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BY: [REDACTED]

BY: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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NONE

1 [REDACTED]: The recording is on.
2 Today is Monday, June 14, 2021. The time is
3 3:14 p.m. This is [REDACTED]
4 [REDACTED] with the DOJ OIG.
5 [REDACTED]: My name is [REDACTED], I'm
6 a Special Agent with the U.S. Department of
7 Justice Office of the Inspector General New
8 York Field Office. And these are my
9 credentials. The interview is with Federal
10 Bureau of Prisons correctional officer
11 [REDACTED]. Did I say that
12 right?
13 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].
14 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]. Sorry. [REDACTED]
15 [REDACTED].
16 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
17 [REDACTED]: And it is being conducted as
18 part of an official U.S. Department of Justice
19 Office of the Inspector General investigation.
20 Today is June 14, 2021 and the time is again -.
21 [REDACTED]: 3:15.
22 [REDACTED]: 3:15 p.m. The interview is
23 being conducted at FCI Danbury in the training
24 center. Also present are DOJ OIG Senior
25 Special Agent [REDACTED] -.

1 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]. And these
2 are my credentials.

3 [REDACTED]: And [REDACTED]
4 [REDACTED]. This interview will be recorded by me,
5 Special Agent [REDACTED]. Could everyone
6 please identify themselves for the record and
7 spell your last name. To start again, I am DOJ
8 OIG Special Agent [REDACTED], [REDACTED].

9 [REDACTED]: Senior Special Agent
10 [REDACTED], [REDACTED].

11 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED], [REDACTED].

12 [REDACTED]: This is an official DOJ OIG
13 investigation into the death of Inmate Jeffrey
14 Epstein and the timing - everything that
15 surrounds that time. And you're being asked to
16 voluntarily provide answers to our questions.
17 Will you agree to a voluntary interview with
18 the DOJ OIG?

19 [REDACTED]: Yes.

20 [REDACTED]: Okay. Please review DOJ OIG
21 Form 226-2. I'm going to read the form out to
22 you and then we'll go through it. The form
23 states: United States Department of Justice
24 Office of the Inspector General. Warnings and
25 Assurances to Employee Requested to Provide

1 Information on a Voluntary Basis. You are
2 being asked to provide information as part of
3 an investigation being conducted by the Office
4 of the Inspector General. This investigation
5 is being conducted pursuant to the Inspector
6 General Act of 1978 as amended. This
7 investigation pertains to job performance
8 failure and security failure. This is a
9 voluntary interview. Accordingly, you do not
10 have to answer any questions. No disciplinary
11 action will be taken against you if you choose
12 not to answer questions. Any statement you
13 furnish may be used as evidence in any future
14 criminal proceeding or agency disciplinary
15 proceedings or both. Now this is the statement
16 for you directly. I understand the Warnings
17 and Assurances stated above and I am willing to
18 make a statement and answer questions. No
19 promises or threats have been made to me and no
20 pressure or coercion of any kind has been used
21 against me. Do you understand that?

22 [REDACTED]: Yes.

23 [REDACTED]: Do you agree to move forward
24 with the interview?

25 [REDACTED]: Yes.

1 [REDACTED]: Please review the document
2 and sign where it says employee.
3 [REDACTED]: Yeah. You're going to
4 sign right where it says employee signature.
5 [REDACTED]: And print your name below
6 that.
7 [REDACTED]: My full name?
8 [REDACTED]: Yes, please. [REDACTED]
9 has signed the document. I am also going to
10 sign the document.
11 [REDACTED]: Thank you.
12 [REDACTED]: Yeah.
13 [REDACTED]: What time is it 3:20 now?
14 [REDACTED]: 3:18.
15 [REDACTED]: I'm passing the document to
16 agent [REDACTED] -. I keep avoiding saying your
17 last name.
18 [REDACTED]: It's alright. It's
19 [REDACTED] and I'll be signing the
20 document as the witness.
21 [REDACTED]: Okay. Before starting the
22 interview, I would like to place you under
23 oath. [REDACTED], can you please raise your
24 right hand? Do you swear to tell the truth and
25 nothing but the truth during this interview?

1 [REDACTED]: Yes.

2 [REDACTED]: Please let me know if you do
3 not understand any questions and I will repeat
4 it or try to rephrase it for you. What is your
5 current home address?

6 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

7 [REDACTED]: Can you spell that?

8 [REDACTED]: Yep. [REDACTED]
9 [REDACTED].

10 [REDACTED]: What is your date of birth?

11 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

12 [REDACTED]: Your Social Security Number?

13 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

14 [REDACTED]: What's your cell phone
15 number?

16 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

17 [REDACTED]: What is your highest level of
18 education?

19 [REDACTED]: Bachelor's degree.

20 [REDACTED]: Which college?

21 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]
22 [REDACTED].

23 [REDACTED]: And what was the bachelor's
24 degree in?

25 [REDACTED]: In?

1 [REDACTED]: Yeah. What did you -?
2 [REDACTED]: Forensic psychology and
3 counseling.
4 [REDACTED]: You said forensic psychology.
5 [REDACTED]: Forensic psychology and
6 counseling.
7 [REDACTED]: Okay.
8 [REDACTED]: And what year did you
9 graduate?
10 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].
11 [REDACTED]: And that's in New York
12 City. Correct?
13 [REDACTED]: Yes.
14 [REDACTED]: Okay. What did you do prior
15 to working for the BOP?
16 [REDACTED]: I was a New York City
17 probation officer.
18 [REDACTED]: For how long?
19 [REDACTED]: Three years.
20 [REDACTED]: Did you have any military
21 service?
22 [REDACTED]: No.
23 [REDACTED]: How long have you served with
24 the Federal Bureau of Prisons?
25 [REDACTED]: A little over ten years. Ten

1 years and five months.

2 [REDACTED]: Do you recall your Entry and
3 Duty Date?

4 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm. [REDACTED].

5 [REDACTED]: And prior to that you said
6 you were with the New York City --

7 [REDACTED]: Probation office.

8 [REDACTED]: -- Probation Office. And
9 that was for how many years? Three years?

10 [REDACTED]: Yes.

11 [REDACTED]: What did you do prior to
12 that?

13 [REDACTED]: New York state corrections
14 officer.

15 [REDACTED]: New York State. How long did
16 you do that for?

17 [REDACTED]: About seven or eight months.

18 [REDACTED]: And prior to that.

19 [REDACTED]: I was a full-time student at
20 John Jay College.

21 [REDACTED]: The short period with New
22 York state. Did you resign from the position
23 or -?

24 [REDACTED]: Yeah. I resigned to go to
25 probation.

1 [REDACTED]: Okay. When did you graduate
2 from BOP training?
3 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].
4 [REDACTED]: When and where was your first
5 office assignment with the BOP?
6 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].
7 [REDACTED]: Okay. And what year was
8 that?
9 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED] when I started.
10 [REDACTED]: What was your position?
11 [REDACTED]: Correctional officer.
12 [REDACTED]: Did you stay there or did you
13 move on as a correctional officer?
14 [REDACTED]: I was there from [REDACTED]
15 [REDACTED]. That's why I
16 transferred to MCC New York. [REDACTED]
17 was my first day at MCC New York.
18 [REDACTED]: Did you transfer as a -?
19 [REDACTED]: Lateral transfer.
20 [REDACTED]: Lateral transfer. So, you
21 were still a correctional officer.
22 [REDACTED]: Yes.
23 [REDACTED]: Okay.
24 [REDACTED]: Did you -? How does it
25 work in Allenwood? Are you assigned to one of

1 the facilities or were you --?

2 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

3 [REDACTED]: -- rotated throughout?

4 [REDACTED]: So, they - 95% of the time I
5 was at the Medium. But when we were short-
6 staffed, then I would go to the Pen on the low.
7 But they tried their best to keep you at one
8 institution. But you were hired for the entire
9 complex, so you could bounce around.

10 [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 [REDACTED]: When did you get promoted?

12 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED] was the day I
13 got selected for lieutenant. But I started
14 here [REDACTED].

15 [REDACTED]: Okay. Did you hold any other
16 positions between correctional officer and
17 lieutenant?

18 [REDACTED]: Correction officer was entry
19 level. Then automatic senior officer. Then I
20 was promoted to Senior Officer Specialist,
21 which is up under a GS-11 - I'm sorry, a GS-9
22 lieutenant. And then I'm now promoted to
23 lieutenant. So, the promotions were the senior
24 office specialist and the lieutenant.

25 [REDACTED]: When did you get promoted as

1 Senior Officer Specialists?

2 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED] -. No, I'm
3 sorry. [REDACTED]. I can't really
4 remember which year.

5 [REDACTED]: But Senior Officer
6 Specialist that is a lieutenant position?

7 [REDACTED]: No.

8 [REDACTED]: Oh. It's just the same
9 grade.

10 [REDACTED]: No. Senior Officer
11 Specialist is an 8.

12 [REDACTED]: Oh. And lieutenant is a
13 9.

14 [REDACTED]: Lieutenant is a 9 and 11.

15 [REDACTED]: I got you. I'm sorry.

16 [REDACTED]: I just can't remember what
17 year I got promoted. I can't remember if it
18 was [REDACTED].

19 [REDACTED]: That's fine.

20 [REDACTED]: On August 9 and 10 of 2019,
21 what was your position?

22 [REDACTED]: Senior Officer Specialist.

23 [REDACTED]: What shift did you work? Do
24 you recall? On August 9th and 10th.

25 [REDACTED]: I don't remember what shift.

1 [REDACTED]: Okay. I'm going to provide
2 you with it.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 [REDACTED]: I'm going to provide you with
5 two documents.

6 [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 [REDACTED]: It states MCC New York Daily
8 Assignment Roster.

9 [REDACTED]: Yep.

10 [REDACTED]: One is for August 9th and one
11 is for August 10th.

12 [REDACTED]: Yep.

13 [REDACTED]: Can you just take a look at
14 it?

15 [REDACTED]: Yep.

16 [REDACTED]: Let me know if you recall.

17 [REDACTED]: Yep. Yep-yep. Okay. We got
18 the 9th here. Okay. Yep. I was attorney
19 conference for Day Watch 8:00 to 4:00. That's
20 my regular shift.

21 [REDACTED]: Which day was that? August
22 9th?

23 [REDACTED]: Uh, this is August 9th. Yep.
24 And then for -. Wait hold on a sec. Oh.
25 Right here. Yep. I did overtime from -.

1 Activities lieutenant is usually 2:00 to 10:00,
2 but I overlap because my regular hours are 8:00
3 to 4:00. So, usually when they have the Senior
4 Specialist 8s do activities, we have to wait
5 until 4:00 to actually start the role because
6 we are still doing our regular time.

7 [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 [REDACTED]: So, I did activities from
9 4:00 to 10:00 that night.

10 [REDACTED]: Now we've talked to other
11 lieutenants and they said that they actually
12 start the lieutenant positions two hours
13 earlier. Is that the case with this case as
14 well? Did you start at 4:00 or did you start
15 at 2:00?

16 [REDACTED]: I started at 4:00 because I
17 was attorney conference for my straight time.

18 [REDACTED]: Okay. So, because you
19 did that then you actually did start at 4:00.

20 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

21 [REDACTED]: Okay.

22 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

23 [REDACTED]: So from 4:00 until -.

24 Did you actually end with what time it says on
25 that as well?

1 [REDACTED]: Yes. Yes.

2 [REDACTED]: Okay.

3 [REDACTED]: 4:00 to 10:00. And for
4 August 10th -.

5 [REDACTED]: So, you didn't go until
6 12:00 a.m. You went until 10:00 p.m.

7 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

8 [REDACTED]: Okay. Yep. Yeah.
9 Because - okay. That makes sense.

10 [REDACTED]: Yes. Alright. And then I'm
11 looking at the 10th - - August 10th. I was
12 SHU2. I was supposed to be attorney
13 conference. That was my post. But because
14 that happened with Epstein, attorney conference
15 was - all social visits was canceled. So, when
16 I came in that day, I remember the lieutenant
17 telling me to go to SHU to help out. Be extra
18 bodies in SHU. That day they put a bunch of us
19 in SHU to just be there and help out. Yep.

20 [REDACTED]: So, when were you in the
21 SHU on August the 10th?

22 [REDACTED]: Yes.

23 [REDACTED]: No, what time?

24 [REDACTED]: Um 8:00 to 4:00.

25 [REDACTED]: So, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00

1 p.m.

2 [REDACTED]: Yes. This is it. And I did
3 overtime.

4 [REDACTED]: On August 10th.

5 [REDACTED]: Yep. From internal. We were
6 -. It was terrible with mandations and just
7 being short staffed. So. We all - everybody
8 that was there for day watch pretty much stayed
9 for evening watch.

10 [REDACTED]: Okay. So, primarily what
11 we're going to be talking about though is your
12 - on August 9th, the shift from 4:00 to 10:00.

13 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

14 [REDACTED]: And then we'll probably
15 ask you some questions --

16 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

17 [REDACTED]: -- at 8:00 a.m. to 4:00
18 p.m. in the SHU on --

19 [REDACTED]: Yep.

20 [REDACTED]: -- the following the day.

21 [REDACTED]: Yep. You want these back?

22 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

23 [REDACTED]: Actually since you reviewed
24 it. Right?

25 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

1 [REDACTED]: We always ask people to
2 initial and date just so that you know what
3 document. You know because we're going to
4 attach this to the transcripts.

5 [REDACTED]: Yes.

6 [REDACTED]: So you don't have to -.
7 You can do that you want if you want to circle,
8 but up top.

9 [REDACTED]: Okay.

10 [REDACTED]: If you just want to
11 initial and date up there.

12 [REDACTED]: And today is the 14th. You
13 can just put your name on the list too.

14 [REDACTED]: Okay.

15 [REDACTED]: So where it shows.

16 [REDACTED]: Okay.

17 [REDACTED]: Thank you very much.

18 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

19 [REDACTED]: You can hold on to those.

20 [REDACTED]: She can probably keep
21 that in front of her, so that if we ask --

22 [REDACTED]: Okay.

23 [REDACTED]: Just in case.

24 [REDACTED]: -- you about other people
25 you can kind of refer to it.

1 [REDACTED]: Who was your supervisor when
2 you worked at the MCC on August 9th and 10th.

3 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]. He's a GS-9
4 lieutenant.

5 [REDACTED]: Is that [REDACTED]?

6 [REDACTED]: Yes.

7 [REDACTED]: Okay. As a Senior Officer
8 Specialist, what's your daily duties?

9 [REDACTED]: On that specific post or -?
10 Because it varies day-to-day.

11 [REDACTED]: I was going to try to
12 differentiate between what you do before as a
13 Senior Officer Specialist to when you do
14 Activities Lieutenant.

15 [REDACTED]: Okay.

16 [REDACTED]: So on that post you said you
17 were an attorney conference. Right?

18 [REDACTED]: Yes.

19 [REDACTED]: What are your duties?

20 [REDACTED]: Yep. So this post entails
21 pretrial inmates meeting with their legal team.

22 [REDACTED]: Okay.

23 [REDACTED]: Lawyers, probation, whoever
24 comes through on a legal matter. That's where
25 inmates meet with them on that floor for

1 whatever reason.

2 [REDACTED]: Okay. What about as an
3 Activities Lieutenant?

4 [REDACTED]: Activities Lieutenant that
5 night?

6 [REDACTED]: Yeah. That night.

7 [REDACTED]: Yeah. So I'm required to do
8 rounds. Make sure that staff are alive and
9 well. Rounds of them doing their duties,
10 conducting their rounds, doing shakedowns. You
11 know making sure they're doing counts and
12 things like that. So basically supervising
13 staff.

14 [REDACTED]: Okay.

15 [REDACTED]: On counts and rounds.

16 [REDACTED]: Yeah. On that note, counts
17 and rounds. Do you assist with doing the
18 counts and rounds?

19 [REDACTED]: Negative.

20 [REDACTED]: Okay.

21 [REDACTED]: So you said though that
22 they make sure that you do them. How does a
23 lieutenant actually ensure that the employees
24 are doing their counts and rounds?

25 [REDACTED]: Yep. So for instance if it's

1 a certain day, we all have the operations
2 lieutenant will say hey I want you to observe a
3 count in unit 7 North. Or 9 North is doing a
4 bed book count. Go observe that count. So we
5 ensure that those things are being done
6 basically but when we make our specific round,
7 and we're speaking with the officer saying hey
8 is everything good. You know make sure you do
9 your rounds. Basically reinforcing and
10 reiterating because you know at the end of the
11 day we're all adults. So like you have a job
12 to do and we're just making sure. And you know
13 making sure you're doing it. We're not like
14 babysitting --

15 [REDACTED]: Sure. Okay.

16 [REDACTED]: -- and like hey, you know, do
17 a round.

18 [REDACTED]: Do the officers though
19 ever actually participate in the rounds and the
20 counts? Are they supposed to do that at all?

21 [REDACTED]: Say that again. I'm sorry.

22 [REDACTED]: So are the lieutenants -
23 are they supposed to participate in any of the
24 counts and rounds done of the inmates so when
25 the COs are doing counts and rounds --

1 [REDACTED]: Yes. Yes.

2 [REDACTED]: Is that like a you're
3 supposed to do that like once a shift.

4 [REDACTED]: No. So once a shift, we are
5 taking the count. So we are the ones in the
6 control center where the officers are actually
7 calling their counts in. So like observing
8 counts is something that we do irregularly. If
9 you understand what I'm trying to say.

10 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

11 [REDACTED]: So like say for instance if
12 I'm activities today. I want to observe 7
13 North conduct a count. I want to go up to 9
14 North today and do a shakedown with them. It's
15 just something that as a lieutenant you take
16 the initiative and when you go to the unit you
17 say hey let's do a shakedown. Let's do a round
18 on this tier. Let's do a round on this tier.
19 You have any issues with any inmates? Oh yeah.
20 I had an issue with inmate Smith. Alright.
21 Let's go talk to Inmate Smith over there.

22 [REDACTED]: So it's to your
23 discretion.

24 [REDACTED]: Yes.

25 [REDACTED]: Okay. So it's not like

1 you need to do this or do that. It's just if
2 you want to take the initiative to make sure
3 that they know where they're going and they're
4 doing it right --

5 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

6 [REDACTED]: You do it.

7 [REDACTED]: It should be done, but it's
8 not like hey Monday it has to be done. Tuesday
9 it has to be done. You know as a lieutenant
10 you should be a lot - you should be speaking
11 with the officers and in the mix and hands on
12 with them. But it's not like Tuesday you do
13 it. Wednesday you do this. Thursday you do
14 that.

15 [REDACTED]: Okay.

16 [REDACTED]: And in Special Housing Unit,
17 we should be walking every single tier speaking
18 with every single inmate as a lieutenant making
19 rounds in a Special Housing Unit.

20 [REDACTED]: Can you kind of explain
21 that a little bit?

22 [REDACTED]: Okay.

23 [REDACTED]: So during a shift should
24 a lieutenant be going to the Special Housing
25 Unit --

1 ; [REDACTED]: That is correct.

2 [REDACTED]: -- and actually doing
3 that?

4 [REDACTED]: Yes. So in general
5 population, that's the opposite of Special
6 Housing. When you make a round, like you don't
7 have to hit. So let's say that they have eight
8 tiers. Tier 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8. You make a
9 round. You check on the officer. And then
10 you're in the unit but you're not because
11 inmates are out and about. So it's not about
12 walking every tier because the inmates are out.
13 But in Special -. I'm sorry, I'm just dramatic
14 with my hands.

15 [REDACTED]: I love it.

16 [REDACTED]: So in Special Housing,
17 inmates are locked down. So it's our
18 responsibility to go up on the tier and go to
19 every door and speak to every inmate because
20 it's not general population. It's not like
21 they can - when you come to the unit they can
22 come out and say hey lieutenant I got a
23 question. That's the reason why we have to go
24 to them.

25 [REDACTED]: So the lieutenant does

1 that though.

2 [REDACTED]: Yes.

3 [REDACTED]: Alright.

4 [REDACTED]: For our round once a shift.

5 [REDACTED]: So every shift a

6 lieutenant should be actually in the Special

7 Housing Unit checking on the -?

8 [REDACTED]: Yes.

9 [REDACTED]: Oh, okay.

10 [REDACTED]: Yes.

11 [REDACTED]: Is that in policy or is that

12 something that's new.

13 [REDACTED]: It's our post orders. It was

14 in the post orders at Danbury. I know that for

15 sure.

16 [REDACTED]: And who is it that's

17 actually responsible for doing that. Which

18 lieutenant? So for instance, each shift.

19 [REDACTED]: Yep.

20 [REDACTED]: Which is the lieutenant

21 that should be doing like a round or a count?

22 Did you say it was a round or a count?

23 [REDACTED]: Either one. One is good

24 enough. So operations lieutenant is the

25 highest-ranking officer on shift on evening

1 watch. So as an 8 acting as a lieutenant.
2 Like when I'm finished with that shift, I'll go
3 check in with him and I'll say hey what do you
4 need me to do. He'll go okay, I need you to
5 take the count in Control F4. I need you to
6 move this inmate from Special Housing Unit to
7 Suicide Watch. I need you to move this inmate
8 over here. And then after that I need you to
9 make sure all the food carts get up on time.
10 So I'm kind of like taking direction from the
11 operations lieutenant. And then we'll say
12 something like hey who's going to SHU. Me or
13 you? Oh, you go to SHU, hit all of this. I'm
14 going to be doing this. It's kind of like you
15 guys are.

16 [REDACTED]: But every shift a
17 lieutenant should be in the Special Housing
18 Unit checking in with each inmate.

19 [REDACTED]: Yes.

20 [REDACTED]: Even the like midnight to
21 6:00 a.m.

22 [REDACTED]: Well overnight is kind of
23 different because you're not -. You're making
24 a round but you're not tapping on every -. So
25 like if you're making a round in Special

1 Housing Unit, and I'm walking past cell 1. And
2 he's like writing a letter or something.
3 Right? And the other one is like doing some
4 jumping jacks. And I'll show my face at the
5 door. You guys good? Yeah, Lu, I'm good.
6 I'll keep it moving. I'm not like hey do you
7 have any issues, tell me now. It's you know
8 what I'm saying. You make yourself present.
9 They know who you are. And that's the
10 opportunity for them to say what they need to
11 say if they have any issues or anything like
12 that.

13 [REDACTED]: But even from like 10
14 p.m. to 6 a.m.? Because they're probably
15 sleeping between then, right?

16 [REDACTED]: Yeah, but so, you're still
17 making a round and basically looking for live
18 breathing bodies.

19 [REDACTED]: Okay. So and the
20 lieutenant should be doing that every night?

21 [REDACTED]: Yes.

22 [REDACTED]: Alright.

23 [REDACTED]: I'm not really sure about the
24 morning watch shift.

25 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

1 [REDACTED]: I'm not a fan of morning
2 watch. I didn't work too much morning watch.
3 [REDACTED]: So that 10:00 p.m. to
4 6:00 a.m. you're not exactly sure.
5 [REDACTED]: I'm not sure.
6 [REDACTED]: Okay.
7 [REDACTED]: I'm not sure. Yes.
8 [REDACTED]: Right.
9 [REDACTED]: And 9s don't work overnight
10 anyway. Because there's only one lieutenant on
11 and that's only an 11. Nines leave at 10:00
12 every day.
13 [REDACTED]: But basically from he
14 hours of 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. a lieutenant
15 on each shift is going to --
16 [REDACTED]: Yes.
17 [REDACTED]: -- check in.
18 [REDACTED]: Yeah.
19 [REDACTED]: Okay.
20 [REDACTED]: On August 9th from when you
21 were acting -. When you were Activities
22 Lieutenant. Did you supervise any counts?
23 [REDACTED]: No. I don't remember
24 supervising any counts.
25 [REDACTED]: Okay. When you came on -.

1 What are the count times at the MCC?

2 [REDACTED]: On weekends and holidays,
3 it's 10:00 a.m. Every day 4:00 p.m., 10 p.m.,
4 12:01 a.m., 3 a.m., 5 a.m.

5 [REDACTED]: What about weekdays?

6 [REDACTED]: Same time but a 10 a.m. count
7 in the morning.

8 [REDACTED]: Okay.

9 [REDACTED]: So the 4, the 12, 3, and 5 -
10 excuse me - it's every day. But in addition,
11 on the weekends and holidays we have a 10 a.m.
12 count.

13 [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 [REDACTED]: So you said you did not
15 conduct a count though on August 9th.

16 [REDACTED]: I don't remember. I can't
17 say. I don't remember that.

18 [REDACTED]: I'm only following this
19 up because you said that you were supposed to
20 or --

21 [REDACTED]: No-no-no.

22 [REDACTED]: -- maybe one of the other
23 lieutenants did.

24 [REDACTED]: I don't remember who
25 specifically - me or [REDACTED] - took the count

1 in control.

2 [REDACTED]: In control.

3 [REDACTED]: Yeah. In the control center.

4 [REDACTED]: But then you -.

5 [REDACTED]: In the control center.

6 [REDACTED]: I thought you said that
7 they're also supposed to go to the doors and
8 knock and see a lieutenant's face. In the SHU.

9 [REDACTED]: In SHU?

10 [REDACTED]: In the SHU.

11 [REDACTED]: But that's not a count.

12 [REDACTED]: Okay. That's a round?

13 [REDACTED]: That's just when you make
14 your lieutenant rounds.

15 [REDACTED]: Okay. So did you do a
16 round?

17 [REDACTED]: Yes. I didn't observe the
18 count in the Special Housing Unit, but I do
19 recall making a round and hitting every tier.

20 [REDACTED]: Do you remember around
21 when you conducted that round on the 9th?

22 [REDACTED]: I remember around like 8:00.
23 So I want to say it was between like maybe 5
24 and 8. Around that time.

25 [REDACTED]: Somewhere between 5 p.m.

1 and 8 p.m.?

2 [REDACTED]: Yes.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 [REDACTED]: You were in the attorney
5 conference room before that. Right?

6 [REDACTED]: Yes.

7 [REDACTED]: Was Jeffrey Epstein in there
8 with you?

9 [REDACTED]: Yes.

10 [REDACTED]: Who was he meeting with?

11 [REDACTED]: A bunch of attorneys on a
12 daily basis. He always met with a bunch of
13 attorneys.

14 [REDACTED]: How many attorneys were there
15 with him?

16 [REDACTED]: That day? I can't even tell
17 you how many. But it's never just one. It's
18 always more than one attorney.

19 [REDACTED]: Did you interact with them
20 that day? Like when you were doing attorney
21 conference. Did he speak to you?

22 [REDACTED]: Um.

23 [REDACTED]: Did you speak to him?

24 [REDACTED]: He had a bladder issue. So
25 because I'm a female staff, he had to use the

1 restroom frequently. So I would call a male
2 staff over to help me. So in at that time, I
3 would have to call him to the door, put the
4 cuffs on him, pop the door and he would use the
5 bathroom. But a male staff would be with him
6 to do that --

7 [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 [REDACTED]: -- and would be the same
9 gender. So I do remember him being in attorney
10 conference.

11 [REDACTED]: When you were doing the
12 evening count. Well evening rounds -
13 lieutenant rounds - was he back in his cell?

14 [REDACTED]: No. He was still -. And he
15 always did open to close in attorney
16 conference.

17 [REDACTED]: Okay. We'll come back on
18 that.

19 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

20 [REDACTED]: Do you have any other
21 questions on that topic?

22 [REDACTED]: If you're going to come
23 back but I would just say what time did he
24 leave. Well I just said it.

25 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

1 [REDACTED]: What time did he leave?

2 [REDACTED]: About 8:00 because attorney
3 conference ends at 8 and 95% of the time when I
4 was there, he was always there from start to
5 finish.

6 [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 [REDACTED]: With attorneys though. Those
8 were attorney conference hours. And he always
9 did all the hours.

10 [REDACTED]: When you were - as the
11 lieutenant when you supervised employees, how
12 many employees did you have under you?

13 [REDACTED]: On the evening watch shift or
14 day watch, it just really depends. If you're
15 working day watch you have more staff on. It
16 would be over 50.

17 [REDACTED]: Have you ever had like any
18 instructions or anything that came from up
19 above - any orders - and you had to pass it on
20 to people that report to you.

21 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

22 [REDACTED]: How would you do it?

23 [REDACTED]: We would usually do
24 conference calls.

25 [REDACTED]: How do the conference calls

1 work? Explain that.

2 [REDACTED]: Yep. The phones that we
3 have, we just press three - three times. And
4 then whoever presses 3, we all hear each other.
5 We call those conference calls.

6 [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 [REDACTED]: We make announcements over
8 the PA system. But if it's like pertinent
9 information, we do the conference calls and I
10 was also the kind of individual where I repeat
11 the same thing over and over again, so when I
12 made a round and I saw every officer, I would
13 say the same thing over and over. You know,
14 sometimes people miss conference calls. I was
15 in the bathroom; I was doing this. So, this is
16 pertinent information. So face-to-face and
17 conference calls.

18 [REDACTED]: Okay. If there was any
19 instructions or guidance from upper management,
20 how would they give it to you? How would they
21 pass it on to you?

22 [REDACTED]: They would pass it on to me
23 as an officer or as a 9 lieutenant?

24 [REDACTED]: Let's do both since you can
25 speak about both.

1 [REDACTED]: Okay.

2 [REDACTED]: As an officer, how would you
3 get it?

4 [REDACTED]: As an officer, they would
5 always tell the captain who would then tell the
6 operations lieutenant and then inform the
7 officers. If the officers needed to know. I
8 mean as an officer, we're called line staff, we
9 didn't always know. We didn't need to know
10 the gist of everything. So like say for
11 instance that night we had a high-profile
12 inmate coming in. We would find out when we're
13 doing our round or we're working that unit.
14 Like oh, you're the one that was on the news.
15 Okay. So we didn't know everything that was
16 going on.

17 [REDACTED]: Okay. And that's as an
18 officer. What about as a lieutenant?

19 [REDACTED]: Being a 9 I mean if you
20 happen to be in the office at the time that the
21 captain was telling operations, then you'll get
22 wind of it. If not, then if I was walking
23 around or out and about and I would see the
24 operations, and he or she will call me and say
25 I've got some information to tell you. Come on

1 down here. The captain just told me X, Y, and
2 Z. So we're going to do Z, Y, and Z tonight.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 [REDACTED]: So is it basically the
5 captain tells the ops lieutenant, the ops
6 lieutenant, disseminates to everybody else?

7 [REDACTED]: Yes.

8 [REDACTED]: Alright. So it's not
9 like the captain is responsible for telling
10 everyone else.

11 [REDACTED]: No.

12 [REDACTED]: The ops lieutenant really
13 is.

14 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

15 [REDACTED]: Okay.

16 [REDACTED]: I mean the captain
17 communicates with staff as well, but you know
18 the chain of --

19 [REDACTED]: Command.

20 [REDACTED]: -- command is, inform an
21 operations lieutenant.

22 [REDACTED]: Okay. And then it's
23 really the operations lieutenant's --

24 [REDACTED]: Yes.

25 [REDACTED]: -- position. Okay.

1 [REDACTED]: So what if it was a different
2 shift? Something got passed down to the
3 operations lieutenant in the morning from the
4 captain and now it's coming up on evening
5 shift. How does that get passed down? Because
6 what if the captain doesn't get a chance to
7 meet with the operations lieutenant that works
8 the evening shift?

9 [REDACTED]: So.

10 [REDACTED]: Who pass -?

11 [REDACTED]: You're saying that like at
12 8:00 in the morning.

13 [REDACTED]: Lets say at 8:00 in the
14 morning there's an order or guidance that comes
15 down --

16 [REDACTED]: Okay.

17 [REDACTED]: -- to the operations
18 lieutenant.

19 [REDACTED]: Yep.

20 [REDACTED]: And now that needs to be
21 spread out to the evening shift and the night
22 watch. Right?

23 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

24 [REDACTED]: Well let's talk about
25 specifics. So if you got right here you're

1 looking at August 9th.

2 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

3 [REDACTED]: And you've got [REDACTED],
4 who I'm assuming -.

5 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

6 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

7 [REDACTED]: Sorry, [REDACTED], who would
8 be here from - it looks like 8:00 to 4:00 p.m.

9 [REDACTED]: He was on 07:00 to 3:00.

10 [REDACTED]: 07 to 3:00 p.m.

11 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

12 [REDACTED]: So he's on duty and right
13 there he's got -. Who's the ops lieutenant
14 there. That's the captain. Who -?

15 [REDACTED]: Ops lieutenant is [REDACTED].

16 [REDACTED]: So [REDACTED] is, so what he's
17 asking is if there's no overlap with [REDACTED] -
18 since he starts at 4:00.

19 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

20 [REDACTED]: How does the information
21 get to [REDACTED]?

22 [REDACTED]: So [REDACTED] would be responsible
23 to let [REDACTED] know everything that has
24 happened and what needs to be done.

25 [REDACTED]: Alright. And is that

1 every day? Is it if [REDACTED] is - or - what am I
2 saying?

3 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

4 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]. If [REDACTED].

5 Sorry, I'm reading this upside down.

6 [REDACTED]: That's Okay.

7 [REDACTED]: Is [REDACTED] always gone by
8 3 or does he ever have overlap with the 4:00
9 ops lieutenant.

10 [REDACTED]: I mean people stay you know
11 when they need to whether it's paperwork or
12 whatever. But I've never tracked a captain's
13 body.

14 [REDACTED]: Sure.

15 [REDACTED]: You know.

16 [REDACTED]: So your understanding
17 though is pretty much is, is [REDACTED] would be
18 like his primary.

19 [REDACTED]: Oh yes.

20 [REDACTED]: And then he understands.
21 And then [REDACTED]' role, and he understands it,
22 would be to relay whatever information needed
23 to [REDACTED].

24 [REDACTED]: Yes. Yes.

25 [REDACTED]: Okay.

1 [REDACTED]: Yes.

2 [REDACTED]: And then [REDACTED] role would
3 be to bring that down to whoever is working in
4 his shift.

5 [REDACTED]: Yes.

6 [REDACTED]: During his shift.

7 [REDACTED]: Yes.

8 [REDACTED]: Okay. Let's go through. Let
9 me get it. Do you recall being investigated by
10 the agents in regard to the Jeffrey Epstein
11 death?

12 [REDACTED]: Not being investigated.
13 Being interviewed.

14 [REDACTED]: Interviewed. Sorry.

15 [REDACTED]: Yes.

16 [REDACTED]: Interviewed.

17 [REDACTED]: Yes.

18 [REDACTED]: In regard to the Jeffrey
19 Epstein death.

20 [REDACTED]: Yes.

21 [REDACTED]: In 2019.

22 [REDACTED]: Yes.

23 [REDACTED]: Okay. What I have is a
24 summary of their interview with you.

25 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

1 [REDACTED]: I'm going to read what it
2 states.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 [REDACTED]: Please let me know if it's
5 accurate and if there's any questions.

6 [REDACTED]: Okay. Yep.

7 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED] started working for
8 the BOP in [REDACTED] at Allenwood. [REDACTED]
9 transferred to MCC in [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] is
10 a Senior Officer Specialist but also serves as
11 a lieutenant. This usually happens when [REDACTED]
12 is working overtime and is in the capacity of
13 her acting activities lieutenant. [REDACTED]
14 stated that in order to do a round, an officer
15 has to physically go inside the area that is
16 occupied by the inmates. As an activities
17 lieutenant, [REDACTED] makes a round through the
18 Special Housing Unit and asks officers in the
19 SHU if things are good. She's usually called
20 numerous times to the SHU for certain issues
21 like when an inmate complains that he hasn't
22 received something, [REDACTED], property. [REDACTED]
23 then takes note of the issue and advises the
24 captain.

25 [REDACTED]: I don't know about advising

1 the captain. I mean the captain ain't there.
2 So it's things that we handle at that specific
3 time. We can't wait for the captain.

4 [REDACTED]: So who would you advise?

5 [REDACTED]: Me being a 9, I would advise
6 operations and being that I am a Senior
7 Specialist, sometimes I can take the initiative
8 and rectify the situation.

9 [REDACTED]: Okay.

10 [REDACTED]: On the date of August 9th

11 --

12 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

13 [REDACTED]: -- if there wasn't any
14 issues, who would you have advised?

15 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

16 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

17 [REDACTED]: Yes.

18 [REDACTED]: Okay. As an Activities
19 Lieutenant, [REDACTED] sees a sampling of tiers at
20 MCC during her shift.

21 [REDACTED]: Sample of tears?

22 [REDACTED]: A sampling of tiers.

23 [REDACTED]: Oh tiers, I'm sorry.

24 [REDACTED]: Sampling of tiers.

25 [REDACTED]: Sampling of tiers. Sorry.

1 [REDACTED]: Sorry.

2 [REDACTED]: Go ahead. Sorry.

3 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED] uses her PIV card at a
4 computer terminal to log rounds.

5 [REDACTED]: Yes.

6 [REDACTED]: Each unit at MCC has a
7 different log.

8 [REDACTED]: Each unit at MCC has a
9 different log. I don't understand what that
10 means.

11 [REDACTED]: I guess what they're
12 probably trying to say is if there's different
13 units, do they log their own counts and rounds.

14 [REDACTED]: Yes. Officers are
15 responsible. They have their own PIV card
16 where they log in their own log information.
17 Yes.

18 [REDACTED]: When you do rounds --

19 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

20 [REDACTED]: When you do rounds as a
21 lieutenant --

22 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

23 [REDACTED]: Do you keep track of it? The
24 rounds that you do.

25 [REDACTED]: We log them. So -.

1 [REDACTED]: Is it different for each
2 unit?

3 [REDACTED]: Oh yes.

4 [REDACTED]: Okay. I think that's what -.

5 [REDACTED]: Yes.

6 [REDACTED]: And also you've got to
7 make sure you're talking about -. When you
8 were talking about a lieutenant doing counts
9 and rounds, are you talking about - or rounds I
10 should say -. You're typically talking about
11 doing rounds with your staff as opposed to with
12 the inmates. Correct?

13 [REDACTED]: Well when you're making
14 rounds, it's for -. Because I am a person that
15 works in the corrections system. I mean staff
16 wellbeing is very important to me.

17 [REDACTED]: Sure.

18 [REDACTED]: You know. Of course we
19 supervise inmates, but if I'm walking on a unit
20 and I need to know where that staff member is.
21 Once I get that staff member, and I get eyes on
22 that staff member, then we do whatever we need
23 to do.

24 [REDACTED]: So point being is if I'm
25 asking a lieutenant about conducting rounds and

1 I'm asking a CO about conducting rounds, for a
2 lieutenant a round would pretty much you're
3 checking in with your round is with the COs.
4 The Officers. Whereas the officers rounds are
5 with the inmates.

6 [REDACTED]: No.

7 [REDACTED]: Oh that's not?

8 [REDACTED]: No-no. So lieutenant's
9 rounds are staff and inmates.

10 [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 [REDACTED]: Now officers rounds is just
12 inmates. So like for example, we have to make
13 rounds on outside patrol. There's no inmates
14 out there. But we still have to leave the
15 building, see the OP1 officer, and then walk
16 around the building, make sure nothing is being
17 tampered with and come back inside. So our
18 rounds consist of finding security rounds as
19 well. You know we're tugging on doors and
20 making sure the recreation is secured --

21 [REDACTED]: Okay.

22 [REDACTED]: -- and stuff like that. So.

23 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED] works as an SOS -

24 Senior Officer Specialist - during her normal
25 shift, which is usually the day watch, 8:00

1 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If [REDACTED] works overtime,
2 she acts as activities lieutenant from 4:00
3 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. [REDACTED] has worked as a
4 corrections officer in the SHU usually in
5 overtime and on evening watch. During her
6 shifts in the SHU, [REDACTED] has responsibilities
7 pertaining to the inmates such as phone calls,
8 showers, and the library. The 30-minute rounds
9 are recorded in TruScope and on paper logs.
10 [REDACTED] stated that she has not worked with
11 anyone who didn't do the rounds. [REDACTED]
12 participates in the 10 a.m. count on the
13 weekends, but during the week, a count is not
14 done during her regular shift of 8:00 a.m. to
15 4:00 p.m. During the week, [REDACTED] leaves
16 before 10:00 p.m. count is conducted. During a
17 count, all inmates have to be seen. The
18 inmates are counted by one officer, then
19 another officer.

20 [REDACTED]: Double count.

21 [REDACTED]: Double count.

22 [REDACTED]: Two step.

23 [REDACTED]: If there are only two
24 officers working during the count, one officer
25 will count the inmates, then the officers will

1 switch, and the other officer will count the
2 inmates. The officers are to only count
3 inmates that are physically in their unit.

4 [REDACTED]: We count inmates everywhere.
5 Like they may be inmates in food service
6 working. We have to still count them. They're
7 considered out-count, but we still have to
8 count them. So we count anywhere inmates are.

9 [REDACTED]: So point being if there
10 were people in the SHU but then one or two of
11 them were outside the SHU at the moment, you
12 still have to account for them.

13 [REDACTED]: Yes.

14 [REDACTED]: Because they're on your
15 roster.

16 [REDACTED]: Because they're in the
17 building.

18 [REDACTED]: Right.

19 [REDACTED]: Because they're an inmate.
20 They have to be counted for regardless.

21 [REDACTED]: Okay. And how do you do
22 that? Do you still write them on the slip?

23 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

24 [REDACTED]: Just the number - total
25 number?

1 [REDACTED]: No. So we have a -.

2 [REDACTED]: Or do you have to note
3 that they're out?

4 [REDACTED]: Yeah. So we have a - first
5 we have to put them on the out count, which is
6 -. So like say for instance we have on inmate
7 that's out to law library.

8 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

9 [REDACTED]: We will call control and say
10 hey we got an inmate out to law library.
11 Alright. Put them on the out count as law
12 library. So we'll put them on the out count.
13 So when that officer counts, I've got one in
14 law library. So.

15 [REDACTED]: How is it documented on
16 the slip?

17 [REDACTED]: Still documented. Yes. It's
18 still documented on the count slip. It's still
19 part of the official counts.

20 [REDACTED]: And is there a note made
21 though that anyone was outside of the unit?

22 [REDACTED]: No.

23 [REDACTED]: Or just the total number?

24 [REDACTED]: Nope. There's not note made
25 because we do out counts as a common thing.

1 [REDACTED]: Okay.

2 [REDACTED]: Out count.

3 [REDACTED]: I want to show you a
4 document. It's a Bureau of Prisons count
5 sheet.

6 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

7 [REDACTED]: And this is dated August 9,
8 2019. Can you just tell me what time period
9 that's for?

10 [REDACTED]: Yep. Alright. So August 9,
11 2019. Tell you what? I'm sorry.

12 [REDACTED]: What count was that for?

13 [REDACTED]: This was the 4:00 p.m. count.
14 So this is the time that the count is cleared.
15 So when we clear counts, that means that all
16 these areas called in their count. All the
17 counts were good and it's now clear. And now
18 inmates can move again.

19 [REDACTED]: And is there a counts slip in
20 there? In the documents?

21 [REDACTED]: We have 30 days. We have
22 something in the control center that we call a
23 30-day file. And a count slips are usually in
24 the corner or here, stapled to this package
25 right here.

1 [REDACTED]: It's a small box? Keep
2 going.
3 [REDACTED]: Small little piece of paper.
4 Yeah.
5 [REDACTED]: Keep flipping through it.
6 All the way to the back.
7 [REDACTED]: Now these are out counts.
8 Out counts. Out counts. Out counts. Yep.
9 Okay. Yes. Yep.
10 [REDACTED]: Are these -?
11 [REDACTED]: But it's not like on a while
12 piece of paper. They're little --
13 [REDACTED]: Right.
14 [REDACTED]: -- pieces of paper.
15 [REDACTED]: If there was somebody that
16 was not in the unit.
17 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
18 [REDACTED]: Right? And that's the count
19 slip that they have to show. Would they just
20 write the number? Or how do they show? You
21 said you have to show an out count. Right?
22 [REDACTED]: Yes.
23 [REDACTED]: How would they show the out
24 count on that slip?
25 [REDACTED]: So, for example, we got -.

1 Let's use.... This is southern court. We have
2 inmates that go to court like during the day
3 because it's a pretrial institution. So, it
4 says FNYS. That's Southern District Court. So
5 up here it will say FNYS. There's three
6 inmates from 5 South that are still out that
7 are not physically in the building. So we have
8 to do an out count for them.

9 [REDACTED]: And it's listed on the counts
10 slip as FNYS.

11 [REDACTED]: Yes. So you've got -.
12 That's weird. FN, oh I'm sorry. FNYS. FNYS.
13 Oh there's one. I'm looking at food service.
14 That's on my way to discrepancy. Okay. FNYS.
15 One. There's one out. Same room counted and
16 the count slip would be right here.

17 [REDACTED]: And what does that state?

18 [REDACTED]: Hold on, let's see. That
19 states that there's one inmate by the name of
20 Clark that's in Southern Court from 11 South
21 Unit. So this is the Sentry document that
22 matches this document right here.

23 [REDACTED]: Okay. Well here's the
24 question I have. If an inmate happened to be
25 moved to R&D.

1 [REDACTED]: What time?
2 [REDACTED]: Let's just say during that
3 4:00 p.m. count. Right.
4 [REDACTED]: Okay.
5 [REDACTED]: Right before the 4:00 pm
6 count, if they moved to R&D. When the unit
7 does its count, do they record the inmate as
8 being in R&D or do they record it as still
9 being in the unit?
10 [REDACTED]: They record the inmate being
11 out of the building. That's why it's an out
12 count.
13 [REDACTED]: An out count.
14 [REDACTED]: Yeah.
15 [REDACTED]: And how would they record
16 that? It's just on the slip how do they say
17 it.
18 [REDACTED]: Oh, it's just be 1. It would
19 just be the number. Like count 1. If I'm
20 answering your question.
21 [REDACTED]: So let's say there's 25 -.
22 [REDACTED]: Ask her a specific
23 question.
24 [REDACTED]: Yeah. Let's just go. I'm
25 going to show you.

1 [REDACTED]: Okay.

2 [REDACTED]: This is the 10:00 p.m. count.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 [REDACTED]: For August 9th, 19--.

5 [REDACTED]: Yep.

6 [REDACTED]: Can you tell me how many

7 people are in the SHU for the --

8 [REDACTED]: Yep.

9 [REDACTED]: -- 10:00 p.m. count?

10 [REDACTED]: 73. 70 inmates are

11 physically in special housing for the 10:00

12 count.

13 [REDACTED]: Is it, there's 73 inmates.

14 Right?

15 [REDACTED]: Yes.

16 [REDACTED]: And now I'm going to show

17 you.

18 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

19 [REDACTED]: 12 pm.

20 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

21 [REDACTED]: I mean 12 midnight. Sorry.

22 I apologize.

23 [REDACTED]: Yes.

24 [REDACTED]: That's on August 10th at 12

25 midnight. How many people are in the SHU?

1 [REDACTED]: 72.
2 [REDACTED]: 72.
3 [REDACTED]: Yes.
4 [REDACTED]: How many people in the RA?
5 What's RA by the way?
6 [REDACTED]: RA is R&D.
7 [REDACTED]: R&D.
8 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
9 [REDACTED]: Now if you take a look at
10 that slip --
11 [REDACTED]: Yep.
12 [REDACTED]: -- for the count slip for the
13 SHU for that time period. Can you tell me what
14 it says on the count slip?
15 [REDACTED]: You're talking about August
16 10, right?
17 [REDACTED]: August 10th.
18 [REDACTED]: Okay.
19 [REDACTED]: That's the count slip in the
20 back.
21 [REDACTED]: Okay.
22 [REDACTED]: I know you didn't work this.
23 [REDACTED]: Oh yeah.
24 [REDACTED]: I know I'm just taking a look
25 at it and I want to get clarification.

1 [REDACTED]: Yep. Now you want me to tell
2 you which count slips which one?
3 [REDACTED]: The SHU.
4 [REDACTED]: The SHU one says. Yep. It
5 says 73.
6 [REDACTED]: Does that match with the
7 number on -?
8 [REDACTED]: It does not. It does not
9 match.
10 [REDACTED]: So let's say if they had an
11 inmate in R&D.
12 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
13 [REDACTED]: What's the procedure? What
14 would -? Do they have to get eyes on the
15 inmate before they put that --
16 [REDACTED]: Yes.
17 [REDACTED]: -- as part of the count?
18 [REDACTED]: So if someone is in R&D and
19 it could have been a self-surrender. Or
20 usually one of the federal agencies will drop
21 off an inmate. That happens all the time.
22 Internal number two would now be pulled from
23 their post and told to post up in R&D to watch
24 that inmate. Because R&D is a secure area, so
25 a staff member has to be in there. There's

1 like no back-and-forth. Like you're now pulled
2 from your post and you have to physically stay
3 in R&D to watch that inmate. So what they'll
4 do sometimes. I'm not saying that happened
5 this time, we'll do something where we do like
6 the lieutenant will say hey, because it's so
7 close to count, and the inmate is accounted
8 for, we'll kind of like ghost count him. Ghost
9 counting meaning the inmate is still physically
10 accounted for but we'll just put it on the
11 slip. Again, I'm not saying this happened
12 there.

13 [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 [REDACTED]: But we have a lot of inmate
15 movement at count times. Sometimes we'll
16 improvise with the documentation, but never
17 with accounting for inmates.

18 [REDACTED]: Okay. I just wanted to -.
19 The point of clarification is to let's say if
20 the count was done and the count was wrong.
21 What's the next step? If they identified the
22 fact that whoever the COs are, they counted the
23 inmates --

24 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

25 [REDACTED]: -- and it happened to be

1 wrong. I'm not saying that happened here.

2 [REDACTED]: Yeah-yeah.

3 [REDACTED]: If it was wrong --

4 [REDACTED]: Yep.

5 [REDACTED]: -- and the lieutenant whoever
6 it was on shift identifies it as wrong, what's
7 the next step?

8 [REDACTED]: So when you call in one bad
9 count, you have to go recount again. Right?
10 If you call in two bad counts, the lieutenant
11 authorizes a bed book count. That's, we have
12 like picture cards with like a long book with
13 the inmate's picture in it, reg number, his bed
14 assignment. We now have to recount the inmates
15 over again, but we're physically making sure
16 that like you're Smith, you're Jones, you're
17 where you're supposed to be.

18 [REDACTED]: Okay.

19 [REDACTED]: So we do bed book counts.
20 When you have to bad counts.

21 [REDACTED]: So one bad count, the COs in
22 the unit have to redo the count.

23 [REDACTED]: Yes.

24 [REDACTED]: Do the lieutenants have to go
25 into the unit to do the counts to assist?

1 [REDACTED]: No. No.

2 [REDACTED]: Okay. Do you have anything
3 else on that?

4 [REDACTED]: No. So if someone - if
5 they call in a count and for instance in this
6 instance, and they said hey we've got 72
7 present, one out. And they wrote 73 on the
8 count slip. What would happen then?

9 [REDACTED]: What happens with the staff?

10 [REDACTED]: So would you write 72 or
11 73 on this?

12 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

13 [REDACTED]: Or would the lieutenant?
14 So if the slip in this instance says what, 73
15 right?

16 [REDACTED]: Yeah. The slip says 73.

17 [REDACTED]: And if when they called
18 it in and told the ops lieutenant we've got 73
19 here but one of them is not in the unit.

20 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

21 [REDACTED]: Is that considered a bad
22 count? Or what is that considered?

23 [REDACTED]: It's not considered a bad
24 count. It's just considered something that we
25 improvise with and we have inmates coming in

1 after hours as like self-surrenders and --

2 [REDACTED]: Uh-huh.

3 [REDACTED]: -- when the DEA, the FBI,
4 they drop off inmates at that time.

5 [REDACTED]: So what should have been
6 written on these? Should have it said 72 on
7 that outside sheet? Or should it have said 73
8 and vice versa? What should have the counts
9 slip said - 73 or 72?

10 [REDACTED]: Well inmates that come in
11 that late, we call them safekeeps and they're
12 always going to go to SHU regardless. Always.
13 Because they're coming in late and they haven't
14 been medically assessed. We do the initial
15 intake, but it's not a full-on intake like
16 during day watch hours. So all inmates coming
17 in at that time always go to Special Housing
18 Unit. So again, I'm not saying that happened
19 that time, but there have been situations when
20 inmates are coming in and -.

21 [REDACTED]: And so what I'm saying in
22 this specific instance --

23 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

24 [REDACTED]: -- if when they spoke to
25 the ops lieutenant and they said hey, we got

1 72, but we wrote 73 on the count slip because
2 one's not in here but he's still on our books.

3 [REDACTED]: Yeah. So the lieutenant can
4 make a decision.

5 [REDACTED]: So is this sheet - this
6 top sheet - should that have said 72 or 73? Or
7 that would be the lieutenant's decision?

8 [REDACTED]: That would be the
9 lieutenant's decision because this inmate is
10 physically in R&D.

11 [REDACTED]: Okay.

12 [REDACTED]: So they can combine those.

13 [REDACTED]: If that were the case, if
14 when that ops lieutenant spoke to the people --

15 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

16 [REDACTED]: -- that were assigned to
17 the SHU.

18 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

19 [REDACTED]: Would it be normal for
20 that ops lieutenant to say just do the count
21 again?

22 [REDACTED]: No. Because the ops
23 lieutenant was - knows that that inmate is in
24 off the streets.

25 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

1 [REDACTED]: So everybody is now in the
2 know.

3 [REDACTED]: So would it be suspicious
4 if that ops lieutenant said hey they called
5 this in and they told me this and I had them do
6 it again?

7 [REDACTED]: No.

8 [REDACTED]: That's also not -?

9 [REDACTED]: Happens all the time. No.
10 Happens all the time.

11 [REDACTED]: You follow what I'm
12 asking?

13 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

14 [REDACTED]: It's a pretrial institution
15 and we process inmates all times of the night.

16 [REDACTED]: So it's not a big deal if
17 the ops lieutenant was just like you know what
18 just do it again?

19 [REDACTED]: To recount again?

20 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

21 [REDACTED]: But all -.

22 [REDACTED]: So I'll clarify. Does a -?

23 [REDACTED]: I'm just trying to see why
24 would they say count again --

25 [REDACTED]: That's what we're trying

1 to figure out.

2 [REDACTED]: -- if the inmates are
3 accounted for.

4 [REDACTED]: If the story is - and
5 this would be the story --

6 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

7 [REDACTED]: This is SHU calling in
8 our count. 73 is on the slip. One is actually
9 not in here.

10 [REDACTED]: Yep.

11 [REDACTED]: And that lieutenant says
12 I want to make sure that we've got eyes on that
13 other body.

14 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

15 [REDACTED]: Do the count again while
16 I ensure that we have eyes on that body. Does
17 that make sense?

18 [REDACTED]: It makes sense, but it's
19 working extra hard for no reason.

20 [REDACTED]: Right.

21 [REDACTED]: Because when these inmates
22 come in at this time and they're placed in R&D,
23 like the operations is the highest-ranking
24 officer on. So we don't -. Like we get one
25 new in that like 3 in the morning, it's not the

1 lieutenant's job to call the captain and say
2 hey we got more new. Because it's practice.
3 So.

4 [REDACTED]: Would that change if this
5 person wasn't new? It was rather an inmate
6 that was in the SHU that just got moved out to
7 R&D for whatever reason.

8 [REDACTED]: I mean we've had emergency
9 trips go out at weird times, but an inmate
10 doesn't --

11 [REDACTED]: Yeah, this is --

12 [REDACTED]: -- he goes to R&D to put the
13 restraints on. Like if medical is not there,
14 you know, we do CPR, we make tourniquets, we do
15 a whole lot of things.

16 [REDACTED]: And just for the record,
17 what is R&A and R&D? What do they stand for?

18 [REDACTED]: R&D is just the out count.

19 [REDACTED]: I mean what does it - is
20 it short for something or is it just letters?

21 [REDACTED]: It's just letters.

22 [REDACTED]: Okay.

23 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

24 [REDACTED]: So it's not like how R&D
25 would be research and development.

1 [REDACTED]: No. No-no-no-no.
2 [REDACTED]: It's nothing like that.
3 [REDACTED]: Just like the units is just
4 the letter. It's not like Bravo, Charlie.
5 It's just literally B-A, C-A.
6 [REDACTED]: Okay.
7 [REDACTED]: So let me show you something.
8 Can you look at the 4:00 p.m. count?
9 [REDACTED]: Yeah.
10 [REDACTED]: What's the count at the SHU?
11 [REDACTED]: 75. Now they have one in
12 attorney conference at the 4:00 p.m. count.
13 But in special housing unit they counted 75
14 inmates.
15 [REDACTED]: Okay. What's the 10:00 p.m.
16 count?
17 [REDACTED]: 10:00 p.m. count is 73.
18 [REDACTED]: Anybody in attorney
19 conference?
20 [REDACTED]: No. This is the 10:00 p.m.
21 Nobody's in attorney conference at this time.
22 [REDACTED]: Okay. So now, the question
23 is this. Do you recall there being an incident
24 that night? So if you notice, the count went
25 down between the 4 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. You

1 were on shift. Did you recall of any inmates
2 threatening anything or saying anything? Any
3 reason why they would have been removed from
4 the SHU that night?

5 [REDACTED]: Not that I can remember. No.

6 [REDACTED]: Did you hear movement -?

7 [REDACTED]: Removed from the SHU to go
8 where?

9 [REDACTED]: Suicide watch. Did any
10 inmates come - threaten to commit suicide that
11 night?

12 [REDACTED]: I don't remember.

13 [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 [REDACTED]: To be honest with you. I
15 don't remember that specifically.

16 [REDACTED]: If I said two inmates did
17 threaten and they did get moved out, can you
18 see on the 10:00 p.m. count of them being moved
19 to the suicide watch?

20 [REDACTED]: That would be -.

21 [REDACTED]: Where would they be accounted
22 for?

23 [REDACTED]: That would be three inmates.
24 That would now be three inmates leaving. So
25 this is basically saying that three inmates -.

1 [REDACTED]: Hold on one second.

2 [REDACTED]: Yeah-yeah. Hello.

3 UNKNOWN MALE: Am I disturbing you?

4 [REDACTED]: Yeah. You need to go to the
5 Wellness Center?

6 UNKNOWN MALE: I was going to use the
7 restroom, but if you've got -.

8 [REDACTED]: Sorry.

9 UNKNOWN MALE: It's okay.

10 [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 [REDACTED]: So if there was two inmates
12 moved, would it show at the 10:00 p.m. count
13 where they were moved?

14 [REDACTED]: No, that's in Sentry. So the
15 count slips and this package doesn't have
16 movement of inmates. We run something that we
17 call -. Oh, I'm sorry.

18 [REDACTED]: What unit would they show up
19 at? If they're on suicide watch, what unit are
20 they in?

21 [REDACTED]: They would be H-A.

22 [REDACTED]: How many inmates do you see?

23 [REDACTED]: Four.

24 [REDACTED]: How many inmates do you see
25 at the 4:00 p.m. count?

1 [REDACTED]: Two.

2 [REDACTED]: So between 4:00 p.m. and
3 10:00 p.m. two inmates were moved over. You
4 don't know the facts --

5 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

6 [REDACTED]: -- but let's say if they did
7 threaten to commit suicide, two would have
8 moved over. Right? Now it's four at 10:00
9 p.m.

10 [REDACTED]: Yes, but because these
11 numbers are different doesn't mean that those
12 went there. We need in between paperwork to
13 show that the SHU inmates were the ones that
14 went to suicide watch.

15 [REDACTED]: Okay. That's based on
16 investigation it shows that someone did.

17 [REDACTED]: Gotha.

18 [REDACTED]: Two people did.

19 [REDACTED]: Gotcha.

20 [REDACTED]: What I'm trying to get at is
21 --

22 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

23 [REDACTED]: -- if you notice, that means
24 technically, at 10:00 p.m. they were still
25 saying there's 73 inmates. Right?

1 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

2 [REDACTED]: So would that mean that one
3 person was already in R&D? Because remember,
4 at midnight they're saying there's a person in
5 R&D.

6 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

7 [REDACTED]: So --

8 [REDACTED]: According to this.

9 [REDACTED]: -- somewhere between the
10 10:00 p.m. count -. Or even the 10:00 p.m.
11 count, they might have possibly called the SHU
12 the lieutenant and clarified with the
13 lieutenant to get permission to account for the
14 R&D person. But why would an inmate that's
15 inside the SHU still be in R&D that late at
16 night?

17 [REDACTED]: Why would an inmate in
18 general --

19 [REDACTED]: In general.

20 [REDACTED]: -- be in R&D at that time?

21 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

22 [REDACTED]: But where would he be coming
23 from?

24 [REDACTED]: Or are you asking
25 specifically if it was at 73 at 10 p.m. and

1 then all of a sudden it's 72 at midnight. Were
2 they changed -? Could it have changed between
3 those two hours?

4 [REDACTED]: Sorry. That's a
5 clarification.

6 [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 [REDACTED]: Could that have happened
8 between 10 p.m. and midnight?

9 [REDACTED]: What had happened? I'm
10 sorry. Say it one more time.

11 [REDACTED]: That inmate - that from 73 it
12 became 72 because one inmate got moved to R&D.

13 [REDACTED]: Would inmates have been
14 moved after 10 p.m. to R&D?

15 [REDACTED]: I don't never remember that
16 happening. Like -.

17 [REDACTED]: Would that be very
18 unusual?

19 [REDACTED]: To go to R&D?

20 [REDACTED]: Right.

21 [REDACTED]: Unless it was - he was going
22 out on a trip. Or like we get an agents that
23 come and they do takeout orders and they pull
24 the inmates to go rat on other inmates. We
25 call it takeout orders. But -.

1 [REDACTED]: So I guess what he's
2 trying to get at --

3 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

4 [REDACTED]: -- is that all of a
5 sudden at midnight, this changed to 72. But at
6 10:00 p.m. it said 73. And they're claiming
7 that one individual actually was found in R&D.
8 Does it sound suspicious that that actually
9 happened? Or it probably happened earlier in
10 the day and they were just not doing their
11 counts?

12 [REDACTED]: There's just no way to tell
13 because it's -.

14 [REDACTED]: But like you said, it
15 would be very rare that between 10:00 p.m. and
16 midnight, someone would be moved to R&D.

17 [REDACTED]: An inmate would be going to
18 R&D for just going to R&D?

19 [REDACTED]: Right.

20 [REDACTED]: Like there's nothing in R&D
21 unless we have a bus coming in. And then R&D
22 staff are staying back late. But just to go
23 SHU to R&D. Now when we have emergency trips
24 going out --

25 [REDACTED]: Yep.

1 [REDACTED]: -- then that's when we gather
2 all the restraints and we put the restraints on
3 the inmate. But. I don't know.

4 [REDACTED]: Is R&D housed at all times?

5 [REDACTED]: No.

6 [REDACTED]: Okay. There's someone
7 assigned if something happens.

8 [REDACTED]: Yes.

9 [REDACTED]: Okay. Any other questions?

10 [REDACTED]: Nope.

11 [REDACTED]: Alright. So I'm going to go
12 back to your entry notes.

13 [REDACTED]: Yes.

14 [REDACTED]: In the control center, an
15 employee gets information from the person that
16 he or she relieves. While in the control
17 center, one has various responsibilities such
18 as a fire security check, equipment, and key
19 checks and watching the cameras. The person
20 that is designated as Control 2 is responsible
21 for preparing the paperwork for the count. On
22 August 9, 2019, [REDACTED] works in the capacity of
23 lieutenant from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. During
24 this time, [REDACTED] stopped by the SHU. She
25 recalled that regular activities and operations

1 were occurring at the time of her visit.
2 █████ fed inmates in G Tier and in 10 South -
3 the high security unit. █████ recalled seeing
4 Jeffrey Epstein earlier on August 9th and
5 around 9:00 a.m. at attorney conference area.
6 Epstein was there with three or four attorneys
7 who were in and out of the facility. █████
8 recalled that there being two females and one
9 male. At one point, Epstein had to get an
10 officer's attention to use the restroom.
11 █████ was not in the SHU when Epstein came
12 back from attorney conference. Usually Epstein
13 would be cuffed to go back to the SHU from
14 attorney conference around 7:20 p.m. to 8:00
15 p.m. █████ doesn't remember anyone talking
16 about a phone call that Epstein made on August
17 9th. She also is not aware of how either of
18 Epstein's cellmates were selected. █████ only
19 heard things in passing regarding Epstein's
20 alleged suicide attempt in July. █████ does
21 not know the particular procedures or
22 guidelines regarding an inmate who comes off
23 suicide watch. She stated that usually that
24 inmate is put with a cellmate but she does not
25 know if this is policy or just general

1 practice. According to [REDACTED], as an SOS she
2 would not know if Epstein was supposed to have
3 a cellmate. A decision such as an inmate
4 needing a cellmate would be made at SHU
5 meetings and/or department head meetings.
6 [REDACTED] does not know if Epstein had a cellmate
7 the day she was acting lieutenant.

8 [REDACTED]: Yes.

9 [REDACTED]: Okay. We might come back on
10 certain of these things.

11 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

12 [REDACTED]: Your -. Did you know if
13 Epstein had a cellmate?

14 [REDACTED]: I'm not sure.

15 [REDACTED]: Were you aware of the July
16 23rd incident when he first started to commit
17 suicide?

18 [REDACTED]: No.

19 [REDACTED]: Okay. Did you respond to it
20 at all?

21 [REDACTED]: No.

22 [REDACTED]: Okay. Do you know if Epstein
23 was ever placed on suicide watch or psych
24 observation?

25 [REDACTED]: I remember him being on the

1 second floor. Psych ops and suicide is the
2 same area. So which one was he? I do not
3 know.

4 [REDACTED]: Okay.

5 [REDACTED]: But I do remember hearing
6 that Epstein is on suicide watch.

7 [REDACTED]: When he came off of suicide
8 watch - well psych observation on July 30th, he
9 was brought back to the SHU. At that point,
10 did you receive any instructions in regard to
11 Epstein needing a cellmate?

12 [REDACTED]: Well what day was this?

13 [REDACTED]: July 30th um -. That's a
14 good question.

15 [REDACTED]: July 30th.

16 [REDACTED]: What day of the week you want
17 to know?

18 [REDACTED]: Well to be honest with you,
19 the answer to that is no anyway, because I
20 don't recall receiving any specific
21 instructions on Epstein about where to put him.
22 I dealt with him mostly in attorney conference
23 because that was my post.

24 [REDACTED]: Okay.

25 [REDACTED]: So. I thought you were

1 talking about August 9th.

2 [REDACTED]: No this situation I'm talking
3 about is July 30th.

4 [REDACTED]: I don't know. Yeah.

5 [REDACTED]: Just to make sure.

6 [REDACTED]: No.

7 [REDACTED]: Did you receive any
8 instructions from Captain [REDACTED]?

9 [REDACTED]: No.

10 [REDACTED]: Do you recall receiving an
11 email from psych instructing that Epstein
12 needed a cellmate?

13 [REDACTED]: No.

14 [REDACTED]: I'm going to mention some
15 names - a list of names. Let me know if you
16 ever discussed with these people any
17 requirements. You already said you haven't.

18 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

19 [REDACTED]: So I'm just going to go
20 individually. Just say yes or no if they ever
21 discussed about Epstein's requirement for a
22 cellmate.

23 [REDACTED]: Got it.

24 [REDACTED]: And the purpose of that
25 is just to try to spark your recollection when

1 you're thinking of that person. So say like
2 God, did I actually discuss --
3 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
4 [REDACTED]: -- Epstein with that
5 person?
6 [REDACTED]: Okay.
7 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].
8 [REDACTED]: No.
9 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].
10 [REDACTED]: No.
11 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]
12 [REDACTED]
13 [REDACTED]: No.
14 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].
15 [REDACTED]: No.
16 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].
17 [REDACTED]: No.
18 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].
19 [REDACTED]: No.
20 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]
21 [REDACTED]: No.
22 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]
23 [REDACTED]: No.
24 [REDACTED]: Same thing. Next is going to
25 be just a list of COs.

1 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
2 [REDACTED]: Possibly you had any
3 interactions in regard to Epstein requirements.
4 If they ever passed on or said that Epstein
5 needed certain, like a cellmate - if they ever
6 talked to you about it.
7 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
8 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]
9 [REDACTED]: No.
10 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]
11 [REDACTED]: No.
12 [REDACTED]: If I mispronounce their names
13 -.
14 [REDACTED]: No, it's okay. Just say the
15 last name. I know last names.
16 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]
17 [REDACTED]: No.
18 [REDACTED]: Michael Thomas.
19 [REDACTED]: No.
20 [REDACTED]: Nova Toel. Tova Noel.
21 [REDACTED]: No.
22 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]
23 [REDACTED]: No.
24 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]
25 [REDACTED]: No.

1 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

2 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]. No.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay. So you were never
4 aware that Epstein had a cellmate requirement.
5 Right?

6 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

7 [REDACTED]: You were not aware of who his
8 roommate - cellmate was either.

9 [REDACTED]: That is correct. Never
10 aware.

11 [REDACTED]: Did you hear -? Eventually
12 did you end up hearing about the fact that his
13 cellmate was removed?

14 [REDACTED]: Nope. I don't remember that.

15 [REDACTED]: If a regular inmate is
16 mandated to have a cellmate. And the cellmate
17 is removed for whatever reason. Who is
18 responsible to have another cellmate assigned
19 to that inmate?

20 [REDACTED]: The captain is over special
21 housing unit.

22 [REDACTED]: So the captain is
23 responsible? If there was a requirement in
24 terms of Epstein requiring a cellmate, who
25 should those instructions have come from?

1 [REDACTED]: Psychology. For what reason
2 though? Like just suicidal reasons
3 specifically or -?

4 [REDACTED]: Suicide. Let's say the
5 decision was made because he was on suicide
6 watch, then he was in psych observation, and
7 then psychology makes a decision that hey,
8 listen, this inmate cannot be housed by
9 himself.

10 [REDACTED]: Yep.

11 [REDACTED]: If that instruction had to
12 come down to the lieutenant and even the COs,
13 how - what was the chain of command? How
14 should those instructions come around?

15 [REDACTED]: Okay. So those things happen
16 when they have regular department head
17 meetings. But then they also have emergency
18 meetings. So in a situation like that, they
19 would have a last-minute emergency meeting.
20 They'll come up with whatever plan. It's
21 medical. It's all department heads. It's unit
22 team, it's medical, it's psychology, it's the
23 captain. Lieutenants don't sit in department
24 head meetings. So whatever determination they
25 make, the captain will inform the lieutenants.

1 So like line staff, we don't really need to
2 know who needs a cellie and who doesn't because
3 we don't - it's not our responsibility to walk
4 around and say hey you need a cellmate. We
5 just you know we count for inmates, do our
6 rounds, do our shakedowns, and go home in one
7 piece.

8 [REDACTED]: Being the fact that you did
9 overtime in the SHU.

10 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

11 [REDACTED]: A requirement like that - do
12 you think they should have informed you about
13 that?

14 [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

15 [REDACTED]: Okay.

16 [REDACTED]: So I do remember them putting
17 a stickie note on the computer. You know
18 everyone looks at the computer. Saying do
19 rounds on Epstein. That's just something that
20 as officers we do to say hey, reminder. Make
21 sure you check on this inmate. So like say if
22 I'm working a housing unit and an inmate got
23 news that his mother died. And I'm on the
24 housing unit. And this happened on my shift.
25 And I'll put a little stickie note and say hey

1 keep eyes on inmate [REDACTED] because he got a
2 phone call, he got an email, that his mom
3 passed away. You know keep an eye on him.
4 I'll write a little sticky note. It's like
5 something that we do as line staff. So like
6 say when you're relieving me and because you'll
7 forget sometimes to pass on pertinent
8 information. So we did that as something that
9 we made up to do to remind ourselves like hey,
10 what's this sticky note for? Oh yeah. I
11 remember [REDACTED] telling me that [REDACTED] mother
12 died. Just keep an eye on him.

13 [REDACTED]: So there was a note that
14 said.

15 [REDACTED]: There was a note that we -
16 when I say we I mean line staff. There was a
17 note that somebody created as a reminder for us
18 to do it. You understand what I'm trying to
19 say?

20 [REDACTED]: Okay.

21 [REDACTED]: Like not like an email
22 printed out. It's like a little sticky note.
23 Something that we did.

24 [REDACTED]: Which computer?

25 [REDACTED]: There's two computers in SHU.

1 I'm not sure which one it was.

2 [REDACTED]: Okay. So one of them had a
3 little sticky note.

4 [REDACTED]: One of them had a little
5 sticky note. Now that's what I heard.

6 [REDACTED]: You never seen it?

7 [REDACTED]: I've never seen the note.
8 But I've heard people who say we even had a
9 sticky note there. You know something along
10 the lines of that. But I can see that
11 happening because I used to do little sticky
12 notes as reminders to myself.

13 [REDACTED]: Let's just say --

14 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

15 [REDACTED]: -- the instructions did come
16 down from psych and from [REDACTED]. And
17 he instructed his lieutenants and then the
18 staff knew. You know, you were not aware of it
19 according to -.

20 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

21 [REDACTED]: So you would not know if they
22 knew either.

23 [REDACTED]: If it was the line staff.

24 [REDACTED]: Line staff.

25 [REDACTED]: Yes.

1 [REDACTED]: Let's say the line staff was
2 aware of that requirement.

3 [REDACTED]: Yep.

4 [REDACTED]: And his cellmate was Efren
5 Reyes.

6 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

7 [REDACTED]: And Efren Reyes was removed
8 from the SHU at - between 7:00 and 8:00 a.m.
9 And between 1:00 and 2:00 I think the MCC was
10 notified that he's not coming back.

11 [REDACTED]: Okay.

12 [REDACTED]: Can you look at the SHU
13 roster and let me know whose responsibility it
14 would have been - from the bottom up - to
15 notify.

16 [REDACTED]: On the 9th or the 10th?

17 [REDACTED]: 9th.

18 [REDACTED]: Okay.

19 [REDACTED]: Because -.

20 [REDACTED]: Alright.

21 [REDACTED]: Well not necessarily the
22 SHU roster. Whose responsibility would it have
23 been in the institution. Like who would have
24 been notified first? Who would have made the
25 notifications?

1 [REDACTED]: Alright. So if Epstein's
2 cellie left at 1:00 or 2:00, that's overlap.
3 Right. With lieutenants. So -.

4 [REDACTED]: He left supposedly at - he
5 was removed from the MCC supposedly -.

6 [REDACTED]: Around 1:30-ish let's
7 say.

8 [REDACTED]: Okay.

9 [REDACTED]: From the books. Yeah.

10 [REDACTED]: So yeah. So he leaves
11 and then they think he's going to court but
12 then he's released --

13 [REDACTED]: Gotcha.

14 [REDACTED]: -- around 1:30.

15 [REDACTED]: Yep. So -.

16 [REDACTED]: Who would have found out
17 first and how should it have gone?

18 [REDACTED]: Um, R&D staff. Inmates
19 depart and come in the same way. So receiving
20 and discharging and control are the first ones
21 to know.

22 [REDACTED]: And does it show on this
23 as you --

24 [REDACTED]: No.

25 [REDACTED]: -- determine this who is

1 working those positions?

2 [REDACTED]: No. So it's a non-custody
3 post. So receiving and discharging is not
4 here. So R&D supervisor should have notified
5 operations and said hey Epstein's cellie left.

6 [REDACTED]: Who would have been in
7 operations at that point?

8 [REDACTED]: Uh, it would have been [REDACTED].
9 [REDACTED] is still on. He leaves at 4:00. So if
10 you're asking me the time frames. Right?

11 Yeah. Operations lieutenant.

12 [REDACTED]: If [REDACTED] was aware of the
13 requirement from [REDACTED].

14 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

15 [REDACTED]: What should [REDACTED] have done?

16 [REDACTED]: He should have got with
17 psychology and made sure. Before everyone left
18 for the day they should have made sure that
19 Epstein had another cellmate.

20 [REDACTED]: How soon should a cellmate
21 have been assigned if it was required?

22 [REDACTED]: Well I mean it just really
23 depends because if the situation is a unique
24 situation and they have to, you know -.

25 [REDACTED]: Well this specific

1 situation.

2 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

3 [REDACTED]: Let's think about it. So
4 if everyone is told Epstein needs a cellmate at
5 all times. [REDACTED] is informed. The cellmate
6 left. What should have happened?

7 [REDACTED]: He should have got a cellie
8 before every department head left.

9 [REDACTED]: Okay. So should have he
10 notified - should have he gone straight to --

11 [REDACTED]: Somebody has to tell -.

12 [REDACTED]: -- psychology or should
13 have he told the captain first? Or how -?

14 [REDACTED]: Well somebody has to. So
15 like if the lieutenant is on. Right. The
16 lieutenant is here. They have their office.
17 Everyone has their own offices. So if an
18 inmate is - he leaves out of R&D and the
19 marshals or whoever calls R&D and say hey this
20 inmate had got released from court. We take
21 him off the count. R&D should be notifying
22 their supervisor who in turn would be notifying
23 psychology and the captain. And then that's
24 when it comes down. You understand what I'm
25 trying to say?

1 [REDACTED]: Okay.

2 [REDACTED]: So me being a line staff, my
3 immediate supervisor is always operations.
4 Like I don't call R&D and say hey I got an
5 inmate that's saying he got court. What's
6 going on? My line of defense is operations.
7 So everyone has a supervisor. So they should
8 have been going to their supervisor - R&D -
9 because you still have line staff in R&D. They
10 have a supervisor. And that's when the
11 supervisor needs to reach out to whoever they
12 need to reach out to. And they -. Well the
13 R&D supervisor notifies psychology and the
14 captain.

15 [REDACTED]: And they would have been -
16 would they have been responsible to making sure
17 that Epstein was assigned a cellmate?

18 [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

19 [REDACTED]: Okay.

20 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

21 [REDACTED]: Now -.

22 [REDACTED]: Go ahead.

23 [REDACTED]: Now if [REDACTED] sits on the
24 information and doesn't do anything with it.

25 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

1 [REDACTED]: He doesn't tell [REDACTED].
2 He doesn't tell the captain. He doesn't tell
3 psychology. Is there any way that that
4 information could have gotten back up to
5 [REDACTED]? So should have the people in the SHU
6 and for the next people that are in the SHU.
7 Epstein -. They know there is a sticky note on
8 the computer. Epstein needs a cellmate.
9 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
10 [REDACTED]: Should have they notified
11 you? Should have they said hey Epstein is in
12 there. He doesn't have a cellmate. And then
13 you would have therefore notified [REDACTED]?
14 Should have that happened?
15 [REDACTED]: No. No. Because if [REDACTED]
16 is coming on late, and no disrespect, but no
17 one is home thinking about inmates.
18 [REDACTED]: Sure.
19 [REDACTED]: And if they need a cellie or
20 not. So when people come in, we have many
21 high-profile inmates. No one comes in saying
22 okay, what's going on with El Chapo today?
23 What's going on with Epstein? Like it is not
24 that deep. So if you're coming in and you're
25 speaking with operations. You know, you're

1 just listening to pertinent information.
2 You're asking questions. Was it quiet today?
3 Any fights? Any use of force? And if you say
4 no, is a lieutenant going to say, oh is Epstein
5 okay? Again, no disrespect to anybody, but no
6 one is inquiring about a specific inmate when
7 you're starting your shift.

8 [REDACTED]: No. And I'm not asking
9 if --

10 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

11 [REDACTED]: -- [REDACTED] would be
12 inquiring. I'm saying --

13 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

14 [REDACTED]: -- at this point if the
15 people in the SHU --

16 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

17 [REDACTED]: -- if they have a sticky
18 note saying --

19 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

20 [REDACTED]: -- Epstein is supposed to
21 have a cellmate.

22 [REDACTED]: No-no-no. I didn't say that.
23 I said the sticky notes says conduct rounds on
24 Epstein.

25 [REDACTED]: Okay. But if they're

1 aware that Epstein is supposed to have a
2 cellmate. Should they then each time somebody
3 else --

4 [REDACTED]: No.

5 [REDACTED]: -- comes on should they
6 still make that notification? No?

7 [REDACTED]: No because that's not their
8 responsibility.

9 [REDACTED]: So if the information
10 dies with [REDACTED], it just dies? What happens?

11 [REDACTED]: It's not the line staff
12 responsibility to know who needs a cellmate or
13 who doesn't.

14 [REDACTED]: So in this case
15 specifically, if [REDACTED] has the information and
16 he didn't do anything with it.

17 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

18 [REDACTED]: Is there anything -?

19 [REDACTED]: There's no way for line staff
20 to know.

21 [REDACTED]: So in this specific
22 instance basically we'd have to wait until the
23 next day?

24 [REDACTED]: If operations don't tell line
25 staff, then they just don't know.

1 [REDACTED]: What if all the
2 lieutenants already knew though? So I guess
3 the difference in this case is that --
4 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
5 [REDACTED]: -- you're an acting
6 lieutenant. Would have you been the only
7 lieutenant on the next shift that would have
8 known? And if you didn't know, then there
9 would be no way for you to -.
10 [REDACTED]: So if I knew that during the
11 day.
12 [REDACTED]: No. So what I'm saying
13 is --
14 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
15 [REDACTED]: -- [REDACTED] knows the
16 information.
17 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
18 [REDACTED]: He doesn't do anything
19 with it.
20 [REDACTED]: Okay.
21 [REDACTED]: Now who would be the next
22 person. As you said, [REDACTED] --
23 [REDACTED]: Yes.
24 [REDACTED]: -- wouldn't have asked
25 about him because -.

1 [REDACTED]: Yeah, you don't come in just
2 asking about inmates.

3 [REDACTED]: Exactly.

4 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

5 [REDACTED]: So my point being is --

6 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

7 [REDACTED]: -- were there any other
8 lieutenants after [REDACTED] left that could have
9 found that out. Or was it just you?

10 [REDACTED]: It was just me.

11 [REDACTED]: Okay.

12 [REDACTED]: It was just me.

13 [REDACTED]: And you didn't actually
14 even know he was supposed to have a cellmate.

15 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

16 [REDACTED]: And you're saying that
17 the COs - the officers that are in the SHU --

18 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

19 [REDACTED]: -- they didn't tell you.

20 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

21 [REDACTED]: And it wouldn't be their
22 responsibility to tell you if they knew he was
23 required to have one?

24 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

25 [REDACTED]: Okay. So that's the

1 confusing part to me is why wouldn't they be
2 required to tell you that? If they knew he had
3 a cellmate, why wouldn't they say hey
4 lieutenant, hey LT. Epstein is supposed to
5 have a cellmate.

6 [REDACTED]: But that's specific. In my
7 opinion, that's pertinent information. So if
8 Epstein is in attorney conference. Right. And
9 shifts are overlapping. And he's there during
10 the count. And I'm making a round at let's say
11 5:00. And they're going oh Epstein needs a
12 cellie. That would be coming from higher-ups.
13 So coming on, [REDACTED] -.

14 [REDACTED]: But if [REDACTED] kept the
15 information and [REDACTED] has no idea that
16 Epstein doesn't have a cellie. How can that
17 information get back to [REDACTED] that Epstein
18 doesn't have a cellie?

19 [REDACTED]: But they would have had to
20 have been notified by any supervisor. Even if
21 the captain felt like calling them straight in
22 the SHU and saying hey, Epstein needs a cellie.
23 Like even if he wanted to jump the chain of
24 command. Like they still need to know.

25 [REDACTED]: That's what I'm saying.

1 [REDACTED]: To tell us anything.

2 [REDACTED]: That's my point. If they
3 knew. The people in the SHU. If they knew.

4 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

5 [REDACTED]: Let's say hey, they know
6 Epstein is supposed to have a cellmate. He
7 hasn't had a cellmate filled. You're now the
8 new lieutenant on. So maybe they told the old
9 lieutenant, the other lieutenant told [REDACTED] --

10 [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 [REDACTED]: -- [REDACTED] never ended up
12 doing anything with it.

13 [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 [REDACTED]: He still doesn't have a
15 cellmate. Should have the officers in the SHU
16 then - you're now the new lieutenant.

17 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

18 [REDACTED]: Hey just so you know, we
19 told the other lieutenant but now you're the
20 acting lieutenant, just know that --

21 [REDACTED]: Okay.

22 [REDACTED]: -- Epstein is supposed to
23 --

24 [REDACTED]: Okay.

25 [REDACTED]: -- have a cellmate.

1 Should have they told you that?

2 [REDACTED]: If they knew, yeah. Sure.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

5 [REDACTED]: So if they knew they
6 should have told you.

7 [REDACTED]: They should have told me
8 because that's considered pertinent
9 information.

10 [REDACTED]: Right.

11 [REDACTED]: And you always pass on. You
12 should be always passing on pertinent
13 information.

14 [REDACTED]: So looking at that
15 roster.

16 [REDACTED]: Yeah. Mm-hmm.

17 [REDACTED]: Who was it that should
18 have told you --

19 [REDACTED]: The OIC.

20 [REDACTED]: If the -. And who's that?

21 [REDACTED]: The SHU Number 1. So the SHU
22 OIC, the SHU Number 1 is the officer in charge
23 of the special housing unit.

24 [REDACTED]: No. I'm saying who on
25 that list is it.

1 [REDACTED]: Oh.
2 [REDACTED]: Who should have informed
3 you?
4 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]. [REDACTED].
5 [REDACTED]: And what time did [REDACTED]
6 work until?
7 [REDACTED]: 8:00 to 4:00.
8 [REDACTED]: 8:00 to 4:00? Okay.
9 [REDACTED]: Let me see if he didn't go on
10 to lunch.
11 [REDACTED]: So let's say after 4:00
12 though I'm saying.
13 [REDACTED]: Okay.
14 [REDACTED]: Because [REDACTED] was - I
15 mean [REDACTED] was there until 4:00. Who after
16 4:00 p.m.?
17 [REDACTED]: Oh.
18 [REDACTED]: If nothing after -.
19 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]. He was the OIC
20 relief.
21 [REDACTED]: Okay.
22 [REDACTED]: Yep.
23 [REDACTED]: And that's [REDACTED]-
24 [REDACTED].
25 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

1 [REDACTED]: Okay. So he's the person
2 who should have informed you?
3 [REDACTED]: If he knew --
4 [REDACTED]: If he knew.
5 [REDACTED]: -- he should be telling me
6 all pertinent information.
7 [REDACTED]: Okay.
8 [REDACTED]: That is correct.
9 [REDACTED]: So he's the person on
10 that shift should have informed you.
11 [REDACTED]: Yes.
12 [REDACTED]: Okay. Now let's say now
13 you're gone. Who are you relieved by?
14 [REDACTED]: Um, no relief.
15 [REDACTED]: Um because you were
16 activities lieutenant?
17 [REDACTED]: Yeah.
18 [REDACTED]: Who then relieves -? So
19 there's no activities lieutenant --
20 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
21 [REDACTED]: -- but there's an ops
22 lieutenant. Right?
23 [REDACTED]: Yes.
24 [REDACTED]: So who is the ops
25 lieutenant?

1 [REDACTED]: I'm not sure who relieved
2 [REDACTED]. Because I leave two hours before -.
3 Oh, I'm sorry. Um.... Oh, [REDACTED]. She was
4 morning watch lieutenant.
5 [REDACTED]: Okay.
6 [REDACTED]: Yep.
7 [REDACTED]: So [REDACTED] --
8 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
9 [REDACTED]: -- is until midnight. So
10 at some point, he should have told somebody.
11 If he knew, he should have told somebody.
12 [REDACTED]: Yes.
13 [REDACTED]: Alright.
14 [REDACTED]: Yes.
15 [REDACTED]: Now he leaves.
16 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
17 [REDACTED]: And now it's just Noel
18 and Thomas in the SHU.
19 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.
20 [REDACTED]: Should have they notified
21 anyone?
22 [REDACTED]: If they knew?
23 [REDACTED]: If they knew.
24 [REDACTED]: Yes.
25 [REDACTED]: Who?

1 [REDACTED]: Operations.

2 [REDACTED]: So they should have left
3 notified what person?

4 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

5 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

6 [REDACTED]: If --

7 [REDACTED]: Alright. So -.

8 [REDACTED]: -- they knew, they should
9 have yeah.

10 [REDACTED]: Okay. So if [REDACTED] knew
11 and didn't do anything, the next person in line
12 [REDACTED] then should have notified you. He
13 didn't. Next shift comes in. Either Noel or
14 Thomas should have notified [REDACTED]. And
15 that's assuming the people in the SHU knew.

16 [REDACTED]: Yes.

17 [REDACTED]: Okay.

18 [REDACTED]: Yes.

19 [REDACTED]: Um, and either Noel or
20 Thomas. Were either of them - like where you
21 identified [REDACTED]. Were either of them like
22 the person who should have done it versus the
23 other? Or both of them just as responsible?

24 [REDACTED]: I mean they always say when
25 we have newer staff and then senior staff.

1 They always say senior staff. It's just the
2 norm for him to take initiative and just lead
3 the way.

4 [REDACTED]: Is there one of those two
5 that were seniors?

6 [REDACTED]: Yeah. Thomas has way more
7 time than she has.

8 [REDACTED]: Okay. So even though if
9 for instance --

10 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

11 [REDACTED]: -- Noel is the person
12 that's her quarterly assignment.

13 [REDACTED]: Yep.

14 [REDACTED]: And Thomas isn't normally
15 working in the SHU. It would still be -? He's
16 senior staff. He still should be making the -?

17 [REDACTED]: That's practice. Yes.

18 [REDACTED]: Okay.

19 [REDACTED]: Yes.

20 [REDACTED]: So he should have.

21 [REDACTED]: Because he's senior staff.

22 [REDACTED]: Perfect.

23 [REDACTED]: Yes.

24 [REDACTED]: I just wanted to make
25 sure.

1 [REDACTED]: Yes.

2 [REDACTED]: Okay. Gotcha.

3 [REDACTED]: So say like -. Can I just -?

4 [REDACTED]: Yeah, go ahead.

5 [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

6 [REDACTED]: So like say for instance if I
7 have 10 years in and I'm working with someone
8 who has two years in. But they're number one
9 and I'm number two. I'm the one that's still
10 should be like hey we're doing X, Y, and Z.
11 Because I'm more experienced.

12 [REDACTED]: A hundred percent.

13 [REDACTED]: So we always go with the more
14 experienced.

15 [REDACTED]: Okay. Now. Okay.

16 [REDACTED]: I just have one question.

17 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

18 [REDACTED]: If Efren Reyes was removed
19 from a - like he was in the SHU. He went out.

20 [REDACTED]: Who is Reyes?

21 [REDACTED]: Epstein's former roommate.

22 [REDACTED]: Okay.

23 [REDACTED]: If he was removed at let's
24 just say by 8:00 a.m. He had to go to court or
25 whatever it was.

1 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

2 [REDACTED]: And then MCC was notified by
3 let's say 1:00 or 2:00 that he's not coming
4 back.

5 [REDACTED]: Yep.

6 [REDACTED]: Would that have - that
7 information have come down to the SHU? Would
8 the SHU have known that he's not coming back?

9 [REDACTED]: They -. So they don't know
10 that automatically. No.

11 [REDACTED]: But someone would have to
12 inform them.

13 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

14 [REDACTED]: Is it normal practice to
15 inform them?

16 [REDACTED]: Yes.

17 [REDACTED]: And who would have made that
18 uh -?

19 [REDACTED]: The operations lieutenant.

20 [REDACTED]: Who would -?

21 [REDACTED]: Would have been told by R&D
22 and the captain.

23 [REDACTED]: And that ops lieutenant would
24 be -? Who is that ops lieutenant?

25 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

1 [REDACTED]: And [REDACTED] also should have
2 notified the SHU.

3 [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

4 [REDACTED]: And who in the SHU would he
5 have notified at that point?

6 [REDACTED]: When we call SHU, we don't
7 always say hey I need to speak to OIC. If I'm
8 on, I want the senior staff because they just
9 know more. So like if I pick up the phone and
10 I know it's somebody with a year in. Oh let me
11 get [REDACTED].

12 [REDACTED]: Okay.

13 [REDACTED]: I want the person with the
14 most time because they're more experienced. So
15 if I'm calling SHU. Hey, I'm saying clear
16 instructions. Make sure Epstein has a cellie
17 in the next hour or the next half hour or
18 whatever.

19 [REDACTED]: So who would have been the
20 people in the SHU at that point you could have
21 possibly spoken to?

22 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]. There's three
23 people. One, two, three, four. Four people
24 was on day watch.

25 [REDACTED]: What were their names?

1 [REDACTED]: [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED],
2 [REDACTED].

3 [REDACTED]: You had a follow-up on that?
4 [REDACTED]: No. But I mean is that
5 who would usually call the SHU and says he's
6 not coming back?

7 [REDACTED]: No.
8 [REDACTED]: No. I didn't think so.
9 [REDACTED]: No. No. R&D staff.
10 [REDACTED]: R&D should have notified.
11 [REDACTED]: Notified SHU.
12 [REDACTED]: Yes.
13 [REDACTED]: And that's what you
14 asked.

15 [REDACTED]: R&D has to notify the captain
16 and lieutenants.
17 [REDACTED]: That was my understanding
18 too.
19 [REDACTED]: Okay. R&D had to notify
20 them.
21 [REDACTED]: Yes.
22 [REDACTED]: Okay.
23 [REDACTED]: Now if it's - if it wasn't
24 like a person who needs a cellie, you don't
25 have to call lieutenants and tell them that an

1 inmate left. But if he required a cellmate,
2 and it's a special case, then everyone knows
3 that the phone should be ringing. But if it's
4 just a regular inmate. Somebody got bailed
5 out. It's not that big of a deal.

6 [REDACTED]: Just to clarify. Let's say
7 the call wasn't made and none of that happened.
8 Now the 10:00 p.m. count comes around. Whoever
9 is in the SHU has to do the 10:00 p.m. count.
10 If they did the count, and they know, then
11 there was instructions stating hey listen,
12 Epstein needed a cellmate. They did the count,
13 they realized there's not cellmate.

14 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

15 [REDACTED]: What should they have done?

16 [REDACTED]: They should have got him a
17 cellmate. Because -.

18 [REDACTED]: Who should they have
19 notified?

20 [REDACTED]: Operations lieutenant.

21 [REDACTED]: Okay.

22 [REDACTED]: You always call operations
23 lieutenant. But we can - SHU staff can move
24 inmates anytime they want to.

25 [REDACTED]: Okay.

1 [REDACTED]: You've just got to justify
2 it. So.
3 [REDACTED]: Understood.
4 [REDACTED]: So you would be calling -.
5 Sorry. Oh, what's up? I was calling you.
6 UNKNWON MALE: What's going on? You
7 called. I'm just - work done.
8 [REDACTED]: So you're next. You next?
9 [REDACTED]: Alright. So I'm going to
10 move on. Why do COs have to come and conduct
11 rounds? It's just a generic question. Why do
12 they have to conduct rounds?
13 [REDACTED]: To check on the wellbeing of
14 inmates.
15 [REDACTED]: What about the counts?
16 [REDACTED]: Counts to make sure inmates
17 are alive and well and breathing.
18 [REDACTED]: Okay. I'm going to move on.
19 Are you aware there's cameras inside the MCC?
20 [REDACTED]: Absolutely.
21 [REDACTED]: Okay. Have you ever utilized
22 it for work?
23 [REDACTED]: What do you mean?
24 [REDACTED]: As a lieutenant, have you
25 ever used it to see the staff movement -?

1 [REDACTED]: No. I always reviewed it
2 with another lieutenant.

3 [REDACTED]: Did you know during that time
4 if any of the cameras were down and not
5 working?

6 [REDACTED]: I wouldn't. I didn't know
7 that.

8 [REDACTED]: You didn't. Okay. If the
9 cameras were down, who is responsibility was it
10 to get it fixed or to make sure it was working?

11 [REDACTED]: Facilities Department.

12 [REDACTED]: Facilities Department.

13 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

14 [REDACTED]: Now I'm going to go back.

15 You mentioned that in the attorney conference
16 room, you saw Epstein in there. And you
17 interacted with him a little bit.

18 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

19 [REDACTED]: Or he asked for something.

20 How was his mood that day?

21 [REDACTED]: He doesn't really talk much
22 the times that I've observed him in attorney
23 conference. He's always in his work with his
24 attorneys.

25 [REDACTED]: Was he annoyed? Was he

1 upsets about anything? Did he show any
2 emotional -? What are SHU inmates allowed to
3 have in their cell? Give me one second.

4 [REDACTED]: Keep going.

5 [REDACTED]: What are SHU inmates allowed
6 to have in their cell?

7 [REDACTED]: Food.

8 [REDACTED]: Okay.

9 [REDACTED]: Food items. Commissary
10 items.

11 [REDACTED]: What kind of commissary
12 items?

13 [REDACTED]: Um, like tuna fish, tea bags.

14 [REDACTED]: Okay. Just food items like
15 that. What about pill bottles? Are they
16 allowed to have pill bottles in there?

17 [REDACTED]: Inmates in the special
18 housing unit. Some of them are self-carry.
19 And some of them have to get their medication
20 when medical makes rounds.

21 [REDACTED]: Self-carry meaning -.

22 [REDACTED]: It's on their person.

23 [REDACTED]: Okay. Was Epstein authorized
24 to have any pills in his cell?

25 [REDACTED]: I don't know.

1 [REDACTED]: You don't know. Okay. How
2 many changes of clothing or linens are inmates
3 allowed to have in the SHU?

4 [REDACTED]: We have shower days Monday,
5 Wednesday, Fridays. And that's when we did
6 linen exchange.

7 [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 [REDACTED]: And clothing exchange.

9 [REDACTED]: Are they supposed to -? Are
10 they allowed to have multiple spare clothing
11 inside the SHU with them?

12 [REDACTED]: We call that nuisance. So
13 there are times they accumulate more than what
14 they are supposed to have.

15 [REDACTED]: Okay. So it does happen once
16 in a while.

17 [REDACTED]: Yes.

18 [REDACTED]: Is it a responsibility of the
19 SHU CCOs to make sure that not too many
20 clothing or linens are in that cell?

21 [REDACTED]: Yes.

22 [REDACTED]: Okay. And if there is what
23 do they do?

24 [REDACTED]: Well if you have 100 inmates
25 in the special housing unit, you know cell

1 searches are not conducted every day. On the
2 same inmate.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 [REDACTED]: So cell searches are spread
5 out. So like say if you do a shakedown on cell
6 one on Monday, you may get to cell 10 on
7 Thursday.

8 [REDACTED]: Okay.

9 [REDACTED]: So you know what I'm saying?

10 [REDACTED]: You might not have seen it.

11 [REDACTED]: Exactly.

12 [REDACTED]: They might not have seen it.

13 Okay. How was Epstein's interaction with other
14 inmates?

15 [REDACTED]: I don't know.

16 [REDACTED]: Okay.

17 [REDACTED]: I wouldn't know that.

18 [REDACTED]: Do you know if there was any
19 threats made to Epstein?

20 [REDACTED]: I don't know.

21 [REDACTED]: Okay. These are generic
22 questions I have to get through.

23 [REDACTED]: Oh, no. No-no. I know.

24 [REDACTED]: Did you know why Epstein was
25 in prison?

1 [REDACTED]: Um, pornography, pedophile
2 allegations and charges of that.

3 [REDACTED]: Did you have any specific
4 feelings in regarding why he was in prison?

5 [REDACTED]: Don't care.

6 [REDACTED]: Okay. Did you speak about
7 Epstein with other inmates?

8 [REDACTED]: Don't care.

9 [REDACTED]: Okay.

10 [REDACTED]: No.

11 [REDACTED]: When you came back to work
12 the next day. August 10th. What shift did you
13 come back on?

14 [REDACTED]: Um, 8:00 to 4:00.

15 [REDACTED]: 8:00 to 4:00. When you
16 showed up, was Epstein still there? Or was he
17 already in - at the hospital?

18 [REDACTED]: Well I wouldn't know because
19 when everything happened, I wasn't on shift
20 anyway. So I'm not sure what time he -.

21 [REDACTED]: No but you came in at 8:00
22 a.m. Was the ambulance gone - everyone left
23 from there?

24 [REDACTED]: I don't remember.

25 [REDACTED]: Okay. Did you respond to his

1 cell? Did you go to his cell at all?

2 [REDACTED]: No.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay. Do you have questions?

4 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

5 [REDACTED]: Okay.

6 [REDACTED]: So to go back to the
7 counts when he was talking about trying to get
8 you to put that Rubik's Cube together.

9 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

10 [REDACTED]: Um, you know. So if
11 these were falsified. So let's say now - he
12 kind of pointed out - like at some point it
13 looks like somebody left. We don't know
14 exactly when that was. So let's say 4:00 p.m.,
15 10:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m. were falsified. Who
16 would be responsible for falsifying that?
17 Everybody in the SHU?

18 [REDACTED]: No. Whoever's names were on
19 the --

20 [REDACTED]: On the count slips?

21 [REDACTED]: -- count slips. Correct.

22 [REDACTED]: So if there's like four
23 people on the SHU though, it would only be the
24 two people on the count slip not the other two
25 people?

1 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

2 [REDACTED]: Alright. And that's just
3 -. So it doesn't have to be like a big hey
4 we're not doing counts today. They wouldn't
5 tell the other people we're not doing them.
6 Would the other two people know that they
7 didn't conduct the counts?

8 [REDACTED]: Not necessarily because other
9 things are happening.

10 [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm. So if there are four
12 people in SHU like no one's babysitting. Like
13 I'm not hovering over you. Like we have a job
14 to do. You're counting. I could be over there
15 prepping the meals. So you know. Like you're
16 not on my back saying hey are you getting the
17 meals ready. Like you're counting, I'm doing
18 food trays.

19 [REDACTED]: Okay. And about how long
20 does a count take?

21 [REDACTED]: To count inmates? About 15
22 to 20 minutes if it's a smooth count.

23 [REDACTED]: Uh-huh.

24 [REDACTED]: Just your area.

25 [REDACTED]: And that is like a SHU,

1 that's the timeframe?

2 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay. And what about for
4 a round? How long does a round take?

5 [REDACTED]: On a tier or altogether?

6 [REDACTED]: In the SHU. So I'm
7 talking specific to the SHU. Both instances.

8 [REDACTED]: Rounds, let me see, two-four-
9 six-eight-ten-twelve. Maybe take you about 12
10 to 15 minutes to -.

11 [REDACTED]: So they're roughly the
12 same?

13 [REDACTED]: For a smooth round. Now if
14 you're doing rounds an inmates are stopping
15 you. Then you know it can take longer.

16 [REDACTED]: Okay. Now rounds, I've
17 heard some instances where if people go down
18 the range to deal with something, they could
19 potentially count that as a round. Is that -?

20 [REDACTED]: So like -. That is correct.
21 So if you're -. Say for instance if an inmate
22 is saying he needs a roll of tissue. And you
23 get the tissue and you go on the tier. And
24 you're like oh. And his tier is all the way in
25 the corner. Me? I would have the roll of

1 tissue. I would look at every inmate. Give
2 you your tissue. Keep going. Killing two
3 birds with one stone.

4 [REDACTED]: Perfect. And you don't
5 actually have to check in with them when you're
6 doing a round? Like you good? You good? You
7 good? You just look.

8 [REDACTED]: So no. Rounds - officer
9 rounds - it's the inmates like, we're here.

10 [REDACTED]: Yep.

11 [REDACTED]: So I'm on your door. You
12 know I'm an officer.

13 [REDACTED]: You walk by.

14 [REDACTED]: If you need something, say
15 something.

16 [REDACTED]: Sure.

17 [REDACTED]: You know if someone in there
18 doing jumping jacks, pushups, you know.

19 [REDACTED]: Whereas the count, you
20 actually need to check in and say -?

21 [REDACTED]: The count is we're checking
22 for inmates are standing up for count. Making
23 sure that they're facing you. we need to see
24 live breathing bodies. So.

25 [REDACTED]: And how do you do it at

1 12:00 a.m., 3:00 a.m., and 5:00 a.m.? Do you
2 guys wake them up?

3 [REDACTED]: They see flashlights. Yes.

4 [REDACTED]: So you actually have to
5 wake the people up?

6 [REDACTED]: So like if the inmates are -.
7 They don't have to stand up. It's not a
8 standup count.

9 [REDACTED]: So you good?

10 [REDACTED]: Over night. So if they're
11 laying down and some have the covers over their
12 head, knock. They'll pull the sheets over.
13 You see their face. They move. You're seeing
14 movement, you're seeing live, breathing bodies.

15 [REDACTED]: Okay. But they do
16 actually have to knock. They do have to see
17 them move.

18 [REDACTED]: Yes.

19 [REDACTED]: Okay. Can you show her
20 that email? Do you have the email?

21 [REDACTED]: Yes.

22 [REDACTED]: Okay. And this is an
23 email that went from - and you said, psychology
24 really should have made that -. Psychology
25 sent it out. It looks like to almost all the

1 lieutenants --

2 [REDACTED]: Okay.

3 [REDACTED]: -- saying that Epstein
4 was required to have a cellmate.

5 [REDACTED]: Yep.

6 [REDACTED]: And that was on July 30th
7 of 2019.

8 [REDACTED]: Okay.

9 [REDACTED]: You've never seen that.
10 Correct?

11 [REDACTED]: That is correct.

12 [REDACTED]: Alright. So it - that
13 went out. Now all the lieutenants know. You
14 can kind of flip the page and kind of see
15 everybody --

16 [REDACTED]: Okay.

17 [REDACTED]: -- that was on it.

18 [REDACTED]: Got you.

19 [REDACTED]: Who should have told you
20 about that? So it was never -.

21 [REDACTED]: As an officer or a -?

22 [REDACTED]: As an acting. You're now
23 an acting lieutenant.

24 [REDACTED]: Yes.

25 [REDACTED]: Whose responsibility was

1 it to tell you as an acting lieutenant hey -.

2 [REDACTED]: Operations. Because he is -.

3 Although I'm acting, I don't get lieutenant

4 emails because I'm not an official lieutenant.

5 [REDACTED]: So that day [REDACTED]

6 should have told you hey by the way?

7 [REDACTED]: Yes.

8 [REDACTED]: And how often in August

9 leading up to that -? So from July 30th until

10 August 9th. How often were you an acting

11 lieutenant?

12 [REDACTED]: I do off and on for overtime.

13 [REDACTED]: So -.

14 [REDACTED]: So I would have to look at my

15 roster to know --

16 [REDACTED]: Oh you're have to look.

17 [REDACTED]: -- if I was on activities

18 that day, I was activities that day.

19 [REDACTED]: Do your -. Was it quite

20 often?

21 [REDACTED]: Around that time? Because

22 they were short lieutenants, I would say at

23 least maybe once or twice a month. I did

24 activities lieutenant.

25 [REDACTED]: Once or twice a month.

1 [REDACTED]: Yes.

2 [REDACTED]: Alright. So being that
3 this was only July 30th to August 9th --.

4 [REDACTED]: Maybe twice.

5 [REDACTED]: Possible twice?

6 [REDACTED]: Yeah, two-three times
7 probably.

8 [REDACTED]: Do you think it's --.
9 Being that the lieutenants --

10 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

11 [REDACTED]: -- or the ops lieutenants
12 and activities lieutenants, should have someone
13 told you?

14 [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

15 [REDACTED]: Okay.

16 [REDACTED]: Yes.

17 [REDACTED]: And in this case, when
18 you're working, it should have been [REDACTED]?

19 [REDACTED]: Yes.

20 [REDACTED]: Alright. So [REDACTED]
21 should have told you --

22 [REDACTED]: Yes.

23 [REDACTED]: -- hey just so you know,
24 Epstein

25 [REDACTED]: Yes.

1 [REDACTED]: Alright. As far as -.
2 Nope. Never mind. Those were my follow-ups.
3 Let me just look at this. Now in any of those
4 instances, would the captain be responsible?
5 Or does it always -? Do you think it's really
6 the ops lieutenant?
7 [REDACTED]: Captain.
8 [REDACTED]: The captain would be
9 responsible? So should have the captain told
10 you as well then?
11 [REDACTED]: The captain can always
12 communicate with his lieutenants. Always.
13 [REDACTED]: Okay. But as an acting
14 lieutenant I mean.
15 [REDACTED]: Oh absolutely. If I'm acting
16 that day, then it's his or her responsibility
17 to include me in what's going on.
18 [REDACTED]: Okay. So what about in
19 this instance where you didn't start until I
20 think later in the day.
21 [REDACTED]: Yeah.
22 [REDACTED]: Captain's gone.
23 [REDACTED]: Yeah.
24 [REDACTED]: So would it -?
25 [REDACTED]: I forgot about that. Yeah.

1 Yeah, so if I'm starting at four, he's gone.

2 [REDACTED]: So it should have been
3 again -.

4 [REDACTED]: Yes.

5 [REDACTED]: -- at the ops.

6 [REDACTED]: Is there a SHU lieutenant?

7 [REDACTED]: There is a SHU lieutenant but
8 I don't think that day they had.

9 [REDACTED]: Was [REDACTED] the SHU
10 lieutenant?

11 [REDACTED]: I don't remember who was the
12 SHU lieutenant at the time.

13 [REDACTED]: If there was a SHU lieutenant
14 and they -. What was normal schedule? Like
15 what would have been their schedule?

16 [REDACTED]: Um, 6:00 to 2:00 and 7:00 to
17 3:00.

18 [REDACTED]: Okay. So they would be gone
19 before you came on to your shift?

20 [REDACTED]: Yes.

21 [REDACTED]: Would - if it had been their
22 responsibility to also make sure that since
23 you're coming into the SHU to work as
24 lieutenant -. Would that have been their
25 responsibility to pass that message on to you

1 too?

2 [REDACTED]: Yes.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 [REDACTED]: And did you say you were
5 unaware that the range camera in the SHU was
6 down?

7 [REDACTED]: That is correct?

8 [REDACTED]: And whose responsibility
9 would it have been -? Would the people working
10 in the SHU known that it was down?

11 [REDACTED]: So if you're in the SHU, you
12 don't know that the cameras are inoperable.
13 Unless like it's broken like you see a crack.
14 But just if it looks like a camera, you don't
15 know if it's inoperable. So if the Facilities
16 responsibly to fix the cameras. Now if you're
17 in the control center, and you see a camera
18 out, then you notify the (Indiscernible
19 *01:29:09).

20 [REDACTED]: And if you're in
21 facilities and you're told that the camera is
22 out, about how quickly should that camera be
23 fixed?

24 [REDACTED]: I'm not sure what the
25 timeframes are. But you know, certain things,

1 I don't know if a SHU camera takes priority
2 over a general population camera. I don't'
3 know. But work orders have to be submitted.
4 You know staff have to be around. So you know,
5 it just really depends on what the job is.

6 [REDACTED]: Okay. And do you know if
7 anybody in facilities specifically would be
8 responsible for doing it?

9 [REDACTED]: Well Facilities is a big crew
10 of individuals. So whoever they designate to
11 fix the camera.

12 [REDACTED]: Who -?

13 [REDACTED]: It could be anybody.

14 [REDACTED]: Okay. Anything else?

15 [REDACTED]: Did you see any maintenance
16 happening with the cameras during that time? Any
17 crews coming in there to fix the cameras?
18 Anything like that?

19 [REDACTED]: I mean it's a prison. I mean
20 everyone works on everything. You know what
21 I'm saying?

22 [REDACTED]: Okay.

23 [REDACTED]: But do I recall like
24 Facilities being in SHU that day? I can't tell
25 you that. Yes or no because I really just

1 don't remember. You know what I'm saying?

2 [REDACTED]: Now do you find anything
3 suspicious with the death of Epstein yourself?
4 Like the fact, you know, different counts,
5 cameras down, things like that?

6 [REDACTED]: No.

7 [REDACTED]: No? So what is your
8 opinion on the matter?

9 [REDACTED]: I really don't have an
10 opinion. I just feel like you know I come to
11 work. I try to do my job the best way I can.
12 You know. My goal is to come in, do what I
13 need to do, go the extra mile, and just go home
14 in one piece. Like I'm not -. I don't focus
15 on specific inmates and what their crime is. I
16 treat everybody with respect. And I just want
17 to go home.

18 [REDACTED]: Sure.

19 [REDACTED]: So.

20 [REDACTED]: And like do you think
21 somebody dropped the ball here? Do you think
22 that there's somebody that's responsible in
23 this matter? From the limited information you
24 know. Or do you think it's -?

25 [REDACTED]: Are you asking me my opinion?

1 [REDACTED]: From but like an educated
2 opinion based upon what we've talked about and
3 what you've been able to gather. And working
4 there. Being on duty that August 9th.

5 [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm. Sure. I mean in my
6 honest opinion, I do think that some mistakes
7 were made. Some honest mistakes were made on
8 certain individuals' part. Absolutely.

9 [REDACTED]: Okay.

10 [REDACTED]: I mean it's clear that
11 mistakes were made. You know. It's proof is
12 there that mistakes were made.

13 [REDACTED]: Sure. Now if the 4:00
14 p.m., 10:00 p.m., 12:00 a.m., 3:00 a.m., 5:00
15 a.m. counts weren't conducted -.

16 [REDACTED]: If they weren't?

17 [REDACTED]: If they weren't.

18 [REDACTED]: Okay.

19 [REDACTED]: How serious do you think
20 that is?

21 [REDACTED]: I get paid to count inmates.

22 [REDACTED]: Right.

23 [REDACTED]: So if I'm not counting
24 inmates, I should just stay home.

25 [REDACTED]: Okay. So that is like -.

1 [REDACTED]: Counts is, that's the primary
2 reason why we're correctional officers.

3 [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 [REDACTED]: Are to account for inmates.

5 [REDACTED]: Okay. I like it. That's
6 a good statement. And what about rounds? If
7 the rounds weren't conducted. Same?

8 [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

9 [REDACTED]: Okay.

10 [REDACTED]: Rounds are equally as
11 important. Absolutely.

12 [REDACTED]: Alright.

13 [REDACTED]: Are you aware of any policy
14 violations or things like that at the MCC?

15 [REDACTED]: No.

16 [REDACTED]: That's all I have.

17 [REDACTED]: Anything else you want to
18 -? Did you ask her about the pills and stuff
19 like that?

20 [REDACTED]: Yeah.

21 [REDACTED]: Anything else that you
22 know that he had that he shouldn't have had?

23 [REDACTED]: No.

24 [REDACTED]: Okay. Anything else you
25 want to add?

1 [REDACTED]: No.

2 [REDACTED]: Okay. It is 4:47 p.m. on
3 Monday June 14, 2021. This is Senior Special
4 Agent [REDACTED] and I am turning off
5 the recorder.

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