



1 Q. And what have your duties been in those three and a  
2 half years?

3 A. I'm a patrol officer.

4 Q. Okay. What did you do before becoming a police  
5 officer?

6 A. Well, I was actually a police officer before I came  
7 to Houston for the City of Jersey Village for five years.

8 Q. Okay. So, when you were already a certified peace  
9 officer in Jersey Village, did you have to go through the  
10 HPD academy?

11 A. Yes, ma'am.

12 Q. Okay. And so, you did your academy and then were  
13 assigned to patrol?

14 A. Yes, ma'am.

15 Q. Okay. Where are you currently assigned?

16 A. I'm at central patrol.

17 Q. And what are your duty hours?

18 A. 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

19 Q. Okay. And what area of town do you patrol?

20 A. I patrol -- it's the -- 1-Adam-20's beat, which,  
21 Montrose/Westheimer area.

22 Q. Okay. Were you working back in June of 2010?

23 A. Yes, I was.

24 Q. And were you asked at one point to transfer --  
25 transport the defendant in this case to the homicide office?

1 A. Yes, ma'am.

2 Q. Okay. Do you see the person in the courtroom today  
3 that you transported?

4 A. Yes, I do.

5 Q. Can you point him out and identify him by an  
6 article of clothing?

7 A. It's the gentleman sitting with the light blue  
8 button-up shirt.

9 MS. FULLER: Your Honor, at this time may the  
10 record reflect that this witness has identified the  
11 defendant?

12 THE COURT: The record will so reflect.

13 Q. (BY MS. FULLER) Did you up to this point have any  
14 knowledge about why you were taking him -- transporting him  
15 to the homicide office?

16 A. No, ma'am.

17 Q. Okay. So, you were really just providing a ride?

18 A. Yes, ma'am.

19 Q. Okay. While you were giving him a ride to the  
20 homicide office, did you speak with him about this case?

21 A. No, I did not.

22 Q. Okay. Did he ask any questions of you?

23 A. I believe he asked me why --

24 MR. CORNELIUS: Objection, objection. Those  
25 would be covered by the motion that we filed and I have no

1 notice of this.

2 MS. FULLER: I'll rephrase, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Thank you.

4 Q. (BY MS. FULLER) At any time -- excuse me one  
5 moment.

6 (Ms. Fuller and Ms. Primm whispering.)

7 Q. (BY MS. FULLER) During the time that you were  
8 giving him a ride to the homicide office, did you make him  
9 any promises while you were transporting him?

10 A. No, I did not.

11 Q. Did you threaten him in any way?

12 A. No, I did not.

13 Q. Did you promise him anything in exchange for  
14 anything?

15 A. No, ma'am.

16 Q. Okay. No threats were made to the defendant at  
17 that time?

18 A. No, ma'am.

19 Q. Or at any time?

20 A. Never.

21 Q. Did you physically do anything to harm the  
22 defendant at that time?

23 A. No, I did not.

24 MS. FULLER: Pass the witness, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: Mr. Cornelius?

**CROSS-EXAMINATION**

1  
2 Q. (BY MR. CORNELIUS) Officer Brooks, what time was  
3 it that you transferred the defendant?

4 A. Sometime in the afternoon. I do not recall an  
5 exact time.

6 Q. Did you write a supplement?

7 A. No, I did not.

8 Q. Okay. So, do you know what date it was you  
9 transferred him?

10 A. I don't recall the date offhand, no.

11 Q. You don't know what date it was; you don't know  
12 what time it was, correct?

13 A. I do not know an exact date and exact time, no.

14 MR. CORNELIUS: All right. Then I'll pass the  
15 witness.

16 THE COURT: Ms. Fuller?

17 MS. FULLER: Nothing further, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: May this witness be excused?

19 MS. FULLER: Yes, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: On call, of course.

21 MR. CORNELIUS: For now anyway.

22 THE COURT: Of course. Subject to recall.

23 Thank you, Officer. You're free to go.

24 Please don't discuss your testimony with any of the other  
25 witnesses.

1                    *THE WITNESS:* Okay.

2                    *THE COURT:* Call your next witness, please.

3                    *MS. FULLER:* Sergeant Cisneros.

4                    *THE COURT:* Right up here, please, Sergeant.

5                    Have your seat, please, sir.

6                    Ladies and gentlemen, this witness has already  
7                    been sworn.

8                    You may proceed.

9                    *MS. FULLER:* May I approach the witness, Your  
10                    Honor?

11                    *THE COURT:* You may.

12                    *MS. FULLER:* Just need to get my -- excuse me.

13                                       **ELI CISNEROS,**

14                    having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:

15                                       **DIRECT EXAMINATION**

16                    Q.    (BY *MS. FULLER*) Would you please state your name  
17                    for the record?

18                    A.    My name is Eli Cisneros.

19                    Q.    And who are you employed by?

20                    A.    Houston Police Department.

21                    Q.    How long have you been with the Houston Police  
22                    Department?

23                    A.    19 years and 3 months.

24                    Q.    All right. In your 19 years with the police  
25                    department, can you kind of start from the beginning and