

Anthony Hollingsworth Testimony – March 3, 1994

FOGELMAN: Call Anthony Hollingsworth.

(pause)

FOGELMAN: Anthony, would you state your name and where you live for the jury?

HOLLINGSWORTH: My name's Anthony Lynne Hollingsworth. I live at route 2 box 1420 Sycamore, in Marion.

FOGELMAN: Alright. Is that - do you actually live in Marion or do you live in Lakeshore trailer park?

HOLLINGSWORTH: I live in Lakeshore trailer park.

FOGELMAN: And Anthony, I want to direct your attention to uh - a Wednesday night, May the 5th uh - in 1993. Uh - did you uh - go with your mother and others to pick up your aunt - grandmother - whatever she was, at the laundrymat?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

FOGELMAN: Alright. And who all went in the car with you?

HOLLINGSWORTH: It was me, my brother, my sister, my mom, dad and my little brother's girlfriend.

FOGELMAN: Alright. And do you know about what time that was when ya'll went?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Let's see, she got off there at 10:30 - I think she got off at 10:30.

FOGELMAN: Ok. And where did she work?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - at a laundrymat on uh - you er - I can't think of the -

FOGELMAN: - You don't know the street?

HOLLINGSWORTH: No sir.

FOGELMAN: What's it next to?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Dog track.

FOGELMAN: Alright. On the same - which side of the interstate is it on? On the opposite side of the dog track or the same side?

HOLLINGSWORTH: The opposite side.

FOGELMAN: Alright. Is there a Flash Market close to it?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir, right beside it.

FOGELMAN: Alright. And how did ya'll go to get there?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - We went down uh - the service road going to 7th street, uh - and it's right beside um - Blue Beacon and Love's.

FOGELMAN: Ok. And on the way, going that way, uh - to get your grandmother - is it your grandmother we're talking about that you were going to pick up?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

FOGELMAN: On the way to pick her up, did you see anybody there on the road?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

FOGELMAN: Alright. Who did you see?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - Damien and Domini.

FOGELMAN: Alright. Uh - is the person who you refer to as Damien, is he in the courtroom?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir, he's right there.

FOGELMAN: Uh - which one?

HOLLINGSWORTH: The black hair one.

FOGELMAN: Alright. Your Honor, may the record reflect the witness has identified the defendant.

The Court: It may so reflect.

FOGELMAN: Alright. And what did you uh - you said somebody else, who else did you say?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Dominique, his girlfriend.

FOGELMAN: Alright, and what does she look like?

HOLLINGSWORTH: She's red headed, about 5'4".

FOGELMAN: Ok. And thin?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Real thin.

FOGELMAN: Alright. What - about how long was her hair?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - about middle ways to her - right here.

FOGELMAN: Ok. About middle ways?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yeah.

FOGELMAN: When you say "Middle ways to right here", do you mean it's that long or middle ways between there and her head? (laughs) What do you mean?

HOLLINGSWORTH: It ain't real long, but it's not short neither.

FOGELMAN: Ok.

(courtroom laughter)

FOGELMAN: Alright. I understand what you're talking about. Alright, and uh - how were they dressed?

HOLLINGSWORTH: They were wearing all black.

FOGELMAN: Ok. And uh - did you notice anything about their clothes?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - yes sir.

FOGELMAN: What did you notice?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - it's what you call 'dirty'.

FOGELMAN: Ok. And after going by there, uh - did you go and pick up your grandmother?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

FOGELMAN: Alright. I don't have any further questions.

DAVIDSON: Now, Mr. Hollingsworth, did you say that uh - uh - you all were on the service road or were you on the interstate?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Sir, we was on the service road.

DAVIDSON: You were on the service road uh - when you say that you saw Domini and Damien, is that correct?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: Ok. Now who - who did you say were in - was in that car?

HOLLINGSWORTH: My whole family and plus a girl.

DAVIDSON: Ok. Let's name 'em first. Who's your father?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Ricky Hollingsworth.

DAVIDSON: Ricky Hollingsworth, ok. And who else?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Narlene Hollingsworth.

DAVIDSON: Narlene Hollingsworth.

HOLLINGSWORTH: Tabitha Hollingsworth.

DAVIDSON: Tabitha, is that your sister?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: Ok.

HOLLINGSWORTH: Mary Hollingsworth.

DAVIDSON: Now, who is Mary Hollingsworth?

HOLLINGSWORTH: My other sister.

DAVIDSON: And who else?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Little Rick.

DAVIDSON: Little Rick?

HOLLINGSWORTH: That's my brother.

DAVIDSON: So little Ricky Hollingsworth, and that's your brother. And who else?

HOLLINGSWORTH: His girlfriend, Sombra.

DAVIDSON: Girlfriend, who?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Sombra, I don't know her last name.

DAVIDSON: Say her name again.

HOLLINGSWORTH: Sombra.

DAVIDSON: Sombra, ok. And you all were going where, again?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Mm - to pick up my grandmother from work.

DAVIDSON: And what time did she get off work?

HOLLINGSWORTH: At 10:30.

DAVIDSON: At 10:30, she gets off work.

HOLLINGSWORTH: I think. I'm not sure.

DAVIDSON: So you - well, what time were you all out there? What time did you go uh - down the service road?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Sir, that was a year ago.

DAVIDSON: Ok, so you don't remember?

HOLLINGSWORTH: All I can just tell ya is - is a little bit.

DAVIDSON: Ok. So you don't remember what time you were going down there, is that what you're telling this jury?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Naw, I ain't telling the jury that. I - I -

DAVIDSON: Ok. Who are you telling that to?

HOLLINGSWORTH: To you.

DAVIDSON: Ok.

HOLLINGSWORTH: I'm the one talking to you.

DAVIDSON: Ok. Well, tell me now, uh - do you remember what time it was?

HOLLINGSWORTH: I'll say 10:30.

DAVIDSON: You say it was 10:30.

HOLLINGSWORTH: How is that?

DAVIDSON: Ok. Now, what kind of vehicle was this?

HOLLINGSWORTH: A red Ford Escort.

DAVIDSON: A red -

HOLLINGSWORTH: - Station wagon.

DAVIDSON: - Ford Escort?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

The Court: Did you say station wagon?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: How many seats are in there?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - 2 and plus - in the back, there's 2 front seats and then you got a back seat and you got a uh - the back, for like a spare or something. And that's where most of the kids was, sitting in the back.

DAVIDSON: Who are - when you say "kids", who are you talking about as kids?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - Rick and Sombra and Mary.

DAVIDSON: You sure that you were on the service road, is that correct?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: Ok. Where were you seated?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - uh - in the middle seat. I was sitting right next to my grandmother when she got in.

DAVIDSON: So, you were in the middle seat?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: Who else was sitting there?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - it was me, Tabitha, and um - which my dad was sitting in the front with mom, which was Ricky. But when she got in, we made enough room for her - so she could get in.

DAVIDSON: Who was driving?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Narlene.

DAVIDSON: Is Narlene your mom?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: Ok. And you were in the middle with all these people - you were in that middle seat, which side?

HOLLINGSWORTH: I was on the passenger side, where the door is.

DAVIDSON: Is there not a door on both sides?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir, but I'm telling you, I was sitting on the right.

DAVIDSON: Ok. Now, ya'll have talked about this quite a bit around the house, hadn't ya?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Naw, not that much, why?

(courtroom laughter)

DAVIDSON: Since this happened last year, you all sat around and talked about this, hadn't ya?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Not that much. Just off and on, very often.

DAVIDSON: Did you go to the police station and make a statement regarding - or police station and make a statement regarding this?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir, the next day.

DAVIDSON: The next day. And um - these people that you say that you saw out there uh - what was uh - Domini wearing?

HOLLINGSWORTH: She had black pants on with sort of a black shirt - the shirt was black but the pants had white flowers on 'em.

DAVIDSON: Pants had white flowers on 'em. Are you sure this is the people that were in there - in the car?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes - yes.

DAVIDSON: Ok. Just a minute, your Honor.

(pause)

DAVIDSON: When did you say you went and talked with the police about this?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Very next day.

DAVIDSON: The very next day. And uh - did you talk to 'em any after that about this?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: And uh - when you talked with 'em the next day, did uh - did you give 'em uh - a statement?

HOLLINGSWORTH: No sir.

DAVIDSON: And uh - did you write anything down that next day?

HOLLINGSWORTH: No sir.

DAVIDSON: Did they write anything and have you sign it that day?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: The very next day?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: Do you remember who you talked with?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Gary Gitchell.

DAVIDSON: Gary Gitchell. So, the very next day, what day would that have been? The next day?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Sir, I don't have the slightest idea. That's been a year ago.

DAVIDSON: What day was it that you saw these people?

HOLLINGSWORTH: May the 5th.

DAVIDSON: Ok. So, the very next day, May the - would that have been May the 6th?

HOLLINGSWORTH: I think so.

DAVIDSON: Ok. So May the 6th, uh - you talked to Gary Gitchell about this?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: Ok. And gave him a statement?

HOLLINGSWORTH: I ain't gave him a statement til May the 7th, I think.

DAVIDSON: May the 7th, you gave him a statement.

HOLLINGSWORTH: I think it was Friday.

DAVIDSON: On a Friday. Did you talk with any officer any after that?

HOLLINGSWORTH: No sir.

DAVIDSON: Did you talk with uh - is this your signature down at the bottom of this page?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: Ok. Can you read those dates?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Ha, yes sir.

DAVIDSON: What are those dates?

HOLLINGSWORTH: May the 13th.

DAVIDSON: Look at it again here.

HOLLINGSWORTH: Uh - it says "25th day of May - 3rd".

DAVIDSON: Ok, did you also talk with 'em on May 25th?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: Could it have been that's when you talked with them rather than these other times?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir, I made my statement May the 3rd, I think - or 25th.

DAVIDSON: May the 25th is when you talked to 'em?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes.

DAVIDSON: So, it wasn't the next day?

HOLLINGSWORTH: No, sorry about that.

DAVIDSON: Ok. And that's the only time that you talked with them since then?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: So the only time you talked with them was on a Friday, May the 25th, is that correct?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

DAVIDSON: Thank you.

FOGELMAN: We're almost through, Anthony. Anthony, I want to show you this and I want you to look over that. Just take your time and look over that.

(pause)

(mumbling)

FOGELMAN: (mumbled question)

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir, it is.

FOGELMAN: Is that the statement that you gave to the police?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

FOGELMAN: Alright. And it was on May the 25th, wasn't it?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

FOGELMAN: Atleast that's what the date is on there.

HOLLINGSWORTH: That's right.

FOGELMAN: Uh - when you gave that statement - looking over that statement, does that help to refresh your memory as to the time it was that you saw 'em?

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

FOGELMAN: Alright. Let me get over here where I can see the statement, excuse me. And did you write in here - tell them what time you saw 'em?

(pause)

FOGELMAN: See right here. Or about what time you went to pick up your aunt, uh - grandmother.

HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes sir.

FOGELMAN: Alright. And what time was it?

HOLLINGSWORTH: 9:30.

FOGELMAN: Ok. Did you also say something else in here about the condition of their clothes other than just 'dirty'?

HOLLINGSWORTH: They was muddy.

FOGELMAN: I don't have any further question, your Honor.

The Court: Anything else?

(mumble)

DAVIDSON: Nothing further, your Honor.

The Court: Alright. You may stand down. You're free to go. Call your next witness.

FOGELMAN: Call Narlene Hollingsworth.