



Northwood Police Department

Person of Interest (Form S-853)

Case No.
9649-2a

Date filed:
March 18, 2024

DETAILS

Full Name:	Renee Carter	Age:	40	Dominant Hand:	Right
Height:	5'2"	Weight:	115 lbs		
Shoe Size:	6	Eye:	Brown	Hair Color:	Brown
Military Experience:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Own Fire arms:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Prior Arrests:	NA	Outstanding Warrants:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Employer	Northwood Research Institute	Occupation	Lab Assistant		

VEHICLES (use additional sheet of necessary)

Year	2019	Model	Camery	Make	Toyota	Color	Green	License Plate	4JK-297
Year		Model		Make		Color		License Plate	

WITNESS STATEMENT

In space below, describe your whereabouts on the date and time of incident

On the evening of Dr. Eleanor Vance's death, I left the laboratory at 7:00 p.m. sharp. I remember the time clearly because I had a dinner reservation with a friend, and I made sure to leave on schedule. After leaving, I went directly to dinner and then home for the night.

My professional and personal relationship with Eleanor was important to me, and I am devastated by her loss.

Received by: Det. Pat Jensen

Date: March 15, 2024



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Interview Transcript (Form S-942)

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Details

Interview: Renee Carter

Date:	03 / 15 / 2024	Time:	11:30 am	Location:	Northwood Research Institute RM C-104
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Detective Jensen: Please state your name for the record.

Renee Carter: Renee Marie Carter.

Detective Jensen: And your relationship to Dr. Eleanor Vance?

Renee Carter: I was her lab assistant. We worked together nearly every day. And... we also used to date. A couple years ago.

Detective Jensen: You're aware Dr. Vance had a current partner?

Renee Carter: Yes. Ann. [hesitates] I mean, I'm happy for her. Really. Eleanor deserves someone steady. But- [fidgets with her hands] I'd be lying if I said it doesn't sting a little. I always thought... maybe someday, we'd find our way back to each other.

Detective Jensen: So how did that work - working so close with a former girlfriend? I bet that was frustrating?

Renee Carter: It wasn't easy, but we mostly focused on work. Eleanor and I didn't talk about our personal lives. Made it a little bit easier to forget what could have been ...

Detective Jensen: Let's talk about the evidence. Your fingerprint was found on broken glassware at the scene. Can you explain that?

Renee Carter: Of course. I mean, that's not strange. I handled the jars all the time - organizing, refilling, logging inventory. It was part of my job. If you check the logs, I filled up some of the solutions earlier this week. Finding my prints in the lab is totally normal.

Detective Jensen: What time did you leave the lab on the night of Eleanor's death?

Renee Carter: Seven o'clock sharp. I remember because I had a dinner reservation with a friend. I didn't come back.

Detective Jensen: Are you sure about that? The security guard reported seeing your car in the lot at 10:15 p.m.

Renee Carter: [visibly tense] Oh... right. That. Okay, yes, I drove back later. But not to see Eleanor - I swear. I realized I'd left my notebook in the office. I thought I could just run in and grab it.

Detective Jensen: Did you enter the building?

Renee Carter: No. My badge wouldn't let me in after hours. I sat there for a bit, got frustrated, and then drove home. I didn't see Eleanor. I didn't hurt her.

Detective Jensen: Why didn't you mention this before?

Renee Carter: Because I knew how it would look. Eleanor... me... my car there after hours. I panicked. But I'm telling you the truth now. I swear.

Detective Jensen: Hmmm. Where did you go after you left?

Renee Carter: I was frustrated for not being able to get my notebook and went straight home to bed.

Detective Jensen: Did anyone see you? Did you talk to anyone?

Renee Carter: No. Went straight home to where I live alone ... unfortunately ...

Conducted By: Det. Pat Jensen

Transcribed By: Shawn Nguyen





Renee Carter