

## Cross examination of Detective Michael Corwin

1 that.

2 Q You found out about his presence here. Did you ever  
3 check to see if he worked anywhere?

4 A I could never find anything, no, sir.

5 Q And you learned that subsequent to the shooting that  
6 Rodney Melton had license plates with an 043 number on them?

7 A Yes, sir.

8 Q Is that correct?

9 A Yes, sir.

10 Q And he also made it known to you when questioned  
11 that if anybody accused him of those license plates being  
12 there, he did say the plates were stolen?

13 A I didn't get to that point. I discounted that plate  
14 within a day.

15 Q But you aren't discounting the plates now, the 043?

16 A I discounted Rodney Melton's plates. The 043 on  
17 Rodney's plates and the 043 in this case with the letters  
18 are different.

19 Q Now you don't have any letters from the analysis or  
20 the lab reports saying what the letters are?

21 A I don't understand your question, sir.

22 Q I am asking if you have anything from the lab or any  
23 evidence that you can present to this jury that indicate  
24 what the letters were in that imprint that indicated what  
25 the letters actually were, so you don't know?

1 A Yes, sir I do know.

2 Q Where is the evidence?

3 A I know because the plates that Rodney Melton had,  
4 the numbers were where the letters were. In other words the  
5 plate said 043LAJ and the impression in the snow, the  
6 letters were before the numbers.

7 Q I will hand you Defendant's Exhibit 13, the report  
8 from Captain Stanley?

9 A Yes, sir.

10 Q Does that give the letters first or the numbers  
11 first?

12 A It gives the letters first. And that is why it is  
13 not registered to Mr. Melton.

14 Q Well, it doesn't say anything about that, it says  
15 LIJ043; isn't that correct?

16 A Yes, sir.

17 Q And you are trying to tell us now you have  
18 researched that and maybe that is backwards?

19 A No, sir, I am looking for the line that tells it is  
20 not even registered to Mr. Melton. It is registered to  
21 Dwane Middleton.

22 Q I don't care who it is registered to. I want to  
23 know what the license plate -- what Captain Stanley said  
24 this license plate said, what does it say?

25 A It says, LIJ043.