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Eugene L. Muldowney Assistant Prosecuting Attorney 466 South Chestnut Street Ravenna, OH 44266

RE:

Butch Wolcott

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Dear Mr. Muldowney:

I have completed a reevaluation of Mr. Wolcott. The reevaluation procedure consisted of an individual diagnostic interview and retesting with the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory and the Millon Clinical Multiaxial Inventory—II. This was basically the same assessment procedure that I did with Mr. Wolcott in July, 1992. I include in this evaluation, however, observations that I made on Mr. Wolcott at an on site recall done on the afternoon of August 10, 1992. That on site observation provided further information to me on some additional reasons for Mr. Wolcott's memory difficulties with regard to the events of that day. As such, I consider that it is relevant to one of the major questions asked in this evaluation, i.e., why his memory of the events of that day are so sketchy.

Mr. Wolcott's memory of what happened that day is more complete today then it was in 1992. The following represents my best report of what he said to me in our September 16, 1995 interview.

"Before I really didn't want to believe that it happened. There were things that I didn't want to remember before. I was scared that it actually happened. I'm still scared that it happened and that I was involved. To this point I was really immature about it. But I finally had to face myself. It's only in the past six or seven months that I really believe that it did happen the way I remember.

I remember hearing the lady scream. I remember the gun shots. I heard it before. But I wasn't lying. It was in my own mind and maybe it was true.

There are still a lot of things about that day that are a puzzle. It's still very hard to realize that it's true.



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I remember Tyrone telling me in jail that they were accusing him of murder and me saying that it didn't happen. But I also remember telling Jill and her friend that it was crazy, that he (Tyrone) was crazy, that he did something horrible, to not call the police. I was scared that I would go to jail for it.

Tyrone put a gun to my head (he points his right index finger to his right temple and begins to cry) and to tell me I couldn't leave, that I couldn't tell anymore. It was a violent kind of thing. I was pretty drunk. He just tied me up and put me in the room.

When you read a story it has a beginning and an end. This story in my head doesn't have a beginning or end. It's just there. Little tid bits or something. Pieces here and there. It's like trying to put a puzzle together without the picture."

I asked Mr. Wolcott whether or not he is bothered by what has happened and what is still going on. He states, "I need for this to be over - - to get it off my chest. It's like I was there and I know it happened but I still can't remember everything. I want to have it over, to remember. It's like the biggest thing that happened in my life and I can't remember all of it, just pieces. And I can't believe I wasn't afraid of those kinds, that I was there. Those fucking people. I didn't know they were crazy enough to do that".

Overall Mr. Wolcott sounded, looked and spoke in a manner that suggested he was upset about not being able to totally remember. It was also apparent in the interview that he is feeling uncomfortable, guilty and, in his own words "sick" that the event even happened. He states, "two people loss their lives. They were parents and grandparents. They could have lived their lives out.

It is scary to remember. Maybe I was more involved than I remember. I don't believe I was. I believe it was the way I said. But I don't know".

This interview, sometime after the event has passed and some psychological distance has been gained for Mr. Wolcott from the actual event, suggests that he has many feelings of quilt and upset about not only what happened but the fact that he was there at the time.

My comments in the 1992 report that theorized about his memory deficits are theories that I still hold to at this time. Additionally, however, the on site observation as well as this interview suggests that part of his memory deficit is due to the fact that he was very drunk the night before this event, that he was hung over on the day of the event and drunk again that evening. That would reduce his ability to recall all details and facts on

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the day. One also has to consider, however, that the discomfort and psychological guilt that he feels now even in having been involved in the way he thinks he was involved, is enough to make total recall a very "scary" proposition for him.

It is still my opinion that what Mr. Wolcott recalls is accurate based on all of my one on one contact with him.

Psychological testing done this time was validly completed by Mr. Wolcott as indicated through the test internal validity factors. Reliance can therefore be placed in the testing results.

The MMPI and MCMI-II test results obtained for this assessment present basically the same pattern of personality profiling as observed in the July, 1992 testing. One significant change is clearly observable, however, with the testing completed at this assessment. All of the test scores that describe Mr. Wolcott as angry, antisocial and impulsive are significantly reduced. He clearly appears to be becoming more acculturated, more in touch with and responsive to more traditional societal norms and standards. This change supports the notion that he is recalling as best as he can and that he is, in fact, feeling some of the guilt and uncomfortableness that he talks about in his interview with me about what happened and the fact that he was there to observe it.

My opinion at the conclusion of this evaluation is the same as I reached at the conclusion of the 1992 assessment. If anything, this reevaluation strengthens my opinion with regard to Mr. Wolcott's truthfulness in this matter.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call or write.

Sincerely,

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