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Case Title: (U) RODRIGUEZ, ALFREDO - SEE SUB

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From: [REDACTED]

To: MIAMI

Document Title: INTERVIEW RE:ALFREDO RODRIGUEZ

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ALFREDO RODRIGUEZ, date of birth [REDACTED] social security number [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] was interviewed, after waiving his Miranda Rights, at 7920 Glades Road, Boca Raton, Florida. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the purpose of the interview, he provided the following information:

RODRIGUEZ worked for JEFFREY EPSTEIN as a house manager for approximately six months between 2004 and 2005. During his employment he obtained a copy of a black book and other papers that had the contact information for numerous individuals. RODRIGUEZ claimed that many of the individuals in the book were underage (minor) females. RODRIGUEZ stated that he forgot that he had these items until the past couple of months. RODRIGUEZ wanted to sell these items for \$50,000.00 to attorney BRADLEY EDWARDS because he had been unable to work since losing his job with EPSTEIN. During RODRIGUEZ' employment with EPSTEIN he (RODRIGUEZ) saw naked minor females sunbathing at EPSTEIN's pool, he saw images of naked minor females on EPSTEIN's computer, and he knew that EPSTEIN was having sexual contact with minor females at his house. RODRIGUEZ was occasionally tasked with cleaning sex toys after the minor females

had departed the residence. RODRIGUEZ did not tell the FBI nor any other law enforcement agency about this information, even though he knew there was an investigation, because he was scared of EPSTEIN. RODRIGUEZ claimed that he did give the Palm Beach Police Department some information related to the EPSTEIN investigation.

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**From:** [REDACTED]

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**Document Title:** PURSUANT TO SEARCH:PROVIDED BY ALFREDO RODRIGUEZ

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Pursuant to consent to search provided by Alfredo Rodriguez, date of birth [REDACTED] Social Security Account Number [REDACTED] Rodriguez' vehicle, a tan Chevrolet Trailblazer, Florida tag [REDACTED] Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) 1GNDS13S472281269 was searched and one AT&T Sony Ericsson cellular telephone, [REDACTED] Serial Number BD3301HVFP with car charger was seized. Rodriguez also consented to the search of the cellular telephone seized from the vehicle as well as the cellular telephone he carried on his person, an i-Phone telephone, [REDACTED]

The original FD-26 Consent to Search Form signed by Rodriguez was placed in a 1A envelope of case file.

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Julio Cesar Suarez, date of birth [REDACTED] Social Security Account Number [REDACTED] U.S. Permanent Resident, employed as a kitchen cabinet salesperson, cellular telephone [REDACTED] residence [REDACTED] was interviewed in the vicinity of the Hilton Hotel, 7920 Glades Road, Boca Raton, Florida. Suarez had a North Carolina Driver's License in his possession which reflected a previous address of [REDACTED] Suarez was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and purpose of the interview. Suarez was read an FD-395 Advice of Rights form which he stated he understood and signed. Suarez provided the following information:

Suarez traveled to the Hilton Hotel with his friend, Alfredo Rodriguez. Suarez met Rodriguez through their wives. Rodriguez picked Suarez up near his residence in Kendall and they planned to have lunch together. Rodriguez told Suarez he needed to stop in Boca Raton but did not give a reason why. Suarez acknowledged that Rodriguez brought documents to the Hilton Hotel but he denied having any knowledge of what the documents were related to. Suarez advised that Rodriguez rents the El Cristo

restaurant located at 8th Street, Miami, Florida and had been previously employed at another restaurant.

At the conclusion of the interview, and at the request of Alfredo Rodriguez, Rodriguez' Chevrolet Trailblazer, Florida tag [REDACTED] was released to Suarez.

The original FD-395 was placed in a 1A envelope of case file.

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From: [Redacted]

To: MIAMI

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ALFREDO RODRIGUEZ, [Redacted] telephone [Redacted] date of birth, [Redacted] social security number [Redacted] RODRIGUEZ was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and Assistant United States Attorney [Redacted] RODRIGUEZ was then provided with the FD-395, advice of rights form, and advised of his rights pursuant to the form by agents at approximately 2:30 PM. RODRIGUEZ signed the written waiver of rights at approximately 2:31 PM. He then provided the following information.

RODRIGUEZ advised that he had been told by GHISLAINE MAXWELL not to discuss what had occurred at the home of his former employer, JEFFERY EPSTEIN, approximately 3-4 months after he was fired from his position as house manager in March 2005. RODRIGUEZ further advised that MAXWELL also told him not to contact anyone else about what had occurred at the home. RODRIGUEZ explained that one of his last contacts with anyone in EPSTEIN's organization was in 2005 when he contacted a secretary in New York, LESLIE LNU, regarding a letter of reference. In addition, RODRIGUEZ explained that after receiving a subpoena in the civil litigation, he

contacted EPSTEIN's secretary approximately ten (10) months ago, in early 2009. After receiving the subpoena and alerting EPSTEIN's organization, RODRIGUEZ was then contacted by attorney JACK GOLDBERGER(phonetic) concerning legal representation. RODRIGUEZ advised that he declined representation by GOLDBERGER. He did not alert the attorney to the existence of the black bound book or handwritten notes that agents seized on November 3, 2009.

RODRIGUEZ was asked about the nature, circumstances, and content of the black bound book and handwritten notes agents seized. RODRIGUEZ explained that his first contact with law enforcement regarding the EPSTEIN investigation was with the Palm Beach Police Department and Detective [REDACTED]. He explained that he had been subpoenaed by the State Attorney's Office and that he turned papers over to [REDACTED] several years ago. RODRIGUEZ explained that the black bound book that was seized by agents on November 3, 2009 was not among the documents he turned over to the detective. RODRIGUEZ advised that he realized or remembered that he had possession of the black book approximately 5-6 months ago and had first come into possession of it during the time he was employed with EPSTEIN between 2004-2005.

In describing the handwritten notes on legal pad paper that were also seized, RODRIGUEZ advised that the content or lists were compiled from other hand written notes that he once had but has since thrown away. RODRIGUEZ noted that some of the names or contacts on the lists were not contained within the black book. RODRIGUEZ explained that the names of girls on the handwritten lists came from his personal notes regarding payments he had made to girls during his employment with EPSTEIN. RODRIGUEZ explained that EPSTEIN would instruct him to go to the bank and withdraw a specified amount of funds. SARAH KELLAN or GHISLAINE MAXWELL would then instruct RODRIGUEZ as to whom to make payment and in what amount.

RODRIGUEZ further indicated that during the period of his employment, girls would be transported to and from the house in private cars, taxis, and on occasion, he would transport the girls himself. He described the taxis as actual marked commercial vehicles with the cab company having an office or base of operation located near Belvedere Road and U.S. Highway 1 in Palm Beach county. He could not recall the actual name of the taxi company.

RODRIGUEZ explained that there were photographs of naked underage girls arranged in collages in the hallway or stair case of EPSTEIN's home and in EPSTEIN's closet. He reported seeing naked girls he believed to be underage at the pool area of the home. In addition, RODRIGUEZ described seeing pornographic images of girls on computers in the house. Regarding the computers in the house, RODRIGUEZ explained that after hurricanes in 2004 or 2005, a computer technician or specialist based in Ohio or having some connection to Ohio came to the home and performed repair or maintenance on the computers.

RODRIGUEZ explained that there appeared to be two distinct groups of girls that would frequent the house. One group would stay overnight in the house, and the second group of girls served as masseuses. RODRIGUEZ described what he observed after the massages and what actions he took. He and the housekeeper, LUELLA (ph) LNU, would clean the area where the massages occurred. This included cleaning massage tables, sex toys, and handcuffs, and disposing of used condoms. RODRIGUEZ explained that the massages often times occurred twice per day. He also noted that CAROLENA (ph) ANDRENO (ph) would contact girls whose names were listed in the black bound book on behalf of EPSTEIN. RODRIGUEZ advised he received the black bound book sometime in 2004 when the books were shipped from New York.

RODRIGUEZ explained that JEAN LUC BRUNEL(ph) would also bring girls to the house and would sometimes arrange for girls to be flown in via commercial and private planes. He also relayed that he had discussed the sexual activity with young girls that he observed with the house manager of the Paris, France property, VALSOUN(ph)LNU. RODRIGUEZ also believed JEROME PIERRE, the gardener at the Palm Beach county property was aware of the sexual activity that occurred at the house with young girls.

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**Document Title:** ARREST RE:ALFREDO RODRIGUEZ

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**Contents:** 12/15/2009

Pursuant to an arrest warrant issued by United States Magistrate Judge Linnea R. Johnson for Obstruction of Justice, 18 U.S.C. \* 1512(c), on December 8, 2009, agents made contact with ALFREDO RODRIGUEZ at 505 South Flagler Drive, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, Florida. RODRIGUEZ was placed under arrest without incident. Agents then transported RODRIGUEZ to the Palm Beach County Jail.

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From: [REDACTED]

To: MIAMI

Document Title: ALFREDO RODRIGUEZ PLACED UNDER ARREST AND TRANSPORTED

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ROBERT COUTURIER, business address 69 Mercer Street, New York, NY 10012, business phone [REDACTED] and cellular phone number [REDACTED] was interviewed at his design studio at the above listed location. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agent, and the nature of the interview, COUTURIER provided the following information:

COUTURIER first met JEFFREY EPSTEIN sometime between 1985-1988 and he was introduced to EPSTEIN by YSABEL GOLDSMITH. At that time, EPSTEIN was looking for a designer to decorate his place located at 9 East 71st Street, Manhattan, NY. COUTURIER was interviewed for the job but EPSTEIN did not hire him on that occasion.

COUTURIER and EPSTEIN travel in the same social circles and there is a lot of gossip surrounding EPSTEIN. The talk is mostly about how much he enjoys the company of young girls and women. COUTURIER stated that EPSTEIN always made him feel uncomfortable and strange when he was around him so COUTURIER was friendly and courteous to him but does not consider EPSTEIN his

friend.

There is no doubt that EPSTEIN is very intelligent and can carry a conversation about any subject but there is something about him that is weird and off-putting. He is incredibly wealthy and COUTURIER believes that most people around him do not talk too much about him because that type of wealth usually buys power. Although people might have information about EPSTEIN they might be reluctant to talk; it is easier to excuse his bad behavior or turn a blind eye to it.

COUTURIER stated that about six or seven months ago a woman by the name of [REDACTED] who is EPSTEIN's assistant, called him and asked if he would consider taking on the challenge of decorating EPSTEIN's place in Manhattan and if he would also consider decorating his place in the US Virgin Islands (USVI). COUTURIER advised these are just two of the homes he currently owns but EPSTEIN also has an apartment in Paris, France and a huge ranch somewhere in the Midwest in the U.S.

COUTURIER stated that by this time, he had heard of EPSTEIN's incarceration and thought that EPSTEIN had "paid his debt to society" and maybe things had changed with him so he went into the meeting trying to be objective. EPSTEIN also stated that to be honest, he would be making a lot of money if he took the project.

The first meeting took place sometime in April or May 2010 and [REDACTED] EPSTEIN's assistant, showed him the overall plans of the USVI house. Although EPSTEIN was supposed to attend the meeting he could not make it so LEWIS handled it.

Ten days later, EPSTEIN, [REDACTED] and his other assistant [REDACTED] LAST NAME UNKNOWN (LNU) all flew from Palm Beach, FL to the house on the USVI after the initial meeting.

Sometime in June 2010, COUTURIER and EPSTEIN plus his assistants, flew to the USVI on EPSTEIN's private plane. They took it from Palm Beach to the island and stayed there for a day and a half. EPSTEIN was very excited and appeared to be like a kid with a new toy. COUTURIER recalls that EPSTEIN kept the house very cold and his bedroom was white but had no lights in the room, it was dark and very austere. The focal point of the room was an enormous bed.

EPSTEIN also showed him another room in which he wanted to place four beds and wanted to have it decorated in a very colorful palette for his girls. EPSTEIN told COUTURIER him that he does not have any friends and that he does not really like people. EPSTEIN stated that he has girls coming to spend time with him in the island. EPSTEIN then lamented that "the girls" are only interested in Facebook and MySpace and that he wanted the space in this bedroom to be comfortable and have access to the internet as they were online so much. COUTURIER did not ask how old these girls were or anything about them. He did not ask him any personal

questions.

COUTURIER stated that on the flight back he grew increasingly uncomfortable. Although he did not see any of the young girls that EPSTEIN was talking about he was not sure if he could do this job for him. COUTURIER added that every time he met with EPSTEIN he had his assistants there who are all very attractive young women and others unknown to him but all appeared to be over the age of 18.

EPSTEIN also showed COUTURIER his home on 71th street in Manhattan, NY as he wanted him to decorate that place also. COUTURIER showed him a massage room where he had photographs ("artistic renditions" according to COUTURIER) of young women in the nude, ranging from age 15 through 20 all hanging from the walls of this massage room. COUTURIER did not ask him any questions about this room and moved on to the rest of the house.

COUTURIER then came back to New York and started out drawing plans and although he did not have a contract, EPSTEIN did give him a check for \$50,000.00 as a deposit for his services.

COUTURIER stated that his plans went back and forth between his offices and EPSTEIN's people but EPSTEIN never seemed happy. COUTURIER sent some of his associates back to the USVI to take measurements and adjust his plans and EPSTEIN was pleased in some aspects but was still highly critical.

COUTURIER then decided that this was not the right job for him. COUTURIER stated that in the back of his mind, he wanted to have "a way out" should he decide that he could not work with EPSTEIN which was why he did not have a formal contract signed. EPSTEIN was very difficult to work with and COUTURIER found that EPSTEIN had not changed his pattern of behavior obviously if he was having the home in the USVI decorated for girls to stay with him. This did not sit well with COUTURIER. He then wrote EPSTEIN a note apologizing for not being able to take on this job. COUTURIER stated that he could not just drop everything or any of his projects whenever EPSTEIN wanted him at the site (USVI). EPSTEIN was very persistent but COUTURIER was firm in his decision.

In July 2010, EPSTEIN tried to sue him for his deposit and he has many attorneys at his disposal who are very aggressive. COUTURIER's attorney stated that if they decided to litigate this case, it was going to be a long process. COUTURIER decided to settle and returned \$15,000.00 to EPSTEIN to save himself the hassle of litigation.

COUTURIER stated that EPSTEIN and [REDACTED] were a couple but had broken up. At one point COUTURIER had spoken to [REDACTED] about her break-up with EPSTEIN. She told him, "I have seen him do horrific things" but did not elaborate. [REDACTED] is still his assistant and they are on friendly terms. COUTURIER stated he believed that [REDACTED] although very pretty, was now too old for

EPSTEIN even though she is in her 30s.

COUTURIER stated there are people in New York who are outraged about EPSTEIN's lenient sentence for his sex trafficking charges. One person who has followed the story and written about JEFFREY COUTURIER is [REDACTED] writer for "The Beast" online newspaper, phone number [REDACTED] AMY FIENNE-COLLINS also wrote an article for "Vanity Fair" on child prostitution but the article met with much resistance.

COUTURIER concluded by saying that although this would job would have generated a lot of income for his company, he simply could not do it and although he tried to remain objective, his conscience would not let him continue this project.

COUTURIER provided the following information regarding JEFFREY EPSTEIN's contacts:

ASSISTANTS:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (NY)  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (Palm Beach)

KAREN LNU [REDACTED] (USVI)

BRICE LNU [REDACTED] (USVI)  
[REDACTED]

OTHER EMPLOYEES:

RICHARD BARNETT [REDACTED] (Butler in NY)

DARREN INDYKE [REDACTED] (Attorney)

RICH KAHN [REDACTED]  
(Accountant)

COUTURIER also provided the following information for JEFFREY EPSTEIN:

New York Residence: 9 East 71st Street  
New York, NY  
212-772-9416  
jeevacation@gmail.com

Palm Beach Residence: 358 El Brillo Way  
Palm Beach, FL 33480

561-655-7626

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From: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] date of birth, [REDACTED] social security number, [REDACTED] was interviewed at the Palm Beach County Resident Agency (PBCRA). After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the purpose of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information;

[REDACTED] attended Wellington High School during her freshman and sophomore years of high school and was home schooled during her junior and senior years. During her high school years, [REDACTED] resided with her family in her parents' home, located at [REDACTED] home phone number during that time period was [REDACTED]. The phone number, [REDACTED] belonged to her friend, CHRISTINA AMBROSE. AMBROSE was a friend of [REDACTED] who was approximately one year older than her. [REDACTED] friend CHAZ Last Name Unknown (LNU) introduced [REDACTED] and AMBROSE to TONY LNU. TONY LNU was described as approximately 18-19 years old at the time [REDACTED] met him, approximately 5'11"-6' tall, tan with black hair which was longer on top and no tattoos or piercings. CHAZ LNU lived in Royal Palm Beach near a farm store, and [REDACTED] and AMBROSE met TONY LNU at

CHAZ LNU's home.

TONY LNU approached ██████████ and advised he knew a way she could make money by giving a massage to an older man. TONY LNU gave ██████████ a phone number to call to set up the massage. At some later time, ██████████ called the number and set up the massage appointment. AMBROSE drove ██████████ to a residence located on Palm Beach. The first floor of the home was a living area and kitchen. AMBROSE remained downstairs while ██████████ went to the upstairs of the residence. Approximately 3-4 girls were also present at the home when ██████████ and AMBROSE were there. ██████████ could not provide a physical description of the girls. The upstairs was brown or black in color and furnishings, and the area was a bedroom and bathroom. A massage table was set up in the room, and towels were laid out. An unidentified older man appeared in the room, wearing a towel. ██████████ could not recall the name of the man. ██████████ was shown a photograph of JEFFREY EPSTEIN. ██████████ identified EPSTEIN as the man who appeared in the room wearing a towel. EPSTEIN laid on the massage table on his stomach, and ██████████ began the massage. ██████████ and EPSTEIN engaged in conversation, and when the discussion turned to ██████████ age, ██████████ did not correct EPSTEIN when it was mentioned that she was 18 years old. After approximately twenty minutes, EPSTEIN rolled onto his back for a chest massage. ██████████ stated, "it got weird," when EPSTEIN began masturbating under the towel. ██████████ backed away when EPSTEIN attempted to touch her, and she replied she had a boyfriend. At that point, the massage ended, and EPSTEIN paid ██████████ \$200.00, two one hundred dollar bills that he retrieved from his wallet. ██████████ believed EPSTEIN was mad or angry at how the massage ended. ██████████ reported that she did not have contact with EPSTEIN after that occasion.

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Type: FD302

From: NEWARK

To: MIAMI

Document Title: STEVEN HOFFENBERG INTERVIEW; 10/12/2010

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STEVEN HOFFENBERG, inmate number 35601-054, 5756 Hartville & Pointville Road, Fort Dix Federal Correctional Institution, Fort Dix, New Jersey was contacted on October 12, 2010. After having been advised of the identities of the interviewing agents, HOFFENBERG, provided the following information:

HOFFENBERG stated he would not answer questions about Jeffrey Epstein or the murder of Arthur L Shapiro without having a court appointed attorney present during questioning. He added that he was willing to cooperate and answer questions once a court appointed attorney was provided. He refused to answer any other questions at this time and referred the interviewing agents to a March 2003 Vanity Fair article and a website, Tower Investors.com. He advised that he had pending civil matters against the Bureau of Prisons, amongst others. HOFFENBERG did not comment on his basis of knowledge, or when he became aware of information pertaining to Epstein or Shapiro. At this time the agents ended the interview.

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From: [REDACTED]

To: MIAMI

Document Title: INTERVIEW OF DET JAMES MCCOSKEY RE:ARTHUR SHAPIRO

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED] on October 26, 2010.

Detective James "Jim" McCoskey, Columbus Ohio Police Department, 120 Marconi Boulevard, Columbus, Ohio, phone, (614) 774-7671, was interviewed telephonically regarding the homicide investigation of Arthur Shapiro. McCoskey advised that Shapiro was a Columbus attorney who was killed in the mid-1980's in Columbus. McCoskey was not one of the original detectives assigned to the case but came on board in the mid-1990'S after a city commission was formed to investigate allegations of misconduct by the city's then police chief. As a result of the commission's investigation, documents relating to the Shapiro homicide were seized from a commander's office. McCoskey became involved in the homicide investigation at that time. It was determined that Shapiro was involved in misconduct and fraudulent business activity with the firm where he was employed. Specifically, it was believed Shapiro was helping businessmen purchase companies that were facing bankruptcy and creating illegal tax shelters. McCoskey believed Shapiro had been

subpoenaed to testify before a federal grand jury regarding those business activities and was to appear before the grand jury the day after he was killed. Regarding the circumstances of his death, Shapiro was seen meeting with an unknown man believed to be the killer in his vehicle first in a shopping center and then in a Columbus cemetery. In the cemetery, Shapiro fled from the vehicle to a nearby condominium complex where he was shot multiple times. Shapiro's car was later found in the shopping center parking lot. Investigation revealed that Barry Kessler, a business associate of Shapiro's, was seen meeting with a man at Kessler's office fitting the description of the man seen with Shapiro before he was killed. A secretary of Kessler saw Kessler meeting with the man in his office with a suitcase or briefcase of money. Kessler was subsequently convicted of murder for pecuniary gain in federal court in Florida relating to a life insurance policy of a business associate. Though no sufficient evidence to charge Kessler was uncovered, McCoskey believed Kessler was complicit or responsible for Shapiro's death. In the mid-1990'S, prominent Columbus business man Leslie Wexner's name was published in the local newspaper, alleging some connection to the Shapiro's death. McCoskey found no evidence connecting Wexner to the homicide case. In addition, McCoskey's investigation has revealed no connection between the homicide of Shapiro and Jeffrey Epstein to date.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Christina J. Pryor on October 26, 2010.

Assistant United States Attorney [REDACTED] U.S. Attorney's Office, [REDACTED] telephone, [REDACTED] was interviewed telephonically regarding Arthur Shapiro. Hahnert advised that Shapiro was a target of a tax fraud case being prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney's office. Specifically, the case was an administrative case investigated by the IRS, whereby fraudulent or bogus tax shelters were created. Shapiro was an attorney, and Berry Kessler was an accountant and co-defendant in the case. Prior to Shapiro'S death, Shapiro, his attorney, and Hahnert had agreed to a negotiated plea agreement whereby Shapiro was to plead guilty to tax fraud. Hahnert could not recall if Shapiro's cooperation against co-defendants was a condition of his plea agreement. Shapiro was killed prior to him entering a guilty plea in the case. Co-defendant Kessler eventually pled guilty to the tax fraud. Attorney John Zonack (phonetic) represented Berry Kessler

in the tax case, and Hahnert informed Zonack of Shapiro's intention to plead guilty prior to Shapiro's death. Hahnert was unfamiliar with the specifics of Shapiro's murder and was not involved in the case but understand many in the Columbus area suspected Kessler of the murder. Hahnert was unsure if there was a third co-defendant in the tax fraud case.

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