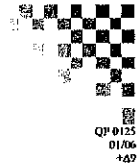




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STATEMENT OF WITNESS



Occurrence #: \_\_\_\_\_

Statement no.: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 21/04/2007

**Statement of**

Name of witness: PHILLIPS, Amanda Lorenz

Date of birth: 08/01/1977 Age: 29 Occupation: Engineer

**Police officer taking statement**

Name of police officer: CAMPBELL, Gary Colin

Rank: Detective Sergeant Reg. no.: 6690

Region/Command/Division: Northern Station: Townsville Criminal Investigation Branch

**Statement:**

Amanda Lorenz PHILLIPS states:

I am a married woman, 29 years of age, and reside at an address known to police. I am married to Jimmy Lawrence PHILLIPS Jnr. My cousin is Alexander Thomas LORENZ. Alexander lives close to me and we are also close friends and family.

I knew Christina Mae THOMAS @ WATSON. I also knew her as Tina. I knew Tina since we were in the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade. We were at high School together at Mandeville High, Mandeville, Louisiana. We were best friends and were until her death. We graduated together in 1995 from High School. I went to College at Louisiana State University and studied engineering. Tina went to college at Southeastern Louisiana University and studied Mass Communication. Tina's parents moved to Birmingham at the end of her freshman year of college. Tina moved as well and studied at University of Alabama at Birmingham. Tina has a sister called Alanda, a mother called Cindy and a father called Tommy.

When Tina was in college we would talk at least once month for several hours. We would take turns visiting each other and would still see each other at least once a quarter. We were still best of friends.

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In May 2001 I was married to my husband Jimmy Lawrence PHILLIPS Jnr. Tina was my Maid of Honour and she joined me several days prior to the wedding. We went on several errands together for this was a very special time for me and Tina together because it was the last time we would be single. Stan Marks attended my wedding with Tina.

Around December 2001 Tina was still seeing Stan MARKS. They had been going out together for about two or three years. Around that time Tina and Stan separated for their own reasons. During the breakup with Stan Tina was depending more on Gabe as friend. Tina and Gabe had a group project in a class together and spent more and more time together. As a result they started dating after she broke up with Stan. As far as I was aware they were sleeping together by the summer.

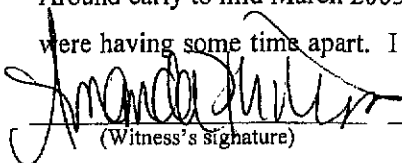
Tina, Jennifer MOSKOWITZ and I were down in Miami during that summer for a girl weekend at one time. I remember that Tina received and sent a number text messages to and from Gabe. I remember Tina talked that Gabe was nice and she seemed very happy with him but they weren't serious yet.

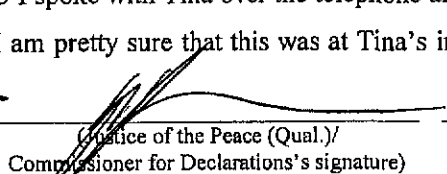
About a year later was when I met Gabe for the first time. I had come up to Birmingham to visit Tina. Tina and I spent a night drinking wine and staying up talking. During the night we called Gabe over the telephone and he was laughing at us during the telephone call as we had been drinking and having fun. The next day we went to dinner with Tina's family and Gabe. The dinner was at a place called the Cracker Barrel which is in Pelham. This is near Birmingham.

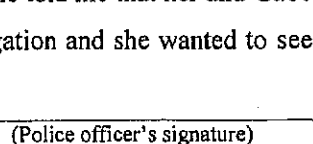
I remember that when Gabe got there was in a bad mood and he was not happy to be there. Gabe acted like he was being forced to be there. Gabe knew how important it was to Tina to meet me but that didn't change his attitude. Gabe said hardly anything at dinner and the family just basically ignored his bad mood.

I still kept in touch with Tina by talking on the telephone for several hours at a time and seeing each as often as we could.

Around early to mid March 2003 I spoke with Tina over the telephone and she told me that her and Gabe were having some time apart. I am pretty sure that this was at Tina's instigation and she wanted to see

  
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what else was out there. By that I can say that she was not completely happy in the relationship. She was tired of Gabe's excuses about getting engaged.

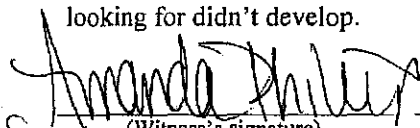
Tina knew that there was an engagement ring in existence and knew that it had been around for several months. Tina was under the impression that Gabe was going to ask for her hand in marriage on several occasions however Gabe kept coming up with various excuses. Gabe kept saying that he was waiting for a pay rise at work or waiting to catch up with Tommy to ask for Tina's hand in marriage and she was tired of it all.


Tina was coming to the conclusion that she was probably settling for second best but she was tired of looking and she also wanted to get out of her family situation. Tina was having conflict with her mother.

It was around this time that I began receiving several emails that were being exchanged between Tina and Alexander LORENZ. These emails were copied to me but I believe that there were others that weren't. These emails were flirtatious between the two. Alexander and Tina were always good friends with a mutual attraction. Tina told me of some plans of hers to go up to Atlanta, Georgia and spend the weekend with Alexander. I would have loved for them to get together. Tina was excited about going and she was hopeful that something could spark between the two of them and see if a relationship could develop between the two of them.

Tina was a little apprehensive about Gabe finding because Tina had not told Gabe what her plans were. Tina had told me that she had told Gabe that she was going to spend the weekend with a girlfriend. That girlfriend was probably Suzanne WARREN. Tina was also apprehensive as to what she would do, that if a relationship did develop with Alexander, what she would do about Gabe. Tina was apprehensive that Gabe would take it badly but she was not concerned about her safety or anything like that.

I spoke to Tina on her way back home to Birmingham or it may have even been early the following week. Tina told me that she and Alexander had gone to dinner on the Friday night and that they had got up the next morning and went to a Golf Tournament. Tina told me that she had gotten sunburnt and that things hadn't quite gone as well as she had hoped. Tina told that she was disappointed as the spark she was looking for didn't develop.

  
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Tina told me that Gabe had called her several times over the weekend though she had not answered the calls. Tina had finally answered one of the calls on the way home and that they had an argument about the weekend.

Tina told me that she had told Gabe about where she had been and who she had been seeing that weekend. Tina told me that Gabe was pissed off at her and was mad. Tina told me that they had argued about the whole thing and I did not think the relationship would last much longer. We arranged to talk later as she was receiving another call from Gabe from memory. When I got home I sent Tina an email to touch base.


Within the next two weeks I spoke to Tina again to touch base. We talked about some of the same issues and seeing how everything was going but she really did not want to talk about it much.

On the Monday or Tuesday after Easter Sunday April 20, 2003 I spoke with Tina on the telephone. Tina told me that Gabe had finally proposed to her. She was still reserved about the situation with the engagement. I would have expected Tina to call me the day of the engagement and with Tina's personality she would have been over the top about it. However the engagement was an anticlimax for Tina. Tina was very matter of fact about the situation. Tina was excited about the situation but she was not behaving in the way I expected her to be.

On hearing about the engagement I was surprised as I thought the relationship was at an end. I just assumed that they must have worked out whatever the problem was.

Over the following weeks and months we spoke several times about the pending marriage. On one weekend I came up to Birmingham and Tina and I went dress shopping for the wedding. Gabe was away that weekend and I did not see him. This was during July 2003. I asked Tina about the timing of the engagement as it was during the football season. Tina told me that they had to get married in October so they could time the honeymoon to fit it in with seeing the sea turtle migration in Australia as the sea turtles only migrate twice a year.

  
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Gabe's grandmother was also paying for the trip to Australia and would pay for it in October but not April the following year.

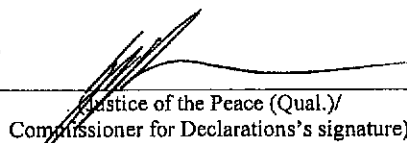
Also during that trip Tina told me that she had been on a couple of fishing trips with Gabe and that she had started scuba diving. I asked her why she had been fishing and scuba diving as she was not the sort of girl to get her hands dirty. Tina was more of a city girl, she did not play in the dirt, she read books and so forth, she did not run around, play outside and get dirty. Tina said she had gone fishing at least twice with Gabe and I asked her why she was doing this. Tina told me that Gabe told her that if she wanted spend the weekends with him she had to do what he wanted to do on the weekends.

I also asked about the scuba diving. Tina told me that Gabe hadn't been scuba diving since they started dating but she had got certified for scuba diving so he could dive again so they could do it together. Tina was not normally a swimming type person. Tina would only get in the water to cool off after sun bathing however she would not normally go swimming as she did not like getting her hair wet, as it took forever to dry. This was one of the reasons that it surprised me that she took up scuba diving. Also she was not happy in confined areas. Tina was not claustrophobic however she would be uncomfortable underwater or in large crowds.

Tina told me that Gabe had taken up scuba diving because his previous girlfriend had broken up with him and that he had taken up scuba diving to get him out of the house and stop being melancholy. Tina told me that Gabe had become a rescue diver because he had so many hours up underwater and that he had over 50 or 55 dives. I got the impression that he had made her feel guilty that she was preventing him from diving because she was not certified for scuba diving and that they could not scuba dive together. Tina told me that she took up scuba diving so that Gabe would be happy.

It was arranged for me to attend to the shower for the wedding in Birmingham. What I mean by the shower is that it is a gathering of ladies from both sides of the wedding party who gather together to celebrate the pending marriage. There were about fifteen ladies there. All of the ladies from the wedding party were invited. Tina and Gabe's mothers were there as were several friends. The shower occurred on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> of September 2003.

  
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On Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 2003 Gabe, Tina and I went to lunch at the Olive Garden at Birmingham near where Tina worked. I remember that we were talking about Tina's sister, Alanda, being pregnant. Alanda had separated from her husband and Tina would be needed to give a hand with the baby when it arrived. Tina wasn't looking forward to the situation because she knew that it was going to be a bit of a hassle for her and I remember that Gabe made it very clear that he did not like the idea of Tina assisting with looking after the baby. It was his thoughts that it was Alanda's problem and that he didn't approve of Tina having to spend her time looking after Alanda's baby. Tina and I were talking about the situation and told him that that was just how the family worked, that we all looked after each other and that that was the way the situation would be. I remember that Gabe said "After the wedding things will be different." Tina and I just rolled our eyes and laughed at it because he just didn't understand how things would be.


Over the days and weeks prior to the wedding Tina and I spoke on the telephone several times. On Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003 I flew into Birmingham to help Tina with preparations for the wedding. I saw Gabe on a few occasions over the next few days.

On Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003 I was running several errands with Tina. Tina and I went to a dive shop to pick up Tina's dive computer. Tina told me that this shop was her normal dive shop as this was where she had got certified and that Gabe knew everyone there and this was where he got certified as well. Tina also told me that the dive computer was hers and that she had to pick it up so Gabe could pack it away for their honeymoon to Australia. Tina told me that Gabe's scuba diving gear was all packed away and we had to get this dive computer and Tina's other dive gear together out of some boxes so Gabe could pack this away as well.

Gabe had told Tina to get this dive computer checked out as before they left out of town. As far as I knew this was Tina's dive computer but this was only what she told me.

The reason for getting the dive computer checked out was that Gabe had figured out that there was a problem with the dive computer and had wanted it checked out by the dive shop. The guy at the dive shop said that the batteries were in backwards and that the problem was fixed and that the dive computer

  
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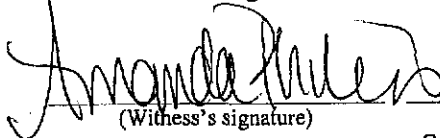
seemed to be working fine. Tina paid \$10-00 US from memory with her debit card and we left. The guy actually turned the dive computer on in the shop to show Tina that it was working fine.

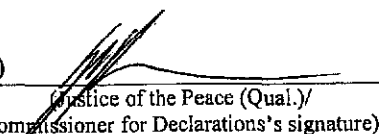
Tina and I then went to another dive shop in downtown Birmingham. This was because Gabe had told Tina that this was the only shop in the area that had a new dive booklet that matched her original book. Tina said she needed new pages for her old dive book but she couldn't get new pages before they left on their honeymoon. So Tina had to buy a new book. I do not know a lot about scuba diving but on these pages you could record when you went into the water, when you got out, general remarks about the dive, the temperature and things like that. The size of the book was about four by six inches and it was a bound book with holes for a two ring binder. I would recognise this book again if I saw it. Tina paid for this book by debit card and it was around \$30-00 to \$40-00.

We later drove to Gabe and Tina's house at 306 Oak Leaf Circle, Hoover and Tina handed the dive equipment direct to Gabe. Tina told Gabe that the guy at the dive shop said that the problem was that the batteries in the dive computer were in backwards and everything else was working fine. Both Tina and Gabe had a laugh about this. Tina said how silly are you, this is your dive computer, and you have the batteries in backwards. I remember this specifically as Gabe use to give Tina a hard about being blond, acting like a typical blond and being ditzzy and now this was one of his blond moments. I did say before that I was under the impression that this was Tina's computer but I am certain that the conversation at the house was that this was Gabe's dive computer.

I remember Gabe looking at and manipulating the dive computer for several minutes and I am under the impression now and back then that Gabe was checking out the dive computer but I can not be certain. Tina and I then got the rest of Tina's dive equipment, including her vest and wetsuit, out of box's and left it with him. Gabe told us that he was going to pack this equipment into the luggage. Tina also handed the book that she had purchased at the first dive shop to Gabe.

On Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003 there was a rehearsal dinner in preparation for the wedding. I am aware that there was an argument between Cindy and Tina about a comment that Gabe apparently made about Cindy. On Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003 Tina and Gabe were married. Tina was happy about the wedding however she was stressed about how her mom and Gabe would interact.

  
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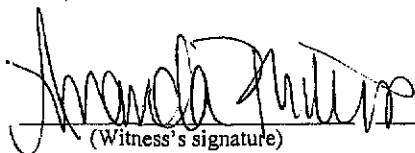
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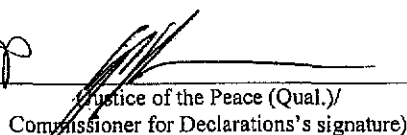
The last time I saw Tina alive was after the wedding when Tina and Gabe were leaving the reception. I saw heard the apology from Cindy to Tina and Gabe about her previous behaviour. This made Tina very happy and relieved and I was happy for her as well.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2003 I received a telephone call from Alanda. Alanda told me that, there had been accident and that Tina was dead. Alanda told me that they had been diving, that they weren't actually sure what happened and that they would call me when they had more information. I asked if Gabe was okay and Alanda told me that his mom was on her way over to Australia and that Tommy and Cindy were seeing how quickly they could get passports to see if they could go to Australia as well. I had several questions but Alanda wasn't able to answer them. I called Jimmy, my husband, and told him what had happened and made arrangements to get me home from work. Several members of my family came to my home and we talked about Tina. Tina was like a sister to me and my other brothers and sisters. Tina was like another daughter to my parents. It was very traumatic for the family as this was like losing another sibling.

Later that evening I talked to Tommy and he relayed to me what Gabe had told him. Tommy told me that Gabe had told him, that Tina had panicked underwater, that he had tried to bring her to the surface, that he had a hold of her hand, that she had knocked off his mask when she was reaching for his mouthpiece, that in correcting his mask he had to let go of her hand, that she had dropped below him and that he had to decide whether to go after Tina or go for help. That Gabe decided it was faster to go for help. That they had tried to resuscitate Tina on the back of the boat. That it was like a 45 minute boat ride back to shore. Tommy also mentioned something about an autopsy, the water police, and releasing the body at some stage. Tommy said as soon as they knew more that they would call me back.

Around that time I sent an email to the consulate in Sydney, Australia seeking additional information. I also spoke to Tommy a couple of more times however Tommy had nothing additional to tell. I then received an email back from the embassy with a contact telephone number for Gabe. It was dated in part the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003 at 11:57:42.

  
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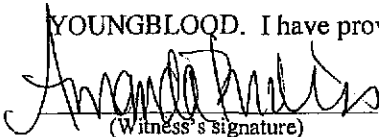
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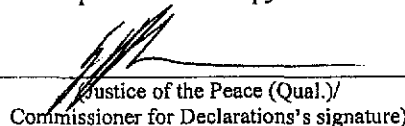
I then used the number and called Gabe. It was about 7 or 8 o'clock our time. I asked Gabe how he was doing and whether his mother was there. Gabe told me that he was doing good considering, that his mother was there, that they had switched rooms, that he could not stand being in the same honeymoon suite that he and Tina had been in, and that he and his mother had gone around town seeing different things. My impression was that his mom was trying to keep him busy so he would not concentrate on the death while they waited for the body.

I asked Gabe what happened. Gabe told me that there was something wrong with the equipment. that the current was strong, that he and Tina had gotten in the water but there was something wrong with the equipment and that they had gotten out, that he had put additional weights on Tina for the current, that the current was stronger than he expected, that she had started to panic underwater, that he had started to bring her up, that Tina had knocked his goggles off when she reached for his mouthpiece, that in correcting his goggles he had to let go of her, that when he had gotten his mask back on she had sunk about 10 metres away, that he had to make the choice of getting help or going after Tina, that if he had of known what was going to happen he would have gone after her, about how horrible it was, that he could not believe that it was happening to him, that it had been the happiest time of his life before the death, that he and Tina had been on cloud nine, that they had been to the Australian Opera house, that they had an awesome time in Sydney, again that he could not believe that it was happening to him, that the autopsy had not been done yet, that he was going to need us to get through this, and that the body should be released on Monday. Towards the end of the conversation he was stressing and repeating that he was going to need every bit of help we could give him and that I had been Tina's best friend and he would need my support. I told him repeatedly that I would be there for him and whatever he needed I would give to him or get for him.

Gabe and I talked for about an hour. Gabe did not make any reference to his ears or doctors in any manner. I gave Gabe my email address as he said he would get his dad or Craig his friend to forward an email and pictures to me that he had already sent to them to distribute to the family and friends. I called Gabe from my home telephone number of 985 386 3831.

I later received an email from Craig YOUNGBLOOD. It was dated in part the 27<sup>th</sup> of October 2003 at 21:16:47. This email appears to have been authored by Gabe but forwarded through Craig YOUNGBLOOD. I have provided the police with a copy of this email.

  
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I later received another email from Craig YOUNGBLOOD. It was dated in part the 28<sup>th</sup> of October 2003 at 10:32:04. This email appears to have been authored by Gabe but forwarded through Craig YOUNGBLOOD. I have provided police with a copy of this email.

I later spoke to Tommy and discussed the reference to the ear problem that Gabe referred. I ended up speaking to Tommy several times. A number of things were discussed including how the family was going under the circumstances.

I did not speak to Gabe again while he was in Australia. It was not until the day of the wake of Tina that I saw Gabe again. I walked into the funeral home the day before the funeral. This was the wake for Tina. I walked in with my husband Jimmy and saw Gabe. Gabe was the first person I saw literally. I went up to Gabe and I was crying. Gabe started crying and it struck me as kind of showy.

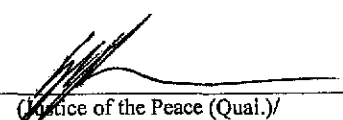
Gabe and I walked to where Tina was and we discussed how she looked. We spent about five or ten minutes there. We then walked further along in the funeral home. I saw Cindy and gave her a hug. Gabe and I then went into the back viewing parlour and sat down on the couch. We hadn't talked much when I saw the guy from the dive shop and a woman who was with him came in.

This guy was the guy who gave us the dive computer. I believe it to be the same person. The guy said he couldn't stay long, that he wanted to give his condolences.

Gabe started a conversation with this guy. During the conversation Gabe said to him that he wanted to talk further with the guy, that he wanted to go through the dive with him making sure that he did the dive right and that he had done everything that he could. The guy said that, that would be fine, to come along whenever he could. Gabe said that he would come in on Monday. The guy and the woman with him left.

Gabe sat back down on the couch with me. He started to talk, he said that he could not believe it was happening, that it was surreal, look at all the flowers, look at all the people that loved Tina, that I would be receiving a post card that was mailed from Sydney by Tina and not to freak out when I received it. We

  
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then got interrupted by someone else. Gabe got called away for something. I then went back and spoke with my family.

I then saw Alanda. I then went and saw all the pictures of Alanda that were on a large board on an easel. I spoke with Tommy and several other members of the family. My family and I later left.

On the day of funeral I tried to ring Tommy and Cindy several times but I could not get through. My family and I went to the funeral a little early. Prior to the ceremony Gabe's mother Glenda pulled me aside and gave me a coin. She told me that it was one of the last things that Tina had held and that she knew I would want it. That there was only one other coin and that Shali had gotten that one. I looked at it and it was a round coin, smaller than our the U.S. quarter, thick like a nickel, and I think it said New Zealand on it.

I read a poem during the ceremony. I remember before the ceremony I spoke to Gabe's dad. He told me that he hoped that Cindy would behave herself, that they didn't want a scene, that he wanted it to be respectful, he thanked us for our support of Gabe and invited Jimmy and I back to Gabe's parents house after the ceremony.

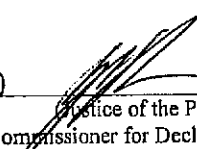
After the ceremony I spoke with Gabe. He outlined that he had a video from their trip, that he was nervous about watching it, he wanted us to come by and watch it with him, that he was worried about how he would react seeing it for the first time since he had been back. Jimmy and Gabe's dad worked out the directions of where the house was.

The last persons I saw next to the casket before it was closed were Tommy, Gabe and Gabe's dad.

The casket was then wheeled out, put on a carriage, and taken to the gravesite. Tina was then laid to rest.

Later that afternoon at about dusk Jimmy and I drove over the Gabe's parent's house. We walked into the house and Gabe's dad showed us in. We met Gabe's dad, his mom, and his younger brother there. We had a few minutes of small talk and then Gabe asked if we were ready to see the video. Gabe again stressed that he was worried as to how he would react in seeing it for the first time since he was home.

  
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Jimmy, Gabe and I then walked into a T.V. room. The door was shut and Jimmy and I sat on the couch and Gabe sat next to the T.V. and got the camera which was hard wired to the T.V. going. The first piece of footage is of the person carrying the camera walking up the stairs of Tina's and Gabe's house. You could hear and I recognised Gabe's voice. As he was panning with camera Tina came into the view. Tina was packing her luggage in her pyjamas with the glasses on. Tina smiled back at the camera. Gabe said, "Smile at the camera just in case we get eaten by a shark or something."

I found this footage a little weird at the time knowing that Tina had died and just been buried.

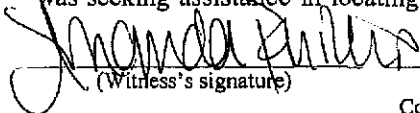
I didn't see Gabe's reaction to this footage. After the first piece of footage Gabe turned and said I can't believe that. The footage in total only lasted about 10 minutes.

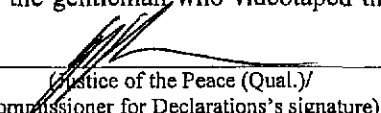
The next part of the footage was of a cabin. I got the impression it was of a boat. One or both of them referred to it being the cabin of a boat, it also showed a porthole, and a toilet. I can't recall specifically but I thought the next piece of footage was of the Sydney zoo. There was also a time stamp on the bottom corner of the screen.

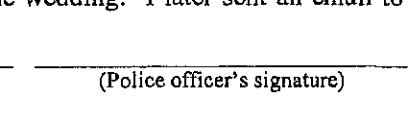
After the video we walked out into the kitchen. Gabe asked his mom where the pictures were. There were four or five stacks of photographs in envelopes. There was small talk while we went through them. There were several photographs that showed Tina standing next to various warning signs. These signs were generally relating to water related dangers that could cause injury or death. By about the third picture which was focusing on strong currents Gabe said that this seemed weird and seriously ironic at the time but it seems kind of morbid or macabre looking back.

Gabe's dad talked about how much Gabe would need us in the future. He also talked up the relationship between Gabe and I to a level that didn't really exist. We made arrangements to keep in contact and that Gabe would visit. Jimmy and I left a short time later.

On the 12<sup>th</sup> of November 2003 I received an email from Gabe's father. It was timed in part 09:14:04. It was seeking assistance in locating the gentleman who videotaped the wedding. I later sent an email to

  
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Cindy seeking a copy of the video. I never got a response from Cindy. I did send an email back to WATSON advising that if I got a copy of the video I would send it along. I have provided the police with a copy of this email.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> of November 2003 I received another email from Gabe's father. It was timed in part 09:33:54. It was advising of Gabe attending to Parisians. I have provided the police with a copy of this email.

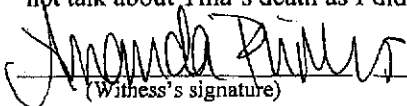
On the 12<sup>th</sup> of November 2003 at 6.26pm I rang Gabe on 205 919 0512. I rang to see how Gabe was going and to invite him to a football game later that weekend. I asked Gabe how he went at Parisians and he stated that he did not go that day but would go tomorrow.

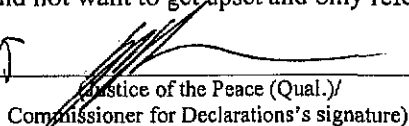
Gabe said that he wanted to clean out Tina's desk. Gabe also stated that he wanted to talk to them about finishing up any necessary paperwork in relation everything including the insurance. Gabe said he had to bring a copy of the death certificate or something like that to finish the paperwork.

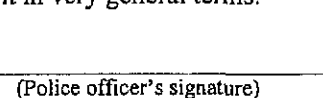
Gabe said that he and Tina had talked in early September about changing her policy, and that Tina had gotten the information about the rates and how much more it would be a month for the different life insurance payouts. At that time he had Tina had laughed that for ten dollars more that Tina could have had a million dollar policy. Gabe said that it was a good thing that they didn't get that policy because he would be sitting in an Australian jail now on involuntary manslaughter charges. That was kind of laughed off.

I told him about the football game and that Jimmy and I would be coming up to Birmingham but I was not positive that I would be travelling.

On that following Saturday which was the 15<sup>th</sup> of November 2003, Gabe met Jimmy and I at the football game. This was at the University of Alabama. It started as a tailgate party and then moved into the stadium to watch the football game. Gabe sat next to me the whole time and he was laughing and happy but seemed too happy. If you didn't know Gabe you wouldn't think that he had just lost his wife. We did not talk about Tina's death as I did not want to get upset and only referred to it in very general terms.

  
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Gabe stayed at our motel room the next day. The three of us went for lunch and Gabe headed off on his own way after lunch. There was another couple who came to lunch as well however nothing about the death of Tina was discussed.

In late November or early December 2003 I received another email from Gabe. I don't have a copy of this email anymore. However Gabe said that he had recently moved back into the house in Oak Leaf Circle. Gabe said that on his first night back home he had seen a person walking down the hallway in front of him. He thought it was Tina at first then assumed it was his brother. However, when he went to his brother's room he found his brother asleep and snoring. Gabe said it freaked him out and he was very disturbed about it. Gabe said he put it down to a bad dream. This email was on my work email. I send a reply back saying that I was sorry and I was sure it was just a bad dream.

In December 2003 about the 18<sup>th</sup> I received a Christmas card from Gabe. It had a wedding picture of Gabe and Tina on the front. There was a handwritten note from Gabe on the inside. I later forwarded this card to Detective FLYNN from the Helena Police Department. I later handed the envelope to Detective CAMPBELL from the Queensland Police.

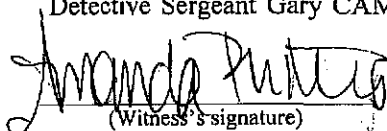
On the 13<sup>th</sup> of October 2005, at 9.49am I sent an email to Gabe about moving the body of Tina.

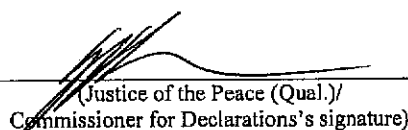
On Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 2005 at 11.54am I received an email from Gabe in reply.

On Friday 21st day of April 2007, I attended to the Helena Police Department and took up with Detective Sergeant Gary CAMPBELL. I spoke with Detective CAMPBELL for some time.

On Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 2007, I returned to the Helena Police Department and again spoke with Detective Sergeant Gary CAMPBELL. We again spoke and then I commenced providing this statement.

On Sunday the 22nd day of April 2007 I returned to the Helena Police Department and again spoke with Detective Sergeant Gary CAMPBELL. We again spoke and I re-commenced providing this statement.

  
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Detective CAMPBELL showed me a series of photographs. In one of the last photographs was a rectangular calculator type piece of equipment with a grey back and a battery cover that screws down on the rear. I am positive that this is an identical piece of equipment that Tina and I picked up from the dive shop on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003 at around ten in the morning.

I was also shown a series of photographs with another piece of equipment like a stop watch with a round face and the name 'VERSA' on it. I am positive that this was not the piece of equipment that I saw on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003 at the dive shop. However I did see this piece of equipment strapped onto the dive vest that Tina and I unpacked from the box's in Gabe's garage.

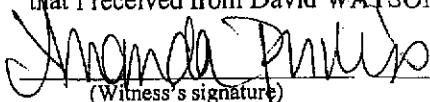
I handed an email dated in part the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003 at 11:57:42 to Detective CAMPBELL. I signed this document to acknowledge that it is a true and accurate copy of the email that I sent to and received from the U.S. consulate. I also witnessed Detective CAMPBELL sign this document.

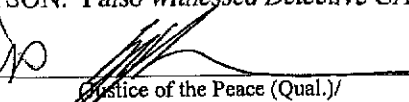
I handed an email dated in part the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003 at 21:16:47 to Detective CAMPBELL. I signed this document to acknowledge that it is a true and accurate copy of the email that I received from Craig YOUNGBLOOD but appears to have been authored by Gabe. I also witnessed Detective CAMPBELL sign this document.

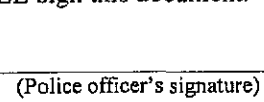
I handed an email dated in part the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003 at 10:32:04 to Detective CAMPBELL. I signed this document to acknowledge that it is a true and accurate copy of the email that I received from Craig YOUNGBLOOD but appears to have been authored by Gabe. I also witnessed Detective CAMPBELL sign this document.

I handed an email dated in part the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2003 at 09:14:04 to Detective CAMPBELL. I signed this document to acknowledge that it is a true and accurate copy of the email that I received from David WATSON. I also witnessed Detective CAMPBELL sign this document.

I handed another email dated in part the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2003 at 09:33:54 to Detective CAMPBELL. I signed this document to acknowledge that it is a true and accurate copy of another email that I received from David WATSON. I also witnessed Detective CAMPBELL sign this document.

  
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I handed another email dated in part the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 2005 to Detective CAMPBELL. I signed this document to acknowledge that it is a true and accurate copy of an email that I sent to and received from Gabe. I also witnessed Detective CAMPBELL sign this document.

*Amanda Lorenz Phillips*  
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**Oaths Act Declaration**

**OATHS ACT 1867 (DECLARATION)**

I, Amanda Lorenz PHILLIPS..... do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

- (1) This written statement by me dated 22/04/2007 and contained in pages numbered 1 to 16 is true to the best of my knowledge and belief; and
- (2) I make this statement knowing that if it were admitted as evidence, I may be liable to prosecution for stating in it anything I know to be false.

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and virtue of the provisions of the Oaths Act 1867

*Amanda Phillips* Signature

Taken and declared before me at Helena, Birmingham..

this...22nd.....day of .....April.....2007....

Witness *[Signature]*

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Commissioner of Declarations *66651*  
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