

1 you without the assistance of the microphone.

2 The record will reflect the oath has been
3 administered to the witness.

4 Mr. Padden, you may inquire of the witness on
5 direct examination on behalf of the State of Ohio.

6 DIRECT EXAMINATION

7 BY MR. PADDEN:

8 Q. Ma'am, could you tell the jurors your name?

9 A. My name is Margaret Saupe, S-A-U-P-E.

10 Q. I mispronounced your name when we called the case. I
11 apologize. Mrs. Saupe, could you tell the jurors your
12 employment?

13 A. I'm employed by the Ohio Bureau of Criminal
14 Identification and Investigation in London, Ohio.

15 Q. And what is your business address?

16 A. It's 1580 State Route 56 London, Ohio.

17 Q. And how long have you been employed by the Ohio Bureau
18 of Criminal Identification and Investigation?

19 A. I've been there since April of 1988.

20 Q. And do you have a current job title there?

21 A. Yes. I am forensic scientist.

22 Q. And is that the same -- have you held the same job
23 title since 1988?

24 A. They changed the title about five or six years ago to
25 forensic scientist.

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1 Q. Could you tell the jurors, did you graduate from high
2 school, Mrs. Saupe?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Did you attend college?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Did you graduate from college?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Where did you go to college?

9 A. I attended Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana.

10 Q. Did you graduate in any particular field? Did you
11 obtain a degree?

12 A. Yes. I have a Bachelor of Science degree in medical
13 technology.

14 MR. BIEGLER: Your Honor, we would stipulate to the
15 qualifications of this witness as an expert.

16 THE COURT: Do you wish the jurors to hear qualifications?

17 MR. FADDEN: As long as the stipulation is that she's a
18 forensic scientist and can give opinions there to go
19 along with that.

20 THE COURT: Is that satisfactory?

21 MR. TINGLE: Limited to her expertise.

22 THE COURT: Forensic scientist is a pretty broad area of
23 expertise. I will permit the foundation to be laid.
24 Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, the stipulation
25 is Margaret, and Margaret's last name is spelled

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1 S-A-U-P-E, is a forensic scientist. The stipulation
2 is that she may give opinions within her area of
3 expertise.

4 Now, Mr. Padden, you may develop what a forensic
5 scientist is a bit more for the jurors, if you wish.

6 Ladies and gentlemen, the purpose of my advising
7 you at this time is that ordinarily a person cannot
8 give their opinion unless they have specialized
9 background and training in the area in which they're
10 expressing an opinion. That's the same as it would be
11 for a medical doctor and so the scope of an expert's
12 opinion is limited to their background and training to
13 give you that opinion from. However, it is for you,
14 the jurors, to determine what weight to be given to
15 the testimony as you determine the credibility of an
16 expert witness in the same manner we do any other
17 witness that testifies.

18 Further instructions, Mr. Tingle, requested?

19 MR. TINGLE: No.

20 THE COURT: Mr. Padden?

21 MR. PADDEN: No, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: If you wish to go to the area of her expertise as
23 a forensic scientist you still may. Continue.

24 MR. PADDEN: Thank you.

25 BY MR. PADDEN:

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- 1 Q. Can you describe, generally, what a forensic scientist
2 does on a day-to-day basis?
- 3 A. A forensic scientist is one who is asked to examine
4 items of evidence collected from crime scenes. We
5 examine the items, we write reports about those items,
6 and we testify in courts of law about our findings.
- 7 Q. In addition to that are you required to perform
8 certain tests, scientific tests, on these items?
- 9 A. Yes. We perform various analysis. For instance, the
10 area of my assignment was trace evidence in serology.
11 Serology being the analysis identification
12 characterization of blood and other body fluids; and
13 trace evidence refers to examinations and comparisons
14 of such things as glass and hair and paint, things
15 that would be considered trace evidence in small
16 amounts.
- 17 Q. Did you have the occasion -- I'd like you to turn your
18 attention back to May 28th of this year. Did you have
19 an occasion to analyze a number of items that were
20 submitted to the Ohio Bureau of Criminal
21 Identification and Investigation from the Guernsey
22 County Sheriff's Office through various BCI agents
23 such as Mr. Kopfer?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. The case number, and we've heard some testimony

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1 yesterday that BCI would assign a case number, its own
2 case number, to every case where evidence is
3 submitted. Is that correct?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. In this case the case number is 97-40266 and then
6 sometimes on later reports there's dash A or dash B on
7 there, is that correct?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. Let's talk for a moment about some of the things that
10 were submitted to you in which you found certain items
11 of trace evidence. I'd like you to begin with what
12 was submitted as item number 5. First, can you tell
13 us what is item number 5?

14 A. Well, item number 5 was a paper bag and it contained a
15 small box which contained some evidence hairs. There
16 were also some pill tins containing blood samples and
17 control samples.

18 Q. Just a couple -- define a few terms for me. What is a
19 pill tin? What does that mean?

20 A. They're just small tins that sometimes you'll find
21 ointments in, a pharmacist might use. Our evidence
22 people very often collect small trace evidence or
23 small stains and put them in those containers and
24 secure them.

25 Q. And in this small box there was some hair, there was

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1 pill tins containing blood, a blood sample, and a
2 control sample, is that correct?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And it talks about a northern roll of the wire and a
5 southernmost roll of the wire. What does that mean?

6 A. I was told that I didn't need to examine those
7 particular items and therefore I can't tell you.

8 Q. With regard to number 5, this small evidence box, did
9 you examine this?

10 A. Yes, I did.

11 Q. Can you tell us what you did in your examination?

12 A. Well, I was looking for the hairs that were
13 designated -- when we're given a submission sheet it
14 tells us what we are to find in each item. So I
15 opened it and looked at the hairs that were submitted
16 in that box.

17 Q. Was it your understanding that this box, these items,
18 were removed from the victim's hands?

19 A. Yes. That's how the submission sheet read.

20 Q. And that was taken from the -- time at the time of the
21 autopsy or just prior to the autopsy?

22 A. I presume so, yes.

23 THE COURT: The victim in this case, please identify.

24 BY MR. PADDEN:

25 Q. The victim being Leo Sinnett?

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A. Yes.

Q. Did you come to any findings or conclusions regarding this small evidence box?

A. Well, it contained several hairs. There were hair fragments, there were some hairs that appeared to be consistent with the chest hairs that were sent to me also as having been from the victim. They also, I think, would have been obtained at the time of the autopsy. There was a small cluster of animal hair, I believe, and there was what appeared to be a small head hair.

Q. Now, let's talk for a minute about each one of those at this time. You found the presence of a bloody Caucasian body hair?

A. Right.

Q. That was submitted to you in item number 5?

A. Yes.

Q. And did you compare that with anything else?

A. Yes. I compared it to control samples, known hair standards, that we know the source of when we refer to them as knowns, and they were submitted as being the chest hairs from Clarence Roberts. That would have been item number 3.

Q. And item number 3 was submitted to you as one small envelope containing known chest hairs from the victim

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1 Leo Sinnett?

2 A. That's right.

3 Q. So, some of the bloody Caucasian hair that was found
4 in the hand or on the hands of Leo Sinnett was chest
5 hair from Leo Sinnett?

6 A. It appeared to be, yes.

7 Q. Or it was similar I should say?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. You also indicated you found some animal hair?

10 A. Yes, there's a small clump of animal hair.

11 Q. Are there any other findings you can make with respect
12 to item number 5 at this time?

13 A. No.

14 Q. Now, there was also submitted to you items B-2 and
15 B-3. Can you tell us what items B-2 and B-3 were
16 submitted to you as?

17 A. Item number B-2 was a white envelope which contained a
18 cotton swab. I believe it was a Q-tip sort of swab,
19 both ends contained some blood samples.

20 Q. And how about B-3?

21 A. B-3 was a brown paper bag which contained a towel, I
22 think it was a beige and brown towel.

23 Q. I'm going to show you now what's been marked for
24 identification in this case as the bag is marked as
25 State's Exhibit "Q" and inside the bag, if I can put

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- 1 the glove on, appears to be a towel. Do you see this?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Can you tell the jurors what this is?
- 4 A. Well, I believe that's the brown towel that I examined
- 5 that was mentioned in that article. My markings
- 6 should be on it in one corner. The other markings are
- 7 mine, I can see from here.
- 8 Q. Now, this towel appears to have various holes in it.
- 9 A. That's right.
- 10 Q. Was it submitted to you exactly as it looks right now?
- 11 A. No. The holes were the result of my examinations and
- 12 the areas where I identified blood I took the samples
- 13 out and retained them.
- 14 Q. So you actually cut the towel where the holes are
- 15 located?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And what were your findings with respect to State's
- 18 Exhibit "Q" and State's Exhibit "R", the Q-tip items
- 19 B-2 and B-3 in your report?
- 20 A. I identified human blood stains on both items.
- 21 Q. Is there different characteristics between animal
- 22 blood and human blood?
- 23 A. Yes. We use commercially prepared antisera to
- 24 determine species of all blood samples. It's just a
- 25 simple precipitant task where we react the suspected

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1 stain with the antisera and a precipitant line is
2 formed.

3 Q. Let's back up one moment. Going back to item number 5
4 that we just reviewed a moment ago that was submitted
5 to you, assuming for purposes of this question that
6 these facts are true: Assuming I would like you to
7 assume that at the time of his death Leo Sinnett was
8 covered in blood, including the hands of Leo Sinnett,
9 and I also want you to assume that at the time he was
10 found he was lying on the floor of his living room
11 which was a carpeted floor and his hands would be at
12 or near the ground level essentially touching the
13 ground. Assuming those facts are true, would you
14 expect to find various debris on Mr. Sinnett's hand?

15 A. Yes, in all probability unless there was an extremely
16 clean carpet.

17 Q. What kind of debris would you expect to find given
18 those set of circumstances and assuming those facts to
19 be true?

20 A. Well, there are all kinds of things you might find -
21 ashes and that sort of things. Hairs are most
22 commonly found. Hairs are, as you know, ubiquitous.
23 They're everywhere and it's hard to walk across any
24 carpet without picking up hairs of some sort.

25 Q. Now, let's turn your attention, if you would, to what

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was submitted to you as A-14. Can you tell the jurors what A-14 was submitted to you as?

A. It was a white Cutlass car.

Q. The entire car was submitted to you, Mrs. Saupe?

A. Yes.

Q. Where exactly was this car when you saw it?

A. At the time I examined it, it was parked behind the garage at BCI.

Q. The Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation is sometimes referred to as BCI?

A. That's right.

Q. So if I refer to it as BCI you'll know what I'm talking about?

A. Yes.

Q. So the car was brought to BCI?

A. Yes, it was.

Q. I'm going to show you now what's been marked as State's Exhibit "C" and admitted into evidence and ask you to take a look, if you would. Do you recognize that?

A. Well, it would appear to be the car. I remember the rust stain. I can't see the license number or the V.I.N. number but it appears to be the same.

Q. You, in your report, this car was submitted to you as one white Cutlass Cierra car, serial number

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1 IG3AM19X0GG402911?

2 A. Correct. I verified that automobile.

3 Q. You verified it by looking at the V.I.N. number on the
4 dashboard?

5 A. That's right.

6 THE COURT: V.I.N. number means for the jury?

7 BY MR. PADDEN:

8 Q. V.I.N. number is the vehicle identification number you
9 see on your dashboard?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Now, did you what's called process this car?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Did you examine this car for trace evidence?

14 A. No.

15 Q. Tell us what you did.

16 A. I was asked to examine it, primarily the front seat,
17 looking for blood stains.

18 Q. Did you examine the back seat?

19 A. I give it a visual examination. I didn't know at the
20 time what other procedures were going to be requested
21 - latent prints that sort of thing. I did do a visual
22 examination. I didn't do any swabbings.

23 Q. Did you observe any blood in the white seat of this
24 white Oldsmobile?

25 A. No, I did not.

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Q. Did you do a visual inspection on the front seat of the car?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you observe any stains on the front seat of the car?

A. Yes, I did.

Q. Can you describe for the jurors where you observed a stain on the front seat of the white Oldsmobile?

A. It was on the passenger's side of the car next to the door about four to five inches above the seat level and it was a swipe mark that was positioned from the outside in pointing downward, it swiped down this way.

Q. I'm going to show you three photographs. We'll begin first with State's Exhibit "KKK-1" and ask you to take a look at that and then I'll show you "KKK-2". Do you recognize what's depicted in these two photographs, Mrs. Saupe?

A. Yes. That would be the area from which I took the blood stain.

Q. Now, I'm going to show you what's been marked for identification as State's Exhibit "KKK-3" and ask you do you recognize that?

A. Yes. There is a photograph of the area where I took a control sample. When we take blood stains we usually try to take a control over an unstained sample from an

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1 adjacent area for comparison so if we're asked at some
 2 later point to do traditional blood groupings, such as
 3 the ABO grouping, we can say with certainty that these
 4 substances were found in the blood stain, they weren't
 5 already on the subsrape before the stain was
 6 deposited.

7 Q. Can you explain to the jurors where you would have
 8 taken the control sample which is marked for
 9 identification as shown in Exhibit "KKK-3"?

10 A. It was taken above the stain near the seat belt.

11 Q. And just for purposes of the record, this would be the
 12 right front passenger's seat of this Oldsmobile?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. And the control sample would have been taken about
 15 where the seat belt buckle would rest when it's not
 16 locked in place?

17 A. Perhaps just a little bit below that but, yes.
 18 Approximately.

19 Q. On the front right seat?

20 A. That's right.

21 Q. Now, tell us what you did with respect to the
 22 two -- or excuse me, the what you've labeled as S1 on
 23 this photograph. This is "KKK-2" and I believe that's
 24 stain one?

25 A. That's right.

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- 1 Q. What did you do with regard to S1 or stain 1?
- 2 A. I took a very small portion of that stain and analyzed
- 3 it to confirm that it was blood and then it was human
- 4 in origin.
- 5 Q. And was it?
- 6 A. It was.
- 7 Q. So it was human blood on that car seat?
- 8 A. That's right and then I put it in a package and put it
- 9 in our freezer in the lab.
- 10 Q. Now, was there anything else done with respect to this
- 11 blood stain or smear, as you've called it?
- 12 A. In our lab?
- 13 Q. Did you do anything else with it?
- 14 A. Eventually I did package it and send it to Lab Corp.,
- 15 for genetic analysis.
- 16 Q. Sometimes call DNA analysis?
- 17 A. Yes, it's DNA.
- 18 Q. Did you also send to Lab Corp. a known sample of Leo
- 19 Sinnett's blood?
- 20 A. Yes, I did.
- 21 Q. And that would be for comparison purposes to compare
- 22 Mr. Sinnett's blood to the blood smear found in the
- 23 white Oldsmobile?
- 24 A. Yes, that's what was requested.
- 25 Q. You examined several other items of evidence in this

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- 1 case, correct?
- 2 A. I did.
- 3 Q. And on these other items, these seven other items I
4 want to go through with you, you did not find any
5 other blood on any of these other seven items, human
6 blood?
- 7 A. That's right. I did not.
- 8 Q. Let's first talk what was submitted to you as item
9 A-4. Can you tell us what was item A-4?
- 10 A. A-4 was a paper bag containing a dark colored T-shirt.
- 11 Q. What did you do with respect to this dark colored
12 T-shirt?
- 13 A. I was also asked to examine that T-shirt for the
14 presence of blood.
- 15 Q. Can you describe for the jurors the condition of this
16 black T-shirt?
- 17 A. Initially I thought it was just a rag when I pulled it
18 out. It had been -- it had grit of some sort, sand or
19 soil ground into it. It was damp. It was an
20 indistinguishable color. I couldn't tell what the
21 original color had been.
- 22 Q. I'm going to show you for purposes of identification
23 what's been marked in this case as State's Exhibit
24 "FF". Do you recognize this?
- 25 A. Yes. That's the bag that held that T-shirt.

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- 1 Q. It has on it some marking in a back marker A-4 looks
- 2 like the initials P.S. Are those your initials?
- 3 A. Those are my initials. My nickname is P.S. I usually
- 4 use the initial P.S.
- 5 Q. It has BCI case number 97-40266.
- 6 A. That's right.
- 7 Q. I'm going to open this and pull out what's inside.
- 8 Does this appear to be the shirt that you examined?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Now, there appears to be some black markings with a
- 11 black marker on this shirt. Did you do that?
- 12 A. Yes. Areas that I took swabbings from to check for
- 13 the presence of blood I would have marked.
- 14 Q. The front bottom portion of this shirt appears to be
- 15 torn out did you do that?
- 16 A. No. That's the way it was submitted.
- 17 Q. There doesn't appear to be any sleeves on this shirt.
- 18 Did you take those out?
- 19 A. No, it was submitted to me in that condition.
- 20 Q. When this shirt was submitted to you it was damp?
- 21 A. It was.
- 22 Q. As if it had been wet?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And you didn't find any blood on this shirt?
- 25 A. No, I did not.

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Q. For purposes of this next question I would like for you to assume that these following facts are true:
I'd like you to assume on May 17, 1997, that this shirt was thrown into a parking lot here in Cambridge. I want you to assume that either later that night or the next night a street sweeper came through and cleaned the parking lot where this shirt was thrown. I want you to assume that that street sweeper also cleaned other parking lots either before or after the lot where Exhibit "FF" was found. I want you to assume that the contents of that sweeper were taken to West Virginia and dumped in a dump and I want you to assume further that on May 20, 1997, a detective from the Guernsey County Sheriff's Office went to that dump and found that shirt in the dump pile.

Assuming all those facts to be true, would you expect to find blood on that shirt if that shirt were to be worn during the commission of a homicide?

MR. TINGLE: Objection, Your Honor. It calls for -- a hypothetical -- it's a hypothetical question asking for opinion and assuming facts not in evidence.

THE COURT: Approach the bench.

(Whereupon, counsel for the respective parties approached the bench and conferred with the

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Court out of the presence of the
Jury.)

THE COURT: The objection is the hypothetical question given
to the expert witness assumes facts not in evidence.
The response?

MR. PADDEN: Judge, we expect John David to testify on May 20,
1997, he went to West Virginia outside of Triadelphia,
West Virginia, to the Edge Company. They run a street
sweeper. They clean the parking lot of Farm & Fleet
along with several other parking lots. That it was
either cleaned the night of the 17th or the 18th, that
those contents were dumped into their lot, the dump.

THE COURT: I understand what you're presenting. You're
saying the hypothetical facts that you're asking her
to assume will be placed in the record by Davis in his
testimony?

MR. PADDEN: Yes, sir.

MR. PADDEN: We have testimony, Judge, from Kim Peterson and
Matt Robbins that the shirt that was worn by
Mr. Roberts was thrown out the window in the Farm &
Fleet lot.

THE COURT: That testimony is in the record. That portion of
the hypothetical question could properly be assumed.
Does the defense have objection to the Court
instructing some of these facts are not yet on the

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1 record, they will have to be tied up by other
2 witnesses and if they're not tied up they would be
3 disregarded, or I'll have to sustain your objection
4 and permit Davis to be called and take her later?

5 MR. TINGLE: Your Honor, I think the seriousness of this
6 exhibit requires the objection and requires that every
7 fact upon which the hypothetical is based be either in
8 evidence or that the witness had personally observed
9 it.

10 THE COURT: Yes, that is the evidence rule. Applying the rule
11 is a bit more difficult in a situation, for the
12 prosecution is representing that these facts will be
13 in the record at the time that Sgt. Davis testifies.

14 MR. TINGLE: Sgt. Davis is not going to be able to testify as
15 to the collection of this initially by whatever
16 cleaning company or whatever --

17 THE COURT: Can he testify as to how it was collected?

18 MR. PADDEN: That's part of his investigation. That's what he
19 learned.

20 MR. PLUMMER: We can bring in this person from West Virginia
21 to say they cleaned this parking lot or provide a
22 contract, if that's really a question other than
23 a -- if that's a genuine issue in this case. I can't
24 believe that it would be.

25 MR. PADDEN: Judge, the other issue is she's scheduled to

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testify in a murder case in Franklin County tomorrow and can't be back tomorrow.

THE COURT: Well, I have to find that these facts that you're asking her to assume are not in evidence and in the record at this trial at this time. You are asking her to assume facts that may be in evidence at the completion of the testimony of the State of Ohio. The technical application of the rule does not give me any latitude to permit that and the defense, properly, is saying on what's a serious case they cannot waive that. So this is not a matter that I can assist with. I could give the jurors an instruction that those facts may be in the record at a later time but the evidence rule clearly states that the expert has to assume facts that are in the record at the time she renders her opinion, and that's not the state of the record at this time.

MR. PADDEN: Then we would ask leave, Your Honor, to recall her on Friday or Monday whenever she's available in our case-in-chief and that may mean we would run out of testimony before then and ask for a day or two's worth of delay. I don't know what else to do. She's scheduled in Franklin County tomorrow.

THE COURT: Now, these facts that you believe that Davis in his testimony, that is Sgt. John Davis Guernsey County

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1 Sheriff's Department, will be able to supply will be
 2 that he went to West Virginia, he picked up the
 3 T-shirt from the parking lot cleaner, for lack of a
 4 better word, and he will testify as to how he got the
 5 T-shirt?

6 MR. PADDEN: That's right.

7 MR. PLUMMER: If the Court would like to do an in camera of
 8 Detective Davis to satisfy the Court that that is
 9 available --

10 THE COURT: If I can't rely on the representation of the
 11 counsel in this case, I would have to hear every case
 12 before I made any evidence ruling. I am taking your
 13 professional representation.

14 MR. PADDEN: If I may just one second, Judge. That's the name
 15 of the company, that's the date he got it and the
 16 time. It was recovered on the McGraw's Run Road in
 17 Valley Grove, West Virginia by Detective Davis.
 18 Valley Grove is a suburb of Wheeling.

19 THE COURT: I'm going to take the objection under advisement
 20 for a brief moment to review the evidence rule. I
 21 instruct you to move to other areas. At the
 22 conclusion of the testimony you may return to this
 23 area and I'll give you the Court's ruling. You may
 24 move to other areas.

25 {Whereupon, Counsel returned to

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1 their tables and the following
2 proceedings were had before the
3 Court and Jury.)

4 THE COURT: Mr. Padden, you may continue your direct
5 examination of the witness in accordance with the
6 Court's instructions.

7 BY MR. PADDEN:

8 Q. Mrs. Saupe, moving to a couple of other areas and,
9 again, this is evidence that you did not find -- these
10 are items submitted to you where you do not find
11 evidence of blood. I would like for you to look at
12 A-10 and tell the jurors what was submitted to you as
13 A-10.

14 A. Number A-10 was a plastic bag which contained personal
15 clothing, a wallet, knife, cigarettes, a lighter, a
16 Buffalo nickel and shoes belonging to Albert Andrews.

17 Q. And there was no blood found on that?

18 A. That's correct.

19 Q. Item B-4. Could you tell the jurors what item B-4 is,
20 what was submitted to you as?

21 A. A brown paper sack containing the clothes of Clarence
22 Roberts.

23 Q. I'm going to hand to you now what's -- or show you
24 what's been marked for identification as Exhibit "SS"
25 in this case, has the number 97-40266 and then it has

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- 1 B-4 and your initials. Do you recognize that?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. So you examined the contents of this bag for the
- 4 presence of blood?
- 5 A. I did.
- 6 Q. Did you find any blood on the black shirt with the
- 7 wolf on the front?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Or the blue jeans inside?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Item B-6 was submitted to you as money that was
- 12 removed from the defendant, Clarence Roberts, at the
- 13 time of his arrest, is that correct?
- 14 A. That's right.
- 15 Q. The total of the money was how much?
- 16 A. \$140.15.
- 17 Q. You didn't find any blood on that?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. A content of beer was submitted to you?
- 20 A. Yeah, it was a beer box containing -- actually
- 21 contained seven bottles of beer and then there was a
- 22 loose bottle in a brown paper bag along with that.
- 23 Q. There was no blood on that?
- 24 A. No blood.
- 25 Q. B-12 was a fishing rod wrapped in green paper. There

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was no blood on that?

A. Actually, it was a case, a fishing rod case. Yes, there was no blood.

Q. B-13 is some leather gloves that were submitted?

A. Correct.

Q. Now, let's talk for a moment about hair analysis, if you would. Are you from time-to-time asked to analyze hairs found at a crime scene and compare those to a maybe a victim's known hair or a suspect's known hair?

A. Yes.

Q. Assuming, for purposes of this question, that the hair that's found at a crime scene does not contain the root of a hair, okay -- well, first let me ask you, what does that mean "the root of a hair"?

A. Well, the root is the part where the growth begins. When you pull a hair out sometimes you can see a little bulb on the end or a little knob on the end, particularly if you pull it from your head and really pull it forcefully. Those are hairs that aren't really ready to fall out but you're going to still see the root. That shrivels up somewhat and when it does fall out that root is still present but sometimes you need a microscope to visualize it, but that's where the growing end of the hair of the is.

Q. If you were to have submitted to you a hair at a crime

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