

RE: INVESTIGATION (Fatal beating and sexual assault of Lori Roscett

S T A T E M E N T

OF

MARCELLIUS BRADFORD,

taken in an interview room at Area 4 Violent Crimes Headquarters, Chicago Police Department, 3151 West Harrison, Chicago, Cook Count Illinois, on Wednesday, the 28th day of January, 1987, at the hour of 9:55 a.m.

PRESENT: Ms. Susan Sussman  
Assistant State's Attorney

Det. James Mercurio  
Area 4 Violent Crimes  
Star No. 17017

Reported by: Raymond F. Peters  
Book No. 871-28b

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MS. SUSSMAN: Let the record reflect that we are in an interview room at Area 4 Violent Crimes. Today's date is January 28, 1987. The time is 9:55 a.m. Present in the room with me, Assistant State's Attorney Susan Sussman, is Detective James Mercurio, the court reporter and the defendant, Marcellius Bradford. We are here to take the statement of Marcellius Bradford

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Deposition EXHIBIT 230  
FOR I.D. 7-15-86 199  
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concerning the investigation of the fatal beating and sexual assault of Lori Roscetti, which occurred on October 18, 1986, at approximately 1:10 a.m., at 1500 West 15th Place, in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois.

Marcellius, I talked to you earlier and explained that I am an assistant state's attorney, a lawyer working with the police and not your lawyer; is that correct?

MR. BRADFORD: Yes.

Q And before we spoke, I advised you of your constitutional rights; is that correct?

A Yes.

Q I am going to read you your rights again.

Do you understand that you have a right to remain silent?

A Yes.

Q Do you understand that anything you say can be used against you in a court of law?

A Yes.

Q Do you understand you have the right to talk to a lawyer and have him present with you while you are being questioned?

A Yes.

Q Do you understand if you cannot afford to hire a lawyer, one will be appointed by the court to represent you before any questioning if you wish one?

A Yes.

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Q Understanding these rights, do you wish to talk to us now?

A Yes.

Q Marcellius, I am going to call your attention to October 18, 1986, at approximately 1:00 o'clock or so, in the morning. Did you have occasion to meet up with Larry Ollins, Calvin Ollins and a guy by the name of Daniels?

A No.

Q Did you see these individuals at the 1440 West 13th Street building?

A Yes.

Q And from that building, where did you go with Larry, Calvin and Daniel?

A We walked down Loomis.

Q And as you were walking down Loomis, did you get to the intersection of Loomis and Flournoy?

A Yes.

Q When you got to the intersection of Loomis and Flournoy, did you see a car?

A No, about ten minutes after.

Q Approximately ten minutes after you got to Loomis and Flournoy, did you see a car?

A Yes.

Q And what were you going to do when you saw this car?

A Smash and grab.

Q Now, would you describe what a smash and grab is?

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A Bust the window and snatch the purse.

Q Who was in the car when you saw that car?

A A lady that was -- the lady that was murdered later on that morning.

Q And was anyone else in the car with the lady?

A No.

Q How was the car stopped?

A Daniels walked out in the street and she stopped and stopped at the stop sign. Ollins jumped in the passenger side.

Q Who jumped in the passenger side?

A Larry Ollins.

Q And when Larry jumped in the car, what did he do?

A He immediately grabbed her and then he grabbed the steering wheel.

Q After he grabbed the steering wheel, what did he do?

A He put his foot on the brake and reached around and opened up the back door.

Q When Larry opened up the back door of the car, what did you do?

A Calvin and I jumped in -- Daniels jumped in and then I jumped in.

Q What part of the car did you get into?

A Passenger side in front, and then they pulled her into the back of the car.

Q Who pulled her into the back of the car?

A Ollins -- Calvin.

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Q When they pulled the lady in the back of the car, what happened?

A I jumped in on the passenger side and Larry started driving.

Q And how was the lady being held in the car at that point that you jumped in the car?

A I was holding her hands.

Q How were you holding her hands?

A Her wrists together and her hands. I had her like this (indicating).

MS. SUSSMAN: Indicating for the record, over the back of the defendant's head.

THE WITNESS: Yes.

BY MS. SUSSMAN:

Q What was the lady doing as you were holding her hands above her head?

A She was screaming and calling us son of a bitches.

Q And while the lady was screaming, what did Calvin do?

A Calvin had a stick pushed in her blouse.

Q And what was he doing with his other hand?

A He had her around the neck, pressed against the back seat.

Q Was the lady able to move in the hold that Calvin had her in?

A Yes. That was when he struck her in the back of the head with a stick.

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Q After Calvin struck the lady in the back of the head with a stick, what happened?

A After he struck her?

Q Yes.

A She just started -- that's when she started going wild.

Q And what did Calvin do with the stick at that point?

A He still had it, but he had set it down. We had gotten around to the middle of 14th or 15th Street. I got out. Calvin got out. We switched seats. I got in the back seat, holding her.

Q When you got in the back seat at that time --

A Daniels was in there holding her.

Q And once you got in the car, how were you holding the lady?

A I had her by the wrist and her legs.

Q And what were Daniels and Calvin doing to the lady?

A Excuse me?

Q What were Calvin and Daniels doing to the lady?

A They was holding her, but at the same time Calvin was trying to -- he poked her with the stick and struck her.

Q After he poked her and struck her with the stick, what happened?

A He was trying to take her pants off. One of her legs was out of the pants.

Q Where did Larry drive the car to at that point?

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A We were still sitting in the car, you know. The car didn't stop.

Q Where did Larry drive the car to?

A Around the 1500 block and went up the ramp to the railroad tracks.

Q When you got to the railroad tracks, did anyone get out of the car?

A Yes, I jumped out first.

Q After you jumped out of the car, did anyone else get out

A Yes, Daniels.

Q After Daniels got out of the car, did anyone else get out?

A They were still struggling with her, trying to get her pants off. Ollins got out next to open the door.

Q When you say Ollins, do you mean Larry?

A Larry.

Q Where did Larry go when he got out of the car?

A Right to the trunk. He grabbed a box.

Q What did he do when he got to the trunk?

A Opened it and got a box.

Q What did he do with the box?

A Set it on the ground. <sup>MB</sup>

Q After he opened the trunk, did he go back inside the car?

A Yeah, he went inside the car and got the lady who owned the car.

Q And what did he do with the lady?

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A He took her back there to the trunk.

Q How did he get her from the inside of the car to the back of the trunk?

A He pulled her.

Q And how did he pull her?

A Grabbed her around the shoulders -- I mean, around the arms and neck. She was stumbling back.

Q And when he got her to the back of the trunk of the car, what did he do to her?

A He pushed her, like, pushed her back, spine, up here (indicating). He pushed her head down in the car.

MS. SUSSMAN: Indicating for the record, the defendant is placing his hands on the back of the neck, showing motion forward.

BY MS. SUSSMAN:

Q When he pushed her in the back of the trunk, what did he do?

A He moved her leg -- her legs was still. He moved her legs with his feet.

Q And after he moved her legs with his feet, what happened?

A He flipped his underpants down, flipped his penis out and stuck his penis in her.

Q What was the lady doing at that time?

A Screaming and hollering, trying to get away.

Q Did the lady ever get away?

A She stayed for three, four minutes. Then she stumbled about five feet away and fell.



Q What did Calvin and Daniels do at that time?

A They were still in the car.

Q When the lady stumbled and fell, did anyone grab her?

A Calvin jumped out and grabbed her.

Q What did he do when he grabbed the lady?

A First he got out and grabbed her. Then he started kicking her.

Q Where was he kicking her?

A All over. He was kicking and then he stomped her up in the body.

Q On the front and back of her body?

A Yes.

Q Did anyone other than Calvin stomp and kick the lady?

A Larry. *6/1/73 MB*

Q And where was Larry kicking the lady?

A He was kicking her in the back.

Q What did Larry do after he stomped and kicked the lady?

A He picked up a ~~brick~~. *CONCRETE MB*

Q What did he do with the ~~brick~~?

A He hit her in the face. *CONCRETE MB*

Q Was that Larry who hit her in the face?

A Yes.

Q When Larry hit the lady in the face with the ~~brick~~ *CONCRETE*

what happened to the lady? *MB*

A She was -- when he hit her, she was on her way getting up.

Q Then what happened?

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A He hit her with the brick. She fell back down and Calvin picked her up. <sup>concrete</sup> MB

Q Was this brick a piece of concrete from the ground?

A Yes.

Q After he hit her back down to the ground with this piece of concrete, where was the lady taken?

A She was taken back in the car.

Q And what happened when she -- what part of the car was she taken to?

A The front part of the car.

Q Who took her to the front part of the car?

A Calvin. *Offins M.B.*

Q When Calvin put her in the front part of the car, what did he do?

A That's when he pulled his jogging pants down and put his penis in her cunt.

Q How long did he stay on top of her?

A Approximately three minutes.

Q What were you doing at that time?

A I was standing right there on the side watching Ashland and Loomis.

Q Why were you watching Ashland and Loomis?

A To see if anybody was coming up.

Q How far away from where the car was and Calvin and the lady were you at that time?

A About ten or fifteen feet away.

Q After Calvin got on top of the lady, did anyone else get on top of the lady?

A Yes.

Q Who got on top of the lady?

A Daniels.

Q What happened when Daniels got on top of the lady?

A He tried to stick his penis in her cunt, but we was telling him let's go.

Q Who said let's go at that point?

A I did.

Q And what did you tell everyone?

A I told all of them let's go, we've been up here too long.

Q How long had you been up on the tracks at that point?

A About forty-five minutes.

Q Where did Calvin and Larry go at that time?

A They came behind me when I jumped. All three of them came behind me.

Q Who left first?

A I jumped down first. I limped across the field. I was about five or ten feet in front of them.

Q And what did Calvin and Larry do after you jumped down?

A They came behind me. I asked them, did they get any money.

Q What did Larry say to you?

A They said there wasn't no money.

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Q What did Larry say to you?

A ~~They~~ <sup>LARRY</sup> said there wasn't no money.

Q Where did you go?

A I went straight to 1222 Roosevelt Road.

Q Who lives at 1222 Roosevelt Road?

A My brother.

Q What happened to the stick?

A The stick was thrown by Calvin around the time that Daniels was trying to get on top of ~~her~~ <sup>THE LADY</sup> *MB*.

Q Where did Calvin throw the stick?

A South of 18th.

Q On what side of the tracks did he throw the stick?

A Towards south, 18th Street.

Q After he threw the stick, did Calvin get anything else?

Did he take anything else from the lady?

A ~~No, he didn't.~~ YES, HE TOOK OVERALLS AND KEYS. *MB*

Q Did he take anything from the car?

A ~~NO.~~ YES, THE LADY'S KEYS FROM THE CAR. *MB*

Q Do you know where Calvin and Larry went?

A They went to 1440 <sup>MB</sup> 13th Street. That's where we met up before. Me, Larry, Calvin and Daniels.

Q I am going to show you what has been marked as People's Exhibit No. 1 for identification. Do you know who that is a picture of?

A Yes.

Q Who is that a picture of?

A The <sup>WE MB</sup> lady that ~~was~~ murdered that night.

Q I am going to show you what has been marked as People's Exhibit No. 2. Do you recognize that?

A Yes, from a distance.

Q And what does this look like?

A Looks like the stick that Calvin had, similar to it.

Q Now Marcellius, since you have been at the police station, have you been treated well by the police?

A Yes.

Q And have you been treated well by me?

A Yes.

Q Has anyone made any promises to you or threats to you in order for you to make this statement here?

A No.

Q Are you making this statement freely and voluntarily?

A Yes.

Q And are you making this statement because it is the truth about what happened on October 18, 1986?

A Yes.

MS. SUSSMAN: Let the record reflect that it is now 10:06 a.m. and that will conclude the statement of Marcellius Bradford..

Marcellius Bradford  
MARCELLIUS BRADFORD

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Susan Sussman

DET.

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