JAMES WALLER

IN THE CRIMINAL DISTRICT COURT NO. 4 DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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of Dallas County, Texas, and that the following is a

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1	A. As you walk in the front door that would be
2	the entry way to the bathroom.
3	Q. State's Exhibit No. 10, would that be an
4	extension of the mattress in State's Exhibit No. 9?
5	A. Yes, it's up against the wall.
6	MR. NANCARROW: That's all. We pass the
7	witness.
8	MR. JOYNER: No further questions, Your
9	Honor.
10	THE COURT: That's all. Have a short recess,
11	Members of the Jury. Go in the jury room.
12	(Whereupon there was a recess; after
13	which time, the following proceedings
14	were had.)
15	(Whereupon the jury returned to the
16	courtroom.)
17	Whereupon,
18	SALLY WILLIAMS
19	called as a witness by the State, having been duly
2Ø	sworn by the Court to testify to the truth, the whole
21	truth, and nothing but the truth, was examined and
22	testified as follows:
23	DIRECT EXAMINATION
24	BY MR. NANCARROW:
25	MR. NANCARROW: This witness, Your Honor,

1 2. Right. In the sexual assault kit were 5 specimens, 2 3 an anal swab, an anal smear, a blood sample, pubic hair cuttings and a perianal swab. And what do each of those -- what can be 5 Q. 6 done with each one of those samples? 7 With those samples it was requested that 8 seminal -- look for seminal fluid and spermatozoa. 9 Were those on the victim by the name 0. Okay. 10 of 11 Yes, sir; they were. 12 What did you do with the samples that you Q. 13 recovered there or you obtained from the lock box? 14 On the anal swab and the perianal swab, they 15 were tested for the presence of acid phosphatase which is indicative of seminal fluid. 16 17 The anal smears were stained for spermatogoa 18 and the blood sample was tested in the ABO system and 19 the cuttings were released to Mr. Tim Fallon. 23 Okay. Now did you also receive a sheet Q. 21 there, out there at the lab? 22 Yes, sir: I did. A . 23 Okay. And what all were the results of your Q. 24 findings? 25 A. On everything or the sheet?

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The results of the findings were on the anal A . swab and perianal swab that there was no seminal fluid present. On the anal smear that there were spermatozoa present on that. On the blood sample was the victim was an ABO blood group B. On the bed sheet due to the condition of the bed sheet no analysis for body fluids were done.

Okay. What was the condition of that sheet? Q.

Α. The condition of the sheet was that it was a white flat sheet that was filthy and because of this and there were numerous stains, it was impossible for us or for me to determine which was the latest stain and also because of the condition of filthiness of the sheet bacteria built up and therefore it makes all of our tests really inconclusive.

- Q. The sheet was basically in a condition not suitable for your testing?
 - Α. That's correct.
- All right. And you say you found Q. spermatazoa on the anal smear?
 - That's correct. Α.
- Okay. Would that be indicative of some sort Q. of sexual intercourse?
 - Α. Yes, sir; it is.

MR. NANCARROW: That's all. We pass the 1 2 witness. CROSS EXAMINATION 3 BY MR. ANDERSON: 4 Mrs. Wiggins; is that correct? 5 6 Α. Williams. 7 Williams. I am sorry. I am Stanley 8 Anderson and I am representing the accused in this case. I just have a couple of questions for you, 9 ma am? 10 11 Α. Okay. 12 Okay. Again you said you analyzed anal swab, Q. anal smear, blood samples, pubic hair and cuttings; 13 is that correct? 14 15 Pubic hair cuttings and a perianal swab. A . 16 Q. And that's pubic hair; is that 17 correct? 18 That's correct. A . 19 You didn't take any blood samples of pubic Q. 20 hairs or anything else from the accused in this case; 21 did you? 22 Α. No, sir; I did not. 23 You did not. And you don't have any 24 personal knowledge as to the guilt or innocence of 25 the accused; do you?

this defendant, what kind of hair did you obtain from 1 2 him? I obtained head and pubic hair samples. 3 4 Okay. Do you see the Defendant here in the Q. courtroom today? 5 Yes, sir: I do. б Would you point him out, please? 7 Q. I believe he's the man in the middle. 8 Okay. Is it possible he could be one of the 9 Q. other individuals? 10 I really don't -- I don't recall what he 11 looks like. 12 But you did --13 Q * 14 He's got his hair cut if it is. Α. -- you did obtain a head and pubic sample 15 from an individual by the name of James Douglas 16 Waller; is that correct? 17 18 Yes, sir; I did. 19 Now how many hairs did you obtain from that Q. individual? 20 21 At least ten of each sample. Α. Ten from the head and ten from the pubic 22 23 area? 24 Α. Yes. 25 Okay. What's the purpose in that? Q.

if you wanted to say that this hair did not come from 1 this individual, you would have to check it against 2 3 every hair to be positive that it did not come from that individual. 4 5 Q. Okay. And is it even possible that you have or have you come across in your experience odd hairs 6 on a body? 7 . Yes, sir. 8 Α. What would -- what does that mean? 9 10 A hair that does not fit into the range of 11 characteristic that that person has in their hair. 12 Q. All right. Now are you aware of the ways 13 hair can enter a home? Yes. sir. 14 Α. 15 Q. Okay. Are there many ways a hair can get in your house? 16 17 Yes, sir. · A . Okay. And is it possible, can hairs blow in 18 Q. 19 when you open a door? 20 Yes, sir. Α. Okay. Can they get into the ventilation 21 Q. 22 system? 23 Yes. Α. Okay. Is it even possible to pickup hairs 24 Q. 25 when you do laundry?

1 Α. That's county. 2 Dallas County? 0. 3 Yes, sir. A . 4 Okay. Now when you found the hair, I am Q. just curious about this, let me ask you, do you know 5 a Doctor I. C. Stone? Have you ever heard of him? 7 Yes, sir; he's my supervisor. 8 Are you familiar with some of the articles Q. 9 he's written --10 Yes. Α. 11 Q . -- about the value of hair? 12 Α. Yes, sir. 13 Okay. And are you aware that he indicates Q. 14 that you can determine that negroid hair has 15 different characteristics from mongoloid hair or 16 caucasian hair or what have you? 17 Yes, sir. 18 And the reason why where you have that cross 19 section is where you have some type of interracial 20 marriage or something like that, would it not, where 21 you couldn't determine well, this is negroid 22 characteristics or mongoloid characteristics or 23 caucasian characteristics; isn't that correct? 24 That's possible. A . 25 Now you found a hair at the scene; is that Q.

1 from. Would we take it from each arm, the forearm, 2 the leg, the feet, everywhere, so we only take head 3 and pubic hair. 4 Well, why were you performing these tests? 5 That's what I want to know. Why were you performing 6 these tests? 7 Α. To determine if the hair found on the sheets 8 was the same microscopic characteristics as the defendant's. 9 10 Q. Wait a minute now. Let me see your report. 11 You are saying microscopic characteristics, what do 12 you mean by that? 13 The characteristics that one observes when 14 you look under the microscope at medium and high 15 powers. 16 So you were trying -- were you trying to Q. 17 find out whether or not this was negro hair? Did the 18 defendant have negro hair? Is that what you are 19 talking about? 20 No, sir. I was comparing microscopic 21 characteristics. I do not use a race characteristics. 22 I do not believe that race characteristics are a very reliable method. 23 24 What about Mr. Stone, that's your supervisor, 25 right?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Have you ever heard any lectures about him talking about that is reliable characteristics?
- A. What he is speaking of in that article that you are referring to is class characteristics that blacks as a race tend to have a certain type of hair, but from one individual to another individual, even within the white race or the black race, there can be tremendous variance in the characteristics of the hair. Therefore, a white person may have characteristics that are very similar to a black person. Therefore, if I only have one hair I cannot make a determination that that person was black solely on the characteristics of his hair.
- Q. Okay. So, in other words, you had one hair and you knew that going in when you got ten hairs off the scalp and the pubic hair and you knew at that time that you couldn't make any determination at all? Is that what you are telling us?
 - A. No. sir.
- Q. Was it -- is it the hair didn't match up at all to the Defendant, did you say that?
 - A. Yes. sir.
- Q. That the hair that you had didn't match; is that correct?

THE COURT: Defense y'all be ready because we 1 2 are going to finish in the morning. The doctor, 3 there's a doctor needs to testify. He can't get through this afternoon, but he will be here -- y'all 4 sit down -- he will be here at 9 o'clock in the 5 morning, so go about your business. Come in here and 6 7 assemble in the room you have been in by 9 please. Right in here. You may use the door you have been using or the first door to my right and we hope we can conclude the case tomorrow. Tonight do not discuss with your family or your friends any of this testimony. That would be improper for you to do that. You can tell them you

your friends any of this testimony. That would be improper for you to do that. You can tell them you are on a jury, but that's all. When the case is over with, you can discuss it or not discuss the case as you like. With that instruction, I will see you in the morning at 9 o'clock. Good night.

(Whereupon the Court stood in recess until February 1, 1983; at which time, the following proceedings were had:)

THE COURT: Bring the jury in.

(Whereupon the jury returned to the courtroom and the following proceedings were had:)

THE COURT: Proceed please, counsel.

1 Whereupon, 2 JAMES VARNER 3 called as a witness by the State, having been duly sworn by the Court to testify to the truth, the whole 4 5 truth, and nothing but the truth, was examined and testified as follows: 6 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. NANCARROW: 8 Could you state your name and speak loudly 9 10 so everyone can hear you? 11 Α. Doctor James Varner. 12 And you were sworn outside the presence of Q. 13 the jury; were you not? 14 Α. Yes. How are you employed, Doctor? 15 Q * 16 I'm a second year surgery resident at Α. 17 Parkland Hospital. 18 And what are your duties there? 19 A. I am primarily on the house staff there and 20 treat patients, Dallas County patients, at Parkland 21 Hospital and at times and in this instant was serving 22 in charge of the emergency room for admitting 23 patients to the surgery part, portion of the emergency room and treating them there. 24 25 All right. And what are your qualifications Q *

A. Yes. As is required of us and in my position as second year resident in the emergency room we are provided with a packet, a sexual assault packet, and are required to obtain specimens from the

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1	report.
2	THE COURT: Do you have any questions you
3	want to ask the doctor?
4	MR. ANDERSON: My witness now?
5	THE COURT: Yes.
6	MR. ANDERSON: I am sorry.
7	CROSS EXAMINATION
8	BY MR. ANDERSON:
9	Q. Doctor Varner, my name is Stanley Anderson.
10	I represent the accused James Douglas Waller. I just
11	have a couple of questions for you, sir.
12	A. Sure.
13	Q. Doctor Varner, do you have any personal
14	knowledge as to the guilt or innocence of James
15	Douglas Waller?
16	A. No; I do not.
17	Q. You are not telling this jury that James
18	sexually assaulted are you?
19	A. I am not.
20	MR. ANDERSON: Nothing further, Your Honor.
21	THE COURT: Thank you, Doctor.
22	MR. NANCARROW: May this witness be excused?
23	MR. ANDERSON: No objections.
24	THE COURT: Go about your business.
25	THE WITNESS: Thanks.