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Allen was interviewed in person on 03/05/2012 at 19364 Packard in Detroit, his aunt's house after calling that morning in response to my message through his sister.

Allen said he was arrested in ^{1982 EA 1-26-13} ~~1985~~ in connection with "the Hart Street Murder." He also referred to it as "the Hart Street Massacre." This case had multiple defendants and Allen cooperated with the government in exchange for not being charged. While he was cooperating with the government, he became familiar with Isaac Smith, a lieutenant or detective with the Detroit Police.

Around 1993 or 1994, two people, Larry Smith's cousin and Allen's child's mother's boyfriend "set me up." They lied to the police and said he was responsible for an armed robbery. While in jail for this allegation, he ran into Jerry Clay, Larry Smith's co-defendant, in a jail common area. Clay said his lawyer knew Allen and would be around soon to visit him. (Allen was never completely sure on Clay's name; he referred to him as "Worm") Shortly after that, attorney Otis Culpepper came and visited with Allen. He assumes Culpepper heard about him from Isaac Smith. Culpepper told Allen he would give him \$1,500 if his testimony could make Larry Smith solely responsible for the murder. Allen says his daughter did receive the money.

Shortly after the Culpepper visit, Monica Childs from the Detroit Police Department came and visited with Allen. Childs told Allen that she wants him to testify in the Larry Smith case. She said she knew his charges were bogus and that he could beat them. If he could not beat that case, she said that providing his testimony in Smith case would be an "insurance policy." His testimony would ensure police help. He was promised a spot on the 9th floor of the police department instead of the jail. Childs told Allen that he would have to testify that Smith bragged about having committed the crime.

Allen ran into some men talking in the common area of the jail looking at pictures of women. The men were being disrespectful towards the women in the pictures. The men called the women "bitches and hoes." Allen said he wrote down the word woman on a piece of paper and crossed out the "w" and "o." He did this to demonstrate to the guys how connected the two genders are and he told them that "we all come from women." As the conversation progressed, he learned he was talking to Larry Smith and Omar. He did not know Omar's last name. Larry Smith said during the conversation that he was in jail on a murder charge. Smith did not say "I committed the crime" or "I am responsible." Omar bragged about his crime.

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Allen's testimony began somewhat truthfully saying that he ran into two guys in the jail ogling pictures of women and using foul language directed at these women. Allen said he wanted the women on the jury to hear that Smith was being disrespectful to women in an effort to sway their votes. He said Smith said foul things about Childs which was not true. Allen testified that Smith bragged about committing the crime he was accused of and Smith was found guilty.

About two weeks after he testified against Smith, Allen began to have sexual relations with Childs. He said Childs was very pleased with his trial performance and said, "You put my name in lights." Childs seemed to have a particular desire to see Smith in prison. Allen did not know why. Thereafter, she would writ Allen out of the police department lock-up under the pretense that they were just going to do police business like look at a crime scene. They would travel to a hotel on Jefferson and have sex. This happened about five times. Allen said he had Childs' home telephone number and was familiar with a personal story wherein Childs' daughter's boyfriends took her police weapon.

Allen described the environment the police witnesses experienced on the 9th Floor of the Detroit Police Department. Unlike the jail and unlike non-police witnesses on the 9th floor Allen and the others could have their family bring them packages and food. The items would be brought directly to them. Allen received hot food and drugs from the outside often while on the 9th Floor. Allen did drugs and sold them while working as a police witness. Police officers would arrange for police witnesses to invite guests to the police station to have sex in the witness rooms located on the lower floors of the police department.

The police supplied the police witnesses with cartons of cigarettes and the ability to make phone calls for other prisoners. The police would then bring the police witnesses to the jail and have them pass out free cigarettes and offer to make phone calls for other inmates. The police witnesses would try to get as much information from the phone calls to use in the testimony against that defendant. The police would also supply police witnesses with the discovery packets and allow them to read up on the case so that eventual testimony would match the government's allegations. Police witnesses would sometimes read the discovery packets before offering a particular defendant help with a phone call, thus allowing the police witness to have as much information about the case when they went fishing for more information.

Allen claims that Childs was also dating or maybe just having sex with Detroit Police Lieutenant Rice. Childs wanted to make sure she would become the head of Homicide and thought her relationship with Rice would help. Another woman ended up getting the position. This upset Childs.

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At some later point, Allen was approached by Officer Collins. ~~Allen could not remember his first name.~~ This was about a year after the Smith case. Collins wanted him to testify against Anthony Gates. Allen agreed to help at first, but later he became upset with Collins when

Allen now remembers his first name, His name is Dall Collins

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Collins failed to help Allen arrange a sexual encounter at the police station. Allen got in touch with Gates and alerted him to all the details his lawyer would need to bring up during Allen's cross examination. Allen and Gates' attorney "fought" for a good deal of time in front the jury. Allen said "We made that trial about me," not about Gates. Gates was found not guilty.

Cynthia Denise Overton was his girlfriend while he was a police witness. She can confirm that Allen was given special treatment. She will confirm that Allen was allowed to have sex with her at the police station. She heard Allen was referred to as a "PW," police witness.

In addition to Childs, Allen also claimed to have sexual relations with Keisha Smith, another Detroit Police Officer.

Another time completely unrelated to the Smith case, Allen was in a room alone with Detective Rice and Rice threatened to kill him. Rice said all he would have to do was say that Allen reached for his gun and he could kill him with impunity.

Childs came to Allen at one point and said a former police witness, Milton "Butch" Jones, was writing a book and she was nervous that Allen would tell this guy his story. This book set out to expose the practices of the Detroit Police. Allen could not remember where this event fit into the chronology of events.

Childs also used Allen as a threat to other inmates. She would tell suspects that she "knows the guy who chopped up that man in Highland Park" and if they did not cooperate with her she would see to it that the suspect would be positioned in a cell near the murderer. The implication was that Childs would allow the murderer to physically harm other inmates. Inmates would come through and tell Allen that Childs was using him and his picture (which she showed them) to threaten them.

Allen is not upset about the amount of time he spent in prison and he does not blame Pressley or anyone else for the length of his prison term. He likes Pressley and in his mind, Presley was always professional. Presley knew about the crooked cops but he did not participate in their activities with witnesses.

Allen said two other police witnesses were Joe Twilley and Cornelius Jimmerson (spr).

Before our interview, Allen asked for money for bus fare. I told him I would be happy to pick him up somewhere or give him a ride, but I would not give him money. He asked if I would bring him a hamburger. I refused. I told him during the interview that nobody representing Smith was going to give him money. If he required money, we were not interested in working with him. Allen is homeless. He lives with family and friends. He said he drives trucks for a living now but, he is not licensed to do this work.

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Allen said he is prepared to testify and said he will sign an affidavit attesting to the facts in this memorandum.

Further Investigation

Please advise on any further investigation you would like done on this matter.

Sincerely,

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