MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

BUREAU OF CRIMINAL APPREHENSION

TRANSCRIPT

INTERVIEW DATE:

OFFENSE:

INTERVIEW OF:

David Easter (DE)

Freeborn Co. Dispatch (FC)

REVIEWED BY:

BCA CASE #:

EXHIBIT #:

INTERVIEWED BY:

David Schafer (DS)

Freeborn Co. Dispatch (FC)

- DS Ah, this is a copy of the 911 call placed by David Easter to the Freeborn County Sheriff's Office.
- FC 911, what's your emergency?
- Yes, um, I was at a Myer State Park with my family and my four week old daughter.

 Someone pulled up when we were ah, gettin' in my car, he stepped out with a bat and ah,
 I'm a concealed and carry person and under self-defense I shot him and he's sitting, lying in his car. I need cops now.
- FC Okay, is he breathing?
- DE No.
- FC No? Okay where at...
- DE No ma'am.
- FC ... Myer State Park?
- DE Ah, in the back by the picnic area (inaudible).
- FC Okav
- DE Like I said, I am a co...
- FC ... where at, by the camp area?
- DE No, by the picnic, by the picnic, by the picnic, um, area.
- FC By the picnic area?
- DE Yes.
- FC Okay, alright. This is what I need you to do, okay? I need...
- DE Okay.
- FC ... you to make sure that you, you need to unload your clip. Like take it out of the gun.
- DE You gotta do that, oh. Hold on let me pull over, I left the area 'cuz I didn't know if he had friends or not. And like I said I'm with my four week...
- FC Okav.
- DE ... old, my four week old daughter and my ah, wife.
- FC So this happened at the picnic area?
- DE Yes ma'am, we were getting in our vehicle and he pulled up...

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- FC Okay, and where...
- DE ... and ah, he opened...
- FC ... are you at now?
- DE I am towards the main entrance of the park.
- FC Okay.
- DE I got out of there 'cuz it's dark and like I said, I don't know if his friends or any... Alright ma'am, I'm ah, opening the clip right now.
- FC Okay, so I need you to stay at the main entrance.
- DE Okay.
- FC And is it just you and your daughter?
- DE No, it's ah, me, my daughter, and my wife.
- FC Okay. And I need you to put your gun, can you put it on top of your vehicle?
- DE Yes ma'am. L-L-Like I said, I'm still driving...
- FC Okay....
- DE ... in probably about 200 yards, I will...
- FC Okav.
- DE ... when I get there.
- FC Okay, yep. Just stop there. What's your vehicle?
- DE I'm in a 2015 black F150.
- FC A black F150?
- DE Yes ma'am.
- FC Okay. And your name?
- DE David. Easter. And like I said, I am a registered conceal and carry.
- Chay yep, I know that. And I am telling that. Okay? I am telling them that. Though, yep, I need you to pull over though when you get to that entrance. Are you there yet?
- DE No, ma'am, it-it's starting to rain pretty heavy and I guess...
- FC I know.
- DE ... that it's kinda hard to see.
- FC I know. And I am sorry, but I am going to have to 'cuz I don't want anything to happen to you. Okay? So, I'm gonna need you to stand out of your vehicle as soon as you see my deputy's lights. Like his flashing lights come and stand there with your hands up, okay?
- DE Okay.
- FC Okay.
- DE My ah...
- FC (inaudible).
- DE My wife and daughter will still be in the vehicle, that way...
- FC Yep, and I will...

- DE ... they know where they are.
- FC ... let them know that. Yep, I will let them know that.
- DE Okay.
- FC Are you there yet?
- DE No ma'am, I'm comin' up to, I believe it's the last turn till the main entrance slash ranger's station.
- FC Okay. Okay, okay, so stay on the line with me. I'm gonna relay some info to my officers here, okay?
- DE You still there ma'am?
- FC Yep, I'm still there, hold on one second okay?
- DE Alright ma'am, I'm approaching the main ranger station. I'm gonna be pullin' off. I'll have my flashers on, like I said, I'm in a black 2015 Ford F150. I'll actually be up next to the ranger station where there's lights. That way the officer can spot me easily.
- FC Okay, yep. As soon as you see the lights. Okay, he's about 30 seconds out, so if you can get out for me, put the gun on top of your car and stand there...
- DE Okay.
- FC ... with your hands up while they come.
- DE I'm just, does he want it on the hood or inside.
- FC Um, out- ah.
- DE Outside on the hood?
- FC Yes.
- DE Okay, roger that. I'm ah, moving to do that right now ma'am. I am stepping out.
- FC Okay.
- DE And he hasn't, I did see...
- FC I have an officer arriving, do you see him?
- DE Yes ma'am.
- FC Okay, I'm gonna, I'm gonna hang up with you so you can put both hands up, okay?
- DE Yeah, I'm out. I got you on speaker, (inaudible). Will you please stay on the phone with me?
- FC Okay, I can stay on the phone with you.
- DE And like I said, I do have my wife and daughter in the truck.
- FC Yep.
- DE (inaudible) It's un-, it's unloaded, the clip is inside on my dash, so... (inaudible).
- FC (sirens). Yep, (inaudible), pass you.
- DE (inaudible). Hey, ma'am you got an officer (inaudible).
- FC Okay, yep. Put your hands, go down. (voice in the background), (radio sounds).

End of Recording.