## IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS HAMILTON, OHIO,

STATE OF OHIO

CASE NO.# B9508578
JUDGE COOPER

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ELWOOD H. JONES JR. PETITIONER

## AFFIDAVIT OF: ELWOOD H. JONES JR.

I, ELWOOD H. JONES JR. BEING OF FULL LEGAL AGE AND BEING DULY SWORN ACCORDING TO LAW HEREBY STATE THE FOLLOWING IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION AND BELIEF.

ON: SEPTEMBER.27.1995, I WAS ARRESTED AND INDICTED FOR THE MURDER OF: MS. RHODA NATHAN THAT HAPPENED AT THE EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL, IN BLUE ASH, OHIO, ON: SEPTEMBER.03.1994, NOW, I ELWOOD H. JONES JR. HAVE ALWAY'S MAINTAINED MY INNOCENCE. AND, STILL DO. AS I PROVIDE THIS WRITTEN STATEMENT TO MY ATTORNEY ERIN G. BARNHART ALONG WITH A LIST OF ORGANIZATION'S. AND, NEW'S ORGANIZATION'S I HAVE WRITTEN TOO OVER THE LAST 22 YEARS SEEKING THEIR ASSISTANCE WITH PROVING MY INNOCENCE.

ON: JANUARY.10.1997, I ARRIVED AT: MANSFIELD CORRECTION INSTITUTION. AT THAT TIME IT HOUSED OHIO'S DEATH ROW INMATE'S. AND, FOR APPROXIMATELY A YEAR OR SO I WAS LOST FOR WORD'S. AND, FELT TOTALLY ISOLATED AND CONFUSED TO THE POINT OF DISCOMBOBULATION AND I FOUND. I WAS ASKING MYSELF: "HOW DID I GET HERE." NOW I UNDERSTAND THAT I WAS POORLY REPRESENTED. MY COUNSEL. BOTH. AT TRIAL AND THROUGHOUT THE APPELLATE PROCESS. SO, WHEN I FINALLY REGAINED MY BALANCE. I STARTED WRITING EVERYONE. AND, ANYONE THAT CAME TO MIND SEEKING THEIR HELP IN THIS CASE.

NOW, WITHIN THE PAST (10) TEN MONTH'S I HAVE THROWN AWAY AT LEAST 45-60 LETTER'S THAT I HAD RECEIVED BACK FROM VARIOUS ATTORNEY'S. AND, ORGANIZATION'S THAT I HAD WRITTEN SEEKING THEIR HELP IN THIS CASE. HERE IS A LIST OF SOME OF THEM: MR. BRIAN STEVENSON. EQUAL JUSTICE INITIATIVE: 122 COMMERCE STREET. MONTGOMERY. ALABAMA. 36/04 - MS. LINDA A. SMITH "DIRECTOR" KENTUCKY INNOCENCE PROJECT. 5 MILLCREEK PARK, FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY, 4060! - MICHAEL N. ALLMAN C/O NATIONAL REGISTRY OF EXONERATION'S. 625 SOUTH STATE STREET, ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN, 48/109-12/15 - MR. DOUGLAS STANGLIN C/O THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC REPORTER PUBLISHING CO. 1/5 EAST ARMOUR BLVD. KANSAS CITY, MO. 64/11-12C3 - THE CINCINNATI INNOCENCE PROJECT. - THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW SCHOOL. - CASE WESTERN RESERVE LAW SCHOOL. - MS. ANN BOUCHER, PROGRAMME MANAGER OF A.C.A.T. -

MS. EMMANUELLE PURDON " DIRECTOR " OF SAVE INNOCENT'S PROJECT AND MANY MORE. I JUST CAN NOT REMEMBER ALL OF THEM RIGHT NOW. HOWEVER, THERE IS ONE AGENCY WHICH I HAVE LEFT FOR LAST TO DISCUSS IN SOME DETAIL SINCE "THEY ACTUALLY SOUGHT ME OUT ON: JULY.12.2001." REQUESTING AN ON-CAMERA INTERVIEW WITH ME. IT WAS A WOMAN BY THE NAME OF: MS. KRISTI BLAZI - ASSISTANT PRODUCER OF MEDICAL DETECTIVE./ FORENSIC FILES. ( SEE ATTACHED LETTER DATED: JULY.12.2001.)

ON: AUGUST.06.2001, I RESPONDED TO MS. KRISTI BLAZI'S REQUEST FOR AN ON-CAMERA INTERVIEW. ( PLEASE REVIEW ATTACHED WAIVER OF CONFIDENTIALITY. I AGREED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS ON-CAMERA INTERVIEW WITH "MEDSTAR TELEVISION ASSISTANT PRODUCER.") MS. KRISTI BLAZI AND HER STAFF OF INVESTIGATOR'S I ASKED THAT MEDSTAR PRODUCER'S USE THEIR RESOURCES TO RE-INVESTIGATE AND REPORT AN ACCURATE AND HONEST ACCOUNT OF THE EVENT'S SURROUNDING THE MURDER OF MS. NATHAN

HAD MEDSTAR PRODUCER'S EVEN DONE A CURSORY INVESTIGATION OF THE FACTS AT THE TIME. THEY WOULD HAVE LEARNED THAT IN JUNE. 14.2001: TWO (2) FORMER BLUE ASH POLICE OFFICER'S BY THE NAME'S OF: DAVE HOFFMAN AND JOE SCHURE STARTED OUT LOOKING FOR THE NAMES OF THE ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING ELWOOD H. JONES JR. AND ENDED UP AT: THE HAMILTON COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE. WHERE THE TWO OFFICER'S EXPLAINED TO A MR. STEIARI AND A MR. DETERMAN THAT THEY HAD SOME PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE ELWOOD H. JONES JR'S CASE THAT MAYBE HELPFUL IN HIS DEFENSE. THESE TWO OFFICER'S PROVIDED INFORMATION AT THAT TIME OF VARIOUS DOCUMENT'S LOCATION'S. INCLUDING TO GUEST QUESTIONAIR'S. WHICH WAS GENERATED BY THE HAMILTON COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE. AND, THE BLUE ASH POLICE DEPARTMENT. WHICH, A NUMBER OF GUEST'S REPORTED AND DESCRIBED INCIDENTS REGARDING LAX HOTEL SECURITY. AND, CRIMINAL ACTS THAT HAD TAKEN PLACE IN AND AROUND THE HOTEL ON THE EVENING OF: SEPTEMBER.02.1994 - SEPTEMBER.03.1994 FURTHER THERE WERE TWO (2) EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENTS WHICH WAS PROVIDED TO THE BLUE ASH POLICE DETECTIVE JOHN LADD. IN WHICH THE TWO EMPLOYEE'S DESCRIBE SEEING TWO MEN MOMENTS AFTER HEARING A WOMANS SCREAM AND LOOKING IN THE DIRECTION FROM WHICH THE SCREAM CAME FROM. THEY WITNESSED TWO MALES EXITING MS. NATHAN'S ROOM: A WHITE MALE WITH A TANK TOP AND GREY HAIR TURNING RIGHT AS HE EXITED. THEN, A DARK COMPLEXION MALE HAVING A BROWN SHIRT EXITED THE ROOM TURNING LEFT. AND, THE TWO EMPLOYEE'S OBSERVED THAT THE DARK COMPLEXION MALE WHOM TURNED LEFT WAS CARRYING A WALKIE TALKIE. THE DESCRIPTION OF THESE TWO MEN WHEN COMPARED WITH THE DESCRIPTIONS GIVEN VIA THE GUEST QUESTIONAIR'S OF PERSONS WHOM WERE ATTEMPTING TO ENTER THEIR ROOMS APPEAR VERY SIMILAR. AND, THE GUESTS FURTHER INDICATE THAT THE PERSON ATTEMPTING TO GAIN ENTRANCE INTO THEIR ROOMS DID SO WITH A KEY DURING THE NIGHT OF SEPTEMBER. 02.1994 - THE MORNING HOURS OF SEPTEMBER.03.1994

I BELIEVE THAT MS. BLAZI'S LETTER OF: NOVEMBER.02.2001, SUME'S UP THEIR IDEA OF WHAT AN INDEPENDENT CURSORY

INVESTIGATION OF THE FACTS ARE. BECAUSE, IT IS CLEAR THAT WHEN SHE WROTE THIS LETTER ON THE 2nd OF NOVEMBER THEIR EPISODE WHICH THEY INTENDED TO AIR. IT HAD ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED BY HER OWN ADMISSION SOME TWO MONTHS BEFORE HER RESPONSE. THEREFORE I WOULD ASK THAT THE COURT SUBPOENA MEDSTAR PRODUCERS AND EXECUTIVES AND ASK THEM TO EXPLAIN WHERE THEY RECEIVED THEIR ALLEGED INFORMATION REGARDING THE EVIDENCE AND FACTS OF THIS CASE.

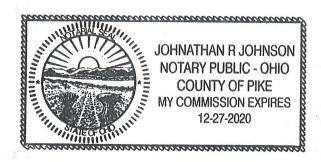
I, ELWOOD H. JONES JR. AM COMPLETELY INNOCENT OF THE SAID MURDER OF: MS. RHODA NATHAN. AND, HAVE ASKED ALL COUNSEL BOTH PAST AND PRESENT TO INVESTIGATE MY CASE. AND, I FEEL THAT I HAVE DONE ABSOLUTELY EVERYTHING I COULD TO GET SOMEONE (ANYONE) TO INVESTIGATE MY CASE. ON MY OWN AS WELL.

FURTHER AFFIDAVIT SAYETH NAUGHT

MR. ELWOOD H JONES JR. A339-441 D.R.-3-17-A 15802 STATE ROUTE 104 N. CHILLICOTHE, OHIO, 45604

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July 12, 2001

Elwood Jones (A 339441) Mansfield Correctional Institution P.O. Box 788 Mansfield, OH 44901

Dear Mr. Jones,

I am writing to request an on-camera interview with you regarding the 'Rhoda Nathan' case. Medstar Television, Inc., producers of the critically acclaimed shows, Forensic Files<sup>TM</sup> and Medical Detectives® are planning to produce an episode on the investigation surrounding the death of Rhoda Nathan. The programs appear on Court TV and TLC, respectively, and both profile how forensic investigators, law enforcement, and the legal system work together to solve crimes.

The producers of Forensic Files<sup>TM</sup> have a solid reputation for getting the story right, and treating participants with the utmost respect. I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience. You can contact me at (610) 395-1300, Extension 244.

We understand the sensitive nature of this crime, and want to handle this in the most appropriate manner possible. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Kristi Blazi

Assistant Producer

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November 2, 2001

Elwood Jones (A 339441) Mansfield Correctional Institution P.O. Box 788 Mansfield, OH 44901

Dear Mr. Jones,

I am writing to inform you that the Forensic Files<sup>TM</sup> episode concerning your case is done and already set to air on CourtTV. I did ask our contacts at Mansfield Prison to inform you of this a couple of month ago.

It was our senior producer's decision pass on interviewing you for several reasons, the most obvious being that we do not have the resources to spend on a full investigation, nor is it the purpose of our show to prove anyone's innocence. We were willing to let you say whatever you'd want to on camera, but please understand that it was impossible for us to comply with the multitude of demands stated in your letter in return.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Kristi Blazi

Assistant Producer

Medical Detectives®/Forensic Files<sup>TM</sup>

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Ms. Kristi Blazi Assistant Producer Medstar Television Inc. 5920 Hamilton Blvd. Allentown, PA 18106

Mr. Gregory W. Meyers Mrs. Jennifer P. Hite Attorney At Law O.P.D. Office 11th Floor 8 East Long St. Columbus, OH 43215-2998

## WAIVER OF CONFIDENTIALITY

I, Elwood H. Jones, Jr., give legal authorization for an on-camera interview with Ms. Kristi Blazi, of Medstar Television Inc., with regard to the Rhoda Nathan murder, which occurred at the Blue Ash Embassy Suites Hotel, on the morning of Sept. 3rd, 1994.

I hereby agree to participate in this on-camera interview with Medstar Television's Assistant Producer, Ms. Blazi, & her staff of investigators. I ask that Medstar Producers use their resources to re-investigate & report an accounting of the events surrounding the murder of Ms. Nathan.

Medstar producers must hereby agree to include all of the evidence withheld by the police & prosecution that shows Elwood H. Jones, Jr. is not the person who brutally murdered Ms. Nathan on 9/3/94, in room #237, at the Embassy Suites Hotel, in Blue Ash, Ohio. All of this evidence will be a part of the episode the Medstar producers plan on broadcasting to the public.

Medstar producers will agree to air all of the evidence uncovered and to show there is a strong link that Ms. Nathan's pendant was planted into the tool box of my car, which allegedly had been found 12 days after Ms. Nathan's murder. This had to have been done by one of the Blue Ash Police Officers out of frustration & pressure to solve this case.

I agree only to participation in this interview as an avenue to help me to the investigate the facts and to prove my innocence.

Do we have an agreement Ms. Blazi?

Further, the affiant sayeth naught.

Elwood H. Johes, Jr./ #339-441 #36House 1077

P.O. Box 788 Mansfield, Ohio 44901

Sworn to & subscribed to ma, a Notary Public, this

 $\mathscr{B}^{igstyle +}$  day of August, 2001

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My C m. Ission Expires Nov. 15, 2001