

1 sworn, your Honor.

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JOSEPH MABASA,

4 having been previously duly sworn, testified as follows:

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DIRECT EXAMINATION

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BY MR. MOSS:

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Q. Would you please state your name for the
8 record?

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A. Joseph Mabasa.

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Q. And how are you employed?

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A. Houston Police Department, police officer.

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Q. And how long have you been employed there?

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A. For 17 1/2 years.

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Q. I'm talking about January 22nd, 2008. Do you
15 remember that date?

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A. Yes, sir.

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Q. Were you dispatched to a murder scene on that
18 date, homicide investigation on that date?

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A. Yes, sir.

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Q. What -- what was your role in that?

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A. I arrived. As soon as I got there, I was
22 directed by Officer Kessler, who's Sergeant Kessler now,
23 and he told me to handcuff the suspect, at which time I
24 did.

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Q. Did you search the suspect?

1 A. I did.

2 MR. MOSS: May I approach the witness?

3 THE COURT: Sure.

4 Q. (BY MR. MOSS) Did you find anything of note
5 on the suspect's person?

6 A. Bullets.

7 Q. Let me show you what has been marked as
8 State's Exhibit No. 22. Do you recognize that?

9 A. Yes, sir.

10 Q. Would you open that up for me? Okay. And are
11 those the bullets you recovered from the Defendant?

12 A. As far as I know, sir, yes, sir.

13 Q. and who did you give these bullets to?

14 A. My -- one of the guys I work with, one of the
15 other officers. Officer Bryan Goldsby (phn).

16 Q. Okay. Were they wrapped up in a paper thing
17 like this when they were given?

18 A. No, they weren't.

19 Q. Do you know what happened to them after you
20 gave them to Officer Goldsby?

21 A. He put them in paper -- wrapped them in paper.

22 Q. The person you recovered them from, do you see
23 him in the courtroom today?

24 A. Let me see. I cannot say which one it is,
25 sir.

1 Q. Okay. But you recovered these two bullets
2 from the Defendant at that time?

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 MR. MOSS: Pass the witness.

5 THE COURT: Defense?

6 MR. ALFORD: I don't have any questions,
7 Judge.

8 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you very much.

9 May he be excused?

10 MR. MOSS: Yes, your Honor.

11 THE COURT: Mr. Alford, may he be excused?

12 MR. ALFORD: No, Judge, not right now.

13 THE COURT: You're on call. Thanks. Give
14 us a phone number where we can reach you. Don't go too
15 far.

16 Call your next.

17 MR. MOSS: State calls Paula Davila.

18 THE BAILIFF: This witness was previously
19 sworn.

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21 PAULA DAVILA,
22 having been previously duly sworn, testified as follows:

23 DIRECT EXAMINATION

24 BY MR. MOSS:

25 Q. Would you please state your name for the