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APPEARANCES:

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

BY: [REDACTED]

BY: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

WITNESS:

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

OTHER APPEARANCES:

NONE

1           MR. [REDACTED]: My name is [REDACTED].  
2           I'm a Special Agent with the U.S. Department of  
3           Justice, Office of the Inspector General, New  
4           York Field Office, and these are my  
5           credentials.

6           MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

7           MR. [REDACTED]: This interview with the  
8           Federal Bureau of Prisons psychologist, Dr.  
9           [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. Did I get that right?

10          MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

11          MR. [REDACTED]: Is being conducted as part of  
12          an official U.S. Department of Justice, Office  
13          of the Inspector General investigation.  
14          Today's date is October 27, 2021. And the time  
15          is 9:20 a.m. This interview is being conducted  
16          at the OIG, New York Field Office, located on  
17          the 29th floor of One Battery Park Plaza, New  
18          York, New York. Also present is:

19          MR. [REDACTED]: DOJ/OIG Senior Special  
20          Agent [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. And these are my  
21          credentials. Oops. Here you go.

22          MR. [REDACTED]: This interview will be  
23          recorded by me, Special Agent [REDACTED].  
24          Could everyone please identify themselves for  
25          the record, and spell your last name? To

1 start, again, I am DOJ/OIG Special Agent [REDACTED]  
2 [REDACTED]. [REDACTED].

3 MR. [REDACTED]: My name is DOJ/OIG Senior  
4 Special Agent [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]  
5 [REDACTED].

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Dr. [REDACTED], please introduce  
7 yourself.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. So, my name is Dr.  
9 [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. I am the chief psychologist at  
10 MCC New York.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: And your last name. Can  
13 you just spell that --

14 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: -- for the record?

16 MS. [REDACTED]: I'm sorry about that. [REDACTED]  
17 [REDACTED].

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you.

19 MR. [REDACTED]: This is an official DOJ/OIG  
20 investigation into the death of inmate Jeffrey  
21 Epstein. And you are being asked to  
22 voluntarily provide answers to our questions.  
23 Will you agree to a voluntary interview with  
24 the DOJ/OIG?

25 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

1           MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you. I'm going to  
2 provide you with the OIG form III-226/2. It  
3 states the following, "United States Department  
4 of Justice, Office of the Inspector General.  
5 Warnings and Assurances to Employee Requested  
6 to Provided Information on a Voluntary Basis.  
7 You are being asked to provide information as  
8 part of an investigation being conducted by the  
9 Office of the Inspector General. This  
10 investigation is being conducted pursuant to  
11 the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended.

12           This investigation pertains to job  
13 performance failure, and security failure.  
14 This is a voluntary interview. Accordingly,  
15 you do not have to answer any questions. No  
16 disciplinary action will be taken against you  
17 if you choose not to answer any questions. Any  
18 statement you furnish may be used as evidence  
19 in any future criminal proceedings, or agency  
20 disciplinary proceeding, or both." The waiver  
21 states, "I understand the warnings and  
22 assurance stated above, and I am willing to  
23 make a statement and answer questions.

24           No promises or threats have been made to  
25 me, and no pressure or coercion of any kind has

1           been used against me." Please review it. And  
2           if you agree, can you please sign where it  
3           says, "Employee Signature"? Also, print your  
4           name right below that.

5           MR. [REDACTED]: Please.

6           MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

7           MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you. Thank you. I am  
8           signing on the signature of the Office of  
9           Inspector General, Special Agent.

10          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. And I will --

11          MR. [REDACTED]: Agent -.

12          MR. [REDACTED]: -- sign as the witness,  
13          and place the date, and time, and place on  
14          there. On the form.

15          MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you. Before starting  
16          the interview, I would like to place you under  
17          oath.

18          MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

19          MR. [REDACTED]: Dr. [REDACTED], can you please  
20          raise your right hand? Do you swear to tell  
21          the truth and nothing but the truth during this  
22          interview?

23          MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

24          MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you. Please let me  
25          know if you did not understand any questions,

1 and I will try to repeat it, or try to rephrase  
2 it for you. What is your current home address?

3 MS. [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]  
4 [REDACTED].

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. And what is your date  
6 of birth?

7 MS. [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

8 MR. [REDACTED]: Actually, you showed us your  
9 ID. Can you show that one more time? I just  
10 want to --

11 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: -- Dr. [REDACTED] has provided me  
13 with the U.S. Department of Justice law  
14 enforcement officer ID, and it has her picture  
15 on it, and her signature. Thank you. What is  
16 your current cell phone number?

17 MS. [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you. Do you recall  
19 being interviewed by the FBI and the OIG in  
20 August 2019, regarding inmate Jeffrey Epstein?

21 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes, I do.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: What I have here is called  
23 the FBI 302. It's their report of the  
24 investigation. It's a summary of your  
25 statements that you made in the interview with

1           them. I'm going to go -. I'm going to read it  
2           out to you. Please let me know if there is any  
3           discrepancies, or you feel that anything is  
4           inaccurate, and we will correct it.

5           MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

6           MR. [REDACTED]: On the record. Anything else  
7           before we start?

8           MR. [REDACTED]: Nope.

9           MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. "Dr. [REDACTED] [REDACTED],  
10          date of birth: [REDACTED], was interviewed at 1  
11          Saint Andrews Plaza, New York, New York, 10007.  
12          U.S. Attorney's Office. Southern District of  
13          New York. Present at the interview was the  
14          Office of Inspector General, Special Agent  
15          [REDACTED]; Assistant U.S. Attorney  
16          [REDACTED] (Phonetic Sp. \*00:04:54),  
17          and FBI Special Agent [REDACTED].

18                 After being advised of the identity of the  
19          interviewing agents, and the nature of the  
20          interview, Dr. [REDACTED] provided the following  
21          statement. Dr. [REDACTED] is the chief  
22          psychologist at the Metropolitan Correctional  
23          Center (MCC). Her background includes a  
24          bachelor's degree in criminology, a master's in  
25          mental health counseling, a master's in

1 clinical counseling, and a doctorate." What is  
2 the doctorate in?

3 MS. [REDACTED]: Oh. The second master's is  
4 in clinical psychology, not counseling  
5 psychology. And the doctorate is in clinical  
6 psychology.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Thank you for  
8 clarifying that. "Dr. [REDACTED] was the staff  
9 psychologist at East Jersey State Prison for  
10 two years. ~~\*00:05:33)~~ And she completed a one-  
11 year post-doctoral fellowship and internship  
12 working at an in and out - in/outpatient mental  
13 health treatment center. And she did that  
14 externship at Federal Detention Center in  
15 Miami, working with the battered woman's  
16 program." Is that accurate? Go ahead.

17 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay. My post-doc was at a  
18 private forensic practice, forensic psychology  
19 practice. The Institution for Behavioral  
20 Sciences in the Law. That was my post-doctoral  
21 internship. My internship was at the  
22 University of Miami. Jackson Memorial Medical  
23 Center. That's where I did inpatient and  
24 outpatient rotations, with a minor in  
25 forensics. And my externship, when I was in

1           doctoral program, was at the Federal Detention  
2           Center in Miami.

3           MR. ██████: Okay.

4           MS. ██████: Okay.

5           MR. ██████: Thank you.

6           MS. ██████: Sure.

7           MR. ██████: "Dr. ██████ worked as a staff  
8           psychologist at the Metropolitan Detention  
9           Center, MDC Brooklyn, from 2003 to 2006."

10          MS. ██████: Mm-hmm.

11          MR. ██████: "And as a forensic  
12          psychologist from 2006 to 2008."

13          MS. ██████: Correct.

14          MR. ██████: "Dr. ██████ has been the  
15          chief psychologist at MCC for the last 11  
16          years."

17          MS. ██████: Well, now, more. Probably  
18          close to 13.

19          MR. ██████: 13.

20          MS. ██████: More than 13, probably.

21          MR. ██████: So, that is still your role  
22          at the MCC?

23          MS. ██████: Uh-huh. Yes. And now that  
24          it's closed. You know --

25          MR. ██████: Okay.

1 MS. [REDACTED]: -- I'm no longer the chief  
2 psychologist there. But up until a day ago,  
3 yes.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. And so, what is the  
5 new role with the -?

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Well, I am awaiting a  
7 position, likely in central office.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. And what, do you know  
9 what your role would be? What your title would  
10 be?

11 MS. [REDACTED]: A mental health treatment  
12 coordinator. But it's going through the  
13 paperwork right now. So, it hasn't, you know,  
14 I haven't received official notification --

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

16 MS. [REDACTED]: -- as of yet.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Then -.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Will you be able to stay  
19 in New York?

20 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Great.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: But I am doing my TDY work  
23 right now, at Fort Dix. In New Jersey.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

25 MS. [REDACTED]: So, I am just seeing a lot of

1 patients over there now.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: Anything else on that?

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Hmm-mm.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: "Dr. [REDACTED] oversees three  
5 forensic psychologists." This is talking about  
6 the time period when you were interviewed.

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: I guess, before we do, I  
9 don't think it said. When did you first start  
10 working with the BOP? When was your enter on  
11 duty?

12 MS. [REDACTED]: In 2003.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Great. Thank you.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: "Dr. [REDACTED] oversees three  
15 forensic psychologists, one staff psychologist,  
16 a drug abuse coordinator, and a drug treatment  
17 specialist. Her duties include ensuring all  
18 patients are seen, and the appropriate  
19 documentation is completed. She consults on  
20 individual cases, as needed. She ensures the  
21 forensic reports are out on time. She reviews  
22 all the reports she signs off on. At this  
23 time, Dr. [REDACTED] is seeing patients, is seeing  
24 more patients than she normally does, due to  
25 staffing. Her typical hours are 7:00 a.m. to

1 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday."

2 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: "Dr. [REDACTED] provided  
4 information on the intake process as it relates  
5 to psychological services at MCC. All inmates  
6 complete the psychological services intake  
7 questionnaire" - that's PSIQ - "themselves. It  
8 asks for the inmates mental health history, as  
9 well as any symptoms they are feeling at the  
10 time. Based off the PSIQ, inmates are rated a  
11 care code reading."

12 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay. First, we interview  
13 them. What we do is, we review the PSIQs once  
14 they are filled out. If significant items are  
15 marked, we will interview the inmate. After we  
16 complete the intake screening, we will classify  
17 them with a care code. And that will determine  
18 how frequently the inmate will be seen.

19 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. I think it goes into  
20 the codes itself.

21 MS. [REDACTED]: Oh, okay. All right.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: "Code one means there are no  
23 concerns about the inmate's mental health  
24 status. They have no needs and will not be  
25 followed up with, unless requested to, by

1           either the inmate themselves, or staff.”

2           MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

3           MR. [REDACTED]: “Code two means there is some  
4 history of mental health issues, but the inmate  
5 has them under control. Psychological services  
6 will follow up with these individuals monthly.”

7           MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

8           MR. [REDACTED]: “Code three are more severe  
9 cases, and they are seen every week by  
10 psychological services, to ensure the inmate is  
11 stable. If the inmate isn’t stable in general  
12 population, they will be moved to observation.  
13 If they continue to deteriorate, they will go  
14 to the hospital.”

15          MS. [REDACTED]: We will try to send them to a  
16 BOP medical center. Or we will try to  
17 stabilize them in the facility. We have a  
18 psychiatrist who is actually, he is a central  
19 office psychiatrist, but he was actually  
20 located at MCC New York. So, if they started  
21 to decompensate the interview, and they were  
22 that acute, we would have the psychiatrist see  
23 them, and potentially medicate them, and try to  
24 stabilize them at our facility. If we cannot  
25 do so, then we will try to do an emergency,

1           what is called a 770, and have them designated  
2           to one of our medical centers for  
3           stabilization. We don't have a contract with  
4           the hospital here in New York.

5           MR. [REDACTED]: I don't know if you - what's  
6           - what decompensating means?

7           MS. [REDACTED]: Oh, that means that their  
8           symptoms become more acute, their mental health  
9           functioning is deteriorating to the point where  
10          they display evidence of either severe mood  
11          symptoms, like acute mania, or psychosis, where  
12          they are actively hallucinating, or have  
13          delusions. Or maybe they just stopped taking  
14          care of ADLs, as well.

15          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

16          MS. [REDACTED]: And that would cause harm to  
17          them. Because of their illness.

18          MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you.

19          MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

20          MR. [REDACTED]: Do you have any questions on  
21          that? Okay. "Code four inmates are seen every  
22          day by psychological services, and are under  
23          constant psychological observation."

24          MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

25          MR. [REDACTED]: "Dr. [REDACTED] pointed out that

1 a code one can be on suicide watch. Often  
2 times, those cases involve manipulation  
3 techniques used by inmates to get what they  
4 want from staff. For example, if an inmate is  
5 not getting along with the guard, or they want  
6 a new cellmate, they will claim to be suicidal  
7 to get out of their housing area. If an inmate  
8 does this two or three times, they will be  
9 bumped to a code two, so that a psychologist  
10 will meet with them monthly. Suicide watch  
11 means an inmate is eminently suicidal. If an  
12 inmate is placed on suicide watch, they are  
13 under constant watch by staff. They have a  
14 special mattress, blanket, and smock to wear.  
15 And their cell lights are on 24/7."

16 MS. [REDACTED]: Correct.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: "Suicide observation is a  
18 lower classification."

19 MS. [REDACTED]: Psychological observation.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Correction. "Psychological  
21 observation is a lower classification. It is  
22 not at all Bureau of Prisons facilities.  
23 Everything is the same with suicide observation  
24 inmates - psychological observation inmates,  
25 except that they are allowed to have their

1 clothing, and some materials, such as books.  
2 Suicide watch can be detrimental if a person is  
3 left on it for too long. So, observation is  
4 used to see how an inmate is doing before  
5 releasing them back to general population."

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Correct. So, psychological  
7 observation, they are observed constantly, with  
8 regard to what they have, they can obtain.  
9 They can have those things that you listed.  
10 But we have to determine, and sometimes it  
11 might be one thing at a time. Like, we might  
12 give them their underwear, and see how they do  
13 with that. And then, we will, you know, give  
14 them a book. But it's not like once you get  
15 stopped down, you get all of those items.

16 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

17 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay. It's determined by a  
18 psychologist, and it is notated on their  
19 logbook, what they can and cannot have.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. "Any psychologist at  
21 jail can take an inmate off suicide watch, but  
22 they do consult with Dr. [REDACTED] on occasion.  
23 Many times, the executive staff at the jail  
24 meet, and inmate psychological status and  
25 services are discussed."

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: Can you explain to us a  
3 little bit more about the meeting? What  
4 exactly is discussed?

5 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. So, we have, like,  
6 Mondays, we have an opening meeting, and  
7 Fridays, we have a close out meeting. And  
8 Tuesdays, the days may have changed from then  
9 to now. I think it used to be Thursdays, used  
10 to be a SHU meeting. And so, certain members,  
11 all the members of the executive staff are  
12 there. And then, certain department heads  
13 attend these meetings. And during the  
14 meetings, they will ask me, you know, is there  
15 anything for psychology.

16 And then, I will discuss the inmates that  
17 are on suicide watch. And what my plans is for  
18 those inmates. Or if we were discussing the  
19 Special Housing Unit, I'll discuss inmates that  
20 I feel need to be observed closely. Should  
21 have cellmates. Or may suffer from mental  
22 health problems that I feel we just need to  
23 keep an eye on, or make sure they are in more  
24 visible, highly visible cells. Any mental  
25 health concern I have in the SHU, I would

1           mention at the SHU meeting.

2           MR. ██████: Okay. Anything else?

3           MR. ██████: Yeah. I mean, do they  
4           have input into psychology? Like, does the  
5           executive staff, do they get to provide  
6           recommendations, or ask, you know, can this  
7           person be taken off, or this person taken off,  
8           or this person taken on, or is it -?

9           MS. ██████: Well, we make the decisions  
10          as far as, we're the only ones that make the  
11          decisions whether someone goes on watch, or off  
12          watch.

13          MR. ██████: Right.

14          MS. ██████: They may, you know, not agree  
15          or whatever, but that's our decision because  
16          that is our profession.

17          MR. ██████: Right.

18          MS. ██████: But with regard to the  
19          logistics in the prison, and how, where the  
20          inmates are housed, and things like that. We  
21          will make suggestions to executive staff.

22          MR. ██████: Okay.

23          MS. ██████: A lot of times - and most of  
24          the time - they do listen to psychology. There  
25          may be times they disagree for maybe

1           correctional reasons that, you know, they may  
2           have their own ways of viewing where they  
3           housed someone. Maybe they will be an inmate  
4           up there, or too many that they are separated  
5           from, or maybe they are a gang member. I mean,  
6           there may be other reasons why they can't  
7           follow our recommendations.

8                     And so, there might be exceptions to that  
9           rule. So, now, pretty much what we do is, if,  
10          like, let's say we have to house somebody alone  
11          in SHU. We have to - we put whether we  
12          recommend or not recommend. Now, we do that.  
13          And I never recommend an inmate be single  
14          celled. Ever. So, if they decide, that's on  
15          them. And usually, it's because an inmate may  
16          be too violent, or may be ~~(Indiscernible~~  
17          \*00:15:59) sept out from all other inmates in  
18          the facility because they are so, in all these  
19          gangs, and they are cooperating.

20                    And there is just too many bloods, let's  
21          say, and there are blood, and they may have to  
22          be by themselves, or they may have assaulted  
23          other inmates, or officers, and they just can't  
24          be celled with somebody. For whatever reason.  
25          Or the U.S. Attorney's Office has said this

1 person needs to be by themselves. We're afraid  
2 for their life, at that facility. So, I'm  
3 never going to recommend somebody be by  
4 themselves because it's never a good idea. But  
5 there might be extenuating circumstances where  
6 someone needs to be housed alone, and in that  
7 case, you know, we would recommend an increase  
8 rounds, or, you know, keeping an eye on that  
9 inmate.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, as far as I  
11 understand, what you are talking about ~~with is~~  
12 when they come off of psychological observation  
13 or suicide watch, but when they actually go in  
14 and come off of both suicide watch and  
15 psychological observation, do they get to  
16 provide an input into that, or is that solely a  
17 psychology issue?

18 MS. [REDACTED]: Whether they come off?

19 MR. [REDACTED]: Go in or come off.

20 MS. [REDACTED]: No. Just a psychology.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, they don't  
22 have any input into that?

23 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

25 MS. [REDACTED]: I mean, they may make some

1 statements, but if we don't agree, --

2 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah, that's your --

3 MS. [REDACTED]: -- those decisions are up to  
4 us.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: Just a question, as a follow  
9 up. You said that sometimes you might make  
10 recommendations on housing an inmate by  
11 themselves, based on a threat or whatever it  
12 is. So, my understanding, based on that  
13 statement, is that means every inmate is housed  
14 with a cellmate, unless specifically  
15 recommended by psychology, that they be housed  
16 by themselves?

17 MS. [REDACTED]: Never by psychology.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: Psychology --

20 MR. [REDACTED]: That's (Indiscernible  
21 \*00:17:38).

22 MS. [REDACTED]: -- is always going to  
23 recommend.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Recommend.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

1 MS. [REDACTED]: A cellmate. But there might  
2 be custodial issues.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Which preclude them from  
5 being housed with another inmate.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: So, any inmates that has a  
7 history of possibly having suicide watch, or  
8 any, or psychological observation, psychology  
9 recommends that they be - recommends that they  
10 be housed with a cellmate.

11 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, psychology --

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: -- always they be housed  
15 with a cellmate.

16 MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: It's the custody may say  
18 that they don't want them with a single cell.

19 MR. [REDACTED]: Got it.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Correct?

21 MS. [REDACTED]: Correct.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you. "Meetings are  
23 held on Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays.  
24 Generally present at those meetings are Dr.  
25 [REDACTED], the warden, two associate wardens, the

1 captain, supervisory attorney, duty officer,  
2 and the executive assistant. Department head  
3 meetings are held on Wednesdays. Dr. [REDACTED].

4 [REDACTED] (Phonetic Sp. \*00:18:27)?"

5 MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: "Completed the PSIQ for  
7 Jeffrey Epstein on July 8, 2019. Epstein did  
8 not mark anything on his PSIQ. And had it not  
9 been Epstein, he would have been sent to  
10 general population, and rated a care code one.  
11 Dr. [REDACTED] consulted with Dr. [REDACTED] [REDACTED],  
12 about Epstein's risk factors, aside from his  
13 psychological health, including high-profile  
14 case and sex offense charges." Who is Dr.  
15 [REDACTED]?

16 MS. [REDACTED]: He was the suicide prevention  
17 coordinator in central office. Now, he has  
18 been moved up to a higher position, but he is  
19 in central office, and he called me right away,  
20 when Epstein came, because of his risk factors.  
21 We call those static risk factors. Those are  
22 risk factors for suicidality that can't be  
23 changed. So, in other words, if you come in  
24 and you are a sex offender, and you are high-  
25 profile, like Jeffrey Epstein was, that is

1           going to take place throughout his  
2           incarceration.

3           It is not like he would just come in  
4           depressed; we could give him medication; he  
5           could get better. Those factors would always  
6           be there. So, you know, he was concerned.  
7           Also, when he came to the facility, that we  
8           should keep, you know, a close eye on him.  
9           And, you know, he was reviewing our notes and  
10          everything, from afar. So, he did call us when  
11          he was placed on watch and everything, and he  
12          oversaw.

13          MR. ██████: Okay.

14          MR. ██████: So, he has access to your  
15          notes? Does that go into some kind of a  
16          database?

17          MS. ██████: Yes. The psychology data  
18          system.

19          MR. ██████: Okay.

20          MS. ██████: I don't know if he reviewed  
21          the notes, but he called -. I'm trying to  
22          remember. I remember him calling me and just  
23          being in touch with me. You know, is  
24          everything okay? And, you know, making sure we  
25          assessed certain things.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, all throughout  
2 Epstein's stay, he was kind of reviewing your  
3 notes, and --

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Uh-huh.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: -- his status.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Or calling me and checking  
7 in.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: And who would have access  
9 to that database, in those notes?

10 MS. [REDACTED]: All the psychologists in the  
11 department. Central office personnel would  
12 have access to it. Other psychologists at  
13 other institutions can access the notes  
14 because, let's say he was transferred to  
15 another facility, and they wanted to see his  
16 notes from the BOP. They would have access.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. And when you say  
18 central office, you're talking about just  
19 psychology central office, or do you mean  
20 everyone that is -?

21 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: So, only --

23 MS. [REDACTED]: Psychology.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: -- only psychology --

25 MS. [REDACTED]: As far as --

1 MR. [REDACTED]: -- personnel.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: -- I know. Yes.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, no one outside  
4 of psychology?

5 MS. [REDACTED]: Not that I know of.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Because I don't work up  
8 there. But I wouldn't think so.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: Great.

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: You might have stated  
12 already. I might have missed it.

13 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Did Dr. [REDACTED] make any  
15 recommendations to you? Regarding Mr. Epstein.

16 MS. [REDACTED]: No. Just to keep a close eye  
17 on, when I put him on watch. He just called  
18 and just, he asked me various questions on how  
19 he was doing, and everything like that. So, he  
20 just wanted to make us aware that, you know, he  
21 was very high-profile. I mean, obviously, we  
22 knew that. But, you know, also to keep an eye  
23 on him, and to keep us alert to his risk  
24 factors.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. "When Epstein returned

1 from court that day, Dr. [REDACTED] ordered he be  
2 placed on watch status, to allow psychology to  
3 make a complete - to complete a thorough  
4 suicide risk assessment." Is that correct?

5 MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: And that was on --

8 MS. [REDACTED]: And that was precautionary.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: -- okay.

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Because of his risk factors.  
11 I wanted him assessed. So, I remember he was  
12 placed on watch, and he was waiting for me to  
13 come in and do his interview. And, you know, I  
14 came into the watch area, and he was, like, are  
15 you Dr. [REDACTED]? And he's, like, get me out of  
16 here. You know? Because he didn't endorse  
17 anything. He didn't say he was suicidal. He  
18 had just come from court, and he was just  
19 waiting to come off of watch because, you know,  
20 watch is very depriving, like we said, you  
21 can't have anything there.

22 Like, not even clothes. It's just -. You  
23 know, so, for him to be put in that situation.  
24 He was really unhappy about it. And then, you  
25 know, I explained, it was for his safety, and

1           precautionary, and I just wanted to make sure  
2           he was, he would be celled appropriately, and  
3           that he was okay. So, it wasn't that he had  
4           endorsed anything, or said he was suicidal. It  
5           was strictly precautionary.

6           MR. ██████████: And that was --

7           MS. ██████████: When he first came in.

8           MR. ██████████: -- yeah. That was July  
9           8th, 2019?

10          MS. ██████████: Yes.

11          MR. ██████████: Just --

12          MS. ██████████: Yes.

13          MR. ██████████: -- for the record. Okay.

14          MR. ██████████: "Dr. ██████████ completed the  
15          suicide risk assessment the next day. Epstein  
16          was angry he was placed on observation, but he  
17          continued to report no history of --", suicide-  
18          aly?

19          MS. ██████████: Suicidality. Yeah. Yeah.

20          MR. ██████████: Suicidality. "No substance  
21          abuse. No major medical concerns. And no  
22          overt risk factors. Epstein was polite, but  
23          annoyed with Dr. ██████████."

24          MS. ██████████: True.

25          MR. ██████████: "Epstein was kept in

1 observation, pending a suitable housing  
2 placement, given his risk factors of being an  
3 alleged sex offender. High-profile, and having  
4 one living brother relative. She quoted  
5 Epstein as saying, 'Being alive is fun.' Dr.  
6 ██████ believed it was a genuine statement."  
7 Is that accurate?

8 MS. ██████: A what?

9 MR. ██████: A genuine --

10 MR. ██████: Genuine.

11 MR. ██████: -- genuine statement.

12 MS. ██████: Yeah.

13 MR. ██████: Okay. "Dr. ██████ provided  
14 the interviewing agents with a copy of the  
15 suicide risk assessment, which was placed into  
16 this case as reference three. On July 10th,  
17 2019, Dr. ██████ met with Epstein in  
18 observation. Epstein was still in observation,  
19 due to housing concerns. He continued to be  
20 psychologically stable at that time. Epstein  
21 was aware, even if he got bail, he would be at  
22 MCC for several more weeks." That statement,  
23 "Epstein was aware even if he got bail." Was  
24 your understanding that he was going to get  
25 bail?

1 MS. [REDACTED]: If I recall, I remember he  
2 was hopeful. Now, I don't have my notes in  
3 front of me, so I don't want to swear to what  
4 was in each note --

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: -- because when I don't have  
7 them in front of me, but from my recollection,  
8 yes, he was hopeful that, you know, he would be  
9 able to get out of jail.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, based on --

11 MS. [REDACTED]: At that time.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: -- your conversations with  
13 him, he was expecting - hopeful - to get bail -  
14 -

15 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

16 MR. [REDACTED]: -- from being -. Okay.

17 "Epstein made several demands and voiced many  
18 complaints to Dr. [REDACTED], which she passed onto  
19 executive staff." What kind of demands?

20 MS. [REDACTED]: I remember a lot of, like,  
21 even his laxative, like, he wanted Colace  
22 (Phonetic Sp. \*00:24:50), and he didn't like  
23 the laxative he was getting. And, you know, he  
24 just made a lot of demands. I would have to  
25 refer to my notes, but it was just --

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: -- you know, individual, his  
3 individual needs. Things that he wanted.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: What about --

5 MS. [REDACTED]: You know?

6 MR. [REDACTED]: -- complaints? It mentions  
7 that he voiced many complaints, also.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: Maybe that he was on watch.  
9 I mean, I remember he didn't want to be on  
10 there to begin with. Things about the jail, in  
11 and of itself, I guess he wanted, I remember  
12 him wanting to go to the Cadre unit (Phonetic  
13 Sp. \*00:25:23), because at that time, we had  
14 Paul Manafort (Phonetic Sp. \*00:25:25) there.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

16 MS. [REDACTED]: And he wanted to be - he knew  
17 those people were in the prison - so, he wanted  
18 to go be placed on a Cadre unit, which are  
19 inmates that have already been sentenced, and  
20 are serving small amounts of time.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: At which we couldn't put him  
23 in, because he was pre-trial. But he wanted to  
24 be with, like, other inmates he knew that were  
25 there, that were more high-profile.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: I remember him complaining  
3 about that.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: Anything else on that?

5 MR. [REDACTED]: We have all of your notes  
6 and the notes, you know, from psychology.  
7 Would you want those for while we are  
8 discussing, or do you think they are not  
9 needed?

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Well, if there is anything I  
11 think --

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Just let us --

13 MS. [REDACTED]: -- you know, I have a pretty  
14 good --

15 MR. [REDACTED]: -- know if --

16 MS. [REDACTED]: -- memory.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: -- sure.

18 MS. [REDACTED]: But I mean, if you are going  
19 to ask me on this exact date, did he say this  
20 exact --

21 MR. [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: -- then I would need my  
23 notes.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: No. I just --

25 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: -- I just --

2 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: -- wanted to know if you  
4 would actually prefer them in front of you.  
5 So, while we are talking, you can reference  
6 them. Because if you can, we could easily get  
7 them for you.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay. I will see how the  
9 questions --

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

11 MS. [REDACTED]: -- proceed. And if I am  
12 uncomfortable with one, I will let you know.  
13 Yeah.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

16 MR. [REDACTED]: "Epstein's cellmate for the  
17 Special Housing Unit was decided by the warden  
18 and the associate warden. Dr. [REDACTED] was not  
19 included on that decision. Her thought was  
20 decided upon cellmate, Tartaglione, had a -."  
21 Sorry. I don't know if that wording is wrong.  
22 "Her thought was decided upon cellmate,  
23 Tartaglione, had a lot to lose -."

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Just before we go on.  
25 So, you said that it was decided by the warden

1 and the associate warden. Do you know what the  
2 names are of those individuals? Like, [REDACTED]  
3 would be the warden.

4 MS. [REDACTED]: [REDACTED] was the warden.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you know who the  
6 associate warden was?

7 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't know who, but I know  
8 he meets with the associate wardens. I don't  
9 know which one. I know [REDACTED]-[REDACTED] was there  
10 during that period of time. And I'm trying to  
11 remember the other one.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Was it [REDACTED]?

13 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. Yes. No. [REDACTED] took -.  
14 Yeah.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: I don't know if [REDACTED] was  
16 --

17 MS. [REDACTED]: [REDACTED].

18 MR. [REDACTED]: -- there that early.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: [REDACTED] came after.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah. I think it was a  
21 different AW.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Who was before [REDACTED]?  
23 That's crazy.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: But regardless, they were  
25 the ones --

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. They --

2 MR. [REDACTED]: -- okay.

3 MS. [REDACTED]: -- they make the housing  
4 decisions.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: You know, and who they felt  
7 he should be placed with.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: And then, let me just  
9 read that sentence for you --

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: -- so that -. It says,  
12 "Her thought was the decided upon cellmate,  
13 Tartaglione, had a lot to lose given his  
14 history and charges, which made him a low-risk  
15 to Epstein."

16 MS. [REDACTED]: Right. I guess that was more  
17 of an opinion.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: You know, because my thought  
20 was the reason, they placed him with that  
21 inmate is, you know, he is plaeing-facing the  
22 death penalty or life. Tartaglione. For these  
23 alleged murders. And when you are pre-trial,  
24 and you are in that situation, you are on your  
25 best behavior, and not looking to hurt

1           somebody, and get yourself into more trouble.

2           MR. ██████████: Okay. So, he was --

3           MS. ██████████: So, a lot of times --

4           MR. ██████████: -- he was facing --

5           MS. ██████████: -- yeah.

6           MR. ██████████: -- life in prison?

7           MS. ██████████: Yeah.

8           MR. ██████████: Okay.

9           MS. ██████████: I think he was facing the  
10          death penalty.

11          MR. ██████████: Was he? Okay. And do  
12          you know what he was --

13          MS. ██████████: I don't know what his  
14          situation is now. I know his attorneys, you  
15          know, fight, has been fighting for him for a  
16          long time.

17          MR. ██████████: Okay.

18          MS. ██████████: You know, to I think not get  
19          the death penalty.

20          MR. ██████████: And do you know if,  
21          anything else about him? Was he law  
22          enforcement --

23          MS. ██████████: Yes.

24          MR. ██████████: -- or anything? Okay.

25          MS. ██████████: He was law enforcement, and

1           it was some drug related thing, and there was  
2           four bodies, I think, and I don't know that  
3           much about his case. I have met with him on a  
4           couple of occasions.

5           MR. ██████████: Okay.

6           MS. ██████████: But, you know, he doesn't  
7           come off as being, you know, he's not, like, a  
8           gang member, or violent, or trying to prove  
9           anything, per se.

10          MR. ██████████: So, his goal was to stay  
11          clean and to do what was right, so he could  
12          potentially beat his case?

13          MS. ██████████: That's what most people do,  
14          pre-trial.

15          MR. ██████████: Right.

16          MS. ██████████: You know, it's not until they  
17          go to pens that they become that way, unless,  
18          you know, you are very young and antisocial,  
19          you will act out.

20          MR. ██████████: Right.

21          MS. ██████████: But -.

22          MR. ██████████: So, just to clarify, he was  
23          pre-trial, or was he already facing a life in  
24          prison?

25          MS. ██████████: Yeah, I think he was --

1 MR. [REDACTED]: You said life in prison, and  
2 death penalty?

3 MS. [REDACTED]: -- he was still pre-trial.  
4 They both were pre-trial.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, he was trying to  
6 avoid the death penalty --

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: -- and trying to get life in  
9 prison?

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Right. Or maybe just get off  
11 all together.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Got it.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: In his mind, he felt he could  
16 get off all together, but that is unrelated,  
17 but -.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Thank you. "On July  
19 11th, 2019, Epstein was taken off of  
20 observation, and housed in the SHU. Dr. [REDACTED]  
21 met with Epstein in the attorney conference  
22 rooms that day, because Epstein was there all  
23 day. Both Epstein and his attorney were  
24 mocking Dr. [REDACTED] for thinking Epstein was  
25 suicidal. Epstein continued to make demands,

1           such as wanting to wear a brown uniform to his  
2           attorney meetings. Dr. █████ continued to  
3           pass those concerns onto the SHU Lieutenant  
4           █████.

5           MS. █████: I think so.

6           MR. █████: Okay.

7           MS. █████: Yeah.

8           MR. █████: "On July 16th, 2019, after  
9           Epstein's bail hearing, he was called for," or,  
10          "he called for Dr. █████ to come to attorney  
11          conference. Epstein didn't report any  
12          psychological concerns, but chastised her  
13          because his needs weren't being met. Dr.  
14          █████ felt Epstein thought of her as his  
15          personal assistant. Epstein requested a kosher  
16          diet, which she again passed on."

17          MR. █████: Wait. Before we go on.  
18          It says he chastised you because his needs  
19          weren't being met.

20          MS. █████: Okay. Well, this is, he, you  
21          know, while he was on watch, and when I would  
22          talk to him, he would tell me all these  
23          different things that he wanted. Like I said,  
24          the special laxative. A certain diet. Certain  
25          housing arrangements. You know, he had a lot

1 of requests. And I guess, in the beginning,  
2 you know, I tried to help him as best as I  
3 could, and when I say personal assistant, I  
4 don't really like that word. But what I was  
5 really trying to say is that the officer's  
6 would say he would always say, where is Dr.  
7 [REDACTED], where is Dr. [REDACTED]? You know, that,  
8 so that I could, maybe I had pull and could get  
9 certain needs for him met, within the prison  
10 setting.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

12 MS. [REDACTED]: So, let me put it that way.  
13 It sounds a little better than that. And then,  
14 you know what? I wanted to follow up with him,  
15 and do a session, but he was in attorney  
16 conference, like, eight hours a day, during my  
17 entire shift. So, I would have to go up there  
18 just to check on him, and make sure he was  
19 doing okay. So, when I would ask if he was  
20 suicidal, he would be, like, I was never  
21 suicidal, and, you know, he would laugh, and  
22 the attorney would laugh at me. You know, so,  
23 it was just kind of - that's what I meant. And  
24 then, when he would chastise, he would become  
25 angry.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Right.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: You know, because he was very  
3 demanding and entitled. So, if he got angry  
4 when his needs weren't met, because he was used  
5 to that kind of lifestyle, I assume. You know,  
6 in the outside where, you know, at the snap of  
7 his finger, he could have certain needs met.  
8 And in the prison, it didn't work that way.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: And just so we are clear

10 --

11 MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: -- when you say "needs,"  
13 they are not actual needs that a person would  
14 need. It's his wants, I guess, would be --

15 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

16 MR. [REDACTED]: -- better.

17 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Because did he have --

19 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: -- did he have --

21 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: -- everything that he  
23 needed?

24 MS. [REDACTED]: He had everything that basic  
25 inmates had.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: I guess one where  
3 psychologists refer to, you know, people engage  
4 in certain behaviors to get their needs met.  
5 So, their wants and needs. So, yeah.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Wants.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: But do you believe that  
9 he had everything he needs? Like , he needed.

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

12 MS. [REDACTED]: For the most part. I mean, I  
13 know he wanted a CPAP machine while he was on  
14 watch. And I was, like, no. Because there was  
15 cords, and things like that. So, you cannot  
16 have your CPAP machine. And he wanted to get  
17 off of watch at the end, because he wasn't  
18 sleeping well, and he said he had sleep apnea,  
19 and he wanted his machine. So, I wasn't going  
20 to take him off until I felt he was ready, or  
21 give him that, until he was off of watch.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: "On July 18th, a SHU review  
24 was attempted on Epstein, but he was not seen  
25 because he was in attorney conference. On July

1           23rd, 2019, Dr. ██████ received a phone call  
2           regarding Epstein, because he was found in his  
3           cell with a loose noose around his neck, and  
4           had been placed on suicide watch. She ordered  
5           a suicide risk assessment be completed on him.  
6           Dr. ██████." Is that -? Did ██████ -? "Completed  
7           the suicide risk assessment later that morning.

8           During the assessment, Epstein told Dr.  
9           ██████ he did not remember what happened. He  
10          denied suicidality. Had future plans. And he  
11          wanted to learn. He wanted to fight his case.  
12          And he was acting like a big kid. Dr. ██████  
13          learned that Epstein had told staff that his  
14          cellmate, Tartaglione, had tried to kill him.  
15          Dr. ██████ kept Epstein on suicide watch." What  
16          was your understanding, and did you have a  
17          conversation with Epstein, after that point,  
18          about his interaction with Tartaglione? What  
19          exactly transpired --

20                 MS. ██████: Yes.

21                 MR. ██████: -- on that incident?

22                 MS. ██████: And that was the issue. I  
23          mean, he never retracted that statement. I  
24          mean, he said that he thought he was a  
25          pedophile, and that he had taken this piece -.

1 I don't know if it was a piece, or a piece of  
2 cloth, or whatever. And went like this around  
3 his neck. And -.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, he told you this?

5 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. He told my staff that,  
6 as well.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: So, he told both you and  
8 your staff?

9 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. I had seen him  
10 subsequently. Again, I don't have my notes in  
11 front of me --

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

13 MS. [REDACTED]: -- but I remember him telling  
14 me that. So, at that point, when we were doing  
15 the suicide risk assessment, and Dr. [REDACTED] was,  
16 we had to conceptualize what actually happened.  
17 You know, whether this is something he  
18 inflicted on himself, and you know, the  
19 reasonings why he would do something like that.  
20 Or whether it was there was indeed an assault  
21 of some form. And so, then, you know, it was  
22 referred to SIS, too. So, he wasn't ever  
23 really forthright on what occurred, while he  
24 was on watch that time.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: Did you ever believe - based

1           on your conversations with Mr. Epstein -.  
2           Sorry. I'll just end that. Based on your  
3           conversations with Mr. Epstein, did you believe  
4           what he stated, in terms of Tartaglione trying  
5           to kill him?

6           MS. [REDACTED]: Honestly, I did not know what  
7           to believe at that point. So, my mind was  
8           opened that there were potentially three  
9           things, different things going on, and a 33  
10          percent chance of it being any one of those  
11          things. Because you don't know what happens  
12          behind closed doors, in the SHU, or whether  
13          they did have a disagreement.

14          MR. [REDACTED]: You know what? It actually  
15          goes into your hypothesis --

16          MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. Okay.

17          MR. [REDACTED]: -- let me read that --

18          MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

19          MR. [REDACTED]: -- and maybe you can state --

20          MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

21          MR. [REDACTED]: -- if that's right. "Dr.  
22          [REDACTED] had three hypotheses, in no particular  
23          order, regarding this incident, of what this  
24          incident meant. One) it was gamey by either  
25          Epstein, Tartaglione, or both. Meaning, there

1           was something they wanted, and they weren't  
2           getting. So, this is how they were going to  
3           play the system to their advantage. Two) it  
4           was rehearsal by Epstein, who really was  
5           suicidal. Three) it was an assault committed  
6           by Tartaglione." Was that the three? That is  
7           your three hypotheses?

8           MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

9           MR. [REDACTED]: Was there any one of those  
10          that you were leaning towards?

11          MS. [REDACTED]: At that point, I didn't know  
12          because --

13          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

14          MS. [REDACTED]: -- you know, he was just  
15          placed on watch. The SIS investigation hadn't  
16          taken place. I had -. There was enough  
17          evidence it could have been any one of those,  
18          because the phone call I received in the  
19          morning, when he was placed on watch, the  
20          lieutenant at that time had told me it was -.  
21          She was, like, this doesn't - because they have  
22          been around a while - this isn't a real thing.  
23          It was like a little string, and, you know, he  
24          was, he seemed fine.

25          And then, when I turned around, he would

1           be rocking back and forth. So, she, you know,  
2           at that initial time, it almost looked a little  
3           gamey. Like, that maybe he just went like this  
4           with a piece of string, at that point. He had  
5           lost his bail. I'm sorry.

6           MR. ██████: No problem.

7           MS. ██████: Let me just turn off my  
8           phone. At that point, he had lost his bail  
9           hearing. The judge denied him -. I'm sorry.

10          MR. ██████: Bail.

11          MS. ██████: The judge denied him bail.

12          MR. ██████: So, right before the  
13          23rd, the judge denied him bail, and then this  
14          happened?

15          MS. ██████: Right.

16          MR. ██████: Okay. So --

17          MS. ██████: So, there is, that is the  
18          gamey piece. I mean, if you want my  
19          conceptualization, that, you know, that maybe  
20          he did, you know, this sends a message, I can't  
21          take jail, put me on house arrest. I'm either  
22          going to hurt myself or someone else is going  
23          to hurt me. Get me out of here. Because he  
24          came in very entitled. Like I said, he had a  
25          lot of money. He was meeting with his

1 attorneys every day.

2 He had a lot of money at that point. It's  
3 not like he had lost trial. And Tartaglione  
4 had a lot to gain, to save a life, because he  
5 is facing life. You know, when you get a  
6 letter that you save someone's life, that's  
7 helpful in your case. I'm not saying that's  
8 it, but I mean, I'm just trying to think of  
9 hypotheses. So, that was where the gamey stuff  
10 came in. That was the gamey piece.

11 The report from the lieutenant, the gains  
12 that both of them could have by this behavior.  
13 Could that be why that happened? Number two.  
14 He is genuinely upset, and he was, it was a  
15 rehearsal behavior, and perhaps he really  
16 wanted to hurt himself. So, we need to be  
17 cautious. So, it could be the gamey thing. It  
18 could be the cautious thing. Or maybe Epstein  
19 and Tartaglione had it out that night, and he  
20 said something pompous or whatever, and the  
21 other one got upset, and he did, you know, put  
22 the rope around his neck, and that really  
23 frightened Epstein, and that is why he went  
24 into, like, this fetal position.

25 Maybe he was scared. You know, could it

1           have been any of those? And subsequently, I  
2           think one of his attorneys was convinced that  
3           Tartagliione had assaulted him. Not because, I  
4           guess he told his attorney the same attorney.  
5           So, it could have been any -. I say 33 percent  
6           chance it could have been any of those things.

7           MR. ██████████: Now, I understand that  
8           that's what you thought --

9           MS. ██████████: Yeah.

10          MR. ██████████: -- on the 23rd. Did that  
11          33 percent chance change, after time, that you  
12          believed it was one over the other?

13          MS. ██████████: I never knew.

14          MR. ██████████: No?

15          MS. ██████████: I mean, I never --

16          MR. ██████████: So, you still --

17          MS. ██████████: -- knew.

18          MR. ██████████: -- thought that they were  
19          all equally plausible?

20          MS. ██████████: Well, I guess towards the end  
21          of watch, I thought the assault wasn't as  
22          plausible. Because that he really wanted to  
23          hurt Epstein, because later on, Epstein was  
24          saying he would go back and cell with him. So,  
25          why would you want to go back and cell with

1           somebody that was trying to hurt you? So, but  
2           again, I didn't do the SIS investigation. So,  
3           and I never was privy to it.

4           MR. ██████████: Mm-hmm.

5           MS. ██████████: So, I don't know what the  
6           findings were. But after that, that made that  
7           one less plausible. So, made the other two  
8           more plausible, at that point in time, which  
9           was either it was a rehearsal behavior, or two)  
10          it was a game - it was gamey - to get him out  
11          of jail because he was just denied --

12          MR. ██████████: Who did he --

13          MS. ██████████: -- bail.

14          MR. ██████████: -- who did he make that  
15          request to? That he wanted to go back within  
16          the cell with Tartaglione? Was that to you  
17          directly, or -?

18          MS. ██████████: I think he might have  
19          mentioned something like that, because when I  
20          was trying to figure out where to house him  
21          later, I remember him mentioning that to me. I  
22          don't know if I put it in a note or not.

23          MR. ██████████: Mm-hmm.

24          MR. ██████████: Okay.

25          MS. ██████████: But yeah. So, I began to

1 think that that was - it was less -. Why would  
2 you want to go back in a -? But maybe he's not  
3 thinking clearly. I don't know. But that made  
4 me feel less about that. When he said that.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Anything else on that?

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, being that he just  
8 lost bail, had you heard that Tartaglione was  
9 actually the one that notified the SHU staff  
10 that there was an issue with Epstein, and that  
11 is what made them respond to the cell? Had you  
12 heard that?

13 MS. [REDACTED]: I mean, I had heard that he  
14 called out.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: That's what I mean.

16 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. I had --

17 MR. [REDACTED]: So --

18 MS. [REDACTED]: -- I had heard that.

19 MR. [REDACTED]: -- with those --

20 MS. [REDACTED]: But I don't -.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: -- factors in play, does  
22 that make you believe that, you know, aside  
23 from the fact that he wanted to go back with  
24 Tartaglione, you know, at the end of his watch,  
25 or observation, does that also make you think

1            maybe it was less likely that he attempted to  
2            harm himself, or does that play into your  
3            decision?

4            MS. [REDACTED]: Still, those two, I just will  
5            never know. At that --

6            MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

7            MS. [REDACTED]: -- for that particular  
8            circumstance. Was it, you know, a pact between  
9            them, or maybe it wasn't even Tartaglione  
10           trying to get any gain. Maybe it was Epstein  
11           trying to call attention to himself, so that he  
12           could be - so that he could go back to court,  
13           and get that bail, and that they would feel  
14           like he wasn't safe there.

15           MR. [REDACTED]: Right. I guess --

16           MS. [REDACTED]: And let him go home.

17           MR. [REDACTED]: -- my question maybe --

18           MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

19           MR. [REDACTED]: -- wasn't that clear.

20           MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

21           MR. [REDACTED]: So, I think you used the  
22           example that Epstein, after he was coming off  
23           of observation, and you were looking to see  
24           where he was going to be housed, or who he was  
25           going to be housed with, he mentioned that he

1           was going to go, you know, he would be willing  
2           to go back with Tartaglione, and that was the  
3           reason why you thought, maybe, that one of the  
4           three was probably less likely.

5           MS. ██████: Yes.

6           MR. ██████: What I'm saying is, do  
7           the factors that Tartaglione called out to the  
8           staff to say something is going on with  
9           Epstein, come check him out, does that also  
10          play into that, or no, you just placed that  
11          simply in those other two, that -?

12          MS. ██████: Simply in those other two.  
13          And that --

14          MR. ██████: Okay.

15          MS. ██████: -- that, I don't know what to  
16          make of that.

17          MR. ██████: Okay. Sounds good.

18          MS. ██████: Whether it was going to be  
19          something to help, whether he really was  
20          worried about Epstein.

21          MR. ██████: Okay. I'll never know,  
22          and -.

23          MR. ██████: Sounds good.

24          MR. ██████: This may not be something  
25          that you might know. It's more towards health

1 services, but maybe you had a conversation with  
2 health services. Do you know if they ever  
3 medically examined him for any broken bones,  
4 anything, kind of damages? Just, I know he had  
5 here, the ligature mark on his neck, right  
6 after the July 23rd incident.

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: Was there any -? Did they  
9 examine him? Like, do you have an xray, MRI,  
10 anything for broken bones in his neck?

11 MS. [REDACTED]: That --

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Any kind of injuries?

13 MS. [REDACTED]: -- I don't know.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: That, I don't know. You  
16 would have to look in BEMR. Yeah. For that.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: In where?

18 MS. [REDACTED]: BEMR. B-E-M-R. BEMR.

19 MR. [REDACTED]: What's that?

20 MS. [REDACTED]: That's the medical record.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Well, we have that.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: But as far as when you  
25 are meeting him, though, at that time, did you

1 notice any injuries on him?

2 MS. [REDACTED]: Just the mark.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Just the mark.

4 MS. [REDACTED]: On the back of his neck.

5 Like -.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you remember if he was  
7 complaining about any potential broken bones,  
8 or collar type issues, or anything?

9 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: No?

11 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: "On July 24th, 2019, Dr.

14 [REDACTED] ~~(Phonetic Sp. \*00:44:22)~~ met with

15 Epstein. Epstein reported he was fearful to  
16 return to his cell with Tartaglione because  
17 Tartaglione had called him a pedophile.

18 Epstein reported Tartaglione had put - had been  
19 playing with the bedsheet before Epstein fell  
20 asleep. And then, next thing Epstein

21 remembered, he was waking up snoring. Epstein

22 denied being suicidal, and reported being

23 unhappy with this legal situation. He had been

24 eating, drinking, and sleeping. Dr. [REDACTED]

25 took Epstein off suicide watch, and placed on

1           psychological observation."

2           MR. [REDACTED]: Nowe, on that, when the  
3 inmate goes from suicide watch to psychological  
4 observation, is the executive staff conferred  
5 with?

6           MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

7           MR. [REDACTED]: They are? And do they  
8 provide an opinion on that, or was it just to  
9 let them know?

10          MS. [REDACTED]: No. We just let them know.

11          MR. [REDACTED]: Just to let them know.  
12 Okay. So, they don't have to say, oh, yes, we  
13 agree, or please keep him on suicide watch, or  
14 anything like that?

15          MS. [REDACTED]: If they feel that way, they  
16 can express it, and we will keep it in mind,  
17 though, and again, we make those decisions.

18          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

19          MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

20          MR. [REDACTED]: Now, being that this is July  
21 24th, the next day, and he had possibly tried  
22 to hang himself --

23          MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

24          MR. [REDACTED]: -- on July 23rd, and they  
25 took him off - Dr. [REDACTED] takes him off

1 suicide watch and places him on psychological  
2 observation. Is that normal practice?

3 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah, because psychological  
4 observation is, he's in the exact same cell,  
5 he's being constantly observed. She spent a  
6 long time with him. I think she interviewed  
7 him, like, over an hour, an hour and a half.  
8 And she just felt that there was no eminent  
9 risk of at that time. Like, while he was in a  
10 suicide watch cell, he wasn't going to do  
11 anything to harm himself. So, we stepped him  
12 down. I think maybe gave him a -. I don't  
13 know if she gave him underwear, or gave him  
14 something, so that he was more comfortable.  
15 So, it wasn't so depriving. Because he kept  
16 adamantly denying wanting to harm himself.  
17 And, you know, she came and talked to me. I  
18 didn't sit in that interview because she's a  
19 licensed psychologist, and she felt it was safe  
20 to step him down, because he would still be by  
21 himself in that cell, constantly observe with  
22 the lights on all night. Nothing would have  
23 changed.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: So, I guess --

25 MS. [REDACTED]: So.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: -- what he wants to know,  
2 though, is, was that normal? Is that normal  
3 practice --

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: -- for her to do that?

6 MS. [REDACTED]: We do that. I mean --

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: -- not all facilities have  
9 the step down, the psychological observation.  
10 Some people just have the suicide watch. And  
11 then, they will give them privileges while they  
12 are on suicide watch. But we have that, so, if  
13 you want, because suicide watch is so strict,  
14 that he couldn't even have a pair of underwear.  
15 He couldn't, you know, have a piece of mail.  
16 Nothing. So, we didn't feel he needed that  
17 strict of supervision, but we still wanted him  
18 constantly observed, to see, and we could  
19 always step him back up, if he engaged in any  
20 behavior, because he would be constantly  
21 watched.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: All right. So, suicide  
23 watch and psychological observation are  
24 extremely similar.

25 MS. [REDACTED]: Very similar. Except that we

1           can give a little more privilege. Like I said,  
2           we could give him a book to read. Or we could  
3           give him a pair of - start with the underwear.  
4           Or, you know, he could have toothpaste, and  
5           give it back to brush his teeth. That type of  
6           thing. It wasn't as strict.

7           MR. [REDACTED]: And at the MCC, when an  
8           inmate potentially attempts to harm themselves,  
9           how long are they typically on suicide watch  
10          versus observation, before --

11          MS. [REDACTED]: Well, that --

12          MR. [REDACTED]: -- they (Indiscernible  
13          \*00:47:51)?

14          MS. [REDACTED]: -- depends on how the inmate  
15          presents.

16          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

17          MS. [REDACTED]: I mean, I have had people on  
18          suicide watch for long periods of time because  
19          they can't verbalize any protective factors,  
20          which would be reasons they have for wanting to  
21          be alive at the time. Reasons they have to  
22          live. Factors that we would look at to say,  
23          hmm, there is more factors here that suggest he  
24          wants to be alive, and that he has reasons to  
25          be alive versus not. Versus risk factors.

1           So, at that time, he had verbalized enough  
2           protective factors that Dr. ██████████ felt  
3           comfortable stepping him down to psychological  
4           observation. I don't have her SRA in front of  
5           me, but if you read it, it would have his  
6           reasons for wanting to be alive, his  
7           presentation of not exhibiting any acute mental  
8           health symptoms, not being depressed. So, she  
9           stepped him down at that point.

10           MR. ██████████: Okay. Now, do you know,  
11           when they are on psychological observation, are  
12           they allowed to have attorney visits?

13           MS. ██████████: They usually consult with us  
14           to see if we feel comfortable with that. And I  
15           do allow it. A lot of times, as long as, you  
16           know, there is a lieutenant present, or there  
17           is an officer present there.

18           MR. ██████████: Okay. And in this case,  
19           do you know if Epstein was allowed attorney  
20           visits while he was on observation?

21           MS. ██████████: I don't remember.

22           MR. ██████████: Okay.

23           MS. ██████████: To be honest.

24           MR. ██████████: So --

25           MS. ██████████: I don't remember.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: -- so, it's --

2 MS. [REDACTED]: It's very possible.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: -- okay. And do you know  
4 if the institution was contacted by anyone,  
5 such as Epstein's attorneys, or the judge,  
6 asking that he be taken off of suicide watch  
7 and placed on observation because he wasn't  
8 being afforded attorney visits, or for any  
9 other reason?

10 MS. [REDACTED]: No. I don't recall that  
11 happening.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. And on that same  
13 note, do you recall either the judge, an  
14 attorney, or anyone from the outside,  
15 contacting the institution when he was taken  
16 off of observation and placed back in the SHU?

17 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't recall speaking to  
18 any attorney about that.

19 MR. [REDACTED]: No, not you speaking with  
20 them. But I mean, them contacting - I'm  
21 assuming they would contact the warden.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: That, I don't know about.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: And the warden never had  
24 that, or anyone, any of the executive staff, or  
25 anyone had any conversation with you or staff,

1 saying, this is what we are getting from the  
2 outside, the judge contacted us, or the  
3 attorney, you know, the attorneys -?

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

5 MR. [REDACTED]: No?

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Hmm-mm.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: So, that was - you don't  
8 believe that was at all factored into the  
9 taking off of suicide watch?

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Oh, no. It would never be  
11 factored anyway.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

13 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: So, regardless, if they  
15 contacted you, that wouldn't be a factor?

16 MS. [REDACTED]: No. I mean, that wouldn't -.  
17 They would never influence our decision.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: One way or another.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Great.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: You mentioned before, when  
22 somebody is taken off of suicide watch and  
23 placed back in psychological, step down into  
24 psychological observation, they are given back  
25 one piece of item at a time.

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Well, no, sometimes it could  
2 be more than one. It depends on the situation.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 MS. [REDACTED]: But what I am saying is, when  
5 you were reading the paper --

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

7 MS. [REDACTED]: -- it sounded like we just  
8 give them everything. We make those decisions.  
9 We may step them one at a time, if it is more  
10 significant. We may give them a book. And a  
11 pair of underwear. I mean, we may give them -.  
12 It is just whatever, it is at the discretion of  
13 the psychologists that interview them, on what  
14 they are going to allow the inmate to have.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you know how it worked  
16 with Mr. Epstein? Was he given one ~~time-item~~  
17 at a time back -? One or two items, or was he  
18 given everything back?

19 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't remember. I don't  
20 think he was given everything back, initially.  
21 That's for sure. But -.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. I'm going to keep  
23 going.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: "At that time, Dr. [REDACTED] was

1 not any clearer on which of her hypotheses  
2 might have been true. Epstein could have been  
3 using his charm to breed doubt about what  
4 happened. Psychology had not been contacted by  
5 Epstein's attorneys with concerns regarding his  
6 mental health. On July 25th, 2019, Dr. [REDACTED]  
7 met with Epstein, who was in good spirits. And  
8 greeted her by saying, 'Welcome back.' Dr.  
9 [REDACTED] confronted Epstein on the attempted  
10 suicide incident, in an attempt to get answers.  
11 Epstein said he was baffled over it, and told  
12 Dr. [REDACTED] to give him some ques to help him  
13 remember. He continued with his requests and  
14 complaints, and did not want to go back to the  
15 SHU. Epstein told Dr. [REDACTED], 'I have a life,  
16 and want to go back to living my life.' Dr.  
17 [REDACTED] kept him on observation because her  
18 questions had not been answered, regarding  
19 their suicide attempt."

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Or the suicide attempt.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: "Regarding the suicide  
22 attempt."

23 MS. [REDACTED]: True.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: "After a conversation with  
25 Dr. [REDACTED], the national suicide prevention

1 coordinator from central office, Dr. [REDACTED] got  
2 involved in Epstein's housing. Dr. [REDACTED]  
3 recommended housing Epstein with a sex offender  
4 in SHU, which Dr. [REDACTED] passed on via email  
5 to executive staff. On July -."

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you know which  
7 executive staff you sent that to?

8 MS. [REDACTED]: No. I know I gave a bunch of  
9 documentation, when I had my last interview.  
10 There may have been an email. I don't remember  
11 who --

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

13 MS. [REDACTED]: -- it was so.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: And did you concur with  
15 his recommendation?

16 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Great.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: "On July 26th, 2019, Dr.  
19 [REDACTED] met with Epstein. Epstein said he  
20 needed to establish trust with Dr. [REDACTED]."  
21 What did he mean by that?

22 MS. [REDACTED]: He kept saying this thing, if  
23 you want -. It was this weird thing he said,  
24 something. "If you want my trust, I have to  
25 trust you." And that was trust that, if he

1           asked for certain things, that I would follow  
2           through with those wants. You know, if I said  
3           I was going to do something, I would follow  
4           through with it type of thing. I just remember  
5           that.

6           MR. ██████: Basically, he wanted you to  
7           provide something, so he can reciprocate?

8           MS. ██████: Right.

9           MR. ██████: Basically, if you wanted  
10          answers from him, you had to provide him with -  
11          -

12          MS. ██████: No.

13          MR. ██████: -- is that what -?

14          MS. ██████: It wasn't like that. It was  
15          just - again, I probably would have to refer to  
16          my notes for that one - but it was just a weird  
17          thing that he used to say. Like, if you want,  
18          if we want to have, like, this trusting  
19          relationship type of thing, then, you know, I  
20          have to trust that you are going to follow  
21          through with your stuff, and you -. And then,  
22          you can trust me. I don't know. It was  
23          strange. I don't really know what he meant by  
24          that.

25          MR. ██████: Okay. "He continued with

1           complaints and jokes, making reference to Dr.  
2           ██████ being Jewish, like him. It is against  
3           Jewish religion to commit suicide." Is that  
4           something he mentioned, or is that a statement  
5           from you?

6           MS. ██████: No. He joked about it one  
7           time, in attorney conference. I didn't know  
8           how he knew I was even Jewish, but he said  
9           something to me, like, what's a nice Jewish  
10          girl like you doing here? You know, working in  
11          - or some comment like that.

12          MR. ██████: Okay.

13          MR. ██████: And --

14          MS. ██████: But it is against the Jewish  
15          religion to commit suicide. But he didn't say  
16          anything until that one time in attorney  
17          conference.

18          MR. ██████: And you were in there, in  
19          the attorney conference, with him?

20          MS. ██████: Well, because I went to go  
21          check on him, remember, because I --

22          MR. ██████: Mm-hmm.

23          MS. ██████: -- I know he was never in his  
24          cell.

25          MR. ██████: Okay.

1 MS. [REDACTED]: He was never available.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: And he stated that?

3 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. He made, like, in  
4 front of the attorney, like, a little, a little  
5 joke.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Like that.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: And just the way that it  
9 reads in there, it doesn't say that he stated  
10 it, or you stated it. It just says, "It is  
11 against the Jewish religion to commit suicide."  
12 So, just --

13 MS. [REDACTED]: Maybe --

14 MR. [REDACTED]: -- for context.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: -- that might have been in  
16 one of our notes. I don't know if he mentioned  
17 that. But --

18 MR. [REDACTED]: But he --

19 MS. [REDACTED]: -- I don't --

20 MR. [REDACTED]: -- but he --

21 MS. [REDACTED]: -- I don't know where that  
22 came from.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: -- but he said it to you  
24 in the attorney conference? He was with you --

25 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. He didn't --

1 MR. [REDACTED]: -- in the attorney --.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: -- say anything about it's  
3 against the Jewish --. Oh, maybe he did. I  
4 don't remember. He may have. He may have, in  
5 a joking way, said something like that to me.  
6 I don't remember, to be honest.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: I would have to see --

9 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

10 MS. [REDACTED]: -- if that is one of my  
11 notes. Or if it is something that was just in  
12 passing at attorney conference. I just  
13 remember that one incident. About the Jewish  
14 thing. Like, what's a Jewish girl like you  
15 doing here? Or something.

16 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: "Epstein said he did not like  
18 pain, and didn't want to hurt himself. Epstein  
19 had been interacting with the companions  
20 assigned to him regularly. On July 27th, 2019,  
21 Dr. [REDACTED] met with Epstein, who was anxious  
22 about going back to SHU, due to the fact he did  
23 not know how he got the marks. Epstein did not  
24 answer Dr. [REDACTED] questions about that night.  
25 She had begun working more therapeutically with

1           him, and provided him with handouts to cope  
2           with housing. Lieutenant Doctor's  
3           investigation into a possible assault regarding  
4           this incident still had not returned any  
5           answers. Dr. █████ kept Epstein on  
6           psychological observation."

7           MR. █████: Just real quick on that.  
8           It just says, "He was anxious about going back  
9           to the SHU due to the fact he did not know how  
10          he got the marks." So, he had changed his  
11          story of how he got the marks, at that point?

12          MS. █████: He didn't change the story.  
13          He just didn't say anymore it was Tartaglione.  
14          He was then, I don't know how I got the marks.  
15          So, he --

16          MR. █████: So, he went --

17          MS. █████: -- he kept changing his  
18          story.

19          MR. █████: -- all right. So, he  
20          went from Tartaglione did it, to I don't know  
21          how I did it?-

22          MS. █████: Right.

23          MR. █████: Or how it happened?-

24          MS. █████: Right.

25          MR. █████: And do you know why that

1           happened, or did you question him about that?

2           MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah, but he just kept being  
3           vague, like he didn't know anything, or that,  
4           like, he blacked out, or he doesn't recall how  
5           it happened.

6           MR. [REDACTED]: Was he questioned, like,  
7           well, before you said that Tartaglione did it,  
8           and now you are saying you don't recall.

9           MS. [REDACTED]: I don't know if Dr. [REDACTED]  
10          confronted him in that way, because we are not,  
11          like, investigators.

12          MR. [REDACTED]: Sure. Sure.

13          MS. [REDACTED]: You know, so, we don't -.  
14          Psychologists don't always think that way.

15          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

16          MS. [REDACTED]: So, I don't know, but I  
17          think, likely, she probably mentioned that, and  
18          then, he was, like, oh, well, I don't, I don't  
19          know. He was very vague.

20          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

21          MS. [REDACTED]: In giving us the reason.

22          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

23          MS. [REDACTED]: That happened.

24          MR. [REDACTED]: "On July 28th, 2019, Dr.

25          [REDACTED] met with Epstein, who appeared the same.

1 His logbook showed no signs of suicidality, and  
2 he was participating in his legal meetings.  
3 There had been no contact from Epstein's legal  
4 team regarding any mental health concerns."

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, there it says  
6 that he actually was meeting with his legal  
7 team.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

10 MS. [REDACTED]: So, being that he was on  
11 psych ops, that he wasn't acutely, eminently  
12 suicidal, that he had been denied any current  
13 thoughts of hurting himself, and over the past  
14 several days, while on watch, he hadn't  
15 displayed any self-harm behaviors. Or any odd  
16 or unusual behaviors. Likely, we didn't have a  
17 problem with him going there, as long as there  
18 were staff up there --

19 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

20 MS. [REDACTED]: -- to watch him.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: So, he would actually go  
22 from observation to the attorney conference  
23 rooms?

24 MS. [REDACTED]: And then, be escorted back.  
25 Yes.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, it wasn't that  
2 they were meeting him at the suicide --

3 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: -- watch area.

5 MS. [REDACTED]: We never do that.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you know if those are all-  
10 day meetings? Like, he normally had, or was it  
11 just short meetings?

12 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't know how long the  
13 meetings were.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah. Because if you  
16 don't know, he was meeting with the attorneys  
17 from, like, 7:00 or 8:00 a.m., up until, like,  
18 7:00 p.m., every day. At least outside of this  
19 --

20 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. I knew that. Because  
21 that's --

22 MR. [REDACTED]: -- but you don't know if  
23 --

24 MS. [REDACTED]: -- that's why I could never  
25 see him, but I don't remember, while he was on

1 watch, how many hours a day. I think he was  
2 probably there for a significant period of  
3 time.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: While he was on  
5 observation?

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: But then, he would be  
9 returned to psych ops while someone would sit  
10 on him.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: But is that normal, though?  
12 I mean, someone who is on psych ops be - you  
13 mentioned that somebody who was in psych  
14 observation should be monitored constantly.  
15 Right? There's someone monitoring --

16 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: -- them?

18 MS. [REDACTED]: But he was right in front of  
19 the officer that worked at attorney conference.  
20 He was right there. And right by the  
21 lieutenant's office. So, they could be  
22 observing him the whole time.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, someone --

24 MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: -- is sitting there, watching

1           him --

2           MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

3           MR. [REDACTED]: -- at all times?

4           MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. There was somebody  
5 there. Like, the way our attorney. I don't  
6 know. Have you been to our attorney conference  
7 room?

8           MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

9           MS. [REDACTED]: Do you know where the officer  
10 sits there, there is an attorney conference  
11 room right next to him, that has windows.  
12 That's where Epstein was every day.

13          MR. [REDACTED]: So, you could see in?

14          MS. [REDACTED]: Full. Yeah. You could see  
15 his, like, white - you come off the elevator -  
16 you saw his white hair. Like, he was right  
17 there.

18          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

19          MS. [REDACTED]: Like, he could be seen by the  
20 attorney conference officer. At all times.  
21 And he was with his attorneys. So, I mean, if  
22 God forbid, he started banging his head for one  
23 second, the officer was right outside his  
24 window.

25          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. So, we felt, you know,  
2 it was okay, and again, he wasn't on suicide  
3 watch. We didn't think he was eminently  
4 suicidal. But precautionary, we had him on  
5 psych ops, because we - the vagueness of his  
6 responses.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: And not feeling completely  
9 comfortable putting him in GP, until we  
10 observed him over a period of time. So, that  
11 is why.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

13 MS. [REDACTED]: Because he wasn't on suicide  
14 watch anymore. So.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Anything else on that?

16 MR. [REDACTED]: No. I guess just on that  
17 note, if he is meeting his, with his attorneys,  
18 while he was on observation, are his  
19 psychological needs being met?

20 MS. [REDACTED]: Well, that's why we had to go  
21 up there, and talk to him.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Right, right, right.

23 MS. [REDACTED]: So, we would go up there and  
24 interview him.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: And around how long would

1           those interviews take?

2           MS. [REDACTED]: I guess five to ten minutes.

3           MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

4           MS. [REDACTED]: Just to check in. But a lot  
5 of times, on suicide watch, they were, too. I  
6 mean, we would review the suicide watch book  
7 throughout the night, because we are not there  
8 24 hours.

9           MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

10          MS. [REDACTED]: So, we would look at his book  
11 from before his visit, through the night. And  
12 then, we would see him daily.

13          MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

14          MS. [REDACTED]: We would see him -. And  
15 maybe, some of the times we saw him before he  
16 saw his attorneys.

17          MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

18          MS. [REDACTED]: See, I don't, I don't know if  
19 -. I know --

20          MR. [REDACTED]: So, as far as --

21          MS. [REDACTED]: -- I personally went up there  
22 once or twice.

23          MR. [REDACTED]: -- but what --

24          MS. [REDACTED]: I don't know if Dr. [REDACTED]  
25 maybe went there once or twice, because when

1 she went back there to see him, he was with his  
2 attorney.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, would that be any  
4 different than if he were not seeing his  
5 attorneys? Was that the same amount of time  
6 that psychology would see him, if he was with  
7 his attorneys, or staying in the cell where he  
8 was being observed?

9 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. We usually, like, 15  
10 minutes. I mean, it's not a therapy session.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

12 MS. [REDACTED]: We're just, you know, doing a  
13 mental status, seeing how they are doing. Are  
14 you eating or sleeping? Are you having  
15 thoughts of hurting yourself? We read the  
16 book.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

18 MS. [REDACTED]: In its entirety, for the past  
19 24 hours, to see, did he voice anything to the  
20 companions that he wanted to hurt himself. Did  
21 he take his meals? Did he eat his meals? Did  
22 he shower? Is he, you know, is he displaying  
23 any behaviors that are consistent with  
24 depression? So, we look at all of that. And  
25 then, we interview him. We do the mental

1 status. We ask him how he's doing. And so,  
2 that would be pretty consistent. It might have  
3 been a little shorter on occasion, if he was up  
4 there with his attorneys, because his attorneys  
5 were there. So, it wouldn't really be  
6 confidential. But we do --

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Oh, so, when you were  
8 conversing with him, it would be in front of  
9 his attorneys?

10 MS. [REDACTED]: -- yeah.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Is that normal?

13 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. Well, because he was  
14 in there with his - he has a right to his legal  
15 meetings - so, he was with his attorneys. It  
16 wasn't every time. I mean, there might have  
17 been one or two occasions where we had to see  
18 him up there, because he was in the meeting  
19 with the attorneys. So, yeah. We talked to him  
20 in front of his attorney to make sure he was  
21 okay.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, when you say he has  
23 a right to his attorneys, if he was on suicide  
24 watch, would he have the right to his  
25 attorneys?

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Normally, I really do try to  
2 get them to meet with their attorney. I mean,  
3 that's only if they are actively, like,  
4 cutting, or --

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: -- wanting to hurt  
7 themselves, then I would have a lieutenant up  
8 there.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Like, I always try to give  
11 people the right to be with their attorneys  
12 because that could make them even more  
13 depressed.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: If you deprive them of being  
16 able to work on their legal case.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: All right. "On July 29th,  
19 Dr. [REDACTED] visited Epstein. Epstein expressed  
20 that he would like to stay in psychological  
21 observation because it is safe. Epstein had  
22 been requesting his CPAP machine, so that he  
23 could get a good night's sleep. Due to the  
24 machine having a cord, this could not be  
25 accommodated in psychological observation.

1 Epstein was given a chance to stay in  
2 psychological observation -".

3 MR. [REDACTED]: A choice. Not a chance.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: Sorry.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Epstein was given -.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: "Epstein was given a choice  
7 to stay in psychological observation one more  
8 night without it, or go to the SHU with it. He  
9 chose to stay in psychological observation one  
10 more night. Dr. [REDACTED] consulted with the  
11 executive staff, prior to this decision."

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: "On July 30th, 2019, Dr.  
14 [REDACTED] transitioned Epstein back to the SHU.  
15 Dr. [REDACTED] sent an email, updating the  
16 appropriate staff for Epstein's transition off  
17 psychological observation, and the need for him  
18 to be housed with a cellmate."

19 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Bear with us.

21 MS. [REDACTED]: So, that contact was at his  
22 cell. It wasn't with the attorney. If there  
23 was, like I said, a couple of contacts that  
24 were in attorney conference, they were field -  
25 most of them were at his cell, we caught him

1 before he went up to his legal visits. That  
2 last visit was in person. I remember that  
3 visit.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

5 MS. [REDACTED]: With the CPAP.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, do you recall, when Dr.  
7 [REDACTED] transitioned Epstein back to the SHU, was  
8 that solely the decision of psychology, or was  
9 there any recommendation from executive  
10 management? Like, the warden, the associate  
11 warden, or somebody from the outside,  
12 ~~{Indiscernible \*01:04:53}~~ as Agent [REDACTED]  
13 asked before.

14 MS. [REDACTED]: No. That was our decision.  
15 After him being between suicide watch and psych  
16 ops for almost a full week. It was our  
17 decision that he was not eminently suicidal,  
18 and could be transitioned.

19 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: And just to, I mean,  
21 Epstein expressed that he would like to stay in  
22 psychological observation because it was safe.  
23 So, he actually preferred psychological  
24 observation over the SHU?

25 MS. [REDACTED]: Because he wasn't being able

1           to be housed where he wanted to be housed. He  
2           didn't want to go to Special Housing. Like I  
3           said, he wanted to be housed in the Cadre unit.  
4           He wanted to dictate his housing arrangements.  
5           When they weren't what he wanted them to be,  
6           and I guess maybe he heard rumors, or whatever,  
7           that the SHU was, like, a bad place, or a scary  
8           place, he didn't want to go back there.

9                        But a lot of inmates don't want to go to  
10           SHU, and that is why, earlier, when you said a  
11           lot of people fake mental illness, or fake  
12           suicidality, so that they can come down to our  
13           suicide watch area, and just interact with the  
14           companions, and hope that maybe someone will  
15           slip them something they couldn't have while  
16           they were in the SHU. Or just to get a timeout  
17           because it could be loud up there, because  
18           inmates will scream outside their cells,  
19           because I don't know if you are familiar with  
20           an AD-SEG (Phonetic Sp. \*01:06:16) unit, or a  
21           Special Housing Unit, where inmates are in a  
22           cell, with a cellmate, like, 23 out of 24 hours  
23           a day. So, it gets loud and rowdy.

24                        So, a lot of times, people try to come  
25           down. It's, like, almost, like, the Marriott,

1           you know, to come to our suicide watch area,  
2           where it is peaceful and quiet, and they don't  
3           have to hear things, or if they are having  
4           problems with officers up there. So, it's not  
5           uncommon for any inmate to try to avoid going  
6           to the Special Housing Unit.

7           MR. ██████████: Okay.

8           MS. ██████████: You know, it's not an  
9           uncommon occurrence.

10          MR. ██████████: Yeah. And I'm assuming -  
11          -

12          MS. ██████████: I never have any --

13          MR. ██████████: -- (Indiscernible  
14          \*01:06:50).

15          MS. ██████████: -- inmates say I want to go  
16          back to the, you know, the SHU.

17          MR. ██████████: From observation?

18          MS. ██████████: No.

19          MR. ██████████: So, it's bet --

20          MS. ██████████: Very rarely.

21          MR. ██████████: -- yeah.

22          MS. ██████████: Unless they are so sick of it  
23          because they have been deprived for so long  
24          down there, that they feel that their wants and  
25          needs will be met, or better suited up in the

1 SHU, then they will be, like, okay, I'll go  
2 back, I'll go back.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. But --

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: -- in observation, he was  
6 housed by himself. Correct?

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: And he wanted to be  
9 housed by himself. Correct?

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Not necessarily. Because he  
11 wanted to go to the Cadre Unit, which is a  
12 dorm-style unit.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 MS. [REDACTED]: With all the other, with tons  
15 of other inmates.

16 MR. [REDACTED]: All right. Yeah.

17 MS. [REDACTED]: He just, there were certain  
18 places he didn't want to go.

19 MR. [REDACTED]: SHU. So, he just --

20 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: -- rather be in  
22 observation than the SHU.

23 MS. [REDACTED]: Right. I mean, this is a guy  
24 that has never jailed before.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

1 MS. [REDACTED]: He's in, you know, his late  
2 sixties. He's probably afraid, like anybody  
3 would be.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: So, he preferred the  
5 general housing unit over the SHU, though?

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: Particularly, the dorm-style  
9 Cadre Unit.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah. Maybe I'm not -.  
11 Is that different than the general housing  
12 unit?

13 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: Because in the regular  
16 housing units, you are celled with a cellmate -  
17 -

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: -- at night. Whereas in the  
20 Cadre Unit, there are tiers of dorms. So, it  
21 is a bunch of bunkbeds. And so --

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Oh, it's per --

23 MS. [REDACTED]: -- it's more open.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: -- it's per tier, would it  
25 be?

1 MS. [REDACTED]: I'm not sure per tier. I  
2 know there is about - it can house, like, 100,  
3 120 inmates. The dorms.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: With no, like, doors, or  
5 not separated?

6 MS. [REDACTED]: No. There is just a tier.  
7 There is a -. No.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: So, he -. So, we had  
9 always heard, up until this time, that he  
10 wanted to be housed alone. What you are saying  
11 is he wanted to be actually housed with more  
12 people?

13 MS. [REDACTED]: Well, that is where -. Well,  
14 he wanted to be housed there, where Manafort  
15 and other people had been housed, where Cadre  
16 inmates were housed. Maybe because the Cadres  
17 were, he felt they were less dangerous.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't know. I know when he  
20 came in, he didn't like being on the unit.  
21 That was for sure.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: And is the Cadre --

23 MS. [REDACTED]: You know?

24 MR. [REDACTED]: -- Unit the low --

25 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: -- security level --

2 MS. [REDACTED]: -- yeah.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: -- inmates?

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. Because those are the  
5 ones that have been sentenced, to lower  
6 sentences.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, he wanted to  
8 be where the lower sentence inmates were.

9 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 MS. [REDACTED]: That was the only place, I  
12 think, he was willing to go. In our  
13 conversations.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Was Paul Manafort still  
16 there, at that point?

17 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't know if he had  
18 recently left. He thought he was still there  
19 because he was only there briefly.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: So, he's not asking -. So,  
21 he, as if he knows Paul Manafort, and he wants  
22 to go be housed with Paul Manafort. He just  
23 wants to be -. He just wanted to be in the  
24 same area as Paul Manafort was housed.

25 MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: And there was somebody else.

3 I can't remember who he said. There was  
4 somebody else, more high-profile, that was  
5 there, and he said he wanted to be where that  
6 person was.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: Maybe he felt it was safer  
9 because they were surviving there, or whatever.  
10 I don't know what his thought process was, but  
11 that's how, that's -. I think it's -. I mean,  
12 it was part of his personality. I mean, he  
13 wants to be associated with higher-level  
14 people, and these were, that was a higher-level  
15 inmate. You know, so, he would feel  
16 comfortable being amongst those type of people.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

18 MS. [REDACTED]: Does that make sense?

19 MR. [REDACTED]: Yes.

20 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. Okay.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: I'm going to keep going.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Yes.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: "Dr. [REDACTED] discussed the  
24 importance of SHU inmates having a cellmate for  
25 the following reasons: it decreases isolation;

1           it decreases privacy; provides a distraction;  
2           provides a rescue opportunity.”

3           MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

4           MR. [REDACTED]: “At risk settings for  
5           inmates, including housing, single cells, and  
6           private spaces. SHU employees receive training  
7           on suicide prevention quarterly. All employees  
8           receive suicide prevention training once a  
9           year. Dr. [REDACTED] provided slides from MCC’s  
10          suicide prevention training to the interviewing  
11          agents, reference that, referred to as  
12          references any denying, attached to his report.  
13          She stated all lieutenants should be aware of  
14          the cellmate policy. Both due to the training  
15          regularly provided, and psychological services  
16          constantly reminding them of the procedure, and  
17          needs of specific inmates. Dr. [REDACTED] noted,  
18          after Epstein’s death, his old cellmate’s label  
19          was still on his door. That is one of the  
20          things that the psych department looks for, in  
21          their daily rounds in the SHU, that there are  
22          two bodies in each cell.” Now, that label on  
23          the door, if an inmate is removed, should that  
24          label have been removed, too?

25          MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: How soon?

2 MS. [REDACTED]: It should have been done  
3 immediately, especially since he was housed  
4 with Epstein.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Why should it have been  
6 removed immediately?

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Because then his cellmate was  
8 bailed out, and wasn't coming back.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: By removing it, would that  
10 also give SHU officers, inform the SHU officers  
11 that there is only one inmate in that cell?

12 MS. [REDACTED]: That would have helped. Yes.  
13 Most definitely. It wouldn't have been the  
14 only way they should know, but it definitely  
15 would have helped the situation.

16 MR. [REDACTED]: Are we talking about  
17 August 9th right now?

18 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't know.

19 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah. Because it says, "Dr.  
20 [REDACTED] noted that after Epstein's death, his  
21 old cellmate's label was still on his door."

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, who would have  
23 been, on August 9th, the one who would have  
24 done the rounds in the SHU?

25 MS. [REDACTED]: The psychologist?-

1 MR. [REDACTED]: I guess, it sounds like -  
2 -

3 MS. [REDACTED]: Well, psychology, psychology  
4 rounds is weekly. We do weekly rounds. And  
5 monthly SHU reviews, which are more intense  
6 rounds. So, we didn't see Epstein every single  
7 day.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah. Okay.

9 MS. [REDACTED]: That, we didn't do. We don't  
10 do daily rounds. We do weekly rounds.  
11 Sometimes, we are up there, we are up there  
12 almost every day, especially when we were, our  
13 SHU was full, because there is always inmates  
14 that have concerns or needs. So, if we are up  
15 there, and an inmate has a concern, we go to  
16 that tier and see those inmates.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Just those --

18 MS. [REDACTED]: But as far as going cell to  
19 cell, we do that weekly.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: -- okay. Because this,  
21 yeah, this last sentence said, "This is one of  
22 the things the psych department looks for in  
23 their daily rounds in the SHU --

24 MS. [REDACTED]: In our rounds --

25 MR. [REDACTED]: -- that there are two

1           bodies in each cell."

2           MS. [REDACTED]: In our rounds. Like, if we  
3           are doing our weekly rounds, and we notice that  
4           --

5           MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

6           MS. [REDACTED]: -- someone doesn't have a  
7           cellmate, especially if we know that person is  
8           a care two and above, we are going to say  
9           something. Like, why is this inmate housed by  
10          themselves?

11          MR. [REDACTED]: So, when they said daily  
12          rounds, you are not doing that every day.

13          MS. [REDACTED]: Hmm-mm.

14          MR. [REDACTED]: They meant your weekly  
15          rounds.

16          MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

17          MR. [REDACTED]: And do you know what day  
18          of the week that was done back then?

19          MS. [REDACTED]: I don't.

20          MR. [REDACTED]: No?

21          MS. [REDACTED]: I do not know the -. I would  
22          have to look at the SHU logs.

23          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. And do you know if  
24          it was done on that Friday, on August 9th, the  
25          day before?

1 MS. [REDACTED]: No. But I do know, on August  
2 8th, before I left for vacation, I personally  
3 went up there, just to check on him, and he had  
4 a cellmate at that time.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Right. Okay.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Anything else?

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Nope.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: "Dr. [REDACTED] was aware that  
9 Dr. [REDACTED] attended the close out  
10 meeting that week, and discussed Epstein's  
11 desire to have a single cell, but his need for  
12 a cellmate. Dr. [REDACTED] was unaware regularly  
13 rounds by the correctional officers were not  
14 being completed. She is considered executive  
15 staff, so officers would not tell her they were  
16 not being completed, and inmates wouldn't tell  
17 her because of fear of retaliation by the  
18 guards.

19 Dr. [REDACTED] noted Lieutenant [REDACTED] is very  
20 regimented, and regularly does what she asks.  
21 Dr. [REDACTED] was not aware that Epstein signed a  
22 new will on August 8th. Had she known, it  
23 would have been considered a red flag, and  
24 Epstein would have been placed on psychological  
25 observation. The attorneys did not tell anyone

1 from psychological services that it had  
2 occurred." So, we had a couple of questions.  
3 How did you learn that he had signed a will?

4 MS. [REDACTED]: The newspaper.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: In the paper?

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: That's not something that you  
8 learned firsthand, from the attorneys, or by  
9 being --

10 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: -- okay.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you know if he  
13 actually, in fact, signed a new will on the  
14 8th?

15 MS. [REDACTED]: No. Hearsay.

16 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Did you bring that  
17 up during the interview, or did the agents ask  
18 you about it?

19 MS. [REDACTED]: That, I don't remember.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

21 MS. [REDACTED]: How it came up. They may  
22 have asked me a question, if I knew about it.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

24 MS. [REDACTED]: And I may have said, probably  
25 said no. I didn't know about it directly from

1           them. I knew about it from reading it in the  
2           paper.

3           MR. ██████████: Okay.

4           MS. ██████████: But one thing I did say,  
5           after reading the paper, gee, that would have  
6           been helpful information. Because had I known  
7           that, I would have said, that is a red flag,  
8           and let's put him back on, and just watch him  
9           for a few more days, and see if we can get more  
10          information from him. About why he would do  
11          that, or what was going on.

12          MR. ██████████: Should have the attorneys  
13          notified you?

14          MS. ██████████: Well, the attorneys have  
15          their own ethical, you know, confidentiality  
16          issues.

17          MR. ██████████: Mm-hmm.

18          MS. ██████████: So, you know, a lot of times,  
19          attorneys call us all the time if they are  
20          concerned about their patients. I mean, I get,  
21          I used to get, like, several a week, where  
22          attorneys would call in and say, you know, I'm  
23          worried, I talked to my client on the phone. I  
24          don't like how he sounded. Can psychology  
25          check on that inmate? And I was, like, why

1           didn't they do that this time? Because they  
2           always do that. And we do. We go immediately.  
3           So, if that was true, I wish someone would have  
4           called us, but they didn't.

5           MR. ██████████: All right. Thank you  
6           ~~(Indiscernible \*01:15:31)~~Did you have the key  
7           to the restroom? I think that that's  
8           ~~(Indiscernible \*01:15:36)~~person needed it.

9           MR. ██████████: Oh.

10          MR. ██████████: Is this the only one we  
11          have?

12          MR. ██████████: Yes.

13          MS. ██████████: But, you know, again, like,  
14          attorneys have their own ethical -. Like, they  
15          can't -. I don't know what their ethical  
16          standards are, but I guess, if he didn't say he  
17          was going to kill himself, and he's just  
18          signing a will, they don't -. I don't think  
19          they have to tell, call us. It would be a  
20          choice if they had a concern, that he was going  
21          to hurt himself.

22          MR. ██████████: Okay.

23          MS. ██████████: But -.

24          MR. ██████████: Well, before -.

25          MS. ██████████: Yeah. Yeah.

1           MR. ██████: Did he ever bring up changing  
2 his will in any of his your meetings, or the  
3 psychological meeting --

4           MS. ██████: No.

5           MR. ██████: -- psychological meetings  
6 with him?

7           MS. ██████: No.

8           MR. ██████: That was the first time you  
9 guys had, you ever heard that would be from --

10          MS. ██████: Right.

11          MR. ██████: -- (Indiscernible \*01:16:30).

12          MS. ██████: After the fact. I read that,  
13 and I was, like -.

14          MR. ██████: And now, why would it be a  
15 red flag?

16          MS. ██████: Because he is in jail. He is  
17 not happy being in jail. He is facing a lot of  
18 time. He's high risk. And he is signing a  
19 will. You know, I definitely would have  
20 interviewed him. I can't say 100 percent he  
21 would be put on psych ops, but if he didn't  
22 give me the answers that I was looking for, he  
23 would have been put on some form of  
24 observation, until we could get the answers  
25 that we were looking for.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: "Dr. [REDACTED] mentioned that  
2 was the first day ever, she ever heard about  
3 the will being changed. There was no  
4 discussion with Epstein before --

5 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: -- about the will."

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Epstein never shared that  
8 with me. It was something that I read after  
9 the fact.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

11 MS. [REDACTED]: And again, I don't know if  
12 it's true or not true.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: "On August 8th, 2019, Dr.  
15 [REDACTED] attended the SHU meeting. She couldn't  
16 recall all who was there, but it included unit  
17 team members, executive staff, and attorneys  
18 for MCC. Nothing significant was discussed  
19 about Epstein at the meeting. She conducted  
20 SHU rounds, to see Epstein." Is this what you  
21 mentioned before, that before you went on  
22 vacation?

23 MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. "He had a cellmate at  
25 the time, and Epstein had the lower bunk. He

1           didn't have any visible problems, appeared in  
2           good spirits, and reported getting along with  
3           his cellmate. He had received his pack number,  
4           which allows him to make phone calls, and he  
5           had asked for his books from psychological  
6           observation." When he received his pack  
7           number, do you know if it was active, and was  
8           he able to make phone calls with it?

9           MS. [REDACTED]: That, I don't know. That,  
10          only unit team would know.

11          MR. [REDACTED]: Do you know around what  
12          time the SHU meeting would have been held?

13          MS. [REDACTED]: Thursdays. Thursdays, at  
14          that time, they say that my meetings have  
15          changed with different --

16          MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

17          MS. [REDACTED]: -- every warden changes it.

18          MR. [REDACTED]: And what time --

19          MS. [REDACTED]: -- I believe they --

20          MR. [REDACTED]: -- did you work?

21          MS. [REDACTED]: -- were in the morning.

22          Like, around 9:00.

23          MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

24          MS. [REDACTED]: Like, 9:00.

25          MR. [REDACTED]: So, if around, like,

1           3:00, 3:30, the Marshals sent an email saying  
2           that his cellmate was going to be transferred,  
3           that wouldn't have been discussed at that SHU  
4           meeting?

5           MS. [REDACTED]: Hmm-mm.

6           MR. [REDACTED]: And did you know anything  
7           about any emails --

8           MS. [REDACTED]: No.

9           MR. [REDACTED]: -- regarding -?

10          MS. [REDACTED]: And I didn't know the inmate  
11          was -. The inmate -. I didn't know that he  
12          went to court that day, or anything. I was not  
13          even in town.

14          MR. [REDACTED]: Right. I'm saying the  
15          day before --

16          MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

17          MR. [REDACTED]: -- on August 8th, there  
18          was emails that were sent from the U.S. Marshal  
19          Service, saying that his cellmate Reyes was  
20          going to be transferred to another institution.  
21          I was just wondering if that was at all  
22          discussed --

23          MS. [REDACTED]: No. Not that I --

24          MR. [REDACTED]: -- that wasn't discussed.

25          MS. [REDACTED]: -- and I, likely, I don't

1 know. Yeah. I was -. Huh. I don't remember  
2 hearing that at all.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Because that would have been  
5 --

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Even after the fact?

7 MS. [REDACTED]: -- that would be something  
8 that, you know, the lightbulb kind of would  
9 have went on.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

11 MS. [REDACTED]: I was pretty shocked to find  
12 out that he didn't have a cellmate.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Right.

14 MS. [REDACTED]: After he killed himself.  
15 That was the first question I asked. When I  
16 was away, and I was went to Vancouver, and the  
17 times difference was off, and my flight was  
18 delayed. I had slept for, like, two hours. It  
19 was very strange. I went into the restroom,  
20 you know how you bring your phone? I know,  
21 TMI. I pressed my phone, and all these alerts  
22 came on, and everyone was texting me, and then,  
23 I saw that he had hung himself, and I was just,  
24 like, how could that happen? And the first  
25 thing, when I called my associate warden, the

1 first thing I asked is, did he have a cellmate?  
2 Because that was the first thing that came in  
3 my mind. And she was, like, no.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: What -? So --

5 MS. [REDACTED]: So -.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: -- who was this?

7 MS. [REDACTED]: I called [REDACTED]-[REDACTED].

8 MR. [REDACTED]: And what did she say  
9 about that?

10 MS. [REDACTED]: You know, she just said no.  
11 And then, I was just, like, I started, like,  
12 crying, because I was, like, why? Like -.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: And did she respond to  
14 where his cellmate was?

15 MS. [REDACTED]: She didn't. She was, like, I  
16 don't know, Dr. [REDACTED]. You know, this was all  
17 just that morning.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Right.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: I mean, she was probably, you  
20 know, very upset, too. And that was it. I  
21 mean, later on, I found out what happened,  
22 which was that his cellmate went to court. He  
23 was --

24 MR. [REDACTED]: And so --

25 MS. [REDACTED]: -- bonded out, and that they

1           didn't replace the cellmate with him.

2           MR. ██████████: -- so, that is not  
3 accurate information. So, who told you that he  
4 went to court and bonded out?

5           MS. ██████████: That was later on. I don't  
6 remember the person who told me that.

7           MR. ██████████: But someone told you he  
8 actually went to court, and not transferred to  
9 a different institution?

10          MS. ██████████: That's what I had heard.

11          MR. ██████████: Okay.

12          MS. ██████████: That he had gone to court,  
13 and then he was -. That might not be accurate,  
14 though. He was bailed out, or he wasn't,  
15 didn't come back.

16          MR. ██████████: Okay.

17          MS. ██████████: That's what I had heard.

18          MR. ██████████: Sure. But you don't  
19 remember where you heard that from?

20          MS. ██████████: Hmm-mm.

21          MR. ██████████: Okay.

22          MR. ██████████: Well, just to clarify, I  
23 think you mentioned it already. There was an  
24 email that came up the day before, from the  
25 Marshals, on August 8th, in the afternoon, that

1           stated that he was being transferred - Reyes  
2           was being transferred - to another facility.  
3           He wasn't going to court. So, that morning, he  
4           would, he wasn't going to court. He was  
5           actually transferred out to another facility.

6           MS. [REDACTED]: Okay. Okay. So --

7           MR. [REDACTED]: Now, if an email like that  
8           came out, whose responsibility would it have  
9           been to make those notifications up, hey,  
10          listen, Reyes is now gone?

11          MS. [REDACTED]: I mean, everybody reviews  
12          that. I mean, the captain's review that log.  
13          The warden. The executive staff. I mean, I  
14          guess they would all see that.

15          MR. [REDACTED]: Would psychology have the  
16          court production list?

17          MS. [REDACTED]: I don't always review the  
18          court production list. No.

19          MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah. No. You weren't  
20          even there.

21          MS. [REDACTED]: No. Yeah.

22          MR. [REDACTED]: I'm just saying --

23          MS. [REDACTED]: No.

24          MR. [REDACTED]: -- like, on, like, on the  
25          9th, I guess there would have been a court

1 production list that would have said Reyes,  
2 WAB, With All Belongings.

3 MS. [REDACTED]: Right. I mean, I don't have  
4 access to that. Some of my staff have that  
5 correctional services box.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

7 MS. [REDACTED]: And they do review it,  
8 sometimes. But I'm not so sure we reviewed it,  
9 anybody in my department.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah. And again, I know  
11 you weren't even --

12 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: -- there, but so, should  
14 have someone reviewed that?

15 MS. [REDACTED]: That's not something that we  
16 did on a regular basis.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

18 MS. [REDACTED]: You know, we - custodial wise  
19 - we don't manage hands-on like that.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

21 MS. [REDACTED]: As much. Like, we're not  
22 looking all the time. I think now, since this  
23 event happened, we might become more involved  
24 with that. And review those things. Like,  
25 when I get the Marshal's list, I was, I look to

1 make sure they don't have any histories of  
2 things, or there is a no Marshal's notices.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

4 MS. [REDACTED]: More so than ever now,  
5 because, you know, we are hyper alert.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

7 MS. [REDACTED]: But as psychologists, that is  
8 not something that is our job to review, and  
9 then compare it to the SHU list, and make sure  
10 everybody --

11 MR. [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

12 MS. [REDACTED]: -- is cell, you know, that is  
13 not something we do.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: So, when Reyes was listed  
15 as WAB, and was removed from the institution on  
16 the count numbers and everything - -

17 MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: -- should someone have  
19 notified psychology? Now, this isn't Epstein.

20 MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: This is his cellmate.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: Reyes.

24 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't know so much as  
25 notified us, but at least made - or I would

1 think - someone would make arrangements to say,  
2 well, this guy is coming out, we've got to get  
3 someone in with Epstein. There would be no  
4 need to call psychology. Unless Epstein was  
5 demonstrating any psychological issues, because  
6 we were --

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: -- following him as needed,  
9 and during our weekly rounds, anyway. So, if  
10 he displayed, if he didn't display any mental  
11 health problems, they probably wouldn't just  
12 call us.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: So, were there any  
14 problems, as you see them, that no one notified  
15 anyone in your department that Reyes was gone?

16 MS. [REDACTED]: Well, the only problem is, if  
17 they had planned on housing Epstein alone, and  
18 not replacing Reyes, then we should have been  
19 consulted, and spoken to about, do we think  
20 that is a good idea?

21 MR. [REDACTED]: Right.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: So, that is --

23 MR. [REDACTED]: But --

24 MS. [REDACTED]: -- but that whole -- not --

25 MR. [REDACTED]: But that was never

1 changed --

2 MS. [REDACTED]: -- not likely --

3 MR. [REDACTED]: -- so, he was supposed to  
4 be housed with another cellmate --

5 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: -- so, the fact that his  
7 cellmate was gone, and he is supposed to be  
8 housed with a cellmate, should have they -?  
9 Should someone have contacted psychology to let  
10 you know this cellmate is gone, we need to get  
11 another cellmate in there? Is that something  
12 that you should be a part of, or is that  
13 something that was just custody?

14 MS. [REDACTED]: That is mainly custody.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

16 MS. [REDACTED]: That is mainly custody. Now,  
17 things are a little different. I mean, again,  
18 things are put into place. That may not have  
19 been in place before. Things we may not have  
20 been as involved with.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: We have become more involved  
23 with. Because of lessons learned. So, now,  
24 when they house anybody alone, they let us  
25 know, do you recommend this? Like I was

1           telling you, there is a sheet. Do you  
2           recommend this? And we always say no.

3           MR. ██████████: Mm-hmm.

4           MS. ██████████: I tell my staff, never  
5           recommend a single cell. Like, if we think  
6           someone is going to be single celled, we are  
7           notified. Oh, this person is going to be -.  
8           Dr. ██████████, come sign this, this form. But  
9           before, we didn't do that. Okay, when Epstein  
10          was there, we did not do that.

11          MR. ██████████: Okay.

12          MS. ██████████: If they had a plan to put him  
13          by himself, we would have been notified. The  
14          fact his cellmate was leaving, we wouldn't have  
15          been notified, unless the intention was not to  
16          replace him with somebody else. Because the  
17          intention was always to keep him in the SHU  
18          with a cellmate.

19          MR. ██████████: Now --

20          MS. ██████████: I think custody's intention  
21          were, too.

22          MR. ██████████: -- as far as people --

23          MS. ██████████: It should have been.

24          MR. ██████████: -- that worked in the SHU  
25          staff --

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: -- or, for instance,  
3 anybody in custody, do you think there is ever  
4 an excuse, especially in this specific instance  
5 with Epstein, that for people to say, we didn't  
6 know he was supposed to have a cellmate. Is  
7 that - do you believe that that is an excuse?  
8 Or a reason, I should say. Not an excuse. And  
9 this is not, I'm not talking about psychology  
10 now.

11 MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: What I'm talking about is  
13 custody or -.

14 MS. [REDACTED]: No. I know what you are  
15 saying. I mean, it comes from management and  
16 it goes down.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

18 MS. [REDACTED]: You see what I'm saying? So,  
19 as far as I knew, the lieutenant up there, as  
20 far as what he had shared with me, is that he  
21 let the officer<sup>s</sup> know. And that there was a  
22 sign up there, from what I understand, on their  
23 desk, that said he had to have a cellmate.  
24 Okay?

25 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, did you ever see a

1 sign?

2 MS. [REDACTED]: I did not see that sign,  
3 because I don't go behind that desk.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

5 MS. [REDACTED]: When I go. So --

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Because we knew that  
7 there was a sign stating that they had to do  
8 rounds on Epstein. It was a big orange sign.  
9 But --

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: -- we have never come  
12 across signs saying that he had to have a  
13 cellmate. Aside from the very first day --

14 MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: -- I think --

16 MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: -- that he was actually  
18 housed with Reyes.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: Right. But I mean, that is  
20 something that is monitored by the SHU  
21 lieutenant, and the operations lieutenant.  
22 They were aware because the captain was aware,  
23 and sits in executive staff.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

25 MS. [REDACTED]: And the captain is under the

1 warden, and the warden would have wanted him to  
2 have a cellmate.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Right.

4 MS. [REDACTED]: A 100 percent.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Absolutely.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: And supported our  
7 recommendation for him to have a cellmate. So,  
8 where the ball was dropped, I'm not 100 percent  
9 sure. But I know executive staff were aware,  
10 and I know that was a strong recommendation on  
11 our part. Whether the officer's, whether it  
12 went down the chain, that, I will not know  
13 because I am not in custody.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: How --

16 MR. [REDACTED]: But didn't you say --

17 MS. [REDACTED]: -- how they advised them, you  
18 know, the morning of their shift, this is what  
19 you need to do. I don't know.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Isn't it something,  
21 though, that you guys discuss, or psychology  
22 discusses during training, saying that, hey --

23 MS. [REDACTED]: Well, yeah.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: -- inmates that are at  
25 risk for suicide need to have, if they are

1 coming off --

2 MS. [REDACTED]: Oh, absolutely.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: -- suicide observation.

4 So, that is where I mean --

5 MS. [REDACTED]: That is where --

6 MR. [REDACTED]: -- by, like --

7 MS. [REDACTED]: -- like, the yearly training.

8 I mean, you would think, you know, with the  
9 yearly training, with the annual training, with  
10 the SHU, there is also a SHU training, a  
11 quarterly training that I teach suicide  
12 prevention. So, I teach suicide prevention  
13 quarterly, to SHU staff. Where I have a slide  
14 show that talks about the cellmate, and the  
15 need for the cellmate. So --

16 MR. [REDACTED]: What about during their  
17 annual refresher training? Is it also  
18 discussed?

19 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. Also. Yes. So --

20 MR. [REDACTED]: So -.

21 MS. [REDACTED]: -- it's quarterly and annual.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: And you say that same  
23 thing during the annual training?

24 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, not only are

1 the SHU staff getting it in their quarterly  
2 training, but every staff is getting it in the  
3 annual training.

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Everybody.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: So, that is what I mean  
8 by, is there ever an excuse, saying that we  
9 didn't think he needed one? If they receive  
10 this training, shouldn't have they known --

11 MS. [REDACTED]: Right. And also, I don't  
12 know, I mean, he was a high-profile inmate. I  
13 think everybody was aware of that.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: So --

16 MR. [REDACTED]: So, do you --

17 MS. [REDACTED]: -- if he didn't have a  
18 cellmate, they would know, even if they thought  
19 he wasn't supposed to, they would know that he,  
20 they should be rounding every half an hour, and  
21 checking on, particularly a high-profile  
22 inmate.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, does --

24 MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: -- every single staff

1 member of MCC, regardless if custody or not, do  
2 they take that annual refresher training?

3 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: So, R&D --

5 MS. [REDACTED]: They are required.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: -- you know --

7 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

9 MS. [REDACTED]: They are required.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Perfect.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. "Dr. [REDACTED] never  
12 suggested a cell room with a camera for  
13 Epstein, because she wanted him to have a  
14 cellmate."

15 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't make those decisions,  
16 as far as who goes on Ten South. Ten South is  
17 a high security unit where we house many of the  
18 SAMs inmates. I don't know if you are familiar  
19 with the SAMs, but they are in Special  
20 Administrative Measures. On occasion, we have  
21 had high profile inmates, but that is at the  
22 discretion of the warden. Not psychology.  
23 Whether he wants to house a high-profile inmate  
24 up there. We had Bernard Mayta (Phonetic Sp.  
25 \*01:30:19) up there. We had El Chapo (Phonetic

1 Sp. \*01:30:20) up there. We had the Russian  
2 arms dealer up there for a while. So, we have  
3 had people there. But the warden - and I don't  
4 know why, because I was not in those meetings -  
5 decided that he was not going to place him in  
6 Ten South. So, if you are not going to be in  
7 Ten South, you are going to have a cellmate.  
8 You know, as far as I am concerned. But I did  
9 not -. I was not -. It was not up to me  
10 whether he be placed on Ten South and a camera.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: Was that ever --

12 MS. [REDACTED]: My recommendations were not  
13 sought.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: -- yeah. I was going to  
15 say, was it ever --

16 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: -- even discussed with  
18 you?

19 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

21 MS. [REDACTED]: It was told. It wasn't  
22 discussed.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: What was told? I'm  
24 sorry.

25 MS. [REDACTED]: That he was not going on Ten

1 South.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: But that's what I mean.

3 Did Ten South even come up in discussion?

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Just that he wasn't going to  
5 be housed there.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 MS. [REDACTED]: That the warden had decided.  
8 I was informed by legal. And I said, oh --

9 MR. [REDACTED]: And when were you  
10 informed that?

11 MS. [REDACTED]: Earlier --

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Was that before?

13 MS. [REDACTED]: -- earlier in his  
14 incarceration.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, while he was  
16 alive?

17 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, at the end --

19 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. Earlier in his  
20 incarceration, I received a phone call that he  
21 wasn't going to be housed in Ten South, that it  
22 was decided, by the warden, that he wasn't  
23 going to put him up there. So, when I was  
24 being told that, knowing if he was going to be  
25 on Nine South, then I would say certainly

1 suggest a cellmate. But I would have had no  
2 problem him being on a camera in Ten South.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: Would you have a  
4 preference? From Ten South or Nine South?

5 MS. [REDACTED]: If I was asked, I would have  
6 preferred, I would have said Ten South because  
7 I had been there for so long, and had seen so  
8 many high-profile inmates up there, and being  
9 on a camera 24/7.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: So, you said psychology  
11 always recommends a cellmate, but in this  
12 instance, you would actually recommend him  
13 being housed alone with a camera on him?

14 MS. [REDACTED]: I think having a cellmate is  
15 a good thing, but when somebody is this high-  
16 profile on other levels, in retrospect, it  
17 would have probably been not a bad idea.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: So, in retrospect, and  
19 obviously, we can all Monday morning --

20 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: -- quarterback.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: And unfortunately --

24 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: -- that is what we are

1 doing.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: But, like --

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: -- at the time, do you  
6 believe that you would have thought that Ten  
7 South would have been more appropriate over  
8 Nine South?

9 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't really want to say  
10 because --

11 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

12 MS. [REDACTED]: -- I don't make those  
13 decisions.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: No.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: I mean --

16 MR. [REDACTED]: But you weren't  
17 consulted? They --

18 MS. [REDACTED]: I wasn't consulted.

19 MR. [REDACTED]: -- no one told you.

20 MS. [REDACTED]: I was told. So, once that  
21 happened, then of course, I was going to  
22 suggest he have a cellmate.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. But it was the  
24 warden's call, as far as you know?

25 MS. [REDACTED]: As far as I know. That's what

1 I was told by legal. Which was the warden has  
2 decided he will not be on Ten South. They are  
3 going to house him on Nine South with  
4 Tartaglione.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Let me finish that --

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Yes.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: -- (Indiscernible \*01:33:20).  
9 That's the last paragraph. "Rooms with cameras  
10 aren't always perfect due to the guard having  
11 to maintain a constant eye on the camera  
12 screen. She noted she has never gone to  
13 attorney conference for any other patients or  
14 inmates. She believes MCC psychological  
15 services did all they could for Epstein. And  
16 ultimately, the lack of a cellmate, and under  
17 staffing contributed to his death. Three  
18 suicide risk assessments were completed on  
19 Epstein, which is unusual. One of those was  
20 completed due to a judge's order." Is it  
21 normal for a judge to request a psychological -  
22 ?

23 MS. [REDACTED]: It is not uncommon,  
24 especially when the judge knew he had been on  
25 watch before.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: So, I think, I don't think he  
3 was ordered the first time, to be placed on  
4 watch. I think it -. I don't remember which  
5 time it was that the judge ordered it. But  
6 judges will, if there is, if they have ever  
7 been on suicide watch in the past, when they  
8 leave a court proceeding. If it was the time  
9 that he was denied the bail, I don't know which  
10 was the time that the judge ordered it.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: So, your -.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Would your notes say when  
13 it was?

14 MS. [REDACTED]: Possibly. Possibly.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Possibly.

16 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: So, you don't think it  
18 was the first time, though?

19 MS. [REDACTED]: I thought the first time I  
20 did it precautionary. I don't know if it had  
21 the judge's order.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, when you say there  
23 are three risk - suicide risk assessments were  
24 included, completed on Epstein.

25 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Or Epstein. When he  
2 first came on, when he, on July 23rd, what was  
3 the third?

4 MS. [REDACTED]: I think that is when he came  
5 back and was denied the bail.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: And do you think that was  
7 probably the one that the judge -? Because  
8 obviously, you do it when they come on, right?  
9 And then, you do it if they try to attempt  
10 suicide.

11 MS. [REDACTED]: Or maybe the judge -. I  
12 don't know if it was the first time. Maybe it  
13 was the first time. Because I think the second  
14 time was Dr. [REDACTED]. Which I really  
15 complimented her on. I think she did it out of  
16 precaution, because of what happened in court.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. And that was --

18 MS. [REDACTED]: I think she did it on her own  
19 instinct. Not because she was told to.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: Wait. I have an event that  
22 took place on August --

23 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: -- August 1st. It looks like  
25 the correctional systems received a form from

1 the U.S. Marshal Service, the previous day  
2 stating that Epstein had reported suicidal  
3 tendencies. I guess he went to court. And he  
4 reported suicidal tendencies. So, the Marshal  
5 Service reported that to correctional systems,  
6 and correctional systems notified that to  
7 psychological observations. Psychs.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: That was August 1st.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you believe that might be  
10 the third time?

11 MR. [REDACTED]: That would have been,  
12 like, the day after he came off of --

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: -- psych observation.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: Right. And they always put  
16 suicidal tendencies on every single one of  
17 them. So, I am thinking, because he was just  
18 coming off watch, he might have said, I was on  
19 watch.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: All right. So, that is -  
21 -

22 MS. [REDACTED]: But I don't -.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: -- you think the Marshals  
24 do this frequently?

25 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: This isn't --

2 MS. [REDACTED]: They all say --

3 MR. [REDACTED]: -- that wasn't --

4 MS. [REDACTED]: -- suicidal tendencies.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: And there, it's, they all say  
7 the same thing.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: All right. So, that  
9 wasn't abnormal that they wrote that on August  
10 1st?

11 MS. [REDACTED]: Not if he had recently been  
12 taken off of watch, and they were aware of  
13 that.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

16 MR. [REDACTED]: But you don't know what  
17 the third instance was, with --? Because we  
18 have, again --

19 MS. [REDACTED]: One was when he first came  
20 into jail.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: -- right.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: Remember, we did, we had him  
23 on --

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Yup.

25 MS. [REDACTED]: -- and he was mad. The

1 second time, I believe was when, maybe when the  
2 Marshals -. I don't know. I don't know.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: So, we know the two.

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: I'm just trying to --

6 MS. [REDACTED]: The third one --

7 MR. [REDACTED]: -- to figure -.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: -- was when he had, when he  
9 actually had the --

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah, yeah, no --

11 MS. [REDACTED]: -- Marshals --

12 MR. [REDACTED]: -- I know. They are my  
13 two that I know. Is when he first came on,  
14 July 23rd.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: And I think the other one was  
16 when he came back from court.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: On the August 1st?

18 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah. I think so. I have to  
19 look. It might be. I have to look at my  
20 notes.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: But those were the three  
23 times.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah. No. Because in  
25 your report, it kind of - because obviously, it

1           was probably taking so long - it kind of jumps  
2           really quickly from July 30th to basically the  
3           end.

4           MS. ██████: Okay.

5           MR. ██████: So, that was just -. So,  
6           I was wondering --

7           MS. ██████: Okay.

8           MR. ██████: -- if we were missing  
9           something there, and that sounds like maybe  
10          that is what we were missing.

11          MS. ██████: Okay. If you wanted me to  
12          look at my notes, I could do that.

13          MR. ██████: This. Do you know? Because  
14          I think --

15          MR. ██████: I'll just --

16          MR. ██████: -- that will help you.

17          MR. ██████: -- real quickly cover  
18          this with you. I think we already did. This  
19          was the 302 with ██████? ██████  
20          ██████? Who is that?

21          MS. ██████: She is the forensic  
22          psychologist that removed him from watch the  
23          first time, and stepped him down to psych ops.

24          MR. ██████: Okay. So, in part of her  
25          302, we're just going to cover this quickly.

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: Just because we're  
3 running out of time. It says, "[REDACTED]  
4 stated psychological observation allowed  
5 Epstein to possess hygiene products, two  
6 novels, to attend his legal visits, and to  
7 shower." And as we already stated, he was  
8 authorized legal visits while he was on  
9 observation.

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay. All right.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

12 MS. [REDACTED]: So, she did those  
13 authorizations.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

15 MS. [REDACTED]: After she took him off.

16 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, and then, it  
17 says, and that part says, "[REDACTED] stated she  
18 discussed the decision to step down Epstein  
19 with Dr. [REDACTED] and associate warden [REDACTED]-  
20 [REDACTED]." Now, when she says, "[REDACTED] stated  
21 she discussed the decision to step down Epstein  
22 with Dr. [REDACTED] and associate warden [REDACTED]-  
23 [REDACTED]," do you know which step down she is  
24 talking about? Is she talking about watch toed  
25 observation? That's what --

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: -- okay. Rather than  
3 observation to SHU?

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Correct.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. And with associate  
6 warden [REDACTED]-[REDACTED], is that a normal thing  
7 that she would discuss that decision? She  
8 would discuss that with an associate warden?  
9 Is that normal?

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. I mean, maybe [REDACTED]-  
11 [REDACTED] gave her a call. Maybe she gave [REDACTED]-  
12 [REDACTED] a call, just because he was who he was.  
13 We don't do it with every single inmate. We  
14 send out a notification to, like, all executive  
15 staff. And every day, on who is on watch, he  
16 was removed from watch. An average inmate,  
17 maybe they wouldn't have had a discussion.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: Maybe it was because it was  
20 Epstein.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: And this is where --

22 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: -- it goes into the -.  
24 Do you have any knowledge that around this  
25 time, executive staff, or anybody at the

1 institution, was contacted by either the  
2 attorneys or the judge, saying he needs to be  
3 taken off of suicide watch, and put to  
4 psychological observation, so the attorney  
5 visits may -?

6 MS. [REDACTED]: We never got a call like  
7 that.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: No? Okay.

9 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: And you don't know that  
11 [REDACTED] - [REDACTED] mentioned that to you guys?

12 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 MS. [REDACTED]: Not that I know of.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. It says,  
16 "[REDACTED] stated both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]  
17 concurred with her determination regarding  
18 Epstein. [REDACTED] stated, 'I made the  
19 decision with the consent of [REDACTED] and  
20 [REDACTED].'" Is that correct?

21 MS. [REDACTED]: Right. I mean, she came and  
22 discussed it with me. And gave me all of the  
23 reasons she felt he was written to be stepped  
24 down.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: Great.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: I have a few follow up  
2 questions.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: So, this is the very end.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: This is the very end.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Sorry.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: It's okay.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: That's okay.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: It's taking longer than  
9 we expected.

10 MS. [REDACTED]: It's okay.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: When inmate Reyes was chosen  
12 to be Epstein's cellmate after he was brought  
13 back to the SHU, do you know who was involved  
14 in that decision-making?

15 MS. [REDACTED]: Executive staff, most likely.  
16 Or correctional staff. Probably the captain.  
17 The captain and the AW over programs.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: And do you think that  
19 everyone, in terms of captain, the lieutenants,  
20 and even the SHU staff would have known who  
21 Reyes was, that he was Epstein's cellmate?

22 MS. [REDACTED]: I mean, I would hope that was  
23 discussed. But again, I don't know if it was  
24 discussed with them. But the captain should  
25 have passed it onto the lieutenants, and the

1           lieutenants should have passed it to the staff.

2           MR. ██████: And based on the  
3           recommendation, as you mentioned, from your  
4           office and also through the chain of command,  
5           they should - everyone should have known that  
6           Epstein needed a cellmate?

7           MS. ██████: Yes.

8           MR. ██████: And if everyone knew Epstein  
9           needed a cellmate, they should have technically  
10          also known that his cellmate was Reyes?

11          MS. ██████: I would think so.

12          MR. ██████: Okay.

13          MS. ██████: I would hope so.

14          MR. ██████: And when they came up the,  
15          came up with the name, with the list of names  
16          to place as a cellmate for Epstein, did they  
17          have other names also chosen? Or just Reyes?

18          MS. ██████: Hmm. That, I don't know.

19          MR. ██████: Okay. You are not aware?

20          MS. ██████: Because I didn't make those  
21          decisions.

22          MR. ██████: Do you know if there --

23          MS. ██████: At the time.

24          MR. ██████: -- was a plan, if he was  
25          to leave, someone else would go into his place?

1 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't know that.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. That was a custody

3 --

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: -- decision?

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Determination.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

8 MR. [REDACTED]: Do know if he was prescribed  
9 any medications? Epstein was prescribed any  
10 medications?

11 MS. [REDACTED]: I would, again, have to see  
12 his chart.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't --

15 MR. [REDACTED]: Not that -.

16 MS. [REDACTED]: -- I don't remember. I don't  
17 think so.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: I mean, from psychiatry.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: I want to show --

21 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't remember.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: -- we will jump into  
23 that.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: Just in a couple of

1 minutes.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: I just had a quick question.  
3 You mentioned that he told you the first time  
4 that he had a bail hearing.

5 MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you recall him mentioning,  
7 in your last meeting with him on August 8th,  
8 that he was scheduled for another bail hearing?

9 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't recall.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: He didn't mention that?

11 Okay.

12 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't recall. He may have.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 MS. [REDACTED]: He may have. I know he was  
15 trying to get several hearings, so it is very  
16 possible he did.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: So, what we have here is an  
18 after-action review. It was conducted by the  
19 Bureau of Prisons.

20 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: And I'm going through some of  
22 the noted -.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: Have you seen this?

24 MS. [REDACTED]: Hmm-mm.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: No. Okay.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Basically, do you know what  
2 an after-action review is?

3 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. I do.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, this was done by  
5 the team that was sent down to do on running  
6 Mr. Epstein's death. And maybe the --

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Immediately after their  
8 death.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: -- immediately after.

10 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 MR. [REDACTED]: There is a note. "On July  
12 9th, 2019, at 12:35, health services completes  
13 a history and physical for inmate Epstein.  
14 This assessment was done in lieu of an intake  
15 screening, which should have been conducted  
16 within 24 hours of arrival." It looks like he  
17 arrived on July 6th, but the intake screening  
18 wasn't done for him.

19 MS. [REDACTED]: That's medical.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: That's medical. Okay.

21 MS. [REDACTED]: We did it the next day. We  
22 do them within 24 hours.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. "On July 18th, 30-day  
24 psychology reviews are conducted for the entire  
25 SHU population. Inmate Epstein was not in the

1 SHU at the time due to an attorney visit. The  
2 review was never conducted."

3 MS. [REDACTED]: He was probably seen in  
4 attorney conference, but it wasn't conducted if  
5 he wasn't in the SHU at the time.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Should they have followed -  
7 psychology - have followed up?

8 MS. [REDACTED]: I would have to see my  
9 records.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 MS. [REDACTED]: To see if there was a reason,  
12 or if we put in a note, subsequently.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Understood. And you said,  
14 the notification by the U.S. Marshal Service on  
15 August 1st, you said that would be routine, if  
16 he came off of suicide watch or psychological  
17 observation, went to court, and they saw that,  
18 they would normally make a routine  
19 notification?

20 MS. [REDACTED]: They often do. Yes.

21 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

22 MS. [REDACTED]: Unless they are not privy to  
23 it. You know? But if they are, they would, to  
24 cover everything.

25 MR. [REDACTED]: But you don't know --

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: -- anything specifically  
3 he was doing on August 1st, that would have  
4 caused them to make a note?

5 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, I don't have these  
8 documents in here, to show you, but it was  
9 flagged that, "The psychology intake screening  
10 contains errors in identifying details. Inmate  
11 Epstein is referred to as a black inmate, and a  
12 different inmate's name is used within the  
13 report."

14 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. One of the  
15 psychologists made an error. Perhaps. It was  
16 a template-ish error. I don't know.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

18 MS. [REDACTED]: To be honest, it was probably  
19 a template error. She was probably writing it  
20 quickly, and when she proofread it, she didn't  
21 catch it.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. "There --

23 MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: -- there are errors within  
25 the risk of sexual abusiveness report, such as

1           referencing an inaccurate program statement,  
2           and noting a history of prior prison sexual  
3           predation."

4           MS. ██████: Okay. Again --

5           MR. ██████: (Indiscernible \*01:44:50)?

6           MS. ██████: -- again, that is a  
7           checklist. It was probably a typo on the  
8           checklist.

9           MR. ██████: Mm-hmm.

10          MS. ██████: By the psychologist. It was  
11          a seasoned psychologist. I don't read every  
12          single note that goes into the record. The  
13          only time I read every single note is when  
14          somebody is a probationary psychologist, and  
15          unlicensed.

16          MR. ██████: And who was --

17          MS. ██████: Then I will --

18          MR. ██████: -- the psychologist?

19          MS. ██████: -- the psychologist at the  
20          time was Dr. ██████.

21          MR. ██████: ██████. Okay.

22          MS. ██████: And I just think they were  
23          typos. Looking back and having a conversation  
24          with her, they were typos, but she is a  
25          seasoned psychologist, a forensic psychologist,

1           and I couldn't possibly read every note that  
2           goes in the record. Or else I would never  
3           sleep. But I read, you know, like I said, if  
4           they are unlicensed, on probationary, then I  
5           read all of the notes that go into the record.

6           MR. ██████: So, it is not that  
7           ██████████ didn't do the intake properly.  
8           It was just, it was a format that she probably  
9           used.

10          MS. ██████: Yes.

11          MR. ██████: Okay. Now --

12          MS. ██████: Definitely.

13          MR. ██████: -- there is another incident,  
14          "July 16th, 12:48 p.m., inmate Epstein is seen  
15          by psychology in the presence of his attorneys,  
16          while conducting a legal visit. This visit  
17          recommended no follow up. This visit was at  
18          the request of inmate Epstein, that was wholly  
19          inappropriate. Inmate Epstein attempted to  
20          establish guidelines for communication, and  
21          bring his attorneys into the fray regarding  
22          mental health treatment be provided by the  
23          institution.

24                 It is not typical for the Bureau of  
25          Prisons to provide psychological intervention

1           in the presence of others, nor is it  
2           appropriate for an agency psychologist to meet  
3           with the inmate attorneys." The summary they  
4           put on there is, "On July 16th, 2019, a  
5           psychologist met with inmate Epstein in the  
6           presence of his attorneys. This visit was done  
7           at the request of inmate Epstein, that appears  
8           to have been the purpose of airing grievances  
9           with conditions of confinement.

10                   This is a highly abnormal event. It is  
11           not typical for the Bureau of Prisons to  
12           provide psychological intervention in the  
13           presence of others, and agency psychologists  
14           should not - should neither provide mental  
15           health intervention in the presence of others,  
16           nor engage legal representation regarding  
17           institution operations or conditions of  
18           confinement.

19                   Although the specifics of what information  
20           the psychologists are unknown, any items shared  
21           could be viewed as an unauthorized release of  
22           information, both regarding inmate Epstein's  
23           mental health treatment, and institution  
24           operational information."

25                   MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Can you elaborate -?

2 MR. [REDACTED]: What is your response to  
3 that, I guess?

4 MS. [REDACTED]: I wasn't aware --

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you agree with it, or  
6 -?

7 MS. [REDACTED]: -- if one of my  
8 psychologists, or I went up one time, and I  
9 think another one of my psychologists went up,  
10 it was probably just to see that he was okay,  
11 and that he didn't need anything from  
12 psychology. So, the intention was to check on  
13 him. It wasn't to breach any security, or it  
14 wasn't to meet his demands, or anything like  
15 that. It was probably because he did spend  
16 eight hours up there, and it was more well  
17 meaning that we just probably just wanted to  
18 see if he had any needs from our department, at  
19 that time. Or on that one occasion, he was up  
20 there when that psychologist was conducting her  
21 rounds in the suicide watch area, and he wasn't  
22 there. And she went up there to check on his  
23 mental status, to see if he was okay.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Right.

25 MS. [REDACTED]: So -.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: And who would have that  
2 one been?

3 MS. [REDACTED]: I think it was Dr. [REDACTED] that  
4 went up there on one occasion. And I think I  
5 went up there on one occasion. That's when he  
6 made that comment to me.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: But -.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: Now, so, what is your --

10 MS. [REDACTED]: I did not share --

11 MR. [REDACTED]: -- do you agree --

12 MS. [REDACTED]: -- anything with his  
13 attorneys. He stepped out of the room. Like,  
14 the attorneys were sitting at the table. And  
15 then, there is the door, and he walked up  
16 towards the door. And I just said, you know, I  
17 think when I went up there, you know, are you  
18 okay? Have you been eating and sleeping okay?  
19 I didn't discuss any intimate details of his  
20 childhood, or anything like that. It was kind  
21 of just, like, are you okay?

22 Do you have any thoughts of harming  
23 yourself? Have you been eating and sleeping,  
24 or do you have any concerns like that. And you  
25 could see my notes, it would probably indicate

1           what I did ask him. It was well meaning. I  
2           certainly didn't engage. I don't know. I  
3           doubt Dr. ██████ did, because she is very rigid.  
4           And any discourse with his attorney about  
5           anything. I think his attorneys may have made  
6           a comment to me, but I think I ignored it.

7           MR. ██████: Okay.

8           MS. ██████: But yeah.

9           MR. ██████: So, you -.

10          MS. ██████: If that is what they are  
11          referring to, you would have to re, you know,  
12          show me the contacts, and the context. The  
13          contacts, the actual site contacts that they  
14          are referring to.

15          MR. ██████: Yeah, they don't --

16          MS. ██████: Well.

17          MR. ██████: Yeah.

18          MR. ██████: -- they don't list it on  
19          there.

20          MR. ██████: I mean, so -

21          MS. ██████: I mean, those are the only --

22          MR. ██████: -- two --

23          MS. ██████: -- two times that we went up  
24          there, and that was more well meaning, to check  
25          on his mental status.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Sure.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: It was certainly -.

3 MR. [REDACTED]: And not a discussion --

4 MR. [REDACTED]: So, do you --

5 MR. [REDACTED]: -- with the attorneys.

6 Sorry.

7 MR. [REDACTED]: But as --

8 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: -- this is the BOP's  
10 findings. This isn't on ours. We are just  
11 saying --

12 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: -- do you agree with that  
14 finding, or do you think that that is  
15 inaccurate, the way that they have that? They  
16 are saying that you should not have done that?

17 MS. [REDACTED]: I would say it is 50/50. I  
18 mean, now, in retrospect, if it could be  
19 perceived that way, it is probably not the best  
20 situation. However, circumstantially, this guy  
21 was in the conference room from dawn until  
22 dusk. And we felt a need to check on him, to  
23 see if he was okay. So --

24 MR. [REDACTED]: What -.

25 MS. [REDACTED]: -- I would say we just

1           probably weren't aware that it wasn't a good  
2           thing to do.

3           MR. ██████: Okay.

4           MS. ██████: We meant it to be --

5           MR. ██████: Okay. So, and --

6           MS. ██████: -- a good thing.

7           MR. ██████: -- and this prior to his  
8           first suicide attempt, it looks like, on, it  
9           says July 16th.

10          MR. ██████: Yeah.

11          MR. ██████: Okay.

12          MS. ██████: So, that was probably just to  
13          check on him due to our concerns.

14          MR. ██████: Sure.

15          MS. ██████: In reading that, I probably  
16          would not do that ever again. Because it is  
17          perceived that way. But we weren't aware that  
18          that wouldn't - that that was an unusual  
19          circumstance.

20          MR. ██████: Sure.

21          MS. ██████: It doesn't spring upon us  
22          frequently. We don't have inmates that have  
23          that kind of money to sit in there for nine  
24          hours a day.

25          MR. ██████: Okay.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

2 MS. [REDACTED]: You know? So, that has never  
3 happened before.

4 MR. [REDACTED]: So, what, in retrospect,  
5 I guess, what should have happened? Should  
6 have you asked him to be excused, and seen him  
7 a private room?

8 MS. [REDACTED]: I guess we could have done  
9 that, but that would have interfered with his,  
10 and he is paying his attorneys. It is just, I  
11 would have to probably consult on that further.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Has anyone --

13 MS. [REDACTED]: Because -.

14 MR. [REDACTED]: -- spoken with you about  
15 this?

16 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: You just mentioned something.  
19 You said it is highly unusual that somebody is  
20 sitting in attorney conference for that long.  
21 Is that not allowed for him? Was that not  
22 allowed for any other inmates? Was he the only  
23 inmate who was, that was allowed to?

24 MS. [REDACTED]: I think he was the only  
25 inmate that had that kind of money.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah. It's -.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

3 MS. [REDACTED]: To pay an attorney for nine  
4 hours.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: To sit in a conference room.  
7 You know, usually, they last about an hour.  
8 So, I had never seen that before in all my  
9 years in the prisons. But it is not like you  
10 can't do it. I guess if you have the money,  
11 and the resources to have different attorneys  
12 come, to cover your whole day --

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

14 MS. [REDACTED]: -- then -.

15 MR. [REDACTED]: I just have one more topic,  
16 and then it is done.

17 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

18 MR. [REDACTED]: So, were you aware that Mr.  
19 Epstein was allowed to make an unmonitored  
20 phone call on the evening of August 9th?

21 MS. [REDACTED]: No.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: So, on August 9th, it looks  
23 like he, his pack and PIN was provided to him,  
24 but it was never set up. So, he requested a  
25 phone call, and it looks like the unit manager

1           took him to the SHU, brought back from attorney  
2           conference, and placed him in the shower.

3           MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

4           MR. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

5           MR. [REDACTED]: Plugged it into the legal  
6           line.

7           MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

8           MR. [REDACTED]: And he said he wanted to talk  
9           to his mother. So, the unit manager dialed out  
10          the number. A guy answered the phone. He  
11          handed the phone, the phone over to Mr.  
12          Epstein.

13          MS. [REDACTED]: Mm-hmm.

14          MR. [REDACTED]: And he left. So, Mr. Epstein  
15          was allowed to make the phone call. It was not  
16          monitored. And what do you think? Do you  
17          think that should have ever been allowed?

18          MS. [REDACTED]: That is never allowed. That  
19          is not allowed.

20          MR. [REDACTED]: Do you think that played any  
21          part into what happened that night, being the  
22          fact that he was allowed to make a phone call,  
23          unmonitored, a phone call? Remember, he  
24          mentioned that it was to his mother.

25          MS. [REDACTED]: Right.

1           MR. [REDACTED]: But we learned that his  
2 mother has been deceased for a while.

3           MR. [REDACTED]: This isn't really for her  
4 to answer.

5           MS. [REDACTED]: That, I don't know.

6           MR. [REDACTED]: So, as far as, this is  
7 something that we skipped over in your  
8 interview report, though. It says, "On August  
9 8th, 2019, Dr. [REDACTED] attended the SHU meeting.  
10 She couldn't recall all who was there. But  
11 noted," - so, this talks about that meeting,  
12 and it said that, "Epstein had received his  
13 pack number, which allows him to make phone  
14 calls, and he asked for his books from  
15 psychological observation." So, are you aware  
16 that he actually did receive his pack number?  
17 Pack and PIN number, so he could actually make  
18 calls?

19           MS. [REDACTED]: I probably was privy to it,  
20 if it was mentioned in the SHU meeting. But  
21 that wouldn't have any psychological meaning,  
22 other than he could make the calls, and they  
23 would bring the phone to his cell, which is  
24 what they usually do, and he can make the phone  
25 calls.

1 MR. [REDACTED]: So, you don't recall if  
2 he was actually provided a pack and PIN number  
3 or not?

4 MS. [REDACTED]: I don't recall.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

6 MS. [REDACTED]: Because I don't set that up  
7 or anything. It could have been mentioned in  
8 the SHU meeting. But that doesn't directly  
9 impact mental health services.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

11 MS. [REDACTED]: So.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: So, and you don't know if  
13 it was actually - not only was he given a pack  
14 and PIN number - but you don't know if it was  
15 actually set up or not?

16 MS. [REDACTED]: That, I don't know.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Go ahead.

18 MS. [REDACTED]: And I don't know if it played  
19 a role.

20 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay.

21 MS. [REDACTED]: You know, I don't know.

22 MR. [REDACTED]: That is the last two.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: Yeah. Go ahead.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. So, do you think Mr.  
25 Epstein took his own life?

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. I mean, it would be  
2 highly unlikely that he didn't. I can say that  
3 psychologists, the difficult thing is that we  
4 are psychologists. We are not psychic. But  
5 the events leading up to it, too, that period  
6 of time, he appeared psychologically stable.  
7 But the information that he received, according  
8 to what I heard the night before, and all of  
9 that information being unsealed, and him being  
10 alone with his thoughts, and thinking that  
11 maybe, perhaps he would have to spend the rest  
12 of his life in jail, and that all of these  
13 high-profile individuals information was going  
14 to come out about them.

15 Could he have, at that moment, just felt  
16 completely hopeless, and thought of ending his  
17 life? Yes. That is very possible. You know,  
18 that is very possible. Prior to me leaving, he  
19 wasn't given any of this information, and he  
20 had a lot of hope, he had a lot of resources.  
21 Perhaps he thought, you know, maybe he could  
22 cooperate, or get some kind of a deal. I don't  
23 know what happened at that meeting. But having  
24 been in the prison system as long as I have  
25 been, and being a psychologist, sometimes when

1 people get really bad news, and they feel very  
2 hopeless, and the opportunity is there.

3 They will take that opportunity. So, yes.  
4 It would be highly improbable, you know, the  
5 way our prison is set up, that someone could  
6 have snuck up there and harmed him, in some  
7 way. The way that the tiers are and  
8 everything. So, I think the higher probability  
9 is that he did kill himself.

10 MR. [REDACTED]: That leads to my second  
11 question. The last question.

12 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

13 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you have any reason to  
14 believe that Epstein did not take his own life?

15 MS. [REDACTED]: I have no reason to believe  
16 he didn't.

17 MR. [REDACTED]: Do you have any other follow  
18 up questions?

19 MR. [REDACTED]: No. Is there anything  
20 that we missed, that we should know?

21 MS. [REDACTED]: Not that I can think of.  
22 Just that, you know, we -. No. Not really.  
23 No.

24 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Great. We can't  
25 thank you enough.

1 MS. [REDACTED]: Yeah.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: So, again, it took longer  
3 than we expected, but you were extremely  
4 helpful.

5 MS. [REDACTED]: Thank you.

6 MR. [REDACTED]: [REDACTED] is the case agent,  
7 so if you have any questions or anything --

8 MS. [REDACTED]: Okay.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: -- you can ~~(Indiscernible~~  
10 ~~\*01:57:25)go directly~~ with [REDACTED].

11 MS. [REDACTED]: Thank you.

12 MR. [REDACTED]: Thank you for taking your  
13 time.

14 MS. [REDACTED]: If there is anything else I  
15 can do, or anything I can clarify, with regard  
16 to the case, or if you want me to review some  
17 notes, if anything wasn't clear, because like I  
18 said, I probably, to be more specific, if I had  
19 those notes, I would know when the Marshals  
20 came in, because it is kind of a blur to me.  
21 It has been a few years. It was probably the  
22 most traumatic event in my entire career.

23 MR. [REDACTED]: Oh, wow. Yeah.

24 MS. [REDACTED]: You know?

25 MR. [REDACTED]: Sorry to hear that.

1 MS. [REDACTED]: So, yeah.

2 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. Well, thank you so  
3 much for that.

4 MS. [REDACTED]: Thank you.

5 MR. [REDACTED]: If anything comes up, or you  
6 have anything that you want to share, please,  
7 reach out.

8 MS. [REDACTED]: Yes. Thank you.

9 MR. [REDACTED]: Okay. It is currently  
10 11:18 a.m. on Wednesday, October 27th, 2021.  
11 This is Senior Special Agent [REDACTED] [REDACTED].  
12 I am turning off the recorder.

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