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CASE INVESTIGATOR: THI OFFICER LESA BRENEMAN
DATE OF INTERVIEW: 06/20/16
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TYPIST: HELEN BELLER

Q1: THI OFFICER LESA BENEMAN
A1: SHANE ROMERO

Q1: Okay it is July...20th, 2016; this is Officer Lesa Breneman, Fort Myers Police Department. I'm here with Shane Romero...R O M E R O. Okay? Um uh as a law enforcement officer in the State of Florida I'm authorized to take sworn statements. Do you swear that everything you're going to tell me is the truth, the whole truth, nothing but the truth?

A1: Yes ma'am.

Q1: Okay. Um so we're on uh...Colonial Boulevard right here at Summerlin. Can you tell me what you um observed?

A1: I was going around a truck. Uh because they were swerving just a little bit. And I didn't want to be involved in that. And so I sped up just a little bit. And then he started coming into my lane. But then moved it back over. Hit the motorcycle. Uh I seen the motorcycle try to catch it's balance. And then the body went flying. Uh hit a sign. And the motorcycle just kept going. And then I turned around and went to go help.

Q1: So the motorcycle was in which lane? They were going westbound?

A1: They were going that way.

Q1: Okay.

A1: And they were in the middle lane.

Q1: The motorcycle was in the middle lane?

A1: Yes.

Q1: And then...the, you said there was a truck...

A1: The truck was also in the middle lane. Coming over to the far right.

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Q1: Okay. And can you describe the truck for me.

A1: Um I believe it had like...a top on top. Um...white, the top was white. I don't know what the, the rest of the color was. I was just kind of in shock at the moment.

Q1: Okay. So pickup truck with uh...with a topper on the back?

A1: Yes.

Q1: Okay. Okay so you were, were you in the right lane next to 'em?

A1: Yes.

Q1: Okay so when the crash happened, it happened kind of next to you. And then you...um continued up, made a U-turn and then went back to help the motorcyclist?

A1: Yes.

Q1: Did you see where the truck went?

A1: Uh it kept going passed the light.

Q1: Okay do you know if it went over the bridge? Or do you know if it went down McGregor?

A1: Uh I don't know. I kind of turned around right there and...

Q1: You turned around at Summerlin?

A1: The truck, the truck kept going. Yes.

Q1: Okay. You said something about...um earlier about uh...the, a tire. Did you think that maybe that he had a flat tire?

A1: He, I believe he did have a flat tire. Um it could have been, I thought it was the front, but it could have been the back too.

Q1: You think the driver side tire?

A1: Yes.

Q1: What do you think the damage would be on the car?

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A1: The front driver side...anywhere between the front of the car to the door.

Q1: The driver's door?

A1: Yes.

Q1: Okay. Did you get a look at the driver at all?

A1: No. Windows were up.

Q1: Okay did it have dark tint on it? Or you're not, you're not sure?

A1: I'm not sure.

Q1: Okay. That's fine. Okay...um...alright is there anything else you can think of...that I didn't ask?

A1: No.

Q1: No? Okay. Alright this will conclude the interview. It is 12:10 a.m.

END OF INTERVIEW