

1 silent and that anything I say can be used against
2 me in a court of law.

3 "I understand I have a right to
4 talk to a lawyer and have him present with me
5 during questioning, and if I cannot afford to hire
6 a lawyer, one will be appointed by the Court to
7 represent me before any questioning.

8 "Understanding these rights, I
9 wish to give a statement."

10 There's an X there, and then the
11 defendant signed his name.

12 "After being advised of his
13 constitutional rights and stating that he
14 understood his rights, Lafonso Rollins stated he
15 wished to waive his rights.

16 "Lafonso Rollins stated he
17 understood Caren Armbrust is an assistant
18 state's attorney, a prosecutor, and not his
19 attorney.

20 "Lafonso Rollins stated he wished
21 to give the following statement, which is a
22 summary, not word for word.

23 "Lafonso Rollins states that he
24 is 17 years old. He completed eighth grade at

1 Maryville Academy, Dolton Education Center.

2 Lafonso Rollins states he started ninth grade at
3 St. Joseph's on Halsted, but never finished.

4 "Lafonso Rollins states he can
5 read and write English and demonstrated this by
6 reading the first few lines of the statement out
7 loud.

8 "Lafonso Rollins states that on
9 January 9, 1993, at 1:00 p.m., he was at the
10 building located at 6360 South Minerva. Lafonso
11 Rollins states he is familiar with this building,
12 and it is an old folks home.

13 "Lafonso Rollins states that he
14 went to the apartment of [REDACTED] while
15 she was in the hallway opening her apartment
16 door. Lafonso Rollins states that when he grabbed
17 her and threw her to the ground, she passed out.
18 Lafonso Rollins states he told [REDACTED]
19 not to yell or holler.

20 "Lafonso Rollins states that he
21 had a knife, and he demanded money from [REDACTED]
22 [REDACTED]. Lafonso Rollins states that he got about
23 60 dollars.

24 "Lafonso Rollins states that he

1 made [REDACTED] take off her clothes, and he opened
2 his pants. Lafonso Rollins states that he put
3 his penis between [REDACTED] legs, and he began
4 to grind, and then he nudded. Lafonso Rollins
5 states that this means he masturbated and
6 ejaculated.

7 "Lafonso Rollins states he wiped
8 himself off with a pillow case and then left.

9 "Lafonso Rollins states he
10 identified [REDACTED] by a photo. He
11 signed this photo and put, number three, on this
12 photo.

13 "Lafonso Rollins states he has
14 been treated well by the assistant
15 state's attorney, Caren Armbrust, and the police.
16 Lafonso Rollins states he has eaten pizza and a
17 sandwich and has had coffee and cola to drink
18 while he has been at the police station. Lafonso
19 Rollins states that he has has not been threatened
20 in any way, nor has he been made any promises for
21 this statement.

22 "Lafonso Rollins states he is not
23 under the influence of drugs or alcohol now.

24 Lafonso Rollins states he can make any changes or

1 additions to this statement by asking Caren
2 Armbrust to do so now. Lafonso Rollins states
3 that he had this statement read to him by
4 Detective McGrath."

5 And then it's signed.

6 BY MS. HIGGINS:

7 Q. Thank you, Caren.

8 Caren, after you showed the
9 statement to the defendant and it was read aloud,
10 what did you do?

11 A. After we had completed all the signing?

12 Q. After you completed the corrections and
13 all of that has been done?

14 A. I asked him one more time if there were
15 any changes or additions that he wanted to make,
16 and he said, no. Then I took a photograph of
17 him.

18 (WHEREUPON, People's Exhibit
19 Number 21 was marked for
20 identification.)

21 BY MS. HIGGINS:

22 Q. Caren, I'm showing you what's been marked
23 as People's Exhibit Number 21 for identification,
24 and I'd ask if you recognize that?