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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
IN THE SUPREME COURT

Appeal from Lexington County
Honorable William P. Keesley, Circuit Court Judge

Appellate Case No. 2019-001104

RON O'NEAL FINKLEA, SK6025,

Respondent,

v.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

Petitioner.

SECOND
SUPPLEMENTAL APPENDIX

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF LEXINGTON

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

VS.

IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

DOCKET NO. GS-32

WARRANT # 65115410-549

ORDER
OF APPOINTMENT OF
LEGAL COUNSEL OF INDIGENT DEFENDANT

Ron O. Finklea
DEFENDANT

THE DEFENDANT CONTENDS THAT HE IS INDIGENT AND IN NEED OF SERVICE OF AN ATTORNEY AS CONTEMPLATED BY LAW. THEREFORE, Stephen Sultis, 101 E. Main St., Lexington, SC 29072, 808-8060, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, IS APPOINTED FOR THE DEFENDANT UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CHIEF JUDGE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES ISSUED TO THE CLERK OF COURT FOR LEXINGTON COUNTY TO APPOINT ATTORNEY FOR INDIGENT DEFENDANTS.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

THIS 13 DAY OF August 20 03
AT 8:08 (A M)

Thomas H. Comerford
THOMAS H. COMERFORD, CLERK OF COURT
LEXINGTON COUNTY, ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

* Per Judge Johnson *

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA) FILED IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

COUNTY OF LEXINGTON)

WARRANT NUMBERS
1546, 501547, 501548, 501549

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

Plaintiff, THOMAS H. SOMERFORD
vs. CLERK OF COURT
LEXINGTON

RON O. FINKLEA,
Defendant

EXPARTE ORDER
(TO BE SEALED)



This matter comes before the Court by Motion of the Attorney for the Defendant, Stephen R. Soltis, Jr., seeking the following relief: Funds with which to hire a paralegal and expenses associated with the Defense of the Defendant.

The Defendant is charged with murder and appears that this case will result in the solicitor seeking the death penalty

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. That the Defendant is indigent and is currently at the Lexington County Detention Center charged with murder.
2. The Defendant requested and it is reasonable to believe he will need a paralegal will be necessary to handle the volumes of motions and perwork necessary to adequately represent the Defendant.
3. Paralegal fees at the rate of \$15.00 per hour plus expenses are reasonable and necessary to ensure effective representation of the Defendant.
4. Counsel for the Defendant is authorized to spend no more than one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1500.00) for the services of a paralegal.

Based upon motion of Counsel, and a review of the matters at hand,

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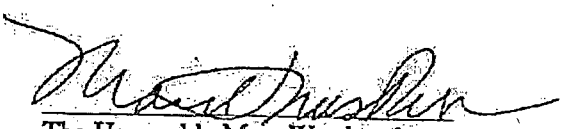
Thomas H. Somerford
Lex. Co. C.C.C.P., G.C. & F.C.

MSJ
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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that Stephen R. Soltis is authorized to hire a paralegal and spend no more than one thousand five hundred dollars without further Order of this Court. If further funding is necessary, Stephen R. Soltis, may petition the Court for additional fees and that this Order be sealed to be opened only in the presence of a Circuit Court Judge.

mtl
mr
IT IS SO ORDERED

Lexington, South Carolina
August 18th, 2003


The Honorable Marc Westbrook

DEFENSE OF INDIGENTS VOUCHER

NOTICE: Please complete voucher including FULL NAME and LAST KNOWN NONINCARCERATED ADDRESS OF DEFENDANT, and attach your detailed time sheet, Order of Appointment, and Notice of Intent to Seek Death Penalty. Order allowing expenses, bills for expenses, and any other supporting documentation, if required. Deliver this complete package to the trial judge for approval and then to the Clerk of Court for certification. If more than one attorney was appointed, submit a single voucher signed by both attorneys. IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION AS TO WHETHER AN EXPENSE WILL BE REIMBURSED, PLEASE CONTACT THE COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE AT 803.734.1343. FAX: 803.734.1343. e-mail: executive@scid.us.gov. BEFORE INCURRING THAT EXPENSE. Once the voucher has been approved by the trial judge and certified by the Clerk of Court, submit the ORIGINAL VOUCHER: South Carolina Commission on Indigent Defense mailing address, P.O. Box 1433, Columbia, SC 29211. For overnight deliveries, send to street address: 1330 Lady Street, Suite 401, Columbia, SC 29201. Please insure that all supporting documentation is included and that all parts of this voucher are completed. Entries must be typed or legibly printed to be accepted. Orders submitted for expenses and payments exceeding the maximum allowed by statute must be either the original or a certified copy. YOU MUST SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL SIGNED VOUCHER. INCOMPLETE VOUCHERS AND DOCUMENTATION WILL BE RETURNED. NOTE: All vouchers must be received by the Office of Indigent Defense in correct form not later than THIRTY (30) DAYS after services were completed, but in no event later than June 30th of the year services were completed, in order to be paid.

County Lexington		List All Case Numbers (GS, CP, JU or Arrest Warrant Numbers): 2004GS322259,2260,2261,2264,2263
Client's Full Name: Ron Oneal Finklea		List All Charges With CDR Code: MURDER, ARSON, SAFECRACKING, CONSPIRACY, WEAPON DURING VIOLENT CRIME
Last Known Address (Prior to Incarceration): ST. MATHEWS, SC 29135		Type of Cases (Most Serious Charge): ☒ Death Penalty ☐ Felony ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ Juvenile ☐ Status Offense ☐ PCR ☐ Capital PCR ☐ Capital Appeal ☐ Non Capital Appeal ☐ SVP ☐ Other
Voucher Submitted Under Seal? ☐ YES ☒ NO	Previous Vouchers Submitted For This Client at this level (Trial or Appeal)? (Mistrial/Retrial are considered new cases) ☐ YES ☒ NO	

Pursuant to the most current and applicable S.C. law, claim is hereby made for compensation, reimbursement, or is certified by the Public Defender for representation of the above named as set out below.

NON DEATH PENALTY CASE FEES

Hours at \$40.00 per hour for Out-of-Court services.....	\$
Hours at \$60.00 per hour for In-Court services (Restricted to actual hearing times).....	\$

DEATH PENALTY CASE FEES

Hours at \$50.00 per hour for Out-of-Court services.....	\$
453.25 Hours at \$75.00 per hour for In-Court services (Restricted to actual hearing times).....	\$ 56656.25

TOTAL FEES: \$ 56656.25

MAXIMUM FEE ALLOWED IS \$26,000 per attorney in Death Penalty cases, \$3,500 in Felony cases, \$1,000 in Misdemeanor and PCR cases, and \$1,750 in SVP cases.

EXPENSES

Long Distance Telephone Calls.....	\$
Psychiatric Examination *.....	\$
Expert Witness(es) *.....	\$
Investigative Services *.....	\$
Extraordinary Travel Expenses *.....	\$
Advanced Payment For Expenses *.....	\$
Other Expenses (Explain) *.....	\$
	\$ 3303.01

* REQUIRES PRE APPROVAL FROM THE COURT. ATTACH ORIGINAL OR CERTIFIED COPY OF ORDER GRANTING PRIOR APPROVAL OF COURT - ORDER MUST STATE MAXIMUM EXPENSE ALLOWABLE WITHOUT SUBSEQUENT ORDER. EXPENSES MUST BE APPROVED PRIOR TO BEING INCURRED IN ORDER TO BE PAID. ALL EXPENSES ARE NOT REIMBURSABLE! Please read instructions on what expenses are reimbursable.

TOTAL EXPENSES: (Attach copies of all bills with explanation of expense and Court Orders allowing expenditure where required.) \$ 3303.01

MAXIMUM EXPENSES allowed are \$20,000 in Death Penalty cases and \$500 in all other cases.

Less amount paid by Defendant or by any person on Defendant's behalf. \$ 0

TOTAL FEES AND EXPENSES REQUESTED ON THIS VOUCHER: \$ 59959.26

☐ Advance payment. Date of request for funds (Approval Order attached): 20 07
☒ Final submission; no further requests for funds. Date case concluded: 09/26/07
 Method of Disposition: ☐ Plea ☒ Trial: ☐ Acquittal ☐ Guilty Verdict ☐ Mistrial ☐ Dismissal ☐ Other
 This is a true and correct statement of my service to and expenses for the above named Defendant.

Attorney's Signature: _____
 Attorney's Signature: _____
 Check Applicable Category: ☐ Public Defender ☒ Private Attorney
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CHECK WILL BE MADE PAYABLE AND MAILED TO ONLY ONE ATTORNEY, FIRM OR PUBLIC DEFENDER CORPORATION AS REQUESTED BELOW. SOCIAL SECURITY OR F.E.I. NUMBER MUST BE INCLUDED.

Name and Address of Check Payee:
 (Also, Please Provide a valid Email Address)

Stephen R. Soltis, Jr.
 101 E. Main Street Lexington, SC 29072

SS or F.E.I. Number: _____ TELEPHONE NUMBER: 803-808-8060

APPROVED BY Trial Judge's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>
Court or Clerk <i>Circuit</i>
Date Approved <i>Oct 27, 2007</i>
CERTIFIED BY Clerk of Court's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>
Clerk of Court For (County): Lexington
Date Certified: <i>10-31-2007</i>
OLD FILE NO.:
AGENCY VOUCHER NO.:

PLAINTIFF'S
EXHIBIT
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PENDING 803-631-6886

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF LEXINGTON

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

-vs-

RON ONEAL FINKLEA

Defendant.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

2004-GS-32-2259, 2260, 2261, 2263, 2264

ORDER APPROVING FEES AND EXPENSES
IN EXCESS OF STATUTORY CAP

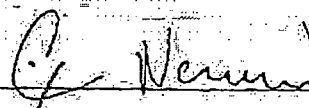
THIS MATTER comes before me upon the motion of Stephen R. Soltis, court appointed attorney for the above-named Defendant.

It further appears to the courts satisfaction that the representation of the Defendant has been extremely complex and time consuming, which in my opinion, of necessity required counsel to perform more service and expend much more time than would have been necessary under normal circumstances. See further, "Defense of Indigents Voucher". Also of further concern to the Court, this was a death penalty case that occurred in 2003.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good cause shown,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the South Carolina Office of Indigent Defense pay Stephen R. Soltis, reasonable attorney fees of \$125.00 per hour for a total of \$56656.25 plus reasonable expenses previously approved in the amount of \$3301.01 for a combined total of \$59959.26, all of which is stated on the Defense of Indigents Voucher and which exceeds the maximum allowable in death penalty matters for his representation of the Defendant, and that the South Carolina Office of Indigent Defense be Ordered to pay for the above service without further Order of this Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


CLIFTON NEWMAN PRESIDING JUDGE

Lexington, South Carolina
Dated: September 27, 2007

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF LEXINGTON)

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

VS.)

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Stephen R. Soltis, Jr. TOTAL EXPENSES STATE V. RON O. FINKLEA

EXPENSES TOTAL \$3303.01

COPIES	\$355.84
10/31/05	72.77
8/22/06	35.17
10/25/06	21.20
6/12/06	206.70

MEDICAL RECORDS	\$95.27
9/26/03	95.27

TRANSCRIPT	\$95.70
8/13/07	95.70

PARALEGAL	\$1220.00
TAMMY DAVID	42 HOURS @ 15.00= 630.00
KIRBI POSTON	22.3 HOURS @ 15.00= 335.00
STELLA NOCILO	11 HOURS @ 15.00= 165.00
TIPPY CAMERON	6 HOURS @ 15.00= 90.00

TRAVEL	\$1498.83
SEATTLE (9/22/06-9/24/06)	817.26
AIR	460.15
CAR	79.07
GAS	20.31
HOTEL	183.78
MEALS	73.95

ALABAMA (8/26/07-8/27/07)	681.57
AIR	439.20
CAR	92.10
GAS	27.00 & 22.77
HOTEL	75.40
MEALS	25.10

VIDEO TAPES	\$37.37
6/19/06	37.37

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TIME SHEET for Stephen Soltis

Date: Mon Aug 18, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 4.30

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Received order of appointment; TC to McDougall PI; opened file; cor to Myers; prepared orders for PI and Law Clerk; Conf with Judge Westbrook

Date: Thu Aug 21, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Review case file at court house and discussion with PI

Date: Fri Aug 22, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Conf with client at LCDC

Date: Thu Aug 28, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.30

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: TC from Mac x 2 re: wife of client; scheduled interview my office on 9-2-03 at 1000

Date: Tue Sep 2, 03
 Billing rate type: OI
 Hourly rate: ~~40.00~~ 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.10

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Conf with Teresa Finklea and MacDougall

Date: Wed Sep 3, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.40

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: TC with Scotty Frier re: incident...TC with MacDougall

Date: Thu Sep 11, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00

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Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conversation with second PI

Date: Mon Sep 29, 03
 Billing rate type: Normal
 Hourly rate: 200.00- 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.10

This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Received and reviewed medical notes, Dr. notes and nursing notes. also bill attached 95.27.

Date: Wed Oct 1, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Cor to Client re: prelim hearing set for 10-27-03

Date: Wed Oct 1, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.80

This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with client at jail

Date: Thu Oct 2, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.40

This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with court requesting additional funding

Date: Mon Oct 13, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.60

This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with client at jail

Date: Tue Oct 21, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 3.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Reviewed DP cases

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Activity: Reviewed DP cases

Date: Mon Oct 27, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.90

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Preliminary hearing preparation; attend Preliminary hearing; conf with Scottie Frier and Duane Peake; held hearing; post hearing conference with client. In court time .8 our of court 2.1. total time 2.9

Date: Mon Oct 27, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.30

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Conf with paralegal re: issues

Date: Tue Oct 28, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.40

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: conf with client at lodc

Date: Tue Oct 28, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.30

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Prepare and file Rule 5 and Brady etc.

Date: Wed Oct 29, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: TC x 2 with Ms. Peoples (Ron's mother) re: incidents in Alabama

Date: Thu Nov 6, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Prepared order for expenses

Date: Thu Nov 6, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00

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Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Attended DP trial in Lexington 6.5 hours

Date: Tue Nov 11, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC from sister re: automobile

Date: Fri Nov 14, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Email from McDougall re: tapes

Date: Mon Dec 1, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review status of file - TC to scotty frier re: release of car

Date: Fri Dec 19, 03
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.25
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review status of file -

Date: Mon Jan 19, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.80
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with scotty frier and Tav re: release of car to family

Date: Wed Jan 28, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.10
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with solicitor re: automobile and charges

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Activity: Conf with solicitor re: automobile and charges

Date: Mon Feb 2, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.40

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Review status of file - Rec and reviewed cor

Date: Wed Mar 24, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: conf with client at jail

Date: Thu Mar 25, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.80

This time entry has been posted to accounting --

Activity: Review status of file -

Date: Fri Mar 26, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.30

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: TC with solicitor re: whereabouts of discovery

Date: Mon Apr 5, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.30

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: received today, cor dated January 11, 04, cor to client

Date: Tue Apr 6, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.40

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: conf with solicitor re: discovery

Date: Wed Apr 7, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea

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Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 4.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Research video issues

Date: Wed Apr 14, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.90
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: review case file conf with client

Date: Mon May 17, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with Westbrook re: funding and possible psychiatric expert

Date: Tue May 18, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Reschedule conf with westbrook, per his call

Date: Wed Aug 11, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with Westbrook again re: funding...no money until notice

Date: Wed Aug 11, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 3.70
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: review discovery

Date: Wed Sep 15, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.30
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC with MacDougall re: witnesses in Washington

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Date: Wed Oct 6, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review status of file - conf with client at lode

Date: Mon Nov 1, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review status of file - TC to Dave McDougall

Date: Fri Nov 5, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.10
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review file...TC to Investigator

Date: Mon Nov 8, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.30
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with client at jail

Date: Tue Nov 23, 04
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.60
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review status of file - Brief conv with investigator

Date: Wed Jan 5, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with Jack Swerling re: assistance with appointment of second attorney

Date: Fri Jan 14, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty

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Time: 3.25

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Activity: conf with Lisa Harbaugh...tried to visit with client

Date: Tue Jan 25, 05

Billing rate type: Other...

Hourly rate: 125.00

Client: Ron Finklea

Matter: State v. Finklea

File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty

Time: 1.00

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Activity: conf with Judge Westbrook re: issues...judge called in sick

Date: Thu Jan 27, 05

Billing rate type: Other...

Hourly rate: 125.00

Client: Ron Finklea

Matter: State v. Finklea

File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty

Time: 0.50

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Activity: Conf with Westbrook Thursday re: appointment of Kimbraugh...details of her experience.

Date: Thu Jan 27, 05

Billing rate type: Other...

Hourly rate: 125.00

Client: Ron Finklea

Matter: State v. Finklea

File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty

Time: 0.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: conf with Lisa Kimbraugh re: case

Date: Mon Jan 31, 05

Billing rate type: Other...

Hourly rate: 125.00

Client: Ron Finklea

Matter: State v. Finklea

File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty

Time: 1.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Review status of file. Prepared Order per Westbrook appointing Lisa Kimbraugh as cocounsel

Date: Mon Jan 31, 05

Billing rate type: Other...

Hourly rate: 125.00

Client: Ron Finklea

Matter: State v. Finklea

File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty

Time: 2.75

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: conf with client and Lisa Kimbraugh

Date: Tue Feb 1, 05

Billing rate type: Other...

Hourly rate: 125.00

Client: Ron Finklea

Matter: State v. Finklea

File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty

Time: 1.00

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: order appointing Kimbraugh and conf with Westbrook

Date: Tue Feb 8, 05

Billing rate type: Other...

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Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Research video tape issue

Date: Fri Feb 18, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 4.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: research death penalty

Date: Fri Mar 4, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.30
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review status of file -

Date: Thu Mar 10, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.30
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Received cor from Westbrook denying second attorney,,,no notice given yet, TC to Westbrook... go see

Keesley

Date: Fri Apr 1, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 3.25
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Internet research death penalty cases

Date: Wed Apr 13, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC from Keesley, Ok to meet with him to discuss second counsel

Date: Fri May 13, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.60

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This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Review status of file -

Date: Thu May 26, 05
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 2.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: conf with Judge Keesley, TC to Lisa Kimbrough, Prepare Order appointing counsel per Keesley

Date: Fri May 27, 05
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 3.00

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Internet research

Date: Thu Jun 2, 05
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 1.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: conference with Lisa Kimbrough re: appointment and plan of strategy

Date: Fri Jun 17, 05
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 3.25

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Review file TC to Lisa Kimbrough

Date: Thu Jun 23, 05
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.30

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Review status of file -

Date: Thu Jun 23, 05
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 2.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Research and review relevant case law

Date: Fri Jul 8, 05
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00

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Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: review file research internet

Date: Fri Jul 15, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.80
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Reviewed orders prepared by Lisa, 2 faxes to Lisa

Date: Mon Sep 26, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review status of file -

Date: Mon Dec 12, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review status of file - Conf with cocounsel re: experts and presiding judge

Date: Fri Dec 16, 05
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: review dp cases

Date: Mon Jan 23, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.40
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review status of file - TC to Lisa left message

Date: Fri Jan 27, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.10
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Research dp cases

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Activity: Research dp cases

Date: Wed Feb 1, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 1.20
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Internet research

Date: Mon May 1, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 1.10
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Review status of file -

Date: Wed May 24, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 1.10
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: review early discovery for discrepancies

Date: Tue Jun 6, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.20
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: TC to investigator re: meeting on 6-8-06

Date: Tue Jun 6, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.40
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Review status of file -

Date: Wed Jun 7, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 3.20
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Review discovery, TC to solicitor Graham,

Date: Wed Jun 7, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea

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Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC from Lisa K re: upcoming meeting with pi

Date: Fri Jun 9, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Research internet

Date: Mon Jun 12, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC to Lisa left mess

Date: Thu Jun 15, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.10
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Research travel to alabama, mi and wash.

Date: Mon Jun 19, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with investigator supplied with discovery

Date: Wed Jun 21, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 3.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Research

Date: Wed Jun 28, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Received and reviewed fax from Judge re: status conf

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Date: Wed Jun 28, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.20
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: TC from investigator re: finklea's exwife

Date: Wed Jul 5, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.30
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: TC from Lisa re: conference tomorrow

Date: Thu Jul 6, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 1.10
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Review file and orders in preparation of status conf phone

Date: Thu Jul 6, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.20
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: TC with John Delgado

Date: Mon Jul 17, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.30
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: TC with Lisa

Date: Thu Jul 20, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 8.50
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Finklea 4pm in colleton county -

Date: Mon Jul 24, 06
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty

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Time: 1.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Finklea conf at LCDC -

Date: Tue Jul 25, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Research internet

Date: Wed Jul 26, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 3.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Research

Date: Fri Aug 11, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC to Ron's mother

Date: Mon Aug 14, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.30
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC with Ron's mother in Alabama x2

Date: Mon Aug 14, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC from investigator

Date: Tue Aug 15, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Research

Date: Thu Aug 24, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...

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Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.30
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC with Betty x2

Date: Sat Aug 26, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 10.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with Finklea family in Alabama left home 0530

Date: Sun Aug 27, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 10.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with Finklea family (2) returned home

Date: Wed Sep 20, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC with Cheranda reminding of visit to her this weekend.

Date: Fri Sep 22, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 14.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Lwft home 0530 arrived seattle 2.2 hrs late at 1750 hrs

Date: Sat Sep 23, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 8.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Review file , meeting with witnesses

Date: Sun Sep 24, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 9.50
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Activity: Return flight left 1230 local arrived 2200

Date: Mon Sep 25, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.75

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Review file, conf with MacDougall re:

Date: Wed Oct 4, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: TC with carolyn

Date: Wed Oct 11, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.00

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Conf with MacDougall, and Lisa

Date: Thu Oct 12, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: research arson investigator

Date: Fri Oct 27, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.00

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Finklea team meeting -

Date: Fri Oct 27, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 100.00 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 3.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Research arson issue

Date: Tue Oct 31, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea

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Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 4.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Research motion issues

Date: Mon Dec 4, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.10
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: TC with Lisa, TC with Carolyn, prepare affidavit for Lisa

Date: Wed Dec 13, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.40
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Reviewed documents supplied by Lex Co, via subpoena

Date: Wed Dec 20, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Reviewed cor from MacDougal

Date: Thu Dec 21, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.60
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with John Tate, Lex co, sheriff dep

Date: Thu Dec 21, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.75
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Reviewed records furnished from Carolyn and MacDougal

Date: Fri Dec 22, 06
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 2.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Reviewed documents furnished by subpoena to John Tate

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Date: Tue Jan 2, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: TC from Lisa advising of hearing scheduled for Today...First I heard of the hearing.

Date: Tue Feb 6, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Received and reviewed order for competency

Date: Wed Feb 28, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.75

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Received cor from client, conf with officials at LCDC re: phone privileges

Date: Wed Mar 21, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: TC with Judge Newmans clerk

Date: Wed Mar 21, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: ~~100.00~~ 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.30

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: TC with Lisa Kimbrough re: funding

Date: Mon Apr 9, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: ~~120.00~~ 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: prepare finklea order for aptl stuff for lisa -

Date: Wed May 2, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty

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Time: 1.50
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Research Finklea

Date: Mon May 14, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.40

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Reviewed orders requested by Lisa

Date: Wed May 23, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 1.00

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Reviewed photos of mitigation issues TC with Graham

Date: Tue May 29, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 2.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: review file re: Evidence of fire

Date: Mon Jun 4, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.30

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Conf with Rick Hubbard re: friday motion hearing

Date: Tue Jun 5, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: TC with Lisa

Date: Tue Jun 5, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 1.80

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Research Schmerber issue on necessity.

Date: Tue Jun 5, 07
Billing rate type: Other...

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Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.10

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Received and reviewed motion in aggravation filed today by Myers, faxed copy to Lisa.

Date: Wed Jun 6, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Received and reviewed mailed doc from solicitor

Date: Thu Jun 7, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 0.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Received and reviewed fax from Court

Date: Fri Jun 8, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.50

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Activity: Prehearing and post hearing meeting with Lisa.

Date: Fri Jun 8, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 100.00 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.50

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: Hearing before Judge Newman

Date: Tue Jul 17, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 4.00

This time entry has been posted to accounting

Activity: trial preparation

Date: Fri Jul 27, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 6.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting

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Activity: Trial preparation

Date: Fri Jul 27, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 3.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Trial preparation

Date: Mon Jul 30, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 4.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Trial preparation

Date: Tue Jul 31, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 1.75
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Trial preparation, conf with Mac, TC to Graham re: videos;

Date: Tue Jul 31, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 7.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Trial preparation

Date: Wed Aug 1, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 9.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Trial preparation

Date: Thu Aug 2, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 4.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Conf with client, trial prep

Date: Sat Aug 4, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea

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Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 4.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Trial preparation

Date: Sun Aug 5, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 4.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Trial preparation

Date: Mon Aug 6, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 6.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Trial preparation, Email with Mac, Email to Lisa

Date: Tue Aug 7, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 7.00
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: trial preparation, consultation with client

Date: Fri Aug 10, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 3.20
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Competency hearing continuation

Date: Mon Aug 13, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 4.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Trial preparation

Date: Tue Aug 14, 07
 Billing rate type: Other...
 Hourly rate: 125.00
 Client: Ron Finklea
 Matter: State v. Finklea
 File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
 Time: 6.50
 This time entry has been posted to accounting
 Activity: Trial preparation, TC with Lisa, conf with Mac

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Date: Wed Aug 15, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 3.50
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: trial preparation

Date: Thu Aug 16, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 7.00
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: trial preparation conf with macDougall

Date: Fri Aug 17, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 5.20
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Conf with client, post hearing conference with Lisa and macDougall

Date: Fri Aug 17, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 1.50
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Hearing

Date: Sat Aug 18, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 3.00
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: trial preparation

Date: Mon Aug 20, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 6.00
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Trial preparation

Date: Tue Aug 21, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty

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Time: 7.20
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: trial prep

Date: Fri Aug 24, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 3.00
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Finklea hearing -

Date: Sat Aug 25, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 7.50
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Trial preparation with Lisa

Date: Sun Aug 26, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 2.00
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Trial preparation

Date: Mon Aug 27, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 10.50
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Jury selection

Date: Tue Aug 28, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 10.00
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Jury selection

Date: Wed Aug 29, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 10.50
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Jury selection and trial prep

Date: Thu Aug 30, 07
Billing rate type: Other...

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Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 12.00
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Trial

Date: Fri Aug 31, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 11.50
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Trial

Date: Sat Sep 1, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 2.00

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Trial prep

Date: Mon Sep 3, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 12.00
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Trial

Date: Tue Sep 4, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 11.00
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Trial

Date: Wed Sep 5, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 10.50
This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: Trial

Date: Thu Sep 6, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 14.00
This time entry has been posted to accounting

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Activity: Trial and jury deliberation

Date: Wed Sep 19, 07
Billing rate type: Other...
Hourly rate: 125.00
Client: Ron Finklea
Matter: State v. Finklea
File ID: 2003-052/Death penalty
Time: 0.20

This time entry has been posted to accounting
Activity: TC with Lisa and MacDougall

Hours

DAYS BILLABLE: 453.25 ~~556474.75~~
DAYS NON-BILLABLE: 0.00
DAYS TOTAL: 453.25

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TUESDAY AUGUST 19, 2003

AM

Steve Soltis and I met with Ron Finklea for the first time this date and time. Steve briefed him on our purpose and representation and what procedure Finklea should expect. A statement advising Finklea of jailhouse snitches was taken. He was cautioned not to talk with ANYONE Soltis did not introduce. Finklea acknowledged understanding what had been explained to him.

He told us:

- His wife Teresa Finklea — [REDACTED] — is in the Army.
- His SS# is [REDACTED]
- His DOB is [REDACTED]/1973.
- He was in the Army for Eleven and one half years in Logistics.

TUESDAY AUGUST 19, 2003

1:30 PM

I met alone with Ron O. Finklea at the Lexington County Detention Center. His family history from high school was obtained.

Ron graduated from Monroe High School in Monroeville, Alabama in 1991. He joined the U.S. Army and left on June 11, 1991. On July 30, 1999 Ron married Teresa Fuller Anderson in Fayetteville, N.C. Teresa has two children [REDACTED] A [REDACTED] now age 16 and An [REDACTED] A [REDACTED] She is now 10 years old]. He left the Army on April 25, 2002 on a temporary medical retirement due to a physical injury. If he does not appear before a re-evaluation board in September 2003 his retirement pay will cease. He was discharged in Europe and flew back to the states. He visited friends in Texas for a couple of weeks before joining Teresa and her family in Michigan. Ron took a job at Sams in Ypsilanti, MI in May 2002. He was a stocker. He left that job in August 2002 and moved, with Teresa, to Mobile, Alabama where they lived with his mother and stepfather. A week later Teresa and the kids moved to South Carolina so the kids could enroll in school. Brandon entered Airport H.S. Ron is not sure which school A [REDACTED] attended. Ron remained in Alabama for a while and worked as a supervisor on a cleaning crew. In October 2002 Ron moved to S.C. By Thanksgiving Ron, Teresa and the kids had moved into [REDACTED] St. Mathews. Ron took a job in the warehouse at Shealy Electric where he stayed about three months. He left in February 2003 and was out of work a while before starting at Solectron in March 2003. He worked in the warehouse. By the end of June 2003 he had left Solectron. Ron planned to go back to school and return to active duty in the Army in September 2003. At this point he had no car and began hanging around with Theodore Davis, the half brother (common mother) of Teresa, his wife. Davis is supposed to have an extensive criminal history. Davis came to live with Teresa and Ron in June 2003. Davis has a reputation for drugs and trouble. Ron says he was helping Davis find a job.

Ron and Teresa had accumulated a large amount of money that, Ron says, came from work and saving. We did not discuss details or expenses. *[Teresa has spent some time in Iraq and may have received additional money. Ron was getting in excess of Nine Hundred Dollars (\$900.00) per month from the Army.]* Ron decided to invest between Twenty and Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000 - \$30,000) with some guys he met playing basketball in Columbia. They were looking for investors to restart their drugs business. He knows them only as "Big L", "Simp" and "Little Rob". Ron got little or no return on his "investment". He was worried about

what Teresa would say when she found out the money was gone. He was desperate for \$\$, Ron hatched the idea of taking off the ATM at Solectron. Ron did not plan to shoot the security guard only hit him over the head to knock him out. He does not know why (or could not tell me) why he shot the guard. Davis was supposed to do what he was told. When they got to the ATM they realized there was a safe within and they could not get the money. They headed for Alabama. He and Davis committed no other criminal acts before or after Solectron. He has little recollection of the trip to Alabama or what he did while there. He stayed inside a lot and visited friends. He checked his home messages and found one from a female asking him to contact the Lexington County Sheriffs Office. This was the first notice he had that they were looking for him. He does not recall the arrest. He does not recall how he got back to South Carolina. He does not know what became of the gun. He does not believe he made any statement to the police. *Ron has hazy recollections of this incident from shortly before arriving at Solectron and returning to jail after the suicide attempt. He appears to have his full faculties this date. He appears to fully understand his situation and was able to provide a lot of detail other than the incident its self and a few days afterward. It seems to me he is "blacking out" a traumatic incident, which is why he cannot provide full details. I do not believe he is lying.*

In 1999 or 2000 Ron bought a 9mm Millenium at a pawnshop on Yadkin Road, in Fayetteville, NC. He does not know where the gun is now.

The car Ron was using at the time of the incident was a rental in his name.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 2003

Steve Soltis and I met with Teresa Finklea this date at Soltis' office. She related the following:

- She will leave tomorrow for Iraq. She has been there since Feb '03.
- Her brother is Theodore Davis, Jr. "junior" and he has a record.
- He is suspected of smoking crack and marijuana.
- Ron may have been taking Amitriptyn & Ambien.
- She met Ron in the Army and has known him 5 years.
- Her sister "Neese" (Irena Fuller [REDACTED]) may know about Junior and his crack.
- She did not know Junior and Ron were living together.
- LCSO (Peake) had her car and will not release it to her.
- She owned a 9mm which Ron was supposed to have picked up in Michigan (from her father) and brought back to SC. He did not pick it up.
- Robert Fuller is her father, [REDACTED]
- Ron rented cars frequently from Budget. We need records Steve says.
- LCSO searched Finklea's storage locker in St. Mathews and took her laptop and Ron's military papers.
- Robin Gripper is her sister. They are at odds. Robin may know live at the [REDACTED] Road address. She may have provided police with information on Ron and family.
- Ron has one son, Ron Finklea, Jr. living with his mother (Ron's ex-wife) in Tacoma, Washington.
- Tom Tate, the Sheriff in Alabama, knows the Finklea family.
- Ron "treated me rotten" she said. He would have flowers on her desk. He was great with her kids.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2003

Met with Ron this date and time at the LCDC. He relayed the following after being asked. He did not seem disturbed by my bringing up the subject. Regarding his first wife he identified her as: CHERENA L. ROLAND of [REDACTED]th [REDACTED] Tacoma, WA 98404. Ron has written her and will let her know I will be in

touch. He believes she will cooperate. He says there is nothing negative in their relationship that will haunt him. He related the chronology of their relationship.

- Cherena is from Tacoma where they met and married in 1992 – 93.
- Ron was stationed at Fort Lewis at the time.
- There were no police reports or problems to report to the police.
- Shortly after they married Ron was transferred to Ft. Polk. Cherena went with him.
- They were at Polk for about two years and lived on post. No police problems.
- R [REDACTED] Jr. was born to them on [REDACTED] 1994.
- When Ron was transferred to Panama Cherena went back to Tacoma.
- Ron was in Panama for two years.
- Ron and Cherena divorced in Washington State in 1998 on Incompatibility grounds.
- Ron was stationed at Ft. Bragg after Panama.

Ron has rented three or four vehicles from Budget Rent a Car at the airport. He will sign a release for us.

When Ron went to the Dorn VA he had an appointment. He saw no particular doctor during these appointments. He had no advocate or social worker. There is no contact person at the VA.

In early August 2003 Ron was on only two prescription medications:

1. Alupent (for asthma) see explanation sheet.
2. Advair (for asthma)

The release and Subpoena for Ron Finklea's medical records were delivered to the Lexington Medical Center in West Columbia at 3:45pm. The receptionist at the Medical Records desk accepted both and indicated they would forward the records to Attorney Soltis.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2004

While in Washington State I met with Cherena Roland, the ex-wife of Ron Finklea and the mother of his 10 year old son. This appointment was scheduled during a telephone conversation I had with her on Saturday September 11, 2004. The letter I mailed her at [REDACTED] Tacoma, WA was never received by her. This is her mother's home. She says her mother probably tossed it in a drawer.

My SC PI identification was presented and she was given a business card. Her husband, Eric Roland, was present during my introduction but did not stay in the room for the entire interview. It was explained to both that I was working with the attorney representing Ron Finklea. I was working "for" Ron not "against him". They indicated their understanding. They live at [REDACTED] Tacoma, Washington 98465 where the interview was conducted.

Cherena's provided her telephone contact number: [REDACTED]

Cherena provided the following background information during the interview.

- She is now 28 years old and married to Eric Roland.
- Ron Finklea, Jr. is her son with Ron Finklea, Sr.
- The son, known as "Junior" is now 10 years old.
- Cherena was 15 years old when she met Ron Finklea at a mall in Tacoma, Washington.

- Ron was 18 and in the Army at Fort Lewis.
- They married in Tacoma when she was 16. Her mother signed for her.
- Cherena now sees this as a means of getting out of her parents home.
- Ron and Cherena lived with her parents.
- In 1994 Ron was assigned to Fort Polk, LA. They moved there and lived on post.
- R■■, Jr. was born there.
- Cherena says they had "lots of fights" and "personality disputes". She recalled only one physical confrontation. Cherena was hitting Ron and he pushed her back and then grabbed her neck. He did not hurt her nor were there any bruises or marks. Cherena says this was the only physical assault between them. They never sought nor received counseling. The police were not called.
- The police were never called and no police reports ever taken about any dispute or disagreement they had.
- They were at Fort Polk for two years before Ron was sent to Panama.
- Cherena returned to Tacoma with Ron, Jr. She had decided she no longer wanted to be married to him.
- In 1998 Cherena filed for divorce in Lincoln County, WA.
- They were divorced on the grounds of "Irreconcilable Differences".
- Ron was ordered to pay \$490.00 per month in child support.
- Ron would pay for a while, stop and then start again.
- Cherena arranged for an allotment from his Army check. Ron would cancel it.
- At the time of arrest he was catching up on \$17,000.00 in arrearages.
- R■■, Jr. was five years old the last time Ron (Sr.) saw him.
- Ron was a Mason while they lived in Louisiana and attended lodge meetings regularly.
- While they were together Ron was a responsible person.
- Ron has no history of drinking, drugs or arrests to the best of her knowledge.
- She mentioned an incident she termed "inappropriate behavior" between Ron and another woman. The female was in their apartment when Cherena arrived home and she was concerned. There was no adultery and Cherena denies Ron ever "*cheated*" on her.
- Ron has never been arrested (*prior to this charge*) to the best of her knowledge.

Cherena had some interesting knowledge about Ron's childhood. She told of Ron not having a father at home and his mother being abusive and strange. When he was a child Ron was in the yard and his mother shot a gun at him to make him do something. The mother also believes in voodoo and casts spells on people. His mother has berated Ron in front of Cherena and others including a time the mother said to Ron "*Come here you black motherfucker*".

Cherena recalled a time when R■■, Jr. was two years old and spending the summer in Alabama with his father, Ron, Sr. Cherena got a call to come and get Jr. since Ron had been called back to Fort Bragg. When Cherena got to Alabama, from Tacoma, she was left stranded at the mother's rural home with no car or transportation. Ron's mother, grandmother of Jr., refused to drive Cherena to the airport. She said she had to go to work. Cherena and Jr. ended up walking to town and relying on good Samaritans and the local police to get them to the airport.

Cherena is a 28 year old woman presently married to Eric Roland. They have no children together but Eric treats "Jr." as his own. I noticed a homemade "Happy Fathers Day" card in the living room. Cherena confirmed Jr. made it for Eric. While he did not disclose his age I would estimate Eric, a well groomed, well spoken black man, is in his early 30's. They live in a nice home in a residential area of Tacoma, Washington. Jr. attends school in the area. Eric is a professional in the computer field and Cherena works for a lending

institution and has a second job as a directory assistance operator supervisor. Eric is sympathetic to Ron's plight and raised no objections to me about Cherena assisting with Ron's defense. He and Ron have communicated and get along well.

Cherena is an attractive, well spoken young woman. She is of Korean and Scandinavian descent and is from the Tacoma area. She obtained her GED while married to Ron.

At present Cherena, Eric and Jr. are in counseling due to corporal punishment administered to Jr. by Eric. She denies it was excessive but the school called the police and Eric was arrested. The family is in what appears to be a diversionary program. No charges were made against Cherena. Jr. is apparently upset and blames himself for Eric being arrested. Jr. is not eating. Jr. does not know any of the details of Ron's charges. It is unclear if he knows his father has been arrested. While I did not meet Jr. I did obtain photographs of him for Ron and for our use.

Cherena stated she is willing to come to South Carolina to testify in this matter. She has no direct knowledge of the crime or the incidents surrounding it. Her information comes from news sources on the internet. I explained that we would cover the cost of her flight to SC if needed.

With Cherena and Eric present I explained her right to talk with whomever she wished about Ron and their relationship. I made it imminently clear she could talk with *anyone* or *no one*, including me. Cherena voiced her willingness to tell anyone what she told me about Ron. She and Eric remain cooperative and supportive of Ron, Sr.

The interview was ended at 3:10pm.

The Finklea divorce documents from the Superior Court of Washington (state), County of Lincoln. Contained the following information.

- R [REDACTED] Jr was born [REDACTED] 1994.
- R [REDACTED] Jr. lived at Ft. Polk, Louisiana from birth until March 15, 1995.
- R [REDACTED] Jr. lived in Washington State from March 15, 1995 until the filing of the divorce.
- She sought to change her name to Cherena Lyu Downs.
- They signed the divorce Petition on July 15, 1997 in Tacoma, WA.
- Ron, Sr. was ordered to pay \$490.00 per month in child support.
- They separated September 1, 1996.
- The divorce was final and granted on February 9, 1998.
- Ron Sr. was not required to pay spousal support.
- No restraining Order was issued.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA) IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

COUNTY OF LEXINGTON)

WARRANT NUMBERS

G-501546, 501547, 501548, 501549

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

Plaintiff,)

vs.)

RON O. FINKLEA,)
Defendant)EXPARTE ORDER
(TO BE SEALED)

This matter comes before the Court by Motion of the Attorney for the Defendant, Stephen R. Soltis, Jr., seeking the following relief: Funds with which to purchase video tapes and other media associated with the Defense of the Defendant.

The Defendant is charged with murder and appears that this case will likely result in the solicitor seeking the death penalty

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. That the Defendant is indigent and is currently at the Lexington County Detention Center charged with murder.
2. The Defendant requested and it is reasonable to believe that the information needed will be essential to any motion for a change of venue.
3. Counsel for the Defendant is authorized to spend no more than two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2500.00) for the video tapes and other media necessary.

Based upon motion of Counsel, and a review of the matters at hand,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that Stephen R. Soltis is authorized to purchase any video tapes and other electronic media necessary and to spend no more than two thousand five hundred dollars without further Order of this Court. If

further funding is necessary, Stephen R. Soltis, may petition the Court for additional fees
and that this Order be sealed to be opened only in the presence of a Circuit Court Judge.

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cc
IT IS SO ORDERED

Lexington, South Carolina
~~April~~ 2004

July 13,

Marc Westbrook
The Honorable Marc Westbrook

COPY
IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON

THE STATE,

-vs-

RON O. FINKLEA,
Defendant.

Warrant Number E-781207 ^{2005 JUN -21 P 2:27}

ORDER APPOINTING BETH A. CARRIGG
SECOND COUNSEL CLERK OF COURT
LEXINGTON SC

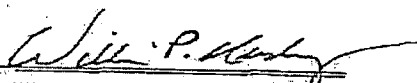


THIS MATTER comes before me upon the ex parte in camera motion of Stephen R. Soltis, court appointed attorney for the above-named Defendant. It appears that the Defendant is charged with murder, possession of a weapon during the commission of a violent crime, arson and other charges and has been declared indigent.

It further appears to the Court's satisfaction that a second attorney to assist trial counsel is necessary. This is based upon a *prima facie* showing of need to assist counsel in the defense and representation of the Defendant.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good cause shown, IT IS ORDERED that Melissa Jane Kimbrough is appointed as second counsel for the Defendant in the above matter and that she be paid by the office of Indigent Defense.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


HONORABLE WILLIAM P. KEESLEY
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Lexington, South Carolina
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RON O. FINKLEA)

EX PARTE, FILE UNDER SEAL
ORDER AUTHORIZING FUNDS IN
EXCESS OF THE STATUTORY CAP
IN A CAPITAL CASE

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INTRODUCTION

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Melissa J. Kimbrough, Esquire and Steven R. Soltis, Jr., Esquire, as counsel for the defendant, move this Court for funding in the above-referenced case, which is scheduled for trial in February, 2007. The defendant Ron O. Finklea has been indicted on charges of murder, arson, criminal conspiracy, attempt to commit safecracking, and possession of a firearm while in the commission of a violent crime. The state has notified counsel of its intention to seek a sentence of death against Mr. Finklea. In preparation for trial, counsel requests funding for the following experts: a guilt-phase fact investigator, a penalty phase mitigation investigator, a forensic psychiatrist. Counsel further requests funding for travel expenses. Counsel specifically requests that this Court authorize expert and investigative funding to ensure the effective assistance of counsel and due process of law. *Strickland v. Washington*, 466 U.S. 668 (1984); *Ake v. Oklahoma*, 470 U.S. 68 (1985).

FACTUAL BASIS OF COUNSEL'S MOTION

The state's case against Ronald Finklea consists of its evidence that he, along with a co-defendant, planned to rob an automatic teller machine, during the course of which the victim was shot, set on fire and died. The discovery provided by the state indicates that Ron Finklea and his co-defendant fled to Alabama after the murder where they were

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arrested and brought back to South Carolina. The discovery also indicates that the murder weapon may have been taken from one of Mr. Finklea's relative's home in Ypsilante, Michigan. Counsel has learned that Ron Finklea's wife and son reside in Tacoma, Washington, and that they are willing to assist counsel on his behalf.

I. Fact Investigator

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Counsel requests funding for a fact investigator to ensure that all the facts surrounding the murder will be fully developed and known prior to trial. These facts would include conduct both before and after the shooting. Counsel anticipates numerous witnesses will need to be interviewed, and discovery indicates that law enforcement and the prosecution have already identified and interviewed numerous people who will, or could be, called for trial. The significance of thorough fact investigation cannot be overstated. Counsel cannot formulate a reasonable trial strategy without knowing all of the pertinent facts.

Counsel requests funding in the amount of five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for a fact investigator. This funding will be paid out at a rate of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per hour to Dave McDougall, a licensed South Carolina private investigator. Should Mr. McDougall's services be needed in an amount exceeding five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), this Court hereby specifically requires counsel to seek additional funding by way of a written motion for funding, setting forth the basis for such additional funding.

II. Mitigation Investigator

Counsel requests funding for a mitigation investigator to ensure that all available evidence in mitigation is uncovered and developed prior to trial. Counsel anticipates that numerous witnesses may need to be interviewed in preparation for the sentencing phase.

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Based on prior experience in capital cases, counsel believes that it will be necessary to locate and interview Ron Finklea's teachers, friends, physicians, co-workers and employers. Additionally, a mitigation investigator will be needed to collect school, medical, military, employment, physician, psychiatric and/or any other records related to Ron Finklea's upbringing, health and social history. Finally, counsel will require the assistance of the mitigation investigator to help prepare and coordinate defense witnesses who will testify during the penalty phase proceeding.

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Counsel requests funding in the amount of five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for a mitigation investigator. This funding is specifically requested for purposes of hiring Carolyn Graham, a licensed private and social history investigator in the state of South Carolina. Ms. Graham will perform her services at the rate of fifty-dollars per hour (\$50.00). Should Ms. Graham's services be needed in an amount exceeding five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), this Court hereby specifically requires counsel to seek additional funding by way of a written motion for funding, setting forth the basis for such additional funding.

III. Forensic Psychiatrist

Counsel requests funding for a forensic psychiatrist to ensure that any and all mental health defenses that are or may be available to the defendant are fully explored and discovered prior to trial. Counsel is particularly concerned in light of Mr. Finklea's expressed lack of memory concerning the murder. Discovery materials establish that Mr. Finklea made a suicide attempt at the Lexington County jail.

Counsel has consulted with forensic psychiatrist Dr. Donna Schwartz Watts. Dr. Watts has vast experience in capital cases and in assessing forensic psychiatric issues.

Dr. Watts has advised counsel that she would anticipate her fee would total between five and six thousand dollars (\$5,000.00 - \$6,000.00) from beginning to end, and including trial testimony.

Because it is uncertain that the assistance of a forensic psychiatrist will be required to assist at trial, the funding requested for this service is twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), an amount which counsel believes will allow for an evaluation and assessment, but will not be sufficient if trial testimony is to be presented at either the guilt-or-innocence and/or penalty phase. Should Dr. Watts' testimony and assistance at trial be necessary to ensure a fair trial and effective assistance of counsel, then Counsel will move this Court for supplemental funding.

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IV. Travel Expenses

Counsel requests funding for travel expenses for purposes of interviewing and locating potential witnesses. These potential witnesses reside in Ypsilante Michigan, Alabama and Tacoma, Washington. Counsel believes travel expenses are necessary to ensure effective assistance of counsel. Specifically, counsel believes airfare, hotel, meals and automobile rental costs will need to be incurred on Mr. Finklea's behalf. Counsel requests three-thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for travel expenses for lead counsel Steven Soltis to travel to the above-cited locations for purposes of locating and interviewing witnesses. Counsel specifically reserves the right to apply for additional funding for travel should the amount requested be insufficient to cover all reasonable and necessary costs.

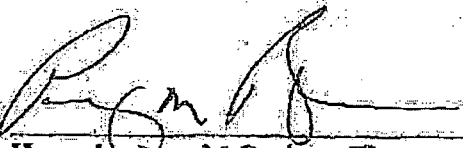
ORDER

Pursuant to S.C. Code Section 16-3-26(c)(1) & (d), this Court is authorized to approve expert and investigative funding in excess of the statutory cap when the amount requested is both reasonable and necessary. This Court specifically finds that in order to ensure a fair trial, due process of law and the effective assistance of counsel, it is reasonable and necessary to exceed the statutory cap for investigative and expert funding in this capital case.

Based on the foregoing, this Court hereby Orders that funding is approved for the following experts and up to the following amounts:

Fact Investigator	\$5,000.00
Mitigation Investigator	\$5,000.00
Forensic Psychiatrist	\$2,500.00
Travel expenses	\$3,000.00
Total funding	\$15,500.00

IT IS SO ORDERED.


Honorable Perry M. Buckner, III
Presiding Judge

This 4th day of August, 2006.
Waltham, S.C.

McNAIR-GRAHAM INVESTIGATIONS, INC.**Post Office Box 301****Columbia, S.C. 29202****803-331-8888****Tax ID # 51-0523089****SC vs. Ron O'Neal Finklea****November 3, 2006**

DATE	DESCRIPTION	HOURS
9-6-2006	Travel to Lexington, S.C. meet with Attorney Soltis/ Pick up Discovery	.50
9-7-2006	Copy/Organize Discovery/Attorney Kimbrough	1.0
10-4-2006	TPC/Finklea Family, Ms. Peoples/Monroeville, Alabama	.20
10-6-2006	Travel from Columbia, S.C. to Monroeville, Alabama to meet with Finklea Family	11.0
10-7-2006	Locate/Interview Family Members/Monroeville, Alabama	7.0
10-8-2006	Interview Family Members/travel from Monroeville, Alabama to Columbia, S.C.	9.0
10-25-2006	Travel to Lexington, S.C./ Interview Client/Lexington County Detention Center	2.0
10-27-2006	Travel to Lexington, S.C./Meet with Attorney Soltis/Investigator MacDougall/Graham	1.45
10-27-2006	TPC/Family Members/Monroeville, Alabama	1.0
11-1-2006	TPC/Schools/Monroeville, Alabama/Fax Authorization/Release/Request Records (9)/Contact School Officials	6.20

11-3-2006	Meet with Dr. Donna Schwartz Watts/Set up Client Appt.	.30
	No Charge for Meals during travel time	NC
	No Charge for Long Distance Calls	NC

Attached/Motel Invoice and Mapquest

TOTAL HOURS	39.65 @ \$ 50.00	\$ 1982.50
Mileage	1250.66 @ 0.445	556.54
Copies	720 @ .08	57.60
Hotel		<u>83.55</u>

TOTAL		\$ 2680.19
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Holiday Inn EXPRESS

Carolyn Graham
1811 Pickens St
Columbia, SC 29201
US

A/R Number
Group Code
Folio/Invoice No. 357 /
Reference #

Room No. 103
Arrival 10-06-06
Departure 10-07-06

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Date	Description	Charges	Credits
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10-06-06	State Tax	4.56	
10-06-06	City Tax	3.04	
10-07-06	Visa XXXXXXXXXXXXX8575		83.55
Total		83.55	83.55
Balance		0.00	

Guest Signature: _____

I have received the goods and / or services in the amount shown herein. I agree that my liability for this bill is not waived and agree to be held personally liable in the event that the indicated person, company, or association fails to pay for any part or the full amount of these charges. If a credit card charge, I further agree to perform the obligations set forth in the cardholder's agreement with the issuer.

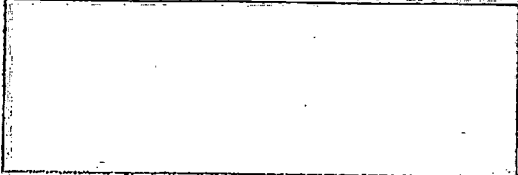
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120 Hwy 21 South
Monroeville, AL 36460
Telephone: (251) 743-3333 Fax: (251) 575-5916



Start: 1811 Pickens St
Columbia, SC 29201-2630, US

End: Monroeville, AL US

Notes:



Directions

Distance

Total Est. Time: 7 hours, 21 minutes

Total Est. Distance: 475.32 miles

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| 1: Start out going NORTH on PICKENS ST toward RICHLAND ST. | <0.1 miles |
| 2: Turn LEFT onto RICHLAND ST. | <0.1 miles |
| 3: Turn RIGHT onto BULL ST / US-76. | 0.2 miles |
| 4: Turn LEFT onto ELMWOOD AVE / US-76 W. Continue to follow US-76 W. | 5.2 miles |
| 5: Merge onto I-20 W via EXIT 107A toward AUGUSTA (Crossing into GEORGIA). | 198.9 miles |
| 6: Take the I-285-BYP S exit- EXIT 67A- toward MACON / ATL AIRPORT. | 0.8 miles |
| 7: Merge onto I-285 W / GA-407 W. | 13.9 miles |
| 8: Merge onto I-85 S via EXIT 61 toward COLUMBUS / MONTGOMERY (Crossing into ALABAMA). | 151.0 miles |
| 9: Merge onto I-65 S via the exit on the LEFT toward MOBILE. | 78.2 miles |
| 10: Take the US-84 exit- EXIT 93- toward EVERGREEN / MONROEVILLE. | 0.2 miles |
| 11: Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto US-84 / AL-12. | 21.5 miles |
| 12: Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto AL-136 / AL-41. | 0.5 miles |
| 13: Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto AL-21 N / AL-41 N. | 4.2 miles |
| 14: Turn LEFT onto PINEVILLE RD / AL-41 S. | <0.1 miles |



15: Turn LEFT onto N MT PLEASANT AVE.

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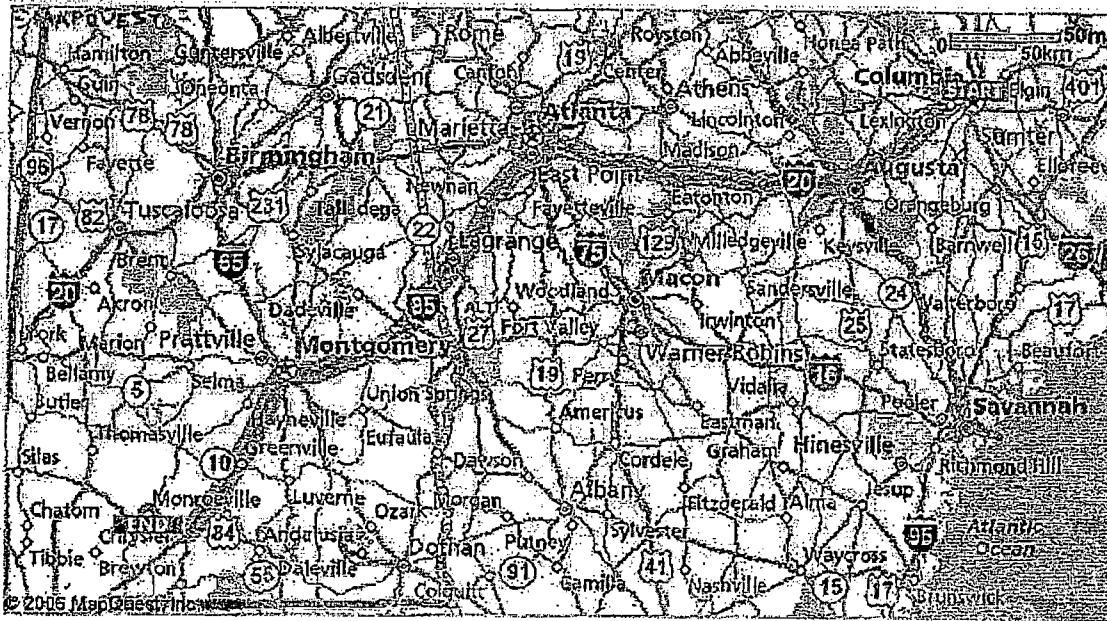
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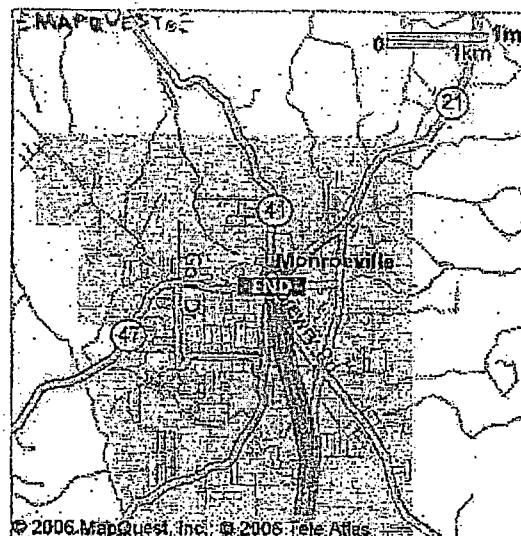


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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON

) IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

The State of South Carolina,

FILED 2004 GS-32-2259, 2260, 2261, 2263, & 2264

2007 JAN 29 ORDER FOR COMPETENCY TO STAND
TRIAL EVALUATION PURSUANT TO

v.

BETH A. CARRIGG
CLERK OF COURT
LEXINGTON, SC

STATE V. BLAIR

EVALUATION BY:

(Select Only One)

RON O. FINKLEA

☒ X Department of Mental Health (Mental Illness)

Defendant.

OR

☐ Department of Disabilities and Special Needs
(Mental Retardation or Related Disability)

This matter is before me for an order requiring defendant Ron O. Finklea, charged with Murder, Arson 1st, Criminal Conspiracy, Possession of a Firearm during Commission of a Violent Crime, and Attempted Safecracking, to submit to an evaluation for competency to stand trial pursuant to State v. Blair, 275 S.C. 529, 273 S.E.2d 536 (1981) and S.C. Code Ann. § 44-23-410 (1976) and the inherent authority of the Court.

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BASIS FOR ORDER. As the defendant has never been previously evaluated, is facing trial on the above charges, and has been notified by the State of the State's Intent to Seek the Death Penalty, I believe that it is appropriate that an evaluation be done to determine if the defendant is competent to understand the criminal proceedings and to assist with his defense.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED: Defendant shall be examined and observed at an appropriate facility by two examiners of the Department of Mental Health if suspected of having a mental illness or by two examiners designated by the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs if suspected of having mental retardation or a related disability, to render an opinion whether defendant is competent to stand trial.

COMPLIANCE DEADLINE/TRANSPORT FOR EVALUATION. The examining facility shall schedule the ordered examination no later than fifteen (15) days from the examining agency's receipt of this order. If defendant is currently free on bond or personal recognizance, defendant is responsible for making transportation arrangements to attend the examination. In the

event defendant does not appear at the scheduled examination, upon written notice of such failure by the examining agency to the Sheriff of the county in which this case arose, defendant shall be taken into custody by the Sheriff and held until an examination can be scheduled and completed, and thereafter shall be released. Defendant's bond or bail is hereby revoked to the extent necessary to carry out the provisions of this order, and upon completion of the examination and release of defendant, any previous bail or bond issued by the Court shall remain in effect. If defendant is in custody at the time of the scheduled examination, the Sheriff is hereby authorized and required to transport defendant to and from the examination, arriving at the examining facility at the time established by confirmed appointment with the staff of the examining facility. In the event defendant is in custody of a law enforcement agency other than a Sheriff's department, nothing herein prevents such agency from carrying out the provisions of this order.

TRANSFER TO ALTERNATE AGENCY. If the initial examination is performed by the Department of Mental Health, and examiners find indications of mental retardation or a related disability but not mental illness, the Department of Mental Health shall not render an opinion on mental competency, but shall inform the Court that defendant is "not mentally ill" and shall provide a copy of such notification and a copy of this order to the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs. Likewise, if the initial examination is performed by the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs, and examiners find indications of mental illness but not mental retardation or a related disability, the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs shall not render an opinion on mental competency, but shall inform the Court that defendant does "not have mental retardation or a related disability" and shall provide a copy of such notification and this order to the Department of Mental Health.

In either case, the examining agency shall make copies of any records gathered or created in connection with its examination available to examiners designated by the alternate agency, and the alternate agency shall thereafter designate examiners to evaluate defendant as to competency to stand trial within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the notification from the initial examining agency.

FINDING OF DUAL DIAGNOSIS. If examiners of either the Department of Mental Health or the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs find an indication of a dual diagnosis of mental illness and mental retardation or a related disability, no opinion on defendant's mental competency shall be rendered, and the dual diagnosis must be reported to the Court. The examining

agency shall also provide notification of the finding and a copy of this order to the other agency. Thereafter, the Department of Mental Health and the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs shall arrange for an examiner from each agency to further evaluate defendant to render a final report on defendant's mental competency. Both agencies are authorized and required to make copies of all relevant records within their possession or control available to examiners for purposes of completing the dual evaluation.

AUTHORIZATION FOR INPATIENT EVALUATION. In the event examiners from either agency determine defendant requires an inpatient examination, upon written notice to this Court from the director of the examining agency or his designee, defendant shall be committed to an appropriate facility of the requesting agency for no more than fifteen (15) days for examination and observation related to defendant's mental competency to stand trial. If the examination and observation of defendant has not concluded at the end of the initial inpatient fifteen (15) days, defendant may be kept in the continued custody of the agency for an additional period not to exceed fifteen (15) days, provided the director of the examining facility or his designee notifies this Court in writing. The issuance of an additional Court order allowing for the inpatient commitment(s) as discussed in this paragraph is not necessary.

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DETENTION BEYOND EVALUATION PERIOD. If, in the judgment of the designated examiners, defendant is in need of immediate hospitalization or inpatient treatment, upon written request to this Court from the director of the examining facility or his designee, defendant may be detained by the requesting agency in a suitable facility for so long as deemed clinically necessary or until a hearing required and provided by S.C. Code Ann. § 44-23-430 (1976) may be conducted by this Court. An additional Court order shall be necessary for ongoing pre-trial inpatient detention of defendant as discussed in this paragraph.

ISSUANCE OF WRITTEN REPORT. Within five (5) days of all examinations or the conclusion of the observation period, a written report shall be made to the Honorable Perry M. Buckner pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 44-23-420 (1976). The Court will provide a copy of the written report to Defense counsel and review the report to determine if it should be provided to the State. The examiners, the Department of Mental Health, and the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs shall NOT provide a copy of the written report to Defense counsel, the State, or the Clerk of Court.

OWNERSHIP AND DISCOVERABILITY OF EXAMINING AGENCY FILES. The examining agency is an independent entity, conducting this evaluation pursuant to Court order, and is not aligned with any party before the Court. To promote full disclosure and to assure the cooperation of defendant during the evaluation process, ownership of the examining agency's files shall be vested with the examining agency, including clinician's notes, staff reports, evaluation documents, memoranda, test results, etc. Neither these files nor any of their contents shall be provided to any party except upon presentation of a Court order authorizing such or a release authorization signed by defendant. In the event the examining agency's evaluation opinion is contested, an examiner may be appropriately and fully questioned as to the basis for the examiner's opinion at any hearing pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 44-23-430 (1976).

MEDICAL PROVIDERS/SCHOOLS MUST RELEASE NECESSARY RECORDS. State agency examiners conducting the evaluation may need clinical and school records concerning defendant to assist in forming an opinion. It is therefore ordered, upon presentation by the examining agency of this order with a written request for specific records attached thereto, that any physician or clinician, licensed health care facility, licensed health care provider, or any school district is hereby authorized and required to furnish copies of all records concerning defendant to the Department of Mental Health or the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs, or both.

COUNSEL REQUIRED TO FURNISH NECESSARY RECORDS. Upon written request from the examining agency, counsel for the prosecution and defense shall furnish to the agency such records and information in counsel's possession as the agency requests, including but not limited to copies of law enforcement reports, investigations, witness statements, statements by defendant (both written and electronic), defendant's medical records, and prior psychiatric or psychological evaluations of defendant. Nothing herein shall be construed to require counsel to divulge any information, documents, notes, or memoranda that are protected by attorney-client privilege or work-product doctrine.

DUTIES OF DEFENSE COUNSEL. The State has the responsibility to file, serve, and transmit this order as outlined in the final paragraph below. The right of counsel to be present attaches at any and all mental evaluations if counsel requests to be present in writing to the Department of Mental Health. In this event, because of the substantial number of individuals awaiting examination, such interviews cannot be rescheduled, postponed, or canceled to

accommodate counsel except upon presentation to the Department of Mental Health of a written statement from a circuit court judge that counsel's attendance is required in Court at the time the examination is scheduled. Whether or not defense counsel requests to attend the clinical interview, defense counsel must meet with defendant prior to the interview to discuss this Court order, the evaluation process, the clinical interview, defendant's rights with regard to the clinical interview, and penalties associated with non-appearance and non-cooperation. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in sanctions for defense counsel. Defendant's refusal to participate at the interview because of the absence of counsel will be deemed non-cooperation. Failure of defendant to cooperate or participate in the interview may result in cancellation of the interview, examiners being unable to offer an opinion on competency to stand trial, and the case being called for trial without completion of the evaluation.

FILING, SERVICE, AND TRANSMITTAL OF ORDER. It is the responsibility of the State to file and serve this order as outlined herein. After being signed by the Court, the original order without attachments shall be immediately filed with the Clerk of Court and a certified copy served upon the defense. Further, within five (5) business days, a certified copy of this order, together with the attachments listed at the end of this order, must be served upon the examining agency at the address listed below. To expedite commencement of the evaluation process and scheduling of the clinical interview, counsel is instructed to immediately contact the examining agency to advise of the issuance of this order and forthcoming service upon the agency:

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Evaluation Order Service Information

Department of Mental Health

Forensic Evaluation Service Paralegal
S. C. Department of Mental Health
CBHS Forensic Center
7901 Farrow Road
Columbia, S.C. 29203-3220
(803) 935-5540 (Phone)

Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Office of Behavioral Supports
Department of Disabilities and Special Needs
Post Office Box 4706
Columbia, S.C. 29240
(803) 898-9694 (Phone)

(803) 935-5544 (Fax)

Email: FES-PARALEGAL@SCDMH.ORG

(803) 898-9660 (Fax)

Email: OBSForensics@ddsn.sc.gov

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.


 The Honorable Perry M. Buckner

The Honorable Perry M. Buckner
 Printed Name of Presiding Circuit Judge

Charleston, South Carolina

Dated: 1-22-07SEND REPORT TO:

The Honorable Perry M. Buckner
 P.O. Drawer 470
 Walterboro, SC 29488

(843) 549-7878

email: pbuckner@sccourts.orgpbuckner

DO NOT SEND REPORT TO THE STATE, DEFENSE COUNSEL OR THE CLERK OF COURT.

S. Rick Hubbard
 Lexington County Solicitor's Office

803 785-8352

Stephen R. Soltis, Jr.
 Defense Counsel

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF LEXINGTON)

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

v.)

RONALD FINKLEA,)

DEFENDANT)

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

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EX PARTE MOTION AND ORDER:
TO BE FILED UNDER SEAL

SUPPLEMENTAL MOTION FOR
 AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE
 OF FUNDS FOR EXPERT AND
 INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES

The Defendant Ronald Finklea is currently detained on charges of murder and armed robbery hereby makes an *ex parte* application for funds for expert and investigative services. See S.C. Code Ann. Section 17-27-60. Based on a review of the discovery materials provided to date, as well as interviews with the defendant/client, counsel believes that certain expert assistance will be needed to adequately prepare for the guilt-or-innocence and sentencing phases of trial. Specifically, counsel requests and believes to be reasonably necessary the assistance of the following experts: Tora Brawley, Ph.D, clinical psychologist; and a neurologist.

Clinical Neuropsychologist, Tora Brawley, Ph.D: Dr. Brawley's services are hereby requested for purposes of assessing Mr. Finklea's psychological functioning. Psychological testing is important because it can help identify specific levels of brain functioning in areas of the brain relevant to cognition, impulse control, and information processing, which is relevant to assessing Mr. Finklea's intellectual functioning, as well competency to stand trial and criminal responsibility. Counsel's request is also made pursuant to consultation with Dr. Donna Schwartz-Watts, Mr. Finklea's forensic psychiatrist. Dr. Watts has advised counsel that she needs Dr. Brawley's assistance in

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order to perform a thorough and competent assessment of Mr. Finklea, as well as to verify that her initial impressions and findings are accurate. For instance, Dr. Watts will rely on Dr. Brawley's findings to determine and/or rule out the possibility of malingering, or "faking" of symptoms for secondary gain. It is not uncommon in a forensic context to find malingering, given the stakes involved for the defendant. Counsel believes it is essential to provide Dr. Watts with the necessary psychological background information on Mr. Finklea so Dr. Watts can then provide strong testimony on Mr. Finklea's behalf.

Dr. Brawley's standard hourly rate is one-hundred eighty dollars per hour (\$180.00) for records review, trial preparation and testimony, with a flat rate of fifteen-hundred dollars (\$1500.00) for a comprehensive neuropsychological assessment. At a minimum, counsel believes fifteen hundred dollars is required for a comprehensive neuropsychological assessment, with possible additional assistance to be provided based on the results of the neuropsychological assessment. Counsel therefore seeks approval for fifteen hundred dollars for neuropsychological testing, and, if beneficial to Mr. Finklea, an additional one-hundred eighty dollars per hour for consultation, trial preparation and testimony from Dr. Brawley.

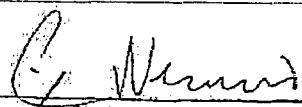
Expert in Neurology. As with the request for funding in regard to a clinical psychologist, set forth above, counsel has consulted with Dr. Watts and, based on her recommendation, moves this Court for funding for purposes of hiring a neurologist. Counsel would further set forth that, in their experience, a thorough neurological evaluation is critical in cases involving defendant's with a history suggestive of brain damage and/or impairment. In Mr. Finklea's case, there is undisputed record evidence of possible brain injury stemming from a suicide attempt after his arrest. It is counsel's

information and belief that Mr. Finklea lost consciousness after a botched suicide attempt by way of ligature strangulation, which required hospitalization. Loss of air to the brain is known to cause brain injury. Likewise, the determination that a defendant suffers from impaired brain function is relevant to assessing competency, criminal responsibility and mental capacity. Based on counsel's experience in prior death penalty cases, as well as consultation with others experienced in the field of capital litigation, counsel believes an amount not exceeding five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) will be required for purposes of hiring a neurologist to evaluate the defendant and, if necessary, testify on his behalf at trial.

CONCLUSION

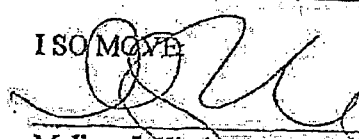
Based on the foregoing, the Defendant specifically requests this Court to fund the above-listed experts according to the rates listed because the services sought are reasonable and necessary. S.C. Code Ann. Section 17-27-160(C).

ISO ORDER.


Honorable Clifton Newman,
Presiding Judge.

This 23 day of April, 2005.

ISO MOVE


Melissa J. Kimbrough, Esquire
1811 Pickens Street
Columbia, S.C. 29201
(803) 765-2796.

ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANT.

DEFENSE OF INDIGENT'S VOUCHER

NOTICE: Please complete voucher including FULL NAME and LAST KNOWN NONINCARCERATED ADDRESS OF DEFENDANT, and attach your detailed time sheet, Order of Appointment, and Notice of Intent to Seek Death Penalty. Order allowing expenses, bills for expenses, and any other supporting documentation, if required. Deliver this complete package to the trial judge for approval and then to the Clerk of Court for certification. If more than one attorney was appointed, submit a single voucher signed by both attorneys. IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION AS TO WHETHER AN EXPENSE WILL BE REIMBURSED, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF INDIGENT DEFENSE AT 803.734.1243. FAX: 803.734.1245, e-mail: indigent@scad.net. BEFORE INCURRING THAT EXPENSE. Once the voucher has been approved by the trial judge and certified by the Clerk of Court, submit this ORIGINAL VOUCHER along with one copy of the supporting documentation to: South Carolina Office of Indigent Defense, P.O. Box 11433, 1122 Lady Street, Suite 1110, Columbia, SC 29211. Please ensure that all supporting documentation is included and that all parts of this voucher are completed. Entries must be typed or legibly printed to be accepted. Orders submitted for expenses and payments exceeding the maximum allowed by statute must be either the original or a certified copy. YOU MUST SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL SIGNED VOUCHER. INCOMPLETE VOUCHERS AND DOCUMENTATION WILL BE RETURNED. NOTE: All vouchers must be received by the Office of Indigent Defense in correct form not later than THIRTY (30) DAYS after services were completed, but in no event later than June 30th of the year services were completed, in order to be paid.

County: <u>Lexington</u>	List All Case Numbers (SS, CP, JU or Arrest Warrant Numbers): <u>01-GS-32-2239-61</u>
Clerk's Full Name: <u>Don Finley</u>	
Last Known Address (Prior to Incarceration): <u>Alabama</u>	List All Charges: <u>Murder, Arson</u>
Voucher Submitted Under Swear? ☒ YES ☐ NO	Previous Voucher Submitted For This Client at this level (Final or Appellate)? ☒ YES ☐ NO
Type of Case (Most Serious Charge): ☒ Death Penalty ☐ Felony ☐ Misdemeanor ☐ Juvenile ☐ Status Offense ☐ PCR ☐ Capital Appeal ☐ Non Capital Appeal ☐ RVP ☐ Other	

Pursuant to the most current and applicable S.C. law, claim is hereby made for compensation, reimbursement, or is certified by the Public Defender for representation of the above named person and on behalf of:

NON DEATH PENALTY CASE FEES	
Hours at \$40.00 per hour for Out-of-Court services:	\$
Hours at \$80.00 per hour for In-Court services (Restricted to actual hearing times):	\$
DEATH PENALTY CASE FEES	
Hours at \$50.00 per hour for Out-of-Court services:	\$
Hours at \$75.00 per hour for In-Court services (Restricted to actual hearing times):	\$

TOTAL FEES: \$

MAXIMUM FEE ALL OTHERS IS \$25,000 per attorney in Death Penalty cases, \$5,000 in Felony cases, \$3,000 in Misdemeanor and PCR cases, and \$1,750 in RVP cases.

EXPENSES	
Long Distance Telephone Calls:	\$
Psychiatric Examination:	\$
Expert Witness(es):	\$
Investigative Services:	\$
Extraordinary Travel Expenses:	\$
Advanced Payment For Expenses:	\$
Other Expenses (Specify):	\$

Carolyn Graham \$ 4522.37
Dave McDougall \$ 4331.84

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TOTAL EXPENSES: (Attach copies of all bills with explanation of expense and Court Order allowing expenditure where required.) \$

MAXIMUM EXPENSES allowed are \$20,000 in Death Penalty cases and \$500 in all other cases.

Less amount paid by Defendant or by any person on Defendant's behalf. \$

TOTAL FEES AND EXPENSES REQUESTED ON THIS VOUCHER: \$

☒ Advance payment. Date of request for funds (Approval Order attached): <u>6/11/07</u> ☐ Final submission; no further requests for funds. Date case concluded: <u>20</u>		APPROVED BY: Trial Judge's Signature Court or Circuit Date Approved Clerk of Court's Signature Clerk of Court For (County): Date Certified OLD FILE NO.: AGENCY VOUCHER NO.:
Method of Disposition: ☐ Plea ☐ Trial ☐ Acquittal ☐ Guilty Verdict ☐ Mistrial ☐ Dismissal ☐ Other This is a true and correct statement of my services to and expenses for the above named Defendant. Attorney's Signature: <u>[Signature]</u> Attorney's Signature:		
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SC vs. Ron O'Neal Finklea

June 11, 2007

DATE	DESCRIPTION	HOURS
9-6-2006	Travel to Lexington, S.C. meet with Attorney Soltis/ Pick up Discovery	.50
9-7-2006	<u>Copy</u> /Organize Discovery/Attorney Kimbrough (720)	1.0
10-4-2006	TPC/Finklea Family, Ms. Peoples/Monroeville, Alabama	.20
10-6-2006	<u>Travel</u> from Columbia, S.C. to Monroeville, Alabama to meet with Finklea Family	11.0
10-7-2006	Locate/Interview Family Members/Monroeville, Alabama	12.0
10-8-2006	Return to Columbia, S.C. (1050.66 Miles)	8.0
10-25-2006	Travel to Lexington, S.C./ Interview Client/Lexington County Detention Center	2.0
10-27-2006	Travel to Lexington, S.C./Meet with Attorney Soltis/Investigator MacDougall/Graham	1.5
10-27-2006	TPC/Family Members/Monroeville, Alabama	1.0
11-1-2006	TPC/Schools/Monroeville, Alabama/Fax Authorization/Release/Request Records (9)/Contact School Officials	6.5

11-3-2006	Meet with Dr. Donna Schwartz Watts/Set up Client Appt.	.50
12-6-2006	Review Discovery /Contact Experts	2.0
12-7-2006	<u>Copy</u> New Discovery/(2) Experts/Copy/Deliver/Timeline for Attorney/Experts (2192)	5.0
<u>2007</u>		
2-5-2007	Defense Meeting/MacDougall	2.0
2-23-2007	<u>Copy</u> /LCDC Medical Records/Attorneys /Experts (572) Deliver	2.5
5-7-2007	TPC Follow-up Finklea Army Records-2nd Request Additional Request/Prepare/Fax	2.0
5-8-2007	Pick -up Records/Finklea/Copy Lexington Medical School/School Discovery/Kimbrough/ <u>Copy</u> (221)	3.0
5-10-2007	<u>Copy</u> /Distribute Army Records/Defense Team (263)	2.0
5-13-2007	Review/ <u>Copy</u> all Discovery/trial Notebook/TPC Finklea Family/TPC Alabama (1798)	4.5
5-31-2007	TPC/Kimbrough/MacDougall/Experts	.50
6-3-2007	TPC/Family/Alabama/Request Additional Family History	2.5
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	NO CHARGE FOR LONG DISTANCE PHONE CALLS	NC

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RE: THE STATE v. RON O. FINKLEA

DATE: MAY 10, 2007

Capital Murder Defense Investigation

August 19, 2003 through May 10, 2007

8/19/2003	Initial meeting with Attorney Soltis	
	Meeting & interview with Ron Finklea at the LCDC	5.0 hours
8/27/03	Prepared three FOIA letters; Faxed two	0.5 hours
8/28/03	Phone conversation with Mrs. Finklea	
	Picked up newspapers at The State Publishing Company	1.0 hour
9/2/03	Meeting & interview with Mrs. Finklea & Attorney Soltis	3.0 hours
9/8/03	Investigation of TV video and Army records	1.0 hour
9/12/2003	Meeting with Ron Finklea; delivered medical records release to Lexington County Medical Center	2.5 hours
9/17/03	Picked up and paid for video at Image Productions	1.0 hour
10/15/03	Follow up calls to FOIA requests; process & print photos	1.0 hour
10/17/03	Pick up materials at Lexington County 911 Center	0.5 hours
6/14/2004	Meeting with Attorney Soltis	1.0 hour
8/10/04	Dubbed and reviewed 911 tape	1.0 hour
	Letter and calls to Cherena Roland	n/c
	Air Fare to Tacoma, Washington	n/c
	Auto rental in Tacoma, Washington	n/c
9/15/04	Travel & interview with Cherena Roland in Tacoma, WA	5.0 hours
9/19/04	Transcribe and edit notes of Roland interview	1.0 hour
10/11/04	Letter & Certified Check for Washington court records	1.0 hour
12/1/04	Review and copy Washington State court records	1.0 hour
6/8/2006	Meeting with Attorney's Soltis & Kimbrough	3.0 hours
6/17/06	Prepare Investigative Report & evidence copies for counsel	3.0 hours
6/19/06	Deliver report and attachments to Kimbrough & Soltis	1.0 hour

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Total miles 497 miles

Expenses

8/28/2003	State Newspaper copies	\$ 5.00
9/16/03	Image Productions newscasts	\$ 100.00
10/8/03	Image Production newscasts	\$ 175.00
10/2/2004	Pierce County Washington records	\$ 11.00
10/11/04	Lincoln County Washington records	\$ 60.00
10/29/04	Postage due	\$ 1.61
6/19/06	Kinko copies	\$ 8.99
10/13/06	SCDMV charge	\$ 6.00
10/25/06	SCDMV charge	\$ 7.25
10/27/06	Lexington County Clerk of Court copy charges	\$ 12.00
10/31/06	Kinko copies	\$ 6.28
11/28/06	SLED Criminal History	\$ 25.00
12/28/06	South Carolina Department of Corrections records	\$ 7.50
12/28/06	Kinko's copies	\$ 5.26
2/13/07	Merlin - Investigative database	\$ 2.00

Total Expenses \$ 432.89

74.5 Hours at \$ 50.00 per hour \$ 3725.00

497 miles at 35 cents per mile \$ 173.95

BALANCE DUE \$ 4331.84

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
Clerk of Court
Lexington, SC

EX PARTE MOTION AND ORDER:
TO BE FILED UNDER SEAL

v.
RONALD FINKLEA,
DEFENDANT

SUPPLEMENTAL MOTION FOR
AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE
OF FUNDS FOR EXPERT AND
INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES

The Defendant Ronald Finklea is currently detained on charges of murder and armed robbery hereby makes an *ex parte* application for funds for expert and investigative services. See S.C. Code Ann. Section 17-27-60. Based on a review of the discovery materials provided to date, as well as interviews with the defendant/client, counsel believes that certain additional expert assistance and investigative funding will be required for preparation and presentation of Mr. Finklea's defense and penalty phase cases.

With approval and authorization from the prior presiding judge, the Honorable Perry M. Buckner, counsel for the defendant previously retained Carolyn B. Graham and Dave McDougall, both of whom are licensed private investigators in the state of South Carolina.

Mitigation Investigator

Ms. Graham has considerable expertise in the field of life-history investigation. Her role in Mr. Finklea's case has been multi-fold. Ms. Graham has been entrusted with the interviewing of the defendant and his family, as well as the collection of recorded information relevant to his mental health issues and mitigation for the penalty phase. Ms.

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CLERK OF THE COURT, G.A. & H.

Graham has further been required to assist with the preparation of other mental health professionals (i.e. Dr. Donna Watts, Dr. Tora Brawley, Dr. Kenneth Gaines), insofar as providing information requested by them and collecting background information tailored to the needs of their specific fields (i.e. mental health and medical records, school records, history of trauma, abuse, head injury, etc.).

Previously, counsel was granted funding in the amount of five-thousand (\$5,000.00). To-date Ms. Graham has billed over four-thousand dollars in hourly fees and expenses. Ms. Graham is needed to arrange and assist counsel in conducting family interviews in Alabama, for purposes of preparing for the penalty phase of trial. After consultation with Ms. Graham, counsel believes additional funding in the amount of six-thousand, five-hundred dollars (\$6,500.00) in additional funding is needed for purposes of Ms. Graham's services. This amount represents another one-hundred hours of investigative time, plus anticipated travel expenses to and from Alabama.

Fact Investigator

Mr. McDougall appears to be an experienced, licensed private investigator. On behalf of Mr. Finklea, Mr. McDougall has been involved in numerous witness interviews, records collection and subpoenaing, trial preparation consultation with counsel and general fact investigation. Currently, Mr. McDougall is being asked by counsel to perform military personnel interviews to assist with the preparation of the defense case, in addition to conducting interviews with potential defense witnesses for the guilt phase. To-date, Mr. McDougall has billed over four-thousand dollars in hourly fees and expenses. Counsel believes additional funding in the amount of five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) will be necessary to ensure that Mr. McDougall is able to complete an

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adequate fact investigation.

Adaptability Expert

Counsel now moves this Court for authorization and funding for purposes of hiring an expert in the field of prison adaptability. Counsel has consulted with James Aiken, a nationally recognized expert in the field of corrections and inmate management. Mr. Aiken has testified in state and federal court on the issue of prison adaptability, and is imminently qualified in his field.

The basis of this request is as follows: Ron Finklea is facing the death penalty, and his jury will, in the even of his conviction, which counsel anticipates will occur, have to decide between a sentence of death or a sentence of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole (hereinafter "LWOP"). As an alternative to death, LWOP requires the jury to contemplate a concern not present in any other criminal case—the potential of how jury sentencing may impact future events. Predicting future conduct is never an exact science, but rather is akin to an academic exercise (i.e. it involves statistical analysis based on known relevant facts, such as prior history, psychology, mental health and other indicia of one's ability to successfully become, and remain, institutionalized). Because they are typically not skilled in assessing prison adaptability, jurors in a capital case must become educated by defense counsel, via an adaptability expert, on the topic of adaptability. In a capital case, a prison adaptability expert can, quite literally, mean the difference between life and death.

In Mr. Finklea's case, counsel believes a prison adaptability expert is critical for the following reasons. First, Mr. Finklea apparently has no prior criminal history. Second, given what appears to be distinguished service in the military, Mr. Finklea might

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demonstrate his ability to follow rules in a highly-structured setting. Third, Mr. Finklea has not, to counsel's knowledge, been a disciplinary problem during his pre-trial detention. Based on the foregoing, counsel believes that Mr. Finklea will be deemed an excellent candidate for life-long confinement, will present a minimal risk of escape and/or harm to others, including other inmates and correctional officers.

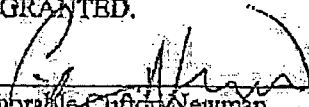
Based on all of the foregoing, counsel now moves for funding in the amount of up to six-thousand, five-hundred dollars (\$6,500.00). The amount of this request is based solely on counsel's best estimate of the maximum cost for Mr. Aiken's services, including trial testimony, based on prior experience in death penalty cases.

CONCLUSION AND ORDER

The Defendant specifically requests this Court to fund the above-listed experts according to the rates listed because the services sought are reasonable and necessary.

S.C. Code Ann. Section 17-27-160(C).

Having considered the Motion, IT IS HEREBY GRANTED.


Honorable Chifton Newman
Presiding Judge.

This 15th day of June, 2007.

K. Ingthues, State Counsel

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON)
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

IN THE COURT OF
GENERAL SESSIONS
G501546; 501547
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v.
RONALD FINKLEA,
DEFENDANT

EX PARTE MOTION AND ORDER:
TO BE FILED UNDER SEAL

This matter comes before me *ex parte*, upon motion of counsel, for advance approval of payment of out-of-state defense witness expenses for travel, lodging and meals for purposes of presenting mitigation evidence during the penalty phase of the defendant's trial. Counsel's motion is based on the need to provide effective assistance of counsel, and, because most of the defendant's mitigation witnesses reside in other states, where counsel has no subpoena power to compel their attendance, it is incumbent upon counsel to provide funding to them for necessary travel, lodging and meals.

Counsel's mitigation specialist has spent considerable time interviewing the defendant's family members, who reside in Alabama. Counsel has been advised that the defendant's family members are able to provide useful testimony in mitigation of punishment on behalf of Mr. Finklea. Counsel has further been advised that the defendant's family members are impoverished, and, therefore, incapable of paying for travel, food, and lodging for purposes of attending the defendant's trial. Insofar as travel expenses are concerned, the defendant's mitigation specialist has advised counsel that a van can be rented in Alabama for purposes of round-trip transportation for the various family members. The estimated cost for the van rental is around nine-hundred (900)

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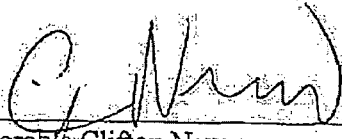
dollars, plus gasoline costs. Insofar as lodging is concerned, the Quality Inn of Lexington has quoted a rate of \$69.00 per night per room. Meals for witnesses would be determined by the per diem rates set by the South Carolina Office of Indigent Defense (hereinafter "OID").

Counsel's fact-investigator has conducted numerous interviews with the defendant's military and retired military colleagues, and has identified three of these people as penalty phase mitigation witnesses. Two witnesses will travel by car, to be reimbursed at the OID rate, and one, traveling from Washington state, by plane at a cost of three-hundred, sixty-two dollars (\$362.00).

CONCLUSION

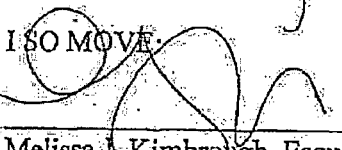
Based on the foregoing, the Defendant specifically requests this Court to fund the above-listed experts according to the rates listed because the services sought are reasonable and necessary. S.C. Code Ann. Section 17-27-160(C).

I SO ORDER.


Honorable Clifton Newman,
Presiding Judge.

This 24 day of August, 2007.

I SO MOVE:


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DONALD V. MYERS
Solicitor



August 20, 2007

Judge Newman ordered the Solicitor's Office to help the defense re-create events and provide the defense with this information from prosecution notes for the guilt phase of the trial, during the period of time the defendant alleges he cannot remember. Attached are summaries of notes by the Solicitor's Office staff from interviews with potential witnesses for that time period. The Solicitor's Office does not verify or vouch for the accuracy or completeness of these notes. They are simply work-product notes of the staff's impression of statements, and they were not adopted, reviewed or certified by the following witnesses:

Theodore Davis
Stephanie Pressley
Jane Gibson
Robin Gripper
Ed Brown
Robert Fuller
Leticia Gilmore and Marissa Casey
Angel Peters
Saneakia Greene
James Banks
Sherry Bolin and Irena Fuller
John Leaphart
George Brothers
Dale Cook
Betty Peoples and Rosa Finklea
Charlie Peoples
Cherena Roland
Ms. Cruz-Spiritual Advisor(directions)

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STATE V. RON FINKLEA

Interview with Theodore Davis.

- Finklea stated to Davis that he was in debt and that's why he wanted them to do this (at Solectron)
- Stated to Davis that "He'd messed up some money."
- Finklea & Theresa were in Germany before they came back home
- left Army on Temporary Retirement because he needed knee surgery
- worked at night in St. Matthews building 4 wheelers
- Davis served with court documents owing child support out of Calhoun County.
- Finklea present with Davis when they served him with the child support documents.
- Finklea said, "ATM machine in front w/ nobody around it."
- Finklea 1st talked about robbing the ATM machine at Ft. Jackson
- Talked about cuttin' it up, said there was about \$80,000 in it.
- 1st Finklea wanted to rob a bank and Davis said no
- 2nd Finklea wanted to rob Ft. Jackson ATM. It was smaller, Davis said no. Finklea said he wanted to rip it out.
- Finklea didn't know how to crack a safe.
- Finklea was going to get 2 masks, but realized he couldn't wear a mask in the bldg.
- Finklea wanted Davis to bring in the gas can & use the gas to destroy the videotapes.
- Davis wasn't w/ him when Finklea bought the gas, the night before. Davis was home.
- Davis's job was to get the ATM open.
- Didn't go back to the tracer car.
- Finklea's idea to rent a car from the airport.
- Rented car two days before @ Budget Rental Car with def. and Gripper
- They went up to Solectron Thursday night in a Mustang. Davis was passenger.
- Finklea wanted to talk with someone about programming satellite cards and check out the ATM machine.
- Scope it out, Davis understood what they were going to do, but Finklea didn't come out and say he was going to scope out Solectron.
- Finklea had a 9mm gun that came from Detroit. He didn't have a gun prior to going to Detroit. Thinks he got it from Davis' sister's father (Davis/sister have different dads). Finklea shot off gun in backyard.
- Finklea didn't carry the gun everywhere, but he had it Thursday night.

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- Went to Kmart Thursday/Friday in West Cola, but Davis didn't go inside. He stayed outside to smoke a cigarette.
- Finklea came out with a bag. Davis didn't look in bag, but thought he bought (2) mask (1) gas can and gloves.
- Gas can - red / common size He knew Finklea wanted gas can to burn tapes.
- Gloves - purpose was for no fingerprints, but neither wore gloves.
- Davis doesn't know where the masks came from.
- Finklea wanted to rob ATM Thursday, but decides not to and figures out that he can't wear a mask.
- Friday night Finklea put gun in the glove compartment of the black car when he was heading to Solectron. Finklea had shot the gun, but Davis had never shot the gun.
- Finklea to get into the bldg & distract security guard without a mask.
- Davis' wears mask & brings gas cans into bldg & give to Finklea
- Finklea to burn videotapes.
- Davis never went into the office.
- Davis didn't know guard stayed
- Davis ran out when he hear gunshot
- Finklea wanted Davis to go back inside and set ATM on fire, but Davis said he wasn't going back in.
- Finklea didn't do anything to help victim
- Davis didn't do anything to help victim.
- Davis asked, "Why did he shoot him?" Finklea states, "The man scared me."
- They stopped at a gas station near Krystals in GA right off I-20
- Finklea bought gas & paid w/ cash. Stated he didn't want to leave a trail.
- Threw gas can out at gas station.
- Never saw masks once they got to Ala.
- Davis was passenger, but never slept. / He didn't see any money in the car.
- Finklea stated to Davis: "I wonder if the man's dead."
- Stopped by a spiritual advisor in GA across from a Texaco gas station. Ms. Cruz Spiritual Advisor sign. Location was not rural, but not a city area. Off interstate, go under a bridge.
- Finklea inside for about 15-20 mins. / Davis stayed in car.
- Finklea didn't pay her. He had already Pd Cruz for his ~~sister's~~ ^{wife's} protection in Iraq.
- Davis has gone with Finklea twice in the past to see Cruz.
- Finklea doesn't have a locale spiritual advisor around here.
- In Alabama went to Aunt's house first / early morning 11:30 am - 1 pm.
- Got to Aunt's house @ 3:30 pm. Didn't stop anymore. Stayed 30-40 mins.

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- Finklea's Aunt and three kids were in house. Finklea acted like they were there for a visit, like nothing was wrong.
- Left went to Finklea's grandparent's house & stayed 1- 1½ hrs.
- Finklea calls home, no answer but a message on answering machine telling Finklea to call LCSO.
- Finklea calls LCSO after getting message and denies everything. States he doesn't know what they're talking about.
- Finklea tells authorities that he was in Louisiana. Gets off phone and says "they got me, they got me on tape."
- Finklea didn't want to stay on line w/ PD, because they can trace calls.
- Finklea didn't want to go to jail. Asked Davis to kill him. Finklea states military won't pay pensions if it's suicide.
- Finklea tells his mom, niece and nephew that Davis is running from police and needs a place to stay.
- Davis was nervous.
- Finklea tells family to watch him and make sure he doesn't go nowhere.
- Finklea told his mom, but doesn't know if he told her the whole story.
- Told Davis "everyone who knows about this must die"
- Told mom next day a different story, she started crying.
- Finklea, mom, niece (D■■■■, 16 yoa) went to see another spiritual advisor / man next day.
- Finklea stashed rental car behind a girl's house. Davis never went to her house.
- Nobody ever asked Davis what happened.
- Finklea's mom wanted to separate Davis and Finklea. Davis went & stayed at Aunt's house Sunday night. Finklea went to a cousin's house / they call him "Heavy".
- "Heavy" came by and picked up Davis & took him back to see Finklea. They sat around all day watching movies and drinking beer and listening to police scanner.
- Finklea stated to Davis: "I hope the man's not dead." AUG. 21. 2007* 0004
- Finklea states he is trying to forget what happened.
- Pop wanted Finklea to turn himself in / Finklea said he wasn't going to turn himself in.
- Grandpa, Pop, Finklea, Davis and a female cousin was in car when they went to turn themselves in. Police didn't know who Davis was.
- Davis told them he was going to turn himself in because he didn't kill anyone.
- Arrived at Sheriff's Department at 2:30 pm
- Had on same shoes, but different clothes when arrested.
- They left everything at Finklea's mom's house.
- Davis didn't see him get rid of anything.
- Finklea wore white baseball cap w/ emblem both nights. Wore that hat all the time.

- Anybody that came over to the house or at the job in St. Matthews would be able to say he wore that hat and that he and Davis were close.
- Robin is Davis' sister.
- Finklea' defense after he hung himself is that he doesn't remember anything.
- Alabama PD took \$2 in change, belt & cigarettes.
- Their shoe laces were not taken.
- Davis & Finklea were put into the same cell.
- Finklea tried to hang himself with their shoe laces, but the laces popped and Davis woke up when he heard the pop. Def. asked for Davis' laces and Davis told him to knock it off and go back to sleep.
- When LCSD arrived, police separated them & put them into separate cells, which were next to each other.
- Finklea said to be quiet and he would take care of everything when they were in the cell together.
- They didn't pass messages to one another but Finklea said his wasn't gonna do a day of time, before he kills himself.
- Several days before, Finklea stated that if it came to it he would kill him (victim).
- Davis new in his mind that they couldn't leave any evidence
- Davis could tell by the vibes before they went into the bldg that it was going to happen. / Meaning shooting victim.
- Davis knew guard didn't have a gun. Finklea told him that guard only has mace.
- Neither of them knew the victim. Davis asked def. "why did you do this" Def. said that the vic was sitting at his desk, def. pulled out gun and shot him. It was an easy lick. Finklea thought ATM just had a plastic cover. Didn't know that there was a vault.
- Davis asked Finklea why & he said he wanted to burn everything.
- Finklea asked how many bullets were in the clip. Davis said he didn't know, he never counted the bullets. Def. said that 5 are missing.
- Davis didn't ask him how or why he shot victim.
- Davis went to Alabama 5 times w/ Finklea
- Finklea sold cocaine, crack & DVDs / a half a gram / mostly 2 oz. made \$2,500 a week.
- Davis sold marijuana / quarter to a half a lb. a week / sold dime bags
- Davis bought cocaine from Finklea
- They never smoked together
- Finklea spent all of his wives \$ while she was serving in Iraq and she was coming home so he needed to replace the \$. He had an ATM & credit cards. (1) Ft. Jackson credit card.
- Finklea rented cars on several occasions to drive to Alabama because he didn't want to put miles on his car.
- Finklea always used the Airport to rent his cars.

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- Both own cell phones but they left them at home because they didn't get a signal in Alabama.
- Finklea showed him pictures of his son. Finklea said his son's mom mailed them to him. Back in Orangeburg Apr '03
- Finklea goes by the name "Ron"
- Alabama family calls him "Uncle B"
- Davis regrets that this has happened and wants closure for the Sykes family. It's not about him anymore.

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Interview w/ Theodore Davis

- Davis was shown airport video and states he and Ron went inside to rent car.
- Davis & Ron left Fort Motte and went to Creekside to pick-up Robin. He didn't get out of the car. They pick up Robin & go to Budget.
- After budget, they went to Kmart. Robin & Ron go inside. He stayed outside in the car. They came out with a gas can and a plastic bag with gloves.
- They left Kmart and took Robin to Irena's house. Davis & Ron head to St. Matthews.
- Ron & Davis never go back to [REDACTED] Rd after the robbery.
- Davis knew about the gas can and why he was buying it. Ron was going to set the computer equipment on fire to destroy the tapes.
- Finklea's statements he made to Davis about the robbery.
 - "It was an easy lick."
 - "Finklea wasn't gonna wear a mask, but Davis was."
 - "The gas was to destroy all the tapes."
 - "Finklea can't see Davis going down for something Finklea did."
- Davis knew he had a gun. Davis has never shot his gun. Davis has seen a box of bullets in his room on the top drawer of his dresser. The bullets weren't hollow. They were round and gray.
- Finklea thought the ATM just had a plastic cover on the front of it. Didn't know there was a vault.
- Finklea told Robin and Neecey that he was coming into some money. Davis doesn't think that they knew about the robbery.
- After renting vehicle at Budget, Davis & Finklea went out to the mustang. They checked the tires, engine, etc. Robin came out to the car at a different time. None of them go back to the Tracer. They left the Airport.
- Davis' job was to get the ATM machine open.
- They first started planning to rob something on Wednesday. Ron talked about robbing a bank. Wednesday night into Thursday morning, Finklea changed the plan to an ATM on Fort Jackson, then to Solectron.

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- Teresa's nickname is "Teake"
- Thursday - Friday AM
 - Rented car
 - 8pm - 2pm went & shot pool at a bar, then drove to Solectron
 - Gun was in the glove compartment, but they didn't have a gas can
 - Finklea was going to Solectron to talk to someone about programming satellite card for TV
 - Left Solectron and went to [REDACTED] Rd. Davis went to sleep

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- Gas can was in driver's side floor board in back
- Finklea wears the same hat
- They parked next to the sidewalk
- Finklea states "Just be ready, it's gonna happen fast."
- Finklea was going to take care of the security guard first.
- Davis knew he was going to shoot the guard.
- After the gun shoot, Davis ran outside. He thought the guard would already be taken care of before he went inside that's why Davis ran outside when he heard the gun shot.
- Ron drove the vehicle.
- They went straight to AL, they did not go back to St. Matthews

Drugs & Fighting

- Ron was dealing cocaine.
- As far as he knew, Ron gets his cocaine from Columbia.
- Davis sold cocaine for Finklea.
- Ron would have 2 oz. of cocaine at a time & Davis sold ½ gram at a time for \$50.
- Ron divided the cocaine up. Davis never divided cocaine up.
- People who would know about Ron dealing drugs: Flea bag, Zoë, Punchy, Starvin' Marvin, Johnny Jr., Trey. You can probably find them at Brigg's Party Shop off of 601. Johnny Jr. would probably know the most.
- They got into fights about drug \$. Finklea thought Davis was stealing from him a few times. They wrestled twice. 1st time over drugs & 2nd time over the Tracer. Finklea got mad over a headlight.
- It was always a \$ thing w/ Ron. He has threatened to cut Davis, but never shoot him.

Stripper Club

- Davis & Finklea went to a strip club named "Pleasures" on Bluff Rd. A girl's stage name, Carolina, is who Ron would go & see.
- Tommy Anderson is Brandon's dad, Fort Bragg

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On the way to Alabama & during Alabama

- 1st & 2nd night – They stayed at his mom's house (Betty)
- 3rd night – Davis went to Aunt's house
- They stopped at a gas station, rest area, Ms. Cruz, aunt's house, grandma's house.

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Interview with Stephanie Pressley.

- Victim was a CPO (supervisor)
- Usually 3 guards on duty on weekends 4 during production
- Usually 2 on 3rd shift
- Had gone to the Colonial Center for a religious convention with Angel Peters
- Called by victim to work that night, she usually was the first call for overtime
- She told victim that she could not work that night, she was due to work AM shift next day.
- Jane was going to stay over.
- Pressley worked for 4 years @ Wackenhut 2 years @ Soletron.
- Angel was on the security side. (w) was on B side (production). She parked on B side and made her rounds. She then pulled her car around to the A side parking lot.
- Saw Angel talking to guy @ the door. Saw a guy a white car as well.
- She stated that the guy stopped for a second as they passed one another and appeared to be checking her out, she thought it was sexual, nothing said. Angel was at the doorway to the office holding her stomach. Angel stated that the guy had a evil spirit, something was not right with him. She was sick the rest of the night.
- The guy asked about cameras and other questions.
- People come to use the ATM there, usually work there or family member or ex employee.
- Not shown a photo line up.
- Worked with victim on overtime shift on several occasions.
- Always a gentleman, talked with him frequently.
- Would usually see him every Sunday night.
- Victim took a lot of pride in his work, he was very professional.
- Very detailed reports.
- Capt. Banks (area supervisor) loved the way he worked.
- Banks would know about the security system and measures.

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Jane Gibson Conference Call

- Just moved to Kansas City
- She worked for Solectron since February 2003. She worked for Subway before Solectron.
- She worked for Solectron until the new company took over Feb' 04. She worked for Trans Corp until she met her husband and moved to Kansas.
- The night of the Solectron incident, she was working a double shift because her replacement never showed up.
- It was the first time ever working with Mr. Sykes
- She normally worked 2nd shift on the other side of the plant. Damon was her immediate supervisor.
- Sykes told her to take it easy, because he knew that she would be working a double shift. Sykes would make all the routine rounds that night & she just need to monitor the computers. Sykes knew that she was working a double shift and would be tired that's why he said he would do all the rounds.
- Sykes was making the routine rounds and she had to go to the restroom really bad. When he returned she went to go use the restroom. The restroom was a trek, it was not close by. It took a little time to get there.
- She didn't hear anything until she got to the breezeway. There was a bad odor. She saw his walkie-talkie. When she went into the computer room, she thought something had exploded. It wasn't until she went outside that she saw Sykes on the ground & then called 911.
- Sykes was laying face down & saw something that looked like cool-aid.
- She didn't pay attention to the floor or anything.
- The 911 operator was rude to her because she could spell a word.
- When the Fire/EMS/Police arrived. Somebody gave her oxygen to keep her from hyper-ventilating.
- The police checked her for gun powder.
- The police interviewed her for several hours, until 8 or 9 am. She had to give them her clothes that she was wearing that night.
- Her boyfriend showed up to take her home.
- The first time she sees a photo or video of what happen was on the news. She didn't know Sykes had been shot until the new reported it.

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Interview with Robin Gripper.

- Lives at [REDACTED] Circle in South Congaree.
- Works at McDonalds on 321
- Grew up in this area
- Davis was her baby brother, Irena and Teresa were sisters
- Teresa and def. lived on [REDACTED] in St. Matthews, Robin and Willie Gripper lived there also.
- Gripper lived there for about 5 years and then moved back up here with Irena and Sherry Bolin. Creekside MHP
- When Teresa went to Iraq, def., Davis, Willie, B [REDACTED] (Grippers Nephew) were staying at [REDACTED] J [REDACTED] 15 yoa.
- Ron came by and said he was going out of town, he had a family problem and was going to the airport to rent a car. Wanted her to go with him.
- She said she would if he would take her to the store. He stated they would rent the car and then go to the store.
- Gripper stated that def. used a Bank of America card with his picture on it to rent the car. He rented a white mustang. He left Teresa's Mercury at the airport. Gripper wanted him to leave it with her while he was gone so she could drive it.
- Went to the Exxon at Boston and 302 for her to buy beer and cigarettes.
- Def. then took her back to Creekside MHP.
- Gripper stated that she went with him at some point to Detroit to Teresa's parents house so that def. could get a gun. Def. said that he needed it for protection. They drove Teresa's Mercury. Stated that the gun belonged to Teresa, she gave it to her dad before she was deployed.
- Gripper said that this happened about a week and a half before they rented the car.
- Gripper stated at one point Teresa called def. and told him that she knew that he had taken a lot of money out of her bank account at Bank of America (several thousand dollars). Said that def. told her that he would rob a bank if necessary to pay the money back.
- Gripper stated that a cousin Laticia Gilmore took several trips back and forth to Ala. with def. to buy drugs. They would come back and sell them. Gripper stated that she used to live at [REDACTED]
- Gripper stated that Davis told her that def. threatened to kill him if he didn't go with him to Ala.
- She stated that she found the K-Mart receipt on the floor in defs. room at [REDACTED]
- She stated that rumor was that def. had g/f in West Cola with a child. Also a child by a g/f in Texas.
- She stated that Ron abused Teresa. He once pushed her off of a balcony and once put a gun to her head. She stated that he also abused B [REDACTED]

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Interview with Ed Brown:

- Was a first shift supervisor for Wackenhut.
- Worked with them from 98-05
- Bank's supervisor called (w) from plant
- (w) responded to the scene, saw that area was roped off.
- Talked with investigators on scene about the victim.
- Cleared to go inside, needed him to enter and help with videos.
- ADT installed the camera systems
- Darrell Smith helped with software and computer systems. He was manager at plant.
- They took a two week training course on the software and computer systems.
- Stated that some of the equipment was damaged by the fire. Need to re-wire.
- He scanned back to the time that L/E gave him, he thinks an hour before 911 call.
- He, Darrell Smith, and L/E were in room.
- Through video and L/E intel- police knew who suspect was.
- Pulled defs. Photo from computer. Was told to run Ron Finklea thru system.
- Def. hurt himself somehow. That is how (w) knew him. Said he saw him when he would come to work and asked about how his injury and workout was coming along.
- Def. worked in shipping area. Spoke with him occasionally when (w) was making his rounds.
- (w)-there was no question that the person he saw on video was def.
- Not-real-sure who may have taken the defs. Photo-for badge.
- Darrell told (w) what specific camera angles to pull for L/E.
- Made copy on 3.5 disk gave to Darrell to give to L/E.
- Someone, poss other sec. officers were talking about the inc. the night before.
- Pulled up night before, doesn't know if he or Banks made copy for L/E.
- 2 disks 1 day of inc. the other, night before.
- Recognized def. from that tape as well.
- Remembers one day while def was coming in to work, ATM worker was re-stocking the machine, had door open to ATM. Def. was staring at what was going on. Could not see that inside door had safe door attached. May have thought that once you get the outer door open, you could get straight to the money. (W) did not like this and moved def along. Later changed the procedure so that ATM worker would re-stock that machine in the security office.
- They were talking about other things, def was not paying attention to him, paying attention to the ATM worker.
- ATM was not bolted to floor or wall.
- Talked with def numerous times (over 20) knew that he was the one on the videos that he copied.
- He printed off copy of ID badge.
- Week prior to inc. saw the def. on tape coming in on (v) shift to use ATM. Did not know if he actually used the machine.

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Interview with Ed Brown:

- He stated that he recognized the def from the video but did not know him by name. once he pulled up the ID photo he realized who it was.
- When the ATM service man was putting money in the machine, several people were standing around curiously watching including the def. Brown did not like this and made sure that this did not happen again. He said that the man usually came about 9:30 but this week he came at 11:00 when everyone was taking a break or going to lunch.
- He stated that John Leapart may have been the Solelectron supervisor for def.
- He stated that Banks may have found the clip where def. was at I/L during shift with vict.
- He stated that Banks showed him several clips where def. was on scene.
- Brown was shown copies of videos that he copied from the system and gave to Darrell Smith to give to L/E. He id'ed these as the ones he made.
- He was asked if you ever have to calibrate the date and time on the computer. He stated that the computer does this automatically.
- He stated that he recognized the def. from the video from the previous night.

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Robert Fuller Conference Call

- B█████ A█████, Teresa's son, had been living with him for a couple of months prior to incident.
- Robin & Finklea, sometime during the summer, pulls up at his house to get gun. He didn't know why he wanted the gun.
- He was in Teresa's car.
- Fuller was surprised to see Finklea. They didn't have much of a conversation. Finklea was there for about 20 mins. He just wanted the gun.
- The handgun belonged to Teresa. Ron & Teresa was in an argument, so Mr. Fuller took the gun from Teresa. This happened just before she re-enlisted into the Army.
- Mr. Fuller still lives at the same address.
- Ron & Teresa lived with Fuller before moving to SC.
- Teresa's gun was black.
- Mr. Fuller never said anything to anybody, but he had always wondered "Why would you drive 750 miles for a gun which takes about 12 to 14 hours to get here."
- The first time he heard about the incident was when the Sheriff came by his residence in the early hrs of the morning with a weird note.
- He received letter mailed to Brandon, at his residence, that Fuller opened and read, but didn't let Brandon read it. Mr. Fuller normally opens B█████'s mail. ~~Fuller owns a fax machine.~~ After thinking about it, he remembered faxing the letter to the Sheriff's department, then the Sheriff's Department came by his house.
- B█████'s relationship to Finklea
 - Lived with Finklea before
 - He was 15 yoa
 - B█████ moved back home to Fuller's residence
 - Never any abuse or neglect
 - B█████ never talks about Finklea

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Interview with Leticia Gilmore and Marissa Casey:

- Finklea was very mean to Jr. (Davis)
- Jr. seemed to have mental problems (was slow).
- Finklea was in to nice cars and spent a lot of money. He would go to Bank of America and withdraw a lot of cash.
- He bought cars for girlfriends, talked about sex and beating up people. Always threatened people.
- They went to Alabama with him to get weed and cocaine in rental cars.
- On one trip Finklea threatened to shoot Casey and set her on fire.
- Casey laughed, but no one else did.
- He talked about all of his drug dealing, girlfriends, babies, bragging, spending a lot of money.
- Gilmore thought that Robin Gripper and Davis were involved in murder. She did not know of anyone who would tell us this.
- Finklea had people selling drugs for him.
- Got a boy from Columbia Gardens to come over and help cook up crack. He was not a good businessman with dealing drugs or details.
- Provided names of drug associates in Alabama.
- Never saw him with a gun.

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Interview with Angel Peters.

- She worked for Wackenhut for 21 1/2 years mainly at Solelectron.
- She was a third shift supervisor, (v) was also a supervisor.
- She stated that she was working on the "A" side of the plant the night before the murder. Pressley was working on the "B" side.
- People had come in and out throughout the night. She then locked the outer doors.
- She stated that she saw the def. come up in a mustang park in the middle of the lot and come to the building.
- She stated that he had his wallet in his hand told her that he wanted to use the ATM.
- She stated that it was not uncommon for people to come up to use the machine. She said that the ATM was between the two doors and this was a common area.
- The door to the security office was keyed. She stated that it usually stayed propped open unless it was winter time.
- She told the def. that the ATM was not working due to the weather.
- He asked when it would be fixed - "tomorrow"?
- She said that he turned and left, but when she got back to the security office she noticed on the cameras that he was coming back towards the building.
- Said that he asked if they were hiring, she went to get a flyer but could not find one, gave him the number for Kelley Services.
- He asked: how do you watch all of those camera, are you alone, is anybody else in the building, how many people work here.
- Pressley was pulling around in her car and he saw her lights. He turned and left.
- Told Pressley that she felt bad (sick) something was wrong with that guy. Pressley stated that he was looking at her and did not want to leave.
- Miss Bryant (worked second shift with (v) said that the def had come there once before wanting to visit someone in the plant. She was pregnant at the time. Happened maybe a week before incident.
- Peters remembered the def's face and picked him out.
- Sykes was a wonderful man, stern, retired military, no foolishness, said what he needed to say.
- She stated that she had never had feeling like this before. She just knew that something was wrong. Felt bad the next morning when she got off. Sensed that something bad (tragedy) was going to happen.
- Found out about the incident the next morning when she got a call from Pressley at I/L. Peake told her to come back to I/L. Something had happened to (v).
- Came back and picked def. out of lineup #3. He may have had a cap on.

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Interview with Saneakia Greene.

- She was going to drop her baby off at the baby's daddy's house. Marcus Wilson who committed suicide lived on [REDACTED]
- She saw a white mustang with Fla tags twice, once coming and once going. Had a spoiler kit on the back. Said she saw it in the morning.
- She lives at the same address now as she did then.
- Noticed the car because it looked nice.
- She did not know the people who lived at the address.
- She was questioned on Saturday and gave statement.
- Wanda Wilson, Marcus' wife may still live at address. She may have been on vacation in Myrtle Beach when this happened.

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Interview with James Banks:

- Supervisor at Solectron for Wackenhut. Was there from the beginning.
- Banks was involved with the security set up and procedures at plant. It was designed to keep non employees out and employees honest.
- There was constant communication problem with Kelly concerning terminated employees.
- Kelly Services would sometimes terminate employees over the phone, hard to get the ID badges back.
- Banks stated that security was never notified that Def. was terminated.
- Banks knew def., he was hired thru Kelly, spoke to him, knew he was in military and so was his wife. Def. said he was inactive.
- He stated that he could not make alterations to the videos stored on the hard drive. He could start and stop it, but what ever was on there could not be manipulated.
- He stated that the cameras were set up to come on after motion was detected. Stated that he found out about the def. being there the night before sometime after the incident.

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Interview with Sherry Bolin and Irena Fuller:

- Ron and Teresa lived with them for a while.
- In 2002, Ron drained Teresa's bank account while she was in Iraq.
- Ron was dating another woman in 2003.
- Ron was a con man, bragged about condo's, money, cars, investments he had and flying to different locations including Barbados. He really flew to Texas to see his girlfriend.
- He worked briefly at Solelectron.
- Davis was easily intimidated and a follower. Finklea told him what to do and put Davis down in front of people.
- Bolin and Fuller were at home when Ron rented the car. Ron said he was going to the airport to rent a car to go to Alabama. He was coming into some money or a package.
- Robin Gripper wanted beer and cigarettes so she went with Ron. They were in Teresa's Mercury Tracer.
- They came back in a white car with Florida tags. Robin got out and Ron spun off from the front yard.
- They could not see anyone else in the car. Ron never came back.
- They viewed the airport video and identified Finklea and Davis. They also identified Finklea from the ATM video and photographs.
- They also identified the white army hat and orange Ralph Lauren shirt as Finklea's which he wore all the time.
- Finklea told them he was going to Detroit to get Teresa's gun.
- Teresa was upset with Finklea because of his girlfriends and spending her money.
- She told Finklea if he kept spending her money it was over when she got back from Iraq.
- After hearing about the murder, they went to Finklea's home to find Teresa's number to get in touch with her. They found a K-Mart receipt and a box of gloves which they turned over to the police.
- Finklea never said that he was going back into the military. He bragged about being "the biggest drug dope dealer around".
- He rented cars from the airport.

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Interview with John Leaphart:

- Has worked at Solelectron for 7 years.
- Was the shipping team leader at the time. Now Shipping manager.
- Had about 10 people working under him at the time. App. 4 were Sol. Employees and 6 were Kelley Services.
- Shipping was in charge of packing and loading computer components for co.
- The def. worked there through Kelley anywhere from 3 months to a year. Not sure because so many temps would come and go.
- Def. always mentioned wife who was deployed in Iraq. Also spoke about his brother in law who he lived with.
- He bragged about having a house in NC and an SUV with a TV and having a lot of money coming in. "what ever you had he had it better"
- On one occasion the def had a verbal altercation with Jonathan Peoples, another temp employee. He talked about getting a hammer and hitting Peoples in the head with it.
- Leaphart remembers the ATM in the foyer. He said that he remembered passing it on at least one occasion where the techs were working on it and one time when they were re filling it with money.
- He remembers leaving at around 7:00pm on several occasions and seeing the def talking with the victim at the security office.
- He said that the victim was always very friendly, only talked with him at work.
- He said that the def was out of work for 2 days and he called Kelley Services to see what was going on. He said that the def. called him and said that he was in Alabama because his brother had been hit by a call "his guts were all over the road" "he was going to be alright. Def had to help or be there for his mother. Kelley Services terminated the def.
- He stated that it was a common practice for employees to use the ATM on or off duty. He did it several times and showed his ID badge to the security officer to be let in.
- Nothing remarkable about the def's clothes. He did wear a brace on his leg when he wore shorts. Said that he injured it playing on the Army basketball team.

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George Brothers Interview

- He was the first one to go into the rest of the Solelectron building, with blood hounds, to make sure that no other "bad guys."
- They went around the back and side of the bldg. with the blood hounds. The blood hounds did not pick up on any scent.
- He did not go into the computer room area until it had already been processed.
- He remembers seeing the card on the ground, but he was not the first person to find it.

4 Wheelers

- He did a 4 wheeler report.
- They spent more that one day looking for a gas can. They went on all of the access/off roads.

Alabama

- He went w/ Duane, Scottie, & Mike to Alabama. Duane & Scottie went has detectives, Mike went as the Crime Scene Investigator, and he went to make sure that he didn't get away.
- Scottie and Duane talked with the defendants.
- Either Scottie or Duane rode with him. He drove the Tahoe. He thinks that Davis might have been the one that rode back with him, but wasn't sure.
- He did not do a report about the trip to AL.
- He only went to AL one time.

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Dale Cook

Cook is former employee of Fort Jackson Federal Credit Union (now All South).

He is currently retired. Does carpentry / handyman work when he feels like it.

Worked as Security Officer for Lexington State Bank and then BB&T for 29 ½ years (1969 – 1999). Retired and didn't work for couple of years.

Began working for Ft. Jackson Fed. Credit Union about 1 year before incident.

Was the ATM Manager. No security responsibilities. He had subordinates who were responsible for going to the various ATM's and balancing the money and tapes. He was also responsible for installing ATM's. ATM transactions around the world were charged to accounts at Ft. Jackson.

Free standing ATM at Solelectron. Consisted of a safe with thin metal cover. Top portion for mechanics / software.

Was called in to retrieve the ATM video for police. Doesn't recall much about the day or time – but cops were on the scene. (Had to be Saturday, 8/2/03. Dealt with Traci Barr.

He opened up the ATM and retrieved 2 items:

1. VHS tape
2. Diskette which was the software used to balance \$ in machine.

Barr was present. He turned both items over to her.

He noted that both the tape and the diskette smelled like gasoline.

He never saw or reviewed the video of the incident.

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Interview with Betty Peoples and Rosa Finklea:

- Betty works @ David's Catfish House (10yrs) usually there when def would come into town.
- When he came after inc. he looked pale in the face, did not tell her what was wrong, she did not ask.
- Theodore was with him. Had come with him once before.
- Said she had raised him the best she could. Always with mom or g/m.
- Some of Theodore's family called looking for him, then Teresa called from Iraq and wanted to know what was going on.
- SC law enforcement called wanting to know if they were there.
- Randal Jernigan called from MCSO (very close with Johnnie and Rosa) said that something had happened in SC and if they were here they needed to turn themselves in.
- Said that the def never said anything about the case, was very cooperative with local police.
- Monroeville HS, no problems, no discipline, always studying. Involve in school and church.
- Never gave any problems to mom or grandmom growing up.
- Always real good judgement, knowing right from wrong.
- Born in DC, moved here when he was 6 or 7. Betty then married Charlie.
- Growing up, def. lived in Franklin.
- Def. has younger brother, named C [REDACTED] and older sister named C [REDACTED]
- Curtis was into sports, Chanela like def was into books.
- Def. got out of army for surgery on knees. Was supposed to go back into service in September.
- Search warrant on house on limestone. Didn't know anything about gun or clothes in gulley.
- Sorry for victims family.

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Interview with Charlie Peoples:

- Betty got her stuff and moved out while I was at work yesterday. She has done this before. Will try and get her to call me if he can get in touch with her.
- Def was stepson. He married Betty when def was just a few years old.
- Def. was never in trouble. Never problems at school (Monroeville H.S.)
- Didn't play ball, always had his head in the books.
- Got out of school and went into the army. Came to see them when he was on leave.
- Came by to see them before inc. maybe in July.
- Doesn't know why he would do this. "must have gotten mixed up into drugs".

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Telephone Interview with Cherena Roland:

- Finklea said his mother was in to roots and wacky religion. He knew about it but did not practice it.
- Finklea has written her on at least occasions since this happened.
- She was about to let R ■ Jr. go stay with Finklea before incident.
- He was partying a lot at this time.
- He was supposedly paying her with disability checks.
- She said last contact with def. was July of 2003 by phone. He talked about trying to do the right thing. She said she may have told him not to worry about the money.
- He insisted he wanted to pay her back.
- She just wanted Finklea to be consistent and be active in Jr's life.

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Ms. Cruz-Spiritual Adviser

July 2, 2007

Officer Pedro Veda Gwynette County Schools [REDACTED] O [REDACTED] C

Off I-85 south at Commerce Ga. Exit (near outlet malls) in Banks County

Go to top of ramp and turn right. At first or second light, take a left and look for a shack behind buildings, grey...

I-20 at exit 82-84 off Access Road. Rachael Cruz 2850 Dogwood Drive Conyers
Ga. 770-922-2555. Rockdale County Major Greg Winds [REDACTED]

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September 27, 2006

Mrs. Cherena Roland
1736 Meyers Street
Tacoma, Washington 98465



Re: Ron O. Finklea

Dear Cherena:

As you know I was in Seattle last week on business. I am sorry we could not meet. I would have liked to talk to you personally about Ron and his situation. I would like to have you testify on his behalf at his upcoming trial.

The trial is scheduled to begin on February 26, 2007. It is unlikely that you would be called as a witness until the next week.

If you cannot afford to fly to Columbia on your own, I can ask the State of South Carolina to pay for your roundtrip ticket as well as for you to spend the night and possibly your meals.

I respect your opinion regarding the non-involvement of R. [redacted] Jr. in this case. It has never been nor never will be my intention to harm R. [redacted] Jr. I have discussed this with Ron and he is in accord.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me. I look forward to seeing you at the trial.

Sincerely,

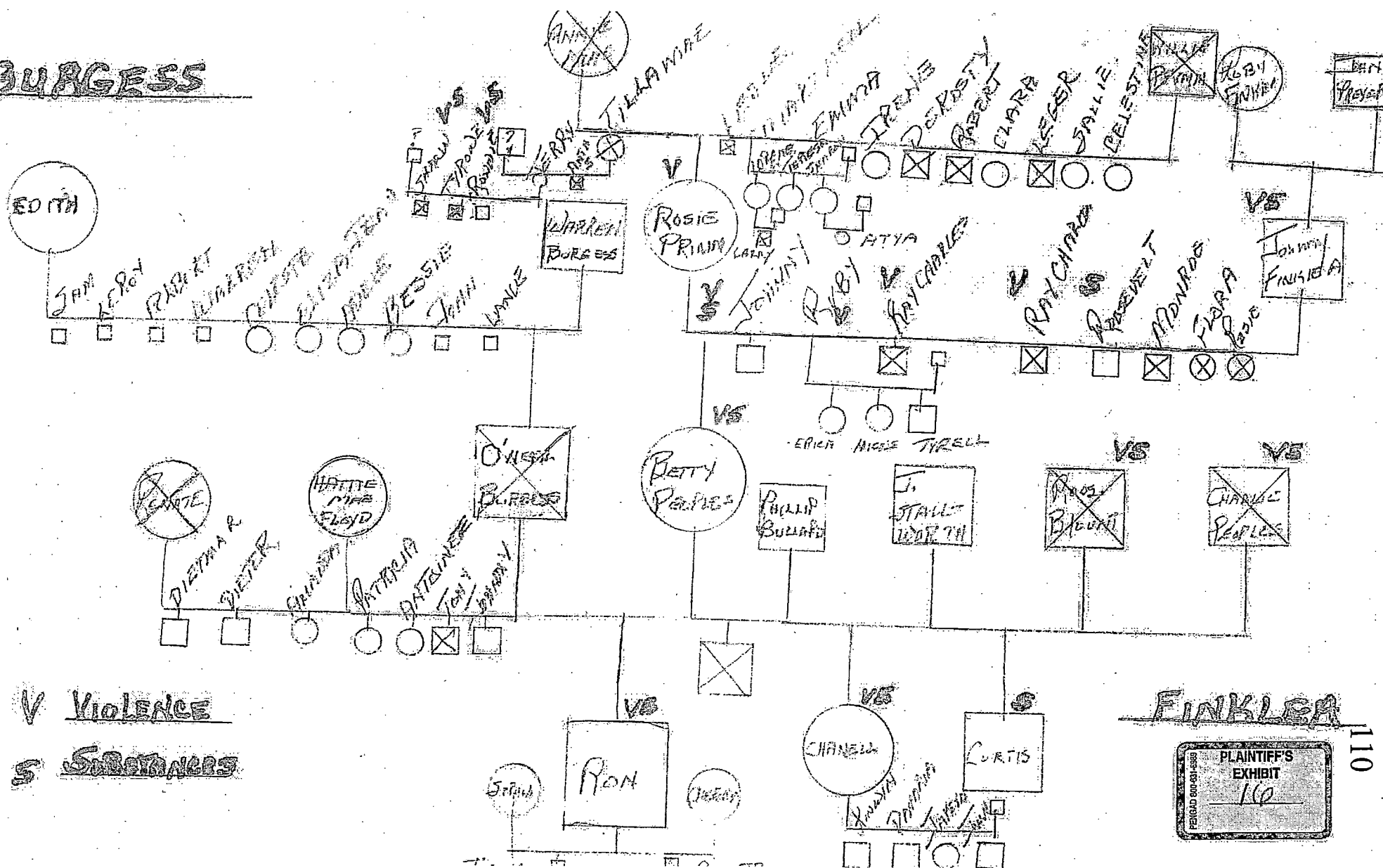
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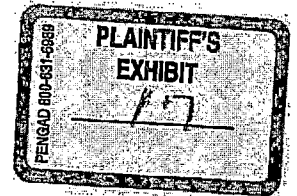
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/SRS

CC: Lisa Kimbrough, Esquire

BUAGESS





PHYSICAL ABUSE OF RON BY HIS MOTHER BETTY PEOPLES

- Betty would beat Ron for wetting the bed.
- Betty tied a rubber band around Ron's penis at night to keep him from wetting bed.
- Betty duct taped a milk jug to Ron's penis to keep him from wetting the bed.
- Betty put Ron in baths of ice cold water to keep him from wetting the bed.
- Betty would wake in the middle of the night and beat Ron for no reason at all.
- Betty made Ron sleep naked in the bathtub.
- Betty used extension cords, water hoses, clotheshangers, belts and switches.
- Betty beat Ron at school in front of the other kids.
- Ron got more beatings than the other kids even when he wasn't involved.
- Betty beat Ron for things his sister and brother did. She treated Ron like a dog, like a zero.
- Betty would put Ron out of the house in the middle of the night in the pouring down rain.
- Betty would grab Ron in his genitalia both inside and outside his clothing.

Psychological Battering of Children

REJECTION

- Never shown affection or love by mother
- Father not involved in his life
- Favored his sister and brother
- Told he was no good like his father
- Called degrading names



IGNORING

- Denied opportunities to explore relationships
- Denied opportunities to participate in spelling contests
- Feelings and emotions neglected
- Physical needs neglected

TERRORISM

- Threatened with guns
- Mother threatened to beat him with baseball bat
- Mother threatened to cut penis off
- Threatened beatings if Ron told anyone about his mother

ISOLATION

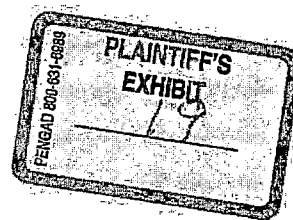
- Forced to stay at home and sell substances
- Isolated from opportunities to have girlfriends
- Held captive to his mother's control and demands
- Made to feel ugly and stupid from mother's name-calling
- Locked in closets

CORRUPTION

- Forced to sell alcohol at young age
- Forced to bring clients to mother's business
- Male figures participated in illegal business
- Mother profited from illegal business
- Community involved in drugs, violence, sex for hire

THE DEVELOPMENT OF RESILIENCE IN CHILDHOOD

- Unconditional physical and emotional love and verbal affection
- Using soothing words to calm and comfort and teach a child to calm himself
- Enforcing rules without belittling, harming or rejecting
- Modeling behavior that communicates confidence, optimism and results
- Praise for accomplishments
- Encourage to be independent
- Label feelings and help child to recognize feelings
- Use language that helps a child face adversity
- Preparation for adverse situations
- Teach how to problem-solve and to reconcile
- Provide comfort and encouragement in stressful situations
- Provide a stable environment
- Help to manage feelings and impulses

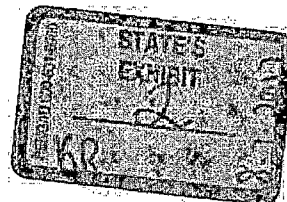


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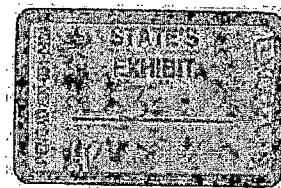
- LACK OF GUIDANCE AND MENTAL HEALTH INTERVENTION
- DIVORCE AND SEPARATION
- MULTIPLE MOVES
- ABUSE
- ABANDONMENT
- HOMELESSNESS
- DISABLED FAMILY MEMBER
- IMMIGRANT STATUS
- LACK OF ROLE MODELS
- GROWS UP WITNESSING VIOLENCE
- LACK OF CONSISTENT CARE-GIVING
- INABILITY TO TRUST
- WORRY ABOUT VIOLENCE IN THE HOME
- IMPAIRED COGNITIVE FUNCTIONING
- INABILITY TO DEAL WITH AGGRESSIVE FEELINGS
- REPRESSION OF FEELINGS
- SENSE OF HELPLESSNESS
- POOR PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS

ISSUES

- ① DETAIL - PREGNANCY - TROUBLE W/
MOTHER
- ② LEARNING DISABILITY
- ③ SCHOOL RECORDS
- ④ IQ
- ⑤ WITNESS - PHYSICAL ABUSE
- ⑥ SIGNIFICANT - CHILD HOOD
PROBLEMS
- ⑦ OVERALL HEALTH + MENTAL
MOTHER + (FATHER
UNKNOWN?)
- ⑧ PSY CARE
- ⑨ MENTAL CARE
- ⑩ DSS - NO
- ⑪ PSYCHOLOGIST - INTERACTION
- ⑫ TREATMENT - DEPRESSION



- (13) MEDICATIONS TAKEN BY (CLIENT RON FINKLEA) + FAMILY MEMBERS
- (14) SUBSTANCE ABUSE (CLIENT - RON FINKLEA) - FAMILY
- (15) FATHER? > MENTAL HISTORY
MOTHER
- (16) LIVING CONDITIONS - ALABAMA
- HOUSE - TRAILER - DESTROYED BY
HURRICANE -
- (17) PRIOR CRIMINAL HISTORY -
FAMILY MEMBERS.
- (18) ABUSE - BY FAMILY
BY SIBLINGS



Information Services LLC

PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS

Lisa & Carolyn,

These are my unedited notes of two interviews with Ron; one with Teresa Finklea and one with Cherena Roland. I want to assure that you have all this information. Call if you have any questions.

Dave

TUESDAY AUGUST 19, 2003

1:30 pm

I met alone with Ron O. Finklea at the Lexington County Detention Center. His family history from high school was obtained.

Ron graduated from Monroe High School in Monroeville, Alabama in 1991. He joined the U.S. Army and left on June 11, 1991. On July 30, 1999 Ron married Teresa Fuller Anderson in Fayetteville, N.C. Teresa has two children [B. [REDACTED] A. [REDACTED] now age 16 and A. [REDACTED] A. [REDACTED] She is now 10 years old]. He left the Army on April 25, 2002 on a temporary medical retirement due to a physical injury. If he does not appear before a re-evaluation board in September 2003 his retirement pay will cease. He was discharged in Europe. He flew back to the states. He visited friends in Texas for a couple of weeks before joining Teresa and her family in Michigan. Ron took a job at Sams in Ypsilanti, MI in May 2002. He was a stocker. He left that job in August 2002 and moved, with Teresa, to Mobile, Alabama where they lived with his mother and stepfather. A week later Teresa and the kids moved to South Carolina so the kids could enroll in school. B. [REDACTED] entered Airport H.S. Ron is not sure which school A. [REDACTED] attended. Ron remained in Alabama for a while and worked as a supervisor on a cleaning crew. In October 2002 Ron moved to S.C. By Thanksgiving Ron, Teresa and the kids had moved into [REDACTED] Road, St. Matthews. Ron took a job in the warehouse at Shealy Electric where he stayed about three months. He left in February 2003 and was out of work a while before starting at Solectron in March 2003. He worked in the warehouse. By the end of June 2003 he had left Solectron. Ron planned to go back to school and return to active duty in the Army in September 2003. At this point he had no car and began hanging around with Theodore Davis, the half brother (common mother) of Teresa, his wife. Davis is supposed to have an extensive criminal history. Davis came to live with Teresa and Ron in June 2003. Davis has a reputation for drugs and trouble. Ron says he was helping Davis find a job.

Ron and Teresa had accumulated a large amount of money that, Ron says, came from work and saving. We did not discuss details or expenses. *[Teresa has spent some time in Iraq and may have received additional money. Ron was getting in excess of Nine Hundred Dollars (\$900.00) per month from the Army.]* Ron decided to invest between twenty and Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000 - \$30,000) with some guys he met playing basketball in Columbia. They were looking for investors to restart their drugs business. He knows them only as "Big L"; "Simp" and "Little Rob". Ron got little or no return on his "investment". He was worried about what Teresa would say when she found out the money was gone. He was desperate for \$\$\$. Ron hatched the idea of

taking off the ATM at Solelectron. Ron did not plan to shoot the security guard only hit him over the head to knock him out. He does not know why (or could not tell me) why he shot the guard. Davis was supposed to do what he was told. When they got to the ATM they realized there was a safe within and they could not get the money. They headed for Alabama. He and Davis committed no other criminal acts before or after Solelectron. He has little recollection of the trip to Alabama or what he did while he was there. He stayed inside a lot and visited friends. He checked his home messages and found one from a female asking him to contact the Lexington County Sheriffs Office. This was the first notice he had that they were looking for him. He does not recall the arrest. He does not recall how he got back to South Carolina. He does not know what became of the gun. He does not believe he made any statement to the police. *Ron has hazy recollections of this incident from shortly before arriving at Solelectron and returning to jail after the suicide attempt. He appears to have his full faculties this date. He appears to fully understand his situation and was able to provide a lot of detail other than the incident its self and a few days afterward. It seems to me he is "blacking out" a traumatic incident, which is why he cannot provide full details. I do not believe he is lying.*

In 1999 or 2000 Ron bought a 9mm Millenium at a pawnshop on Yadkin Road, in Fayetteville, NC. He does not know where the gun is now.

The car Ron was using at the time of the incident was a rental in his name.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2003

2:45 PM

Met with Ron this date and time at the LCDC. He relayed the following after being asked. He did not seem disturbed by my bringing up the subject. Regarding his first wife he identified her as CHERENA L. ROLAND of [REDACTED] Street, Tacoma, WA 98404.

Ron has written her and will let her know I will be in touch. He believes she will cooperate. He says there is nothing negative in their relation ship that will haunt him. He related the chronology of their relationship.

- Cherena is from Tacoma where they met and married in 1992 – 93.
- Ron was stationed at Fort Lewis at the time.
- There were no police reports or problems to report to the police.
- Shortly after they married Ron was transferred to Ft. Polk. Cherena went with him.
- They were at Polk for about two years and lived on post. No police problems.
- R [REDACTED] Jr. was born to them on [REDACTED] 1994.
- When Ron was transferred to Panama Cherena went back to Tacoma.
- Ron was in Panama for two years.
- Ron and Cherena divorced in Washington State in 1998 on Incompatibility grounds.
- Ron was stationed at Ft. Bragg after Panama.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 2003

Steve Soltis and I met with Teresa Finklea this date at Soltis' office. She related the following:

- She will leave tomorrow for Iraq. She has been there since Feb '03.
- Her brother is Theodore Davis, Jr. "junior" and he has a record.
- He is suspected of smoking crack and marijuana.

- Ron may have been taking Amitriptyn & Ambien.
- She met Ron in the Army and has known him 5 years.
- Her sister "Neese" (Irena Fuller [REDACTED]) may know about Junior and his crack.
- She did not know Junior and Ron were living together.
- LCSO (Peake) had her car and will not release it to her.
- She owned a 9mm which Ron was supposed to have picked up in Michigan (from her father) and brought back to SC. He did not pick it up.
- Robert Fuller is her father, [REDACTED]
- Ron rented cars frequently from Budget. We need records Steve says.
- LCSO searched Finklea's storage locker in St. Mathews and took her laptop and Ron's military papers.
- Robin Gripper is her sister. They are at odds. Robin may know live at the [REDACTED] Road address. She may have provided police with information on Ron and family.
- Ron has one son, R [REDACTED] F [REDACTED] Jr. living with his mother (Ron's ex-wife) in Tacoma, Washington.
- Tom Tate, the Sheriff in Alabama, knows the Finklea family.
- Ron "treated me rotten" she said. He would have flowers on her desk. He was great with her kids.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2004

NOON

While in Washington State I met with Cherena Roland, the ex-wife of Ron Finklea and the mother of his 10 year old son. This appointment was scheduled during a telephone conversation I had with her on Saturday September 11, 2004. The letter I mailed her at [REDACTED] Street, Tacoma, WA was never received by her. This is her mother's home. She says her mother probably tossed it in a drawer.

My SC PI identification was presented and she was given a business card. Her husband, Eric Roland, was present during my introduction but did not stay in the room for the entire interview. It was explained to both that I was working with the attorney representing Ron Finklea. I was working "for" Ron not "against him". They indicated their understanding. They live at [REDACTED] Street, Tacoma, Washington 98465 where the interview was conducted.

Cherena provided the following background information during the interview.

- She is now 28 years old and married to Eric Roland.
- R [REDACTED] F [REDACTED] Jr. is her son with Ron Finklea, Sr.
- The son, known as "Junior" is now 10 years old.
- Cherena was 15 years old when she met Ron Finklea at a mall in Tacoma, Washington.
- Ron was 18 and in the Army at Fort Lewis.
- They married in Tacoma when she was 16. Her mother signed for her.
- Cherena now sees this as a means of getting out of her parents home.
- Ron and Cherena lived with her parents.
- In 1994 Ron was assigned to Fort Polk. LA. They moved there and lived on post.
- Ron, Jr. was born there.
- Cherena says they had "lots of fights" and "personality disputes". She recalled only one physical confrontation. Cherena was hitting Ron and he pushed her back and then

grabbed her neck. He did not hurt her nor were there any bruises or marks. Cherena says this was the only physical assault between them. They never sought nor received counseling. The police were not called.

- The police were never called and no police reports ever taken about any dispute or disagreement they had.
- They were at Fort Polk for two years before Ron was sent to Panama.
- Cherena returned to Tacoma with R ■■■ Jr. She had decided she no longer wanted to be married to him.
- In 1998 Cherena filed for divorce in Lincoln County, WA.
- They were divorced on the grounds of "Irreconcilable Differences".
- Ron was ordered to pay \$490.00 per month in child support.
- Ron would pay for a while, stop and then start again.
- Cherena arranged for an allotment from his Army check. Ron would cancel it.
- At the time of arrest he was catching up on \$17,000.00 in arrearages.
- R ■■■, Jr. was five years old the last time Ron (Sr.) saw him.
- Ron was a Mason while they lived in Louisiana and attended lodge meetings regularly.
- While they were together Ron was a responsible person.
- Ron has no history of drinking, drugs or arrests to the best of her knowledge.
- She mentioned an incident she termed "inappropriate behavior" between Ron and another woman. The female was in their apartment when Cherena arrived home and she was concerned. There was no adultery and Cherena denies Ron ever "*cheated*" on her.
- Ron has never been arrested (*prior to this charge*) to the best of her knowledge.

Cherena had some interesting knowledge about Ron's childhood. She told of Ron not having a father at home and his mother being abusive and strange. When he was a child Ron was in the yard and his mother shot a gun at him to make him do something. The mother also believes in voodoo and casts spells on people. His mother has berated Ron in front of Cherena and others including a time the mother said to Ron "*Come here you black motherfucker*".

Cherena recalled a time when R ■■■ Jr. was two years old and spending the summer in Alabama with his father, Ron, Sr. Cherena got a call to come and get Jr. since Ron had been called back to Fort Bragg. When Cherena got to Alabama, from Tacoma, she was left stranded at the mother's rural home with no car or transportation. Ron's mother, grandmother of Jr., refused to drive Cherena to the airport. She said she had to go to work. Cherena and Jr. ended up walking to town and relying on good Samaritans and the local police to get them to the airport.

Cherena is a 28 year old woman presently married to Eric Roland. They have no children together but Eric treats "Jr." as his own. I noticed a homemade "Happy Fathers Day" card in the living room. Cherena confirmed Jr. made it for Eric. While he did not disclose his age I would estimate Eric, a well groomed, well spoken black man, is in his early 30's. They live in a nice home in a residential area of Tacoma, Washington. Jr. attends school in the area. Eric is a professional in the computer field and Cherena works for a lending institution and has a second job as a directory assistance operator supervisor. Eric is sympathetic to Ron's plight and raised no objections to me about Cherena assisting with Ron's defense. He and Ron have communicated and get along well.

Cherena is an attractive, well spoken young woman. She is of Korean and Scandinavian descent and is from the Tacoma area. She obtained her GED while married to Ron.

At present Cherena, Eric and Jr. are in counseling due to corporal punishment administered to Jr. by Eric. She denies it was excessive but the school called the police and Eric was arrested. The family is in what appears to be a diversionary program. No charges were made against Cherena. Jr. is apparently upset and blames himself for Eric being arrested. Jr. is not eating. Jr. does not know any of the details of Ron's charges. It is unclear if he knows his father has been arrested. While I did not meet Jr. I did obtain photographs of him for Ron and for our use.

Cherena stated she is willing to come to South Carolina to testify in this matter. She has no direct knowledge of the crime or the incidents surrounding it. Her information comes from news sources on the internet. I explained that we would cover the cost of her flight to SC if needed.

With Cherena and Eric present I explained her right to talk with whomever she wished about Ron and their relationship. I made it imminently clear she could talk with *anyone* or *no one*, including me. Cherena voiced her willingness to tell anyone what she told me about Ron. She and Eric remain cooperative and supportive of Ron, Sr.

