 **like a one- or two-month stint with the Mid-Missouri**
 13 **Drug Task Force, but I came back to the sheriff's**
 14 **office.**
 15 Q. Okay. What prompted you to leave the
 16 Mid-Missouri Drug Task Force?
 17 **A. The pay.**
 18 Q. You were getting paid better at Carden
 19 County Sheriff's Office?
 20 **A. The pay went up, yes.**
 21 Q. Uh-huh.
 22 **A. I went to the task force and then the pay**
 23 **went up at the sheriff's office so I came back.**
 24 Q. And is that a — when you went to
 25 Mid-Missouri Drug Task Force you no longer were a

1 Carden County Sheriff's Office employee — or you
 2 still were, technically?
 3 **A. I was not.**
 4 **Q. Okay. So when you came back to Carden**
 5 **County Sheriff's Office, did you have to reapply or**
 6 **anything like that or was your job pretty much just**
 7 **waiting for you?**
 8 **A. I don't know if I actually had to do an**
 9 **application or not.**
 10 **Q. Okay.**
 11 **A. I don't remember.**
 12 **Q. And what is your current rank?**
 13 **A. I'm a sergeant.**
 14 **Q. And I know about the Marine Corps scale,**
 15 **but where does sergeant fall? What's the first rank**
 16 **in a — at the sheriff's office?**
 17 **A. For patrol?**
 18 **Q. For anyone, I guess.**
 19 **A. Okay. For patrol you would just have**
 20 **deputies, a rank up from there would be corporal,**
 21 **and then a rank up from there would be sergeant.**
 22 **Q. So you've received two promotions?**
 23 **A. Yes.**
 24 **Q. Okay. And never during any of those**
 25 **investigations previously did you receive loss of**

1 pay or any loss of rank?
 2 **A. Correct.**
 3 **Q. Okay. And about how — I don't know if**
 4 **you keep track of this like some deputies do. How**
 5 **many — are you able to say how many arrests you**
 6 **make per year?**
 7 **A. Per year, I don't know.**
 8 **Q. About — well, do you work full-time right**
 9 **now?**
 10 **A. [No audible response.]**
 11 **Q. Okay. And what are your current roles and**
 12 **assigned duties, I guess?**
 13 **A. My assigned duties right now are field**
 14 **training. I'm the field training coordinator, and**
 15 **then I do training and work review.**
 16 **Q. So you are a field training officer for**
 17 **new oncoming deputies?**
 18 **A. Yes.**
 19 **Q. And then you do recruitment and training**
 20 **to get people to come join Carden County Sheriff's**
 21 **Office?**
 22 **A. Yes.**
 23 **Q. What type of training do you do? Just how**
 24 **to do the job in its entirety or —**
 25 **A. For field training, yes.**

1 **Q. Okay. So that looks like you riding**
 2 **around with a new deputy in your car and just taking**
 3 **them on your shift with you?**
 4 **A. Yes, or assigning them to other field**
 5 **training officers.**
 6 **Q. Okay. And when you bring people with you**
 7 **when you're field-training them, if you engage in a**
 8 **traffic stop or something like that do they take the**
 9 **reins on that and you observe, or do they observe**
 10 **you take the reins on that?**
 11 **A. It depends on what stage they're at in**
 12 **field training.**
 13 **Q. Okay. Can you explain kind of the stages**
 14 **to me?**
 15 **A. Sure. So there is Phase One of field**
 16 **training where recruits or new hires — I'm sorry —**
 17 **are either riding with a field training officer and**
 18 **observing, kind of like a ride-along. Sometimes**
 19 **they do — if there's multiple new hires for Phase**
 20 **One they do in-house training with me and some of**
 21 **our other deputies to go through policies,**
 22 **procedures and DWI enforcement. Phase Two is where**
 23 **the deputy slowly starts — the new hire slowly**
 24 **starts working their way into doing more and more**
 25 **work. And then Phase Three is then getting shadowed**

1 **by their sergeant, whatever shift sergeant they go**
 2 **to.**
 3 **Q. So in the beginning you would take the**
 4 **reins on a traffic stop, like — and they just watch**
 5 **you, but as they work through that training you**
 6 **would let them take the reins and you would just**
 7 **observe and step in when necessary?**
 8 **A. Yes.**
 9 **Q. Okay. And you are currently a supervising**
 10 **officer, as well?**
 11 **A. Yes.**
 12 **Q. Okay. Is it just — like you supervise**
 13 **other officers that are inferior to you rank-wise on**
 14 **your shift, or what ki — what does your supervisory**
 15 **role entail?**
 16 **A. No. I do not have an assigned shift, so**
 17 **I'm over the new hires, the recruits, the people**
 18 **that are in field training, and then we have cadets**
 19 **which are, you know, people that we are sending**
 20 **through the academy to get FOSTI certified, and then**
 21 **also our reserve deputies.**
 22 **Q. Okay. So because you're over training, is**
 23 **that — do you go out on the road often, or no?**
 24 **A. If I'm training someone.**
 25 **Q. Okay. So when you are actively training**

1 someone, then you would just take calls just like
 2 any other deputy?
 3 **A. Yes.**
 4 Q. Okay. On this day, May 23rd, 2025, what
 5 were your assigned roles and duties that day? This
 6 is the date of the offense with [REDACTED]
 7 **A. I don't remember exactly, but I think I**
 8 **was a corporal on Horseshoe Bend Parkway, just**
 9 **working patrol at that time.**
 10 Q. Okay. Do you recall how you came to be
 11 involved in the — this investigation?
 12 **A. I don't.**
 13 Q. Okay. So somehow you end up at Shady
 14 Gators, and can you tell me about, I guess, what you
 15 assisted with while you were on scene?
 16 **A. I cannot.**
 17 Q. Okay. Do you have a recollection of the
 18 investigation?
 19 **A. I do not.**
 20 Q. Okay. And you did not write a report for
 21 this incident?
 22 **A. No, I did not.**
 23 Q. Were you wearing your body camera at the
 24 time?
 25 **A. I don't remember.**

1 you — do you recall if you spoke with [REDACTED]
 2 at all?
 3 **A. I don't remember.**
 4 Q. Okay. If your body-worn camera was on and
 5 activated at the time that you were on scene, would
 6 it have been standard procedure for you to upload
 7 that at the end of the night, or what does that look
 8 like at the end of a shift? Do you just upload
 9 everything from your body cam or —
 10 **A. Yes. So when we dock our — at the end of**
 11 **our shift or at any time, if we take our body cams**
 12 **off and dock them on the docking station it**
 13 **downloads the video to whatever system it is, and**
 14 **then we can go in and classify them if they're of**
 15 **importance.**
 16 Q. Okay. And you don't recall if you did
 17 that for this case?
 18 **A. I do not recall.**
 19 Q. Okay. So it's possible that there's body
 20 camera footage that belonged to you from that night,
 21 but you're not sure?
 22 **A. Correct.**
 23 Q. Okay. And you don't recall any
 24 conversations that you had with other law
 25 enforcement officers that night?

1 Q. Okay. Have you spoken to any officers
 2 involved in this investigation since that date?
 3 **A. No.**
 4 Q. Okay. Did you review any materials prior
 5 to coming to this deposition?
 6 **A. I looked at the report that was prepared**
 7 **by Deputy Selby.**
 8 Q. Okay. And did you approve that report?
 9 **A. I did.**
 10 Q. So — but you have no recollection of the
 11 incident —
 12 **A. I don't.**
 13 Q. — independent of that?
 14 **A. No. Correct.**
 15 Q. Okay. So any answers you would give would
 16 be based on what Deputy Selby wrote?
 17 **A. Correct.**
 18 Q. Okay. So you're not able to even recall
 19 if any of that might not be accurate?
 20 **A. Yeah. I have no idea.**
 21 Q. Okay. Do you recall if you spoke with any
 22 witnesses?
 23 **A. I do not.**
 24 Q. Okay. And I know you said you don't
 25 recall anything. I'm just being thorough. And

1 **A. I don't.**
 2 Q. So if there are periods of time where
 3 other officers muted their body camera for
 4 conversations with you and other officers, you
 5 wouldn't remember what the nature of those
 6 conversations are?
 7 **A. Would not.**
 8 Q. And when you are working in your capacity
 9 as a field training officer, when it's people at the
 10 beginning of their phases you are still the person
 11 that would then initiate charges — well, I guess
 12 the prosecutor's office initiates charges, but you
 13 would be the person writing a probable cause
 14 statement or making arrests?
 15 **A. During the beginning of field training?**
 16 **Is that what you're asking?**
 17 Q. Yes.
 18 **A. During Phase One, yes.**
 19 Q. Okay. And how many — I guess just
 20 looking at May of last year, how many arrests did
 21 you make?
 22 **A. I don't know.**
 23 Q. Would you be able to estimate it, like
 24 fifty, a hundred, ten?
 25 **A. I wouldn't. I don't know.**

1 Q. Okay. Are there whole shifts that go by
2 where you don't arrest anybody?
3 A. **There are.**
4 Q. Okay. Does that happen often?
5 A. **Depends on the night.**
6 Q. Have you had conversations with the Camden
7 County Prosecutor's Office regarding what they
8 believe to be your lack of credibility?
9 A. **Not with them, no.**
10 Q. Have you had conversations about that with
11 anyone else?
12 A. **With my command staff, yes.**
13 Q. And what were you told in those
14 conversations?
15 A. **That the prosecutors won't file all my**
16 **charges.**
17 Q. And have you seen that to be true?
18 A. **Yes.**
19 Q. So you are still referring charges?
20 A. **Sometimes, yes.**
21 Q. Okay.
22 A. **Mostly I'm holding them off until January**
23 **1st.**
24 Q. Okay. So we could see, after January
25 1st, if there was a regime change, a bunch of

1 look like if there's another officer on scene that
2 can?
3 A. **If there's another officer on scene that**
4 **can — and has the information and has worked the**
5 **scene or worked the call — that can send it up,**
6 **then yes, I — they typically just send up the**
7 **calls, or the — the probable cause statements.**
8 Q. Okay. And are most of the other officers
9 that you work with aware of this situation that you
10 have currently?
11 A. **Yes.**
12 Q. Okay. So on scene or on other arrests, it
13 wouldn't be uncommon for you to say, "You need to do
14 the PC statement because the prosecutor's office
15 doesn't like me"?
16 A. **Yes.**
17 Q. Okay. And in fact, do you recall making
18 that statement on arrests before?
19 A. **Yeah —**
20 Q. Okay?
21 A. **— I have.**
22 Q. Is that something you say often?
23 A. **Quite often, yes.**
24 Q. Okay. Have they — have you been informed
25 of any cases being dismissed because of your

1 referrals come in from Sergeant Easley?
2 A. **Yes.**
3 Q. And so you didn't actually have a
4 conversation with anyone from the prosecutor's
5 office about this?
6 A. **Not directly, I don't believe.**
7 Q. Okay. When you are on scene with other
8 officers, do you — do you hold onto those referrals
9 or do you just have another officer make the —
10 take — write up the PC statement or make those
11 referrals?
12 A. **It depends how involved I am.**
13 Q. Okay. But if you're the lead officer,
14 you're just waiting on those?
15 A. **It depends on the case.**
16 Q. Okay. What do you assess when you're
17 making that determination?
18 A. **To file charges or not?**
19 Q. Yes.
20 A. **To send up charges? If it's a — if**
21 **there's a victim involved, obviously we have a duty**
22 **to send up charges.**
23 Q. Okay. So if there's a victim involved you
24 would just say, "Hey, you need to refer these," or,
25 "You need to do a PC statement," or what does that

1 involvement?
2 A. **I'm sure there have.**
3 Q. Okay. But you haven't been made aware of
4 it?
5 A. **Of my own cases, yes.**
6 Q. Okay. Is that why you started just
7 sitting on them for now?
8 A. **Yes.**
9 Q. Okay. Do you recall the nature of any of
10 the kind of charges that you've referred that were
11 dismissed?
12 A. **There's a lot. Drug charges, DWI charges.**
13 Q. Any victim charges?
14 A. **Yes.**
15 Q. All right. Any serious victim charges?
16 A. **Yes.**
17 Q. Are you — and I'm not sure — aware of
18 the entire referral process. Do those get kicked
19 back when — like, "Hey, have someone else write
20 this," or they just get kicked back and then nothing
21 happens with them?
22 A. **I don't know if we get dispositions**
23 **anyone, but used to they used to get kicked back**
24 **and they would say — there would be some comment in**
25 **there like, "It's an Easley case," or something**

1 along those lines.
 2 Q. Okay. Have you — when do you recall this
 3 starting, I guess, or transpiring with the
 4 prosecutor's office?
 5 A. I — I don't remember.
 6 Q. Do you recall about how long it's been
 7 going on — a year, six months, two years?
 8 A. Probably at least a year.
 9 Q. Do you recall what spurred it or what
 10 started it?
 11 A. I don't.
 12 Q. Your command didn't make you aware of any
 13 conduct or situation that they specifically had an
 14 issue with?
 15 A. No.
 16 Q. Okay. Are you aware of why they won't
 17 refer your charges — or charge your referrals?
 18 A. My belief is that it's just a personal
 19 vendetta.
 20 Q. But you have no grounds or reason for why
 21 you think they would have a personal vendetta?
 22 A. No.
 23 Q. Okay. And you said they've never brought
 24 you in here and talked to you or showed you anything
 25 that's like, "Hey, this is a problem"?

1 Q. Okay. And was there any other incidents
 2 after that, or — where you thought that was adding
 3 to it, or do you think it's that incident that is
 4 when they stopped taking your referrals?
 5 A. The complaint I talked about that — that
 6 referred to DDC and the Miller County Prosecutor's
 7 Office, I think that plea — complaint actually came
 8 from Richelle.
 9 Q. Okay. And that was, you think, around
 10 2023 or 2024?
 11 A. That was probably — I think it was
 12 October of 2024, but I don't know for sure.
 13 Q. Okay. So maybe closer to the end of 2024?
 14 A. Yes.
 15 Q. And is that when you started real — or
 16 when did your command talk to you and say they're
 17 not gonna be charging your cases anymore?
 18 A. Probably after that.
 19 Q. Okay.
 20 A. After that incident.
 21 Q. Right after it or —
 22 A. I don't remember.
 23 Q. What advice was given to you by your
 24 command on how to rectify the situation, if any?
 25 A. To keep doing my job.

1 A. No, I have talked to them —
 2 Q. Okay.
 3 A. — about that.
 4 Q. And what was the nature of that?
 5 A. One was a traffic stop, the one that I
 6 received the complaint on —
 7 Q. Okay.
 8 A. — which was unfounded. And that was
 9 talking with Richelle about that.
 10 Q. Okay. And so she brought you in and
 11 talked to you about that?
 12 A. Yes.
 13 Q. Okay. And that was in 2023 or 2024?
 14 A. Somewhere in there, yeah.
 15 Q. And at that time did she say like, "Do
 16 better," or what was her comment to you about that
 17 situation?
 18 A. That she didn't like my conduct or
 19 behavior and that a complaint came from a suspect of
 20 that traffic stop. The prosecutor's office
 21 dismissed the charges and the complaint was
 22 ultimately unfounded.
 23 Q. The complaint came after conversation with
 24 Richelle?
 25 A. I believe so.

1 Q. And so they — so they have no issues with
 2 you?
 3 A. Correct.
 4 Q. Okay. And did they tell you to sit on
 5 your referrals, or what advice did they give to you
 6 about that choice to make or how you would make
 7 those assessments?
 8 A. That is my decision. So if I have a drug
 9 case — if I find methamphetamines or something like
 10 that, then I'll sit on them.
 11 Q. And so you've been doing that since maybe
 12 the end of 2024?
 13 A. I still send up some cases. I don't know.
 14 Probably maybe mid-2025 that I started sitting on
 15 cases.
 16 Q. And what prompted you to start sitting on
 17 cases?
 18 A. The fact that they're not getting charged.
 19 Q. Okay. Or being dismi — is — when you
 20 say "not being charged," is that the same as them
 21 being dismissed?
 22 A. No. Usually they're not getting charged
 23 initially.
 24 Q. Okay. And then separate from that, there
 25 are also charges where you were involved that did

1 get charged but then were dismissed because of your
2 involvement?
3 **A. That I don't know.**
4 **Q. All right. Okay. And — and with regards**
5 **to [REDACTED] you have no independent**
6 **recollection of this incident?**
7 **A. I do not.**
8 **Q. Okay. Has the prosecutor's office told**
9 **you, or has your command told you that the**
10 **prosecutor's office would not call you as a witness**
11 **for cases?**
12 **A. Yes.**
13 **Q. Okay. What — who told you that?**
14 **A. I don't know if it was my command or they**
15 **heard it from the prosecutor's office.**
16 **Q. Were you given a reason?**
17 **A. Just from what we already talked about.**
18 **Q. They said because you had an unfounded**
19 **use-of-force incident they would not put you on the**
20 **stand?**
21 **A. No.**
22 **Q. Okay. What was it that they told you?**
23 **A. No. For some reason they think I lack**
24 **credibility and — in the way I talk to people, and**
25 **a couple of those incidences they believed was**

1 we discussed today that you feel is relevant or
2 pertinent that I have not yet asked you?
3 **A. I don't think so.**
4 **Q. Have you understood all my questions here**
5 **today?**
6 **A. Yes.**
7 **Q. If there was a question that you did not**
8 **understand, did you tell me that you did not**
9 **understand it?**
10 **A. Yes.**
11 **Q. Have all of your answers been accurate?**
12 **A. Yes.**
13 **Q. Have all of your answers been honest?**
14 **A. Yes.**
15 **Q. Have all of your — have you answered all**
16 **my questions completely?**
17 **A. Yes.**
18 **Q. Are there any answers you wish to change**
19 **or clarify for any reason?**
20 **A. I don't think so.**
21 **Q. Do you feel like this conflict with the**
22 **prosecutor's office is affecting your ability to do**
23 **your job?**
24 **A. Yes.**
25 **Q. Do you feel that it's affecting community**

1 **unprofessional. . And from what I heard is that the**
2 **prosecutor said that that was unprofessional and she**
3 **wouldn't put it in front of a jury.**
4 **Q. When you say "a couple of those**
5 **incidents," are there incidents outside of the**
6 **conduct unbecoming 2022 incident and the potentially**
7 **late 2024 investigation for the use-of-force**
8 **incident, or is it — when you say "a couple of**
9 **incidents," is it those two?**
10 **A. No. From what I've been told, there's**
11 **several incidences that she doesn't like.**
12 **Q. Okay. But not any that were actually**
13 **formal investigations?**
14 **A. Just the two.**
15 **Q. Okay. And when you say from what you've**
16 **been told, that came from your command?**
17 **A. Yes.**
18 **Q. Okay. But you have not been shown the**
19 **additional incidents by the prosecutor's office?**
20 **A. Not that I recall, no.**
21 **Q. Okay. So they didn't bring you in for**
22 **like a highlight reel or anything like that?**
23 **A. No.**
24 **Q. Okay. Okay. Is there anything else about**
25 **the matter with [REDACTED] or anything else that**

1 safety?
2 **A. Yes.**
3 **Q. Do you have reason to believe I did not**
4 **understand your testimony today?**
5 **A. I don't think so.**
6 **Q. If I restated any answers that you gave,**
7 **do you feel that I restated them accurately?**
8 **A. Yes.**
9 **Q. Do you feel I tried to put words in your**
10 **mouth or twist what you told me in any way?**
11 **A. No.**
12 **Q. As far as you know, are there any**
13 **misunderstandings between us?**
14 **A. No.**
15 **[REDACTED] do you have any**
16 **questions?**
17 **[REDACTED] A few.**
18 **CROSS-EXAMINATION BY [REDACTED]**
19 **Q. Sergeant, you were promoted from corporal**
20 **to sergeant?**
21 **A. (By Sergeant Easley) Yes.**
22 **Q. When did that occur?**
23 **A. In '25 sometime, I think — 2025.**
24 **Q. Would you say within six months of the**
25 **October 2024 incident, or — I guess you said it was**

1 October, so it at least had to've been two months
 2 after that?
 3 **A. Well, sometime after that, yes.**
 4 **Q. Before June of 2025?**
 5 **A. I don't remember.**
 6 **Q. When did you start being a field training**
 7 **officer?**
 8 **A. I've been a field training officer for**
 9 **probably five or six years now.**
 10 **Q. Okay. So that's not necessarily tied to**
 11 **your rank as sergeant?**
 12 **A. It is. I'm the field training**
 13 **coordinator.**
 14 **Q. Okay. So prior to being sergeant, you**
 15 **were a field training officer, but then as sergeant**
 16 **you're also the field training officer coordinator?**
 17 **A. Yes. So there are field training officers**
 18 **and there's a coordinator who runs the field**
 19 **training program.**
 20 **Q. But it doesn't require you to be sergeant**
 21 **in order to be a field training officer?**
 22 **A. No.**
 23 **Q. And so the — and you said five or six**
 24 **years you've been a — a field training officer.**
 25 **Would that include all the times prior to you going**

1 made cases that you haven't referred to the
 2 prosecutor's office. How many cases, roughly, does
 3 that av — does that include?
 4 **A. I don't know.**
 5 **Q. Is it a hundred [100] cases?**
 6 **A. I don't know.**
 7 **Q. More than a hundred [100] cases?**
 8 **A. My answer's not gonna change, and I still**
 9 **don't know.**
 10 **Q. Okay. So you have no idea if you're**
 11 **sitting on a pile — dozens of cases, or two or**
 12 **three cases?**
 13 **A. Again, I don't know.**
 14 **Q. You're aware of statute of limitation**
 15 **prohibition against filing cases that are older than**
 16 **a year old if they're misdemeanors?**
 17 **A. Yes.**
 18 **Q. So there are no misdemeanor cases you're**
 19 **sitting on?**
 20 **A. No.**
 21 **Q. All right. So all the cases — and you**
 22 **don't know if there's two or three or dozens — are**
 23 **felony offenses?**
 24 **A. I believe all of them are felony offenses,**
 25 **yes.**

1 to Mid-Missouri Drug Task Force and then after going
 2 to Mid-Missouri Drug Task Force?
 3 **A. Are you asking if I was a field training**
 4 **officer before going to the Mid-Missouri Drug Task**
 5 **Force?**
 6 **Q. That's a much better question.**
 7 **A. Yes.**
 8 **Q. And you were with the field training task**
 9 **force for how long? I'm sorry. Field training —**
 10 **the Mid-Mo Drug Task Force for how long?**
 11 **A. Somewhere between a month and two months.**
 12 **Q. Okay. And so when you took that position,**
 13 **was that a lateral move as far as pay is concerned?**
 14 **A. At the time, it was very similar in pay.**
 15 **Q. Okay. And it's your testimony that the**
 16 **reason you came back to the road as a deputy was**
 17 **because of the financial incentive to be back with**
 18 **the sheriff's office?**
 19 **A. Yes. At that time the sheriff's office**
 20 **got a pretty substantial pay raise.**
 21 **Q. [REDACTED] asked you to — to give a**
 22 **guess about the number of arrests you've made in the**
 23 **last year — or per year, I think was her question.**
 24 **You didn't have an idea; then later in your**
 25 **testimony you testified that you made arrests and**

1 **Q. And have you secured all the evidence in**
 2 **those cases?**
 3 **A. What do you mean?**
 4 **Q. Do you have body camera footage from those**
 5 **cases?**
 6 **A. I do.**
 7 **Q. Do you have reports from those cases?**
 8 **A. Obviously, yeah.**
 9 **Q. Do you have physical evidence that you've**
 10 **secured into evidence in those cases?**
 11 **A. In some of them, yes.**
 12 **Q. And are those cases documented in CAD**
 13 **entries?**
 14 **A. In CAD entries?**
 15 **Q. For instance, did you make calls regarding**
 16 **stops for those arrests, giving Miranda, making an**
 17 **arrest?**
 18 **A. Isn't everything in a CAD entry?**
 19 **Q. I — I don't know the Camden County**
 20 **Sheriff's Office policies. I'm asking you —**
 21 **A. No, I think you do.**
 22 **Q. I'm asking you, do you have CAD entries**
 23 **secured in relation to these two or three cases or**
 24 **dozens of cases that you're sitting on?**
 25 **A. You're putting numbers on it, which I**

1 refuse to do.

2 Q. Are you aware of CAD entries in all these

3 cases that you've investigated?

4 A. I would say ninety percent of everything

5 that we do has a CAD entry.

6 Q. And the — you think that's pursuant to

7 policy with your sheriff's office?

8 A. Explain that.

9 Q. You said, "Well, aren't all CAD entries

10 entered into reports?" Is it your understanding

11 that that's pursuant to policy with your sheriff's

12 office?

13 A. I don't think there's a policy on CAD

14 entries being in the reports.

15 Q. Okay. Let me ask you —

16 A. I'm not — I'm kinda confused. I don't

17 know if you know what a CAD entry is.

18 Q. Let me ask you this: Do you have a policy

19 concerning your body-worn cameras?

20 A. I'm sure we do.

21 Q. Are you aware of that policy?

22 A. I don't recall.

23 Q. Have you been trained to know policy

24 concerning your body-worn cameras with the sheriff's

25 office?

1 what I would call important policies — such as use-

2 of-force, pursuits, weapons, intermediate weapons.

3 Q. Not body cameras?

4 A. No.

5 Q. Use-of-force is an important policy for

6 you to train on?

7 A. Obviously.

8 Q. The October incident that you referred to,

9 is that an individual by the name of [REDACTED]

10 A. Yes, it is. You know that.

11 Q. And [REDACTED] asked you about times that

12 your command staff have confronted you with issues

13 related to your relationship with the prosecutor's

14 office. How many times have you had those

15 conversations with your command staff?

16 A. In — I have no idea.

17 Q. More than ten times?

18 A. I'm not gonna put a number on it.

19 Q. Less than ten times?

20 A. Not gonna put a number on it.

21 Q. [REDACTED] asked you about a highlight

22 reel of concerns that the prosecutor's office had

23 provided you, and you said that, "I haven't been

24 provided one." Are you aware whether or not command

25 staff has been invited to the prosecutor's office to

1 A. I don't recall.

2 Q. Do you provide training to cadets, to

3 reservists, to new hires regarding the policies your

4 sheriff's office has for body-worn cameras?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And what training do you provide those

7 individuals?

8 A. We go through the policies.

9 Q. And what training do you provide those

10 individuals?

11 A. We go through policies — important

12 policies.

13 Q. All right. So it's your testimony that

14 you train these individuals on policies related to

15 body-worn cameras. Is that your testimony?

16 A. That is not my testimony.

17 Q. Okay. It is your testimony that you

18 provide them training on important policies?

19 A. Correct.

20 Q. What are the important policies that you

21 train new hires, recruits and reservists, cadets on

22 for the sheriff's office?

23 A. Obviously, we have a limited amount of

24 time with trainings so we don't handle basic

25 policies. We handle the important policies — or

1 be shown some of these highlight reels?

2 A. I am not.

3 Q. And they've never discussed watching your

4 behavior on body camera footage in other cases other

5 than the two investigations you mentioned here

6 today?

7 A. My command staff has not told me that, no.

8 Q. Who is involved in your command staff?

9 A. You know my chain of command.

10 Q. I understand. We're making a record of

11 your command staff. Who is involved in your command

12 staff?

13 A. Then you make the record on my command

14 staff. You know my chain of command.

15 Q. Are you not answering the question?

16 A. I'm not answering the question. You know

17 my chain of command.

18 Q. Do you know your chain of command?

19 A. Absolutely. Do you?

20 Q. Then can you answer the question?

21 A. No.

22 Q. Do you not know your chain of command?

23 A. I do know my chain of command.

24 Q. Who do you report to?

25 A. I report to Lieutenant Henderson.

1 Q. Who does Lieutenant Henderson report to?
 2 A. Major Elkin.
 3 Q. And who does Major Elkin report to?
 4 A. Chief Deputy Scotty Hines.
 5 Q. And who does Chief Deputy Scotty Hines
 6 report to?
 7 A. Sheriff Chris Edgar.
 8 Q. And who does Sheriff Edgar report to?
 9 A. It's the sheriff. That was a stupid
 10 question.
 11 Q. I appreciate that. Would you assert that
 12 the sheriff reports to the people of Camden County?
 13 A. He's elected by the people of Camden
 14 County.
 15 Q. Thank you. [REDACTED] asked you about a
 16 conversation you had with Ms. Grosvenor. Do you
 17 recall when that happened?
 18 A. I do not.
 19 Q. Was it before the [REDACTED] incident?
 20 A. I don't recall.
 21 Q. Was it after the incident involving the
 22 traffic stop complaint?
 23 A. I don't recall.
 24 Q. Earlier you testified that you believed it
 25 was after that individual had been arrested, and is

1 stairs, and it's on video?
 2 Q. Who was that?
 3 A. A sixteen-year-old that was punched in the
 4 face and pushed down a flight of stairs.
 5 Q. And who is that?
 6 A. I don't remember [REDACTED] name.
 7 Q. Any other?
 8 A. That's a pretty big one, don't you think?
 9 Q. Any others?
 10 A. That's a pretty big one, don't you think?
 11 Q. Any others?
 12 A. I don't recall.
 13 Q. Who was the subject of the original
 14 internal affairs investigation that you responded
 15 to?
 16 A. What do you mean?
 17 Q. You testified about an earlier incident
 18 with regard to an individual. What was that
 19 individual's name?
 20 A. You'd have to clarify that.
 21 Q. You testified about a 2022 internal
 22 affairs investigation into conduct unbecoming of an
 23 officer. Who was the subject that raised that
 24 complaint?
 25 A. I don't know.

1 the subject of the complaint. Has your memory faded
 2 since you gave that answer earlier?
 3 A. I don't think that was my exact answer
 4 earlier.
 5 Q. What was your answer earlier?
 6 A. I don't recall.
 7 Q. So it has faded in the fifteen minutes
 8 since she asked that question?
 9 A. Apparently.
 10 Q. How do you think your testimony today has
 11 helped your relationship with the prosecutor's
 12 office?
 13 A. I don't think your questions are helping
 14 this relationship.
 15 Q. How do you think your answers have helped
 16 that relationship, Sergeant Easley? Do you think
 17 you've put yourself in a better position to testify
 18 as a witness before a jury, or a worse position?
 19 A. I think you know exactly what the
 20 prosecutor's office is doing. It's not protecting
 21 victims of this county, and you know that.
 22 Q. So what are these big victim cases of
 23 yours that have been dismissed?
 24 A. How about a sixteen-year-old that was
 25 punched in the face and pushed down a flight of

1 Q. You testified that there's nothing else in
 2 your personnel file. Have you seen your personnel
 3 file?
 4 A. Yes, I have.
 5 Q. And there are no other complaints, citizen
 6 or related — or — or from the prosecutor's office
 7 other than those two cases you testified to?
 8 A. Those are the only two I know of.
 9 Q. And you've seen your entire personnel
 10 file?
 11 A. Yes.
 12 Q. Are there any other complaints listed in
 13 your personnel file?
 14 A. Not that I know of.
 15 Q. In January of 2025, the prosecutor's
 16 office made it clear to you and your command staff
 17 that no cases would be filed or prosecuted if it
 18 relied on your testimony in whole. Is that correct?
 19 A. To my command staff, yes.
 20 Q. And that was approximately two months —
 21 two or three months after the [REDACTED] incident?
 22 A. That was completely unfounded, yes.
 23 Q. Investigated by the DDC?
 24 A. Yep.
 25 Q. And referred to the Miller County

1 Prosecutor's Office for felony charges. Correct?
 2 **A. No.**
 3 Q. It was not referred to the Miller County
 4 Prosecutor's Office?
 5 **A. It was referred to the Miller County**
 6 **Prosecutor's Office, yes. The report was referred.**
 7 Q. With a FC statement for felony offenses.
 8 Correct?
 9 **A. Well, which was unfounded. I don't know**
 10 **if it was referred for felony offenses or not.**
 11 Q. Did you ever see the FC state — statement
 12 drafted by DDOC?
 13 **A. No, I did not. I know it was unfounded.**
 14 Q. And you keep saying "unfounded."
 15 **A. I do. I have a beautiful letter by the**
 16 **Miller County Prosecutor. It's hanging on my wall.**
 17 **You're welcome to come and see it if you'd like.**
 18 Q. You have it framed and on your wall?
 19 **A. It's framed and on my wall, yes.**
 20 Q. Can I have a copy that?
 21 **A. No. You can come look at it. I'm not**
 22 **giving you a copy of anything.**
 23 Q. And why is that?
 24 **A. Because I don't like you, I don't like**
 25 **this office.**

1 prosecutor's office or the defense. Is that
 2 correct?
 3 **A. Oh, I'm absolutely willing to cooperate.**
 4 **I don't think I've not cooperated at all.**
 5 Q. So if the defense makes a request of you
 6 to bring certain documents to your deposition, did
 7 you check your files to see if you had any documents
 8 responsive to that subpoena?
 9 **A. I have the report.**
 10 Q. Did you check to see if you had any
 11 body-worn camera footage from the night in question?
 12 **A. No, I did not.**
 13 Q. And you're aware that under subpoena it
 14 requested that you bring a copy of your body-worn
 15 camera?
 16 **A. I didn't do anything in this incident. I**
 17 **was just there.**
 18 Q. I understand that. Did you read your
 19 subpoena when you were asked to call — when you
 20 were asked to be here to testify today?
 21 **A. This is getting ridiculous.**
 22 **SERGEANT EASLEY:** Have I cooperated with
 23 you?
 24 Q. (By [REDACTED]) Did you read your
 25 subpoena when you were called to testify here today?

1 Q. Okay. Do you like your job as a law
 2 enforcement officer?
 3 **A. I love my job, yes.**
 4 Q. You pride yourself in being a good law
 5 enforcement officer?
 6 **A. Absolutely.**
 7 Q. Do you feel like you're able to accomplish
 8 your goals as a law enforcement officer while
 9 working for the Carden County Sheriff's Office?
 10 **A. I can still help in other ways, just not**
 11 **with the prosecutor's office.**
 12 Q. All right. You understand that as a
 13 witness in this case involving [REDACTED] that
 14 one of the ways you can assist is by giving credible
 15 supported testimony in cooperation with both the
 16 defense and the prosecutor's office?
 17 **A. I don't know what the question is. Can**
 18 **you re-explain that?**
 19 Q. Do you understand that your cooperation
 20 and participation in the process of State v [REDACTED]
 21 [REDACTED] will aid in the prosecution and furtherance
 22 of your goals as a law enforcement officer?
 23 **A. I don't think I understand what you're**
 24 **saying.**
 25 Q. You are not willing to cooperate with the

1 **A. (By Sergeant Easley) We'll just make this**
 2 **easy. I don't recall.**
 3 Q. Do you have a copy of your subpoena in
 4 this case?
 5 **A. Somewhere.**
 6 Q. Can you agree to review it following this
 7 deposition, and if you have any documents or
 8 evidence supporting the prosecution of [REDACTED]
 9 that you will provide that to the State so the State
 10 can provide that to the Defense?
 11 **A. Everything is provided to the State from**
 12 **our records division, not from me.**
 13 Q. Did you do any verification whether or not
 14 you had any of the items that were responsive to the
 15 subpoena?
 16 **A. I don't recall.**
 17 Q. Do you have any issues that affect your
 18 memory, sir?
 19 **A. I don't recall.**
 20 Q. Have you — with regard to this pile —
 21 unnumbered set of cases — have you had those cases
 22 reviewed by anyone for approval for charges to be
 23 filed, in your command staff?
 24 **A. What do you mean?**
 25 Q. Lieutenant Henderson is your direct

1 supervisor?
 2 **A. Yes.**
 3 **Q.** Has he reviewed these arrests or charges
 4 for approval, signing off on the reports, approving
 5 any certain charges?
 6 **A. I don't know if he has or not.**
 7 **Q.** Is that part of your process?
 8 **A. For a supervisor to do it, yes.**
 9 **Q.** All right. And if Lieutenant Henderson is
 10 not available to review your reports on an arrest,
 11 who would review those reports?
 12 **A. Well, sometimes it's other sergeants,**
 13 **sometimes it's Major Elkin. Just whoever gets to**
 14 **it.**
 15 **Q.** And is there — I guess there — there's
 16 probably no rush for them to approve those since you
 17 said you're not referring those until January 1st of
 18 2027?
 19 **A. Correct.**
 20 **Q.** Let me ask you this: If it is your belief
 21 that someone else will be making that decision
 22 January 1st of 2027 —
 23 **A. M-hmm.**
 24 **Q.** — what do you do if someone is not
 25 replacing PA Grosvenor?

1 at that point?
 2 **A. I think so.**
 3 **[REDACTED]** Do you have any other
 4 questions?
 5 **[REDACTED]** I don't.
 6 **[REDACTED]** Back to you.
 7 **[REDACTED]** Just one follow-up question,
 8 I think, after that.
 9 **REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY [REDACTED]**
 10 **Q.** The cases that you are sitting on until
 11 January 1st, potentially, where are they? Are
 12 they like in a — an ether, are they in a folder,
 13 are they tangible things, or — I mean, how will you
 14 get back to those cases if they're —
 15 **A.** (By Sergeant Easley). They're just in our
 16 reporting system.
 17 **Q.** Okay. So do you have a list of those
 18 defendants or something that you keep personally?
 19 **A. Not a list that I keep personally, no.**
 20 **It's just a computerized system.**
 21 **Q.** Okay. How have you kept track of the —
 22 or is it just — do you have like a — a queue
 23 that's like these are still waiting to be referred?
 24 I guess that's kinda what I'm asking.
 25 **A. So I can just go back and type in**

1 **A. That would be very unfortunate, but I**
 2 **don't see that happening.**
 3 **Q.** You're just going to let those cases go?
 4 **A. I don't know what I'll do. Clearly not**
 5 **file them with your office.**
 6 **Q.** Have you had any sort of legal opinion
 7 rendered on those cases, or their veracity or their
 8 viability?
 9 **A. I don't recall.**
 10 **Q.** Have you run them past any other attorneys
 11 besides the prosecuting attorney's office?
 12 **A. No.**
 13 **Q.** In preparation for your testimony today,
 14 did you discuss being called as a witness with
 15 anyone outside your command staff?
 16 **A. I don't believe so.**
 17 **Q.** Deputy Selby was in here earlier. I think
 18 he arrived before you did and departed after you had
 19 gotten here. Did you discuss this incident with
 20 Deputy Selby after receiving your subpoena?
 21 **A. No, I did not.**
 22 **Q.** At the time of this incident, did you
 23 supervise Deputy Selby?
 24 **A. Maybe. I'm not sure.**
 25 **Q.** And you were a corporal on Horseshoe Bend

1 "Reporting Officer," and type in myself and then
 2 see, when the time comes, and I can see which cases
 3 still need to be referred.
 4 **Q.** Okay. So it would be like, "Has yet to be
 5 referred," and those would be all the ones you would
 6 upload at that time?
 7 **A. Yes.**
 8 **Q.** Okay. And I know that **[REDACTED]** did ask
 9 you, but if there is not another individual that
 10 takes over on January 1st, you don't have a plan for
 11 what you would do with those cases?
 12 **A. I don't. I'm very hopeful that a new**
 13 **individual is gonna take over on January 1st.**
 14 **Q.** Have you talked with your command about
 15 what — they are aware that you are sitting on these
 16 at this time. Right?
 17 **A. Yes.**
 18 **Q.** Okay. Have you talked with them about
 19 what the course of action would be if somebody does
 20 not take over on January 1st?
 21 **A. No. We are all very hopeful that somebody**
 22 **new is gonna take over on January 1st.**
 23 **Q.** So there's not a Plan B for those cases
 24 right now?
 25 **A. I do not have a Plan B, no.**

1 Q. Does anyone in your command have a Plan B?

2 A. I don't know.

3 Q. Okay. All right. We can go off the

4 record.

5 COURT REPORTER: I am off the record.

6 OFF THE RECORD AT 11:16 A.M.

7 (Signature reserved.)

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1 CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

2 STATE OF MISSOURI)

3 COUNTY OF LACLEDE) ss:

4 I, [REDACTED] Certified Court

5 Reporter within and for the State of Missouri, do

6 hereby certify that the witness whose testimony

7 appears in the foregoing deposition was duly sworn

8 by me, that the testimony of said witness was

9 recorded by me to the best of my ability, and was

10 thereafter reduced to written form by me.

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12 I further certify that I am not a relative

13 or employee of counsel of any of the parties, nor a

14 relative or employee of the parties involved in said

15 action, nor a person financially interested in this

16 action.

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1 WITNESS ERRATA SHEET

2 Witness Name: SERGEANT BRYCE EASLEY

3 Re: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CAMDEN COUNTY, MISSOURI

4 Case Style: STATE OF MISSOURI v [REDACTED]

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22 Witness signature: _____

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1 CERTIFICATE OF WITNESS

2 STATE OF MISSOURI)

3 COUNTY OF) ss:

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5 I, SERGEANT BRYCE EASLEY, do hereby certify:

6 That I have read the foregoing deposition;

7 That I have made such changes in form and/or

8 substance to the within deposition as might be

9 necessary to render the same true and correct;

10 That having made such changes thereon, I hereby

11 subscribe my name to the deposition.

12 I declare under penalty of perjury that the

13 foregoing is true and correct.

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15 Executed this _____ day of _____,

16 2026, at _____.

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20 SERGEANT BRYCE EASLEY

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22 Notary Public: _____

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24 My commission expires: _____

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1 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CAMDEN COUNTY,
 2 STATE OF MISSOURI
 3 STATE OF MISSOURI,)
 4 Plaintiff,)
 5 vs.) Case No. [REDACTED]
 6 [REDACTED])
 7 Defendant.)

10 CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITION

11 Comes now [REDACTED] and pursuant to
 12 Rule 57.03(g) (2) (a), states as follows:

13 The deposition of SERGEANT BRYCE EASLEY
 14 was taken on Monday, June 1, 2026, in the Camden
 15 County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Camden County
 16 Justice Center, One Court Circle NW, Suite 10, in
 17 the City of Camdenton, Missouri.

18 The name and address of the person having
 19 custody of the original transcript is:

20 [REDACTED]

21 Upon delivery of transcripts, the incurred
 22 charges had not been paid. Payment status will be
 23 updated at the request of the Court pursuant to
 24 Section 492.590(2) RSMo.

25 [REDACTED]