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Description of the rapist

[Incident Report](#):

Build: heavy, handedness: right (NOTE: Curtis Downing is left handed), hair length: short, hair style: curly, speech manner: polite + profane/ abusive, right eyelid droopy

“Victim noticed that with the exception of those times when the perpetrator was sexually assaulting her that he was wearing gloves”

[Voluntary Statement](#), page 10

Q: How was he dressed?

Dark blue sweat pants, dark grayish sweat shirt, white T-shirt collar hanging out

Voluntary Statement, page 6: ski mask

Page 8: Q: Which eye was drooping?

A: It was my left, so it was his right.

Voluntary Statement, page 9: flashlight + tape + rope

Q: What type of flashlight?

A: A real little one. It's blue and it has a string on the back of it.

Q: Okay. A bright blue or a dark blue?

A: A dark blue.

Q: What color was the tape?

A: White.

Q: Okay. And how 'bout the rope?

A: It was white too. It's plastic.

Voluntary Statement, page 11: Spanish accent

Q: But at the same time it could have been legitimate?

A: It could have been legitimate.

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	<p>(Affidavit of Jul. 22, 1993 by Officer G. Loyal Miller) “Black male adult, 6’3”, 230-250 lbs, very muscular in build, wearing a hood, and spoke with an “effective” Spanish accent. “</p> <p>Application and Affidavit for a Search Warrant, June 30, 1993, page 3: “Her attacker was described as a black male adult.”</p>
Order of sexual intercourses	<p>(Declaration of Arrest)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. penis-vagina 2. cunnilingus/ oral sex 3. penis-vagina <p>“Prior to leaving the apartment, the suspect forced the victim to give him approx. \$ 42 in U.S. currency.”</p> <p>Voluntary Statement: (Wallet thing)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cunnilingus/ oral sex; (“And I asked him to wear a condom. That’s what I think he did.”) 2. penis-vagina (phone rang/ answering machine, 6:10 hrs, January 21, 1993) 3. penis-vagina (“doggy style”)
Wallet & Money	<p>(Declaration of Arrest)</p> <p>“Prior to leaving the apartment, the suspect forced the victim to give him approx. \$ 42 in U.S. currency.”</p> <p>Voluntary Statement: A: When we got to the living room, he asked me to He asked me where my wallet was and I, I told him in my black bag. He got my wallet and he couldn’t find the money. And so, he handed me the wallet and he said, get the money. And I got it.</p> <p>Kristie Chiles’ testimony, page 84: Q: You said you heard him rumbling around in the bag? A: Uh-huh. ...Q: ...Did there come a time after this incident when you actually saw your wallet again? A: Yeah.</p>

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	<p>Q: And where was your wallet when you saw it again? A: On the floor scattered by the TV.</p>
The use of force	<p>Kristie Chiles' Voluntary Statement, page 2/3: "I asked him not to tape my mouth, and he didn't. I asked him not to tie my hands behind my back so he tied 'em in the front of me with a white rope." "...I asked him to not rape me in my bedroom and to take me to the living room." He took her to the living room. "And I asked him to wear a condom. That's what I think he did."</p> <p>Kristie Chiles' testimony, page 81: A: He moved me to the living room. Q: When you say he moved you to the living room, do you know why he moved you to the living room? A: No.</p> <p>(Application and Affidavit for a Search Warrant, Det. John Fox, 6/30/1993 and Declaration of Arrest) "The assailant woke her from her sleep, and pointed a gun in her face." ..."He forced her into the living-room where he demanded money."</p> <p>Kristie Chiles' testimony, page 77: Q: What woke you up? ...A: I felt like weight on my back. Q: Do you sleep on your stomach or do you sleep on your back? A: I used to sleep on my stomach.</p> <p>Page 79: Q: Was the room lighted in any way other than just by the television? A: I can't remember. I can't remember.</p> <p>Voluntary Statement, page 4: (when the phone was ringing and the answering machine went on.)</p>

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A: ...And I grabbed hold of him. I was afraid of the dark and to hold my hands to reassure me that the gun wasn't in his hands.

Q: When he did that – where did he hold you?

A: He just held my hand.

Q: As he wearing –

A: Gloves with a knit top and leather bottom.

Kristie Chiles' testimony, page 94:

Q: And as he took the tape out of the machine did you do anything?

A: Yeah.

Q: What did you do?

A: I was scared.

Q: What did you do?

A: So I reached my hands out like this so I could feel the gun to make sure it wasn't pointing at me.

Q: And when you felt his hands, did you feel the gun?

A: I can't remember.

Voluntary Statement, page 11:

A: ...I said, "Please don't shoot me." And that's when he said to me, "Don't worry. I'll strangle you like I did all the others."

NOTE: See Crime Scene Report of January 21, 1993:

"Examining officer recovered a pair of "Sheer Energy" panty hose size #A with a missing/ removed leg from on top of the breakfast bar counter. The above item was booked into evidence."

At trial, there was no mentioning of strangling or a panty hose missing one leg. Why?

Contusions, Abrasions, Lacerations

[\(Medical History and Assault Information\)](#)

"No evidence of cutaneous abrasions of the chest or back."

"No evidence of contusions, abrasions or lacerations. Intravaginal exam reveals normal pink"

"No hematoma, contusions or lacerations."

Gun - description

Incident Report, LVMPD, January 21, 1993, 6:59 hrs, reported by Detective John Fox, page 3:

"He was armed with a med. size blue steel revolver."

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LVMPD Detective John Fox's Application and Affidavit for a Search Warrant, June 30, 1993, page 1:
"The gun was described as a 'steel blue revolver.'"

Voluntary Statement, page 8:

A: It's black to dark brown. It's a revolver 'cause I remember the little – the round ---

Q: Cylinder?

A: Uh-huh.

Voluntary Statement, page 9:

Q: Which hand did he hold it in?

A: His right. (NOTE: Curtis Downing is left handed!)

Q: Okay. When did he first display it?

A: When he jumped on me in the room. It was pointed at the back of the head.

Semen/ DNA

Kristie Chiles' testimony, page 104:

A: He wanted me to wash all my private areas.

...A: He was standing there watching me.

Q: And then what happened?

A: I don't remember. All I remember is I didn't wash really good because I knew.

Q: You knew what?

A: If I had that there would be no proof that I was raped, and I was happy because he didn't notice that.

Kristie Chiles' testimony, page 116: (referring to her Voluntary Statement)

Q: To the question of, Was he specific as to what part of your body to wash; what was your answer?

A: No.

Condom

(Medical History and Assault Information)

Q: Does patient have communicable disease at risk to lab personnel?

A: Yes.

"The patient denies any past medical history with the exception of herpes genitals which she says she acquired prior to this alleged assault. ...The patient's LMP was one week ago."

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	<p>Q: Consenting intercourse within last 72 hours? A: Yes. Q: Was condom used? A: No.</p> <p>Police Report of 1-25-1993 (Voluntary Statement, page 3): Q: Why did you ask him to wear a condom? A: 'Cause I had told him that I had a disease. But I was the one who was afraid of getting one, you know?</p> <p>Obviously, the police did not find a condom, its wrapping or a moist spot, where a condom may have been laid in Kristie Chiles' apartment.</p>
<p>Search for potential witnesses for the defense</p>	<p>Public Defender Office, Report of Investigation, July 5, 1994: "On 6/30/94 J went to three different locations of Tanning Salons of Nevada to ascertain if any of their personnel who knew Christie Childs (Kristie Chiles) had ever seen the victim and defendant together. I made contact with Stacy Rockvan, who is the District Manager and who knew Christie (Kristie) the best, and she told me she had never seen them together. On 7/5/94 I canvassed all the apartments surrounding 4738 O'Bannon, Apt #B, but found no one who had ever seen Curtis around this apartment as he had claimed."</p> <p>Kristie Chiles' testimony, page 132/ 133: Q: You never saw him (Curtis Downing) around the apartment complex? A: I was never really around the complex. I was – I mean, I stayed there, but I worked and I never really, you know, been friends with anyone around the complex.</p>
<p>State's Star Witness Tami Zold</p>	<p>The State's Star Witness Tami Zold was flown in from Wisconsin at the District Attorney's Office's expense and allowed to testify in Kristie Chiles' case, although Zold's sexual assault case had not been tried and proven in court yet. Why? Had there been made a deal between her and the District Attorney?</p> <p>Tami Zold's testimony on July 13, 1995, page 153: Q: The man that you pointed to, this is the man that you ran into outside of Clark High School, and he sexually assaulted you on January the 18th?</p>

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	<p>A: Yes, it is. The State: May the record reflect she's identified the defendant, Curtis Downing? The Court: Record may so show. The State: Thank you. No further questions. The Court: You may cross-examine. The Defense: No questions. (?!)</p>
Tape of the answering machine	The police officers do not search for the tape.
Removed leg from Chiles' pair of panty hose	<p>[Crime Scene Report, Jun. 30, 1993, Officer Monte W. Spoor] "Examining officer recovered a pair of "Sheer Energy" panty hose size #A with a missing/ removed leg from on top of the breakfast bar counter. The above item was booked into evidence." The missing leg of the panty hose was not searched for and not found at Curtis Downing's residence. [See Search Warrant and Property Return, Jun. 30, 1993, by Det. John Fox.]</p>

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rapist – description and identification	<p>B.M. A. with a Latin accent wearing white jogging pants, dark blue sweat shirt, dark blue or black beanie hat. Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Tami Zold's Voluntary Statement, Page 5, January 22, 1993: Q: Did – when you seen him walking towards you, was there anything unusual about him that you observed? A: Just that he was walking fast. But he was wearin' joggin' pants and stuff, so I thought he was just walking. Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Tami Zold's Voluntary Statement, Page 7, January 22, 1993: Q: Okay. So prior to that (perpetrator pulled Tami's shirt up over her head), did you have an opportunity to look at him?</p>

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A: No, because he wouldn't let us look up. But I seen him. I just don't remember really good what he looks like.

[Preliminary Hearing](#), page 171:

Q: What was the lighting like as he began to approach from that 40 feet?

A: It was dark, but there were street lights and some lights around the school.

...Q: Was there any hallway lighting that illuminated the area that you were looking from?

A: No.

Q: Just the street lamps in the area?

A: Yes, I think so.

...Q: Did you get a good look at him as you stood there face to face with him?

A: Yeah, for a second.

[Tami Zold's testimony](#), page 202:

Q: Now, then after this night happened – after this happened and you got done talking to the police that night, did you think that you could identify the person that did this to you?

A: Yeah, I thought that I could.

Q: And why?

A: Because I could picture his face in my head when he was coming towards me.

Q: Had you gotten a good look at this person's face?

A: Yeah.

Tami Zold's testimony, page 205:

Q: Did you identify anyone in that courtroom, and how did that come about?

A: Yes, I knew who he was. I seen him.

Q: How?

A: I just seen him right away. When I walked in I knew.

Q: I take it it's the same man you identified in court today?

A: Right.

Q: Now, a year later, did he have a beard on still?

A: No.

Q: Did that affect your ability identify him?

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A: No.

Q: Why?

A: Because I remember him; I know him, I know his eyes.

Q: What is it that you remembered about him when you saw him this next time?

A: His eyes.

[Mistaken eyewitness identification](#) causes most of all wrongful convictions. (Go to the [IIPPI Forum](#) to learn more.) Two of the contributing factors are time and trauma. Victims often take little note of the (facial) characteristics of their attacker and the more time passes, the less one remembers correctly. In Tami Zold's case, there was no composite sketch made of the perpetrator; there was no physical line-up and no line-up with pictures (a picture of Curtis Downing). Almost two and a half years after the incident, she was called on the witness stand to identify a person she may have never seen before. See [Tami Zold's testimony](#) of her own trial in 1998, especially the cross-examination from page (beginning at 209) 216 through 230.

Clark County School District Police Department, [Sexual Assault Investigation](#), February 3, 1993, page 4: "Angela and Tami were unable to identify any of the six photos as being the suspect."

[Angela Vaughan's Voluntary](#) Statement, page 15:

Q: Do you think you'd know this guy if you seen him again?

A: Yeah.

Q: Could you identify him?

A: Probably.

Tami Zold says the rapist had a full beard with mustache (see [Preliminary Hearing](#), page 14). Angela Vaughan says, the perpetrator had a beard but no mustache. (See [Angela Vaughan's Voluntary Statement](#), page 5.)

Tami's mother Dianne Schmidt

Schmidt believes the girls were telling the truth. She makes the comment that Tami had been after her for quite some time to move, that they were in a bad neighborhood.

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Tami's background

Tami (at the age of 16) did not attend school. She had missed most of the school year anyway, because she was gone often. Tami wanted to make her mother move with her back to Wisconsin. Tami eventually did relocate to Wisconsin without her mother. (See Tami Zold's [Voluntary Statement](#).)

Tami Zold's Voluntary Statement:

Q: What would you like to do as a result of this (rape)?

A: Move.

Q: Where would you like to move to?

A: Uhm, Wisconsin. Or if not, just to a different house.

Q: Okay. How long have you felt that you've wanted to move from where you're at?

A: For a long time. Not really. I don't know. I change my mind on and off.

Q: ...Did you – you said you'd moved back to Wisconsin here a while ago to live with your father?

A: Uh-huh.

Q: Uh, why did you go back to Wisconsin?

A: 'Cause I was homesick.

Q: Do you like Vegas?

A: No.

Q: How long have you been here?

A: Uhm, altogether about eight months. No, almost a year. Not including the four months that I left home, so probably about eight months.

Q: How do you feel about – does your mom – is your mom willing to go back there (Wisconsin)?

A: No. She's not even willing to move out of our apartment.

Q: Okay. Uh, how long have you wanted to leave – at least leave your neighborhood there?

A: Since it happened.

Q: Okay. Did you wanna leave before then?

A: Well, one time – a long time ago. But that was only because like I was mad at somebody who lived around us, but – (NOTE: Was Tami Zold "mad" at Damon Rivera?)

time-line

20:30 TZ, Tara and Angela left TZ's residence to take Tara to her home. It took approx. 20 min. to walk her home. (-> 20:50)

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When they reached Tara's apartment, a black male adult, they did not know, approached them and asked them if they had boyfriends. He then asked if they wanted a ride. When they told him no, he drove into the apartment's parking lot and did not make contact with them again. TZ states he was not the suspect.

Tara went into her apartment and TZ and Angela began walking home.

The assailant in jogging pants was walking fast towards them and grabbed them.

TZ is raped at approx. 21:00.

Tami gives Damon Rivera a call

21:45 both girls come home. Tami cries. Angela Vaughan tells Tami's mother that Tami had been in a fight, but then admits that Tami has just been raped.

Tami changes her pants and shoes

Dianne Schmidt (Tami's mother) immediately took them to UMC.

22:15 Det. F. Galey and Det. Bigham are dispatched to UMC

Damon Rivera

After the sexual assault and before the girls go home, TZ gives Damon a call and tells him that the rapist said that "You're hanging around Damon. It's not good to hang around Mexicans. I'm going to do to you what he did to my sister. He raped her."

[Note: Curtis Downing has 4 brothers but no sister!]

Det. Galey advised Rivera that he is to contact Sexual Assault Detail to make an appointment with them to assist them in locating the suspect. "There is a possibility that he knows of a female who has had problems with him and a brother who has it out to get him."

Tami Zold's Voluntary Statement, page 22:

Q: Why do you think he picked you instead of Angie?

A: I don't know. I don't know why. If – I think he was lying about Damon. Uhm, I mean I know Damon did not rape his sister, but – but when he was – maybe it was 'cause I had on Damon's flannel and he doesn't like Damon or somethin'. (NOTE: If it was Damon's flannel, there might have been his DNA on it, but the only suspect was and would be Curtis Downing.) There could be lots of reasons. Maybe he liked me and I didn't know who he was. And maybe he thought Damon was my boyfriend.

Tami Zold's Voluntary Statement, page 21:

Q: How do you know Damon?

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A: 'Cause I used to live next door to him.

Q: Okay. And are you and Damon just friends? Is that your relationship?

A: Yeah.

Angela Vaughan's Voluntary Statement, page 14:

Q: How long have you known Damon?

A: Since like October.

Q: You said you used to be boyfriend-girlfriend for a short period of time?

A: Well, we weren't – we weren't boyfriend-girlfriend. We were just like, you know, just together.

 Jan. 25, 1993, 12:00: Det. Petronek and Rebecca Schell interview Damon Rivera at Clark High School. Damon states that he is just friends with both Tami and Angela and that he knew of the incident because Tami had called him right after it happened. She told him that the suspect had told her he was going to kill him. Damon says that he does not know who the suspect could be nor does he know what he meant by telling Tami that he raped his sister.

Rapist about Damon Rivera
(Logic?)

When the assailant had tied TZ's wrists he asked, "Which one of you know Damon?" They said, "We both do." He then asked what their relationship was with him. They told him, "Just friends." He told TZ that he had nothing against her, but that was what she gets from hanging around Mexicans because Damon raped his sister.

Tami Zold's pants, shoes, socks,
underwear and dirt

[[Officer's Report](#), LVMPD Det. F. Galey, Jan. 19, 1993 02:10]

"The clothes that Zold was wearing at the time of the assault, being the tennis shoes and her pants, were changed at the house and she put on a new pair of pants and new shoes.

I told Mrs. Schmidt that when she contacted Sexual Assault Detail, she needs to keep those items in a bag for further instructions from Sexual Assault, due to the fact that we were not at the address. She said she would do that for us."

The only [property report](#) about Zold's clothes there is the one of January 18, 1993. It just mentions a shirt and a pair of white pants she put on after the incident. What about the clothes she had worn during the alleged rape that were still at Tami Zold's home?

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[Clark County School District Police Department, [Sexual Assault Investigation Report](#), Rebecca Schell, February 3, 1993]:

“On Thursday, 01/21/93, at about 0813 hours, I met with the victim’s mother At this time I picked up the victim’s clothing she wore during the assault. The clothing was in a plastic bag tied at the top. The clothing consisted of a pair of black pants, black suede shoes (right shoe lace missing), and a pair of white socks. The clothing was taken to Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Criminalistics Bureau, 6765 W. Charleston Boulevard, to be placed in their drying room.” QUESTIONS: Why so late? Why is there no property report and no examination request which states each single item of the clothes to be tested? NOTE: Rebecca Schell is the officer who prematurely wrote in her affidavit of October 29, 1993, “That a DNA comparison of Downing and the sample recovered from the victim, Zold, show the donor to be Curtis Downing.” She requested a Warrant of Arrest before the result of the DNA test was known.

[Zold's trial testimony:]

Q: Do you know if you were allowed to wear your underwear home, or if you had to leave them at the hospital, or do you remember?

A: I just remember they took whatever I had. They gave me something else to put on and told me they had to keep something. I'm not sure what it was that they kept. But they gave me something to wear home.

Q: Did you keep your shoes, or do you know?

A: I don't really remember, I just –

[Nurse Patricia Perry Spear's testimony](#), page 260/261:

Q: In this particular case, do you recall whether or not you packaged up or impounded the patient's underwear?

A: I do not remember specifically. Since I mentioned on this that all her clothing was collected by Metro, I would say not.

Q: Do you see your initials or signature anywhere on those seals?

A: I see my initials on this set of seals. I don't see it on that one, but.

Nurse Patricia Perry Spear's testimony, page 268/ 269:

Q: What is a debris collection?

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Semen and DNA

A: Debris collection would be leaves, dirt, anything extraneous on the patient that is not covered by these other samples.

Q: And did you observe any extraneous leaves or dirt on the patient?

A: No. (NOTE: No mud, although Zold was laying in the dirt while being raped in the rain?)

Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, [Forensic Laboratory Report of Examination](#), February 9, 1993:

“Semen was detected on the vaginal samples, panties and rectal smear.” NOTE: Tami Zold negated that the nurse and doctor had taken swab samples of her anus (see [Preliminary Hearing](#), page 13) and she has never said that there had been anal intercourse with the rapist.

“However, the possibility exists that there was an insufficient amount of semen present to determine the blood groups of the semen donor.”

[Nurse Patricia Perry Spear's testimony](#), page 272:

A: These are the rectal swabs and smears. They have a similar cardboard container with two slides in it, a box with two swabs in it.

Q: And were those items used in collecting samples?

A: Yes.

Q: Again, is it taped, but yet unsigned?

A: Yes.

Q: And is there a second set of tape with signature on it?

A: Yes, there at the top.

...Q: And the first tape similar to the tape that you said you used does not have your signature on it, however?

A: That's correct.

Page 275:

THE COURT: You're talking about the vaginal swabs and the rectal swabs?

DEFENSE: Both of which are not sealed, according to the nurse – Nurse Spear's testimony, were not sealed by her nor signed by her on the seal. And according to Dr. Fisher's testimony, he doesn't have any idea who sealed them or where they were. I think that establishes a loop in the chain of custody that requires a suppression of – and anything else that –

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THE COURT: Okay, the burden in terms of disputing the chain of custody is to show some reasonable possibility of tampering. All the evidence I heard indicated none of that.

Tami Zold's Voluntary Statement, page 8:

A: ...Then he hit me in my stomach, told me to shut up and that he'd kill me if I didn't.

Q: When he hit you, did he punch you? Did he slap you? Did he poke you?

A: I don't know.

Q: When he tied you – after he tied your hands, did he – did he tie a knot? Was it tight?

A: It was tight.

Q: Did it hurt?

A: Uh-huh.

Tami Zold's testimony, page 196:

Q: Did you know where the other lace was to the shoe that's missing -- was missing the lace?

A: It was still on my hands. I took it off when I was done counting. And I just dropped it right there.

Angela Vaughan's Voluntary Statement, page 15:

Q: When you saw the shoelace on the ground, was it still tied together or was it untied?

A: It was untied.

Q: It was untied layin' on the ground. ...

Angela Vaughan's Voluntary Statement, page 10:

Q: Did you ever see a gun?

A: No.

Q: Did you ever see a knife?

A: No. But I heard something. Think it was like a bat or somethin'. I don't know.

Q: Bat? Did you ever see him with a bat?

A: No. But I heard somethin'. It was like right next to me.

[Preliminary Hearing](#), page 12:

Q: Were your hands still tied above your head?

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	<p>A: Yes. Q: With the rope? A: Yes. NOTE: No rope was taken into evidence from her home, Curtis Downing's home, or the crime scene.</p>
Tami Zold's friend: Angela Vaughan	<p>Tami Zold's Voluntary Statement: Q: Did he tie Angie up? A: Nope.</p> <p>Tami Zold's Voluntary Statement, page 25: Q: Uh, you said Angie lives with you? A: Uh-huh. Q: Does Angie wanna go to Wisconsin also? A: Yeah. Q: Have you and Angie talked about goin' back there? A: If it would be possible, we said that we would. Q: You'd like to go? A: Uh-huh.</p> <p>Angela Vaughan's Voluntary Statement, January 22, 1993, page 7: Q: ...were you able to see his face then? A: No. Q: Why not? A: 'Cause he was really far away. And then like when he got close, I was like – I was trying to go the other way and I didn't look at him. And then he grabbed me and he told me to keep – he told us to keep our heads down and not to look at him.</p> <p>Q: And what did you do? A: Nothin'. I was just really scared. I didn't know what to do. Q: If you thought he was going to kill you, did you – why didn't you try and run or get away or fight with him or scream? A: 'Cause he mighta had a gun and he mighta shot us or somethin'.</p>

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	<p>Q: Did he (the perpetrator) tie you up at any point? A: Uh-uh. (meaning: no) Q: Did he do anything to you? A: Uh-uh. (meaning: no) Q: Did he touch you anywhere? A: Uh-uh. (meaning: no) Q: Did he try to? A: Uh-uh. (meaning: no)</p>
Traces at the crime scene	<p>Black shoestrings laying in some dirt, Dirt and mud had been mixed up by shoes and what appeared to be a struggle. Attempt to locate any possible fluids, including semen, on the sidewalk where the rain water was dripping, but Det. Bigham, Det. Galey and Specialist Hague were unable to find any. Two pieces of chewed gum on the sidewalk, unknown whether one or both of these pieces of gum were chewed by the suspect. (Note: Why was it not tested? Why were no shoeprints taken?)</p>
Rain	<p>[Incident Report, page 4 of 4] After the vaginal rape, "he forced her to the drain pipe which was pouring water because it was raining, and had her stand under it while he washed her vagina. Tami stated he took about 10 minutes being very thorough in cleaning her." [Note: According to the Almanac, there was no rain or other kind of precipitation reported for the crime scene's location/ zip-code 89108 on Jan. 18, 1993. "Total Precipitation: 0.00 IN"]</p> <p>Preliminary Hearing, April 7, 1994, page 11: A: ...and it was raining that night and there was rainwater coming out of the gutters, and he washed me out with the rainwater.</p>
Perpetrator's Spanish accent	<p>Angela Vaughan's Voluntary Statement, page 15: Q: Did it sound like a natural voice? A: No. You could tell he was disguising it. ...Q: Did the accent sound like it was real? A: Yeah, pretty much. He didn't mess up at all.</p>

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