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V.

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3 COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG)
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5 The State,)
6) TRANSCRIPT OF RECORD
7 -vs-) 2013-GS-42-4570 thru 4575
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11 Defendant.) December 4 and 5, 2013
12) Spartanburg, South Carolina
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1 (Proceedings December 4, 2013)

2 THE COURT: Alright, Mr. Spivey, you wanna call the case,
3 please.

4 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor. Your Honor, this is
5 State v. Isaac Lyles. Your Honor, he's here on multiple
6 indictments, uh, those indictments are Indictments, uh, G --
7 uh, 2013-GS-42-4570, uh, and go all the way through 4575 and
8 4575 I believe A has a, also a a Count Two, has a Count Two on
9 it for possession of weapon during commission of a violent
10 crime, Your Honor, ---

11 THE COURT: What are ---

12 MR. SPIVEY: --- okay.

13 THE COURT: --- the other charges?

14 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, they're they're trafficking
15 crack cocaine 10 to 28 grams third offense, trafficking
16 cocaine 10 to 28 grams third offense, possession of a firearm
17 in commission of violent crime, possession with intent to
18 distribute marijuana, as well as three half mile charges, one
19 for each of the drugs: one for half mile crack, ---

20 THE COURT: I see.

21 MS. SPIVEY: --- half mile cocaine, half mile a
22 marijuana, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: Alright.

24 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I do wanna make you aware also
25 this case we have filed notice of intent to seek life without

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1 parole, uh, that was served on the defendant. Uh, we've been
2 on the record in front of Judge Kelly in this case and all plea
3 offers were rejected, uh, and I wanna make the Court aware of
4 that. I want to hand up if you'd like to see it the the
5 notice that we served upon him, uh, but at this ---

6 THE COURT: You can ---

7 MR. SPIVEY: --- point ---

8 THE COURT: --- go ahead and make it a part of the record
9 if you wanna unless Mr. ---

10 MR. SPIVEY: You ---

11 THE COURT: --- Bean has some objection to it.

12 MR. BEAN: Um, I don't, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: Okay.

14 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, this is the, just a copy of the,
15 of the the motion I filed. Attached as exhibits to this
16 particular motion I made were Exhibits A, B and C, uh, those
17 were the certified convictions I obtained from our clerk's
18 office for the prior crimes that were serious or most serious
19 which ---

20 THE COURT: So prior strikes.

21 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Alright, you can make that a par -- uh, uh,
23 let's make that a Court's Exhibit so it doesn't go to the
24 jury.

25 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I'd like to address a a matter

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1 related to that, I don't have any objection to it obviously
2 being put up.

3 THE COURT: Alright, we'll let her mark it and then we'll
4 take that up.

5 MR. BEAN: Thank you.

6 (Notice of intention to seek life imprisonment sentence
7 marked Court's Exhibit No. 1 for identification.)

8 THE COURT: Alright, Mr. Bean, something you wanna take
9 up with the Court?

10 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, uh, excuse me, I don't have it in
11 fronta me but, uh, the the three priors that are listed on
12 there my client raised the question of whether or not the
13 first one of the three which I believe is a PWID, well let me
14 look at it real quick.

15 MR. SPIVEY: I got, ---

16 MR. BEAN: Uh, ---

17 MR. SPIVEY: --- I got a copy ---

18 MR. BEAN: --- the question, his question was whether or
19 not, uh, PWID crack cocaine third offense constitutes a strike
20 under the statute and I've told him that it but I wanted to be
21 sure that I'm correct on that.

22 THE COURT: Well I'm I'm -- Court's understanding of
23 that, uh, that really is a matter that will come up at
24 sentencing ---

25 MR. BEAN: Yes.

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1 THE COURT: Okay. Uh, Mr. Lyles, if you would please
2 stand.

3 (Whereupon, the defendant complied.)

4 THE COURT: Uh, by arraignment wo -- that would be that
5 the charges would be read to you and you would have the right
6 to plead either guilty or not guilty. Uh, I assume you are
7 pleading not guilty to the indictments, is that correct?

8 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

9 THE COURT: Are you requesting trial by jury?

10 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

11 THE COURT: Alright. Are you waiving having those
12 charges read to you at this time? Talk to your lawyer so
13 you'll understand what we're talking about.

14 (Attorney/client discussion held off the record.)

15 THE COURT: Alright, Mr. Lyles, do you know what the
16 charges are?

17 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.

18 THE COURT: You don't know what you're charged with?

19 THE DEFENDANT: I know what I'm charged with but I'd like
20 for you to read 'em off.

21 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I I'm sorry, Your Honor. He -- I
22 think we misunderstood each other but apparently he would like
23 to have them read he said.

24 THE COURT: Alright, uh, then, we're gonna have to hold
25 the jury out while I do that. Pass up the indictments. Yes,

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1 thank you. Stand up, Mr. Lyles.

2 (Whereupon, the defendant complied.)

3 THE COURT: Alright, Mr. Lyles, first case before the
4 Court is Case Number 13-GS-42-4575, that indictment is for
5 trafficking in cocaine base. The indictment states, this is
6 Count One under the indictment, that Isaac, uh, Glenard Lyles
7 did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9 of 2012
8 knowingly sell, manufacturer, deliver, purchase, or bring into
9 the state or did provide financial assistance or did otherwise
10 aid, abet, attempt or conspire to sell, manufacturer, deliver
11 purchase, or bring into the state or did knowingly, actually
12 or constructively, uh, possess or did knowingly attempt to
13 become in actual or constructive possession of more than 10
14 grams of cocaine base, a Schedule II controlled substance in
15 violation of Section 44-53-375 of the Code of Laws of South
16 Carolina 1976 as amended, that is Count One.

17 Count Two is possession of a firearm or a knife during
18 the commission of or an attempt to commit a violent crime,
19 that indictment states that Isaac Glenard Lyles did in
20 Spartanburg County on or about October 9 of 2012 possess or
21 visibly display a firearm or visibly display a knife during
22 the commission, uh, or or attempted commission of a violent
23 crime, to wit, trafficking in cocaine base in violation of
24 Code Section 16-23-490 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina
25 1976 as amended against the peace and dignity of the state and

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1 contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.

2 Mr. Lyles, did you understand those charges?

3 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

4 THE COURT: How do you plead?

5 THE DEFENDANT: Not guilty.

6 THE COURT: Do you demand trial by jury?

7 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

8 THE COURT: The next case is Case Number 13-GS-42-4572,
9 this indictment is for the offense of possession, uh, with
10 intent to distribute cocaine base within one-half mile, that
11 indictment states that Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg
12 County on or about October 9 of 2012 distribute, sell ---

13 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

14 THE COURT: --- distribute, sell, purchase, manufacture
15 or unlawfully possess with the intent to distribute a quantity
16 of cocaine base a Schedule II controlled substance while in,
17 on, or within a half mile radius of the grounds of a public or
18 private elementary, mi -- middle or secondary school, a public
19 playground or park, a public vocational or trade school or a
20 technical education center or a public or private college or
21 university, to wit, Cleveland Elementary School under the
22 provisions of Section 44-53-445 of the Code of Laws of South
23 Carolina 1976 as amended, such possession not having been
24 authorized by law against the peace and dignity of the State
25 and contrary to the statute and such case made and provided.

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1 Mr. Lyles, did you understand that indictment?

2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

3 THE COURT: How do you plead?

4 THE DEFENDANT: Not guilty.

5 THE COURT: Do you demand trial by jury?

6 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

7 THE COURT: The next indictment is Case Number
8 2013-42-4574, trafficking in cocaine is the charge. The
9 indictment states that Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg
10 County on or about October 9 of 2012 knowingly sell,
11 manufacture, cultivate, deliver, purchase or bring into the
12 state or did provide financial assistance or did otherwise
13 aid, abet, attempt or conspire to sell, manufacture,
14 cultivate, deliver, purchase or bring into the state or did
15 knowingly, uh, actually or constructively possess or did
16 knowingly attempt to become in actual or constructive
17 possession of more than 10 grams of cocaine a Schedule II
18 controlled substance in violation of Section 44-53-370 of the
19 Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976 as amended a -- uh,
20 against the peace and dignity of the state and contrary to the
21 statute and such case made and provided. Mr. Lyles, did you
22 understand that indictment?

23 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

24 THE COURT: How do you plead?

25 THE DEFENDANT: Not guilty.

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1 THE COURT: Do you demand trial by jury?

2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

3 THE COURT: The next case is 2013-GS-42-4570, this is an
4 indictment for possession, uh, of with intent to distribute
5 cocaine within one half mile. This indictment states that
6 Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about
7 October 9 of 2012 distribute, sell, purchase, manufacturer,
8 unlawfully possess with the intent to distribute a quantity of
9 cocaine, a Schedule II control substance, while in, on or
10 within one-half mile radius of the grounds of a public,
11 private, uh, elementary, middle, secondary or public school, a
12 playground, park or public vocational or trade school or a
13 technical education center or a public or private college or
14 university, to wit, Cleveland Elementary School and under the
15 provisions of Section 44-53-445 of the Code of Laws of South
16 Carolina as amended, such possession not having been
17 authorized by law against the peace and dignity of the state
18 and contrary to the statute and such case made and provided.
19 Now, Mr. Lyles, did you understand that indictment?

20 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

21 THE COURT: How do you plead?

22 THE DEFENDANT: Not guilty.

23 THE COURT: Do you demand trial by jury?

24 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

25 THE COURT: The next indictment is Case Number

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1 13-GS-42-4573, the indictment is for the offense of possession
2 with intent to distribute. This indictment states that Isaac
3 Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9,
4 2012 manufacturer, distribute, dispense, deliver, purchase,
5 aid, abet, uh, attempt or conspire to manufacturer,
6 distribute, dispense, deliver or purchase or possess with the
7 intent to manufacturer, distribute, dispense, deliver or
8 purchase a quantity of marijuana, a Controlled I, a a
9 Schedule I control substance in violation of Section 44-53-370
10 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976 as amended, such
11 distribution not having been authorized by law against the
12 peace and dignity of the state and contrary to the statute and
13 such case made and provided. Mr. Lyles, did you understand
14 that indictment

15 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

16 THE COURT: How do you plead?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Not guilty.

18 THE COURT: How do you wish to be tried?

19 THE DEFENDANT: Jury.

20 THE COURT: The next case is, uh, Case Number
21 2013-GS-42-4571, that indictment is for possession with intent
22 to distribute within one-half mile. This indictment states
23 that Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about
24 October 9, 2012 distribute, sell, purchase, manufacture, or
25 unlawfully possess with the intent to distribute a quantity of

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1 marijuana, a Schedule I controlled substance while in, on or
2 within a one-half mile radius of the grounds of a public or
3 private elementary, middle or secondary school, a public
4 playground or park, a public vocational or trade school or a
5 technical education center or a public or private college or
6 university, to wit, Cleveland, uh, Elementary School and under
7 the provisions of Section 44-53-445 of the Code of Laws of
8 South Carolina 1976 as amended, against the peace and dig --
9 excuse me, such possession not having been authorized by law,
10 against the piece and dignity of the state and contrary to the
11 statute and such case made and provided. Mr. Lyles, did you
12 understand that indictment?

13 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

14 THE COURT: How do you plead?

15 THE DEFENDANT: Not guilty.

16 THE COURT: How do you wish to be tried?

17 THE DEFENDANT: A jury.

18 THE COURT: God grant you a speedy delivery. Is that all
19 of the indictments?

20 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: Alright, sir, you've been arraigned, you can
22 be seated.

23 (Whereupon, the defendant complied.)

24 THE COURT: Bring the jury in.

25 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury

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1 panel.)

2 THE COURT: Alright, good afternoon, I believe yes, it is
3 afternoon. Ladies and gentlemen, I'll, uh, we are about to
4 begin the trial of the State of South Carolina against Isaac
5 Glenard Lyles. Uh, I have been presented with several
6 indictments, uh, in this case, I'll go over those indictments
7 with you, uh, the reason I'm doing that is so that you might
8 be in a position to more fully answer questions that I'm about
9 to ask concerning this case.

10 The first indictment I'll discuss with you is Case
11 Number, uh, 2013-GS-42-4570, it's indictment for possession
12 with intent to distribute cocaine within a one-half mile
13 radius of a school. I'm not gonna read the indictment to you
14 word-for-word, I will tell you that the indictment alleges
15 that the defendant Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg
16 County on or about October 9 of 2012, uh, distribute a
17 quantity of cocaine within a one-half mile radius of the
18 grounds of Cleveland Elementary School in violation of the
19 statute provided in that case.

20 The next indictment is Case Number 2013-GS-42-4571. This
21 indictment is for the offense of possession with intent to
22 distribute marijuana within a one-half mile radius of a public
23 school. This indictment alleges that the defendant Isaac
24 Glenard Lyles did on October 9th of 2012, uh, distribute a
25 quantity of marijuana within a one-half mile radius of the

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1 grounds of Cleveland Elementary School in violation of the
2 statute provided in that case.

3 The next indictment is Case No. 2013-GS-42-4572, this
4 indictment is for possession within -- with the intent to
5 distribute cocaine base within a one-half mile radius of a
6 school. This indictment alleges that Isaac Glenard Lyles did
7 in Spartanburg County on or about October 9 of 2012 distribute
8 a quantity of cocaine base, uh, and that's, uh, what is
9 commonly referred to as "crack cocaine", uh, within a one-half
10 mile radius of the grounds of Cleveland Elementary School in
11 violation of the statute in that case provided.

12 The next indictment is Case Number 2013-GS-42-4573, this
13 indictment is for the offense of possession with intent to
14 distribute, uh, in this case marijuana. The indictment states
15 that Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about
16 October 9 of 2012, uh, possess with the intent to distribute a
17 quantity of marijuana in violation of the statute provided in
18 that case.

19 The next charge is 2013-4574, this indictment is for
20 trafficking in cocaine. This indictment states that the
21 defendant did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9 of
22 2012, uh, sell or distribute a quantity of cocaine or was in
23 possession of cocaine, uh, in an amount more than 10 grams in
24 violation of the statute provided in that case.

25 The final indictment is Case Number 2013-GS-4575, this

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1 indictment is for the offense of trafficking in cocaine base,
2 this indictment, there's two counts in this indictment, the
3 first count alleges that the define -- defendant Isaac Glenard
4 Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9 of 2012
5 either possess or distribute a quantity of cocaine base in
6 excess of 10 grams in violation of the Code of Laws as
7 provided in that case; Count Two is for the possession of a
8 firearm or a knife during the commission of or attempt to
9 commit a violent crime, that indictment alleges that Isaac
10 Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County, uh, possess or
11 visibly display a firearm or a knife while, uh, during the
12 commission or attempted commission of a violent crime, to wit,
13 which was trafficking in cocaine base in violation of the
14 statute provided in that case.

15 I've gone over the indictments again so that you'll
16 understand what the case is about, it should put you in a
17 position to more fully answer questions that I'm about to ask.
18 I will remind you that indictments are simply the documents
19 that bring the cases before the Court, they do not constitute
20 evidence of guilt in any case and cannot be used by a jury in
21 that fashion in determining the guilt or the innocence of any
22 defendant before the Court. I'm going to ask that the
23 attorneys who are involved in this case introduce themselves
24 to you, at this time for the State, if you would please
25 introduce yourself, sir.

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1 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor. Ladies and gentlemen, I
2 wanna thank you for your time, uh, I know you've you've had a
3 long week so far, some of you may have served on prior juries
4 but you've had to come back and forth and, uh, we certainly
5 ask ya a lotta questions, many of which are very personal in
6 nature and, uh, they're not questions that that maybe you
7 wanna answer or had to answer or and and for that reason, you
8 know, you sort of gave your answers. Uh, we listen to those
9 answers and the reason we ask those questions and the reason
10 we asks things about your records and your jobs, where
11 your -- what your wife or spouse or whatever might do is we
12 wanna know what kinda person you are, uh, 'cause we believe
13 that your past has shaped, uh, your mental ability to reason.
14 We're here 'cause your job is to reason through the facts, to
15 sift through it and find the truth and I think those
16 experiences you've had in your life will help you and have
17 developed your your common sense and so that that's the reason
18 that that we ask those questions and that's the reason they
19 were very important and I'm I'm sorry that they're that
20 personal in nature but it sorta has to be done and, uh, I
21 think we've got a a very fine jury and I I I want you all to
22 sorta focus now on hearing the evidence, listen to what is
23 said and at the end of it I want you apply your common sense
24 to it 'cause I think at the end of after you hear all of the
25 evidence in this case you'll find that the defendant is guilty

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1 of what is charged.

2 Now let's talk about what is charged and what needs to be
3 proved. There are seven counts or seven different charges
4 that we're seeking to to prove here today, uh, three of them
5 are related simply the possession or possession with intent to
6 distribute drugs. Uh, the the drug cocaine was was found, the
7 drug crack cocaine was found and marijuana was found so there
8 three charges, two of them are trafficking. The crack cocaine
9 amount because it was of over a, over 10 grams, the weight was
10 a found was over 10 grams then we we now can determine that it
11 is in fact trafficking. The statute is set up if it's more
12 than 10 grams and you either possess it or possess with intent
13 to distribute that drug then it is in fact trafficking. One
14 is for possession with intent to distribute, that's the
15 marijuana, uh, that means there there wasn't, it it didn't
16 meet a threshold to to call it trafficking but there was so
17 much there and the other evidence we found shows that and he
18 not only possessed it but he also intended to distribute it,
19 so there's a difference, so the trafficking charges, you only
20 have to show possession, you can also show possession with
21 intent to distribute but really all you need is actual
22 possession of the drugs. Uh, for possession with intent to
23 distribute you've got to not only have that possession but you
24 gotta have some other proof that he wasn't just smoking the
25 marijuana, it wasn't just a personal use, this was something

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1 he intended to distribute.

2 Uh, there's another charge and it's possession of a
3 weapon during the commission of a violent crime and I want you
4 to sort of dispel any myths, excuse me, dispel any myths you
5 might have about what the word "violent" means, uh, because
6 this word "violent" is totally different from what we normally
7 use the word "violent" to mean. Normally we think violence
8 you're thinkin' war or some sort of assault and battery, this
9 is strictly a term defined in a statute and our legislature
10 has decided that trafficking in crack cocaine or trafficking
11 in cocaine are violent crimes, it's as simple as that, uh, and
12 so what you need to determine, what I have to prove is did he
13 have a weapon with him, did he possess a handgun, a firearm
14 during the commission of the violent crime, i.e., he
15 possessed, he was committing the trafficking by possessin' the
16 drugs and he also had the handgun together.

17 There's also three other charges involved and there is a
18 knowledge element that's a little bit unique to these, uh,
19 essentially the possession with intent to distribute within a
20 half mile of a school charge, so essentially what we've said
21 is he had three different drugs and he possessed with intent
22 to distribute each of those drugs and he was within a half
23 mile of a school, park, or playground, in this case it's
24 Cleveland Elementary School, it's up on the, on the north side
25 of town as you head, uh, down Asheville Highway there on the

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1 left, there's a Cleveland Park but before you get to that
2 there's there's the the, uh, Cleveland Elementary School, uh,
3 near the Howard Street area, sort of in there, if you, if you
4 been through that part of town. The location that that this
5 occurred at was 533 North Forest Street in Spartanburg, South
6 Carolina. You're gonna hear some evidence that this did occur
7 within a half mile. Now in terms of the law we have to prove
8 the defendant knew where that school was and that he knew that
9 he was within a half mile of it, okay. In addition to that,
10 we've gotta prove that he intended to distribute those drugs
11 within that area. Now you might be thinkin', Well if I drove
12 this (indicating) way and this (indicating) way I might drive
13 3 miles before I got there even though they they could be just
14 around the block from each other, you might have to go all the
15 way around. This is determined based on "as the crow flies",
16 so if you back out on a map and you took a straight line, it
17 doesn't matter if there houses there, a yard, a river, a lake,
18 if there -- if you drew a straight line between this
19 (indicating) point the house, 533 North Forest Street and the
20 school, Cleveland Elementary School, if that distance was less
21 than a half mile and he knew that that school was there then
22 he's got to be found guilty. Let's talk about -- that that's
23 what he's charged with, so he's got seven charges, three
24 related to possession or possession with intent distribute
25 drugs, one han -- possession of a handgun during the

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1 commission of a violent crime and three half mile charges,
2 okay. Let's talk about the facts and how I'm gonna prove to
3 you that he in fact did possess these drugs, possess 'em with
4 intent to distribute in some cases and he also had a handgun.

5 You're gonna hear that the defendant was at a search
6 warrant, that the Spartanburg City Police on October 9th of
7 2012, so a little over a year ago, went to 533 North Forest
8 Street and the defendant was there. You're gonna hear that as
9 police breached the front door the defendant ran out a side
10 back door. You're gonna hear that he was quickly apprehended
11 'cause there's an officer standing nearby, you're gonna hear
12 that that officer when he detained him found a small amounta
13 drugs in his pocket, you're also gonna hear that he had a gun
14 on him. You're gonna hear that nearby him on the ground
15 directly near where he fell was little over a thousand dollars
16 cash, okay, so he's got little bitta powder cocaine on him,
17 he's got a little bitta marijuana on him at the time in his
18 pocket, that's not what gets us to that weight though,
19 remember I told you there was drugs that that brought this
20 over a threshold so that you could find out, you know,
21 exactly, you know, more than 10 grams, remember, we're gettin'
22 more than 10 grams of crack cocaine and powder cocaine; in
23 addition, the marijuana was found, there was not very much
24 marijuana. There was a much larger amounta a marijuana found
25 nearby, there was a machine large larger amount of crack

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1 cocaine found nearby and there's a lot, much larger amount of
2 cocaine found nearby. You're gonna hear the officers when
3 they searched the rest of the premises within 20 to 50 feet of
4 that back door there's a fence that runs up to the front of
5 the, of the property, runs down the side, there's an abandoned
6 lot next door, you're gonna hear that hangin' on that fence is
7 a black bag, inside that black bag is a lot of cocaine and
8 inside a that black bag is a lot of crack cocaine and inside a
9 that black bag is a large bag a marijuana. You're also gonna
10 hear that there were some goggles found in that bag, you're
11 gonna hear that there was, uh, caffeine powder found in that
12 bag. Ladies and gentlemen, you're also gonna hear that there
13 were digital scales found in that black bag. Finally, you're
14 gonna hear from from a witness that is gonna tell you that
15 that black bag belonged to the defendant Isaac Lyles, that it
16 was his black bag that he stored his drugs in.

17 Ladies and gentlemen, by the time you've heard this case
18 I have no doubt that you will be convinced this defendant is
19 guilty. I think common sense dictates that you'll you'll have
20 to come to that conclusion, that there's no other explanation.
21 These are his drugs, he is a drug dealer, he had a gun on him,
22 he's got cash on him, he's got digital scales so he can weigh
23 out the drugs that he sells. Ladies and gentlemen, there's no
24 other explanation for what occurred except defendant is guilty
25 of all seven counts. I ask that you pay attention very

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1 carefully, thank you for your time and please listen defense
2 attorney. Thank you.

3 THE COURT: Mr. Bean, for the defense.

4 MR. BEAN: Thank Your Honor. Not like TV. Ya'll I'm
5 Bill Bean, I represent Isaac Lyles and Isaac's sittin' over
6 here (indicating) at the defense table with me. Uh, Isaac is
7 46-years-old which is a a lot younger than I am and as you
8 just heard from the solicitor he is charged with some rather
9 serious offenses, very serious offenses as a matter of fact.
10 One of the things that I want to emphasize to you however is
11 that being charged with something doesn't equate to being
12 guilty of that something and the solicitor has the burden of
13 proof, the State, to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the
14 person charged is in fact guilty of that charge and part of
15 what you'll hear at the end of this case is that you can find
16 that a a person charged with multiple offenses, uh, could be
17 found guilty of some and not of others, it depends on what the
18 evidence is and what the proof is that you hear from up here
19 (indicating) at the witness stand. Keep in mind please though
20 that Isaac doesn't have to prove that he's innocent of
21 anything, he's presumed to be innocent and in order to prove
22 him guilty, again, the State has to prove that beyond a
23 reasonable doubt.

24 I'm not gonna go into a lotta details, you'll hear all
25 that as we go along but I do want you to remember a couple a

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1 things. First of all, in addition to he doesn't have to prove
2 himself innocent, he's presumed to be innocent, this is his
3 day in court, okay, and as His Honor told to you guys, you
4 ladies and gentlemen, are the judges of the facts in this case
5 this is his shot one way or the other however you find. If if
6 you find the wrong way, whatever that way may be, normally
7 that can't be fixed, so when you go back at the end a the case
8 and you talk about this, please keep that in mind and keep in
9 mind also that witnesses who testify, again, may have bias,
10 may have prejudice, may have reasons to say things, uh, that
11 may or may not be true just depending on what that bias or
12 prejudice is. We appreciate your bein' here, as the solicitor
13 said I know it's been a long week; we thank ya'll for
14 participatin' in this case and we'll try to move it along just
15 as best we can. Thank you.

16 THE COURT: State may call its first witness.

17 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor. State calls Mike Secrest.

18 THE COURT: Step outside and get him, please.

19 MR. SPIVEY: Michael Secrest.

20 THE COURT: Come forward, sir, and be sworn over here
21 (indicating) to my left, please.

22 (Whereupon, the witness came forward.)

23 THE CLERK: You can set your stuff down. If you'll raise
24 your right hand and put your left hand on the Bible.

25 MICHAEL SECREST, having been first

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1 duly sworn, testified as follows:

2 THE CLERK: Thank you, you may be seated.

3 THE COURT: State your name please, sir.

4 THE WITNESS: Michael Secrest.

5 THE COURT: Thank you. Your witness, Counselor.

6 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

7 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY:

8 Q. Investigator Secrest, please tell us your your training
9 and experience.

10 A. I've been employed with the Spartanburg City Police
11 Department goin' on, uh, eight years now. I'm currently
12 assigned the narcotics position.

13 Q. Okay. What do you, what do you typically do in in
14 narcotics? What is your, what's your job from a day-to-day
15 basis?

16 A. Uh, you're tasked with, uh, basic use of search warrants,
17 uh, and we file complaint, any complaints we get arrest a
18 narcotics we, uh, tend to handle those.

19 Q. Okay. Uh, let me ask you this: Where is 533 North Forest
20 Street?

21 A. Uh, it's located within the city limits of Spartanburg.

22 Q. Is that in Spartanburg County?

23 A. It is.

24 Q. Is that where you were on October 9th?

25 A. Yes, sir.

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1 Q. Okay. If you can just describe the the the location for
2 us.

3 A. And I'm sorry reference to the area?

4 Q. Yes, the the the house. Describe the house, the layout
5 of the house.

6 A. Uh, my recollection of layout a the house is a duplex.
7 You have, uh, the one buildin', the left apartment and a right
8 apartment. Uh, the apartment we went into was the right
9 apartment. Uh, it had a a yard, fence toward the backyard,
10 uh, had a front door and a side right door.

11 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I approach the witness?

12 THE COURT: You may.

13 Q. Investigator Secrest, do you recognize that what I've
14 just handed you?

15 A. It's a picture of the residence.

16 Q. Okay. Uh, is it -- does it appear to be a true and
17 accurate copy of that residence?

18 A. It is.

19 MR. SPIVEY: Okay. Your Honor, at this time I'd move
20 that photograph as State's Exhibit No., uh, 2, Your Honor.

21 MR. BEAN: No ---

22 THE COURT: Any objection?

23 MR. BEAN: --- objection.

24 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be admitted. Has it
25 been marked?

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1 MR. SPIVEY: Uh, Your Honor, has not. I ---

2 THE COURT: Hand it to the court reporter ---

3 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: --- for it to be marked. Thank you.

5 (Photograph marked State's Exhibit No. 2 for
6 identification and admitted into evidence.)

7 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I have permission to publish
8 this document?

9 THE COURT: You may.

10 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

11 (Whereupon, State's Exhibit No. 2 was published to the
12 jury.)

13 BY MR. SPIVEY:

14 Q. Investigator Secrest, I'm gonna -- Your Honor, may I
15 approach and hand him a laser ---

16 THE COURT: You may, ---

17 Q. --- pointer?

18 THE COURT: --- yes, sir.

19 Q. I'm gonna ask if you can again just des -- you describe
20 it a little bit to us, go ahead and sorta show us what this
21 house is, where you were, what all you were, you were there to
22 do that day.

23 A. Uh, my job, uh, I drove the tactical truck for the SWAT
24 team members. Uh, when we arrived on scene, I took position
25 for the parameter around this right side, uh, door right here

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1 (indicating) these steps were leadin' up to.

2 Q. Okay. And it's kinda hard to see but you said there's a
3 door?

4 A. There's a door right here (indicating) and there's steps
5 comin' down.

6 Q. Is that towards the back of the residence?

7 A. It is.

8 Q. About how far is it from the fronta the residence to the,
9 to that door?

10 A. Uh, actually maybe 15 feet I guess.

11 Q. Okay. And this is a duplex, ya'll were on the right side
12 of the duplex?

13 A. That is correct, this one right here (indicating).

14 Q. Okay. Where is the fence located?

15 A. Uh, there's a fence that runs along the side here
16 (indicating) and I believe my recollection there's one in the
17 back.

18 Q. Okay. What is to the right of this property?

19 A. Uh, to the fence line here (indicating)?

20 Q. Yes.

21 A. Uh, just a wooded area.

22 Q. Okay. Is it -- is is there a house there?

23 A. Uh, on the other side there is.

24 Q. Okay. How how much space is there between that fence and
25 the next residence?

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1 A. I'd estimate 25 feet maybe.

2 Q. Okay.

3 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I approach the witness?

4 THE COURT: You may.

5 Q. I'm gonna hand you a document, do you recognize that
6 document?

7 A. I do.

8 Q. Are you familiar with the area around North Forest Street
9 the north side of City a Spartanburg?

10 A. I am.

11 Q. You're familiar with Cleveland Elementary School.

12 A. Yes, sir.

13 Q. Okay. It -- does this appear to be a fair and accurate
14 representation of a, of an -- a satellite image of that
15 area?

16 A. Yes.

17 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this time I'd move State's
18 Exhibit No. 3 into evidence.

19 MR. BEAN: No objection.

20 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be admitted. Please
21 have it marked.

22 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

23 (Satellite photograph marked State's Exhibit No. 3 for
24 identification and admitted into evidence.)

25 BY MR. SPIVEY:

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1 Q. Zoom in just a little bit. Investigator Secrest, just
2 tell us what what what we're lookin' at here (indicating).

3 A. Uh, this (indicating) is a general area of a north side
4 of town what we consider the north side a town. Uh, this
5 (indicating) is the residence, uh, 533 North Forest Street.
6 Uh, this here (indicating) is Cleveland Elementary School.
7 Uh, yeah, this line here (indicating) just represents as what
8 we use "as as the crow flies" to determine distance between
9 two points. Uh, this particular residence here (indicating)
10 is approximately, uh, I think it was three-fourth tenths a
11 mile to Cleveland Elementary.

12 Q. Okay. And down there at the bottom it -- this is
13 actually calculated for us, can you read what that total
14 distance is? Let me see if I can zoom in on that.

15 A. Uh, .348.

16 Q. Thank you. Investigator Secrest, uh, tell us what, uh,
17 once you got there and once that you drove the truck there
18 what happened next?

19 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

20 A. When I arrived at the residence, like I said, I went to
21 the right side of the residence, uh, secured the parameter.
22 Uh, upon my arrival the tactical team made entry through the
23 front door. As soon as that entry was made, uh, subjects came
24 out the side door, one a those subjects being, uh, Isaac
25 Lyles. Uh, as he came past I, uh, caught

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1 Mr. Lyles maybe three or four steps off a the side steps, uh,
2 we fell to the ground. As he fell, uh, money came out of his,
3 uh, I guess one of his pockets somewhere, went onto the
4 ground, we both fell. I noticed his hand kinda went down
5 toward his waistline, uh, this time I looked down, grabbed his
6 hand, detained him, noticed a purple bag on the right pocket.
7 Uh, when I felt that bag, I felt what I know to be a a
8 handgun, a butt of a handgun, I then secured that weapon.

9 Q. Okay. When you arrived what -- who all was present
10 outside of of the residence? Was anybody out there?

11 A. No, sir.

12 Q. Okay. Was anybody in the neighboring property outside?

13 A. Uh, not that I'm remember, recall.

14 Q. Was anybody near that fence?

15 A. Uh, no, sir.

16 Q. Okay. Do you remember who else was present at the
17 residence?

18 A. Uh, I remember there was other people, I can't recall all
19 of them. I can give you a a few maybe off the top a my head.
20 I know one was Edward Wesson and I think a Harvey Rainey and I
21 can't recall anymore than that at this time.

22 Q. Okay, but nobody was near that that that ---

23 A. No, Mis ---

24 Q. --- that area.

25 A. --- Mr. Wesson came out of the side of the residence

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1 right before, uh, Mr. Lyles and I think he was stopped near
2 the front corner of the house as I -- Mr., uh, Lyles made it,
3 tried to make it toward the back a the house.

4 Q. What was Mr. Lyles doin' when you, when you apprehended
5 him?

6 A. Uh, like I said, his hand immediately went toward, uh,
7 around his right side which is around his belt line, uh, at
8 that time I grabbed his hands, uh, and detained him.. Like I
9 said, that's where I noticed the purple bag and when I felt
10 that bag I knew it to be the butt of a handgun.

11 Q. Why was he runnin'?

12 A. I'm assumin' 'cause of things on his person with the, uh,
13 execution of the search warrant, uh, and him bein' the target
14 of the search warrant.

15 Q. Did, I I wanna get it straight, did ya'll go into the
16 residence and then he ran out or tell us about the time line
17 about how how, about the time when he ran out, did he do it
18 immediately when ya'll arrived or...

19 A. He was, as tact team made it up through as there's a
20 little walkway there's actually get to the door, uh, they, as
21 they approached the door, breached the door, the door was
22 breached and a very, very short time, maybe three seconds he's
23 out the side door and three steps off and that's when I caught
24 him.

25 Q. Okay. You believe he was reachin' for his right pocket.

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1 A. I do.

2 Q. And in that pocket you found a gun.

3 A. Correct.

4 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

5 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I approach the witness?

6 THE COURT: You may.

7 BY MR. SPIVEY:

8 Q. I'll hand you a box, if you'd tell us if you recognize
9 what's in that box.

10 A. I do.

11 Q. Okay.. What is it?

12 A. It is the handgun and the bag. This (indicating) is the
13 bag that the handgun was in, it was partially wrapped, uh,
14 pretty much coverin' all of the gun. Uh, this (indicating) is
15 what I recovered outta the right side of his pocket with the
16 magazine, I think there were six rounds if I can recall, there
17 were six rounds in the magazine.

18 MR. SPIVEY: Okay, and, uh, Your Honor, at this time I
19 would move the gun, the plastic bag and the -- what what else
20 is in that box?

21 THE WITNESS: The magazine and these, uh, I think was the
22 six rounds.

23 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I'd move all of these items into
24 evidence as State's Exhibit No. 4 I believe.

25 THE COURT: Any objection?

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1 MR. BEAN: No objection, Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: Without objection they'll be received into
3 evidence, marked as a group as No. 4. You can have 'em
4 marked.

5 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

6 (Gun, plastic bag, magazine and six rounds marked
7 Defendant's Exhibit No. 4 for identification and admitted into
8 evidence.)

9 BY MR. SPIVEY:

10 Q. What kinda gun is this, Investigator Secrest?

11 A. I think it was a Hi-Point .380 handgun.

12 Q. Okay.

13 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I approach the witness?

14 THE COURT: You may.

15 MR. SPIVEY: Excuse me, Your Honor, let me approach
16 defense attorney first.

17 (Whereupon, a discussion between the attorneys was held
18 off the record.)

19 MR. SPIVEY: May I approach again, Your Honor?

20 THE COURT: Yes, you may.

21 BY MR. SPIVEY:

22 Q. If you could take a look at those, just, let's just do
23 'em one at a time. I've handed you a a stack of photographs
24 but if you could take take the first one and see if you can
25 identify that.

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1 A. This here, this here's (indicating) Mr. Lyles after he
2 was detained side the residence.

3 Q. Is it a true and accurate copy?

4 A. It is.

5 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I'd move that document in as
6 State's Exhibit No. 5.

7 THE COURT: Any objection?

8 MR. BEAN: No objection.

9 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be admitted.

10 BY MR. SPIVEY:

11 Q. Please take a look at the next photograph, do you
12 recognize it?

13 A. I do. This is the money that, uh, fell from his person.

14 Q. Is it a true and accurate copy?

15 A. It is.

16 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I'd move this as State's Exhibit
17 No. 6.

18 THE COURT: Any objection?

19 MR. BEAN: No objection.

20 THE COURT: Without objection will be admitted as No. 6.

21 BY MR. SPIVEY:

22 Q. Please take a look at the next document, do you recognize
23 it?

24 A. I do.

25 Q. What is it?

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1 A. Uh, actually this is the photograph, uh, as I didn't
2 recover these items, this is the photograph that I know that
3 that was taken, the items that came out his person.

4 Q. Does that appear to be a true and accurate copy of that
5 photograph?

6 A. Yes.

7 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this point I'd move this in
8 as State's Exhibit No. 7.

9 THE COURT: Any ---

10 MR. BEAN: No ---

11 THE COURT: --- objection?

12 MR. BEAN: --- objection.

13 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be admitted.

14 BY MR. SPIVEY:

15 Q. And please look, I think there's one more, is it the last
16 one?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Do you recognize that?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And and and what does that appear to be?

21 A. A green plant material which we, uh, tested to be
22 marijuana in a a glass jar after recovered from his person.

23 Q. Is it a true and accurate copy?

24 A. Yes, it is.

25 MR. SPIVEY: Okay. Your Honor, at this point I'd move

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1 this as State's Exhibit No. 8.

2 MR. BEAN: No objection.

3 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be admitted as as
4 proposed.

5 MR. SPIVEY: I'll have those marked, Your Honor.

6 THE COURT: Please do.

7 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

8 (Photographs marked State's Exhibit Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8
9 for identification and admitted into evidence.)

10 THE COURT: You may proceed.

11 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor. Your Honor, at this
12 time I have no further questions of this witness. Please
13 answer ---

14 THE COURT: Alright, ---

15 MR. SPIVEY: --- any questions ---

16 THE COURT: --- Mr. Bean, your witness.

17 MR. BEAN: Thank you.

18 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN:

19 Q. Just a few questions, Mi -- is it Mr. Secrest?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Uh, I believe you stated a minute ago that, uh, you were
22 on the side door of the house I g -- is that like the driveway
23 side? Excuse me, I'm gonna get outta the way of this light
24 here. Is that the driveway side or would you describe it that
25 way?

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1 A. I don't, I don't know if it actually a driveway. I mean,
2 it was a dirt yard. I don't recall there being a a driveway
3 on the side, ---

4 Q. Okay.

5 A. --- just open area.

6 Q. And people came runnin' out of the house out that door?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. How many people ran out the door?

9 A. Two that I ---

10 Q. Just just ---

11 A. --- recall, ---

12 Q. --- the two that ---

13 A. --- yes.

14 Q. --- you saw? Okay. Now when the team went in the front
15 door, they threw a flash grenade in there, did they not?

16 A. Uh, I I I can believe so, did yes, sir.

17 Q. Okay. And and have seen flash grenades in action or in
18 your training?

19 A. I have as I was a member of the SWAT team before yes,
20 sir.

21 Q. They're they're pretty frightening, aren't they?

22 A. Some people may think so I guess.

23 Q. Well if if you were sittin' in your house and somebody
24 threw a grenade in there and it did like that, wouldn't it
25 scare ya if ya didn't know it was comin'?

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1 A. I assume yes.

2 Q. And you might even run out the door, might you?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Okay. Now there's a, there's a gun over here and you
5 testified a minute ago that Isaac was reachin' for his pocket,
6 the gun was in a plastic bag, correct?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. Okay. So he didn't pull the gun out or point it at
9 anybody or shoot at anybody, did he?

10 A. No, he didn't.

11 Q. Okay, just it was in his pocket.

12 A. Correct.

13 Q. (Coughs.) Excuse me. Now you also stated that that
14 there's a fence over there kind of in those bushes that we saw
15 in the picture, is that right?

16 A. Correct, on the right side.

17 Q. Okay, and there was no one near the fence?

18 A. No, sir.

19 Q. Okay, so the two guys who came out, Isaac and Mr., I
20 forget his name, you just ---

21 A. Wesson I believe.

22 Q. Weston [sic], okay. Uh, they -- you stopped them right
23 there.

24 A. I s -- Mr. Wesson as he came out, I allowed him to go
25 past, uh, due to the fact he was not the target of the

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1 investigation 'cause immediately right on his heels was
2 Mr. Lyles and Mr. Lyles took a right. I did not turn to see
3 exactly where Mr. Wesson was 'cause I put my focus on
4 Mr. Lyles and that's when I caught Mr. Lyles.

5 Q. So Mr. Weston [sic] was the first one out or ---

6 A. First.

7 Q. --- the second?

8 A. First.

9 Q. First one out.

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. You let him go by.

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. You don't know where he went or what he did.

14 A. He went out, I know he went up toward the fronta the
15 house and I was later informed that he was stopped at the, ---

16 Q. Okay.

17 A. --- at the fronta the house.

18 Q. Alright, thank you. No further questions, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: Anything on redirect?

20 MR. SPIVEY: No, sir, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: You may step down.

22 (Whereupon, the witness left the stand.)

23 THE COURT: May call your next witness.

24 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor. I call Jack -- Josh
25 Bagwell ---

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1 THE COURT: Alright.

2 MR. SPIVEY: --- this time.

3 (Whereupon, the witness came forward.)

4 THE CLERK: You can set your stuff down. You'll raise
5 your right hand, put your left hand on the Bible.

6 JOSH BAGWELL, having been first
7 duly sworn, testified as follows:

8 THE CLERK: Thank you, you may be seated.

9 THE COURT: Sir, once seated state your name, please.

10 THE WITNESS: My name is Josh Bagwell.

11 THE COURT: Thank you. Your witness, Counsel.

12 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

13 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY:

14 Q. Investigator Bagwell, please tell us your training and
15 experience.

16 A. Uh, I am a narcotics investigator with the City a
17 Spartanburg. I've been a police officer for little over eight
18 years now.

19 Q. Okay. Uh, what are your training and exper -- what --
20 excuse me, on October 9th 2012, what was your role?

21 A. Uh, my role was the return officer for the search
22 warrant.

23 Q. Okay. What does that, what does that mean?

24 A. The return officer pretty much writes down on a piece a
25 paper everything taken from the residence from a person,

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1 anything located at the scene.

2 Q. Okay. And so that was your role on that occasion?

3 A. Yes, sir, it was.

4 Q. When you showed up, what what did you see?

5 Uh, when I rolled up, I was across the street, uh, tactical

6 team made entry. Uh, I observed Secrest or Investigator

7 Secrest running down the side a the house, I assisted him.

8 Uh, Mr. Lyles was the suspect that was running and

9 Investigator Secrest detained him at that point.

10 Q. Anybody else run outta that door?

11 A. Uh, I think there mighta been one other gentleman but I
12 wasn't sure who that was.

13 Q. Okay. Did he go anywhere near that that fence line?

14 A. Uh, the which one?

15 Q. On the property. Let me, let me, let me just say only
16 only show you a photograph. I'm gonna show you what's been
17 marked as State's Exhibit No. 2, please take a look at that.
18 I'm sorry, dim the lights just a little bit. Thank you.

19 Do -- this (indicating) is the house where -- that that you
20 were at, correct?

21 A. Yes, sir.

22 Q. Okay. You were running down the side?

23 A. Yes, sir, I was runnin' down the side.

24 Q. Okay. And another individual and Mr. Lyles came outta
25 the house.

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1 A. Came outta the side door ---

2 Q. Okay.

3 A. --- on the side a the residence. Uh, I saw Investigator
4 Secrest givin' chase to a subject so I proceeded to go with
5 him ---

6 Q. Okay.

7 A. --- 'cause he ---

8 Q. Did did the other person who ran out was he also
9 detained?

10 A. I I wasn't sure, I did not detain him. I just went
11 straight to Investigator Secrest 'cause he was givin' chase
12 and that's where I went to.

13 Q. But he was, you said he was running.

14 A. He was running towards the back a the res -- or back of
15 the property towards the wood line, ---

16 Q. Okay.

17 A. --- yes, sir.

18 Q. Alright. Alright, uh, Investigator Bagwell, please tell
19 us what you found, uh, that day.

20 A. Okay, if I can refer to my notes here. Uh, initially
21 Investigator Secrest detained Mr. Lyles, at that point he
22 informed me that a handgun was located. Uh, Investigator
23 Secrest secured the weapon and called me and I came and
24 recovered it. It was a, uh, Hi-Point .380, it was located in
25 a, uh, purple bag in the back or in the right pocket of

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1 Mr. Lyles's coveralls and it was loaded with six rounds in the
2 mag, also located was a small clear plastic bag of green plant
3 material in the right pocket of Mr. Isaac Lyles's coveralls,
4 uh, ---

5 Q. Okay, ---

6 A. --- he ---

7 Q. --- hold on, hold on just a second, let me ---

8 A. Okay.

9 Q. --- see if I can hand you somethin'.

10 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I approach the witness?

11 THE COURT: You may.

12 Q. Gonna hand you somethin', see if you can identify what
13 that is.

14 A. That is the, it's green plant material.

15 Q. Okay. Is that the green plant material that was located
16 on the defendant?

17 A. That is not the way I found it.

18 Q. Okay, please ---

19 A. Uh, ---

20 Q. --- explain how how'd you find it.

21 A. ---- I found the, uh, found a bag, a small bag of green
22 plant material, uh, it weighed approximately 2.0 grams, uh, a
23 glass, I guess like a mason jar, a small bottle jar, had green
24 plant material located in Mr. Lyles's coveralls as well, so
25 that was two separate, uh, amounts of marijuana or green plant

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1 material and they were, they were separate so they wasn't in
2 this this (indicating) bag when I found 'em, ---

3 Q. Okay.

4 A. --- this is the evidence technician I believe.

5 Q. Okay. Do you otherwise believe that that was the
6 marijuana that you ---

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. --- submitted to him?

9 A. Yes, sir, it was.

10 Q. Look at the front of that envelope and make sure that that
11 that is your signature.

12 A. Yes, sir, that's my signature on the front of it
13 submitting it to the evidence technician on, uh, 10/9 of 2012.

14 Q. Okay. And the case number on that does that match the
15 case number for this particular case?

16 A. Yes, sir, it does.

17 Q. Okay.

18 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I publish these photos to
19 the jury, these State's Exhibits ---

20 THE COURT: You may, yes, sir.

21 MR. SPIVEY: --- 8 and 7.

22 THE COURT: Yes, sir, you may do so.

23 BY MR. SPIVEY:

24 Q. Let's take a look at State's Exhibit 7 first, this may
25 help clear up some of the confusion. What -- tell us what that

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1 is.

2 A. Uh, that is a green or bag green plant material, looks
3 like some currency and looks like it's a, uh, bag of either an
4 off white rock substance or a white powder substance located
5 in the coveralls of Mr. Isaac Lyles.

6 Q. Okay, those are your your hands.

7 A. Yes, sir, this -- them are my hands.

8 Q. Okay. I wanna show you what's been marked State's
9 Exhibit No. 8.

10 A. And there is the, uh, bottle jar, the mason jar that was
11 also located in his pocket, ---

12 Q. Okay.

13 A. --- Mr. Lyles's pocket.

14 MR. SPIVEY: Uh, you you you can turn the lights back up
15 for the time bein'.

16 Q. Okay, once you found that marijuana, what did you do with
17 it?

18 A. Uh, once I found that marijuana and the glass jar and
19 everything else that was located in his pocket along with the
20 firearm, I went back to a position I believe in the house and
21 sat down and started write down what was located, where it was
22 located, how much it weighed and put the evidence in the
23 proper packaging that we needed to.

24 Q. Okay. Uh, and you found the, we we saw this (indicating)
25 picture, Your Honor, may may I, uh, publish State's Exhibit

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1 No. 6 to the jury?

2 THE COURT: Yes, you may.

3 MR. SPIVEY: Okay.

4 (Whereupon, State's Exhibit No. 6 was published to the
5 jury.)

6 Q. Can you tell us what this (indicating) is.

7 A. Yes, that's a picture of, uh, some currency that was
8 located near the person of Mr. Lyles in the kudzu.

9 Q. How close was it?

10 A. I I'm not sure, say probly within arm distance of where
11 he was lying.

12 Q. Okay. What kinda currency is that? how much is it?

13 A. Uh, let me look at my notes here. The currency that was
14 located right there was in the amount of about twelve hundred
15 and eighty-one dollars, was about one 1, eight 5s, two 10s,
16 twenty-two 20s, one 50 and seven \$100 bills.

17 Q. That's twelve hundred how much?

18 A. Uh, twelve hundred eighty-one dollars.

19 Q. Okay. Alright. Okay.

20 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

21 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I approach the witness?

22 THE COURT: You may.

23 BY MR. SPIVEY:

24 Q. To hand you this, can you identify that (indicating)?

25 A. Yes, sir. This (indicating) is the, uh, the bag of, the

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1 white bag that you saw me pulling from Mr. Lyles's coveralls,
2 that is the, uh, bag of off white or white powder substance
3 that was recovered from his pocket.

4 Q. Okay, that was on the -- in the defendant's pocket.

5 A. Yes, sir, it was.

6 Q. Okay. What did you do with that substance once you...

7 A. Again, I took the substance back along with everything
8 else and put it into an evidence envelope which we put into a,
9 uh, a BEST envelope that is sealed and secured, once it's
10 sealed I cannot reopen it without ripping it ---

11 Q. Well ---

12 A. --- and we submit that into evidence to the technicians.

13 Q. --- what is that, is that the BEST envelope you're you're
14 holding?

15 A. No, sir, the outer box or outer package is not the BEST,
16 it is this (indicating) here that's got the, uh, county drug
17 analysis security envelope that we put, uh, this white powder
18 substance in it and we submit that to our evidence technicians
19 which they in turn give it to the county drug analysis when
20 they test it and do what they do with it.

21 Q. Okay, so that was sealed up and the only way to get into
22 it was to cut it.

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Okay. While the marijuana and that that that amount of
25 cocaine the -- were in your possession, did anyone tamper with

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1 it or anybody mess with it at all?

2 A. No, sir. Uh, once something is located they inform me
3 then I'm the one that come and takes it, possession of it and
4 I'm the one responsible for it at that point. Uh, no one,
5 nobody touches that other than me.

6 Q. Okay, until you seal it up.

7 A. Until I seal it up.

8 Q. At the time you sealed it up and submit it in evidence,
9 was it the same or substantially substain [sic] condition as
10 when you received it?

11 A. Yes, sir, it was.

12 Q. Okay. Let's -- may may I approach the witness, Your
13 Honor?

14 THE COURT: You may.

15 Q. Alright, I wanna move on now, gonna show you some some
16 other photographs. May I approach, Your Honor?

17 THE COURT: You may.

18 Q. Alright. Let's take a look at 'em one at a time. Take a
19 look at the first photograph I've handed you. Do do you
20 recognize it?

21 A. Yes, sir, that's, uh, like a little fence that was along
22 the side a house if I'm not mistaken.

23 Q. And is that photograph a true and accurate copy of of of
24 that fence?

25 A. Yes, it is.

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1 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this time I'd move that in as
2 State's Exhibit, I believe we're at State's Exhibit No. 9,
3 Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: Any objection?

5 MR. BEAN: No objection, Your Honor.

6 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be admitted and be
7 marked.

8 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

9 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

10 BY MR. SPIVEY:

11 Q. Take a look at the next photograph.

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Do you recognize it?

14 A. Yes, sir, that is a, uh, black like a tote back that was
15 on the fence along the side of the residence.

16 Q. Okay, and is it a true and accurate copy?

17 A. Yes, sir, it is.

18 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this time I'd move that in as
19 State's Exhibit No. 10.

20 MR. BEAN: No objection.

21 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be admitted.

22 BY MR. SPIVEY:

23 Q. Take a look at the next photograph.

24 A. That is the, uh, same black tote bag that was hanging on
25 the fence.

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1 Q. Is it a true and accurate copy?

2 A. Yes, sir, it is.

3 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I'd move that into State's
4 Exhibit No. 11.

5 THE COURT: Any objection?

6 MR. BEAN: No objection.

7 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be admitted.

8 BY MR. SPIVEY:

9 Q. Please take a look at the next photograph, do you
10 recognize it?

11 A. Yes, sir. That ---

12 Q. What is it?

13 A. --- that was the, uh, contents, looks like some kinda
14 plant material that was located in the black tote.

15 Q. It is a true and accurate copy of of that, of that
16 picture?

17 A. Yes, sir, it is.

18 Q. Okay.

19 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this time I'd move in as
20 State's Exhibit No. I think we're at No. 12, Your Honor.

21 MR. BEAN: No objection.

22 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be admitted.

23 BY MR. SPIVEY:

24 Q. And I believe this is the last photograph I handed you,
25 do do you recognize that photograph?

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1 A. Yes, sir, that is the, uh, same picture as before of the,
2 uh, plant material along with a set a digital scales and looks
3 like some, uh, off white rock substance and a powder substance
4 along with a, uh, bottle of I believe it was the crystalline
5 or crystalline powder that was inside the black tote.

6 Q. Okay. Is it a true and accurate copy?

7 A. Yes, sir, it is.

8 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this point I'd move this
9 State's Exhibit No. 13.

10 THE COURT: Any objections?

11 MR. SPIVEY: No objection.

12 THE COURT: Without objections it'll be admitted.

13 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor. Your Honor, we need to
14 take a break and have have these marked.

15 THE COURT: Go ahead and mark 'em, yes.

16 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

17 (Photographs marked State's Exhibit Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12
18 and 13 for identification and admitted into evidence.)

19 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I publish these exhibits to
20 the jury?

21 THE COURT: You may. Thank Your Honor.

22 BY MR. SPIVEY:

23 Q. Let's take a look first at State's Exhibit No. 9, now
24 that everybody gets to look at it. Tell us, please describe
25 to us what that is we're lookin' at.

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1 A. That is the, uh, fence line along the side a the house.

2 Q. Okay. And is this (indicating) where the bag was
3 located?

4 A. Yeah, roughly right right in there (indicating). I
5 believe you can see the bag from from that picture.

6 Q. Okay.

7 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I approach, hand him laser
8 pointer?

9 THE COURT: Yes, yes, you may.

10 BY MR. SPIVEY:

11 Q. Sorry, I thought it was up there. Point out to us
12 wherever you're talkin' about, I wanna make sure I'm on the
13 same page.

14 A. I'm not mistaken, that looks like the bag on just on just
15 the other side there, right there (indicating).

16 Q. So the bag was was was hangin' off which side was it
17 facin'?

18 A. Uh, on wh -- it was on opposite side a the house. If you
19 got ---

20 Q. Okay.

21 A. --- the house here (indicating), the fence, it was
22 hangin' on the other side.

23 Q. Okay. This may help us, this is State's Exhibit
24 No. 10.

25 A. Yes, that's the, uh, bag hangin' on the fence, the

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1 picture was taken on the house side the fence just hangin'
2 over.

3 Q. Okay. Take a look at State's Exhibit No. 11.

4 A. Yes, sir, that's, uh, uh, my -- myself holding the bag
5 that was recovered off the fence.

6 Q. Okay. Take a look at State's Exhibit No. 12.

7 A. Uh, that is also the, uh, plant material that was located
8 inside the black tote bag.

9 Q. Okay. What's that sittin' on, do ya know?

10 A. Uh, I believe that was a trash can sitting right on the
11 corner of the house.

12 Q. Take a look at State's Exhibit No. 13.

13 A. Yes, sir, that's also a set a goggles, digital scales,
14 the same plant material as the picture before and three
15 separate bags of white, an off white rock substance along with
16 that big bottle of, uh, crystalline powder I believe.

17 Q. And where did all that stuff come from?

18 A. That came from the, uh, tote bag that was hangin' over
19 the fence.

20 Q. Okay.

21 MR. SPIVEY: May I approach the witness, Your Honor?

22 THE COURT: You may.

23 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

24 Q. Uh, you can, uh, uh, tell us if you re -- if, first of
25 all, what what is it I've just handed you?

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1 A. Just handed me a plastic bag with with a evidence
2 envelope in it with description of a black tote bag inside the
3 evidence envelope.

4 Q. Alright, go ahead and open up that bag for us and see.

5 A. You want me to cut it or you just gonna do it right
6 there?

7 THE COURT: Uh, do you have sumtin' to cut it?

8 THE WITNESS: No, sir, I do not.

9 THE COURT: Officer Bishop, we're gonna need your pocket
10 knife.

11 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

12 (Whereupon, the officer cut the bag open.)

13 THE WITNESS: Thank you, sir.

14 BY MR. SPIVEY:

15 Q. Alright, what's that you're holdin' now? You've you've
16 taken stuff ---

17 A. That i ---

18 Q. --- outta the big bag, ---

19 A. Yes, that ---

20 Q. --- what's that?

21 A. --- is the, uh, evidence envelope that I placed the black
22 tote bag in it on the date of the search warrant is what we
23 submit to evidence through our evidence technicians.

24 Q. Okay. What's what's inside a there?

25 A. This is not the way it, I packaged it ---

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1 Q. Okay.

2 A. --- so...

3 (Whereupon, the witness opened the exhibit.)

4 It is the black tote bag that that was hangin' over the
5 fence that was in the picture that you showed earlier.

6 MR. SPIVEY: Okay, Your Honor, this time I'd move that
7 that that tote bag into evidence as State's Exhibit, uh,
8 No. 14 I believe Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: Any objections?

10 MR. BEAN: Uh, I do object to that, Your Honor. I don't
11 think there's anything that ties that to this case or my
12 client other than the fact that the bag was hanging on the
13 fence. I don't think they've shown enough foundation to get
14 it admitted.

15 THE COURT: Mr. Spivey.

16 MR. SPIVEY: Uh, yes, sir, Your Honor, we'll at at this
17 point we'll we'll we'll we'll move on. Uh, that is --
18 that --- and you're ---

19 THE COURT: Well it's been marked for identification
20 purposes, you can seek its in -- introduction later on.

21 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

22 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

23 BY MR. SPIVEY:

24 Q. Okay, so that is the bag that you found.

25 A. Yes, sir, it is.

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1 Q. Okay.

2 MR. SPIVEY: Okay, Your Honor, may I approach the
3 witness?

4 THE COURT: You may.

5 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

6 A. Alright, alright, these, uh, where do you want me to lay
7 these down, they got fingerprint dust all over 'em?

8 Q. Uh, just ---

9 A. I can ---

10 Q. --- put it ---

11 A. --- lay ---

12 Q. --- on that seat -- sheet a paper right there so we don't
13 mess up the furniture.

14 A. Alright. There's a pair a goggles, that is the, uh,
15 crystalline powder along with a set of, uh, digital scales.

16 Q. And that those three items were found ---

17 A. In the black tote right there (indicating), was hangin'
18 over the fence.

19 Q. Okay.

20 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I I I I would move into
21 evidence, I'll I'll I'll do it after we establish that the bag
22 was at the appropriate time, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: That'll be fine.

24 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I, may I approach the
25 witness again?

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1 THE COURT: You may.

2 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

3 BY MR. SPIVEY:

4 Q. I'll gonna switch with ya again. Alright, do you, do you
5 recognize what's in that envelope I've just handed you?

6 A. Yes, sir, this was the items that was in the picture, the
7 three bags, the clear bags right here (indicating), that
8 (indicating) one, that (indicating) one and that (indicating)
9 one.

10 Q. Okay.

11 A. That was the ones that was located in the bag, the black
12 tote.

13 Q. Okay. And what did you do with those items a -- once you
14 collected?

15 A. Once I collected these items along with everything else,
16 again, I went back to my location that I was sitting down
17 logging the information onto the return of the search warrant.
18 I did a, uh, field test using a, uh, field reagent that we
19 have that would test the presence of cocaine and the items and
20 all of 'em tested positive for the, uh, cocaine present in the
21 items.

22 Q. Okay. What did ya do after that?

23 A. I sealed 'em up, we put 'em in the evidence envelope
24 that's marked here, we put 'em in the BEST envelope, the
25 county drug analysis security envelope like we did on the

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1 other one and submitted into evidence for our technician to
2 submit it to the county.

3 Q. Okay, and like the substances you found earlier did
4 anybody tamper with these at any time?

5 A. No, sir, I was the one that took possession of the items
6 that I listed on the search warrant and that was in my custody
7 until I dropped 'em off to the evidence technician.

8 Q. And that time were they in s -- the the same or
9 substantially the same condition?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Okay. Officer Bagwell, did you locate any other
12 substances that you believe were drugs anywhere else?

13 A. If I can look at my report real quick, I can . . .
14 No, sir, that that was, that's all that was located as
15 narcotics.

16 Q. You remember how many people were there?

17 A. Maybe three. I I believe I remember three males there.

18 Q. And none of them had drugs on them ---

19 A. No, sir.

20 Q. --- or anything you suspected to be drugs ---

21 A. No, sir.

22 Q. --- except for Isaac Lyles.

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Okay.

25 A. He's the only one that I recovered any narcotics from.

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1 Q. What about anywhere else in the residence, inside ---

2 A. No.

3 Q. --- a the residence?

4 A. No, sir, I did not locate or recover any narcotics inside
5 the residence.

6 Q. Okay. You locate any items of of Mr. Lyles' inside the
7 residence?

8 A. I do not recall but if I did they woulda been on my
9 report and I don't remember putting anything down with
10 Mr. Lyles's name on it.

11 Q. Okay.

12 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this point I've got no
13 further questions for this witness. Uh, oh, excuse me, Your
14 Honor, I I, if I can take that back very quickly, ---

15 THE COURT: You certainly can.

16 MR. SPIVEY: --- I got one more, one item to approach on.
17 I apologize, may I approach him?

18 THE COURT: You may.

19 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

20 BY MR. SPIVEY:

21 Q. I'm gonna switch with ya one last time. Do you -- can
22 you identify that particular item?

23 A. Yes, sir, that item, make sure I'm on the right page
24 here. Yes, that is a, uh, was a large bag containing green
25 plant material located in the black tote that was hanging over

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1 the, over the fence.

2 Q. Okay. Looking at that picture right there which is
3 State's Exhibit 13, is is that the same substance that was in
4 that Ziploc bag?

5 A. Yes, sir, it was.

6 Q. Okay. Uh, what did you do with the substance outta that
7 Ziploc bag, how how did it get to there?

8 A. Uh, I put, the way the evidence as you see there plastic
9 baggy Ziploc with the green or the plant material in the
10 bottom I put that into the evidence envelope that we would
11 turn over to the, uh, evidence technician, they would, I guess
12 they they would do whatever they need to do with it and put it
13 into a separate sealed, uh, bag.

14 Q. Okay. And did you -- you you said you sealed that up.

15 A. I I put it in this this envelope here (indicating).

16 Q. Okay. And did anybody, uh, tamper with it while it was
17 in your custody or control?

18 A. No, sir, they did not.

19 Q. And it was in the same or substantially same condition as
20 when you retrieved it.

21 A. Yes, sir, that's correct.

22 Q. Okay, thank you.

23 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this point I have no further
24 questions of this witness.

25 THE COURT: Mr. Bean, your witness.

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1 MR. BEAN: Thank Your Honor.

2 MR. SPIVEY: Get some a this stuff.

3 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN:

4 Q. Officer Bagwell, uh, how far were you from Isaac Lyles
5 when he was detained by the other officer?

6 A. Uh, I -- he detained him before I got to him so I'd
7 probly say no further than you and I are right now.

8 Q. Twenty feet?

9 A. Roughly, yes, sir.

10 Q. Okay. And, uh, so you were right there when they went
11 through, when the other officer went through his pockets and
12 all that, correct?

13 A. Uh, he informed me about the gun and that's when I came
14 and recovered everything else ---

15 Q. Okay. So you were, ---

16 A. --- so...

17 Q. --- you were there the whole time, ---

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. --- from the time he grabbed him until ---

20 A. Yes, yes.

21 Q. --- ya'll were done and he was carted off.

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Oh, (clears throat) excuse me. Now at what point in this
24 process did you find this bag?

25 A. Which? the black tote?

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1 Q. Bag, yeah, ---

2 A. Uh, ---

3 Q. --- hangin' on the fence.

4 A. --- that -- I was informed about the black tote, I was
5 sitting inside the residence doing the return o -- for the
6 search warrant and I'm not sure which officer informed me that
7 there was a tote hangin' over the fence so I went outside and
8 then recovered it, it was while I was doin' the return.

9 Q. Okay. So so you didn't see how the bag got there, is
10 that ---

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. --- right? Don't know how long it been there?

13 A. No, sir.

14 Q. Okay.

15 MR. BEAN: Just one moment, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

17 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

18 MR. BEAN: Uh, can I have just a moment, this ---

19 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

20 MR. BEAN: --- this stuff's been re-bagged here, I just,
21 uh, wanna see what I'm lookin' at.

22 BY MR. BEAN:

23 Q. Mr. Bagwell, -- approach the witness, Your Honor?

24 THE COURT: You may.

25 Q. I'm gonna hand you these, I -- this one came outta this

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1 bag and I'm not sure which is which but I ---

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. --- presume that you do. Did did you collect that
4 (indicating)?

5 A. Yes, sir, I did.

6 Q. Where'd it come from?

7 A. Uh, this is two separate pieces here. Uh, the first one
8 that's marked 1.86 grams that was the small bag, I -- ya'll
9 were showin' some pictures earlier when when he pulled it out
10 of his pocket.

11 Q. Okay.

12 A. The bottom one 3.85 I believe was in the, uh, bottle jar,
13 the mason jar, that was in the, uh, pocket of Mr. Lyles.

14 Q. Okay, that that was this here (indicating)?

15 A. Yes, sir, that was the, that was bottom one, ---

16 Q. Alright, ---

17 A. --- yes.

18 Q. --- and and then this one over here (indicating) tell me
19 what that is and and where you found that. You you found
20 that here. That was there?

21 A. That was the one I recovered, I -- that was the one that
22 was in the black tote, ---

23 Q. Okay.

24 A. --- yes.

25 Q. Now I don't know anything about marijuana unlike

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1 President Clinton and some other folks but how would you
2 compare the, uh, the two, the two there? They don't look the
3 same to me.

4 A. I mean, these it's just green plant material.

5 Q. Okay.

6 A. You got some shake on both of the bottoms that look
7 similar and you got when I say "shake" it's the the grinds,
8 the grounds here (indicating) ---

9 Q. Okay.

10 A. --- you got 'em here (indicating) as well.

11 Q. Well would it be a fair statement though that they don't
12 look the same?

13 A. Uh, the the larger pieces do not but the bu -- or the,
14 uh, shake, I mean, they're they're similar in in ---

15 Q. Right, but ---

16 A. --- shake.

17 Q. --- and as as marijuana is, uh, mashed or ground ---

18 A. Yeah.

19 Q. --- or whatever they do with it ---

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. --- it obviously gets finer and ---

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. --- finer into smaller and smaller ---

24 A. Yeah, ---

25 Q. --- pieces, correct?

JOSH BAGWELL - CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN

1 A. --- it does: -

2 Q. Okay, and and those two bags, hold 'em up if you would
3 just, I'm sorry, I ---

4 A. No, you're fine.

5 Q. --- I wanna see them again.

6 A. That's them.

7 Q. Okay. Okay. Alright, thank ya, I just, ---

8 A. Yes, ---

9 Q. --- I just wanted to, ---

10 A. --- you're good ---

11 Q. --- wanted to see those and have you tell me about 'em,
12 I'll give those back to the folks over here. Here you go.

13 Now, uh, Officer Bagwell, you also said I think that you
14 thought there were three people in the house?

15 A. I remember a gentleman that was inside and another
16 gentleman sitting on steps after everything was calmed down
17 and Mr. Lyles was handcuffed so ---

18 Q. Alright, well yeah.

19 A. --- I I remember three guys but I don't know.

20 Q. Okay, but we, now we had two guys run out, ---

21 A. Yes, ---

22 Q. --- remember?

23 A. --- the one guy, Mr. Lyles was the one that run out the
24 side, ---

25 Q. Yeah.

JOSH BAGWELL - CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN

1 A. --- I believe there was another gentleman that ran out
2 but he didn't go really hardly anywhere 'cause there was other
3 officers there, ---

4 Q. Okay.

5 A. --- I believe he just stayed right there near the side a
6 the house.

7 Q. Okay, and then so there was only one other person
8 there?

9 A. Uh, and as far as I remember there was another person
10 inside but I did not realize he was inside till after ---

11 Q. Okay.

12 A. --- everybody was secured.

13 Q. So it's your testimony you believe that there were three
14 people total ---

15 A. Well ---

16 Q. --- in the house not countin', ---

17 A. --- that that I ---

18 Q. --- not countin' ---

19 A. --- could see.

20 Q. --- the police.

21 A. Yes, sir, that I could see.

22 Q. Okay, but would there, would there have been anybody in
23 there that you could not see?

24 A. No, sir.

25 Q. Okay. Thank you, no further questions.

JOSH BAGWELL - REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY

1 THE COURT: Redirect?

2 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, Your Honor, just briefly.

3 REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY:

4 Q. Your your job was to collect the evidence found.

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. So if somebody didn't have any what another officer would
7 consider evidence, you wouldn't have any interaction with that
8 person, would you?

9 A. No, sir, I would not.

10 MR. SPIVEY: No further question, Your Honor.

11 THE COURT: Mr. Bean, anything further from the witness?

12 MR. BEAN: Nothin' further, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: You may step down, sir.

14 (Whereupon, the witness left the stand.)

15 THE COURT: Alright, ladies and gentlemen of the jury,
16 it's about 5:20 so we're gonna stop for the afternoon, same
17 instructions I'll give ya now that I gave ya when you left
18 earlier, uh, please don't discuss the case with anyone, don't
19 allow anyone to discuss it with you, don't try to gather any
20 information about the case from any other source, listen to,
21 watch or read media reports about the case and if anyone tries
22 to contact you about your service on this jury, please report
23 that as soon as you can. Uh, we'll begin again in the morning
24 at nine o'clock, we'll probly start pretty shortly thereafter
25 so be in the jury room at 9:00, the bailiffs will show ya

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1 where to be, uh, we look forward to seeing you that time.

2 This time your free to go, have a good evening.

3 (The following takes place outside the presence of the
4 jury.)

5 THE COURT: Alright, we will be in recess until nine
6 o'clock in the morning, thank you.

7 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

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9 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

10 THE COURT: Alright, you ready to proceed, Mr. Spivey?

11 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor. Uh, before we get
12 started I wanna make the the the Court aware and we talked a
13 little bit about this yesterday, uh, I I did a little research
14 on the issue of, uh, Mr. Wesson's record, ---

15 THE COURT: Yes.

16 MR. SPIVEY: --- Mr. Barnette was kind enough to supply
17 me with a case that ---

18 THE COURT: Pass it up.

19 MR. SPIVEY: --- that I'd like to to for you to take a
20 look at, Your Honor.

21 (Whereupon, counsel handed the document to the Court.)

22 MR. SPIVEY: Uh, Your Honor, essentially it's -- this
23 was, now this case was in related to a defendant and not a a
24 witness, uh, but it does talk about having a balancing test
25 and it talks about armed robbery or a, or a burglary being not

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1 crimes of dishonesty just in and of themselves, there's got to
2 be something more than the actual crime, some other act of
3 deceit.

4 THE COURT: Well that's that's the reason I asked
5 yesterday in chambers if anybody had any information
6 concerning the a -- underlying crime of the armed robbery, how
7 it was, uh, how it came about. I I asked that question, uh,
8 and didn't get any response, I don't ---

9 MR. SPIVEY: Ye ---

10 THE COURT: --- know that I I I got, ever got a response
11 to that.

12 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, I talked with the defendant about
13 that and I'd I'd be willing to put him up and proffer some
14 testimony about that, we could -- he could cross-examine him,
15 we can make that determination if we need to, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: Mr. Bean.

17 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I thought this matter was settled,
18 uh, and I apologize that ---

19 THE COURT: Well it hasn't been, it hasn't -- he hasn't
20 been presented for testimony and if there's, ---

21 MR. BEAN: Right.

22 THE COURT: --- if there's somethin' else I need to
23 consider I always do.

24 MR. BEAN: I understand and I certainly don't have a
25 problem with that as long as a course I can cross-examine,

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1 Your Honor, and ---

2 THE COURT: Uh, sure.

3 MR. BEAN: --- I presume this would be outta the presence
4 of the jury ---

5 (Cross-talk.)

6 THE COURT: Oh, absolutely, it be a proffer. Do you
7 wanna do that -- do you plan to offer him now?

8 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, yes, sir, he's gonna go get him, he's
9 he's sitting ---

10 THE COURT: Well let's ---

11 MR. SPIVEY: --- in my office, ---

12 THE COURT: --- go ahead and, ---

13 MR. SPIVEY: --- uh, ---

14 THE COURT: --- let's go ahead and make a proffer then
15 concerning this issue ---

16 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: --- 'cause as I indicated yesterday the the
18 purpose of offering prior records is to attack credibility,
19 uh, and I was aware of this case that you've given me
20 *Broadnax*, uh, in which they said you had to look into the
21 underlying crime to determine if it involved some type of
22 dishonesty or or, uh, uh, false statements or things of that
23 nature, uh, and so I'll be happy to take a look at.

24 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, ---

25 THE COURT: I asked, ---

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1 MR. SPIVEY: --- Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: --- I asked the question yesterday, didn't
3 have any information on that.

4 MR. BEAN: Uh, Your Honor, before Mr., what's his name
5 again Wesson?

6 MR. SPIVEY: Wesson.

7 MR. BEAN: Wes -- 'fore he gets here, uh, I haven't been
8 given any information on what the solicitor may have promised
9 him, offered him, threatened him with, uh, any of that so ---

10 THE COURT: Well I'll I'll give you an opportunity to
11 cross-examine him in just a minute when they put him on the
12 stand.

13 MR. BEAN: Okay. And one more bit of, uh, I I I guess
14 I'll call housekeeping. Your Honor, I was going through the
15 exhibits up there and one of the exhibits is the, uh, uh, the
16 DNA search warrant, I wanna be sure that doesn't go to the
17 jury ---

18 THE COURT: Well I always, ---

19 MR. BEAN: --- by mistake.

20 THE COURT: --- I always before the exhibits are given
21 to the jury allow the attorneys to first agree on what goes
22 back ---

23 MR. SPIVEY: I ---

24 THE COURT: --- so I'm sure you'll take a look at that at
25 that time.

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1 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I'll agree that that was entered
2 as exhibit for the purposes of that motion ---

3 THE COURT: That motion ---

4 MR. SPIVEY: --- and ---

5 THE COURT: --- hearing ---

6 MR. SPIVEY: --- and not for ---

7 THE COURT: --- that we ---

8 MR. SPIVEY: --- the purposes of of the trial, ---

9 THE COURT: Well, uh, ---

10 MR. SPIVEY: --- you know, didn't ---

11 THE COURT: --- again, before before anything goes back
12 to the jury I always send the jury out, we agree on what goes
13 back and then bring the jury back, ---

14 MR. BEAN: Yes, thank you.

15 THE COURT: --- that's the reason I do that just to be
16 sure we don't get things back to the jury that shouldn't be
17 there.

18 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, while while we're waiting on him
19 to to come down, uh, I also wanna pass up another case and and
20 just for you'll need it in the future I think, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: Um-hum.

22 MR. SPIVEY: This is *State v. Robinson*. This is a case
23 in which a law enforcement officer based upon his training and
24 experience was qualified as an expert and he was an expert in,
25 uh, things like packaging, sale, cost of drugs, uh, the

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1 typical dosage amounts, uh, essentially he was able to testify
2 because of his training and experience that as a difference
3 between a user and a drug dealer and I I I'm intending today
4 and I I've told Mr. Bean this, I've handed him a copy of this
5 case, to have Investigator Kirby, uh, qualified as an expert
6 in those, uh, those those areas of expertise.

7 THE COURT: We may have to take a proffer on that as well
8 outside of the hearing of the jury.

9 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor, I just wanna make
10 you ---

11 THE COURT: Just make me ---

12 MR. SPIVEY: --- aware of that.

13 THE COURT: --- aware when you're ready to present him
14 and then we'll do that.

15 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: Alright.

17 (Pause.)

18 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, also will will will tell you,
19 uh, we talked about just this is a point a clarification for
20 Your Honor, ---

21 THE COURT: Yes.

22 MR. SPIVEY: --- we talked about there being an informant
23 that led to information about the search warrant, Mr. Wesson
24 is not that informant. I I know it -- I don't want there
25 being confusion about that. He he he was the a person who

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1 gave information but he gave information after the fact, ---

2 THE COURT: I understand.

3 MR. SPIVEY: --- uh, and I I didn't want you to think
4 they're the same person, ---

5 THE COURT: Now ---

6 MR. SPIVEY: --- Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: --- he was one of the individuals who was at
8 the home?

9 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: Is this (indicating) the gentleman?

11 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

12 THE COURT: Sir, come forward please to my left and be
13 sworn. C'mon up, ---

14 THE WITNESS: Okay.

15 THE COURT: --- right over here to my left. Thank you,
16 sir.

17 (Whereupon, the witness came forward.)

18 EDWARD WESSON, having been first
19 duly sworn, testified as follows:

20 THE CLERK: Thank you, you may be seated.

21 THE COURT: Have a seat, sir. Once you're seated please
22 state your name for the record.

23 THE WITNESS: Edward Wesson.

24 THE COURT: Thank you. Have a seat, sir. Your witness,
25 uh, Mr. Spivey.

EDWARD WESSON - DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY

1 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

3 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY:

4 Q: Mr. Wesson, I just want, this is a a hearing just solely
5 wanna talk about your record just for the moment, wanna do it
6 outside the presence of the jury. Uh, can you tell us and in
7 in 19, was it '95 or '96 you were convicted of armed robbery,
8 correct?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Okay. Tell us about the facts and circumstances about
11 that.

12 A. Yeah, it had a lot to do with drugs.

13 Q. Okay. Did -- tell me about how you actually committed
14 the armed robbery.

15 A. It was with, well there was a gun, we had a gun and I I
16 don't know exactly know 'cause that was a long time ago.

17 Q. Okay. Did you -- it hap -- you you had -- where did it
18 happen?

19 A. Uh, at that time it was well, uh, it used to be a abo --
20 above I forget the name of the place, it was a, it was a a
21 grocery store anyway as I remember.

22 Q. What part a town was that in?

23 A. It's over there where a Bank America's over there I know
24 now.

25 Q. Okay, and, uh, who did you rob?

EDWARD WESSON - DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY

1 A. It was a old woman, I don't remember her name or
2 nothin'.

3 Q. What did you take from her?

4 A. Money.

5 Q. Did she have it in her purse? in her pocket? where was
6 the money?

7 A. In her wallet.

8 Q. In her wallet?

9 A. In her purse.

10 Q. In her purse. How did you, how did you do it? Did you
11 walk up to her?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And then what did you do then?

14 A. I just asked her for the money.

15 Q. Did you ask her anything else? You try to trick her in
16 any way or...

17 A. (Nodded in the negative.)

18 Q. Did you show her your gun?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Okay.

21 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I've I've I've got no further
22 questions at this time.

23 Q. Well let me ask you about the burglary, the --- in 2006
24 you were convicted of burglary, uh, third degree.

25 A. Yeah, that was on a, it was on a construction site.

EDWARD WESSON - DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY

1 Q. Okay, where was the construction site?

2 A. On E -- on East Main.

3 Q. Okay, uh, well tell me about what you did there.

4 A. Well I was just tryin', really at that time I was just
5 find, tryin' to find me a place to sleep.

6 Q. Okay. Where -- uh, was anybody there?

7 A. No.

8 Q. How did you get caught?

9 A. Somebody, uh, they said a taxi it was right from, uh,
10 right across from a where a a Yellow Cab used to be and they
11 said that they called 'em.

12 Q. Did you lie to anybody?

13 A. (Nodded in the negative.)

14 Q. You talk to anybody at all?

15 A. No.

16 Q. You were just tryin' to find a place to sleep?

17 A. Yeah.

18 Q. Okay. Uh, you pled guilty to both of those crimes,
19 didn't you?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. You were guilty and and you pled because you were guilty.

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay, uh, please answer any questions the defense
24 attorney has.

25 THE COURT: Mr. Bean.

EDWARD WESSON - CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN

1 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN:

2 Q. Mr. Wesson, when you robbed this lady, what had you been
3 doin' before you went over there?

4 A. Exactly I don't -- what are you sayin', I'm just ---

5 Q. Were ---

6 A. --- in a ---

7 Q. --- you at home?

8 A. No, no, I didn't ---

9 Q. Okay, where were ya before you went over there and robbed
10 her?

11 A. I was just walkin' around.

12 Q. With a gun in your pocket.

13 A. (Nodded in the affirmative.)

14 Q. Okay, and what ---

15 THE COURT: You have to answer verbally, sir.

16 THE WITNESS: Okay.

17 THE COURT: Is that a yes?

18 THE WITNESS: Yes.

19 THE COURT: Thank you.

20 BY MR. BEAN:

21 Q. Alright. With a gun in your pocket you're just walkin'
22 around and so you come up to this lady just on the street or
23 did you go to the store there directly to do what you did?

24 A. She she came in the parkin' lot.

25 Q. How'd she get there?

EDWARD WESSON - CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN

- 1 A. In a car.
- 2 Q. Where were you?
- 3 A. I was in the parkin' lot.
- 4 Q. Were you in a car?
- 5 A. Nah.
- 6 Q. Were you standin' around hidin', ---
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. --- what were you doin'?
- 9 A. Walkin', yeah.
- 10 Q. Just walkin', okay. What were ya thinkin' about?
- 11 A. When robbin her'.
- 12 Q. You're thinkin' about robbin'.
- 13 A. Uh, yeah.
- 14 Q. Okay, so that's why you went there?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- 16 Q. And and you knew if you did that that that be wrong, that
- 17 that would be a crime, didn't ya?
- 18 A. Yeah.
- 19 Q. But even though you thought about it you went and did it
- 20 anyway.
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. You have ---
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Yes? Is that a yes?
- 25 A. Yes.

EDWARD WESSON - CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN

1 Q. Okay. And wha'd you do after you got the money from her,
2 after you pointed the gun at her and took her wallet?

3 A. Took off runnin'.

4 Q. Okay. Now on this burglary at East Main you said it was
5 a construction site?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. What were they buildin' there?

8 A. I, uh, it's a bank, there's a bank now.

9 Q. It's a bank now?

10 A. It wasn't nothin' then but that's what ---

11 Q. Well ---

12 A. --- they were buildin' though a bank.

13 Q. --- what did it look like then?

14 A. A mess (laughs).

15 Q. Okay. Was it a building?

16 A. It wasn't a, uh, buildin' had been been up yet, ---

17 Q. So ---

18 A. --- they still workin'.

19 Q. --- so it was just construction materials?

20 A. Yeah.

21 Q. There was no building there?

22 A. Nah.

23 Q. Why'd you go there?

24 A. For I didn't have no -- see, I'm livin' on the street,
25 uh, see if I try to find me a place to live.

EDWARD WESSON - CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN

1 Q. So you were gonna live in a construction site where there
2 was no building, is that what you're tellin' me?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. How were you gonna live there?

5 A. It was I was there, I was just for a night to sleep,
6 somewhere to sleep.

7 Q. But there was no buildin', you were gonna sleep outside,
8 weren't ya?

9 A. Yeah.

10 Q. Just just out there under the stars on the concrete?

11 A. Yeah, it wouldn't a been the first time.

12 Q. And you knew that was wrong too, didn't ya? You weren't
13 supposed to be there, were ya?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. You were supposed to be there.

16 A. No, no.

17 Q. You were not?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Okay. But you went anyway and you -- where were you when
20 they came, when the police came?

21 A. I was on, I was inside i -- on the property.

22 Q. Well you weren't inside the buildin', was there a
23 fence?

24 A. Yeah, there was a fence around it, yes.

25 Q. Okay, so you decided to climb the fence or did you --

EDWARD WESSON - CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN

1 how'd you get in?

2 A. It was a a ga -- a gape in the, a gap in the gate and I
3 just walked in.

4 Q. Okay. And so you want us to believe that you were going
5 in there to sleep.

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. You weren't goin' in there to take anything.

8 A. (Nodded in the affirmative.)

9 Q. Did you think about takin' anything?

10 A. That didn't cross my mind. Like I said, I went there to
11 sleep, I wasn't even thinkin' about stealin' nothing'.

12 Q. So there's a buildin' there or there's no buildin' there,
13 there's just materials and you didn't go there to take
14 anything, you went there to sleep out in the open?

15 A. No -- yes.

16 MR. BEAN: No further questions, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: Mr. Bean, did you wanna ask him about a prior
18 arrangement of some kind?

19 MR. BEAN: Oh, I'm sorry, I ---

20 THE COURT: I told ya I'd let ya go into that at
21 this ---

22 MR. BEAN: Yes, ---

23 THE COURT: --- time if ---

24 MR. BEAN: --- thank ---

25 THE COURT: --- you wished to do so.

EDWARD WESSON - CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN

1 BY MR. BEAN:

2 Q. Mr. Wesson, when when the police came to your residence
3 on was it Farley Street on October the 9th of 2012, do you
4 remember that?

5 A. Yes, I do.

6 Q. Okay. And you remember them comin' in?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Okay. And, uh, do you remember that you were, uh, you
9 were runnin' out the door ---

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. --- when they came in? Now were you arrested?

12 A. No, no.

13 Q. Okay. Do you know why you were not arrested?

14 A. No, other than I -- they told me I wasn't the one that
15 they was after when they came, yes, sir.

16 Q. Okay. Did they, did they promise you anything to get you
17 to come here today to testify?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Okay. Did you go to jail right after that incident?

20 A. Yes, it was for somethin' else though.

21 Q. What was it for?

22 A. Trespassin'.

23 Q. Trespassin'?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. What else?

EDWARD WESSON - CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN

1 A. You, what are you sayin' now?

2 Q. Well you had, you had some bench warrants, didn't you?

3 A. Yeah, yeah.

4 Q. Okay. What were those bench warrants for?

5 A. Trespassin', I didn't go to court.

6 Q. Both of 'em were trespass?

7 A. Yeah.

8 Q. Okay. And did the police let you, uh, get you out of
9 those things after you went to jail?

10 A. No, I did the time.

11 Q. How much time did you do?

12 A. They gave me 30 days.

13 Q. Thirty days, okay. So you did your 30 days?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Alright. Now what did they tell you when they asked you
16 to come here today and talk about that incident on October the
17 9th of last year?

18 A. They just told me to tell ya'll everything that happened
19 and then, you know, 'cause I I don't remember it, you know.

20 Q. Okay. So they didn't offer you anything to get you to
21 come?

22 A. No.

23 Q. Did they promise ya anything?

24 A. No.

25 Q. Did they threaten you in any way?

EDWARD WESSON - CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN

1 A. No.

2 Q. So you just here of your own free will, is that right?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And you're just doin' the right thing.

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Alright.

7 MR. BEAN: No further questions, thank Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Alright, sir, you may step down.

9 (Whereupon, the witness left the stand.)

10 THE COURT: Alright, is the State's motion to exclude
11 what, uh, the convictions for both burglary and armed
12 robbery?

13 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir. At this point, Your Honor, we
14 don't believe there's, other than the crimes themselves
15 there's no act of deceit or dishonesty involved in those
16 crimes and the the *Broadnax* case states there's got to be
17 something other than the crime, some other element of deceit
18 or misleading or dishonest behavior.

19 THE COURT: Now there were convictions on his record for
20 for bad check.

21 MR. SPIVEY: Fraudulent check.

22 THE COURT: Fraudulent checks.

23 MR. SPIVEY: Case law has been settled on those
24 particular crimes, Your Honor, that's ---

25 THE COURT: Alright.

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1 MR. SPIVEY: --- we agree there -- they shouldn't be used
2 for impeachment purposes.

3 THE COURT: I understand. Mr. Bean.

4 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, as to the armed robbery
5 particularly, he he just said he went there to to rob somebody
6 and he and he took advantage of doin' that and I think, I
7 think you can argue deceit or non-deceit or dishonesty or not
8 but it just seems clear to me that this is a a crime that
9 clearly involves dishonesty when you're plannin' to go up
10 there to steal somethin' and in this case to use a gun to to
11 take it away from, uh, the person who's lawfully entitled to
12 have it, the lady who had the the money in her wallet. I
13 think it's clear that it is a crime of of, uh, that involves
14 dishonesty and I think it oughta be included and, uh, that the
15 jury oughta know about it because I think it clearly affects
16 his credibility.

17 THE COURT: Well in looking at the the *Broadnax* case they
18 talk in terms of crimes which involve dishonesty, uh, or false
19 statements, uh, then it specifically says, "a conviction for
20 robbery, burglary, theft, drug possession, beyond the basic
21 crime itself, is not probative of truthfulness", uh, and it
22 says the Court must determine whether the crime involved any
23 false statements or acts of deceit beyond the basic crime
24 itself. Uh, here he says he's went to a parking lot, he, uh,
25 uh, robbed a lady that pulled up in a car. Uh, I didn't hear

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1 any indication that he in any way tricked her or deceived her,
2 uh, and put her in a position to be robbed as a result of
3 that, uh, and in the case of the burglary he simply said he
4 went there for a place to sleep for the night and was on, uh,
5 in a place he shouldn't a been so I am gonna rule that there's
6 not sufficient evidence to, uh, have those crimes declared
7 crimes of dishonesty or false statement and I'll exclude them.

8 MR. BEAN: Thank Your Honor.

9 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: Anything else we need to take up before we
11 bring the jury in from the State's perspective, Mr. Spivey?

12 MR. SPIVEY: Uh, no, sir, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: Defense wish to take up anything before I
14 bring the jury in?

15 MR. BEAN: No, Your Honor, thank ---

16 THE COURT: Alright, let's bring the jury in.

17 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury.)

18 THE COURT: Alright, the record will reflect the jury's
19 return to the courtroom, I hope everyone had a good evening.
20 Any of you had any difficulty in complying with my
21 instructions of yesterday afternoon concerning your behavior
22 away from the courthouse, please stand.

23 (No response.)

24 THE COURT: The record then will reflect that all jurors
25 have been able to comply with my instructions, uh, appreciate

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1 your being here on time, we were here on time too. We had
2 some issues that would've required you to leave the courtroom
3 and go back and forth so we took care a those before you came
4 in and so I've made a a a couple of rulings on some matters,
5 uh, in that regard so I again, I apologize for making you wait
6 but maybe we've sped up the overall proceedings by getting
7 some things taken care of.

8 This time the State is in the process of presenting its
9 evidence, you may call your next witness.

10 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor. Your Honor, the State
11 calls Edward Wesson.

12 THE COURT: Sir, come forward. Come over here
13 (indicating), meet the clerk to be sworn, please.

14 (Whereupon, the witness came forward.)

15 THE CLERK: Raise your right hand, put your left hand on
16 the Bible.

17 EDWARD WESSON, having been first
18 duly sworn, testified as follows:

19 THE COURT: Have a seat in the witness stand, sir. State
20 your name.

21 THE WITNESS: Edward Wesson.

22 THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. Wesson, have a seat, please.

23 (Whereupon, the witness complied.)

24 THE COURT: Spivey, your witness.

25 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

EDWARD WESSON - DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY

1 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY:

2 Q. Mr. Wesson, where did you live in October of 2009?

3 A. Uh, on I remember it was, uh, Forest Street, I forget the
4 address.

5 Q. Okay. Was it 553 North Forest Street?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. That's near Cleveland Elementary School.

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Okay. Uh, uh, Mr. Wesson, have you ever been convicted
10 of fraudulent check?

11 A. Yes, I have.

12 Q. Okay, when was that?

13 A. Was sometime last year.

14 Q. Was it, did it stem out of something that occurred in
15 2006?

16 A. No, no.

17 Q. Okay. Did you, did you plead guilty to those
18 convictions?

19 A. Yes, I did.

20 Q. And there were five of 'em?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. Uh, Mr. Wesson, how do you know the defendant?

23 A. Uh, he came to me and asked me to, uh, use my apartment,
24 other than I didn't know him before then.

25 Q. Okay. How long had you lived in that that, it was a

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1 duplex?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. How long had you lived there?

4 A. The day I met him I was movin' in.

5 Q. Okay. When was that?

6 A. In s -- it was in the, in the summertime.

7 Q. Okay, of 2012?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Okay. And so you knew him from the summertime 2012 up
10 until this day, a couple months?

11 A. Yeah.

12 Q. How often would you see, uh, the defendant?

13 A. Pretty much every day after that.

14 Q. Okay. Why did you see him every day?

15 A. He just came to my apartment.

16 Q. Okay. What what what what did he talk to you about when
17 you first met him?

18 A. Well I I met him through somebody else and, uh, she had
19 told me that he wanted to use my apartment to use to sell
20 drugs.

21 MR. BEAN: Objection to what she might have told him,
22 Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: I'll sustain the objection as to what she --
24 he he might have been told by a third party, it it would be
25 hearsay. You may proceed.

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1 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, Your Honor.

2 BY MR. SPIVEY:

3 Q. Just tell me about what the defendant said. Once you met
4 him what did he tell you?

5 A. He, uh, just asked me if he could, uh, sell my -- use my
6 apartment to sell drugs out of it.

7 Q. Okay. And during the time from that summer from when you
8 moved in until October 9th, he would do that?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And he would -- how often would he do that?

11 A. Every day.

12 Q. Okay. What did he always carry with him?

13 A. Uh, a black bag.

14 Q. Okay.

15 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

16 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I approach?

17 THE COURT: You may.

18 BY MR. SPIVEY:

19 Q. I'll hand you sumtin', Mr. Wesson. If you could open
20 that envelope up for me, please.

21 A. Want me to ask you what this is?

22 Q. Yes, sir, just just set that aside, they -- what is that
23 you're holdin' in your hand?

24 A. It's a back bag, I mean, a like it's it's it's a bag
25 that, like a backpack.

EDWARD WESSON - DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY

1 Q. Okay. Is that what the defendant always had with him?

2 A. Yeah.

3 Q. Okay.

4 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this point I'd move and I've
5 I've, excuse me, Your Honor, may I approach to get ---

6 THE COURT: Yes, I ---

7 MR. SPIVEY: --- the exhibit number?

8 THE COURT: --- it's been marked for identification I
9 believe.

10 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor. This was State's
11 Exhibit 14. Your Honor, this time I'd move State's Exhibit 14
12 into evidence.

13 THE COURT: Any objections?

14 MR. BEAN: Uh, I do object, Your Honor. I think the fact
15 that he testified that perhaps that was my client's back --
16 black bag does not make it so and doesn't give him a
17 foundation to get it in as evidence that its my client's
18 property.

19 THE COURT: Well that along with the other testimony when
20 it was identified I will admit it into evidence. Overrule the
21 objection, it'll be admitted as marked.

22 (Black bag marked State's Exhibit No. 14 for
23 identification and admitted into evidence.)

24 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor. Your Honor, I'd also
25 move that the items other than the items that were, uh, that

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1 are alleged to be drugs I move those items into evidence as
2 well, they are the the black pair of goggles, the caffeine
3 powder and the set of digital scales that were inside the bag,
4 I would move those items into evidence as well, Your Honor.

5 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, there there's been no testimony
6 from this witness there was anything in the bag. I I don't
7 think there's a foundation for that.

8 MR. SPIVEY: You you ---

9 THE COURT: The foundation for those items there?

10 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, Your Your Honor. The other officers
11 testified that those items were found in the bag. This this
12 witness has said that black bag belonged to the defendant,
13 therefore everything belonged ---

14 THE COURT: I see. I'll overrule the objection, they'll
15 be admitted as marked.

16 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor. They actually need to be
17 marked. I'll I'll have them marked as one exhibit.

18 THE COURT: Okay, let's let's mark 'em then as one
19 exhibit.

20 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

21 (Goggles, caffeine powder and scales marked State's
22 Exhibit No. 15 for identification and admitted into evidence.)

23 MR. SPIVEY: That's State's Exhibit 15, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: Thank you, sir, you may proceed.

25 BY MR. SPIVEY:

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1 Q. Mr. Wesson, what did the defendant drive?

2 A. At the time a moped.

3 Q. Okay. Did he ever wear any goggles?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Okay.

6 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I approach the witness?

7 THE COURT: You may.

8 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

9 BY MR. SPIVEY:

10 Q. Can you take a look at State's Exhibit 15 for me.

11 A. That had -- that stuff there I know it came outta the
12 bag.

13 Q. Yes, sir. Just talkin' about those goggles right there
14 (indicating), do you recognize those goggles?

15 A. Yeah, the go -- goggles, yeah.

16 Q. And whose goggles are those?

17 A. He, uh, defendant. His (indicating).

18 Q. Who?

19 A. His (indicating).

20 Q. Okay, you you're pointing to the defendant.

21 A. Yes, far ---

22 Q. Okay.

23 A. --- as all that I don't, I remember him takin' it outta
24 the bag but there was so much stuff in that bag I don't
25 remember. I was sittin' on the porch at the time when ---

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1 Q. Yes, sir.

2 A. --- he took all the stuff outta the bag, I couldn't tell
3 ya exactly what all came out that bag.

4 Q. Yes, sir, but you had 'seen the defendant with those
5 goggles before that day.

6 A. Yeah, with 'em on, I mean.

7 Q. Okay. Mr. Wesson, why were you letting the defendant
8 sell drugs out of your apartment?

9 A. Well I was, uh, at time I was on drugs real bad and I was
10 just lettin' him do it because, you know, he he, that's when
11 he was helpin', uh, payin' me to, uh, turn, to use my
12 apartment.

13 Q. What did he pay you with?

14 A. Rock, crack.

15 Q. So he would give you crack cocaine?

16 A. Yeah.

17 Q. And in exchange you let him use your apartment.

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Mr. Wesson, you ever touch the the black bag, this
20 (indicating) black bag, the book ---

21 A. Yeah.

22 Q. --- bag? You did? Why did you touch it?

23 A. He'd usually ask me to get it for him, we, you know, did
24 a sale.

25 Q. So someone would come and ask him for drugs and he would

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1 ask you to go retrieve the the bag for him?

2 A. Yeah.

3 Q. And you did that?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Did you ever see him get any drugs out of that bag?

6 A. When he, when he would sell it, yes.

7 Q. Okay, so you knew he had drugs in that bag.

8 A. Yeah, I just didn't know how much until that day.

9 Q. What kinda drugs did he have in that bag?

10 A. More than that. I seen all kinds a stuff come outta that
11 bag (laughs).

12 Q. Now other than what you saw, what what what kinda drugs
13 did he ---

14 A. Crack.

15 Q. He gave ya crack? Did he give you marijuana?

16 A. He smoked it with me, yeah.

17 Q. Okay. He ever give ya any powder cocaine?

18 A. Nah.

19 Q. You don't use powder cocaine?

20 A. I'm scared of it.

21 Q. Okay.

22 A. (Laughs.)

23 Q. Mr. Wesson, where would you get that bag from when he
24 asked you to get it?

25 A. It was on a f -- it was hangin' from a fe, uh, uh, see

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1 that property's got a fence up on the side of it and that's
2 where it was at, on the other side of the fence.

3 Q. Would he always keep that bag there?

4 A. Uh, most the time, yes.

5 Q. Why would he keep that bag there?

6 A. I have no no idea, have to ask him that.

7 Q. Okay. Uh, did he ever let anybody else touch that bag
8 besides you?

9 A. No.

10 Q. Why not?

11 A. I guess 'cause he didn't trust nobody else.

12 Q. Mr. Wesson, anybody tell you what to say today?

13 A. No.

14 Q. Anybody promise you anything?

15 A. No.

16 Q. Are you tellin' the truth?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Why are you tes -- testifyin' today, Mr. Wesson?

19 A. 'cause it's the rest -- the right thing to do.

20 Q. Mr. Wesson, one more time, whose black bag is that
21 (indicating)?

22 A. The, uh, defendant's.

23 Q. How many times did you see the defendant with that black
24 bag?

25 A. Uh, every day he come over there.

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1 Q. And he came over there just about every day durin' that
2 summer ---

3 A. Yeah, pretty mu ---

4 Q. --- up until October 9th?

5 A. Yeah.

6 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this point I've got no
7 further question for this witness.

8 THE COURT: Mr. Bean.

9 MR. BEAN: Uh, one moment, Your Honor, please.

10 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

11 MR. BEAN: Approach the witness, Your Honor?

12 THE COURT: You may.

13 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN:

14 Q. Mr. Wesson, I'm going to hand you a piece of paper here
15 and ask you if you can identify that (indicating).

16 A. Yeah.

17 Q. What what is that, Mr. Wesson?

18 A. My, uh, statement.

19 Q. Your statement and and to whom did you give that
20 statement?

21 A. I, Officey, uh, I forget, I forget his name.

22 Q. You -- did did you give it to the police?

23 A. Yes, yes.

24 Q. Okay. And did you write that statement?

25 A. Well he wrote it but it was in in my words.

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1 Q. So you didn't write it, you told him what to say and he
2 wrote down what you told ---

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. --- him to say, okay.

5 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I'd like to mark this for
6 identification before I go any further.

7 THE COURT: You can mark it for identification purposes.

8 MR. SPIVEY: Ju -- Your Honor, I -- we'll let him go on a
9 little further, Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: Okay, alright.

11 (Voluntary statement of Mr. Wesson marked Defendant's
12 Exhibit No. 1 for identification.)

13 BY MR. BEAN:

14 Q. Mr. Wesson, would you mind please reading the statement
15 that you gave to the officer.

16 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I I just object and and ---

17 (Indiscernible cross-talk.)

18 MR. SPIVEY: --- my understanding ---

19 THE COURT: Just one second, sir, don't say saying.

20 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may we approach?

21 THE COURT: You certainly may.

22 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

23 BY MR. BEAN:

24 Q. Mr. Wesson, ---

25 A. Yes.

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1 Q. --- did, uh, did the officer who wrote that for you write
2 down everything that you told him?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Okay. A -- did -- have you read it today?

5 A. I, uh, I read it yesterday.

6 Q. Uh, well a -- take just a minute, go ahead and read it
7 over, refresh your memory.

8 A. I can't see it.

9 Q. Can't see?

10 A. These aren't my readin' glasses (laughs).

11 Q. Oh.

12 A. This, I can see it but it's blurry (laughs).

13 THE COURT: Do you have your reading glasses in the
14 courthouse with you today?

15 THE WITNESS: No, they're at home.

16 THE COURT: Okay, sir.

17 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, may I read it to the witness then?
18 I ---

19 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, I'll ask
20 that you step back to the jury room, don't begin any
21 discussions until such time as I've asked you to do so. You
22 may retire to the jury room.

23 (The following takes place outside the presence of the
24 jury.)

25 THE COURT: Mr. Bean, the, uh, I'll I'll let you read it

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1 to him if you'd like, I'm not gonna let you do it in fronta
2 the jury because my understanding of the rule is that, uh, if
3 he, if you're trying to impeach him with a prior statement
4 that he's made, he's entitled to be aware of the statement,
5 when it was made and what the statement says, so I'll let you
6 do that but you don't have, you can't publish that statement
7 to the jury, uh, and if I allowed you to read it in fronta the
8 jury you would be doing that, uh, so I'll let you read it to
9 him at this point in time but, uh, you know, the only purpose
10 for the -- of of the prior statement is if he acknowledges
11 having made a prior inconsistent statement, that's the end a
12 the inquiry, he's admitted he gave a prior inconsistent
13 statement, so you don't get to introduce the entire statement.
14 You can point out if he's made a prior inconsistent statement,
15 so in the interest of him being aware of what it says since he
16 says he can't read it, I'll let you read it to him now out of
17 the presence of the jury and then perhaps we can get down to
18 what might be inconsistent or not not inconsistent.

19 MR. BEAN: Yes, thank ---

20 THE COURT: Alright, you may proceed with reading ---

21 MR. BEAN: Yes.

22 THE COURT: --- his statement to him.

23 BY MR. BEAN:

24 Q. Mr. Wesson, your statement as I read it says, "I moved
25 here two months ago. When I moved here, Boeey told me he

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1 would give me dope if I would let him sell out my house. I
2 use drugs, I have been using drugs for several years. I told
3 him yes and he started selling out my house. He sells outside
4 sometimes 2. Today he got here at 6 a.m., he started selling
5 about 9 a.m. He sells crack and powder. He just gives it to
6 me and we smoke weed together. I've seen him with the black
7 bag before. Uh, he left and came back before the police came
8 today." I believe that's the statement as I read it.

9 A. Yes.

10 THE COURT: Alright.

11 MR. BEAN: My my intention is to cross-examine the
12 witness about the sta -- the things he said today most of
13 which were not in the statement that he gave to the police at
14 the time which was inconsistent in my judgment and I think the
15 jury needs to know ---

16 THE COURT: No, an inconsistent statement means that he
17 had to make an affirmative statement pri -- previously that he
18 now has changed or is somehow making a different statement on
19 that point, that's what a prior inconsistent statement is.
20 You have the right to cross-examine him about the fact that
21 things he testified today were not in that statement, you can
22 ask him was that in your prior statement, but you can't
23 introduce the statement itself.

24 MR. BEAN: Ri -- yes, sir, I -- okay. Alright.

25 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, he wants to introduce the

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1 sta -- we'll ---

2 THE COURT: I thought, ---

3 MR. SPIVEY: --- we'll waive our objection.

4 THE COURT: --- I thought ---

5 MR. SPIVEY: Well I ---

6 THE COURT: --- you were objecting, sir.

7 MR. SPIVEY: --- I didn't know where he was goin' with
8 it. Now that he's explained where he's goin' with ---

9 MR. BEAN: Well and and I ---

10 MR. SPIVEY: --- I don't see really any harm in it. He's
11 explained what he wrote in his statement, that's all he's
12 done.

13 MR. BEAN: Well and honestly I'm not introducing, I'm not
14 asking to introduce the statement, I just wanted to get on the
15 record that he had made a statement and I ---

16 (Cross-talk.)

17 THE COURT: Well that's on the record in front a the jury
18 now. You have the right to ask him whether or not the things
19 he said today are in that previous statement, ---

20 MR. BEAN: Right.

21 THE COURT: --- you certainly can ask that, and I assume
22 he's gonna say, No, some of the things weren't, and I think
23 then you've made your point. You can certainly argue to the
24 jury that he's made a more complete statement today than he
25 did in the past..

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1 MR. SPIVEY: We we would consent to allowing it in, Your
2 Honor.

3 THE COURT: Well I'll let Mr. Bean decide whether he
4 wants to do that. Since you've withdrawn your objection
5 there's nothing for me to rule on so however you gentlemen
6 wanna handle that'll be fine with me at this point.

7 MR. SPIVEY: I think we'll speed it up, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Let's bring the jury in.

9 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury.)

10 THE COURT: Alright, the record will reflect the jury's
11 returned to the courtroom. Uh, in the process of our
12 discussions, the State has decided to withdraw its objection.
13 You may proceed, Mr. Bean.

14 MR. BEAN: Thank Your Honor.

15 BY MR. BEAN:

16 Q. Mr. Wesson, is it, is it your testimony that the day you
17 were moving into the house where this incident took place that
18 Mr. Lyles showed up and asked you if he could sell drugs out
19 of your house?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. That's your statement?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And you saw him every day.

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And he sold drugs out of your house every day.

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1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And he had a black bag.

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Now when he came to your house that day in the summer
5 when he asked you, just showed up and said, I'd like to sell
6 drugs outta your house, how'd he get there?

7 A. He was already there.

8 Q. He was there waitin' on you?

9 A. No, he, nah, he wasn't exactly, I don't need it, but he
10 he was on a porch next door.

11 Q. Next door.

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And he just came over, didn't know ---

14 A. Just ---

15 Q. --- ya and said, Hey, I wanna sell drugs outta your
16 house?

17 A. --- just like I said before somebody else had told him I
18 was movin' in there and they told me or took, brought, uh,
19 took me to him, said that's what he wanted to do outta my
20 house.

21 Q. And you agreed to let him sell the drugs you ---

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. --- described ---

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. --- outta your house, is that right?

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1 A. Yes.

2 Q. You -- do you use drugs now, Mr. Wesson?

3 A. No.

4 Q. You got clean?

5 A. Been clear for for almost a year now.

6 Q. Now you testified I believe that there was a bag that he
7 had and you identified a black bag, is that right?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Okay. And I believe you testified a few minutes ago that
10 the bag hung on the fence, is that correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Okay, and how often did it hang on the fence?

13 A. As far as I know every day that he came with it.

14 Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Wesson, we discussed a few minutes you
15 you gave a statement to the police when this incident
16 occurred, is that right, you wrote it or you had an officer
17 write it down.

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Okay. And you have that statement there with you,
20 correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And you know what's in the statement, is that correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And there isn't anything in that statement about the
25 black bag hangin' on the fence, is there?

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1 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I I would ask the defense
2 attorney to move the statement into evidence before we discuss
3 it. We don't object to it comin' in evidence but it needs to
4 move it into evidence before we discuss it, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: Well he he's in cross-examination, I'll let
6 him decide how he wishes to proceed. You certainly on, uh,
7 redirect may take that position, I don't know, we'll see how
8 that works out. I'll allow Mr. present -- Bean proceed with
9 his cross-examination as he sees fits. You ---

10 MR. BEAN: Thank ---

11 THE COURT: --- may proceed, ---

12 MR. BEAN: --- Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: --- Mr. Bean.

14 BY MR. BEAN:

15 Q. You you didn't put anything in your statement about the
16 bag hangin' on the fence, did you, Mr. Wesson?

17 A. No.

18 Q. You -- didn't you think that was important?

19 A. Yes, I guess. I'm not a lawyer so I could tell ya.

20 Q. Well if you thought it was im ---

21 A. They asked me, they asked me about it and I told 'em, you
22 know, yeah.

23 Q. But you didn't, you didn't think it was important enough
24 to put that in the statement, did you?

25 A. (Nodded in the negative.)

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1 Q. No? Is that a no?

2 A. No.

3 Q. And you said that you had, you testified a few minutes
4 ago that you had gotten things outta the bag, isn't that
5 correct?

6 A. That's wrong.

7 Q. Now am I wrong about that?

8 A. Yeah.

9 Q. Okay. So are you saying you never ---

10 A. No.

11 Q. --- got anything outta the bag?

12 A. No.

13 Q. But there were, there were drugs in the bag, right?

14 A. I know that, yes.

15 Q. How do you know there were drugs in the bag?

16 A. 'cause he well every time some -- like I said, is when he
17 come, somebody come there, he gave drug, he sell 'em drugs and
18 get me outta bed to get the bag and go get the drugs out of
19 it.

20 Q. Oh so you would go get the bag?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. Now when you gave that statement to the police
23 that you're lookin at there, it doesn't say anything about you
24 gettin' the bag and getting drugs outta there, does it?

25 A. No.

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1 Q. Did did you think that was important to to tell the
2 police about what happened?

3 A. They didn't ask me about it.

4 Q. They didn't ask you about it?

5 A. No.

6 Q. So you didn't think it was important enough to tell 'em
7 about that but you're tellin' us about it now, is that
8 correct?

9 A. N -- and again, I'm not a police officer.

10 Q. No, sir, I I know you're not. What kinda drugs did you
11 keep in your house, Mr. Wesson?

12 A. Other than what I u-- take that's it.

13 Q. And what did you use?

14 A. What you mean what ---

15 Q. What drugs did you take?

16 A. Mine is for, mine is for mind, my mind.

17 Q. I I'm sorry?

18 A. Nuttin' else.

19 Q. I'm sorry, I didn't understand that.

20 A. Know what I'm sayin', that my my drugs are for for
21 mental, my ment -- my mental health problems.

22 Q. I'm talkin' about back at when ---

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. --- this happened.

25 A. I didn't have anything in there that wasn't illegal.

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1 Q. Wasn't, so so the crack and the marijuana wasn't
2 illegal?

3 A. They didn't never catch it there 'cause I used it.

4 Q. I see, so you used it up when you had it.

5 A. Yeah.

6 Q. Okay. DO you ever look in that bag?

7 A. No.

8 Q. Never looked in there?

9 A. No..

10 Q. So you'd go get it, bring it back but you didn't never
11 look in inside.

12 A. No.

13 Q. Did you ever get any drugs outta there for yourself?

14 A. I -- no.

15 Q. Well, now how do you know that the things that you said
16 were in the bag were in there if you didn't never look in the
17 bag?

18 A. I just told you.

19 Q. Okay.

20 A. When they, when they they found the bag on the fra --
21 fence, they took it all out, that's when I knew what what was,
22 I didn't know I -- well, I knew it was drugs but I didn't know
23 how much or...

24 Q. You don't know how much now do ya, Mr. Wesson?

25 A. Not really, no.

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1 Q. And you don't know who else might have touched that bag,
2 do ya?

3 A. No.

4 Q. And you don't know how long it been hangin' on that
5 fence, do you?

6 A. No.

7 MR. BEAN: No further questions, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Mr. Spivey, you may redirect.

9 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

11 MR. SPIVEY: Uh, Your Honor, at this time I'd move
12 defense sta, uh, excuse me, the witness's statement into into
13 evidence.

14 THE COURT: Objection, Mr. Bean?

15 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I do object. I think he's, uh,
16 he's made his statement today and he's clarified what he said
17 and so I don't think that, uh, it's a appropriate for it to be
18 entered at this time, uh, so I object on that basis.

19 THE COURT: I'll sustain the objection.

20 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

21 REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY:

22 Q. Uh, I wanna just clarify a few things. You said you
23 would go get the bag ---

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. --- and you did not go into the bag ever. Why didn't you

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1 go in the bag?

2 A. Didn't have no reason to.

3 Q. Okay. You said you knew there were drugs in it before
4 the police pulled the stuff out, how did you know that?

5 A. Because that like I said, he, everyca -- everytime
6 somebody wanna buy some drugs he he'd have me to go get and
7 get through the dru -- get the drugs out then and sell it
8 to ---

9 Q. So you saw, ---

10 A. --- whoever he wanted.

11 Q. --- you saw the defendant get the drugs outta there.

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And you saw him get cocaine or crack cocaine or marijuana
14 outta there.

15 A. M -- m -- crack.

16 Q. Crack, you saw him get crack cocaine outta there, so you
17 knew there was crack cocaine in there.

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Okay. In terms a your statement and and in talkin' about
20 if he had had that bag with him before and why you didn't put
21 that in your statement, do you think that stuff's important?

22 A. Like I said, they never, they never asked me about it so
23 it never came my mind that to tell 'em about it.

24 Q. But you've been asked about it now, ---

25 A. Correct.

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1 Q. --- right?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And he did have that bag with him every day ---

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. --- and it was his bag.

6 A. I guess it was his, he had it with him.

7 Q. You didn't see -- did you ever see, this was, this was
8 where you were livin', did you ever see anybody else with that
9 bag other than defendant?

10 A. No.

11 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I got no further questions.

12 THE COURT: Mr. Bean. Mr. Bean?

13 MR. BEAN: Nothing further, Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: Sir, you may step down. You wish to excuse
15 the witness?

16 (Whereupon, the witness left the stand.)

17 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, Your Honor, if if he may.

18 THE COURT: Any objection, Mr. Bean, to the witness being
19 excused?

20 MR. BEAN: Uh, Your Honor, I might ask that he be subject
21 to recall, ---

22 THE COURT: Alright.

23 MR. BEAN: --- I I'm not sure that I'll need that but I
24 may.

25 THE COURT: Since since we're under a sequestration

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1 order, he'll need to have a seat out in the lobby.

2 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Make him aware a that. Tell him to wait out
4 there and we'll let him know if we need him.

5 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I'm gonna send him up to my
6 office.

7 THE COURT: That'll be fine as long as he's available.
8 Thank you. You may call your next witness, Mr. Spivey.

9 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor. Your Honor, I call Jeff
10 Kirby this time.

11 THE COURT: Sir, come forward, be sworn to my left.

12 (Whereupon, the witness came forward.)

13 THE CLERK: Raise your right hand, put your left hand on
14 the Bible.

15 JEFF KIRBY, having been first
16 duly sworn, testified as follow:

17 THE CLERK: Thank you, you may be seated.

18 THE COURT: Once you're seated, sir, state your name for
19 me.

20 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor. Uh, my name is Jeff
21 Kirby.

22 THE COURT: Thank you, sir. Mr. Spivey, you witness.

23 MR. SPIVEY: Thank you.

24 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY:

25 Q. Investigator Kirby, please tell us your your your

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1 occupation, your training and experience.

2 A. Uh, I am currently assigned to the Narcotics Division
3 with the Spartanburg City Police Department where I've been
4 assigned to that unit for approximately 9 1/2 years, been
5 employed there 11 1/2 years.

6 Q. Okay. What's your day-to-day activity like?

7 A. Uh, to disrupt the drug activity within the city limits
8 of Spartanburg.

9 Q. You try to stop it?

10 A. Yes, sir.

11 Q. Yes, sir. Uh, what kinda training do you get as
12 narcotics officer?

13 A. Uh, it's it's fairly extensive and with without my
14 trainin' record, I mean, over the past nine years I've been to
15 quite a number of, uh, drug classes, search warrant classes,
16 uh, execution search warrant classes, I mean, just numerous
17 drug recognition.

18 Q. In in 2012 how many classes did you attend?

19 A. Oh, a fair statement for that year would probably
20 somewhere in the neighborhood of 7 to 10 classes.

21 Q. Okay, how how how any hours are each class?

22 A. Usually they vary. Some of 'ems 8 week or 8 hours, some
23 of 'ems 40 hours.

24 Q. Okay. Uh, what other training and experience are you
25 required to get as just a law enforcement officer ---

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1 A. Uh, ---

2 Q. --- non-narcotics based?

3 A. --- uh, basically we have, uh, 40 hours of required
4 training every year that we have to complete to keep our
5 certification which includes driving, firearms certification,
6 uh, some other legals.

7 Q. Okay. In your narcotics training, what type of training
8 are you getting? What what is it -- what is the, what's the
9 substance of those classes?

10 A. Well basically, uh, to to detect and identify drug
11 dealers, uh, drug weights, drug amounts, uh, sales, personal
12 use, uh, paraphernalia, items such as that to to bet -- be
13 able to better identify the the drugs that are affecting our
14 area.

15 Q. Okay, so you talk about the types a drugs that are
16 used?

17 A. Yes, sir.

18 Q. Uh, you talk about the street values and the re -- the
19 the the wholesale val -- value and the street value of
20 drugs?

21 A. Yes, sir, we do.

22 Q. Do you talk about typical drug dealer behaviors?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. The types of items they use to sell drugs, ---

25 A. That's correct.

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1 Q. --- the tactics they might use.

2 A. Yes, sir.

3 Q. Okay. Do you talk about, uh, the packaging of drugs?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Do you talk about any evasive tactics they might use?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Do you talk about the, uh, let's talk about users. Do
8 you talk about the tys -- typical, uh, habits of a drug
9 user?

10 A. Yes, sir, we do.

11 Q. You talk about how much drug of each drug amount a user
12 might have on or might take at each time?

13 A. Yes, that's correct.

14 Q. Okay. Uh, how many times you participated in narcotics
15 investigations, just I know that's a a a crazy question, just
16 give us an estimate.

17 A. About -- on the low end, I average just me personally I
18 average 80 cases a year. Uh, there's four other investigators
19 in our office that are probly around the same number so 320,
20 400 cases a year at approximately 9 years, so quite a few.

21 Q. And 80 of 'em you're the the chief investigator ---

22 A. The lead ---

23 Q. --- on ---

24 A. --- investigator on yes, sir.

25 Q. --- and the others you you're more of a support role.

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1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. Okay. Uh, what about narcotics arrests?

3 A. Oh, yeah, I mean, substantial 'cause usually we we take
4 our cases from start to finish meaning from initiation to
5 surveillance to search warrants to arrests to prosecution,
6 we're involved in the whole thing.

7 Q. In your interaction with these cases that you worked on
8 your your own experience, have you, have you dealt with drug
9 dealers?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Have you dealt with drug users?

12 A. Yes, I have.

13 Q. Have you noticed any difference between the two?

14 A. Oh, yes, absolutely.

15 Q. Describe some a that for us, please.

16 A. Uh, usually your your drug user will will have when you
17 deal with them, they'll have paraphernalia on them to ingest
18 illegal narcotics and if they do have narcotics on 'em it's
19 usually minimal small amounts for personal consumption 'cause
20 they typically don't have the money to purchase drugs to keep
21 them goin' for the whole week so they will purchase a one time
22 use and then they try to score enough money to get their next
23 use.

24 Your drug dealers will typically keep large amounts of
25 drugs on or near them, uh, currency on them, usually weapons

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1 on them to protect their currency and their drugs because the
2 whole thing of what the streets call the "stick up boys", uh,
3 where ---

4 Q. Explain that.

5 A. Well people just basically know that drug dealers are an
6 easy target for drugs and money and two or three guys will
7 roll up on a drug deal and stick a gun in your face and say,
8 Give it to me, and, mean, you don't have much choice at that
9 time, you know, and they just scored, you know, 2 or \$3,000
10 cash and couple thousand dollars wortha dope.

11 Q. How often do you speak with the people that you're
12 arresting or the people that you're interacting with in these
13 investigations?

14 A. Uh, every day, every day.

15 Q. Okay. Do you talk to them about their their their habits
16 and tactics and all that stuff?

17 A. Yes, I do.

18 Q. Okay. You you talk about how much drugs cost, ---

19 A. Yep.

20 Q. --- where they buy 'em from, ---

21 A. Yes, sir.

22 Q. --- the the type a packaging they might use, ---

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. --- whether or not they use scales?

25 A. Yes, sir.

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1 Q. Okay. You also make a -- any undercover purchases as a,
2 as a unit?

3 A. Yes, sir, we do.

4 Q. Okay. Just briefly describe kinda what you all do on an
5 undercover purchase.

6 A. Well basically, I mean, we we make contact with a drug
7 dealer, uh, we have to know the price of what it is we're
8 purchasing because of course we don't wanna get ripped off,
9 uh, you know, and if if the drug dealer agrees to a fair
10 price, we will meet the drug dealer where we're equipped with
11 audio and video and make that exchange.

12 Q. And so you're watchin' these videos after all these drug
13 deals.

14 A. Yes, I am.

15 Q. Okay. How many times have you, have you testified in
16 court relating to narcotics?

17 A. It's substantial. I mean, I I don't have a number 'cause
18 I've testified in state court, I've testified in federal
19 court. Uh, ---

20 Q. Give me an estimate on how many times a year.

21 A. Five to ten maybe.

22 Q. And that's in general sessions and federal court.

23 A. Yes, sir.

24 Q. Do you ever testify in in a magistrate court or city
25 court?

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1 A. Yes, I do.

2 Q. How often you testify there?

3 A. Uh, five to seven times a month.

4 Q. A month, okay.

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. Okay. Uh, have you ever been qualified as an expert?

7 A. Uh, no, sir, not to my recollection.

8 Q. Okay. Uh, a -- just just as an overview of your training
9 and experience, do you believe that that experience and
10 training gives you special knowledge to the value of the
11 narcotics on the street as well as at wholesale values, the
12 manner in which narcotics are packaged and sold, the typical
13 intoxicating dosages?

14 A. Yes, I do.

15 Q. Okay. Tell me about the the difference between cocaine
16 or does your experience and training give you any any
17 expertise in the difference between cocaine and crack
18 cocaine?

19 A. Well, yeah, I mean, I aint gonna say expertise but, I
20 mean, we do talk to drug dealers, drug users who provide us
21 with great incite on how the drug business works, uh, you
22 know, from convertin' powder cocaine into a smokable form
23 which is called "crack cocaine", uh, you know, it has to be
24 cooked up, microwaved and whipped, ingredients added and, uh,
25 so yes, I mean, we we typically talk to these people on a

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1 daily basis.

2 Q. Okay.

3 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, Your Honor, at this time I would
4 move that the, that the the witness Investigator Kirby be
5 qualified as an expert, particularly an expert in the value of
6 street value narcotics, how na -- narcotics are packaged,
7 sold, typical intoxicating dosages, the different habits
8 between the addict, the user, or the dr -- or or a drug
9 dealer, Your Honor, and I do that based on *State v. Robinson*.

10 THE COURT: Mr. Bean, uh, you have the right to object or
11 you you also have the right to cross-examine him concerning
12 his qualifications.

13 MR. BEAN: Ought to ---

14 THE COURT: You wish to do so at this time?

15 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I don't wish to cross-examine
16 him at this time, I do wish to object to his qualfi --
17 qualification as an expert, uh, and ---

18 THE COURT: Yes.

19 MR. BEAN: --- I think in conjunction with that there a
20 couple things I need to take up with the Court before we go
21 forward ---

22 THE COURT: Alright, ---

23 MR. BEAN: --- with any further ---

24 THE COURT: --- ladies and gentlemen ---

25 MR. BEAN: --- discussion ---

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1 THE COURT: --- of the jury, I'll ask you step back to
2 the jury room, don't begin any discussions until I've had an
3 opportunity to tell you to do so, you may retire at this time.

4 (The following takes place outside the presence of the
5 jury.)

6 THE COURT: Yes, Mr. Bean.

7 MR. BEAN: First of all, Your Honor, I object to his
8 qualification as an expert. I don't think despite his rather
9 lengthy experience in law enforcement and obvious work with
10 narcotics over a number of years he's certainly more
11 knowledgeable than perhaps others on, those on the jury,
12 myself, uh, maybe maybe most of the people in the courtroom;
13 however, that in my opinion does not qualify him, uh, as an
14 expert to testify about anything related to drugs beyond what
15 his experience may have shown in which he could testify to as
16 a police officer and a narcotics investigator.

17 Your Honor, it's my understanding that if qualified as an
18 expert that, uh, the witness is then able to offer expert
19 opinion and the reason I asked to address the Court with that
20 out of the presence of the jury is I wanna be sure that we're
21 not moving in the direction of him saying that my client based
22 on his experience and all that is a drug dealer and I think
23 that's, it appears to me anyway, that that's kind of where
24 we're goin' and I wanna be sure we don't get there ---

25 THE COURT: Well, ---

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1 MR. BEAN: --- and I'm afraid ---

2 THE COURT: --- first of all, Mr. Spivey, specifically
3 state the areas in which you say -- state this gentleman
4 should be qualified as an expert.

5 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor. Your Honor, the the
6 first is the the the, uh, the value of the drugs as well as
7 the typical habits of a, of a drug dealer to include
8 paraphernalia they might use, uh, the typical habits of a drug
9 user and to include the amounts they a -- excuse, me the
10 amounts they might carry as well as a drug dealer and a drug
11 user so the differences between those two, uh, in terms of the
12 paraphernalia they might have, the amount of drugs they might
13 have on 'em, uh, the way the drugs are, those drugs are
14 packaged and what else they might have on 'em such as cash and
15 bills in small denominations, weapons, uh, that sort of thing
16 and that's, I I thought I did a a a fair job talkin' about his
17 experience and and layin' that foundation.

18 THE COURT: Well I didn't say you didn't, I just wanna be
19 sure I understand what areas in which you think he ought to be
20 able to give an opinion, so right now I've gotten that the
21 value of the drugs on the street, uh, habits or propensities
22 of a, either a user or a dealer, anything else?

23 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor, the the the way that
24 narcotics are packaged and the way they're typically sold, uh,
25 the the typical intoxicating dosage or a, uh, such as how much

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1 a a a drug dealer might sell to an an individual, uh, how much
2 a user might use at any one time.

3 THE COURT: In other words i -- if you were gonna high
4 how much crack would you ingest as opposed to, uh, ingest too
5 much I guess it could be fatal so you need to know how much to
6 ingest.

7 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Uh, go ahead.

9 MR. SPIVEY: Uh, ---

10 THE COURT: The typical dosages, what else?

11 MR. SPIVEY: And, Your Honor, sort of the the habits and
12 evasive maneuvers or or the the tactics a drug dealer might
13 use not, presumably not to get caught. How do they, how do
14 they do it, how are they avoiding stopping what he's trying to
15 do which is put 'em in jail, uh, and and they use various
16 methods for doin' that such as, you know, like use somebody
17 else as a a combination party or or hide those drugs on
18 someone else's fence and sell outta their house so that when
19 the search warrant's done, they're not the person who owns the
20 property.

21 THE COURT: Alright, Mr. Bean.

22 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I I think there are probably as
23 many atypical uses and other things as the solicitor has just
24 described as there are typical and I don't think there's any
25 way that this gentleman although I know and respect him can be

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1 qualified to give an opinion on how that might work or how
2 someone might do somethin' without pointing to my client and
3 saying ---

4 THE COURT: Well I'm not ---

5 MR. BEAN: --- it was him.

6 THE COURT: --- sure it will take an expert to testify
7 that drug dealers do everything they can to avoid detection
8 and prosecution, that's not an area outside of most ---

9 MR. SPIVEY: It ---

10 THE COURT: --- people's knowledge.

11 MR. SPIVEY: --- but the tactics, Your Honor, that they
12 use might be outside of the ---

13 THE COURT: Well is there a I'll let ya develop it
14 further, I didn't -- I don't know that there are typical
15 tactics, there's all -- I've heard a lotta different ones
16 since I've been sittin' up here, there's a lotta different
17 ways to hide drugs or try to avoid prosecution and I'm not
18 sure there is any, a manual on it or anything of that nature,
19 of course, you can, you can become an expert through practical
20 knowledge and experience, you don't have to have read a
21 book.

22 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor, and I'll, and I'll say
23 I've learned a lot, obviously I think I have a little bit more
24 training and experience because of I prosecute nothin' but
25 drugs crimes so I see some a these things but I'm I'm not sure

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1 my wife would understand any of it, uh, she has no experience
2 with it and and the standard here is not what you -- I ---

3 THE COURT: Well, ---

4 MR. SPIVEY: --- might know ---

5 THE COURT: --- it's whether or not he has knowledge
6 about a subject that would assist a jury in resolving a
7 factual issue which is beyond the scope of the jury's common
8 knowledge or good judgment, ---

9 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: --- that's the test.

11 MR. BEAN: And, Your Honor, in that regard I don't think
12 there's any question that based on the evidence presented in
13 this case so far that the jury can reasonably understand and
14 reach whatever conclusions they feel, uh, the evidence
15 warrants, I don't think this gentleman can share anything with
16 them beyond what he's already testified to.

17 THE COURT: How many years di -- did the gentleman say
18 he'd been doin' this, I didn't catch that?

19 MR. SPIVEY: He's got 9 years in narcotics experience, I
20 believe it's 11 ---

21 THE WITNESS: Eleven, yes..

22 MR. SPIVEY: --- as a, as a police ---

23 THE WITNESS: Eleven and a half.

24 MR. SPIVEY: --- officer with the city.

25 THE COURT: I see, okay. Anything else, Mr. Bean?

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1 MR. BEAN: Uh, no, Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: Alright. I will allow him to be qualified as
3 an expert concerning the street value of drugs, uh, typical
4 habits of a drug user as opposed to a dealer, uh, the
5 packaging a -- the normal means of packaging and selling of
6 certain drugs or drugs, uh, I'll also let him testify
7 concerning what are typical dosages, uh, that he might find on
8 the street and I realize these dosages may be different than
9 you get from a doctor, uh, so street dosages, uh, and I'm not
10 sure I'm going to allow him to give opinions concerning
11 avoidance meth -- methods, certainly from his experience he
12 can state what avoidance methods he may have observed in the
13 past, ---

14 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir.

15 THE COURT: --- so I'll allow him to do that as well.

16 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir. Thank Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: I'll -- I will, however, Mr. Bean, tell the
18 jury that because he's been qualified as an expert his, uh,
19 testimony should be given no greater weight than any other
20 testimony as a result of that, I will instruct them
21 specifically on the fact that as finders of facts they have
22 the right to accept any, all, or none of what he might say
23 about these things ---

24 MR. BEAN: Thank Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: --- so, I'll instruct them concerning that,

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1 uh, that both not not right now but during my charge but I
2 will go over with them what we're doing at this point.

3 MR. BEAN: Thank Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: Alright, bring the jury in. I've made a list
5 of those things, Mr. Spivey, don't stray from the farm,
6 please.

7 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, I've I've I've got that list typed
8 out here as well.

9 THE COURT: Alright.

10 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury.)

11 THE COURT: Alright, the record will reflect the jury's
12 returned to the courtroom. Ladies and gentlemen, let me
13 explain to you a little bit about what we're doing right now
14 that that we're going through in the Court so maybe you'll
15 understand, uh, a little more about what's happening. Uh,
16 un -- I I mentioned to ya earlier that it's my responsibility
17 to see that evidence is presented to you under the Rules of
18 Evidence that govern those particular things, uh, and that
19 generally under the Rules of Evidence lay witnesses, uh, that
20 is average individuals who are testifying in court are not
21 allowed to give their opinions about matters, they're required
22 to testify concerning facts that are with -- that they claim
23 to be within their knowledge or observation, things of that
24 nature, uh, there's an exception to that rule and that's
25 a -- that exception is is given to witnesses who because of

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1 either their education or because of their practical
2 background and experience are deemed to have some special
3 knowledge within a field or profession or calling, uh, that
4 would assist the jury, uh, in determining certain facts that
5 may not be within the normal knowledge or experience of an
6 average juror, uh, those witnesses we refer to as as "expert
7 witnesses". Now an expert witness once someone's designated
8 as that they are allowed to state opinions about matters
9 within the areas of their expertise and also state the reasons
10 why they have those opinions. Uh, this (indicating)
11 gentleman's been offered as a, as an expert within certain
12 fields of his his profession, uh, and I am going to qualify
13 him as such. I have, uh, determined that he can testify, uh,
14 as an expert concerning the street value of drugs, the, uh,
15 habits of drug users and/or dealers on the street, uh, the
16 packaging and sale of drugs on the street, uh, dosages
17 typically used on the street for certain drugs and can testify
18 from his experience concerning certain avoidance methods that
19 he may have experienced by people involved in that type of
20 activity.

21 Now, uh, I will te -- tell you that later on during my
22 charge on the law I will give you a charge concerning how you
23 can consider the evidence given by all witnesses, including
24 expert witnesses in this case but suffice it to say that I
25 have qualified, uh, based on this witness's experience, uh,

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1 and practical experience in his profession, uh, as an expert
2 within certain areas that a juror may not have particular
3 knowledge in, uh, to testify concerning those matters and
4 again, I'll instruct you further on that during my charge on
5 the law. You may proceed, Mr. Spivey.

6 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I'm sorry, ---

7 THE COURT: Mr. Bean.

8 MR. BEAN: --- may may we approach for one moment?

9 THE COURT: Certainly.

10 (Whereupon, a bench conference was held off the record.)

11 THE COURT: As a clarification I will put on the record
12 that concerning avoidance methods it was my ruling that he can
13 testify concerning avoidance methods that he has experienced
14 himself, uh, I will not allow him to speculate as to possible
15 avoidance methods.

16 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I I apologize, may we approach
17 one more time?

18 THE COURT: Certainly.

19 (Whereupon, a bench conference was held off the record.)

20 THE COURT: Alright, you may proceed, Mr. Spivey.

21 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

23 MR. SPIVEY: Investigator Kirby, uh, well, Your Honor,
24 i -- you you have qualified as an expert?

25 THE COURT: Yes, within the areas that I -- there were

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1 four specific areas, I'll go over 'em again.

2 MR. SPIVEY: No, sir, Your Honor, I I've got 'em, I ---

3 THE COURT: You've got 'em ---

4 MR. SPIVEY: --- just wanna make sure ---

5 THE COURT: --- written down?

6 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: Very good. Let's let's stay within those
8 areas. Thank you.

9 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir.

10 BY MR. SPIVEY:

11 Q. Uh, Investigator Kirby, uh, what -- in in October 2009,
12 how much did cocaine cost?

13 A. Uh, roughly between nine hundred and eleven dol --
14 hundred dollars an ounce.

15 Q. Okay. How much is an ounce?

16 A. Uh, twenty-eight grams.

17 Q. So 25.87 grams of cocaine plus 1.06 a gram co -- of
18 cocaine that's about 26, 27 grams, about an ounce that ---

19 A. Roughly, yes, sir.

20 Q. How, so in your opinion how much does that cost?

21 A. Um, a median a thousand dollars.

22 Q. Okay. Uh, how do you -- how does, how does the dealing
23 cocaine typically work? Tell me, tell me what a drug dealer
24 would do with cocaine once they purchase it.

25 A. Well basically cocaine of course comes in powder form,

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1 uh, all cocaine is purchased, uh, from a dealer. Uh, they
2 will take that cocaine, some portion of it, they will add
3 water and they will add a cutting agent whether it be baking
4 soda, uh, caffeine powder, uh, B12 powder, somethin' to take
5 that initial weight up and then once they get that weight up
6 they will cook it, they called it "whippin'", uh, there's
7 several other terms for it, they're basically turnin' that
8 powder cocaine into a crack form which is a smokeable form of
9 powder cocaine called "crack".

10 Q. Okay.

11 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may I approach the witness?

12 THE COURT: You may.

13 BY MR. SPIVEY:

14 Q. Show you what's been pre-marked as State's Exhibit or,
15 excuse me, it is State's Exhibit 15 in evidence. You can take
16 a look in that bag and, uh, tell me what's in that bottle.

17 A. It's, the bottle's labeled as a di -- dietary supplement,
18 uh, caffeine powder that is a typical cutting agent for
19 cocaine.

20 Q. Okay. Uh, tell me what else a drug dealer typically has
21 on them.

22 A. Uh, usually they will have scales to to weigh their
23 product because what they'll do is they will typically take,
24 and this is just a number, they'll take say 14 grams of
25 cocaine, powder cocaine, they may add 7, 8, 10 grams of a

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1 cutting agent, takin' that up to 24 grams, uh, cook it, get it
2 into a crack form and once it's into that crack form that 14
3 grams once it is cooked, cooled and dried may come back at 28
4 grams depending on the cook and the method that they use.

5 Q. Okay so typically you can take 14 ounces of pure, ---

6 A. Grams.

7 Q. --- 14 grams of pure cocaine and turn it into about an
8 ounce of crack cocaine.

9 A. Yeah, on on a -- if you've got someone that's very
10 knowledgeable with the process and depending on their cutting
11 agent and and what method they use to cook it, yes, that's not
12 far-fetched.

13 Q. Okay. And what is the value of that crack cocaine when
14 sold?

15 A. Typically on an ounce a cocaine most dealers if they're
16 sellin' street, street level usage, uh, to to users and not to
17 other dealers you probably gonna profit 7 to \$900 off a that
18 ounce of cocaine.

19 Q. Okay. H -- what's the typical you -- amount that they
20 sell on the street?

21 A. Usually for most of your users they're gonna buy what
22 they call a 10 or a \$20 rock, it's gonna be either one-tenth
23 or two-tenths of a gram. Uh, it's a single use rock that they
24 will smoke, they will get high off a that rock and that high
25 may last them anywhere from 15 minutes to 3 hours just

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1 depending, once they come off a that high they'll go get
2 another one.

3 Q. Why won't they buy more than that?

4 A. 'cause they typically don't have the money.

5 Q. Okay, so how often are they buyin'?

6 A. Uh, some of 'em that I have spoken with, I mean, up, you
7 know, 7, 10, 12 times a day to support their habit.

8 Q. Typically when you find a user and you've encountered
9 them on the street, how much have they had on 'em?

10 A. One-tenth or two-tenths of a gram, usually no more than
11 that and they'll have some some means to to ingest that crack
12 cocaine what we classify as a crack pipe, push rod, push pipe.
13 Uh, they'll take makeshift pill bottles, make 'em into pipes,
14 they'll use, uh, soda cans to ingest crack cocaine, I mean,
15 there's, there's innumerable items that they will use to ingest
16 that crack cocaine.

17 Q. So you you can't, you can't snort crack cocaine?

18 A. No, sir.

19 Q. You can't, uh, you basically gotta -- how do you use
20 it?

21 A. Uh, it's it's a smokeable form. Basically they they take
22 it in a pipe, light it and it it don't really burn, it more or
23 less melts and they absorb or inhale the smoke from that
24 melting cocaine and that's where the high comes from.

25 Q. Okay. Uh, and so you said you typically find some sort a

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1 pipe, a lighter?

2 A. Yeah, usually, I mean, and there's there's like I say,
3 there's several items used in the the ingestion side of of
4 co -- crack cocaine. Uh, you know, uh, they'll use brillo
5 pads as as filters, uh, and then to provide detail on that
6 basically they'll take a glass pipe, put brillo in one end of
7 it, wrap the other end with some tape, lay the rock down on
8 top a the brillo pad inside the pipe and just hold the lighter
9 to the pipe to the, where cracks at and they will hold the the
10 taped end and let that rock melt and they'll just puff on that
11 pipe to ingest that smoke.

12 Q. Okay. Uh, you were there when this search warrant took
13 place, ---

14 A. Yes, sir, I was.

15 Q. --- you've -- a -- what did Mr. Lyles have on his
16 person?

17 A. Uh, Mr. Lyles, uh, memory serves me correctly had a, uh,
18 a gun, a bag a cocaine, a bag a weed and what we consider a
19 large sum of currency.

20 Q. Have a lighter?

21 A. Uh, I don't remember, I don't think so.

22 Q. Okay. Did he have a a, any kind of other para ---

23 A. No, sir, ---

24 Q. --- brillo pad, ---

25 A. --- he had no no, nothin' ---

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1 Q. --- glass ---

2 A. --- was on ---

3 Q. --- tubing?

4 A. --- him for ingestion.

5 Q. And no tape.

6 A. No, sir.

7 Q. No crack pipe.

8 A. No, sir.

9 Q. Okay. Uh, tell me about what what other paraphernalia a
10 drug dealer might have on them.

11 A. Uh, usually a a drug dealer of course they will have
12 their scales 'cause they want their weights, you know, 'cause
13 they're in it for the money and they owe somebody money,
14 excuse me, so they will have scales, uh, sometimes they'll
15 have baggies for packagin' to when they make individual sales,
16 uh, you know, they'll they'll have a the cutting powder, uh,
17 and and that for for the most part that's it, ---

18 Q. Okay.

19 A. --- that's the main things that a drug dealer needs to do
20 their job. Now wherever their so-called, what they classify
21 as their their stash house or crack house, they will have
22 other paraphernalia to turn that powder form of cocaine into
23 crack being, uh, Pyrex measurin' cups, forks, whips, a
24 microwave or whether they use a a boilin' method on the stove
25 so, I mean, you know, there there's other paraphernalia

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1 definitely associated with what we call "drug traffickers" as
2 opposed to "drug users".

3 Q. Okay. In Mr. Wesson's house did you find any evidence
4 that anybody was whipping up or cooking crack cocaine in in
5 that kitchen ---

6 A. Uh, no, sir, I ---

7 Q. --- or anywhere in the house?

8 A. No, sir, I don't believe there was, uh, and I don't
9 remember any items being recovered from the residence that
10 would have been indicative of that house being used as a a
11 stash house.

12 Q. Tell me about marijuana. There's been talk about cocaine
13 to this point, let's talk about marijuana. How is it
14 typically sold?

15 A. Uh, well I mean it, marijuana is sold and in several
16 different different ways, I mean, you know, uh, some a the the
17 high strains or or what they call "high grade" marijuana now
18 some a those are sold as a a single blunt and and those prices
19 on the street are basically, I mean, they could go up to 20,
20 \$25 for a single blunt. Uh, most personal use mid-grade, low-
21 grade marijuana is gonna be sold in, you know, 3, 5, 10 gram
22 increments, uh, somethin' that will make one or two joints to
23 ingest, uh, and then, you know, mean, it can go up from there
24 depending on the the person who's buyin' it. You know if if
25 four or five people get together and say, Hey, you know, look,

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1 we all got \$10 then, you know, we might can get 14 grams of
2 marijuana and stretch our money but a single person usually
3 will will purchase, you know, 3, 5, 7 grams.

4 Q. Okay. Uh, and and that varies in price? What's the
5 range on that price?

6 A. Well, I mean, and it depends on the grades.

7 Q. Assume it's low-grade.

8 A. Low-grade you're probably lookin' at, I don't know, 10
9 bucks for a gram, 5 ---

10 Q. And ---

11 A. --- bucks for a gram.

12 Q. --- what if it's high-grade?

13 A. Uh, 20, 25 bucks a gram.

14 Q. So so 10 to to \$25, somewhere in there ---

15 A. Yeah, somewhere in that neighborhood.

16 Q. --- for for 1 gram.

17 A. One gram, yes.

18 Q. Okay. Uh, tell me about the, how much marijuana it takes
19 to get, to get high off of it, to get intoxicated.

20 A. Well basically, I mean, one joint, I mean, you know, 3 3
21 grams depending on your threshold. You know for someone that
22 has has consumed marijuana all their life, you know, it may
23 take a little more but for a a an intermittent smoker, you
24 know, 3 to 5 grams will will probably do the trick for ya.

25 Q. Okay. Uh, what kind of a -- do they also use scales to

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1 to sell marijuana?

2 A. Oh, absolutely, yes.

3 Q. Okay. Uh, what else might you find in the sales of
4 marijuana?

5 A. Uh, a again, the same, basically the same thing except
6 for the cutting agents, you know, you'll find the baggies, the
7 scales, of course there's no cookin' process involved so you
8 won't find none a that.

9 Q. What kinda paraphernalia do you need to to ingest
10 marijuana?

11 A. Either rollin' papers or, uh, pipes, water pipes, water
12 bongs, glass pipes, uh, somethin' of that nature.

13 Q. Okay. And Isaac Lyles, the defendant, did he have any
14 paraphernalia for for marijuana use?

15 A. No, sir.

16 Q. Okay. Uh, talk to me about about the the the ki -- do
17 drug dealers typically carry money?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Well what kind of form is the money in?

20 A. It's, I mean, it depends, I mean, on on what part of the
21 day they're in. I mean, you know, if if it's first thing in
22 the mornin's, uh, when they're first startin' out, uh, you
23 know, it may be small denominations: fives, tens, dependin' on
24 I guess on on their desire to make money. I mean, I've seen
25 drug dealers sell everything from a a \$5 rock and some of 'em

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1 won't sell nothin' less than a \$20 rock so, I mean, you know,
2 it's gonna be, you know, fives, tens, twenties, uh, depending
3 on what they're they're selling.

4 Q. Why aren't they usin' a bank?

5 A. 'cause they have no legal means of makin' currency and
6 that money once they they make it and they sell that product
7 they will take that money and turn right around and use it to
8 buy more product.

9 Q. So they -- it's typically always in cash form.

10 A. Yes, sir.

11 Q. Okay. Talk to me about a, uh, is it typical for a, for
12 someone to sell drugs out of their own house or other
13 peoples's houses, where do they sell drugs?

14 A. Usually you you will see that most of the time a drug
15 dealer will not use their residence especially where their
16 wife or their kids live because they don't want, uh, for the
17 lack of a better term, they don't want "crack heads" knowin'
18 where they live because a typical drug user when they want
19 that drug or need that drug they're gonna find that drug and
20 if they know where you live it don't matter if it's 2 p.m. or
21 2 a.m. they will come to your house, uh, so many times drug
22 dealers will move to another location and set up at that
23 location for a certain period of time until either they sell
24 outta product or until they decide to move on and go home and
25 and be with the family. Uh, most a these guys that do it

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1 typically will tell you that they run the drug business as a a
2 business. They've got people that some of 'em will have
3 people that work, you know, seven in the mornin' to seven at
4 night and some of 'em work from seven at night to seven in the
5 mornin' and some of 'em will tell ya never on Sunday so, I
6 mean, you know it it definitely varies with with the
7 individual drug dealer.

8 Q. Investigator Kirby, in your opinion was the the the
9 amount of drugs found on the defendant's person was that to be
10 sold or was that for personal use?

11 A. That was ---

12 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I object to that question. I
13 don't think the, uh, qualification that he was, uh, given
14 encompasses an opinion of that nature and so I object.

15 THE COURT: I'll sustain the objection in the form that
16 the question was asked.

17 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

18 BY MR. SPIVEY:

19 Q. I -- if if if someone had 1.06 grams of powder cocaine on
20 them, no paraphernalia for use, \$1200 cash on them and a gun
21 on them, in your opinion are they a user or a drug dealer?

22 A. We would classify that as a drug dealer and that would,
23 uh, be because, I mean, you know, you've got over a gram of
24 cocaine, that's more than what a single person would have for
25 personal use, uh, and especially with, you know, the scales

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1 and stuff and and, you know, a a typical user if they've got
2 product on them it's because they just purchases -- purchased
3 it 'cause most a the time soon as they purchase it they're
4 gonna use it right then, right there, it don't matter where
5 they at.

6 Q. Please answer any questions defense attorney has.

7 A. Thank you.

8 THE COURT: Mr. Bean, your witness.

9 MR. BEAN: Thank Your Honor.

10 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN:

11 Q. Mr. Kirby, what would an atypical user have on him?

12 A. Could you define atypical.

13 Q. Well no, sir, I'm askin' you. Do you know what an
14 atypical user is?

15 A. Yeah, the every day user is a person that uses crack
16 cocaine or powder cocaine on a daily basis more than once a
17 day.

18 Q. I'm sorry, that, wouldn't that be a typical user?

19 A. Yeah.

20 Q. Okay. So th -- are there other kinds of users?

21 A. I'm I'm sure there is yes, sir.

22 Q. Okay. Now if somebody had cocaine on them whether it be
23 a a a large amount and again, I'm not sure when you're talkin'
24 about grams and ounces, I have a problem quantifyin' that in
25 my mind, but anyway let's say we've got somebody who's got a

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1 little more than you would describe as a typical user, that
2 doesn't automatically make him dealer, does it?

3 A. Well, I I mean, I ain't gonna say it it does, I mean, but
4 the law clearly says that we can seek warrants for possession
5 with intent to distribute that product based on the amount of
6 drugs that are recovered.

7 Q. Oh sure, well I understand that but but my question is
8 just because somebody has more than what you describe as a
9 typical user in their possession, that doesn't automatically
10 make 'em a dealer in in practical terms, does it?

11 A. Well, I mean, it for for our practical purposes yes, sir.
12 I mean, ---

13 Q. So everybody ---

14 A. --- I'm sure that that yes, your your social economical
15 status could dictate that. You know if if you've got \$5,000
16 to spend on cocaine 'cause you got a bad cocaine habit and you
17 want to buy enough cocaine to last you two or three weeks then
18 yes, absolutely ---

19 Q. Okay.

20 A. --- but, you know, if if you don't have that kinda money
21 to buy that then you gonna buy what your budget will allow.

22 Q. Alright. So if someone has more than what typical user
23 would have, it might be logical that they would, uh, perhaps
24 carry a firearm to protect themselves, wouldn't they?

25 A. No, sir, that's not common, not for ---

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1 Q. Well ---

2 A. --- a user.

3 Q. --- it's not?

4 A. No, sir.

5 Q. Could it, could it be possible?

6 A. Well, I mean, anything's possible.

7 Q. Sure, but I I'm not askin' for somethin' that's out of
8 the realm of reason, I mean, ---

9 A. Well ---

10 Q. --- it's certainly possible, isn't it?

11 A. --- it it's out of the realm of of reason for what we
12 deal with.

13 Q. I see.

14 A. Uh, I mean, you know, typically you will not find a drug
15 user with large amounts a currency and a a weapon on them.

16 Q. You ever heard a one?

17 A. I'm sure they're out there.

18 Q. Okay. And just because somebody has a quantity that
19 exceeds what you describe as a, quote, typical user, that
20 doesn't automatically make them more than a user, does it?

21 A. Yeah, I mean, it does. I mean, you've got personal use
22 and then you've got use for sales.

23 Q. And there's not any in between.

24 A. I don't, I don't know what the in between is, sir.

25 Q. Well that's ---

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1 A. Mean, ---

2 Q. --- that's was my question to you.

3 A. --- is there, is there a difference in a, in a user and a
4 drug dealer, yes there's definitely a huge difference.

5 Q. But quantity by itself doesn't automatically make that
6 difference, does it?

7 A. No, sir.

8 Q. And the fact that somebody has what you describe as more
9 than a typical user quantity who also happens to have some
10 money doesn't automatically make them a dealer, does it?

11 A. In certain cases yeah.

12 Q. Is it, is it in every case?

13 A. Well no ---

14 Q. It's ---

15 A. --- because, I mean, you've got cases such as today
16 where, I mean, you know, your defendant is is a drug dealer
17 and yes because he had a a small amount, what you classify as
18 a small amount of drugs in his possession, just because he had
19 that on him that necessarily don't make him a drug user.

20 Q. But it makes him a drug dealer in your, in your
21 opinion, ---

22 A. A ---

23 Q. --- is that right?

24 A. --- yes, sir, yes, sir.

25 Q. Okay. So he couldn't have had anything on him for for

1 just personal use then.

2 A. No, I mean, I'm sure he could have if he had a had, you
3 know, two-tenths, three-tenths, four-tenths of a gram.

4 Q. So you don't know what he was doin' with it, do ya?

5 A. In my experience I'd say he was gonna offer it for sale.

6 Q. Well I'm not askin' your experience, ---

7 A. Okay.

8 Q. --- I'm askin' if you knew what he was gonna do.

9 A. No, sir; he didn't tell me what he was gonna do with
10 it.

11 Q. And you don't know, do ya?

12 A. No, sir.

13 Q. Now I believe you said that sometimes dealers are maybe
14 typically sell in places other than their residence and I
15 think your explanation for that seemed to make sense, is that
16 always true?

17 A. No, sir, it's not.

18 Q. Some of 'em sell from their residence?

19 A. Yeah, some of 'em do ---

20 Q. Okay.

21 A. --- 'cause they're money-driven.

22 Q. Right, it's, but if you're sellin' it's about the money,
23 right?

24 A. That's exactly right.

25 Q. Sure. Now tell me again, I I'm not sure I understood,

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1 how much does cocaine cost when you acquire it illegally
2 obviously and you just pay for a an an ounce let's say?

3 A. An ounce median thousand dollars.

4 Q. Okay. And by cutting it as you described ---

5 A. That's ---

6 Q. --- you can make more money?

7 A. Yes, sir.

8 Q. Okay.

9 A. Well you can, yeah, of course because you gonna, you
10 gonna take that 28 grams of cocaine and possibly potentially
11 turn it into almost 56 grams of crack.

12 Q. Alright, but again just because you have an amount or
13 quantity or money doesn't make you a dealer, does it?

14 A. That quantity yes, sir.

15 Q. In every case?

16 A. Yes, sir. There's there is no, no reason a dealer or a
17 user would have that quantity of drugs because that they would
18 consume every bit of it and end up either in the hospital or
19 worse off dead.

20 Q. Why would they consume it?

21 A. Because that's what they do, I mean, they're they're
22 addicts, they're addicted to this stiff.

23 Q. So you you couldn't consume it over a period of days or
24 weeks like you just said?

25 A. Yeah, I mean, I'm sure they could but ---

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1 Q. Okay.

2 A. --- it -- if if you're a a true crack cocaine addict that
3 has a bad habit, yeah, I mean, they could, you know, 3, 4,
4 \$500 wortha cocaine a day.

5 Q. Okay, and that doesn't, that wouldn't make 'em a dealer,
6 would it?

7 A. No, sir.

8 Q. Okay.

9 MR. BEAN: No further questions, thank Your Honor.

10 REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY:

11 Q. Investigator Kirby, ---

12 THE COURT: Redirect.

13 Q. --- you said you do about 400 cases a year, about 80 a
14 those are your cases and the rest are ones you assist with in
15 your office, ---

16 A. Yes, sir.

17 Q. --- in those, in the nine years you've been doin' that
18 it's a couple, uh, thousand, two thousand, couple thousand
19 cases, ---

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. --- okay, how many a those cases have you had, have you
22 found a user who had 25.87 grams a cocaine, 1.06 grams of of
23 of c -- of c -- of crack or cocaine, 5.8 grams of marijuana,
24 18.04 grams of crack, 6.27 grams of crack and 63 grams of
25 marijuana all in separate bags with digital scales, goggles,

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1 caffeine powder and baggies, how many times in out of those
2 thousand cases have ya ever found that person be a user?

3 A. None.

4 Q. Okay.

5 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I have no further questions.

6 THE COURT: Mr. Bean.

7 MR. BEAN: No re-cross, Your Honor, thank you.

8 THE COURT: You may step down.

9 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor.

10 (Whereupon, the witness left the stand.)

11 THE COURT: State may call its next witness.

12 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor, I call Mylnor Beach to the
13 stand and I'll ---

14 THE COURT: Step outside ---

15 MR. SPIVEY: --- step outside and grab him.

16 THE COURT: --- and maybe get him.

17 (Whereupon, the solicitor complied.)

18 THE COURT: Come forward to be sworn please, sir.

19 (Whereupon, the witness came forward.)

20 THE CLERK: You set your stuff down. If you'll raise
21 your right hand, put your left hand on the Bible.

22 MYLNOR BEACH, having been first
23 duly sworn, testified as follows:

24 THE CLERK: Thank you, you may be seated.

25 THE COURT: Have a seat please, once you're seated state

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1 your name, please.

2 THE WITNESS: My name is Mylnor Beach.

3 THE COURT: Thank you. Your witness, Counsel.

4 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

5 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY:

6 Q. Mr. Beach, please tell us what what your job is.

7 A. Uh, I am an evidence technician with the Spartanburg
8 Police Department, uh, under the City of Spartanburg.

9 Q. Okay. What's your title there?

10 A. Property and Evidence Technician.

11 Q. Okay. And, uh, how long have you been doin' that job?

12 A. Seven and a half years.

13 Q. Okay. Tell me what what a Property and Evidence
14 Technician does a daily basis.

15 A. We receive any and all property and evidence that the
16 officers, uh, may acquire out in the field and they turn in,
17 they they establish the the case number. Uh, we receive it,
18 uh, each mornin', uh, Monday through Friday, uh, sometimes we
19 will receive some during the day also but the the mornin' is
20 the main period of time. Uh, we have to, uh, sign for it, we
21 have to assign a location to it and then it's our job to
22 maintain the integrity of that evidence.

23 Q. Okay. You ever, uh, do do you also analyze marijuana?

24 A. Yes, sir, I do.

25 Q. Tell me about your training and experience analyzin'

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1 marijuana.

2 A. I've been certified as marijuana analysis though SLED
3 which is South Carolina Law Enforcement Division and I've been
4 re-certified on two separate occasions.

5 Q. How long you been doin' that?

6 A. Seven years.

7 Q. Okay. How many times you testified in relation to of the
8 analysis of marijuana?

9 A. General sessions or all told? I mean, ---

10 Q. All told.

11 A. --- it it would strictly be an estimate. Uh, ---

12 Q. How 'bout this year?

13 A. This year I've testified think about seven, eight
14 different cases.

15 Q. Okay. Is is that a typical year or atypical year, is
16 that ---

17 A. Uh, it it's been down some this year but a lot ---

18 Q. Okay.

19 A. --- of I I do, uh, I've testified in federal, testified
20 in general sessions, we testify a good bit in municipal but it
21 depends on the judge and their procedures.

22 Q. And you've been, each a those cases you were certified as
23 an expert in the chemical analysis a marijuana?

24 A. Uh, not every one but I've been certified as an expert
25 analysis.

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1 Q. Okay.

2 MR. SPIVEY: Uh, alright, Your Honor, may I approach the
3 witness?

4 THE COURT: You may.

5 BY MR. SPIVEY:

6 Q. I'll hand you two items, they've not been pre-marked.
7 Take a look at the first one, see if you can describe that for
8 us, can you identify that first of all.

9 A. Uh, yes, sir. This is a, is what we call an "evidence
10 envelope", uh, it's our Case Number 10024012, it was logged
11 into our computer system by Investigator Josh Bagwell and it's
12 listed as, uh, marijuana bag a green plant material at
13 estimated 2.0 grams.

14 Q. Okay. Uh, whose -- what's that case number associated
15 with?

16 A. The suspect's name on this particular evidence label is
17 Isaac Lyles.

18 Q. Does it, does that indicate a date on, uh, for the
19 case?

20 A. Yes, sir, the date received on the evidence label which
21 is what the Investigator Bagwell would have logged into the
22 computer is October the 9th 2012. He also signed the chain as
23 October the 9th 2012 at I -- it looks like 1727 hours, I'm
24 not ---

25 Q. Okay.

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1 A. --- sure about one numeral there, uh, which would be 5:27
2 p.m. ---

3 Q. Okay.

4 A. --- and then I received it the following morning October
5 the 10th 2012 at seven o'clock a.m.

6 Q. Okay. Take a look inside a there and see if you you you
7 recognize that particular item.

8 A. Uh, yes, sir, this has my, uh, signature on it. Uh,
9 there were two sections of a green plant material, one net
10 weight is 3.85 grams, the other one is 1.86 grams. Uh, I
11 tested this on October the 10th 2012, marked it as Item
12 Number 1 and the marijuana after I test it was heat sealed in
13 this (indicating) plastic bag and also in this envelope was my
14 analysis form. Uh, due to the information that was provided
15 on the evidence envelope we're showing the suspect as Isaac
16 Lyles, turned in by Josh Bagwell and, uh, it did test
17 positive, uh, for marijuana, technically the chemical name for
18 that is tetrahydrocannabinol and it was positive.

19 Q. Okay. Uh, when you received that, was it sealed?

20 A. No, sir.

21 Q. Okay. Was there any evidence of tampering at all?

22 A. It wouldn't be for me to say. It was in the envelope,
23 uh, we took it out. Uh, as our normal procedure upon testing,
24 uh, we weigh it and that's why you have a net weight that's
25 what we go by and that's what, you know, goes on the analysis

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1 form.

2 Q. Okay. Where did you retrieve that from?

3 A. Uh, this would have come out our drop box ---

4 Q. Okay.

5 A. --- which is a mailbox, uh, like a big metal mailbox that
6 stays locked. Uh, the only person besides myself that has
7 regular access to that would be my partner David Reeves who is
8 also a Property and Evidence Technician, uh, our supervisor
9 Major Lamb has a key but he does not carry that on him, it
10 stays locked up.

11 MR. SPIVEY: Okay. Your Honor, at this point I'd I'd
12 move that marijuana into, uh, evidence as State's Exhibit and
13 I I apologize, Your Honor, I'm not sure exactly what number
14 we're at, we're at 16 or 17 I believe.

15 THE COURT: Any objection?

16 MR. BEAN: Uh, no objection.

17 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be received and
18 marked. You wanna have that done?

19 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

20 (Marijuana marked State's Exhibit No. 16 for
21 identification and admitted into evidence.)

22 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

23 BY MR. SPIVEY:

24 Q. If you can, uh, Officer Beach, please take a look at at
25 the the other item I handed you.

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1 A. Uh, this was logged in under the same Case Number,
2 10024012 by Investigator Bagwell, it, uh, shows the suspect on
3 the evidence label as Isaac Lyles, uh, they listed it at 60 --
4 63.0 grams. Uh, Officer Bagwell signed this in at 1727 hours
5 which would be 5:27 p.m. on the 9th of October 2012. I
6 retrieved it from their drop box, signed for it October the
7 10th 2012, of course that was at seven o'clock in the mornin'.

8 Q. Okay. Does it -- you state the case number on there?

9 A. Yes, sir, 10024012.

10 Q. And that matches the case related to the defendant?

11 A. The one I just had yes, sir.

12 Q. Yes, sir. Alright, if you can take out what's inside a
13 there and see if you can identify it.

14 A. Net weight of 52.73 grams of marijuana, uh, I have it
15 marked with the previous case number I just mentioned:
16 10024012. I received it on October the 10th 2012, Item
17 Number 2, and I have initialed it, uh, and the analysis form
18 showed that it did test positive for marijuana.

19 MR. SPIVEY: Okay. Your Honor, at this point I would
20 move this in as State's Exhibit No. 17.

21 THE COURT: Objections?

22 MR. BEAN: No objection.

23 THE COURT: Without objection it will admitted, you may
24 have it marked.

25 (Marijuana marked State's Exhibit No. 17 for

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1 identification and admitted into evidence.)

2 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor and, Your Honor, I would
3 also at this time move the the the the witness as an expert in
4 chemical analysis, I've not done so earlier, I don't believe
5 that that I actually made that step. I would move that he be
6 declared expert in analysis a marijuana.

7 THE COURT: Any objection?

8 MR. BEAN: I I apologize, I'm not sure I understood that,
9 would would you mind restating.

10 MR. SPIVEY: He a, uh, Your Honor, I I ---

11 THE COURT: He has not had him qualified as an expert for
12 the purposes of ana -- analyzing marijuana and offering
13 opinion as to its, what it is, a substance.

14 MR. BEAN: Okay, so that's that's the proffer then I I do
15 not have objection to that, ---

16 THE COURT: Okay, ---

17 MR. BEAN: --- Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: --- no no objection. He'll be so qualified
19 and I've explained to the jury what that means.

20 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: You may proceed.

22 BY MR. SPIVEY:

23 Q. And so that, in your expert opinion is that marijuana?

24 A. Yes, sir, it pass the test.

25 Q. How much marijuana is that?

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1 A. 52.73 grams.

2 Q. Okay. Alright. Mr. Beach, uh, I'm gonna hand you two
3 other items. May I approach the witness, Your Honor?

4 THE COURT: You may.

5 BY MR. SPIVEY:

6 Q. Alright, just take the first one you've got there and see
7 if you can identify it.

8 A. Same Case Number 10024012 which is the city case number,
9 uh, it is, it is marked as cocaine and we have a BEST envelope
10 number of S162582, uh, that was turned in by Investigator
11 Bagwell, here again on the 9th of October 2012 at 5:27 p.m. I
12 received it the following morning October the 10th 2012 at
13 seven o'clock in the morning, uh, you want me to go inside
14 it, ---

15 Q. Yes, sir.

16 A. --- please. Any time we get any type of drugs other than
17 marijuana, they have to be placed in what is called a "BEST
18 Envelope". This (indicating) is the BEST envelope we receive
19 from Spartanburg County Sheriff's Department, okay. My
20 partner and I have no access to the drugs that are inside this
21 envelope. Once we receive this, this envelope has been, uh,
22 filled out and completed by the officer that's turnin', uh,
23 the item in, it is sealed, we have no access to it, we can't
24 touch it, the only thing we do is verify that they have filled
25 out the County Drug Analysis Form properly and that we have

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1 what's called a "Form B" and/or a "Form C", uh, document, uh,
2 that they have to fill out. If all a that is correct then we
3 receive it in, me bein' the, uh, technician that received it I
4 had to fill out a Form C, uh, which states that I received it
5 from Investigator Bagwell, that I got it from a drop box, I I
6 have to put a case number on there, I have to put the control
7 number with or our our, uh, S number and then, uh, I have to
8 sign off on that.

9 Q. Okay, thank you. When you received this, it was sealed
10 up?

11 A. Yes, sir, we will not receive it if it's not sealed
12 properly.

13 Q. Okay. And that bag is is tamper-evident, what does, what
14 does tamper-evident mean?

15 A. Well it like I said, when they, when the officer places
16 the drugs, this is the, this (indicating) is evidence, uh, bag
17 if you will or BEST envelope and up here (indicating) you you
18 can see that this red tape that's what actually seals it,
19 that's the last thing he does before he puts it in this, uh,
20 evidence envelope. When we take it out to check things, if
21 this (indicating) is not sealed properly, we have to call them
22 back in because the lab at the county will not accept it if
23 it's not done properly so this one was, you know, not held or
24 anything, it was turned in properly.

25 Q. Okay. What did you do with that bag once you received

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1 it?

2 A. Well when when we get it in course I have to sign off on
3 it, assign a location to it, uh, drugs are kept in there in a
4 separate room inside the evidence, uh, department, uh, due to
5 colleague a CALEA standards it has to be the most secure area
6 of property and evidence. Uh, basically you gotta go thr --
7 to through a chained and locked, uh, gate and then through two
8 locked doors to get into the drug room itself where the drugs
9 are stored, ---

10 Q. Who's got key ---

11 A. --- it's Da ---

12 Q. --- keys to those rooms?

13 A. Pardon?

14 Q. Who's got the keys to those rooms, those ---

15 A. David ---

16 Q. --- locks?

17 A. --- David Reeves and myself. Major Lamb has a set bein'
18 our supervisor but they stay under that they're locked up
19 somewhere else.

20 Q. Okay. Uh, what did you do with 'em after that?

21 A. After we accumulate, uh, so many BEST envelopes we'll
22 call over to the county lab and set up an appointment, uh, to
23 bring these over. Uh, course we, you know, we check 'em out
24 of evidence to ourselves and, uh, we take 'em over to
25 Spartanburg County Sheriff's Department where their lab is

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1 located. Uh, they have two chemists over there that do the
2 testing for us and, uh, that they they sign the sheets, they
3 receive it and that's all I can tell you that I I I know
4 what's done but I can't testify to what they do ---

5 Q. No, no, ---

6 A. --- after that.

7 Q. --- just tell me what you did. That point you dropped it
8 off with the ---

9 A. They ---

10 Q. --- county ---

11 A. --- they they received the drugs from myself or or my
12 partner and, uh, then they, when they get 'em all done they
13 either call us or the next trip we'll pick up the drugs that
14 have have been tested.

15 Q. When you dropped them off, were they in the same
16 condition as when you received 'em?

17 A. Yes, sir.

18 Q. Okay. Uh, take a look at, if you'll put that in -- Your
19 Honor, I would like to mark this as State's Exhibit 18 just
20 for identification purposes only.

21 THE COURT: You may do so.

22 (Cocaine marked State's Exhibit No. 18 for
23 identification.)

24 MR. SPIVEY: May I approach, Your Honor?

25 THE COURT: You may.

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1 BY MR. SPIVEY:

2 Q. Alright, take a look at the next item there.

3 A. Case Number 10024012, same number we've been discussin',
4 Item Number 6, uh, entered by Investigator Bagwell, turned in
5 on October the 9th 2012 at 5:27, received by myself October
6 the 10th the following morning at seven o'clock.

7 Q. Okay, open it up and see what's in there.

8 A. Another BEST envelope, uh, S156558.

9 Q. Okay. And and ---

10 A. And once again this area here (indicating) is the BEST
11 envelope, this is the county's outer sealed envelope.

12 Q. Okay. Uh, when you received that that bag was sealed?

13 A. Yes, sir, it was.

14 Q. Okay, what did you do with it then?

15 A. Received it into evidence, assigned a location to it, put
16 it in the drug room, secured and kept it until it was taken
17 over for testing.

18 Q. And when was it taken over?

19 A. Uh, let's see. Hold on just one minute, let me get to
20 this sheet. I took it to the sheriff's department, signed it
21 out on October 31st.

22 Q. Okay, so the same day you took the other BEST bag.

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Okay. And when you dropped it off with the sheriff's
25 office, was it in the same condition as when you received

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1. it?

2 A. Yes, sir.

3 MR. SPIVEY: Okay. Your Honor, I'd like to have this
4 this, uh, evidence marked for identification purposes only as
5 State's Exhibit 18, oh, excuse me, 19.

6 THE COURT: Alright, you may do so.

7 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor, may I approach?

8 THE COURT: Yes.

9 (Cocaine and crack marked State's Exhibit No. 19 for
10 identification.)

11 MR. SPIVEY: And, Your Honor, at this point I have no
12 further questions of of this witness.

13 THE COURT: You may cross-examine, Mr. Bean.

14 MR. BEAN: Thank Your Honor, just a few questions.

15 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

16 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEAN:

17 Q. Mr. Beach, ---

18 A. Yes, sir.

19 Q. --- good morning.

20 A. Good morning to you, sir.

21 Q. Uh, you indicated in your testimony just now that you I
22 think had two separate, uh, groups or or quantities of
23 marijuana from this case, is that right?

24 A. Um, yes, sir, there we -- there were two envelopes turned
25 in.

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1 Q. Okay. And do you know which envelope came from my client
2 and which one came from somewhere else?

3 A. No, sir, I have no way of knowing that.

4 Q. Okay. How much marijuana was, was in the smaller, uh,
5 quantity in the bag? You you weighed it correct?

6 A. Yes, sir, I weighed it, I'd have to see the analysis
7 form ---

8 Q. Oh, ---

9 A. --- to ---

10 Q. --- I'm sorry.

11 A. I'm sorry.

12 MR. BEAN: A -- approach the witness, Your Honor?

13 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

14 BY MR. BEAN:

15 Q. I'll hand it to you.

16 A. You're wanting the the first one here?

17 Q. Well the smaller one, the smaller ---

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. --- quantity.

20 A. Uh, it was a total of 5 -- 5.71 grams I believe is what
21 we got, uh, weighed it out at. Yes, sir, 5.71 grams and that
22 was net weight of the green leafy substance.

23 Q. Now I'm not good with math, never was, uh, how many
24 ounces is that?

25 A. That small amount we don't break that down to ounces with

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1 it bein', you know, uh, uh, grams, course it's, uh, 28 -- 28
2 grams of, you know, to get up to the, I mean, yeah, 28 grams
3 for an ounce but this is only 5.71 so ---

4 Q. Oh, I see so ---

5 A. --- yeah, this is a very small, what what I would
6 consider a small amount.

7 Q. I see. Now what about the second bag?

8 A. Second bag was, uh, 52.73 grams and that came out, uh, as
9 1.859 ounces.

10 Q. Alright, sir, thank you.

11 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

12 Q. Mr. Beach, uh, your your only knowledge about this other
13 than the fact that you received it in the course of your
14 normal duties and analyzed it and determined it to be
15 marijuana is the fact that you got it and did that, is that
16 correct?

17 A. Yes, sir, I received it from Investigator Bagwell with
18 the assigned case number already on it and that's all, ---

19 Q. Yes.

20 A. --- that's all my knowledge of it.

21 Q. Thank you.

22 MR. BEAN: No further questions, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: Anything further, Mr. Spivey?

24 MR. SPIVEY: No, sir, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: Alright, sir, you may step down. You wish to

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1 excuse the witness?

2 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, Your Honor, if we may.

3 THE COURT: Any objections?

4 MR. BEAN: No objection.

5 THE COURT: You're free to go.

6 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

7 THE COURT: Thank you, sir.

8 (Whereupon, the witness left the stand.)

9 THE COURT: We're gonna take a short break at this point
10 in time.

11 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

12 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, I'll allow you to step
13 back in the jury room, allow the court personnel to take a
14 break. While you're in the jury room I'm gonna ask you not to
15 begin any discussions about this case until I've asked you to
16 begin deliberations. You may retire, thank you very much.

17 (The following takes place outside the presence of the
18 jury.)

19 THE COURT: Alright, court'll be in recess briefly.

20 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor, thank you.

21 (Whereupon, a recess was taken.)

22 THE COURT: Mr. Spivey, State ready to go forward?

23 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor, we just have one
24 further witness Ms. Beth Stuart.

25 THE COURT: Alright.

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1 MR. BEAN: We're ready.

2 THE COURT: Defense ready?

3 MR. BEAN: Yes, sir.

4 THE COURT: Alright, bring the jury in.

5 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury.)

6 THE COURT: Alright, the record will reflect the jury's
7 returned to the courtroom. You may call your next witness,
8 Mr. Spivey.

9 MR. SPIVEY: Thank you, Your Honor. Your Honor, State
10 calls Beth Stuart.

11 THE COURT: Come forward, ma'am, to my left and be sworn,
12 please.

13 THE CLERK: Raise your right hand, put your left hand on
14 the Bible.

15 MARY ELIZABETH STUART, having been
16 first duly sworn, testified as follows:

17 THE CLERK: Thank you, you may be seated.

18 MR. SPIVEY: Have a seat, once seated state your name,
19 please.

20 THE WITNESS: Yes. Mary Elizabeth Stuart, everybody
21 calls me Beth.

22 THE COURT: Mr. Spivey, your witness.

23 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

24 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SPIVEY:

25 Q. Ms. Stuart, please tell us your training and experience.

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1 A. Um, yes, I have a bachelor's of science in chemistry, a
2 bachelor's of science in bio-chemistry both from the College
3 of Charleston. I have a master's degree in chemistry from the
4 University of South Carolina. Um, I've been trained in drug
5 analysis, fire debris analysis, uh, meth labs and poison
6 analysis. Um, I am certified by the American Board of
7 Criminalistics in all areas of forensic science. I've been to
8 the DEA Forensic Chemist School and the DEA Clandestine Lab
9 School and had 40 hours of continuing a -- continuing
10 education for the last 11 years.

11 Q. Okay. Uh, you ever been, uh, certified as an expert in
12 in court, have you ever testified as an expert in court?

13 A. Yes, I have, um, I think it's about 36 times in
14 Spartanburg County.

15 Q. Okay, and wha'd you testify to or ---

16 A. Uh, ---

17 Q. --- wha'd you testify as as an expert?

18 A. It's been different things: drug analysis, fire debris
19 analysis, uh, fingerprinting.

20 Q. Okay. In reference to drug analysis, you've been then
21 qualified as an expert drug analysis?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay, that's the chemical analysis of controlled
24 substances.

25 A. Yes, sir, it is.

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1 Q. Okay, that controlled substance includes crack and and
2 powder cocaine?

3 A. Yes, sir, it does.

4 Q. Okay.

5 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, at this point I'd move to to
6 have the witness qualified as an expert in the chemical
7 analysis of of cocaine and powder coc -- and crack cocaine.

8 THE COURT: Is there an -- any any objection?

9 MR. BEAN: No objection.

10 THE COURT: Without objection she'll be qualified as such
11 and I've explained to the jury that designation. You may
12 proceed.

13 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor. Uh, Your Honor, may I
14 approach the witness?

15 THE COURT: You may.

16 BY MR. SPIVEY:

17 Q. I'm gonna hand you what's been pre-marked as State's
18 Exhibit 18, if you can open that envelope for me and and take
19 a look inside, tell me if you can identify that.

20 A. Yes, it's controlled substance marked Lab Number L121552
21 with my initials on it and the date.

22 Q. Okay. Does it have a a Spartanburg City case ---

23 A. Yeah.

24 Q. --- number on it?

25 A. Yes, the paperwork does.

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1 Q. Okay. Wha -- and what was the case number?

2 A. 10-0240-12.

3 Q. Okay. Uh, when you received this item, uh, who did you
4 receive it from?

5 A. Uh, from Mylnor Beach.

6 Q. Okay. And when you received it was it sealed?

7 A. It was. Inside, there's a bag inside this (indicating)
8 outer envelope called a BEST bag, it was sealed in it. We
9 won't accept evidence if it's not sealed.

10 Q. Okay. Was there any avs -- evidence that it had been
11 tampered with in any way or altered?

12 A. We wouldn't have taken it ---

13 Q. Okay.

14 A. --- at all, it woulda been sent back with him if any of
15 the seals had been tampered with.

16 Q. Tell me about that that, the BEST bag, uh, ---

17 A. Sure. Uh, inside this the blue it's called, what we call
18 a "BEST bag" which is just an acronym. BEST stands for Best
19 Evidence Sample Testing and we accept evidence from a lotta
20 agencies, not just the city but the county and every other
21 city within Spartanburg County and any federal agency that
22 works in Spartanburg County so there needed to be a uniform
23 way for everyone to submit their evidence to us and that's
24 where the BEST bag comes in. It's not a tamper-proof bag, you
25 can get into it if you want to, you can cut it open, uh, or

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1 any of that but it is tamper-evident which means if someone
2 cut it of course we'd know or if they tried to tear it these
3 (indicating) lines would distort. Once it's sealed at the top
4 which is the pink is the glue then it would be extremely
5 evident if someone tried to get into it.

6 Q. Okay. Did you perform any analysis on that, the
7 substances inside a there?

8 A. Uh, I know I did but I think you must have removed the
9 report from this bag.

10 Q. Okay. Let's see if I can find a a copy of that.

11 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

12 MR. SPIVEY: May I approach the witness, Your Honor?

13 THE COURT: You may.

14 BY MR. SPIVEY:

15 Q. That's, uh, there two of 'em there. Uh, I've handed you
16 two documents, I'm not sure which bag that that matches, uh,
17 please look at ---

18 A. Sure.

19 Q. --- the one that matches that particular bag and ---

20 A. It's no ---

21 Q. --- tell me what ---

22 A. --- problem, it's easy for me to establish. Once I test
23 a drug I reseal it into this (indicating) outer envelope that
24 you see and in the, in the seal I write my initials, the date
25 I sealed it and a lab number, also there's a lab number on the

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1 original BEST bag, that's a lab number I assign to it in the
2 lab, that lab number also shows up on our report and it's
3 L121552 which corresponds to all the lab numbers I have
4 written so it's easy to coincide them.

5 Q. Okay. What analysis did you perform on that particular
6 bag?

7 A. Um, I do a presumptive and a confirmatory analysis on
8 white powder substance. The presumptive is like a color
9 change test and then the confirmatory test is an instrumental
10 test, I now perform both of them.

11 Q. Okay. What, uh, what what did you determine after
12 performing that analysis?

13 A. Sure. The white powder substance in this case was
14 cocaine found at 1.06 grams.

15 MR. SPIVEY: Okay. Your Honor, at this point I'd move
16 what's, what was pre-marked as State's Exhibit 18 into
17 evidence as State's Exhibit 18.

18 THE COURT: Is there an objection?

19 MR. BEAN: No objection.

20 THE COURT: Without objection it'll now be made an
21 exhibit same number, you may proceed.

22 (State's Exhibit No. 18, cocaine, admitted into
23 evidence.)

24 MR. SPIVEY: Thank you, Your Honor. May I approach the
25 witness and ---

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1 THE COURT: You may.

2 MR. SPIVEY: --- and swap with her?

3 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

4 BY MR. SPIVEY:

5 Q. Please please, uh, open that up and see if you can
6 identify it.

7 A. It's the same procedure every time. Once again it has my
8 initials, the date, the lab number and the seal, my initials,
9 the date and the letters O-K-A-Y which tells me it was sealed
10 before I opened it on the actual BEST bag inside and the
11 report L121556 corresponds with all the lab numbers I have
12 written on all the paperwork.

13 Q. Okay. Uh, what analysis you perform on that?

14 A. Uh, this was not only a white powder substance but also
15 what we call an "off white rock substance", so the white
16 powder substance woulda been the same, a spot color test and
17 then also and instrumental test. The off white rock substance
18 in order to differentiate it between, uh, whether it's cocaine
19 or crack we also perform a solubility test on it.

20 Q. Okay. Did you perform those those tests on these
21 substances?

22 A. I did.

23 Q. Okay, what do you determine?

24 A. Sure, the white powder substance labeled Item Number 6
25 was cocaine found at 25.87 grams. The off white rock

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1 substance labeled Item Number 7 was cocaine base, commonly
2 called "crack" at 18.04 grams and the off white rock substance
3 labeled Item Number 8 was cocaine base, commonly called
4 "crack" at 6.27 grams.

5 Q. Okay. In terms of the weights on State's -- oh, Your
6 Honor, at this time I'd move State's Exhibit 19 into evidence.

7 THE COURT: Any objection?

8 MR. BEAN: Without objection.

9 THE COURT: Without objection it'll be marked as such,
10 it'll be entered at the same number. You may proceed.

11 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

12 (State's Exhibit No. 19, cocaine and crack, admitted into
13 evidence.)

14 BY MR. SPIVEY:

15 Q. In terms of these two items, State's Exhibit 18 and
16 State's Exhibit 19, how do you get those weights?

17 A. Within the lab we have what's called an "analytical
18 balance", uh, basically it's calibrated once a month in-house
19 by us and then once a year it's calibrated by an outside
20 agency. Uh, it has to be correct to the thousandth degree so
21 will be .000 but we only, we truncate at the hundredths degree
22 to be even more fair. Also, what we do before we weigh any
23 substance any sample that we're using for testing gets removed
24 from it before we weigh it so that what we put back into the
25 bag is what we actually weigh and it's not weighed with any

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1 packaging or bags or any such, it's removed completely and
2 weighed.

3 Q. Okay, so by the time you've done all that you're certain
4 that that is the actual analytical weight.

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. Okay. You're certain that those drugs both in 18 and 19
7 were powder cocaine and crack cocaine.

8 A. Yes.

9 MR. SPIVEY: Okay, I have no further witnesses, uh, fu --
10 no further questions for this witness at this time, Your
11 Honor.

12 THE COURT: Mr. Bean.

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14 Q. Just briefly, Ms. Stuart, ---

15 A. Yes, sir.

16 Q. --- uh, good morning, ---

17 A. Good morning.

18 Q. --- it's still morning. Now I I just wanna be clear on
19 one thing: I understand analysis and all, you really don't
20 know anything about the facts of the case or how this was
21 obtained, do ya?

22 A. No, sir, I do not.

23 Q. Okay. All you really know is you analyzed this and those
24 are your finding?

25 A. Yes, sir.

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1 Q. Thank you.

2 MR. BEAN: No further questions, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Anything further?

4 MR. SPIVEY: No, sir, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: Alright, ma'am, you may step down, thank you
6 very much.

7 (Whereupon, the witness left the stand.)

8 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, may she be excused?

9 THE COURT: Any objection?

10 MR. BEAN: No objection.

11 THE COURT: You're free to go, ma'am, thank you. State
12 may call its next witness.

13 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, the State rests its case at this
14 point.

15 THE COURT: Alright, ladies and gentlemen of the jury, at
16 this point in time the State has completed the presentation of
17 evidence that it intends to present, there's some things I
18 have to take up with the attorneys at this time out of your
19 presence so I'll ask you to step back to the jury room, not to
20 begin discussions about this matter 'till I've asked you to do
21 so, you may retire to the jury room.

22 (The following takes place outside the presence of the
23 jury.)

24 THE COURT: Motions by the defense?

25 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, at this time the defense would

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1 move for a, uh, dismissal or directed verdict as the case may
2 be on the charges that stem from the drugs that were found,
3 uh, in the bag which was off of the premises where this
4 incident took place. Uh, there is, uh, no, uh, credible
5 evidence that my client had anything to do with that, uh, and
6 on that basis we would move that those, uh, items or that that
7 those charges be dismissed.

8 THE COURT: Spivey.

9 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor. Your Honor, we did
10 hear credible evidence from Edward Wesson that the bag
11 belonged to defendant and, uh, he was able to to establish
12 very very clearly that he seen him with that bag multiple
13 occasions, in fact, probably every day for that entire summer,
14 uh, I believe that is enough evidence to present the case to
15 the jury, ---

16 THE COURT: Well. ---

17 MR. SPIVEY: --- Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: --- well the issue's not whether it's
19 credible evidence it's whether exists evidence upon which a
20 jury might make a decision and in this case the motion will be
21 denied. I find there is sufficient evidence justify the case
22 going forward to the jury. Uh, any other motions, Mr. Bean?

23 MR. BEAN: Uh, not at this moment, Your Honor. Uh,
24 before we proceed, uh, I would need a little bit a time to
25 confer with my client, Your Honor, we've had some discussions

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1 but, uh, uh, we'll need to talk a little bit further ---

2 (Cross-talk.)

3 THE COURT: Let me go over some things with him so
4 he's been advised of certain things before he has those
5 discussions. Uh, sir, if you would please stand, madam clerk,
6 please swear the defendant for me.

7 THE CLERK: Yes, sir. Please raise your right hand.

8 (Whereupon, the defendant was sworn.)

9 THE CLERK: Thank you.

10 THE COURT: You can be seated, Mr. Lyles.

11 (Whereupon, the defendant complied.)

12 THE COURT: Mr. Lyles, at this time I'm going to explain
13 certain of your constitutional rights to you, uh, I will tell
14 you that when I finish if you do not understand what I've gone
15 over with you, please let me know, uh, I'll be glad to answer
16 any questions that you might have concerning these matters, do
17 you understand that I'm doing now?

18 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

19 THE COURT: Uh, we've reached the stage of the
20 proceedings where you have the right to present your defense.
21 Now as part of that defense you have the right to testify in
22 this case, you also have the right to claim the protections
23 that are given to you under the Fifth Amendment to the
24 Constitution of the United States, that Amendment reads in
25 part that no person can be compelled in any criminal case to

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1 be a witness against himself. While I've advised you that you
2 have the right to testify, y -- that that Consti -- that
3 provision in the Constitution gives you the right not to
4 testify, that means you cannot be required to testify in this
5 case, uh, no one can make you testify in this case. The right
6 to remain silent of the case -- in this case is a personal
7 right, no one can give or waive up that -- waive that right
8 except yourself.

9 Now if you decide to testify I will advise you that
10 you'll be subject to the same rules that govern the testimony
11 of any other witness, what that means is that you would be
12 examined by your lawyer and you'd be cross-examined by the
13 State's attorney and I will tell you that in addition to the
14 cross-examine by -- examination by the State's attorney, should
15 you have convictions on your record that involve dishonesty or
16 false statements or convictions for crimes punishable by
17 imprisonment for more than one year and this court makes a
18 determination that the probative value of those convictions as
19 to your credibility outweighs the prejudicial effect that they
20 might have on you, uh, then in that case if the Sta -- if the
21 Court made that determination, the solicitor, uh, would be
22 able to introduce those convictions in an effort to attack
23 your credibility.

24 Now if you decide to testify, the decision on your part
25 must be made freely and voluntarily by you, must be made

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1 intelligently with knowledge of the protections given to you
2 under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution and any
3 consequences that you might suffer as a result of your
4 decision to testify. I will tell you that if you decide not
5 to testify that I will instruct the jury that they cannot give
6 the fact that you did not testify in any consideration
7 whatsoever in reaching a verdict; in other words, there's to
8 be absolutely no prejudice to you because you did not testify;
9 in fact, I will instruct them that they could not even discuss
10 that factor during their deliberations. Now the decision as
11 to whether or not to testify is entirely left up to you. You
12 have the right to consult with your attorney, family, friends
13 or anyone else you'd like to discuss the decision with but the
14 decision finally and ultimately is your decision. Now do you
15 understand the rights that I've explained to ya?

16 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

17 THE COURT: Do you have any questions about that right?

18 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.

19 THE COURT: Have you had an opportunity to discuss this
20 with your attorney?

21 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.

22 THE COURT: Alright, well do you wish more time in which
23 to do that?

24 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

25 THE COURT: Alright, well what I'm going to do since

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1 we're this close to lunch I'll go ahead and break for lunch,
2 that'll give you over the lunch hour to consider that
3 question, uh, and then once we return, uh, I'll be asking you
4 about this decision, you understand that, sir?

5 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, --sir..

6 THE COURT: Alright. Is there anything else before we
7 take our break?

8 MR. SPIVEY: No, sir, Your Honor.

9 MR. BEAN: No, ---

10 THE COURT: Mr. Bean?

11 MR. BEAN: --- Your Honor.

12 THE COURT: Alright, let's bring the jury in.

13 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury.)

14 THE COURT: Alright, the record will reflect that the
15 jury has returned to the courtroom. Uh, ladies and gentlemen,
16 I told you we completed the presentation of evidence by the
17 State, uh, and at this stage of the proceedings the defense
18 has the right to call any witnesses the defense chooses to
19 call, uh, but I do note that we're about fifteen minutes from
20 noon and what we're going to do is we're going to break for
21 lunch and then I'll ask you to come back and we should be in a
22 position to resume the case at that point in time. Uh, I will
23 ask you to be back in the jury room by one o'clock this
24 afternoon, we should be in a position to start back shortly
25 thereafter.

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1 Now as always when you leave the courthouse I'll give you
2 the same instructions I've given before, that is, not to
3 attempt to gather information about the case on your own,
4 don't discuss the case with anyone and don't allow anyone to
5 discuss it with you. Should anyone attempt to contact you
6 about your service on this jury please report that fact and
7 I'll take the appropriate action, so at this point in time the
8 bailiff will take you back and release you for lunch, be back
9 in that jury room by one o'clock this afternoon. Thank you
10 very much.

11 (The following takes place outside the presence of the
12 jury.)

13 THE COURT: Alright, we'll be in recess until one
14 o'clock. Thank you very much.

15 (Whereupon, a recess was taken.)

16 THE COURT: We're on the record in the case the State vs.
17 Lyles. Mr. Lyles, when we broke earlier, uh, I had gone over
18 with you your right, uh, to remain silent and your rights
19 under the Fifth Amendment, have you had an opportunity to
20 discuss your decision with your attorney?

21 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

22 THE COURT: Have you had an opportunity to discuss it
23 with anyone else that you chose to discuss it with?

24 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

25 THE COURT: Have you come to a decision as to whether or

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1 not you wish to testify in this case?

2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

3 THE COURT: And do you intend to testify?

4 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.

5 THE COURT: Alright, Mr. Bean, does the defense have any
6 other witnesses you wish to call?

7 MR. BEAN: We do not, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Alright, so I assume you'll be resting.

9 MR. BEAN: Defense rests.

10 THE COURT: I I do not think that the defense introduced
11 any evidence in the case, is that correct?

12 MR. BEAN: That is correct.

13 THE COURT: That means you'll ---

14 MR. SPIVEY: Despite my best effort, Your Honor, he did
15 not enter any any ---

16 (Cross-talk.)

17 THE COURT: That means you'll be going first with your
18 closing statement, are you ready to proceed?

19 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: Alright, let's bring the jury in. I will ask
21 you about your witnesses on the record in front of the jury
22 and then we'll ---

23 MR. BEAN: Yes.

24 THE COURT: --- proceed.

25 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury.)

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1 THE COURT: Alright, the record will reflect the jury has
2 returned to the courtroom, I hope everyone had a good lunch
3 and, uh, returned ready to continue with the case. If anybody
4 had any difficulty in complying with my instructions
5 concerning your behavior in your absence from the courthouse,
6 please stand.

7 (No response.)

8 THE COURT: It appears that all jurors have been able to
9 comply with my instructions thus far. Uh, when we broke
10 earlier the State had completed the presentation of its
11 evidence in this case and at this time the defense has the
12 right to present evidence. Does defense wish to call any
13 witnesses?

14 MR. BEAN: Uh, we do not, Your Honor, the defense rests.

15 THE COURT: Alright, the defense then has rested in the
16 case so that completes the pres -- presentation of evidence in
17 this matter so at this time we will go to the stage of the
18 trial where the attorneys will be given an opportunity to
19 again address you and summing up the case making their closing
20 argument so at this time, Mr. Spivey, you may proceed for the
21 State.

22 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor. Ladies and gentlemen, I
23 thank you for your patience, uh, this has been a little bit of
24 a a long trial and you've heard from a lotta witnesses and I I
25 I'm glad that you paid attention to each of the witnesses. We

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1 were, we were watchin' and and and we tried to make it as
2 entertaining as we could although this is not supposed to be
3 entertaining, uh, but but you all paid attention very well
4 and, uh, you heard what they had to say and, uh, and I I
5 appreciate that and I I know the defendant does as well, this
6 is important for him, uh, he's got a constitutional right to a
7 trial and you are supposed to make a determination of what the
8 evidence means, what actually happened in this case, that's
9 your job: termine the the truth of what factually occurred, so
10 let's talk a little minute and we'll get to to to some of
11 those issues in a minute.

12 First, I wanna refresh you on what is actually charged in
13 this and what I have to prove, uh, 'cause that's, that's where
14 we need to start with this analysis of whether or not you
15 think the facts fit the charges that I've brought. He's
16 charged with two counts of trafficking, one in cocaine and one
17 in crack cocaine and basically that means he was either in
18 possession of it, if he's in possession of it alone more than
19 10 grams then he is guilty of trafficking cocaine or he could
20 be in possession with intent to distribute. Today and
21 yesterday we have argued to ya and through the testimony that
22 there is no doubt anybody in possession of that quantity with
23 the other el -- uh, evidence that was there: the gun and the
24 money and the way it's bagged and the digital scales and the
25 lack of paraphernalia, we have argued that he did possess with

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1 intent to distribute those two drugs, okay, and it's more than
2 10 grams, okay, those are two charges. Remember I said that
3 whether or not you think it's violent or not, throw your
4 definition of violent out the window because our state has
5 decided that violent in this sense means something totally
6 different and and basically they have said that trafficking in
7 either of those drugs is a violent crime and there's there's
8 really nothin' left to discuss in in terms of that, uh, so if
9 he's guilty a that, he's a -- he's guilty of a violent crime.
10 Uh, he has to knowingly possess those items, uh, we think
11 we've presented evidence a that, I'll get into that in a
12 minute but let's let's keep goin' through the charges.

13 He's also charged with possession with intent to
14 distribute marijuana and that's based in fact upon the scales,
15 the amount of marijuana and, uh, the lack of any evidence that
16 he intended to smoke the marijuana. Where are the rolling
17 papers? Where's the marijuana pipe? How do ya ingest this
18 stuff if if you don't have those things? There's no lighter,
19 so we're, again, we're basing this intent to distribute, it's
20 rare that somebody actually comes out and says, Those are my
21 drugs and I was gonna sell 'em, so we gotta look at what's
22 called the "circumstantial evidence" to prove those but
23 essentially the crime all we have to do is that he possessed
24 'em knowingly and he did so with an intent to distribute it,
25 okay. There's several other charges and they're all related,

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1 member the violent crimes. Because he had a weapon he's
2 charged with possession of a firearm during the commission of
3 a violent crime and remember the violent crimes already
4 defined for us so if he's guilty of trafficking and he had
5 that weapon on him then he's gu -- also has to be found guilty
6 of possession of a weapon during the commission of a violent
7 crime, okay. There's also three other charges and those
8 charges relate to the school that's nearby: Cleveland
9 Elementary school, .348 miles away, less than .5 which would
10 be a half mile "as the crow flies". We heard testimony from,
11 uh, one a the officers about that about how far away it was
12 and we also heard testimony from Mr. Wesson, the owner of the
13 property, about how close it was in in proximity that
14 residence was to Cleveland Elementary School, so there's no
15 doubt everybody knew this house within a half mile of that
16 property, okay, so we're all on the same page he possessed
17 with intent to distribute these drugs and he did it within a
18 half mile a that school and he did it knowingly, that's what
19 he's charged with and that's what we're trying to prove,
20 that's what we've heard evidence about.

21 I wanna talk a minute about what is really not an issue
22 in this case. Let's talk about, you know, the the evidence
23 that came in that exists but really it doesn't appear at least
24 by the questions that were asked to have been, uh, challenged
25 at all. The drug weights, okay. There's no doubt that

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1 cocaine, crack cocaine and marijuana were found, nobody
2 disputes that. Now I think they dispute that it was his but
3 and we say it was his and they are basically are sayin' it
4 wasn't his but there's no doubt it was cocaine, it was crack
5 cocaine and it was marijuana. There's no doubt about the
6 weights. The weights a those drug what what's found in hi --
7 in his pocket 1.06 grams of cocaine. What's found in his
8 pocket, 5.8 grams a marijuana. What else is found in the bag?
9 25.87 grams of cocaine, 18.04 grams of crack, 6.27 grams of
10 crack and 63 grams of marijuana, okay, so that's what was
11 found, that's sorta where we are, uh, nobody disputes that
12 those drugs were found in that bag and in his pocket and that
13 they were in fact drugs and they did in fact weigh that much.
14 The the questions were there, they were asked, that's what it
15 is. This case comes down to whether or not he possessed with
16 intent to distribute those ba -- those drugs found in that
17 bag, okay, that's kind of the key issue here. Once we've
18 wrapped our mind around that I think let's talk about what
19 evidence we heard that it was his, okay.

20 Edward Wesson lived at 533 North Forest Street and he
21 moved in the summer of 2012. He's introduced to the
22 defendant, the defendant solely wants to meet him so that he
23 can sell drugs out of this residence, it's a way, it's a place
24 for him to sell drugs not at his house, okay. This is a a
25 essentially him openin' up a little franchise over on the

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1 north side of of Spartanburg so he can peddle his drugs. He's
2 sellin' crack primarily, he's sellin' marijuana, you heard it
3 from Mr. Wesson, okay.

4 Mr. Wesson he's not, he's not totally innocent in this, I
5 don't want you to think that because what is he getting out of
6 all this? he's a drug user, he's a hopeless addict, he gets
7 drugs out of it. Out of his own mouth it's a fact, there's no
8 hiding it, there's, you know, it is what it is. Is he, is he
9 completely innocent, no, absolutely not, well I -- we hope
10 he's clean but in this case he was usin' drugs and he was
11 gettin' 'em for free from the defendant (indicating).. He was
12 distributing drugs to him in exchange for letting him sell
13 drugs outta the house, that's what happened, you heard it out
14 of his mouth. Did -- does the defendant drive a moped? yes.
15 What's found in that black bag? the goggles that he wears when
16 he drives his moped. You got that in evidence, look at it.
17 What does he bring with him every day that he sells his drugs?
18 the black bag. How many days does he come over there? uh,
19 just about every day since the begin -- since that time they
20 met in the summer. How many times did he see him with that
21 black bag? a lotta times: 30, 60, 90 days, 30, 60, 90 times he
22 sees him with the black bag, the same black book bag, there's
23 no doubt in his mind that bag belonged to him. Now he says he
24 knows what was in there because he saw the police take the
25 stuff outta there but I said, Woah, let's back up. Did you

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1 know what was in that bag before the police emptied in front
2 of ya because he not looked in it based on his testimony. He
3 would get it for him occasionally but he wouldn't look at it
4 and he says, I knew there was crack in it because I had seen
5 him deal crack outta that black bag before, so there's no
6 doubt he knew there was crack but he didn't realize the powder
7 cocaine was in there and I'm not sure he realized that the
8 marijuana, the scales or the goggles were in there but I think
9 that kinda came as surprise to him when the police dropped it
10 on the trash can and see what was in there and the quantities
11 a what was in there, that was a surprise to him and I think
12 that came through in his testimony, you know, I knew there
13 were drugs in it but I didn't really know how much or what
14 kind, I knew there was crack but other than that I didn't know
15 very much so him admitting to that that he knew there were
16 drugs in there he could have implicated himself, he coulda
17 possibly been charged with some a this stuff except for the
18 fact that he's tellin' the truth and it is the defendant's bag
19 and so he doesn't have to testify to ya. He told you today he
20 testified because; number one, he's tellin' the truth, that
21 truth is consistent with what he told the police the first
22 time. Sure they didn't ask him follow-up questions that I
23 did. Uh, I ask, you know, I ask him look to explain his
24 statement a little bit further: how many times did you see him
25 with the black bag, that sort of stuff, and the police didn't

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1 ask him that but he did tell 'em that bag belongs to the
2 defendant and I had seen him with it before. He told 'em
3 that. He told 'em that he came over and then he told 'em that
4 he used drugs and that exchange for usin' drugs he would allow
5 the defendant to sell, that's what he said. The defendant was
6 there, Mr. Isaac Lyles, he dealt drugs outta that black bag
7 and he did it at my house, that's what Mr. Wesson said.

8 Now let's go into a minute I I wanna, I wanna just
9 briefly state nobody else at this house was found any drugs.
10 You heard testimony from the officer only person with drugs on
11 their person was the defendant. There's no paraphernalia,
12 there's no drugs, there's no big wads a cash on anybody else,
13 nobody has a gun, the only person there with any connection to
14 any drugs was Isaac Lyles. Mr. Wesson used drugs, he admits
15 that. He didn't have any on him and you know what that's
16 consistent with, it's consistent with Officer Kirby's
17 testimony 'cause he says an addict can't help but smoke it as
18 soon as they get it, that's his experience and training. He's
19 been doin' it nine years, 3, 400 cases a year for nine years,
20 he's never really run into an addict who has a stash because
21 they smoke it all, because they're hopeless addicts. None a
22 those people there have drugs on 'em. Mr. Wesson is a user.
23 Does he have any drugs on him? no. Does he store any in his
24 house? no, none are found. None are found on him, none are
25 found in his cabinets, none are found under his couch, in the

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1 bedrooms, nothin'. The only drugs found were in that bag that
2 belonged Mr. Lyles in Mr. Lyles' pocket, you know why? 'cause
3 Mr. Lyles aint a drug user, he's a drug dealer. He's a drug
4 dealer.

5 Let's talk a little bit about what Investigator Kirby
6 says. Typical dosage unit the most you really would ever
7 smoke at one time in terms a crack cocaine is .1 grams. Let's
8 look at just, let's take for a minute just what's found in his
9 pocket. If he took the 1 gram of powder cocaine he had and
10 it's turned into crack cocaine, he'd roughly get 50 percent
11 more, gram and a half a crack based on what officer Kirby
12 testified about cutting and cooking and how that process
13 works, it works into a little bit more than gram and a half.
14 Let's call it a gram and a half just to be safe, okay. We got
15 a gram and a half a crack. By the way, it's in powder form,
16 it's not in crack form, so it's it's not been through that
17 step yet but he's got to convert it to crack to be able to
18 smoke it. Got nothin' to smoke it with, he's got no lighter,
19 he's got no crack pipe, how does he use it? Well let's assume
20 for a second that he's got that. He has got basically fifteen
21 times the amount of a typical user, that's fifteen dosages.
22 You heard him. A user won't have fifteen dosages on him.
23 This isn't ketchup that you use a little bit, you stick it in
24 the fridge because guess what, nobody's addicted to ketchup
25 but people are addicted to crack and people are addicted to

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1 cocaine and as soon as you get it if you're a junkie, if
2 you're a user, ya use it, so we got years of experience
3 tellin' us that. I've talked about the paraphernalia that
4 wasn't there, what's not there: no rollin' papers for
5 marijuana, no crack pipe, no lighter. How do ya use the drugs
6 that are there? ya don't. Mr. Lyles never intended to use
7 those drugs. He never intended to use those drugs, he only
8 intended to sell 'em.

9 Let's talk about the paraphernalia that is there. What's
10 in that bag? What's in his pocket? handgun, Hi-Point .380
11 loaded. When the officer goes to arrest him, he's reachin'
12 for his pocket. What's in there? handgun. Who else has a gun
13 there? nobody. The police do. Drug dealers carry guns, where
14 are the other drug dealers there? Won't they have a gun?
15 Where are the other guns?

16 Let's talk about the cash. Only cash you heard about,
17 the only evidence of any cash found in this case that you
18 heard about was the cash found on defendant: \$1200,
19 specifically one \$1 bill, eight \$5 bills, five \$10 bills and
20 twenty-two \$20 bills. What's the most common drug deal? Once
21 you sell your crack when you're sellin' it what's the most
22 common unit of sale do ya have? it's \$20 price for I want a
23 \$20 rock. Why does he have so many \$20 bills? 'cause he sold
24 a bunch a crack, sold a bunch a crack. Who keeps \$1200 in
25 their pocket? people who have just sold somethin'. What did

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1 he sell? crack. Why isn't it in a bank? because he has no
2 job, no legitimate source of income to prove that that money
3 is there, that's just a way for the police to catch him if
4 it's found in a bank so he keeps it in cash. It's gotta be
5 liquid, he's gotta have access to it, he's gotta have small
6 bills to make change and he's got enough small bills to make
7 change. He's got some fives, he's got some tens, he's got a
8 one but really he's just got \$20 bills 'cause that's what he
9 sold: \$20s \$20 rocks, give me a \$20 rock, give me a \$20 rock,
10 that's what he sold, that's why he's got it.

11 Let's talk about the scales. Would a drug user have a
12 set of digital scales? no. The drug dealer has the scales,
13 they weigh it out in front of the client and then they say, You
14 want, you want a \$20 rock, well here's a tenth of a gram, give
15 me \$20 and the transaction's done. Digital scales are used to
16 weigh it out so you don't give them more than what they just
17 paid for, that's what it's used for. You don't just walk
18 around with digital scales if you're a user, it doesn't
19 happen. We've heard that from Investigator Kirby.

20 Ladies and gentlemen, end of the day if you took only
21 what's found on his person: this gun, the fifteen times the
22 amount of a, of a dosage unit of crack, the two different bags
23 worth a marijuana ready to be sold to somebody lookin' for a
24 joint and you've you you take what's not found on his person
25 plus the gun and the cash, that's what's found on his person

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1 plus what's not found on his person at the very least we've
2 proved that he's possessed with intent to distribute cocaine
3 and marijuana at the very least. Even if you took everything
4 Mr. Wesson said and balled it up, threw it in the trash,
5 possession with intent distribute cocaine, possession with
6 intent distribute marijuana, possession with intent distribute
7 marijuana within a half mile of a school, possession with
8 intent distribute cocaine within half mile of a school, that's
9 if you, if you don't believe anything but what was found by
10 the police officers who said, I found this stuff on the
11 defendant, I saw him drop money on the ground when he was
12 arrested and I found, I saw him reachin' for a gun in his
13 pocket and also in that pocket was a 1.06 grams a cocaine and
14 'bout 5 somethin' grams of marijuana in two separate little
15 baggies, that's what we heard from the police, that's what was
16 found on him, we got pictures of the stuff, so even if you
17 just believe that, I've proved possession with intent to
18 distribute and possession with intent to distribute within a
19 half mile of a school on cocaine and marijuana
20 but, ladies and gentlemen, that's not the only thing I proved,
21 I proved way more than that because I proved that defendant
22 always carried that bag around with him. Every day in that
23 summer he had that bag and every day that summer who knows how
24 much crack was in it but every time the defendant gave drugs
25 or sold drugs that Mr. Wesson saw, it came outta that black

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1 bag, that crack that he dealt came outta that black bag.
2 Ladies and gentlemen, his his moped goggles are in the bag,
3 the back [sic] bag he always carries with him, he usually puts
4 it on the fence, that's where it was that day and why didn't
5 he carry it around with him? because when the police come
6 knockin' on that door and do that search warrant if it's in
7 his hand there ain't no doubt about it, so that's why ya only
8 have a little bit on ya, ya keep your stash separate so they
9 can't, they can't put it on ya 'cause if he's seen droppin'
10 that bag or throwin' that bag, it's over, there's nothin' to
11 talk about, there's nothing' to talk about.

12 Ladies and gentlemen, thank you for listenin', uh, I
13 really appreciate your attentiveness in this and I think at
14 the end a the day you're gonna apply your common sense and
15 you're gonna see that there's really only one way to interpret
16 m -- what was found and what wasn't found. Where's the usage
17 paraphernalia? Where are the, where are the utensils used to
18 use this stuff? there aren't any. Wouldn't a user have the
19 pipe on him? Wouldn't he have a lighter? Wouldn't he have
20 some rollin' papers? it's not there. Ladies and gentlemen, at
21 the end a the day I I appreciate your service, you've been
22 very attentive, you've been very attentive to me, I hope you
23 pay the same attention as the defense attorney as you did to
24 me and and and and I appreciate your service in this and and
25 at the end a the day after you deliberate we'll send all this

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1 evidence back to ya, take a look at it, go through the
2 pictures carefully, hold 'em up look at 'em, see what's there,
3 see what isn't there and at the end a the day I believe you'll
4 find the defendant guilty of all seven counts. Thank you.

5 THE COURT: Mr. Bean.

6 MR. BEAN: Thank Your Honor, may it please the Court.

7 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

8 MR. BEAN: Ladies and gentlemen, I wanna thank you as
9 well for spending your time doing this because as we talked,
10 uh, about to start with this is Isaac Lyles' day in court and
11 regardless of what you decide when you go back to deliberate
12 this is it for Mr. Lyles. If you get it wrong, whatever wrong
13 happens to be, he doesn't have a remedy. There appeals and
14 things like that but if a jury just makes a mistake and later
15 decides, somebody decides, you know, maybe I wasn't right
16 about that, can't do anything, so this is really important and
17 it's critically important for Mr. Lyles. Ya'll excuse me I I
18 make notes because when ya get old ya can't always remember
19 the things you're tryin' to, tryin' to say so forgive me for
20 lookin' down but let's just talk a minute.

21 First of all, I mentioned when we started about
22 reasonable doubt and and there a whole lot of convoluted
23 legal, uh, statements or descriptions or definitions of
24 reasonable doubt but basically reasonable doubt is just
25 something that would give a reasonable person a minute, uh, or

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1 a moment to hesitate, to say, Well, this but wait, maybe not
2 or not that but wait maybe so and and if in this case or on
3 any of the charges that Mr. Lyles is facing because there a
4 number of them if you have that moment of hesitation called
5 "reasonable doubt" then His Honor's gonna tell you that that
6 has to be resolved in favor of the defendant.

7 Now there are some things that are not in dispute
8 obviously and my friend alluded to some of 'em: Isaac was
9 arrested, we don't dispute that, Isaac had drugs and a gun on
10 him, we don't dispute that either, that's a fact. Isaac is
11 not here to say, I didn't have those things, but he is
12 absolutely not here to take the blame for something that is
13 not his that wasn't on him and of course what I'm talking
14 about there is the black bag.

15 Now think about what the State has has proven that that's
16 really without question. They arrested him, he and Mr. Wesson
17 ran outta the house. Now Mr. Wesson a course says he's not
18 guilty of anything so you wonder why he would bolt right out
19 the door, uh, when the police came in unless he had somethin'
20 to hide; we don't know what, but somethin', so he runs out,
21 Isaac runs out, ya notice that no police officer said along
22 the way when Isaac came out the door that he had a bag, there
23 wasn't, there wasn't anything about the bag. We know what he
24 had on him, we don't dispute that but there there was no
25 discussion or mention of a bag, they didn't even know about

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1 the bag because it was hangin' over the fence on the other
2 side of of, uh, those, uh, bushes as you saw in the picture.

3 Now you may remember that one of the police officers
4 said, pardon me one second, let me see if I can find it here,
5 here we go, that this is one of the things found in the bag, I
6 don't remember what it was and he said, Oh, I'm sorry this is
7 a mess 'cause there's fingerprint dust all over it. Well you
8 can bet that they did not find Isaac's fingerprints on
9 anything because you'd you'd a heard about it, somebody woulda
10 sat up here in the witness stand said, Oh, yeah, we dusted for
11 fingerprints, we found Mr. Lyles' fingerprints all over all
12 that stuff in the bag, wasn't any testimony about that, no
13 fingerprints at all, so now we've got Detective Kirby who is
14 is I think from everything I know a good officer and I think
15 he has opinions based on what he does and and what he's
16 learned and he says, Oh, there all kinds of things that drug
17 users and drug dealers do and don't do, typical things but not
18 all always, not always. For example, you could have drugs on
19 your person that you intended to consume and maybe you were
20 going to smoke marijuana sometime, not right then, maybe you
21 wouldn't have, uh, the paper that you roll it in or maybe you
22 wouldn't have a cigarette lighter or a book a matches unless
23 you were gonna use it right then but that doesn't mean you
24 weren't gonna use it, it doesn't mean you were gonna sell it
25 because A doesn't necessarily lead to B.

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1 Now they never said anything about, none of the police
2 did, about Isaac having possession of anything other than what
3 they found on him which obviously is is there, we don't
4 dispute that, so we're left with Mr. Wesson. Now some
5 witnesses are believable, some are not and your job as jurors
6 of course is to decide who or what they say is believable or
7 not, so thi -- think about Mr. Wesson just a minute. He he's
8 an admitted drug addict, okay, and and and he says, Oh yeah, I
9 I use drugs, I use drugs every day, I'm clean now but boy back
10 then I was, I was usin' drugs and and, you know, I I got 'em
11 from Isaac and I got 'em from, don't know where else he got
12 'em, but he got 'em and, uh, and then he says, I made a
13 statement to the police, ya'll heard that, and he said, Isaac
14 came over, asked if he could sell drugs at my house and and
15 and he did and and that's basically all he sa -- Oh, no, and
16 he did say, I I saw Isaac with a black bag. He didn't say, I
17 saw Isaac with drugs in a black bag, he didn't say, Isaac
18 brought drugs -- bought drugs and sold 'em every day, he
19 didn't say any a those things until he got in here today and
20 all of a sudden his memory got a whole lot better. Imagine
21 that. He hangs the bag on the fence. He keeps drugs in it.
22 I've seen 'em, I've used 'em, I've picked up the bag when he
23 send me out there to get it. I never looked, never reached in
24 there now, never looked but oh, yeah, I went and got the bag.
25 Nobody else came up to testify, none of the other people who

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1 were there, none of the police officers that he had this bag a
2 drugs, nobody did, nobody did. I'd go get the bag for him he
3 said and then he says, I thought this was really great, the
4 the the day that I moved in Mr. Lyles and some girl came over
5 and and she introduced him and he said, Hey, how 'bout let me
6 sell drugs outta your house. I'm sorry, I I just, I found
7 that a little bit incredible, how 'bout let me sell drugs
8 outta your house? . Okay. And where's the girl? Then he said
9 Isaac talked to him, uh, at the s -- the same incident
10 although when he described it later the girl wasn't mentioned,
11 so maybe there was a girl, maybe there wasn't, maybe Isaac
12 made that comment to him but maybe he didn't. His testimony
13 is just basically not believable and its just as likely,
14 ladies and gentlemen, that that bag a drugs belonged to
15 Mr. Wesson if you wanna know the truth. I think those were
16 his drugs and he's tryin' to put it off on somebody else
17 that's what I think, now you make that decision obviously, not
18 me, but that's what I think, so reasonable doubt on some
19 things there's not any doubt, on some things there's a lotta
20 doubt and one a the things you can do because these are
21 charges you consider each one and you find what you think is
22 the truth on each charge, they can be different, that's
23 perfectly okay and perfectly fine and that's the way the
24 system works. You can believe what a witness says or if you
25 find it unbelievable you don't have to believe it, Mr. Wesson

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1 I think would fall into that category, or you can believe part
2 of what a witness says and you can disbelieve part of what he
3 says. I'm not sayin' that any of the police officers were
4 here told a story of any kind that wasn't true because I don't
5 think they would do that, Mr. Wesson however is a, is another
6 matter entirely, so what we are asking again is for you to
7 consider what doubt there might be on whether or not this bag
8 and these drugs belong to Mr. Lyles. If you think there's a
9 reasonable question that maybe not then he's not guilty a that
10 charge. The things he had on him you don't dispute those, if
11 you think those are, those are true as they certainly appear
12 to be then he's guilty a those charges but again, please
13 remember this is his only day in court, he can't come back if
14 ya'll get it wrong, there's nothin' that can be done, he's
15 he's gonna suffer the consequences. I appreciate ya'lls time,
16 thank you for listenin' and please listen to what His Honor
17 has to say, thank you.

18 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, that
19 completes the arguments by the attorneys, uh, it next will be
20 my responsibility to charge you concerning the law. As you've
21 learned I have some things I have to go over with the
22 attorneys before I give that charge and so we'll take a short
23 break, you'll be allowed to go back to the jury room and as
24 always I'll instruct you don't discuss anything about this
25 case until I've asked you to do so. You may retire to the

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1 jury room.

2 (The following takes place outside the presence of the
3 jury.)

4 THE COURT: Alright, concerning the charge I need to go
5 over some matters with the attorneys before we -- I give the
6 charge. Uh, as to the indictments for trafficking in cocaine
7 base and trafficking in cocaine, is the defense asking that I
8 charge lesser-included on those charges?

9 MR. BEAN: We are, Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: Alright, which lesser-includeds are you
11 asking for charge on? Possession with intent to distribute I
12 think would be the next lesser-included.

13 MR. BEAN: Yes. Uh, I think that would be the next
14 lesser-included on both if I'm not mistaken.

15 THE COURT: Is that what you're askin' me to ---

16 MR. BEAN: Yes.

17 THE COURT: --- charge on those?

18 MR. BEAN: Yes.

19 THE COURT: State have any objection to my charging on
20 those ---

21 MR. SPIVEY: No ---

22 THE COURT: --- the lesser-includeds?

23 MR. SPIVEY: --- no, sir, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: Uh, as to possession with intent to
25 distribute marijuana, is there any lesser-included that the

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1 S -- defense is asking for a charge on?

2 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I think, uh, we we are, yes, sir.
3 I think it would be possession, simple possession. I believe
4 that's the ---

5 THE COURT: Is there -- I'll ask to hear from the State
6 on that.

7 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir. Your Honor, I don't believe there
8 there's been really any testimony at all that this was just a
9 simple possession case. I think the majority, the
10 overwhelming of the evidence was that he distributed these
11 drugs regularly and all the paraphernalia that existed ---

12 THE COURT: Well I I'm mainly concerned with and and I
13 don't, one thing I don't have information on is the amount of
14 marijuana that was on his person.

15 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, that was in two bags, the total
16 amount was 5.8 grams a marijuana.

17 THE COURT: So that would exceed the presumption.

18 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I'd say less than presumption.

19 THE COURT: Okay, so then if the jury were to determine
20 that the bag was not his ---

21 MR. SPIVEY: On his person? That it wa ---

22 THE COURT: The bag hanging on the fence was ---

23 MR. SPIVEY: Oh, ---

24 THE COURT: --- not his.

25 MR. SPIVEY: --- Your Honor, that amount a marijuana was

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1 63 grams of marijuana which was about two times the
2 presumptive amount.

3 THE COURT: I understand that but what I'm saying is the
4 jury could determine that the bag was not his ---

5 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

6 THE COURT: --- so what was on him would arise to simple
7 possession.

8 MR. SPIVEY: It -- I guess it could be, we would just ---

9 THE COURT: That Mr. Bean didn't dispute what was on him,
10 he admitted to the jury that that that that ---

11 MR. BEAN: That's correct, Your Honor, and ---

12 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, just but but even though the
13 weight is less than presumptive amount we still believe it's
14 possession with intent to distribute. He's got nothin' to to
15 to ingest the marijuana with.

16 THE COURT: That's what he's charged with.

17 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir.

18 THE COURT: Well I will charge the lesser-included of
19 simple possession on the marijuana.

20 THE DEFENDANT: And ---

21 THE COURT: Alright, now that so you're asking for a
22 possession with intent to distribute charge on the cocaine
23 base and and cocaine and a simple possession charge on the
24 marijuana, is that right, Mr. Bean?

25 MR. BEAN: Yes, sir, ---

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1 THE COURT: Be sure ---

2 MR. BEAN: --- I ---

3 THE COURT: --- I've got that right.

4 MR. BEAN: Uh, I I'm sorry, I -- my client's telling me
5 somethin'.

6 THE COURT: Oh, you go ahead and do that then it was ---

7 (Attorney/client discussion held off the record.)

8 MR. BEAN: Uh, thank Your Honor, and, uh, -- well, go
9 ahead, I don't mean to jump the gun, I was just ---

10 THE COURT: Well, no, you didn't jump the gun, I'm just
11 tryin' to be sure I'm charging the lesser-includes that
12 you're requesting ---

13 MR. BEAN: Yes, sir, you are.

14 THE COURT: --- and and so my understanding was you are
15 requesting on the cocaine, crack cocaine a charge from
16 trafficking to possession with intent to distribute ---

17 MR. BEAN: Yes.

18 THE COURT: --- and on the trafficking in cocaine you're
19 asking for a lesser-included charge on possession with intent
20 to distribute.

21 MR. BEAN: Right.

22 THE COURT: And as to the marijuana you're asking for
23 simple possession.

24 MR. BEAN: Correct.

25 THE COURT: Okay. I'll I'll, I will charge those lesser-

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1 includeds. Alright.

2 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

3 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, one other matter. Uh, the, I'm
4 not sure how you would wanna handle the, uh, the weapon since
5 it goes along with ---

6 THE COURT: We'll we put an instruction on the verdict
7 form that she's working on right now, uh, that would indicate
8 that if he were to be found guilty of the, the only one of the
9 crimes that involves a crime of violence is the trafficking
10 cocaine base ---

11 MR. BEAN: Right.

12 THE COURT: --- so it would require a guilty verdict on
13 that before you will even make that decision.

14 MR. BEAN: Right.

15 THE COURT: If there's no guilty verdict on that then we
16 instruct them not to, not to answer that question.

17 MR. BEAN: Thank Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: You'll you'll have a chance to look at the
19 verdict form before we submit it, she's she's completing that
20 as we speak since I I just added some lesser-includeds,
21 alright. Alright, bring the jury in. Just just one second
22 before we do that. I think possession with intent to
23 distribute the presumptive amounts on that on the ca -- in the
24 case of, uh, crack cocaine is 1 or more grams ---

25 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

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1 THE COURT: --- and, uh, in the case of, uh, ---

2 MR. SPIVEY: I believe it's ---

3 THE COURT: --- cocaine is 10 grains of cocaine?

4 MR. SPIVEY: No, s -- I believe it was 1 gram of cocaine,
5 1 gram of crack cocaine and 28 grams of marijuana but I I
6 could be wrong and ---

7 THE COURT: My my charge has 10 grains of cocaine, 1 gram
8 of crack cocaine and 28 grams or more of marijuana. You wanna
9 look that up just to be sure?

10 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor, I've got a ---

11 THE COURT: Wanna be sure we got that right, that's the
12 reason I brought it up.

13 (Pause.)

14 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I I I do show it as 10 grains
15 although I I guess I was wrong 'bout that. This is gonna be
16 interestin', we didn't discuss what a grain was at all so ---

17 THE COURT: Well I s -- I I I noticed that we didn't
18 mention that but I do see that that's what the charge ---

19 MR. SPIVEY: I ---

20 THE COURT: --- defines it ---

21 (Cross-talk.)

22 MR. SPIVEY: --- see that, I I I'm checkin' it and I I I
23 think I'm wrong on the statute, that is correct, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: Alright.

25 MR. BEAN: How how do we deal with that?

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1 THE COURT: Well I can, that's that's not a matter of
2 proof, that's a matter of science, that's a fact that we just,
3 it's, uh, I guess you gentlemen could stipulate at this point
4 in time as to what a grain is, ---

5 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I I would ask ---

6 THE COURT: --- what 10 grains would constitute and, uh,
7 I'll be glad to charge the jury what your stipulation is or
8 the Court could make a finding of a, uh, judicial notice, ---

9 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, ---

10 THE COURT: --- take ---

11 MR. SPIVEY: --- Your Honor.

12 THE COURT: --- judicial notice of of what a 10 grain
13 amount is.

14 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, ---

15 THE COURT: I'm not sure I know so maybe you oughta tell
16 me.

17 MR. SPIVEY: One grain ---

18 MR. BEAN: I don't know either.

19 MR. SPIVEY: --- is .0648 grams, so 10 of those would be
20 .648 grams.

21 THE COURT: You wanna, do you wanna check on that?

22 MR. SPIVEY: I have my chart, you're welcome to use it,
23 Google or whatever, Wikipedia or whatever we use these days
24 to ---

25 THE COURT: But again, it's -- that's a scientific

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1 matter, it's not somethin' that's subject to proof.

2 MR. SPIVEY: I don't wanna make him stipulate, I would
3 ask the judge if you will, Your Honor, respectfully please
4 take judicial notice of that fact. I I ---

5 THE COURT: Well as long as you gentlemen agree that I
6 can if it -- let's let's ---

7 MR. BEAN: We ---

8 THE COURT: --- let's look at it and if anybody wants to
9 get a computer and Google it, please do.

10 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, I I would, uh, ask that the Court
11 make that a a ---

12 THE COURT: Alright, s ---

13 MR. BEAN: --- finding and ---

14 THE COURT: --- do you agree that it is point whatever it
15 was 6, what whatever number you said.

16 MR. SPIVEY: Well it's 1 grain is .0648 and so I multiply
17 times 10 which would just be remove that that 1 0 ---

18 THE COURT: 6 ---

19 MR. SPIVEY: --- to tenth place.

20 THE COURT: --- 048?

21 MR. SPIVEY: 0648 is one grain, you multiply that times
22 10 should be .648.

23 MR. BEAN: Well ---

24 MR. SPIVEY: It's been a long time since I did any math
25 and I I ---

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1 MR. BEAN: --- so .648 ---

2 POLICE OFFICER: That's half ---

3 MR. BEAN: --- one grain, ---

4 POLICE OFFICER: --- half gram.

5 MR. BEAN: --- correct?

6 THE COURT: That's right .648 grams?

7 POLICE OFFICER: And below, right?

8 MR. SPIVEY: .648 grams is the way ---

9 MR. BEAN: Yeah, ---

10 MR. SPIVEY: --- I calculate it.

11 THE COURT: You ---

12 MR. SPIVEY: You ---

13 MR. BEAN: --- that's that's correct.

14 MR. SPIVEY: --- you move that zero.

15 MR. BEAN: Yeah, you just move ---

16 THE COURT: Do you -- so I'll I'll charge it as 10 grains
17 or .648.

18 MR. SPIVEY: 648 grams, ---

19 THE COURT: Alright.

20 MR. SPIVEY: --- yes, Your Honor. Thank Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: I noticed in my charge it dealt with grains
22 and I think that's what the statute says and I didn't hear
23 anything about grains to and it's in my head so, alright,
24 that's the reason I brought that up. Alright, bring the jury
25 in.

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1 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

2 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury.)

3 THE COURT: Alright, the record will reflect that the
4 jury has returned to the courtroom. Ladies and gentlemen, as
5 I told you it becomes my responsibility at this point in time
6 to charge you concerning the law to be applied in this case.
7 Uh, at the beginning of the case, I went over with you briefly
8 the indictments that are involved in this matter, I'm going to
9 go over with you again those indictments. Now the original
10 indictments will be given to you and you will be allowed to
11 take those into the jury room during your deliberation so that
12 you can review them specifically as to what the charges are
13 that have been brought in this case and for that reason I'm
14 I'm going to go over the indictments but I'm not going to read
15 them to you word-for-word, again you have the right to review
16 them at your leisure during your deliberations.

17 The first indictment I will discuss with you is the
18 indictment in Case Number 2013-4575, that indictment has two
19 counts or two allegations in it, the first count or allegation
20 is for trafficking in cocaine base. Now when I refer to
21 cocaine base in these indictments, I will tell you that, uh,
22 that's the legal word for what's commonly called "crack
23 cocaine" as opposed to powder cocaine. Now this indictment
24 states that Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on
25 or about October 9 of 2012 knowingly sell, manufacturer,

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1 deliver, purchase or bring into the state or did provide
2 financial assistance or did otherwise aid, abet attempt or
3 conspire to sell, manufacturer, deliver, purchase or bring
4 into the state or did knowingly, actually or constructively
5 possess or did knowingly attempt to become in actual or
6 constructive possession of more than 10 grams of cocaine base,
7 a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Section
8 44-53-375 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976 as
9 amended. Now that's the the allegation contained in Count One
10 of that indictment. Count Two states that Isaac Glenard Lyles
11 did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9 of 2012
12 possess or visibly display a firearm or visibly display a
13 knife during the commission or the attempted commission of a
14 violent crime, to wit, trafficking in cocaine base in
15 violation of Section 16-23-490 of the Code of Laws of South
16 Carolina 1976 as amended against the piece and dignity of the
17 state and contrary to the statute in such case made and
18 provided. Now I will tell you that under the statutes of this
19 state, uh, the offense of trafficking in cocaine base is
20 classified as what's called a "violent crime" so by law that
21 that particular offense is considered to be a violent crime.
22 The allegation in this second count alleges that Mr. Lyles did
23 either display or visibly display or possess a firearm in the
24 commission of a violent crime so that's the first indictment,
25 the two counts that are contained in that indictment.

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1 The next indictment we'll discuss is, excuse me, Case
2 Number 2013-GS-42-4574, that is for trafficking in cocaine,
3 uh, and again I, the distinction here is cocaine base is crack
4 cocaine, simple -- when it says simply cocaine that would be
5 cocaine in its powder form. This particular indictment states
6 that Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about
7 October 9 of 2012, and it goes through the same language as
8 contained in the other indictment, that he knowingly sold,
9 manufacture, cultivate, deliver, purchased or brought into the
10 state or provided financial service or did otherwise aid,
11 abet, attempt or conspire to sell, manufacturer, cultivate,
12 deliver, purchase or bring into the state or did knowingly,
13 actually or constructively possess or did knowingly attempt to
14 become in actual or constructive possession of more than 10
15 grams of cocaine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in
16 violation of Section 44-53-370 of the Code of Laws of South
17 Carolina, 1976 as amended against the piece and dignity of the
18 state and contrary to the statute in such case made and
19 provided so that's the second indictment that I'll go over
20 with you.

21 The third indictment, this is Case Number
22 2013-GS-42-4573, this is possession with the intent to
23 distribute, uh, and in this case that particular indictment is
24 referring to the drug of marijuana. This indictment again
25 uses the same language as the others and I won't go over all

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1 that language about possessing and intending to possess,
2 you'll you'll be able to read that, but this refers to a
3 quantity of marijuana, a Schedule I control substance, in
4 violation of Section 44-53-370 of the Code of Laws of South
5 Carolina 1976 as amended, such distribution having not been
6 authorized by law against the peace and dignity of the state
7 and contrary to the statute in cu -- such case made and
8 provided. Those are the three indictments that are before the
9 Court, uh, that allege the either trafficking of cocaine base
10 or cocaine or the possession with intent to distribute
11 marijuana.

12 The other indictments, and there are three other
13 indictments, all have to do with possession with intent to
14 distribute a drug within one-half mile of a s -- public
15 school, uh, and in this particular case and I'm not going to
16 to read each of them, there is one indictment which is
17 Indictment Number 13-GS-42-4570, this indictment has to do
18 with an allegation that, uh, Mr. Lyles did on October 9th of
19 2012 distribute, sell, purchase, manufacturer or unlawfully
20 possess with the intent to distribute, this is a co --
21 quantity of cocaine and it alleges that was, it was within a
22 one-half mile of the grounds of a public or private
23 elementary, middle, secondary school, public playground and it
24 goes on with the language, that's what that indictment
25 alleges, then the next indictment is Case Number 2013-4571 and

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1 this alleges again possession with the intent to distribute
2 and in this case marijuana within a one-half mile radius of a
3 public school, uh, among other public ent -- entities. And
4 the last one of these three 2013-GS-42-4572, this alleges the
5 possession with intent to distribute cocaine base or crack
6 cocaine within a one-half mile, uh, radius of a public school
7 and in each case they allege Cleveland Elementary School as
8 the school involved, so those are those three indictments, now
9 that covers all of the indictments in this case, the the
10 formal indictments that have been issued, and I remind you the
11 fact that a defendant has been arrested, charged and even
12 indicted in a case, uh, is not evidence in the case and cannot
13 be considered by you as evidence of guilt in the case nor does
14 the fact that indictments have been issued create any
15 inference of guilt, uh, the documents are simply the formal
16 documents that inform the defendant of the charges lodged
17 against him, it informs this court of the charges that are to
18 be tried in this case.

19 Now each indictment charges a separate and distinct
20 offense against the defendant and each indictment must be
21 decided by you by a separate verdict as to each indictment and
22 you should consider each indictment and the evidence in the
23 case concerning each indictment separately from the others; in
24 other words, a defendant can either be acquitted or convicted
25 on any or all of these indictments, uh, you'll be required to

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1 s -- again, write a separate verdict as to each indictment
2 that's been presented to you in the case.

3 The defendant has pled not guilty to each of those
4 indictments, that plea under the laws in the Constitution of
5 this state puts the burden of proof in this case upon the
6 State. A person charged with the commission of a crime no
7 matter how serious that crime might be is always presumed to
8 be innocent of the crime. It's an important rule of law that
9 a defendant in a criminal case will always be presumed
10 innocent of the crime for which an indictment has been issued
11 until and unless proof has been presented to you that
12 convinces you of its truth and of the defendant's guilt beyond
13 a reasonable doubt. The presumption of innocence doesn't end
14 when you begin your deliberations. People describe the
15 presumption of innocence that defendants have in this
16 courtroom somewhat like the robe that I wear into the
17 courtroom; in other words, that presumption of innocence is
18 about the defendant's shoulders at the beginning of the trial,
19 it remains about the defendant's shoulders throughout the
20 trial, it accompanies the defendant into the verdict, uh, to
21 the jury room as you go to seek your verdict in the case, it
22 remains about the defendant's shoulders until such time as it
23 has been stripped from him by proof that satisfies you of the
24 defendant's guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

25 Now the presumption of innocence is not just a legal

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1 theory and it's not just a legal phrase, it's a substantial
2 right that every defendant is entitled to until and unless
3 you, the jury, are satisfied from the evidence of the
4 defendant's guilt beyond a reasonable doubt. Now you may ask
5 yourself, Well what do ya mean, Judge, by that phrase "proof
6 beyond a reasonable doubt"? What do you mean is a, what is a
7 reasonable doubt you may ask yourself. I'll tell ya that
8 under the law a reasonable doubt has been defined as that kind
9 of doubt that would cause a reasonable person to hesitate to
10 act and the State has the burden of proving the defendant's
11 guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

12 Now I wanna clear up one thing for ya so you can maybe
13 put this out of your mind 'cause it is confusing to people
14 that don't deal with this all the time, uh, if this were a
15 civil case where someone was seeking monetary damages either
16 for breach of contract or failure to pay a debt or somebody
17 had gotten injured at someone else's hand, somethin' like that
18 where they're seekin' monetary damages, when you've got a
19 civil case where somebody's seeking monetary damages, the
20 standard of proof in those cases is proof by the greater
21 weight of the evidence, sometimes it's referred to as the
22 "preponderance of the evidence" and all that means is that in
23 civil cases if the scales of justice tilt ever so slightly in
24 favor of the plaintiff or ever so slightly in favor of the
25 defendant, the side to which those scales tilt is entitled to

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1 a verdict, that's not the standard of proof in a criminal
2 case. The standard of proof in a criminal case is more
3 powerful than that in a civil case, again, it is proof beyond
4 a reasonable doubt.

5 Now there's not many things that go on in human life that
6 can be proven beyond any doubt whatsoever and the State does
7 not have to prove its case beyond any possible doubt. What
8 I'll tell you is after you've considered all of the evidence
9 in the case and you've weighed all the evidence in this case
10 if you are firmly convinced of the defendant's guilt beyond a
11 reasonable doubt, you must find the defendant guilty, however
12 on the other hand, if you think there's a real possibility
13 that the defendant is not guilty then you must give the
14 defendant the benefit of the doubt and find the defendant not
15 guilty.

16 Now I remind you during the trial we've had different
17 duties to perform, certain duties to perform, and it's been my
18 responsibility to preside over the trial and I've made some
19 rulings concerning some issues on evidence and questions that
20 were being asked, I will caution you again don't take from
21 anything that I do in the discharge of my duties to somehow
22 indicate to you that I have a preference or an opinion as to
23 how you determine the facts in this case, I'm not allowed an
24 opinion on the facts and I don't have an opinion as to how you
25 determine the facts in this matter and I hope you realize that

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1 in doing my job sometimes I've had to comment on certain
2 things in the trial but it's not my intention and I sh --
3 don't take from those facts to show that I have an opinion as
4 to how you determine the facts in this case. I have the
5 additional duty of charging you on the law and I told you at
6 the beginning of the law -- cour -- case the same law that
7 makes you the sole judges of the facts, that same law makes me
8 the sole judge of the law in this case. The law as I give it
9 to ya now is the law that, the only law that you should use in
10 making a decision in this case and again, if you have notions
11 as to what the law is or what it ought to be, leave those
12 notions outside of the jury room, take the law as I give it to
13 you and then apply it to the facts as you decide those facts
14 to be, that should put you in a position to be able to render
15 a a verdict in this matter.

16 Now you're the sole and exclusive judges of the facts in
17 this case as I've told you, uh, and so again, please don't
18 take, uh, anything from what I do even during this charge to
19 indicate that I have an opinion, you see, as jurors it's your
20 duty to evaluate the evidence, determine the effect of it, the
21 value, the weight and the truth of the evidence that you've
22 heard in the case, that is your responsibility in this matter.
23 Now in doing that you have the right to consider two types of
24 evidence and let me explain to ya what we mean by two types of
25 evidence. Uh, first of all, we have what is called "direct

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1 evidence". Now direct evidence under the law is evidence
2 given by a witness, testifying witness, who claims to have
3 direct knowledge of the facts about which that witness is
4 testifying, that's somebody who claims to have actually
5 experienced, seen it, watched it, heard it, somehow has direct
6 knowledge of the fact that's thought to be proven, that's
7 someone tell -- testifies directly on the issue, uh, that's
8 before you to decide, that's what we mean by direct evidence.

9 Now the other kind of evidence is what we call
10 "circumstantial evidence" and you have a right to consider
11 both types of evidence in reaching your verdict.
12 Circumstantial evidence is proof of a chain of facts or
13 circumstances that indicates the existence of some other fact,
14 it's been described under the law as proof of collateral facts
15 from which a main fact could be reasonably inferred. Now
16 that's some pretty fancy lawyer language and I like to use a
17 very simple example of what, uh, we might mean by proof of a
18 fact by circumstantial evidence or by s -- collateral facts.
19 Uh, let's say last night before you went to bed you walked
20 over to the window in your bedroom and you looked outside,
21 stars were shining, it was a pretty night outside, you went to
22 bed, you slept well all night, didn't wake up at all. The
23 next morning you got up and you walked over to the same
24 window, you looked outside, now the sun may have come up, it
25 may -- sun mighta been shinin' but when ya looked a little

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1 closer you noticed that there's water dripping from all the
2 trees, you notice the grass in front of your home is wet or
3 the road in front of your home is wet, the, uh, there's
4 puddles in the driveway or in the road out there that weren't
5 there the night before. Now you slept well all night, you
6 didn't wake up so you didn't hear it rain, you didn't see it
7 rain so you can't te -- te, uh, speak directly as to whether
8 it rained or not but from the facts that ya know to be true:
9 the wet trees, the dripping, the puddles, from those facts,
10 those collateral facts you could infer that at some time
11 during the night it in fact rained, so that's what we mean by
12 proof of a fact by inference or b -- from collateral facts
13 where you infer some other main fact.

14 Now the law doesn't make any distinction between the
15 weight or the value that you, the jury, can give to either
16 direct or circumstantial evidence and it doesn't require a
17 greater degree of certainty for circumstantial evidence than
18 that of great, uh, direct. I will tell you that you, the
19 jury, should weigh all of the evidence in the case, you give
20 it the weight you think it deserves and after you dec -- weigh
21 the evidence if you are firmly convinced of the defendant's
22 guilt beyond a reasonable doubt, you must find the defendant
23 guilty; on the other hand, if you think there's a real
24 possibility that the defendant is not guilty, you must give
25 the defendant the benefit of that doubt and find the defendant

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1 not guilty.

2 Doing your job as the finder of fact will require that
3 you determine the credibility or the believability of the
4 witnesses you've heard in this case or the testimony you've
5 heard and that's what credibility means, it means
6 believability. I told you to use your good common sense at
7 the beginning of the trial in making that determination and
8 I'll urge you to do that again. Use your good common sense in
9 deciding the credibility or the believability of the testimony
10 that you've heard.

11 In determining the believability of witnesses whose
12 testified, as the sole judges of the facts you have the right
13 to believe all of, part of or none of what a witness may may
14 have said, you have the right to believe one against all the
15 others or all the others against one, you're the sole judges
16 of the facts, therefore, you're the sole judge of the
17 credibility or believability of what you heard. Usin' your
18 common sense you can make such, uh, determinations as whether
19 or not a witness, uh, has a stake in the outcome of the case
20 or whether the witness may have had a bias or prejudice one
21 way or the other in testifying, uh, you have the right to
22 determine whether the witness actually had the ability to know
23 the facts about which the witness testified and you observed
24 the witnesses as they spoke, as they delivered their
25 testimony, use any a those factors I mentioned, again, use

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1 your good common sense and make a decision or a determination
2 as to the credibility of the witnesses and the weight you
3 choose to give to the testimony given by each of the
4 witnesses.

5 Now during the trial we had a couple a witnesses who were
6 qualified as experts and I told you when we did the first one
7 that I'd talk to you a little bit more about that when I
8 charged you on the law and I told you at that time the rules
9 that govern evidence and the introduction of evidence
10 ordinarily do not permit witnesses to state opinions from the
11 witness stands or or draw conclusions from from, uh, their
12 testimony. An exception to that rule is made for what, uh,
13 witnesses that we call "experts" (coughs), excuse me, that's a
14 witness who because of their education or experience, uh, has
15 become an expert in some art, science, field or profession,
16 uh, and as to those witnesses they're allowed under the rules
17 to state an opinion, uh, as to relevant and material matters
18 which were -- are within the area of their expertise, they
19 also have the right to state their reasons for their opinions.
20 You, the jury, should consider expert testimony received in
21 evidence in this case just like any other testimony or
22 evidence you've heard in the case, you give it the weight you
23 think it ought to re -- ought to receive. If you decide that
24 the opinion of an expert is not based on sufficient education
25 or experience or if you just conclude that the reason given by

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1 an expert in support of his opinions or her opinions are not
2 sound or if you decide that the opinion is outweighed by other
3 evidence, you may disregard an opinion by an expert in its
4 entirety; in fact, you're not required to to accept an
5 expert's opinion even though it might not be contradicted by
6 other evidence in the case. As the sole judges of the facts,
7 you should, uh, give the statements or testimony of all
8 witnesses including experts the weight you think that
9 testimony deserves.

10 Now I'm going to instruct you and emphasize to ya another
11 fact and that fact is that the the fact that the defendant did
12 not testify in this case is not a factor to be considered by
13 you, the jury, in any way in your deliberations and your
14 consideration of the question of guilt or innocence in this
15 case, it should not be considered by you in any manner
16 whatsoever. A defendant has a constitutional right to remain
17 silent. The assertion of one's right to remain silent must
18 not be considered by you in your deliberations. I repeat,
19 under your oath as jurors you are to draw no conclusion
20 whatsoever from the fact that the defendant did not testify.
21 The fact that the defendant did not testify should not even be
22 discussed by you in your deliberations. I told you earlier
23 and it remains true that the burden of proof in this case is
24 solely upon the State. A defendant is not required to prove
25 himself innocent in this matter and the burden of proof

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1 remains with the State to prove the defendant guilty beyond a
2 reasonable doubt throughout the trial.

3 Now in a few minutes I'm going to start going over the
4 law that has to do specifically with these charges, up to this
5 point in time I've been telling you a lotta general principles
6 under the laws and things of that nature. I'm going to go
7 over one other general principle under the law but I also want
8 to make you aware that when I go over the charges, the actual
9 issues that are, that are to be decided by guilt or innocence,
10 uh, you should be listening to those particular charges for
11 the elements, the things that are necessary to be proven for
12 the, for the State to prove its case. One of those elements
13 in all all crimes, almost all crimes, but you'll hear it as I
14 go over it, is the element of intent, criminal intent, and I
15 will tell you that in order to establish criminal liability,
16 criminal intent of some kind is required; for example, that's
17 the mental state required to be proven in order for the State
18 to prove a particular offense has occurred and when I talk
19 about mental state it's the mental state of the defendant at
20 the time the events occurred. Criminal intent must be proven
21 by the State again by beyond a reasonable doubt and criminal
22 intent is always a matter however that must be determined by a
23 jury from the facts and circumstances surrounding the event
24 and the reason I say that is there's no way that we can be
25 present when an event occurs and open up someone's head and

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1 look at their brain and be able to tell exactly what they
2 intended to do when the events occurred, that's not
3 scientifically or reasonably possible, so for that reason
4 criminal intent is always a matter that must be determined by
5 a jury from the facts and circumstances surrounding the
6 situation, so therefore it should b -- always be a matter that
7 is determined by inference, that's how you make a
8 determination as to whether or not an element in a crime
9 requiring intent was present, so therefore it's not necessary
10 for the State to establish by direct or positive evidence what
11 the intent was. Intent may be established for by inference,
12 the same way as any other fact, taking into consideration the
13 acts of the parties and all the facts and circumstances of the
14 case. Now I will tell you that criminal intent is a mental
15 state, it's a conscious wrongdoing, it's up to you to
16 determine what the defendant intended to do based on the
17 circumstances that have been shown to you to have existed at
18 the time of the alleged event.

19 Now the first, uh, thing I'll go over with you is the
20 offense of trafficking. There are two indictments that allege
21 trafficking in this case. The defendant is charged with
22 trafficking in cocaine base and in cocaine. The State must
23 prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant knowingly
24 sold, manufactured, cultivate and deliver, purchased, brought
25 into the state, provided financial assistance or otherwise

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1 aided, abetted, attempted or conspired to sell, manufacturer,
2 cultivate, deliver, purchase or bring into the state or was in
3 actual or constructive possession knowingly a -- or knowingly
4 attempt to become in actual or constructive possession of
5 cocaine base and cocaine. The State must also prove beyond a
6 reasonable doubt that the amount of, uh, cocaine, uh, crack
7 cocaine was 10 grams or more but less than 28 grams, that's in
8 the case of crack cocaine, it must be 10 grams or more but
9 less than 28 grams. In the case of cocaine, the State must
10 also prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the cocaine or any
11 mixture containing cocaine was 10 grams or more but less than
12 28 grams.

13 Now I'm going to go over another charge at this point in
14 time that's included in that indictment that I went over with
15 you concerning trafficking in crack cocaine and that is the
16 possession of a firearm during the commission of a violent
17 crime because I've told you that the offense of trafficking in
18 crack cocaine is classified under the law as a violent crime,
19 excuse me. The State in that case must prove beyond a
20 reasonable doubt that the defendant was in possession of a
21 firearm or visibly displayed what appeared to be a firearm
22 during the commission of a violent crime and is -- and the
23 defendant is convicted of committing the violent crime as
24 defined under Code Section 16-160 and I will instruct you as a
25 matter of law that trafficking in cocaine base or crack

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1 cocaine is defined as a violent crime under Code Section
2 16-160 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina. Now the term
3 "firearm" means any gun, automatic rifle, revolver, pistol or
4 any weapon which will or is designed to or may be readily
5 converted to expel a projectile, so that's the definition of a
6 firearm in in that statute.

7 Now the defendant is also charged with possession with
8 intent to distribute marijuana and I will tell you that also
9 and that this is, let me be sure I try to make this clear, in
10 the case of the two trafficking cases, if you find that the
11 State did not prove trafficking in those drugs, you will have
12 the right and on the verdict form to consider whether or not
13 the State improved what is called a "lesser-included offense"
14 under those charges. Under the law there are main offenses
15 and then there can be other offenses included in that but
16 lesser and I'm going to give you the option if you find the
17 defendant not guilty of trafficking or finding the defendant
18 guilty of possession with intent to distribute both crack
19 cocaine and powder cocaine, so if you determine that the State
20 has not proven trafficking, uh, in crack cocaine or cocaine
21 beyond a reasonable doubt then you should consider whether the
22 State has proven beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant
23 is guilty of possession with intent to distribute those drugs.
24 Possession with intent to distribute contains all of the
25 elements of trafficking except the amount of drug involved is

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1 different; in addition, the State must prove beyond a
2 reasonable doubt that the defendant had the intent to
3 distribute those drugs.

4 Now dis -- distribute means to deliver other than by
5 means of administering or dispensing a drug. Intent may be
6 shown by acts and conduct of the defendant and other
7 circumstances from which you could reasonably infer intent.
8 In determining whether the defendant had the intent to
9 distribute the drug, you may consider the circumstances
10 surrounding the possession, you may consider the amount of the
11 substance alleged to have been possessed, the manner in which
12 it was allegedly po -- possessed, the place where it was
13 allegedly possessed and any other factors which you consider
14 to be infor -- important, you must find that the defendant did
15 not intend to have the drugs in this case solely for his own
16 use.

17 Now possession of, uh, 28 grams or more, uh, uh, 28 grams
18 or one ounce of marijuana or 10 grains which is .6048 grams of
19 cocaine or 1 or more grams of crack cocaine creates an
20 inference that the defendant possessed those drugs with the
21 intent to distribute it. This inference does not relieve the
22 State from proving beyond a reasonable doubt that the
23 defendant had the intent to distribute, it simply is an
24 evidentiary fact to be taken into consideration by you along
25 with the other evidence in this case and be given the weight

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1 you decide that it should have.

2 Now the defendant is also charged in the three other
3 indictments with, uh, distribution of drugs that in this case
4 the cocaine, cocaine base and marijuana, that is, possession
5 with intent to distribute within a one-half mile of a school
6 or park. The State must prove in those cases beyond a
7 reasonable doubt that the defendant distributed, sold,
8 purchased, manufactured or unlawfully possessed with the
9 intent to distribute cocaine base, marijuana and cocaine while
10 in, on, or within one-half mile of the grounds of a public or
11 private elementary, middle or secondary school, in this case
12 the allegations allege that school in the indictment to be
13 Cleveland Elementary School. The person must have knowledge
14 that he is, he or she is in, uh, on, or within one-half mile
15 of the grounds of a public or private, elementary, middle or
16 secondary school, uh, at the time of the alleged event.

17 Now, ladies and gentlemen, as to each matter that I'm
18 going to present to you, there are going to be two possible
19 verdicts, that is, either not guilty or guilty and I will go
20 over with the foreperson of the jury that form once I I have
21 have finished my charge and let's see, I'm gonna inform
22 Mr. Summers you're going to be the foreperson of the jury,
23 that means you'll be the person who will be responsible to see
24 that the jury conducts its deliberations. If during the
25 deliberations the jury has any questions, you will be

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1 responsible to write that question or those questions on a
2 piece of paper, knock on the door, give it to the bailiff and
3 submit it to me, you'll also have the responsibility of
4 completing the verdict form once verdicts have been reached on
5 the questions that I will present to you, uh, and you'll
6 record those verdicts on the form as I direct and then you'll
7 sign it once the verdict form has been completed, once that's
8 done you'll inform the bailiff that a verdict's been reached,
9 you'll be returned to the courtroom in order for us to receive
10 a verdict.

11 Now as to questions by the jury I will tell you I can't
12 answer every question you might have during deliberations, I
13 can't get involved in your decisions on the facts, I've told
14 you that. I can answer questions concerning the charge that I
15 given you on the law, I can also answer questions, certain
16 questions about the procedure that we followed and some
17 questions, limited questions about the evidence.

18 Mr. Foreman, don't edit any question the jury has, you submit
19 whatever question the jury has to me, I'll decide what the
20 appropriate answer ought to be to that question if I can
21 answer it at all.

22 Now your verdict has to be unanimous, each and every one
23 of you must agree upon the verdict and that as -- is as to
24 each question that I pose to you on the verdict form, so that
25 means all of you must agree upon the verdict before it becomes

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1 the verdict of the jury, only then will the foreman record the
2 verdict and inform the Court that a verdict has been reached.

3 I've gone over a lotta things with ya, I wanna be sure I
4 haven't misspoken, you have a right to have the exhibits in
5 the jury room with you and so I'm going to be sure that we
6 have an agreement as to what's in the record and so that only
7 properly admitted exhibits go back for your consideration, so
8 I've got some housecleaning -- keeping matters to go over with
9 the attorneys one more time, so I'm gonna instruct the foreman
10 do not allow discussions to begin at this point in time, I'm
11 gonna ask you to retire to the jury room one last time, I'll
12 bring you back for final instructions shortly. You may retire
13 to the jury room.

14 (The following takes place outside the presence of the
15 jury.)

16 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

17 THE COURT: Alright, any objection to the charge from the
18 State?

19 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I I I -- it may just be it it
20 been a long two days, I I wanna make sure it's correct though,
21 the conversion that you read to them, did -- was it .648? I
22 thought there was 0 in there and I wanna make sure ---

23 THE COURT: What what is on ---

24 MR. SPIVEY: --- that we get ---

25 THE COURT: --- my ---

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1 MR. SPIVEY: --- it correct.

2 THE COURT: --- form is :648 -- 6408. Let me, let me
3 find it in here, just a second. It was .6048 is what I read
4 to them, I thought I read to 'em.

5 MR. SPIVEY: I, Your Your Honor, I think it's .648.

6 THE COURT: So there is no 0, it's .648.

7 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: I'll make that correction.

9 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: Any objection, Mr. Bean?

11 MR. BEAN: No, Your Honor, I I think that's correct, we
12 just, we got into so many numbers, ---

13 THE COURT: That that ---

14 MR. BEAN: --- I wrote ---

15 THE COURT: --- I wrote it do -- I wrote it down wrong
16 when we talked about it earlier 'cause I I read what was
17 there. I'll make that correction. Alright, anything else?

18 MR. SPIVEY: No object -- no objection, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: Any objection from the ---

20 MR. BEAN: No, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: --- defense? Alright, I'll ask you to come
22 up and let's segregate the exhibits, be sure we only have
23 properly admitted exhibits. Uh, we're about to print the
24 final verdict form, I'll let you take a look at that.

25 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

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1 THE COURT: Verdict form's fairly complicated so when we
2 get it I want you to look over it careful.

3 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir.

4 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

5 THE COURT: Alright, gentlemen, c'mon up, let's take a
6 look at verdict form.

7 (Whereupon, a bench conference was held off the record.)

8 THE COURT: Alright, let's bring the jury in, please.

9 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury.)

10 THE COURT: Alright, the record will reflect that the
11 jury has returned to the courtroom. Uh, one thing that I did
12 not go over with you when I talked to you about lesser-
13 included offenses, I explained to you the charge, the charges
14 in the indictments are trafficking in cocaine base or crack
15 cocaine and trafficking in cocaine and I also will give you
16 the alternative if you find the defendant not guilty of those
17 offenses to consider whether or not the defendant would be
18 guilty of the lesser-included offense and that is possession
19 with intent to distribute those two drugs, as to marijuana the
20 indictment is possession with the intent to distribute
21 marijuana. I'm going to give you an option there if you find
22 him not guilty of possession with the intent to distribute
23 marijuana to decide whether or not he is guilty of the
24 lesser-included offense of what's called "simple possession"
25 or possession of marijuana, so that will be the lesser

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1 included offense there.

2 Now possession of of marijuana simply means that the
3 defendant was in possession of an amount of marijuana, uh, the
4 substance marijuana. Now let me mention one thing to ya when
5 we talk about possession of a drug. Possession of a drug can
6 be either actual or constructive possession under the law and
7 let me explain to ya what that means and possession in all a
8 these cases and each of the charges has to be proven, there
9 has to be possession of a drug, there are different amounts
10 involved in the different drug, different charges, but
11 possession is an element of all of the crime. To prove
12 possession the State must prove beyond a reasonable doubt that
13 the defendant had both the power and the intent to control the
14 disposition or use of the drug and possession again can be
15 actual or constructive. Now actual possession means that the
16 drug was in the actual physical custody of the defendant.
17 Constructive possession means that the defendant had dominion
18 and control over the drug or the right to exercise dominion
19 and control ever -- either over the drug itself or over the
20 property on which the drug was found.

21 Now mere presence at a scene where drugs are found is not
22 enough to prove possession. Actual knowledge of the presence
23 of a drug is strong evidence that the defendant had somehow
24 intended control of its disposition or use. A defendant's
25 [sic] knowledge and possession can, again can be inferred from

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1 the facts and circumstances that were shown, uh, at the time
2 of the incidents, uh, and it can be inferred when a substance
3 is found on property under the defendant's control; however,
4 this inference is simply an evidentiary fact to be taken into
5 consideration by you along with the other evidence in the
6 case, you give it the weight that you think it deserves and I
7 will tell you that under the law two or more persons can have
8 joint possession of a drug at a time and a course the State
9 must prove beyond a reasonable doubt again, uh, the element of
10 possession where it's required in these charges.

11 There was one other thing that I need to mention to ya,
12 let me go back over, uh, these amounts because I wanna be sure
13 that, uh, I haven't confused, it'll take me just a second to
14 get to the right locations. Under the charge of trafficking
15 the drugs I will tell you that in the case of crack cocaine or
16 cocaine base one of the elements that the State has to prove
17 in trafficking is that the amount of the drug was 10 grams or
18 more but less than 28 grams. In the case of cocaine, the
19 amount must be 10 grams or more but less than 28 grams, that's
20 trafficking in cocaine.

21 Now possession with the intent to distribute the amounts
22 of drugs that, uh, are involved in that, uh, would be, uh, in
23 the case of cocaine it's 10 grains and that translates to .648
24 grams of cocaine. In the case of crack cocaine, uh, 1 or more
25 grams of crack cocaine creates an inference that the defendant

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1 possessed the drug with the intent to distribute and a course
2 that's an inference that you can consider along with all the
3 other evidence, you give it the weight you think it deserves
4 in reaching a decision in this this case, so those are the
5 weights that we're talking about. In the case of marijuana,
6 uh, in order to possess with the intent to distribute, the
7 amount there must be 28 grams or 1 ounce of marijuana, so
8 those are the amounts of the drugs that we're talking about
9 for trafficking, for possession with intent to distribute and
10 then of course in simple possession it's simply an amount of
11 marijuana, it doesn't require any particular amount.

12 Now I'm gonna pass over to the foreperson the verdict
13 form and, sir, let me go over this with ya so that I'm sure
14 you understand it, it's pretty, it's little complicated so I
15 wanna be sure we got it. At the top you'll see the state and
16 county where we're located and the court that we're in, the
17 caption states it's the State of South Carolina against
18 Mr. Isaac Lyles. Uh, there are several indictments so there's
19 several questions. Question Number 1 that's for the
20 indictment for possession with intent to distribute marijuana
21 and again the fact that I put the choices for the verdict in
22 any order on this form shouldn't be taken by you to indicate
23 that I have a preference as to either verdict guilty or not
24 guilty, this is the order that I put 'em on every form I
25 prepare, I've been doin' it about ten years so they've all be

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1 the same, so that indicates no preference in this case, so if
2 you find the defendant guilty of that charge, that would
3 answer that question, below that it explains, however, if you
4 find the defendant not guilty of possession with intent to
5 distribute then you should consider the lesser-included charge
6 which is the simple possession of marijuana and that would be
7 guilty or not guilty on that charge.

8 Now we'll go to the next one Number 2 and this is the
9 indictment for trafficking in cocaine and again, you have a
10 choice of either finding the defendant not guilty or guilty of
11 the main indictment. Under that Subsection (a) tells you if
12 you find the defendant not guilty of trafficking in cocaine
13 then you should consider the lesser included charge of
14 possession with intent to distribute. Now if you find him
15 guilty then you would have answered the question as to that
16 indictment. You understand what I'm saying?

17 JURY FOREPERSON: Yes.

18 THE COURT: Alright. Now the next case, uh, is and again
19 the choice on possession with intent to distribute is guilty
20 or not guilty. The next one is the indictment on trafficking
21 in cocaine base or crack cocaine, again, the choices on the
22 main indictment are not guilty or guilty. If you find the
23 defendant guilty of that charge in Subparagraph (a), you will
24 see that you need to go on and consider verdict on, the
25 verdict on Question Number 4, turn the page and you'll see

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1 that Verdict Number 4 has to do with the possession of a
2 firearm during the commission of what's defined as a violent
3 crime. If you find the defendant not guilty of trafficking in
4 Question 3 then you cannot issue a verdict in Number 4 because
5 you did not find him guilty of the violent crime. You
6 understand that distinction?

7 JURY FOREPERSON: Yes.

8 THE COURT: Now if you find him not guilty, you also,
9 well even though you can't consider the possession of a
10 firearm, you should consider the lesser-included offense of
11 possession with intent to distribute and that's the Question C
12 at the top a the next page.

13 Now Question Number 5 that's possession with intent to
14 distribute cocaine within a half mile of a school or or a
15 public building, again, and there's then 5, 6 and 7 are the
16 three questions concerning the proximity charges is what
17 they're referred to, the charges of of just di -- possession
18 with intent to distribute within a half mile of a school.

19 Now once you've answered all of the questions you would
20 sign the form at the end, knock on the door and let the ju --
21 ver -- uh, bailiff know you've completed the verdict. Do you
22 understand the verdict?

23 JURY FOREPERSON: Yes, sir, I ---

24 THE COURT: Okay. Now I'm gonna ask you at this time to
25 to retire to begin your deliberations. We're going to give

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1 you the evidence, I'll ask you not to attempt to open any of
2 the evidence as far as the drugs and that sorta thing are
3 concerned. The weapon has been opened, it has a safety, uh,
4 bar through it, don't attempt to remove that, uh, I hate to
5 tell this but about 15, 20 years ago we had a judge here who
6 was messing with some evidence and a gun went off, there's
7 still a hole in the wall back there, it shot a hole in the
8 wall, so don't play with the gun, don't try to take it apart,
9 uh, we had judge learn the hard way here, wasn't me, another
10 judge, but but be careful with those things, they deserve
11 respect and let's don't, let's not mess with those things.

12 Now we're gonna send that back to, uh, to -- with you,
13 uh, to the jury room so you'll begin deliberations. Now,
14 ma'am, you're the alternate, I'm gonna ask you to remain
15 seated while the jury retires. Sir, you can retire, begin
16 your deliberations.

17 (The following takes place outside the presence of the
18 jury.)

19 (Whereupon, the alternate juror was released.)

20 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, we we need to approach.

21 THE COURT: Oh, c'mon up.

22 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

23 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.)

24 (Whereupon, a bench conference was held off the record.)

25 THE COURT: Let's bring the jury back in the courtroom,

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1 please.

2 MR. SPIVEY: I'm so sorry.

3 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury at
4 2:48 p.m.)

5 THE COURT: Alright, ladies and gentlemen of the jury,
6 the the attorneys have pointed something out to me and, uh,
7 from time to time the law changes on drugs concerning the
8 amounts involved, uh, one number has changed in what I gave
9 you but I'm gonna go through all of 'em again so I'm sure that
10 I've I've, uh, gone over them with you properly. Uh, for the
11 offense of trafficking in crack cocaine, the presumptive
12 amount is that the amount must be at least 10 grams but less
13 than 28 grams for trafficking in crack cocaine. For
14 trafficking in cocaine, the amount, uh, again is 10 grams, uh,
15 at least 10 grams but less than 28 grams. Now in the case of
16 possession with the intent to distribute in the case of
17 marijuana it's 28 grams or 1 ounce of marijuana, in the case
18 of cocaine it is 1 gram, I had given you amount of grains but
19 it's been changed to 1 gram and that's the same amount for
20 crack cocaine, 1 gram or more, so, uh, we're looking at that's
21 for possession with intent to distribute and again, the
22 question of simple possession is an amount, so I corrected one
23 figure in there, the the amounts, uh, are now as I gave it to
24 you and those are the presumptive amounts necessary for the
25 different levels of offenses. You may retire and begin your

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1 deliberation.

2 (The following takes place outside the presence of the
3 jury.)

4 THE COURT: Alright, have we got the exhibits?

5 MR. SPIVEY: These ready to go?

6 THE CLERK: Yes.

7 THE COURT: The exhibits go back along with the
8 indictment. Thank you.

9 (Whereupon, the jury began deliberations at 2:48 p.m.)

10 THE COURT: Now is there any objection to the charge as I
11 finally gave it?

12 MR. SPIVEY: No, sir, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: Any from the defense?

14 MR. BEAN: No, Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: Alright, thank you very much. We'll be in
16 recess until a verdict's reached.

17 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: Thank you.

19 (Whereupon, a recess was taken.)

20 (Whereupon, a verdict was reached at 3:20 p.m.)

21 THE COURT: Alright, I have been informed by the bailiffs
22 that a verdict has just been reached, is the State ready to
23 receive the verdict?

24 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: Defense ready to receive the verdict?

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1 MR. BEAN: Yes, Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: Alright, I'll caution those present in the
3 courtroom if, uh; you have any trouble in controlling your
4 emotions, uh, at times like this, please leave the courtroom,
5 uh, emotional outbursts will not be tolerated. Bring the jury
6 in.

7 (The following takes place in the presence of the jury.)

8 THE COURT: Mr. Foreman, has a verdict been reached in
9 this matter?

10 JURY FOREMAN: Yes, sir.

11 THE COURT: Pass the form to the bailiff, please. Thank
12 you, sir.

13 (Whereupon, the jury foreman complied.)

14 THE COURT: Madam clerk, you can publish the verdict.

15 THE CLERK: Yes, sir. The State vs. I -- Isaac Glenard
16 Lyles possession with the intent to distribute marijuana on
17 Case Number 2013-GS-42-4573 guilty; as to the indictment of
18 trafficking in cocaine the Indictment Number 2013-GS-42-4574
19 the verdict is guilty; trafficking in cocaine base on
20 Indictment Number 2013-GS-42-4575 Count One the verdict is
21 guilty; possession of a firearm or knife during the commission
22 of an attempt -- commission of or attempt to commit a violent
23 crime Indictment Number 2013-GS-42-4575 Count Two the verdict
24 is guilty; possession with intent to distribute cocaine within
25 one-half mile Indictment Number 2012, excuse me,

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1 2013-GS-42-4570 the verdict is guilty; possession with intent
2 to distribute marijuana within one-half of a mile on
3 Indictment Number 2013-GS-42-4575 the verdict is guilty;
4 possession with the intent to distribute cocaine base within
5 one-half mile on Indictment Number 2013-GS-42-4572 the verdict
6 is guilty, signed by the foreperson, dated December the 5th of
7 2013. Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, is this your verdict
8 and still your verdict, if so please raise your right hands.

9 (Whereupon, the jury raised their hands.)

10 THE CLERK: So say you all.

11 THE COURT: Anything further from the State before I
12 release the jury?

13 MR. SPIVEY: No, sir, Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: Anything further from the defense?

15 MR. BEAN: No thank Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: Alright, ladies and gentlemen of the jury,
17 this completes your responsibilities in this case and I'm
18 happy to inform you that we're not gonna start another jury
19 trial this week, we've got some non-jury matters to handle
20 tomorrow so this will end your service on jury for the week, I
21 wanna thank you for your attention to your duties and
22 responsibilities. I've told you throughout the trial not to
23 discuss the case with anyone, I will advise you that you now
24 have the right to do so, you also have the right not to do so.
25 A citizen owes no one an explanation for their service on a

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1 jury, you're not required to discuss anything about this case
2 unless you choose to do that. Should anyone harass you or
3 bother you concerning your service on the jury, please contact
4 the clerk's office as soon as possible, we'll take the
5 appropriate action.

6 Now as you're leaving today the clerk will be happy to
7 provide you with a letter from the, uh, from their office
8 indicating, uh, your excuse from work if you need that.
9 You'll get a voucher in the mail, uh, probably next week for
10 your juror jury pay, I can assure you it'll be a disappointing
11 check, uh, it's the most the law allows and it's not enough
12 for your time but, uh, we wanna thank you for your services at
13 any rate.

14 Uh, now you're free to go at this time, sentencing in
15 this case will take place shortly. If you would like to be
16 present in the courtroom during that time, you have a right to
17 do that, you also are not required to do that, so that will be
18 up to you as to whether you wish to do that.

19 Now Mr. Foreman, you're gonna need to meet with the clerk
20 briefly, there's some matters you have to make notations on
21 the indictments for her so before you leave see her but at
22 this time you're free to step back to the jury room and the
23 bailiffs will check you out. Thank you very much for your
24 service.

25 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, if I may be excused, I need to

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1 go get some paperwork.

2 THE COURT: That be fine, yes.

3 (Whereupon, the jury exited the courtroom.)

4 (Whereupon, the solicitor exited the courtroom.)

5 (Pause.)

6 (Whereupon, discussions were held off the record.)

7 (Whereupon, the solicitor returned to the courtroom.)

8 MR. SPIVEY: Excuse me, Your Honor, I'm sorry it took so
9 long.

10 (Pause.)

11 MR. SPIVEY: Your Honor, I'll pass up the the the
12 sentencing sheets which have been signed the defendant, his
13 attorney, also gonna pass up, Your Honor, I have two, uh,
14 affidavit of services, these are for the motion that we served
15 with a notice of intent to seek a life sentence, Your Honor,
16 uh, they were essentially prudent, we served on the defendant
17 and his attorney Mr. Bean.

18 THE COURT: Any objection to those documents?

19 MR. BEAN: No, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: Alright, they'll be marked as Court's
21 Exhibits for purposes of the hearing if you'll pass that over
22 to the to ---

23 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: --- court reporter.

25 (Whereupon, counsel complied.)

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1 (Affidavits of service marked Court's Exhibit Nos. 2 and
2 3 for identification.)

3 THE COURT: Alright, if you'll please, you can stand at
4 the table there please, Mr. Lyles, Mr. Bean. Mr. Lyles, you
5 have been found guilty by a jury of your peers of the offense
6 of possession with the intent to distribute a controlled
7 substance near a school, there are three convictions for that
8 offense on different indictments. There is a conviction for
9 trafficking in cocaine 10 grams or more but less than 28
10 grams, there's a conviction for possession of a weapon during
11 the commission of a violent crime, uh, possession with the
12 intent to distribute marijuana second offense and trafficking
13 in crack cocaine, this time I'll hear from your attorney
14 concerning any issues concerning sentencing, then I'll be
15 happy to hear from you, thereafter I'll hear from the State.
16 Mr. Bean.

17 MR. BEAN: Your Honor, may it please the Court. Uh, I
18 was served and have in my hand here the, uh, State's notice of
19 intention to seek a life sentence. In these cases if
20 Mr. Lyles were convicted which he has been, uh, it is my
21 understanding that this is not something that the Court has
22 discretion in and, uh, I will point out to Your Honor although
23 without discretion I don't guess it, uh, matters, uh, that the
24 prior offenses which are documented in here which we've looked
25 at, uh, occurred 20 years ago so there there isn't anything

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1 recent and I think, uh, I I'm not making any excuses for my
2 client but, uh, it's been an awful long time since these
3 things happened and and I think it's, uh, it's most
4 unfortunate that he's facing what he's facing but he and I
5 both understand how we got here.

6 THE COURT: Mr. Lyles, anything you'd like to say to the
7 Court?

8 MR. BEAN: I just, I'd ask for mercy from the Court.

9 THE COURT: I'll hear from you, Mr. Spivey.

10 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor. I was looking for a
11 copy of defendant's record. I just ---

12 THE COURT: I have your your notice, it has sentence
13 records attached to it if you'd like to see that.

14 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, I I've got that and I've -- I --
15 he obviously has a a a few more convictions I just wanna make
16 the Court aware of.

17 THE COURT: I I would, I would like for you to go ahead
18 and make me aware of whatever you think I need to know before
19 I pass sentence.

20 MR. SPIVEY: Yes, sir, Your Honor. In 1986 was petty
21 larceny; '88 possession a cocaine, 1988 carrying a pistol;
22 1990 possession a crack second offense, possession a crack
23 third offense; 1990 resisting arrest; 1993 possession a
24 marijuana, 1993 driving under the influence, 1993 assault and
25 battery and 1993 possession a marijuana and finally in 1993 he

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1 got three convictions which two of which were considered most
2 serious and one was serious. Your Honor, he has a possession
3 with intent distribute crack cocaine third offense, Your
4 Honor, which he got 25-year sentence on and a burglary first
5 which he got a 25-year sentence on and a voluntary
6 manslaughter which pled down from murder which he got a a
7 25-year sentence on. Your Honor, it's my understanding he got
8 out of the -- on those sentences about 2008 and that's,
9 essentially that's his criminal history, Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: Alright. I do note that this, uh, and it's
11 been made an exhibit, uh, Court's Exhibit No. 1, uh, I have
12 received and have taken notice of the notice of intention to
13 seek life sentence, uh, filed by the, uh, State along with
14 supporting documents and that today we received proof of
15 service. If you'll give me a moment in order to prepare
16 sentencing.

17 (Pause.)

18 THE COURT: Alright, Mr. Lyles, having reviewed the, uh,
19 information that has been presented to me, the Court passes
20 the following sentences: As to the Case Number 2013-4575A
21 possession of a weapon during the commission of a violent
22 crime, the sentence is that you be confined to the State
23 Department of Corrections for a period of 5 years, I've run
24 that concurrent with your other sentences and given credit for
25 any time served. In Case Number 2013-GS-42-4573 which is

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1 possession with intent to distribute marijuana second, that
2 carries a 10-year sentence in the Department of Corrections
3 run concurrently with other sentences and given credit for
4 time served. Now as to the three charges of of possession
5 with intent to distribute a controlled substance, uh, at a
6 school, those -- that's Cases Numbers 2013-GS-42-4570, 4571
7 and 4572 and as to Case Number 2013-4575, uh, trafficking in
8 crack cocaine and as to Case Number 2013-4574, uh, trafficking
9 in cocaine, uh, given the information provided to this court
10 the sentence of this court is that you be confined to the
11 State Department of Corrections for and during the term of
12 your natural life without the possibility of parole. Good
13 luck to you, sir, all sentences run concurrently.

14 MR. SPIVEY: Thank Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: Court is adjourned.

CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

I, Margaret A. Woods, Court Reporter in and for the State of South Carolina at Large, hereby certify that I reported the preceding case on December 4 and 5, 2013 at the time and place heretofore set forth; and that the foregoing pages numbered from 6 through 304, inclusive, constitute a true and accurate transcription of my stenographic notes of the said proceeding.

I further certify that I am neither attorney nor counsel for, nor related to or employed by any of the parties connected to the action, nor am I financially interested in the action.

May 11, 2014

Margaret A. Woods

Margaret A. Woods, Court Reporter
in and for the State of South Carolina at Large.

WITNESSES

SPARTANBURG PUBLIC SAFETY

1. SENTENCE MADE ☒

2. REPORT ENDED ☒

3. CARD PULLED ☒

4. INDEXED ☒

5. CHECKED WARRANTS ☒

6. CHECKED SIGNATURE ☒

7. ASSESSMENT ☒

FINE CARD MADE ☒

ARREST WARRANT NUMBER

2012a4210100739

ACTION OF GRAND JURY

True Bill

Foreperson of Grand Jury

Date:

SEP 27 2013

VERDICT

GUILTY

Foreperson of Petit Jury

Date: 12/5/13

DOCKET NO.

13-GS-42-4570

The State of South Carolina

County of

Barry J. Barnette, Solicitor

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

OCT 01 2013

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THE STATE

VS.

ISAAC GLENARD LYLES

Indictment for

POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO
DISTRIBUTE COCAINE
WITHIN ONE-HALF MILE

SC Code: 44-53-445

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M. Hope Blackley
CLERK OF COURT
SPARTANBURG COUNTY
BY: [Signature]
DATED 12/10/13

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

INDICTMENT

COUNTY OF)

At a Court of General Sessions, convened on SEP 27 2010 the
Grand Jurors of County present upon their oath:

POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
COCAINE WITHIN ONE-HALF MILE

That Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9, 2012, distribute, sell, purchase, manufacture, or unlawfully possess with intent to distribute, a quantity of Cocaine, a schedule II controlled substance, while in, on, or within a one-half mile radius of the grounds of a public or private elementary, middle or secondary school; a public playground or park; a public vocational or trade school or a technical educational center; or a public or private college or university, to wit: Cleveland Elementary School, under provisions of §44-53-445 of *THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA*, (1976), as amended, such possession not having been authorized by law.

Against the peace and dignity of the State, and contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.


ASSISTANT SOLICITOR

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG
 STATE VS.
Isaac Glenard Lyles

AKA:

Race: BLACK Sex: M Age: 21DOB: [REDACTED]

Address:

City, State, Zip:

DL#:

SID#:

*CDL Yes ☐ No ☐ CMV Yes ☐ No ☐ Hazmat Yes ☐ No ☐

In disposition of the said indictment comes now the Defendant who was
 TO: Drugs / PWID cont. sub., near school (LWOP)

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2013GS4204570A/W#: 2012A4210100739Date of Offense: 10/9/2012S.C. Code § : 44-53-0445(B)CDR Code #: 0107

SENTENCE SHEET

☒ CONVICTED OF or ☐ PLEADS

in violation of § 44-53-0445(B) of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0107
☒ NON-VIOLENT ☐ VIOLENT ☒ SERIOUS ☐ MOST SERIOUS ☐ Mandatory GPS(CSC w/minor 1st or Lewd Act) ☒ §17-25-45

The charge is: ☒ As Indicted, ☐ Lesser Included Offense, ☐ Defendant Waives Presentment to Grand Jury. (defendant's initials)The plea is: ☐ Without Negotiations or Recommendation, ☐ Negotiated Sentence, ☐ Recommendation by the State.

AFFEST

SPIVEY, SCOTT DANIEL

SC Bar#

Defendant

Attorney for Defendant

SC Bar#

WHEREFORE, the Defendant is committed to the ☒ State Department of Corrections, ☐ County Detention Center,
 for a determinate term of Life without parole days/months/years or ☐ under the Youthful Offender Act not to exceed _____ years
 and/or to pay a fine of \$ _____; provided that upon the service of _____ days/months/years and/or payment
 of \$ _____; plus costs and assessments as applicable*; the balance is suspended with probation for _____

months/years and subject to South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services standard conditions of
 probation, which are incorporated by reference.

☐ CONCURRENT or ☐ CONSECUTIVE to sentence on:☐ The Defendant is to be given credit for time served pursuant to S.C. Code § 24-13-40 to be calculated and applied by the State Department of Corrections.☐ The Defendant is to be placed on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect pursuant to S.C. Code §17-25-135.

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 922, it is unlawful for a person convicted of a violation of Section 16-25-20 or 16-25-65 (Criminal
 Domestic Violence) to ship, transport, possess, or receive a firearm or ammunition.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

☐ RESTITUTION: ☐ Deferred ☐ Def. Waives Hearing ☐ Ordered

Total: \$ _____ plus 20% fee: \$ _____

Payment Terms:

☐ Set by SCDPPPS

Recipient:

*Fine:	\$	
§ 14-1-206 (Assessments 107.5 %)	\$	
§ 14-1-211(A)(1) (Conv. Surcharge)	\$100	\$ 100.00
§ 14-1-211(A)(2) (DUI Surcharge)	\$100	\$
§ 56-5-2995 (DUI Assessment)	\$12	\$
§ 56-1-286 (DUI Breath Test)	\$25	\$
Proviso 47.9 (Public Def/Prob)	\$500	\$
§ 14-1-212 (Law Enforce. Funding)	\$25	\$ 25.00
§ 14-1-213 (Drug Court Surcharge)	\$150	\$ 150.00
§ 50-21-114(BUI Breath Test Fee)	\$50	\$
§ 56-5-2942(J) (Vehicle Assessment)	\$40/ea	\$
Proviso 90.5 (SCCJA Surcharge)	\$5	\$ 5.00
3% to County (if paid in installments)	\$	\$ 8.40
TOTAL		\$ 288.40

Clerk of Court/ Deputy Clerk

Court Reporter: Woods

SCCA/217 (03/2011)

PTUP

_____ days/hours Public Service Employment

Obtain GED ☐

Attend Voc. Rehab. or Job Corp. _____

May serve W/E beginning _____

Substance Abuse Counseling ☐Random Drug/Alcohol testing ☐Fine may be pd. in equal, consecutive weekly/monthly
 pmts. of \$ _____ beginning _____

\$ _____ paid to Public Defender Fund

Other: _____

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P. H. ROBERTSON

CLERK OF COURT

SPARTANBURG COUNTY

BY J. S. [Signature]DATED 12/5/12

☐ Appointed PD or appointed other counsel,
 § 47.12 requires \$500 be paid to Clerk
 during probation.

Presiding Judge

Judge Code: 2135Sentence Date: 12/5/12

WITNESSES

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5. CHECKED SIGNATURE

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ARREST WARRANT NUMBER

7. TRAFFIC VIOLATION COPY

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True Bill

Foreperson of Grand Jury

Date:

SEP 27 2013

VERDICT

GUILTY

Foreperson of Petit Jury

Date: 12/5/13

DOCKET NO.

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INDICTMENT

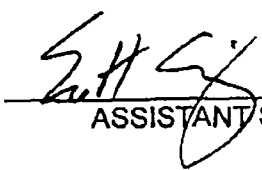
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Against the peace and dignity of the State, and contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.


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SID#:

*CDL Yes ☐ No ☐ CMV Yes ☐ No ☐ Hazmat Yes ☐ No ☐In disposition of the said indictment comes now the Defendant who was
TO: Drugs / PWID cont. sub., near school (LWOP)

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2013GS4204571

A/W#: 2012A4210100737

Date of Offense: 10/9/2012

S.C. Code § : 44-53-0445(B)

CDR Code #: 0107

SENTENCE SHEET

☒ CONVICTED OF or ☐ PLEADS

in violation of § 44-53-0445(B) of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0107

☐ NON-VIOLENT ☐ VIOLENT ☒ SERIOUS ☐ MOST SERIOUS ☐ Mandatory GPS(CSC w/minor 1st or Lewd Act) ☒ §17-25-45The charge is: ☒ As Indicted, ☐ Lesser Included Offense, ☐ Defendant Waives Presentment to Grand Jury. (defendant's initials)The plea is: ☐ Without Negotiations or Recommendation, ☐ Negotiated Sentence, ☐ Recommendation by the State.ATTEST: 79868 Isaac Lyles SC Bar# 602
SPIVEY, SCOTT DANIEL Defendant Attorney for Defendant SC Bar#WHEREFORE, the Defendant is committed to the ☒ State Department of Corrections, ☐ County Detention Center,
for a determinate term of Life w/short Prob. days/months/years or ☐ under the Youthful Offender Act not to exceed _____ years
and/or to pay a fine of \$ _____; provided that upon the service of _____ days/months/years and/or payment
of \$ _____; plus costs and assessments as applicable*; the balance is suspended with probation for _____months/years and subject to South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services standard conditions of
probation, which are incorporated by reference.☒ CONCURRENT or ☐ CONSECUTIVE to sentence on: 12/5/13
☒ The Defendant is to be given credit for time served pursuant to S.C. Code § 24-13-40 to be calculated and applied
by the State Department of Corrections.☐ The Defendant is to be placed on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect pursuant to S.C. Code § 17-25-135.Pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 922, it is unlawful for a person convicted of a violation of Section 16-25-20 or 16-25-65 (Criminal
Domestic Violence) to ship, transport, possess, or receive a firearm or ammunition.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

☐ RESTITUTION: ☐ Deferred ☐ Def. Waives Hearing ☐ Ordered

Total: \$ _____ plus 20% fee: \$ _____

Payment Terms:

☐ Set by SCDPPPS

Recipient:

*Fine:	\$
§ 14-1-206 (Assessments 107.5 %)	\$
§ 14-1-211(A)(1) (Conv. Surcharge)	\$100 \$100.00
§ 14-1-211(A)(2) (DUI Surcharge)	\$100 \$
§ 56-5-2995 (DUI Assessment)	\$12 \$
§ 56-1-286 (DUI Breath Test)	\$25 \$
Proviso 47.9 (Public Def/Prob)	\$500 \$
§ 14-1-212 (Law Enforc. Funding)	\$25 \$ 25.00
§ 14-1-213 (Drug Court Surcharge)	\$150 \$150.00
§ 50-21-114 (BUI Breath Test Fee)	\$50 \$
§ 56-5-2942(J) (Vehicle Assessment)	\$40/ca \$
Proviso 90.5 (SCCA Surcharge)	\$5 \$ 5.00
3% to County (if paid in installments)	\$ 8.90
TOTAL	\$ 288.40

PTUP _____ days/hours Public Service Employment

Obtain GED ☐

Attend Voc. Rehab. or Job Corp. _____

May serve W/E beginning _____

Substance Abuse Counseling ☐Random Drug/Alcohol testing ☐Fine may be pd. in equal, consecutive weekly/monthly
pmts. of \$ _____ beginning _____

\$ _____ paid to Public Defender's Office

Other: _____

CLERK OF COURT
SPARTANBURG COUNTY
BY: [Signature]
DATED: 12/5/13

☐ Appointed PD or appointed other counsel,
§ 47.12 requires \$500 be paid to Clerk
during probation.Clerk of Court/ Deputy Clerk [Signature]Court Reporter: Woodo

SCCA/217 (03/2011)

Presiding Judge [Signature]Judge Code: 2135Sentence Date: 12/5/13

WITNESSES

SPARTANBURG PUBLIC SAFETY

1. SENTENCE MADE

2. REPORT ENDED

3. CARD FULL

4. INDEXED

5. CHECKED WARRANTS

6. CHECKED SIGNATURE

7. RECEIVED
FINE CARD MADE

ARREST WARRANT NUMBER
2. TRAFFIC VIOLATION COPY

2012A4210100738

ACTION OF GRAND JURY

True Bill

Foreperson of Grand Jury

Date:

SEP 27 2013

VERDICT

GUILTY

Foreperson of Petit Jury

Date: 12/5/13

DOCKET NO.

13-GS-42-4572

The State of South Carolina

County of

Barry J. Barnette, Solicitor

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

OCT 07 2013

TERM

THE STATE

vs.

ISAAC GLENARD LYLES

Indictment for

POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO
DISTRIBUTE COCAINE BASE
WITHIN ONE-HALF MILE

SC Code: 44-53-445

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SPARTANBURG COUNTY
BY: *Asst. Clerk*
DATED 12/10/13

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF)

INDICTMENT

SEP 27 2013

At a Court of General Sessions, convened on _____ the
Grand Jurors of County present upon their oath:

POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE
COCAINE BASE WITHIN ONE-HALF MILE

That Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9, 2012, distribute, sell, purchase, manufacture, or unlawfully possess with intent to distribute, a quantity of Cocaine Base, a schedule II controlled substance, while in, on, or within a one-half mile radius of the grounds of a public or private elementary, middle or secondary school; a public playground or park; a public vocational or trade school or a technical educational center; or a public or private college or university, to wit: Cleveland Elementary School, under provisions of §44-53-445 of *THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA*, (1976), as amended, such possession not having been authorized by law.

Against the peace and dignity of the State; and contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.



ASSISTANT SOLICITOR

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG
STATE VS.

Isaac Glenard Lyles

AKA:

Race: BLACK Sex: M Age: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

Address:

City, State, Zip:

DL#: SID#:

*CDL Yes ☐ No ☐ CMV Yes ☐ No ☐ Hazmat Yes ☐ No ☐In disposition of the said indictment comes now the Defendant who was
TO: Drugs / PWID cont. sub., near school (LWOP)

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IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2013GS4204572

A/W#: 2012A4210100738

Date of Offense: 10/9/2012

S.C. Code §: 44-53-0445(B)

CDR Code #: 0107

SENTENCE SHEET

☒ CONVICTED OF or ☐ PLEADS

in violation of § 44-53-0445(B) of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0107

☒ NON-VIOLENT ☐ VIOLENT ☒ SERIOUS ☐ MOST SERIOUS ☐ Mandatory GPS(CSC w/minor 1st or Lewd Act) ☒ §17-25-45The charge is: ☒ As Indicted, ☐ Lesser Included Offense, ☐ Defendant Waives Presentment to Grand Jury. (defendant's initials)The plea is: ☐ Without Negotiations or Recommendation, ☐ Negotiated Sentence, ☐ Recommendation by the State.

ATTORNEY

SPIVEY, SCOTT DANIEL SC Bar# 79868 Defendant Isaac Lyles Attorney for Defendant 602 SC Bar#

WHEREFORE, the Defendant is committed to the ☒ State Department of Corrections, ☐ County Detention Center,
for a determinate term of Life without Parole days/months/years or ☐ under the Youthful Offender Act not to exceed _____ years
and/or to pay a fine of \$ _____; provided that upon the service of _____ days/months/years and/or payment
of \$ _____; plus costs and assessments as applicable*; the balance is suspended with probation for _____months/years and subject to South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services standard conditions of
probation, which are incorporated by reference.☒ CONCURRENT or ☐ CONSECUTIVE to sentence on:☐ The Defendant is to be given credit for time served pursuant to S.C. Code § 24-13-40 to be calculated and applied
by the State Department of Corrections.☐ The Defendant is to be placed on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect pursuant to S.C. Code § 17-25-135.Pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 922, it is unlawful for a person convicted of a violation of Section 16-25-20 or 16-25-65 (Criminal
Domestic Violence) to ship, transport, possess, or receive a firearm or ammunition.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

☐ RESTITUTION: ☐ Deferred ☐ Def. Waives Hearing ☐ Ordered PTUP

Total: \$ _____ plus 20% fee: \$ _____

Payment Terms:

☐ Set by SCDPPPS

Recipient:

*Fine:

§ 14-1-206 (Assessments 107.5 %)	\$	
§ 14-1-211(A)(1) (Conv. Surcharge)	\$100	\$100.00
§ 14-1-211(A)(2) (DUI Surcharge)	\$100	\$
§ 56-5-2995 (DUI Assessment)	\$12	\$
§ 56-1-286 (DUI Breath Test)	\$25	\$
Proviso 47.9 (Public Def/Prob)	\$500	\$
§ 14-1-212 (Law Enforce. Funding)	\$25	\$25.00
§ 14-1-213 (Drug Court Surcharge)	\$150	\$150.00
§ 50-21-114(BUI Breath Test Fee)	\$50	\$
§ 56-5-2942(J) (Vehicle Assessment)	\$40/ca	\$
Proviso 90.5 (SCCA Surcharge)	\$5	\$5.00
3% to County (if paid in installments)	\$	\$8.40
TOTAL		\$288.40

_____ days/hours Public Service Employment

Obtain GED ☐

Attend Voc. Rehab. or Job Corp. _____

May serve W/E beginning _____

Substance Abuse Counseling ☐Random Drug/Alcohol testing ☐Fine may be pd. in equal, consecutive weekly/monthly
pmts. of \$ _____ beginning _____

\$ _____ paid to Public Defender for _____

Other: _____

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CLERK OF COURT
SPARTANBURG COUNTY
BY [Signature]
DATED 12/5/13

☐ Appointed PD or appointed other counsel,
§ 47.12 requires \$500 be paid to Clerk
during probation.

Clerk of Court/ Deputy Clerk [Signature]

Court Reporter: [Signature]

SCCA/217 (03/2011)

Presiding Judge [Signature]

Judge Code: 2135

Sentence Date: 12/5/13

WITNESSES
SPTG DEPT PUBLIC SAFETY

1. SENTENCE MADE

2. REPORT ENDED

4. INDEXED

5. CHECKED WARRANTS

6. CHECKED SIGNATURE

ARREST WARRANT NUMBER

7. ASSESSMENT AND
FINE CARD MADE

2013A4210100736

ACTION OF GRAND JURY

True Bill

Foreperson of Grand Jury

Date:

SEP 25 2013

VERDICT

GUILTY

Foreperson of Petit Jury

Date: 12/5/13

DOCKET NO.

13-GS-42-4573

The State of South Carolina

County of Spartanburg

Barry J. Barnette, Solicitor

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

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THE STATE

VS.

ISAAC GLENARD LYLES

Indictment for

POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO
DISTRIBUTE MARIJUANA

SC Code: 44-53-370

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M. Hope Blackley
CLERK OF COURT
SPARTANBURG COUNTY
BY: [Signature]
DATED: 12/10/13

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG)

INDICTMENT

At a Court of General Sessions, convened on
Jurors of Spartanburg County present upon their oath:

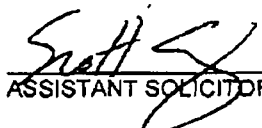
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POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE

That Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9, 2012, manufacture, distribute, dispense, deliver, purchase, aid, abet, attempt or conspire to manufacture, distribute, dispense, deliver or purchase, or possess with intent to manufacture, distribute, dispense, deliver, or purchase a quantity of Marijuana, a schedule I controlled substance, in violation of § 44-53-370, *THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, (1976), as amended, such distribution not having been authorized by law.*

Against the peace and dignity of the State, and contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.


ASSISTANT SOLICITOR

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG
STATE VS.

Isaac Glenard Lyles

AKA:

Race: BLACK Sex: M Age: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

Address:

City, State, Zip:

DL#:

SID#:

*CDL Yes ☐ No ☐ CMV Yes ☐ No ☐ Hazmat Yes ☐ No ☐In disposition of the said indictment comes now the Defendant who was
TO: Drugs / PWID MJ 2nd (0-10 years)

INDICTMENT/CASE#: 2013GS4204573

A/W#: 2012A4210100736

Date of Offense: 10/9/2012

S.C. Code §: 44-53-0370(b)

CDR Code #: 0187

SENTENCE SHEET

☒ CONVICTED OF or ☐ PLEADS

in violation of § 44-53-0370(b) of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0187

☒ NON-VIOLENT ☐ VIOLENT ☐ SERIOUS ☐ MOST SERIOUS ☐ Mandatory GPS(CSC w/minor 1st or Lewd Act) ☐ §17-25-45The charge is: ☒ As Indicted, ☐ Lesser Included Offense, ☐ Defendant Waives Presentment to Grand Jury. (defendant's initials)The plea is: ☒ Without Negotiations or Recommendation, ☐ Negotiated Sentence, ☐ Recommendation by the State.

ATTEST

SPIVEY, SCOTT DANIEL SC Bar# 78868 Isaac Lyles Defendant Attorney for Defendant 602 SC Bar#

WHEREFORE, the Defendant is committed to the ☒ State Department of Corrections, ☐ County Detention Center,for a determinate term of 10 days/months/years or ☐ under the Youthful Offender Act not to exceed years

and/or to pay a fine of \$; provided that upon the service of days/months/years and/or payment

of \$; plus costs and assessments as applicable*; the balance is suspended with probation for

months/years and subject to South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services standard conditions of probation, which are incorporated by reference.

☒ CONCURRENT or ☐ CONSECUTIVE to sentence on:☒ The Defendant is to be given credit for time served pursuant to S.C. Code § 24-13-40 to be calculated and applied by the State Department of Corrections.☐ The Defendant is to be placed on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect pursuant to S.C. Code §17-25-135.

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 922, it is unlawful for a person convicted of a violation of Section 16-25-20 or 16-25-65 (Criminal Domestic Violence) to ship, transport, possess, or receive a firearm or ammunition.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

☐ RESTITUTION: ☐ Deferred ☐ Def. Waives Hearing ☐ Ordered

Total: \$ plus 20% fee: \$

Payment Terms:

☐ Set by SCDPPPS

Recipient:

*Fine:

§ 14-1-206 (Assessments 107.5 %)	\$	
§ 14-1-211(A)(1) (Conv. Surcharge)	\$100	\$100.00
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§ 14-1-212 (Law Enforce. Funding)	\$25	\$25.00
§ 14-1-213 (Drug Court Surcharge)	\$150	\$150.00
§ 50-21-114(BUI Breath Test Fee)	\$50	\$
§ 56-5-2942(I) (Vehicle Assessment)	\$40/ea	\$
Proviso 90.5 (SCCJA Surcharge)	\$5	\$5.00
3% to County (if paid in installments)	\$	\$8.40
TOTAL		\$288.40

PTUP days/hours Public Service Employment

Obtain GED ☐Attend Voc. Rehab. or Job Corp. ☐

May serve W/E beginning

Substance Abuse Counseling ☐Random Drug/Alcohol testing ☐

Fine may be pd. in equal, consecutive weekly installments of \$ beginning

\$ paid to Public Defender

Other:

☐ Appointed PD or appointed other counsel, § 47.12 requires \$500 be paid to Clerk during probation.

Clerk of Court/ Deputy Clerk

Court Reporter: Woods

SCCA/217 (03/2011)

Presiding Judge

Judge Code: 2135

Sentence Date: 12/5/13

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 CLERK OF COURT
 SPARTANBURG COUNTY
 BY: [Signature]
 DATED: 12/10/13

WITNESSES

SPTG DEPT PUBLIC SAFETY

1. SENTENCE MADE

2. REPORT

3. WARRANTS

4. ARREST COMPLIANCE
FINE CARD MADE

5. TRAFFIC VIOLATION COPY

2013A4210100735

ACTION OF GRAND JURY

True Bill

For person of Grand Jury
Date:

SEP 27 2013

VERDICT

Guilty

For person of Petit Jury
Date: 12/5/13

DOCKET NO.

13-GS-42-4574

The State of South Carolina

County of Spartanburg

Barry J. Barnette, Solicitor

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

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THE STATE
vs.

ISAAC GLENARD LYLES

Indictment for
TRAFFICKING IN COCAINE

SC Code: 44-53-370

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SPARTANBURG COUNTY

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M. HOPE BLACKLEY

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M. Hope Blackley
CLERK OF COURT
SPARTANBURG COUNTY
BY: [Signature]
DATED: 12/10/13

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG)

INDICTMENT

At a Court of General Sessions, convened on SEP 27 2013 the
Grand Jurors of Spartanburg County present upon their oath:

TRAFFICKING IN COCAINE

That Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9, 2012, knowingly sell, manufacture, cultivate, deliver, purchase or bring into this State, or did provide financial assistance or did otherwise aid, abet, attempt, or conspire to sell, manufacture, cultivate, deliver, purchase or bring into this State, or did knowingly actually or constructively possess or did knowingly attempt to become in actual or constructive possession of more than (10) ten grams of Cocaine, a schedule II controlled substance, in violation of §44-53-370, *THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA*, (1976), as amended.

Against the peace and dignity of the State, and contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.


ASSISTANT SOLICITOR

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG
STATE VS.

Isaac Glenard Lyles

AKA:

Race: BLACK Sex: M Age: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

Address:

City, State, Zip:

DL#:

SID#:

*CDL Yes ☐ No ☐ CMV Yes ☐ No ☐ Hazmat Yes ☐ No ☐

In disposition of the said indictment comes now the Defendant who was

☒ CONVICTED OF or ☐ PLEADS

TO: Drugs / Trafficking in cocaine, 10g or more, but less than 28g - 3rd or sub. off (LWOP)

in violation of § 44-53-0370(e) of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0147

☐ NON-VIOLENT ☒ VIOLENT ☒ SERIOUS ☐ MOST SERIOUS ☐ Mandatory GPS(CSC w/minor 1st or Lewd Act) ☒ § 17-25-45The charge is: ☒ As Indicted, ☐ Lesser Included Offense, ☐ Defendant Waives Presentment to Grand Jury. (defendant's initials)The plea is: ☐ Without Negotiations or Recommendation, ☐ Negotiated Sentence, ☐ Recommendation by the State.

ATTEST

SPIVEY, SCOTT DANIEL

SC Bar#

Defendant

Attorney for Defendant

SC Bar#

WHEREFORE, the Defendant is committed to the ☒ State Department of Corrections, ☐ County Detention Center, for a determinate term of Life without Parole days/months/years or ☐ under the Youthful Offender Act not to exceed _____ years and/or to pay a fine of \$ _____; provided that upon the service of _____ days/months/years and/or payment of \$ _____; plus costs and assessments as applicable*; the balance is suspended with probation for _____

months/years and subject to South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services standard conditions of probation, which are incorporated by reference.

☒ CONCURRENT or ☐ CONSECUTIVE to sentence on:☒ The Defendant is to be given credit for time served pursuant to S.C. Code § 24-13-40 to be calculated and applied by the State Department of Corrections.☐ The Defendant is to be placed on the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect pursuant to S.C. Code § 17-25-135.

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 922, it is unlawful for a person convicted of a violation of Section 16-25-20 or 16-25-65 (Criminal Domestic Violence) to ship, transport, possess, or receive a firearm or ammunition.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

☐ RESTITUTION: ☐ Deferred ☐ Def. Waives Hearing ☐ Ordered

Total: \$ _____ plus 20% fee: \$ _____

Payment Terms:

☐ Set by SCDPPPS

Recipient:

*Fine:	\$
§ 14-1-206 (Assessments 107.5 %)	\$
§ 14-1-211(A)(1) (Conv. Surcharge)	\$100
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Proviso 47.9 (Public Def/Prob)	\$500
§ 14-1-212 (Law Enforce. Funding)	\$25
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§ 50-21-114 (BUI Breath Test Fee)	\$50
§ 56-5-2942(J) (Vehicle Assessment)	\$40/ca
Proviso 90.5 (SCCJA Surcharge)	\$5
3% to County (if paid in installments)	\$
TOTAL	\$ 288.40

PTUP

_____ days/hours Public Service Employment

Obtain GED ☐

Attend Voc. Rehab. or Job Corp. _____

May serve W/E beginning _____

Substance Abuse Counseling ☐Random Drug/Alcohol testing ☐

Fine may be pd. in equal, consecutive weekly/monthly pmts. of \$ _____ beginning _____

\$ _____ paid to Public Defender Fund

Other: _____

☐ Appointed PD or appointed other counsel, § 47.12 requires \$500 be paid to Clerk during probation.

Clerk of Court/ Deputy Clerk

Court Reporter:

SCCA/217 (03/2011)

Presiding Judge

Judge Code:

Sentence Date:

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JANESBURG COUNTY
DATED 12/15/13

WITNESSES

SPTG DEPT PUBLIC SAFETY

1. SENTENCE MADE ☒

2. REPORT ENDED ☒

3. CARD PULLED ☒

4. CHECKED WARRANTS ☒

5. CHECKED SIGNATURE ☒

7. ASSESSMENT ☒

FINE CARD MADE ☒

ARREST WARRANT NUMBER

2012A4210100734 & 2012A4210100740

ACTION OF GRAND JURY

True Bill

Foreperson of Grand Jury
Date: *[Signature]*

SEP 27 2013

VERDICT

Guilty on Count 1 and Count 2

Foreperson of Petit Jury
Date: 12/5/13

DOCKET NO.

13-GS-42-4575

The State of South Carolina

County of Spartanburg

Barry J. Barnette, Solicitor

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

OCT 10 2013

TERM

THE STATE

vs.

ISAAC GLENARD LYLES

Indictment for

TRAFFICKING IN COCAINE BASE AND
POSSESSION OF A FIREARM OR KNIFE
DURING COMMISSION OF OR ATTEMPT
TO COMMIT A VIOLENT CRIME

SC Code: 44-53-375; 16-23-490

CDR Code:

Class FEL/EXM: FEL/E

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SPARTANBURG COUNTY
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M. HOPE BLACKLEY

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M. Hope Blackley
CLERK OF COURT
SPARTANBURG COUNTY
BY *[Signature]* D.C.
DATED 12/10/13

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG)

INDICTMENT

SEP 27 2013

At a Court of General Sessions, convened on _____ the
Grand Jurors of Spartanburg County present upon their oath:

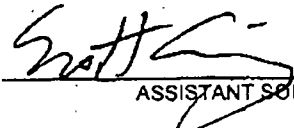
COUNT ONE – TRAFFICKING IN COCAINE BASE

That Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9, 2012, knowingly sell, manufacture, deliver, purchase or bring into this State, or did provide financial assistance or did otherwise aid, abet, attempt, or conspire to sell, manufacture, deliver, purchase, or bring into this State, or did knowingly actually or constructively possess or did knowingly attempt to become in actual or constructive possession of more than (10) ten grams of Cocaine Base a schedule II controlled substance, in violation of §44-53-375, *THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA*, (1976), as amended.

**COUNT TWO - POSSESSION OF FIREARM OR KNIFE DURING
COMMISSION OF OR ATTEMPT TO COMMIT A VIOLENT CRIME**

That Isaac Glenard Lyles did in Spartanburg County on or about October 9, 2012, possess or visibly display a firearm or visibly display a knife during the commission or attempted commission of a violent crime, to-wit: TRAFFICKING IN COCAINE BASE, in violation of Code §16-23-490, *THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA*, (1976), as amended.

Against the peace and dignity of the State, and contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.


ASSISTANT SOLICITOR

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG
STATE VS.

Isaac Glenard Lyles

AKA:

Race: BLACK Sex: M Age: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

Address:

City, State, Zip:

DL#:

SID#:

*CDL Yes ☐ No ☐ CMV Yes ☐ No ☐ Hazmat Yes ☐ No ☐

In disposition of the said indictment comes now the Defendant who was

TO: Drugs / Trafficking in ice, crack or crack - 10 g or more, but less than 28 g (LWOP)

in violation of § 44-53-0375(C) of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0452

☐ NON-VIOLENT ☒ VIOLENT ☒ SERIOUS ☐ MOST SERIOUS ☐ Mandatory GPS(CSC w/minor 1st or Lewd Act) ☒ §17-25-45The charge is: ☒ As Indicted, ☐ Lesser Included Offense, ☐ Defendant Waives Presentment to Grand Jury. (defendant's initials)The plea is: ☐ Without Negotiations or Recommendation, ☐ Negotiated Sentence, ☐ Recommendation by the State.

ATTY:

SPIVEY, SCOTT DANIEL

SC Bar# 79868

Defendant Isaac Lyles

Attorney for Defendant M. H. [REDACTED]

SC Bar# 602

WHEREFORE, the Defendant is committed to the ☒ State Department of Corrections, ☐ County Detention Center,for a determinate term of Life without Parol. days/months/years or ☐ under the Youthful Offender Act not to exceed _____ years

and/or to pay a fine of \$ _____; provided that upon the service of _____ days/months/years and/or payment

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Pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 922, it is unlawful for a person convicted of a violation of Section 16-25-20 or 16-25-65 (Criminal Domestic Violence) to ship, transport, possess, or receive a firearm or ammunition.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

☐ RESTITUTION: ☐ Deferred ☐ Def. Waives Hearing ☐ Ordered

Total: \$ _____ plus 20% fee: \$ _____

Payment Terms:

☐ Set by SCDPPPS

Recipient:

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§ 56-5-2942(J) (Vehicle Assessment)	\$40/ea
Proviso 90.5 (SCCA Surcharge)	\$5
3% to County (if paid in installments)	\$
TOTAL	\$288.40

PTUP _____ days/hours Public Service Employment

Obtain GED ☐

Attend Voc. Rehab. or Job Corp. _____

May serve W/E beginning _____

Substance Abuse Counseling ☐Random Drug/Alcohol testing ☐

Fine may be pd. in equal, consecutive weekly/monthly pmts. of \$ _____ beginning _____

\$ _____ paid to Public Defende/Burg

Other: _____

CLERK OF COURT
SPARTANBURG COUNTY
 BY: [Signature]
 DATED: 12/10/12

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Clerk of Court/ Deputy Clerk [Signature]

Court Reporter: [Signature]

SCCA/217 (03/2011)

Presiding Judge [Signature]

Judge Code: 2135

Sentence Date: 12/5/12

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG
STATE VS.

Isaac Glenard Lyles

AKA:

Race: BLACK Sex: M Age: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

Address:

City, State, Zip:

DL#: SID#:

*CDL Yes ☐ No ☐ CMV Yes ☐ No ☐ Hazmat Yes ☐ No ☐In disposition of the said indictment comes now the Defendant who was
TO: Weapons / Possession of weapon during violent crime, (0-5 years)

in violation of § 16-23-0490 of the S.C. Code of Laws, bearing CDR Code # 0549

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SCCA/217 (03/2011)

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A/W#: 2012A4210100740

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S.C. Code § : 16-23-0490

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SENTENCE SHEET

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DATED 12/5/13

CERTIFICATE OF COUNSEL FOR APPELLANT

Counsel for appellant certifies that this Record on Appeal contains all material proposed to be included by any of the parties and not any other material and that this Record on Appeal complies to the best of my ability with the April 15, 2014 order from the South Carolina Supreme Court entitled "Revised Order Concerning Personal Identifying Information and Other Sensitive Information in Appellate Court Filings."

April 6th, 2015



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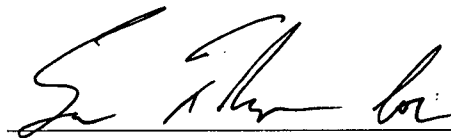
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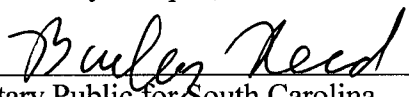
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true copy of the Record on Appeal in the above referenced case has been served upon J. Benjamin Aplin, Esquire, at Rembert Dennis Building, 1000 Assembly Street, Room 519, Columbia, SC 29201 this 6th day of April, 2015.



Brandon Hall
Administrative Specialist

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me
this 6th day of April, 2015.

 (L.S.)
Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: October 24, 2021 .