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STEVE: Hello?

DICK: Hello, Steve?

STEVE: Yes.

DICK: Yeah, yeah, Dick. How you doing?

STEVE: All right. How, I, I did find out that Ollie has an attorney as does Kathy and at this point, you know, their legal needs are being well represented and both are being treated as material witnesses. Of course, we already knew that, and they're going to have a bond hearing.

STEVE: Okay.

DICK: At this point or at least as far as I know or have been able to find out there are no other criminal charges pending. So that's kind of where that is.

STEVE: Okay. Was he interrogated without an attorney?

DICK: He was interviewed. He was Mirandized, you know, advised of his rights as, you know, set forth a standard form and he was interviewed. And then --

STEVE: Who was he interviewed by?

DICK: By the Texas Rangers. Now, that was -- you know, I think I'd already left, you know, but I know he was interviewed by the Rangers and I, I was gone by then.

STEVE: Okay. You had, you had said
something to me earlier about the part of the Texas
Rangers I believe didn't you?

DICK: Right.

STEVE: What was that again? I can't really
-- I don't recall.

DICK: Right. Well, I think we had talked
about the crime scene and, and the property or land --

STEVE: Okay.

DICK: -- being returned back and they would
have to conduct a crime scene and, you know --

STEVE: What are the Texas Rangers really
like, I mean, in relation to a Sheriff's Department or
relation to federal agencies?

DICK: Well, they're the state -- they
represent the State of Texas and they are their --

STEVE: Are they like --

DICK: -- criminal investigators.

STEVE: Are they more like other states
would have your state police maybe or --

DICK: Yes. They're, they're the
investigative branch of the state police --

STEVE: I see.

DICK: -- Texas Department of Public Safety,
right. Right.

STEVE: I went and peeked in to see David.

DICK: Uh-huh.

STEVE: And the only thing he said -- he
only gave me one word. He said electricity.
DICK: I see.

STEVE: That's, that's all he said to me.

DICK: Okay. All right. Well, I, I wanted to, you know, mention again our offer of medical treatment and I know, you know, it's, it's not acceptable to you at this time so but I, I did want to mention that and throw that back out.

STEVE: Well, remember when you say, when you say you you're talking about the individuals because it's their choice --

DICK: Yes.

STEVE: -- not mine.

DICK: Certainly, certainly, certainly.

STEVE: So in other words you took the issues that you and I discussed and about like Ron Engleman with his offer and about the Red Cross and so forth, you took that to them and it's no issue?

DICK: That's correct.

STEVE: Okay.

DICK: Right.

STEVE: I'll pass that on to them.

DICK: Okay.

STEVE: And let's see, so -- and Ollie, we never got to hear his voice so I'll pass that on also even though that was part of what John -- second John, John Dolan and I had spoke about which was assured to me. So I'll pass that on also.

DICK: Yeah, my understanding is, Steve,
that he's in court now or having a bond hearing as we speak.

STEVE: Okay. Well, just so -- remember that part of it was that he was to call back here.

DICK: Okay. I -- yeah, I'm, I'm, I'm not aware of that or I don't remember that.

STEVE: Yeah, right. Well, it's for Kathy which she did do and that's what helped a lot with Ollie going yesterday.

DICK: Oh, I -- oh.

STEVE: So see, the next three were going to go out very rapidly also. I mean, the thing that really shocked David and myself last night was we thought -- and it was like this thing was starting to roll and --

DICK: Well, Kathy -- you know, I think we pretty held up our bargain as far as Kathy was concerned. That was my understanding, that it was for, you know, the call back and, and --

STEVE: And that was true for Ollie.

DICK: -- for Kathy. Well, I don't know.

STEVE: Because these other two, these other two guys they kept -- they -- right now even as I went and talked with them, as I went in to speak with the, they asked -- that was the first thing they asked me, they asked me over and over again, did I hear from Oliver, has he called yet? That was the main thing on their mind --
DICK: Oh, well --

STEVE: -- the main thing. And of course I had to tell them no, he hasn't but of course he might be going through some kind of a process so I didn't cut it off that the wouldn't or that you wouldn't have him still do so. So I said, well, I don't know yet because I, I didn't want to make it worse than what it really is. And to me it's worse than what I've made them or told them.

DICK: Okay. Well, I, I --

STEVE: It's just the fact that you guys did what you did with the electricity like last night and so forth after one way you were talking so decent to us and I thought things were going so well. I mean, of course now I don't really think that David will be talking to you people anymore at all.

DICK: Okay. Well, I just wanted to relay that, you know, our medical offer is still good.

STEVE: That means -- that -- but, you know, because of -- that's why I wanted you to hear me so clearly when I talked to you before: what you're saying to me, what I'm to pass on to these individuals that were wounded. You're actually insulting them. You're saying nothing to them.

DICK: Okay.

STEVE: Of course it would be good, we could walk out here and go to wherever and it would be good, of course doctors are always going to want to
heal and help the sick, of course Dick you're saying nothing to me. And if we would have known this maybe, maybe we should have taken a different attitude to the wounded that were on our property back to weeks ago Sunday.

    DICK: Okay. Well, you know, if --
    STEVE: I mean, is that -- I mean, you, you're showing me such a -- an inhumanitarian concept here like I'd never seen in this country, seriously.
    DICK: Um-hum.
    STEVE: It helps me to understand more about your agency, it really does.
    DICK: Okay. Well, Steve, if, if, if --
    STEVE: Okay, Dick -- you call me when you feel like it and we'll --
    DICK: Well --
    STEVE: -- we'll talk some more words.
    DICK: If anybody has any questions, you know, we're here 24 hours a day, just, you know, give us a call let us know.
    STEVE: Hey, I really doubt that they, I really doubt that they do.
    DICK: If they want to come out let us know.
    STEVE: Okay.
    STEVE: See you.
    (Phones hung up)
    UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: (Indiscernible)
DICK: Much better. (Spoken to other agent)

STEVE: Okay. Is this Dick?

DICK: Yes.

STEVE: Okay.

DICK: How you doing?

STEVE: The same.

DICK: Okay.

STEVE: What's -- I just -- the phone rang about three, four times. I picked it up. It seemed like someone was on but it didn't seem like there was much of a connection. I don't know. Did you call?

DICK: No, no, it wasn't us at all, no.

STEVE: Oh, it wasn't?

DICK: No, sir, no, it was not us.

STEVE: Well, that is strange.

DICK: Yeah.

STEVE: Somebody called. Someone got through on this line and I don't know what. It was kind of weird. I thought that was you calling.

DICK: No, uh-uh, no.

STEVE: Okay. I thought I'd give you a call back thinking that you called so I guess --

DICK: Okay. How, how is everybody, okay?

STEVE: The same.

DICK: All right.

STEVE: Everything has remained about the same.

DICK: Okay. All right. Well, it, it
wasn't us, Steve.

STEVE: Okay.
DICK: Okay.
STEVE: Bye.
DICK: Bye-bye.

(Phones hung up)
UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: (Indiscernible)
MIKE: It's Mike.
STEVE: Mike?
MIKE: Yes.
STEVE: Mike. You're a new person.
MIKE: I'm a new person. I've been here listening here with you.

STEVE: You have been?
MIKE: I have, Steve. How are you doing?
STEVE: Did someone call here about a half hour ago? Someone just came and got me and said the phone rang about I guess about six times or something.
MIKE: No, no, we did not.
STEVE: What, what -- see now, you would know more than I would what kind of line we have these days. I was under, under the impression that it went directly to you or something to that or --
MIKE: Yes, that's correct, Steve, yeah.

We, we haven't changed the line.

STEVE: Well, that is -- see, twice today now -- this afternoon there was three rings, I picked it up and then after I was on I said hello, hello,
someone put it down. So I called back. It was Jack that told me you had not called and then just about a half hour ago it rang about six times.

MIKE: Hmm.

STEVE: And someone else went to pick it up here. When they picked it up there was no one on the line.

MIKE: No, that was not us. We haven't changed a thing in all these days.

STEVE: Strange.

MIKE: Yeah.

STEVE: Okay. Well, that's what -- I thought I'd check back to see what was -- if someone was calling here or what it was.

MIKE: No, we have not.

STEVE: Okay.

MIKE: How you doing?

STEVE: Well, it's very -- where I'm at right now it's very dark.

MIKE: Okay.

STEVE: But how am I doing? It's a cool evening and physically I guess we're doing fine.

MIKE: All right. Good to hear it.

STEVE: Yeah. Other than I was talking with David and he was asking me -- he came around out of sleep. He was asking me what, what's been happening. I told him more or less from this morning -- well, he was -- the last time I was really talking with him was
last night about oh, I think it was just when John Cox
got off the phone with him.

    MIKE: Right.

    STEVE: He said he was going to call him
back which he didn't do. We called him instead at
about 11:15 when lights went out.

    MIKE: Right, sure, sure.

    STEVE: And he said he was going to call us
back, he never did. And then this morning of course I
was woke up by a third John and then Dick talked to
me.

    MIKE: No, that was John 1 this morning,
Steve.

    STEVE: It was?

    MIKE: Sure. Early, at 6 o'clock?

    STEVE: Oh, really?

    MIKE: That was the return call that John
wanted to make to you, John 1.

    STEVE: Oh, I was told that it was John -- I
think he told me it was John 3.

    MIKE: No, no, that was John 1.

    STEVE: It was pretty I guess so maybe I
wasn't totally with it then. I don't know.

    MIKE: Yeah. No, that was John 1 and
that's, that's the call that I think you misassumed he
was, you know, going to call you back and didn't and
that's the, the call he did make.

    STEVE: Are you, are you talking about like
this morning like about oh --

   MIKE: 6 o'clock.

   STEVE: 6 o'clock?

   MIKE: Yeah.

   STEVE: Boy, I don't even recall.

   MIKE: Yeah. You were pretty sleepy when

you picked it up.

   STEVE: Must have been.

   MIKE: Yeah.

   STEVE: Must have been. I was under the

impression the person said they were John -- a third

John or something.

   MIKE: No.

   STEVE: I'm almost sure.

   MIKE: No.

   STEVE: Were you there?

   MIKE: Yes, I was.

   STEVE: I see.

   MIKE: Yeah. We want you to know, too, you

know, that we've received wrong number calls in here

also --

   STEVE: I see.

   MIKE: -- on the same phone system and it's

not something you should worry about.

   STEVE: Okay.

   MIKE: You know, if we, we call, you know,

we'll let it ring until something picks it up.

   STEVE: Okay. When I was last talking, I
think it was with John, he was going to get back to me about information when Dick got on the phone and it seems like we went around and around for a while and always getting back to like John Dolan --

MIKE: Okay.

STEVE: -- we had such an awesome relation for about two, three days there. I must honestly say again and admit that I thought this was going to be quickly resolved. It was just starting to open up. I had opportunity with these people like I've not had --

MIKE: Yeah.

STEVE: -- really ever.

MIKE: So did we, so did we, Steve.

STEVE: Well, I know, what the strange thing to me was what Dick was telling me and sharing with me is that in essence you people, the negotiators had really no input with what took place. And in fact, he said -- we were talking about those that were coming out. In fact, the thing that really disappointed me more than anything was this morning, they were already planning on being out between 9:00 and 10 o'clock.

MIKE: Right. That's how we left it this morning when, you know, we went off, were certain that they were also.

STEVE: So then when the electricity went off at 11:15 and then what did -- I -- in truth I don't even remember what John said to me this -- if he called me at 6 o'clock basically what was he saying?
I don't even recall the conversation.

MIKE: We basically wanted to, to reassure you that we did try to have an input into that decision but the decision was not ours to make.

STEVE: I see.

MIKE: And we wanted to reinforce that, that we gave it, gave it our best. We do have inputs into the, into the people that make the decisions and we relay to them your concerns as well as our concerns on a, on a major decision.

STEVE: Um-hum.

MIKE: And the one last night was not our -- we did not have, have the final say.

STEVE: It is so funny that after what was all gained yesterday and the good attitude between -- it, it was a shock, it was like having the rug pulled out from under me, it really was. I really had the confidence and the momentum really believing that, you know, it was really -- the way the people were reacting to me, the way we were sitting down talking and all of it --

MIKE: Right.

STEVE: -- I really thought this was going to be really something that would be really picking up quickly.

MIKE: Right, and so we, we were.

STEVE: And that's what I, that's why related my thoughts to Dick about how these men must
be lacking and insight and wisdom because, I mean, if
they would have been monitoring the conversations from
the last couple days and how it was starting to pick
up, and I even said I, I thought it was going to
snowball --

MIKE: Um-hum.

STEVE: -- really did.

MIKE: Right, we talked about that and we
know you're, you're trying very hard to, to continue
the --

STEVE: Like even right now --

MIKE: -- the negotiations just by
communicating with us.

STEVE: I don't even know what -- my next
step, I told Dick, I really didn't even know what to
do, I don't know how to even begin with these people
now. It's like I'm at a loss. I went and talked to
them in the last couple hours. I talked to Brad
Branch, I talked with Kevin, and they're not even
communicating with me.

MIKE: Hmm.

STEVE: They're not even communicating with
me. And I says, are, are you still contemplating it,
are you thinking about it? They said look, if Ollie
didn't call back they said we were going to go right
out when we heard from Ollie that's why for sure we
were -- we thought he'd be calling by the morning
sometime, we were planning on moving out and that's
what they told me. And I -- and then they asked me again, they heard you called or that Dick called a few times and they said did Ollie, was he on the line? So, you know, they, they still ask me the question, they still ask me the question.

MIKE: Sure, well --

STEVE: So, of course, I says, well, they tell me that he's okay but no, he wasn't on the line. And so from there they says well, we'll talk to you later if, if something better develops. And I said, well, that's about the place it was left at least.

MIKE: Right, but was their decision based entirely on whether or not Ollie was going to call them?

STEVE: Well, I didn't realize that, see, Mike, at first. You know, I -- you know, they don't always -- you know, some people are not communicators, they don't really -- like, like for instance, Kevin's not a real talker.

MIKE: Right.

STEVE: And I tried to get out of him just what he'd thought about it. He didn't say much other than he had made up his mind that he would be coming out. But then last night when that happened and then also with that, with Ollie not calling apparently that was a bigger thing to him than I thought. I didn't, I didn't -- in fact, the truth is I even forgot about it, I really did. But as soon as I went, I went to
where they were that's the first thing they asked me
and then I forgot about it the second time I think I
talked to Dick.

MIKE: Um-hum.

STEVE: But then of course I finally said to
him -- I brought it up to him at some time at one of
those conversations. And I thought -- and in fact
even I, I said I was not in a hurry, just at some
point of time it would make it a lot easier for me
working with these people if they would have heard --
if somebody would have heard his voice, me or anybody,
his sister, it wouldn't really matter, but that
would -- you know, it'd go a long way with, you know,
strengthening the confidence in a lot of these people
and --

MIKE: Right.

STEVE: -- that's what I was -- actually,
you know, working with John the last couple of days it
didn't seem like that was even a problem whatsoever.

MIKE: Hmm.

STEVE: So that's what surprised me about,
you know, the electricity last night and then of
course him not calling back. The magazines never
showed up, such a small thing, it's no big deal, it's
just the whole -- the, the principle of the matter.

MIKE: Yeah.

STEVE: So it was, it was things like that
that people are looking at and wondering. And so to
tell you the truth, they all thought -- because I kept on passing through the last two or three days, the great conversations we were happening -- having and I just kept on trying to talk as positive with a smile as I could and --

MIKE: No, we realize you're doing that and we appreciate that and we just --

STEVE: So --

MIKE: -- to, to work harder to get it, to get it --

STEVE: What, what do we -- how -- what, what -- any suggestions for me?

MIKE: Well, we need to keep working at it and we're -- you know, we're literally looking out here for a sign that, you know, David and everyone is serious about encouraging people to leave that -- we talked about credibility on both ends and, and we need that credibility.

STEVE: Exactly.

MIKE: But --

STEVE: But of course, you know, like I was trying to share with Dick, it's such a different thing being on, on this side especially with people that have never been in trouble before with such apprehension. I mean, if I were over on that side I mean I would be trying every avenue myself, I would try to -- I mean, just basically what you guys probably are doing. I mean --
MIKE:  Sure we are, sure we are.

STEVE:  So but at the same time I never would have dreamed I would be in a position where I'm trying to talk someone for their life or trying to gain confidence from someone to, to be involved in a situation so off-the-wall, so weird and bizarre. So, but you know, I mean --

MIKE:  Yeah.

STEVE:  -- I haven't, I haven't quit or anything, but it's exasperating and it's --

MIKE:  We know that, we know that you're working hard.

STEVE:  -- it's really rough.

MIKE:  Yes. No, I understand that.

STEVE:  I mean, the best phrase I could ever say or use though is having the carpet pulled out from under one. I mean, I, I could think of no better phrase.

MIKE:  Yeah, well, yeah, but you again have to understand the decision to --

STEVE:  I'm, I'm surprised that as many guys as yourself and Gary, Dick, Henry, all of you guys with -- after talking to us that you wouldn't have had stronger input with whoever is in charge or the so-called commanders or bosses. I mean, it, it amazes me especially with -- I would have thought the, the great development that really started especially yesterday, well, the night before, but right yesterday, I knew
for sure today would be at least three. I was already
talking to a few more. I was talking to Pablo but he
said -- at first he says let me do a film, and I
couldn't even do that film with him today, he asked
me, because there was no electricity.

MIKE: Um-hum. What, a video?

STEVE: Yeah, exactly.

MIKE: Yeah.

STEVE: So that cut that off, it cut off any
opportunity to send out anything like that, and so I
mean we're -- I don't know. It's like one really
doesn't really have the tools that I had in the, in
the days past. So no ability to show a video. You
sent --in fact, the people here never got to see Kathy
because it came in late last night. David got to see
it and then the electricity went off --

MIKE: Um-hum.

STEVE: -- so it was totally for naught.

MIKE: So only a small number of people saw
the videos?

STEVE: Only David, myself and one other
person happened to be right there.

MIKE: Um-hum.

STEVE: And he was just handing it to me to
give to someone else to go and let the rest of the
mothers and the people see it; they never got to. So
I mean, I mean, everything what happened from that
time after was like whatever tools I had been -- what
I was using and working with to talk to these people. It was like taken from me.

MIKE: Right. Yeah. Well, there, there just appears to be different personalities, different concepts here and, and we're only one part of the overall picture here.

STEVE: Um-hum.

MIKE: But --

STEVE: Well, if you have any ideas or explanations or what you mean by that or what -- how they think or what they want to do or what, what I can be working with or how, I mean I've got ears to hear.

MIKE: Okay. Well, we're again looking for a sign. We've had significant progress over the last few days until, you know, what happened last night.

STEVE: I'll tell you the truth, David -- I, I -- no kidding, hey, he was blown away when he had -- we -- he was -- he actually -- I never saw him be so upbeat since this all began as last night.

MIKE: That's good.

STEVE: And he thought --

MIKE: Happy to hear that.

STEVE: In fact, he was happy for these people that they were -- they had made their choice, they were going to follow through and all of a sudden 11:15 he was just saying a few words to me, I just happened to be sitting over by his bed where he was. He was just telling me a few things, we were waiting
for John to call back, he said he'd be calling back, when all of a sudden bingo, and all of a sudden no lights, no anything, I couldn't see him. And then we sat in the dark for an hour waiting for John's return call which never came. And I says, well, I don't know about you but I'm turning in and from there, well, you know the rest what has happened. So --

MIKE: Okay. Well, John -- my understanding wpa John was going to call back if there was something positive that happened --

STEVE: I see.

MIKE: -- after the power was off and we, you know, may have misinterpreted that situation, but --

STEVE: So Mike, have you been around for the last two weeks yourself then or --

MIKE: I've been here about a week.

STEVE: About a week?

MIKE: Right.

STEVE: I see, okay.

MIKE: But again, we're, we're looking, you know, for a positive sign and my understanding based on, on the discussions with Dick this afternoon that perhaps the one that we should both be considering is, is the medical treatment for, for Judy and, and/or Scott.

STEVE: See, well, the hardest thing with that, I mean just I -- you know, that's where I mean I
don't -- I mean, you know, you can suggest things to people. Judy's got a --

MIKE: Right. That's what we do here --

STEVE: Yeah. Judy's got --

MIKE: -- to our bosses.

STEVE: -- a very strong will when it comes to what she thinks is right and wrong and even through the years me being spending all these years with her when it came down to issues to do with life and death or eternal things, I mean, she's been very, very adamant about what she believes in. Even when I first met David six and a half years ago and we were listening to him I kind of listened more than she did originally, then she started -- and then we started talking back and forth about it raising a lot of questions. And in the process I always told her look, if you believe it or you see it go with it, don't wait for me, you're dealing with -- if you and I believe there's a God, we're dealing with eternal issues. So we agreed that if she saw it she would go with it, if I saw it I'd go with it otherwise we'd part company or try -- somehow try to work it out from there. But from that time and from the time I met her years ago she's always been one that if she saw something as being right she would hang onto it. And so where she's at now, she's been watching and observing what's happening to like Kathy and to Oliver and --

MIKE: Yeah, it's been all positive.
STEVE: Pardon?

MIKE: It's been all positive.

STEVE: That's what she told me --

MIKE: Sure.

STEVE: -- when I was talking to her yesterday.

MIKE: Sure.

STEVE: She, she asked me two or three times in the day how it was going and I told her about John and my conversation, they all had smiles around here. I mean, it was so different from what it had been. It was so different. And that's why I say when toward the end of the day when David was finally coming around I once or twice went in and talked with him and, and he looked pretty good --

MIKE: Good.

STEVE: -- and the, the attitude was real good. And then John said, well, can I talk to him. He wasn't feeling the greatest still but, you know, and then he says sure. So, from there we turned -- put the video on of a number of the guys over there and he even had a smile because, you know, you never know what another -- it's like you don't come close in your mind picturing a person's voice to what they really look like. So, but I --

MIKE: But you could with a video, right?

STEVE: Oh, yeah, but, it -- you know, it was all -- it seemed like such a good day, it seemed
like such a good day.

MIKE: Well, it was, it was, but have you considered the previous issue of, of the medical treatment and, and possibly those people who had made the decision to come out to reconsider as part of the package in, in getting Scott and --

STEVE: Yeah --

MIKE: -- Judy treated?

STEVE: -- well, even before I talked to David I went to talk with them and the -- let me tell you this: I talked to Brad -- I didn't talk to Rita too much -- but I talked to Brad and to, to Kevin and they didn't seem to show that much of an interest even though I told them what was offered. I told them what was offered about Judy going out there, having a doctor look at her finger and, and doing the best he could to fix it or to take care of it --

MIKE: Sure.

STEVE: -- for them to come out. And they -- that's when they, they really didn't want to talk much about it they said. Well, they said because of last night, because of what, what, what's happened since that time we want some time to think about it and that's when he said to me my main thing; I says, what's that; he says, well, my main thing is you are no one has heard from Oliver. And I says, well, I did talk to Dick and because of the late processing last night the time he got there they kind of let me know
that, that it would probably be today. And it, it sounded like through Doug besides John that that would not be really a problem. But because so much time went on and it seemed to degenerate today then all of a sudden their attitude even changed all the more.

MIKE: Hmm.

STEVE: So that's what -- I mean, but I did spend time with them three times minimum today, three times, for quite a bit of time, a good time period. And Judy, she just -- she was sick today. For the first time she, she told me this morning she was very sick.

MIKE: How so? What happened or how does she feel?

STEVE: Well, I think probably because of the, the finger, maybe infection, I don't know.

MIKE: Did she say anything in particular about --

STEVE: Did she what?

MIKE: Any, any specifics of how she was feeling poorly?

STEVE: She said that her eyes were kind of aching and feeling heavy along with she had a little bit of nausea.

MIKE: Okay.

STEVE: And so I, I went and asked one of the nurses to take a look at her, but of course they don't have the ability to really know --
MIKE: Sure.
STEVE: -- what to do about the finger.
MIKE: There's all the more reason that, you know, she should be -- get the treatment that she needs, Steve, you know.
STEVE: But, you know, and I told her that. I mean, you know, I can tell her many times. She's the one that's got the finger and the problem.
MIKE: Right.
STEVE: But she says that she, she -- all that she was basing her decisions on were watching Oliver, watching this, this progression and the momentum from yesterday. And she said she's, she's pretty strong about waiting to see how it develops before she makes her decision.
MIKE: But it's -- you know, it's a, it's a no, no-loss situation for her to win-win if she'll come out, get the treatment and if she makes the decision she'll be able to return --
STEVE: She --
MIKE: -- back into the camp.
STEVE: She -- I think she's a little bit like me in the way that she doesn't -- she feels like until a lot more people go out and she can -- she's a lot like me, she's very helpful, does -- she does a lot for people, is always helping and, and I think she wants to see a lot more people be able to get their, their thing together and maybe make a move. But it's
like she don't want to be, you know, one of the first
ones to just run out on everybody when there's people
still so apprehensive and afraid that it's almost like
they're frozen and can't move. So she's been actually
-- she spends a lot of time talking with a lot of
people here as well --

MIKE: Well, that's good. You know, we
need --

STEVE: -- and very upbeat, so --

MIKE: Good. We need her help and we need
your, your help to, to get this -- get, get it moving
again really from your end to break this impasse.

STEVE: Well, I don't know what to do now
though, Mike, that's the whole thing. I mean, the,
the electricity was -- it was more not because we
can't handle it, it's not a big deal. I mean, we've
got flashlights, lanterns --

MIKE: Um-hum.

STEVE: -- diesel, you know, all that kind
of thing. And it was just the whole -- the idea of
doing it especially after the, the time spent in the
day over the last few days. So, I mean, it was -- to
David it was extremely insulted because, I mean, he --
I guess it, it was a shock, it was a surprise to him
just like it was to me. And apparently it was to John
too, he seemed pretty surprised by it.

MIKE: Right. Well, we all truthfully were
and as I said, we, we --
STEVE: I said -- I called him up and I says what's happening; he says what do you mean; I says the electricity, the lights.

MIKE: Right, oh, I was here, I was right next to him listening.

STEVE: Oh, you were huh?

MIKE: Sure, I've, I've been right at the same table about --

STEVE: Yeah.

MIKE: -- two feet away and, and we were --

STEVE: That's sort of like this afternoon Dick was asking me what's happening and I says, well, I had talked to David once again and he only said one word to me and that was the --

MIKE: Electricity.

STEVE: Yeah.

MIKE: Right.

STEVE: Exactly.

MIKE: Right.

STEVE: And he was -- he seemed even annoyed with me because I, I went to talk with him, it was like he didn't hardly want to give me the time of day.

MIKE: Hmm.

STEVE: So I don't know.

MIKE: Well, will you think about our offer, you know, for treatment? And, you know, we're --

STEVE: Well, I --

MIKE: -- not obligating anybody.
STEVE: See, if it was me -- you know, if it was me and the offer was given to me it would be so simple. I could talk to you directly --

MIKE: Right.

STEVE: -- about myself and, you know, it'd be my move. But for me -- it's, it's like who can help me out here to try to get these people to gain trust and to get them moving in that direction?

MIKE: Right.

STEVE: Who's here to help me? What, what -

MIKE: Well, we're here to help you, I'm here to help you, Steve.

STEVE: Yeah, but no, you aren't.

MIKE: We need your help too though.

STEVE: The electricity, also not having Ollie speak through the, the phone. And where's the "Newsweek" magazines? Even something as small as that. It, it just showed that there was such a momentum beginning to take place, I, I, I swear it. I mean, I'm, I'm sure that John and those -- the guys that were involved especially yesterday and the day before, they must have noted it. I mean, if they would have been here they would have seen it clearly.

MIKE: Right. No, we're aware.

STEVE: I mean, if you go back and review the conversations of yesterday and the day before, I
mean you should be able to detect it.

MIKE: Right. No, I agree.

STEVE: And then I just kept right on talking to people, more people, and I mean I -- Rita was a new name that originally wasn't given but I talked to her and it seemed like there was -- like she was making the move and, and I really -- on the whole, you know, you don't like to give names out ahead of time because I'm not -- you know, one isn't saying well, they're coming right out tonight and it was -- I was trying to let John know I'm talking to them and the signs are there and they're, they're verbally coming across to me that they're showing an interest for that now. And so that's why like for this morning still they let me know clearly last night when I last saw them that they would be out before noon, they told me clearly, and the first one wanted to leave, if not all of them together, right around after 9:00, between 9:00 and 10:00.

MIKE: Right.

STEVE: Because, you know, the worship time we have --

MIKE: That's --

STEVE: -- is that one-hour period.

MIKE: Sure. No, we anticipated them and we were ready to welcome them out of, out of the camp.

STEVE: Well, I -- right at this moment I don't know what to --
MIKE: Very surprised when they didn't come.

STEVE: -- you know, I don't know what to say because, you know, the "Newsweek" magazines never showed, Ollie never called, the electricity was shut off. I -- really, I don't know what to say yet, I don't.

MIKE: Yeah, well --

STEVE: I don't know what kind of a positive sign you want to give me to work with with these people, if it's encouraging Judy to leave here to get her finger taken care of or whatever, I mean it looks like you've given me something like -- that I can't work because I've tried and it seems like that's a dead-end street right now.

MIKE: Well, how about with Scott? Is Scott as adamant about it as Judy?

STEVE: Well, Scott, see, he's, he's not -- he doesn't have, he doesn't have the kind of physical problems. You know, I mean, he's, he's got a bullet in his thigh, it's near the surface of the skin.

MIKE: Right, but his wrist is not in the best shape in, in the longer --

STEVE: It, it's not -- but he -- it's, it's been checked and looked at and it doesn't seem like it has any infection or there doesn't seem to be really any problem with it. It doesn't seem to be broke anyway.

MIKE: Well, that's not the indicator we get
from the doctor that --

STEVE: Oh, is that right?

MIKE: Yes.

STEVE: Well then maybe you know more about it than I because I haven't --

MIKE: Yeah.

STEVE: -- you know, I haven't -- I asked him from time to time but it didn't -- he never told me the conversation of last night.

MIKE: Oh, okay. Well no, the, the doctor is, is very certain that some of the bones in the wrist have been broken --

STEVE: Really?

MIKE: -- and the, and the --

STEVE: Because all he has is -- you know, he's got --

MIKE: Yes.

STEVE: -- only gauze wrapped around it slightly.

MIKE: Right.

STEVE: It's not like he's got it in a cast or like he's got it set or anything, so --

MIKE: And, and the chance for infection internally in that same wrist are, you know, are very good --

STEVE: I see.

MIKE: -- if, if it's not treated and literally sooner the better for the treatment.
STEVE: In fact, he's standing right here by me. He's got a -- he just turned a flashlight on his wrist looking at it. Scott, so the doctor said that you probably have --

SCOTT: A broken arm.
STEVE: A broken arm?
SCOTT: At last one bone, bone is broken.
STEVE: Does it feel like that from what you, what you described and what he told you or --

SCOTT: Well, if I turn it a certain way it hurts. Feels like there's something wrong with it.

STEVE: Hmm.
SCOTT: The wound itself doesn't hurt.
STEVE: The wound itself doesn't hurt he said.

MIKE: Right, but the doctor also explained why it would not and if he's taking any antibiotics which, which he said --

STEVE: Mike, what I could --
MIKE: -- that he is --
STEVE: -- maybe what -- I should maybe just pass the phone to you, that way you can try. You know, I mean I've talked with him of course through the day. It'd probably be better for you to go one-on-one maybe with him.

MIKE: Sure, sure. Be happy to.

STEVE: Okay, and if -- I'll be nearby so if he's off the phone if you wanted to continue talking
just have him call me back then.

MIKE: Okay. Good, Steve.

STEVE: Here, here he is.

SCOTT: He wants to talk to me?

STEVE: Well, he -- you know, he's got maybe an offer for you or something (indiscernible).

SCOTT: It's hard to see without lights.

Hello?

MIKE: Scott? How --

SCOTT: Yeah. Who is this now?

MIKE: This is Mike.

SCOTT: Oh, Mike?

MIKE: Yes.

SCOTT: Mike No. 1, right?

MIKE: Mike No. 1.

SCOTT: (Laughter)

MIKE: I'm the guy. How you doing?

MIKE: I'm going okay so far. I'm freezing my, my hands numb but other than that I'm fine.

MIKE: Your hand is numb from the cold or otherwise?

SCOTT: Yeah, from the cold.

MIKE: Okay. Well, you know, apparently Steve was not aware of what the doctor and, and you discussed. I was here with, with the doctor last night --

SCOTT: Uh-huh.

MIKE: -- and --
SCOTT: Oh, you were there too?

MIKE: Sure. I've been here for, for several days, just have been on the phone.

SCOTT: Yeah.

MIKE: But, you know, it's my understanding that listening to how you described your hand and the doctor's response and, and his statements to us after that phone call is that, that you in all probability has a broken bone in, in the wrist and that the change of infection is --

SCOTT: Oh, yeah --

MIKE: -- is there.

SCOTT: -- I wouldn't be surprised.

(Laughter)

MIKE: Yeah, and the longer you, you go untreated with that the harder it's going to get to, to --

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: -- you know, full function with it.

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: And, you know, you really need to make a decision, you know, now to, to really help yourself and, and receive that medical treatment.

SCOTT: Yeah.

MIKE: And, you know, the doctor is, is available and he'll, he'll treat it.

SCOTT: Um-hum.

MIKE: Now, the decision, you know, is
literally yours but you talked to the doctor --

    SCOTT: Yeah.

    MIKE: -- and he was more than willing to, to help you --

    SCOTT: Right.

    MIKE: -- as we all are.

    SCOTT: Yeah, I have no problems with that.

But like what, you know, what Steve was saying is, is I agree with what he said about, you know, how everything was going pretty good and then all of a sudden it was like a complete shock when the electricity went off.

    MIKE: Right.

    SCOTT: And --

    MIKE: But, you know, what -- you know, we're not certain what that has to do with whether or not, you know, your decision to get, get treatment and we're really thinking that your decision now to come out and receive some treatment would be a very positive action on the part of, of you and others in there to, to reestablish the relationship that we had.

    SCOTT: Yeah, I understand that.

    MIKE: You'd be helping yourself, you'd be helping the other, others in there.

    SCOTT: Uh-huh. Well, I'll certainly think about -- I've been thinking about it, you know?

    MIKE: Yeah, we know you have and --

    SCOTT: (Laughter)
MIKE: -- we know you're, you're concerned about the wrist and you should be and, and we -- you know, we were hopeful that you'd accept the offer of treatment last night.

SCOTT: Yeah. Well, one thing is for sure: I'd never been shot before so, you know --

MIKE: Right.

SCOTT: -- that's one thing that's been on my mind a lot.

MIKE: No, I can understand that. You know, do you want that treated?

SCOTT: Huh?

MIKE: Do you want that treated, Scott?

SCOTT: Sure.

MIKE: Okay.

SCOTT: I'd like to have it treated, you know?

MIKE: Why not, you know, come out? We could arrange the mechanics in a number of minutes literally to have it done. You know, that's --

SCOTT: Yeah, I understand that.

MIKE: It would benefit you, it would benefit others in there, it would benefit this whole situation. SCOTT: Yeah.

MIKE: It would, it would probably be the, the one, the one factor right now that could get, get the negotiations back on track.

SCOTT: Uh-huh.
MIKE: And if --

SCOTT: I also, I also believe that God is taking care of me so far, you know, as far as -- it's like I was telling the other guy, I think Jim was it that was talking to me the other -- John?

MIKE: John.

SCOTT: Yeah.

MIKE: Last night?

SCOTT: Well, you know, the FBI spokesman mentioned David's wound healing miraculously or whatever, you know?

MIKE: Um-hum.

SCOTT: And I can look at my hand and the way the bullet went through and went through my leg, and I'm able to walk on my leg and everything with no pain. And my hand's not all swollen and purple or nothing and I'm going, well, you know, that's nothing short of miraculous in itself.

MIKE: Um-hum.

SCOTT: But I do agree, you know, it needs medical attention.

MIKE: It, it certainly does. You know, if the doctor didn't convince you he certainly convinced us at the, at the end of the conversation yesterday. And what he left, left the message for us to pass to you is the sooner the better and that the long-range effects, you know, that you won't, won't be aware of literally until it's too late for it and we don't want
to, you know, see those things whether it's the
infection or the, the use -- loss of use of that hand
and that wrist.

    SCOTT: Um-hum. Right. So, like did --
were you able to -- was John able to find out anything
my dad? Because I asked him to, you know, give him a
call and, you know, let him know about my kids and
stuff and he said he'd --

    MIKE: Yeah.

    SCOTT: -- get back to me?

    MIKE: Hang on a second. They just told me
that, that they did. I'm just going to put you on
hold for a second.

    SCOTT: Okay.

    MIKE: They did find something out.

    SCOTT: All right. Thanks a lot.

    (Pause)

    MIKE: Yeah, Scott?

    SCOTT: Yeah?

    MIKE: Yes, I understand that one of the
Johns here today did talk to your father, that there
was some difficulty with the language, had problems
understanding him, but we did relay to him that, that
you were in there, that you had been shot, that with
the exception of the wounds that you're doing all
right.

    SCOTT: Uh-huh.

    MIKE: And he sends, sends his love and he's
concerned about you and the would and, and really
hopes that, you know, you'll receive treatment for
that
wound --

SCOTT: Yeah.

MIKE: -- so that it doesn't --

SCOTT: I know he's not --

MIKE: -- become a hardship for you.

SCOTT: -- I know he's not a very happy
camper right now (laughter) but --

MIKE: Yeah, yeah.

SCOTT: -- you know? I told him that, you
know, whatever happened -- because see, he always
thought that this was kind of strange anyway --

MIKE: Hmm.

SCOTT: -- what we believe in.

MIKE: Yeah.

SCOTT: And --

MIKE: Well, again all different
personalities that we're talking about.

SCOTT: (Laughter) yeah.

MIKE: Again, we, we want to be certain out
here and I want to be certain in talking to you that
you realize with -- you, you have a broken bone in
there and that if it isn't, you know, treated rapidly
or quickly it'll, it'll heal incorrectly.

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: Remember what the doctor discussed,
the, the layers of bones in that wrist?

SCOTT: Yeah, they'll fuse together.

MIKE: They'll fuse together and you'll have, you know, limited or no movement with that wrist eventually.

SCOTT: Yeah.

MIKE: As it heals -- it's going to heal but our, our concern or the doctor's concern and your concern should be that it's going to heal incorrectly --

SCOTT: Uh-huh.

MIKE: -- and that you're not, not going to have the same use, the normal use of it.

SCOTT: Yeah.

MIKE: But, you know, it's as simple as that aside from the potential of infection.

SCOTT: It's kind of like what I'm also worried about is if I come out there I probably won't have much use for my wrist even if I could use it because I'm going to be in, you know (laughter) pretty much trouble, huh? (Laughter)

MIKE: What -- I, I don't know that.

SCOTT: Sure.

MIKE: What are your concerns there?

SCOTT: Huh?

MIKE: What are your concerns there, Scott?

SCOTT: Well, you know, about just being thrown in jail without a trial or whatever.
MIKE: No, that's not going to happen.

SCOTT: (Laughter)

MIKE: That's not, that's not going to happen. We tried to explain to, to everybody, Steve and others, what the system is going to be and I'd be happy to explain to you. That -- you know, that's not a given, that's not a given.

SCOTT: Yeah, I'd like to -- for you to go over that if you would.

MIKE: Sure, sure. But, you know, you, you sound like, you know, you want to come out, you know, both to get treatment and, and then, you know, on a permanent basis.

SCOTT: Yeah.

MIKE: But the process basically, you'll be held as Ollie is and as, as --

SCOTT: Kathy.

MIKE: -- Kathy is --

SCOTT: Uh-huh.

MIKE: -- as material witnesses.

SCOTT: Okay. Can you explain what a material witness is?

MIKE: Sure. That's just until the, the, the investigation of this whole situation is completed you are held as a potential witness to what took place on the 28th on that Sunday.

SCOTT: Uh-huh.

MIKE: You know, that's, that's, that's
definitely saying you're not being charged as what we call a principal or a subject.

    SCOTT: Right.

    MIKE: You may have information for the authorities, for us, on what took place and we want to give everybody that opportunity to tell us --

    SCOTT: Uh-huh.

    MIKE: -- truthfully what took place in there. And that's -- all these people are considered material witnesses and you will be held as a material witness.

    SCOTT: Okay. You said -- you mentioned held. Like, where?

    MIKE: Yeah. Okay. What, what happens, you'll come out and the actual facility is the County Jail here in Waco --

    SCOTT: Uh-huh.

    MIKE: -- is my understanding. But when, when you come out of, of the camp, you know, you'll, you'll physically be taken under the control by the people that we have out there. The first thing you'll receive is the necessary medical attention.

    SCOTT: Uh-huh.

    MIKE: Before anything else happens they will treat you on the scene.

    SCOTT: Uh-huh, right.

    MIKE: If need be, you can go right to the hospital from there. I'm sure they'll treat you with
the emergency situation on the scene. If the doctor
determines that you'll be hospitalized you'll go to
the hospital first and you won't even enter the legal
system, the judicial system, until your, your medical
or your physical needs have been taken care of.

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: That's our first concern --

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: -- is your physical well-being.

SCOTT: Uh-huh.

MIKE: Once that process -- the medical part
is, is, is complete and the doctors say that you're,
you're available and --

SCOTT: Um-hum.

MIKE: -- the legal process starts. And the
first thing there is you'll have legal representation,
you'll have an attorney, a lawyer, and if you can't
afford one one will be appointed for you, there's a
system for that.

SCOTT: Um-hum.

MIKE: There are lawyers here that are
willing to help. You know, there'll be a lawyer
provided to you prior to ever going to court or at the
same time that you go to court.

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: And you'll see a judge -- you'll be
in the federal system, we're all federal officers
here. You'll go to federal court, see a federal
judge. He'll literally explain to you why you're being held and that as, as a material witness to the offense that happened on, on February 28th.

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: And he'll explain that, he'll explain the, the process, he'll give you your rights. He's very, very thorough in the federal system. I don't know, have you been in any court system at all over the years?

SCOTT: Only for traffic violations.

MIKE: Yeah, okay. Well, the, the federal system is a, is a long way from traffic court and the local system. Very professional, the judges are very professional and very thorough. But they -- he will literally walk you through it, give you your rights as a citizen prior to ever being questioned by a, a law-enforcement officer. He'll explain that you're going -- initially going to be charged with being a material witness.

SCOTT: Uh-huh.

MIKE: He'll, he'll decide on the, on the, on the, the question of bond. He'll either set some kind of bond or, or determine what the situation with bond should be. If he sets a bond and, and you can make it or someone puts up the bond for you you'll be released, you'll be free until a subsequent court appearance.

SCOTT: Uh-huh.
MIKE: Somewhere, you know, in that process, you know, you'll be processed through the -- through a jail and, and be fingerprinted and, and photographed.

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: So, that's -- you know, and they'll go from there. As the, as the investigation progresses -- SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: -- and your involvement, you know, it will be determined and, and literally once you have that attorney that's the guy that's going to be, you know, looking out for your best interests.

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: You know, right now, you know, we're looking out for your best interests. We hope that, you know, once you -- when you do come out, you know, that attorney, that lawyer will, will be the guy that will represent you --

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: -- and, you know, watch out for you.

SCOTT: Uh-huh.

MIKE: But, you know, if, if it's decided that you're held it will be my understanding in a local, local jail here.

SCOTT: Um-hum.

MIKE: So, I don't know, if that's, that's all you want covered or more? Do you have any questions on, on that?

SCOTT: Well, that's pretty comprehensive.
I mean, I probably wouldn't understand if you went any further.

MIKE: Yeah. Are there other assurances of what you need right now? You know, we're, we're prepared out at the scene and, and we're prepared here to make those arrangements for you to, to come out of this as quickly as, as you make the decision to come out.

SCOTT: Right. I understand.

MIKE: You know, we don't see any real need to wait until first thing in the morning --

SCOTT: Uh-huh.

MIKE: -- when we have the people out there waiting. We've got the medical people either on scene there or minutes away.

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: And, you know, once, once you, you know, decide to come out the hospital is there, the doctor is available.

SCOTT: Uh-huh. I appreciate that.

MIKE: But -- and, you know, rest assured too that when this whole situation ends, you know, when, when everybody comes out, and everybody will eventually -- will come out and go through this same process.

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: And, and after the investigators are completed at the camp --
SCOTT: Um-hum.

MIKE: -- they're going to search it what they'd, what they'd call a crime scene search.

SCOTT: Right.

MIKE: Then individuals that make the decision are going to be free to go back in and resume their lives, you know? So if that's a concern -- what's going to happen --

SCOTT: Oh, you mean we'd be allowed to return here if -- afterwards if --

MIKE: Certainly.

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