they do, talk them over. State your views individually. Don't state merely what you conclude, but explain to your fellow jurors why it is you come to that particular conclusion, and listen to your fellow jurors when they explain to you why they have come to a different conclusion.

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You can't reason things out if you simply tell each other what your ultimate conclusion is. You need to explain it. You don't explain why you hold to a position. There's little likelihood, except perhaps the sheer force of personality, and that's not an analysis that we want, that you're going to convince somebody that you're right and they're wrong.

And, similarly, if you don't tell people what your position is, there's little likelihood that they can convince you that you are incorrect. It's the process of talking things out that is what we're looking for here.

Basically, it's long-time experience that by reasoning differences out, it's usually possible for jurors, all twelve jurors in a case, to agree. That, of course, means that you should not hesitate to re-examine your views and you shouldn't hesitate to change your opinion, if you

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are convinced based on the deliberations that an opinion that you held was incorrect.

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However, none of you should ever surrender your honest evaluation of the evidence in this case or lack of evidence in this case simply to go along with your fellow jurors or to get the deliberations over with. That would violate the oath you took.

9 This matter is much too serious for
10 decisions to be reached in that particular
11 fashion.

In the end, ladies and gentlemen, each one of you has to make up your own mind as to what has or has not been proven by the prosecution.

15 When you come back into this courtroom, 16 if you come back to return a verdict, when your foreperson announces that verdict, while it will 17 18 be stated by him or her as your verdict, in 19 reality, what that person is telling the Court is 20that there are being reported twelve individual 21 verdicts that all happen to be the same, because 22only when all twelve of you have come to the same 23 conclusion is there a decision in this particular 24 case.

If you want to communicate with the

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Court from now on, please do so in the form of written notes from your foreperson. Miss Hull will show you our buzzer system. She'll retrieve your notes. If I can answer the note simply, I'll write the answer right back on the note and send it into the jury room.

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If it takes some elaboration, I will bring you back in the courtroom and give you the answer, and then ask whether I've answered the question, and we'll engage in enough of a colloquy here to be sure that the question that you have has truly been answered.

If you want some or all of the exhibits, simply write us a note and tell us which ones you want -- all are identified -- specifically, if you can, which ones you want. Obviously, if you want the tape, the audiotape or the videotape, we'll also see to it that you get the machinery to be able to use it.

Be very, very careful from this point forward not to talk to anybody involved with this case except my staff and me, and then only if it's absolutely necessary and only if it has absolutely nothing to do with the case. The only time we can answer any questions at all about the case is here

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If you want to use a phone or get a fresh pot of coffee or take a break, you can let me or Miss Hull know that. But beyond that, don't let us know anything about this particular matter.

Also, be very careful that you don't disclose to anybody the state of your deliberations. That means don't tell anybody what you're talking about and don't tell anybody if you've taken any votes how they've come out, because things are fluid. They tend to change.

12 However, if word gets out that at a 13 given moment there's a majority one way and a 14 minority another way, even if we have no idea on 15 what issue, and obviously we will have no idea 16 who's in which group, but the minority always 17 thinks every eye in the place is looking at them, 18 and what that does is add a whole set of 19 extraneous experience that has nothing to with 20 your deliberations.

So keep your deliberations absolutely secret among yourselves. Don't tell a soul what they are. The only thing we are entitled to know and the only thing we want to know is the end result of those deliberations, and that will be

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done in the courtroom by announcing a verdict.

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I'm going to ask Miss Hull to hand out to you a verdict form, the thing that I'm going to ask your foreperson to fill out when you come to a decision in this case, and while she's doing that, I want to add one other thing about the nature of your deliberations.

In a moment we're going to excuse two of you. We have no idea who those two are. Once we've done that, the rest of you will go to the jury room. And do one thing, but only one thing, elect a foreperson. Don't do anything else.

I will take a few minutes to go over with the lawyers the instructions that I've just given you to be sure I haven't misstated something, forgotten something, or been incorrect. Frankly, I always talk fast.

Miss Russo, who's not my regular court reporter, has finally conceded that I'm a fast talker. She, however, works for the fastest talker in the court, and sometimes when you do that it doesn't always come out right.

So if I missed something or misstated something, I'm going to find that out from the lawyers and we'll call you back in here and

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We want to correct that before you've deliberated, because we want to be absolutely sure that it's had no bearing on your decision. It usually only takes a couple of minutes.

So go elect a foreperson, and then wait to hear from us. Once you've heard that you can begin deliberating, you may, but given the hour, I'm going to leave it entirely up to you as to whether you want to deliberate for a while or go off to lunch and then come back and deliberate this afternoon.

13 How long your deliberations go today 14 until you reach a decision is entirely up to you. 15 Whenever you have a decision and you're still 16 here, obviously, you let us know. But if there comes a point at which you want to take a break or 17 break for the evening, or what-have-you, you know 18 19 what's best for you and what's best to keep the 20process going appropriately.

So simply let me know. If you want to work into the evening, that's fine. If you don't, that's fine, too. Obviously, when you've decided you want to call it quits for the day, if that happens, then you need to decide when to come

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back. We will be glad to accommodate you by coming in tomorrow or you can come in on Monday. Again, I'll leave all of those decisions up to you.

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Now, let's take a look at this verdict form, ladies and gentlemen. Please have your foreperson be the only person who fills one out. We don't need extra copies that are tentative decisions. Be sure that only one is filled out, but everybody can have a copy.

It is both a form by which we will record your decision and it is a good summary of what we have been talking about.

The top simply identifies whose case 14 you're deciding, Mr. Daniel Turner's. 15 The beginning then says, "We, the jury, in the 16 17 above-entitled cause, all being in agreement," which is a reminder that your decision, whatever 18 19 is recorded on this page, must be unanimous, 20 twelve people making the same decision, "find upon 21 our oath," which is a reminder that the decision 22 you make is to be based on the law and the evidence only, "that Daniel Turner is," and then 23 there are three matters that have to be decided. 24 25 Count One is the count accusing him of

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kidnapping. So you need to decide whether he is guilty or not guilty of that particular offense.

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Have your foreperson check off whichever one of those alternatives reflects your decision.

Count Two has three alternatives, guilty of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, or remember I told you you could consider the alternative of criminal sexual conduct in the second degree, or, of course, in every case the alternative of not guilty.

Again, you check off one of those
three. It can't possibly be more than that.
Everybody recognizes, I'm sure, that a person
cannot be both guilty and not guilty.

The same is true with regard to varying degrees of offenses. You can't be guilty in the eyes of some people of one and guilty in the eyes of others of the other. All twelve of you must agree on which two, if it is a conviction, just as all twelve must agree on not guilty if that's your decision.

And Count Three, again, presents you
with exactly the same alternatives.

Your verdicts are to be here whatever the evidence convinces you of. They don't have to

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be in any particular order. It doesn't have to be guilty of the first one in all three or guilty of the last alternative. To put it bluntly, you mix and match the decisions however the evidence tells you that those decisions ought be made.

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We need decisions as to all three counts, however, Count One, Count Two, and Count Three.

9 Now, with regard to Counts Two and 10 Three, you are being authorized by the law to 11 consider the alternatives of criminal sexual 12 conduct in the second degree, so let me explain a 13 little bit how to go about that.

What you should do with regard to each of those counts is start by considering the charge of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree. You do not, however, have to conclude that Mr. Turner is not guilty of that offense before you go on to consider the alternative.

20 Obviously, if you start with criminal 21 sexual conduct in the first degree and are 22 convinced he's guilty of that offense, you don't 23 have to concern yourself with the alternative of 24 second degree because it's an alternative, and 25 there is no alternative if you've made the

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However, once you've started with first degree, you can then go on to consider second degree, not guilty, whatever order you want, just as long as you start with what we call the principal offense, which is criminal sexual conduct in the first degree. And once you've considered that for however long you think it appropriate, then move on to consider the alternative offense of criminal sexual conduct in the second degree.

We will now have our drawing, it is truly that, to see which two of you are excused.

Those two, I want to genuinely thank you for all the effort that you've made here, that There almost inevitably is some you've put in. 18 sense of letdown, after especially two weeks in and all the time that you've spent here, that you don't get to participate in the decision.

21All I can say is it was a real comfort 22 having the extras here. You've seen how things 23 happen. They happen to everybody, but if it 24happened to some members of the jury we could have 25 then proceeded because we had extras.

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However, whoever the two of you are, you're welcome to wait around to see what your former colleagues decide. If you don't want to wait around, which is certainly understandable, and want to know what the outcome is before reading it in the paper, we'll gladly call you and let you know what the outcome is. You're certainly entitled to that courtesy.

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9 Once your name is called, would you 10 please go back to the jury room. If you left 11 anything there, collect your belongings and 12 leave. You can come in the courtroom or stay 13 elsewhere, but can no longer be in the jury room 14 because you are no longer at that point part of 15 the jury.

Miss Hull, would you tell us who fate says the alternates are?

18 THE CLERK: Number 267, Robert Woycke,19 and Number 21, Jeffrey Bazan.

THE COURT: Thank you, gentlemen. (At about 11:45 a.m. - The two alternates were excused from the courtroom) (At about 11:45 a.m. - Clerk sworn by the Court to take charge of the jury) THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, would

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1 you go with Miss Hull back to your jury room, 2 select your foreperson, and decide what kind of a 3 schedule for right now you'd like, if you'd like 4 to deliberate for a while and go to lunch. You 5 don't have to make decisions about the rest of the 6 day at this point. 7 We'll let you know when you can start 8 deliberating, and you can let us know whether you 9 want to or whether you want to go to lunch. 10 (At about 11:45 a.m. - Jury left the 11courtroom) 12 THE COURT: Mr. Bramble, does the 13 prosecution have any objections or comments with regard to any of the instructions given to this 14 15 jury? MR. BRAMBLE: No, your Honor. 16 THE COURT: Let me ask Miss Krause, 17 18 first of all, do you have any objections, Miss Krause, to that portion of the instructions 19 which were heard by your client's jury? 20 MS. KRAUSE: Your Honor, the only 21objection I have is yesterday I thought that we 22 had decided we were not going to have the 23 instruction about the defendant not testifying. Ι 24 believe that that was read by the Court. 25

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I'm not going to ask for a curative instruction, however, as that would defeat the purpose of why I asked for it not to be given in the first place.

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THE COURT: I must confess, I specifically recall having been told that both parties wanted that instruction. Your recollection is different. It's noted for the record.

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11 MS. KRAUSE: I honestly thought we had
12 said that to simply highlight it, and, like I
13 said, a curative instruction at this point would
14 defeat the purpose, anyways.

15 THE COURT: Mr. Mirque, do you have any 16 objections to the instructions given to Mr. Daniel 17 Turner's jury, either jointly with the other one 18 or those unique to his jury?

MR. MIRQUE: In regards to the joint instructions, it was my understanding that the defendant not testifying would be read.

I have no objection and will not join
Miss Krause's objection as to that.

I do not recall the instruction regarding corroborative evidence. Was that read

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1 jointly or was that simply read in Daniel's? 2 THE COURT: What do you mean, 3 "corroborative evidence"? 4 MR. MIRQUE: Where the jury does not believe a victim, that the victim, the one --5 б MR. BRAMBLE: The testimony of the 7 victim need not be corroborated. 8 THE COURT: That instruction was not 9 given at all. My understanding was, again, there 10 was a request that it not be given. 11 MS. KRAUSE: On behalf of Stephen 12 Turner, I requested that. 13 THE COURT: Requested that it be or not 14 be given? 15 MS. KRAUSE: Not be. 16 MR. MIRQUE: Well, I don't recall ever 17 making that request. It's in our favor, also. MR. BRAMBLE: It's a standard 18 19 instruction, and I would inquire as to the Court why it was not given. I didn't realize you were 20 21 not going to. THE COURT: Because it was given at the 22 23 beginning, and we decided that matters which were 24 of a legal significance, lack of resistance, 25 corroboration, et cetera, would not be repeated 814

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Mr. Mirque, why don't you continue on.

MR. MIRQUE: Your Honor, I'm going to submit for the purposes of the record the defendant's proposed jury instruction as to the kidnapping charge. We dealt with this matter early on in the case regarding the asportation element, and it is still our belief that asportation is defined by the cases and they're a progeny of the <u>Davis</u> line.

<u>Davis</u> ordered <u>Adams</u> would apply in this case, also. Particularly, I think it was Item Six or Five in that proposed jury instruction.

15 THE COURT: Well, of course, I did 16 clearly instruct the jury on what is properly 17 referred to as an asportation element. I told 18 them that the actions of Mr. Turner, if they were 19 what alleged, had to have resulted in her being 20 moved from one place to another.

I did that because a reading of the statute clearly repeatedly uses the word "away." Actually, it only uses it once, but it applies to everything. You can't do the things that the statute constitutes as kidnapping without there

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The problem we're having, we're, frankly, using the wrong term. My understanding is the claim being made is that the asportation need be something other than that which is normally incident to the crime involved, rather than that there need not be some movement.

Obviously, there must be some movement. I have previously ruled that I don't believe, for all the reasons I stated before, that that which constitutes kidnapping, as alleged here, need also be found to have been independent of the other activities. That element isn't given.

The instruction will be put in the file and noted for the record. I thought that was an issue you wanted addressed by the instructions.

MR. MIRQUE: Thank you, your Honor. Ihave nothing further.

19THE CLERK: They want to go to lunch.20THE COURT: Mr. Mirque, be back at211:30. Well, Mr. McIntosh, if you would, get the22gentlemen back as quickly as you can, but if it's23not 1:00, I understand, because we'd like to get24his jury going.

Mr. Mirque, you need to be back here,

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MR. MIRQUE: For the closing.

THE COURT: 1:00.

(At about 11:50 a.m. - Recess taken)

(At about 1:15 p.m. - The Daniel Turner jury commenced deliberations)

(At about 1:30 p.m. - The Stephen Turner jury returned to the courtroom)

9 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, I'm 10 not going to undo our effort at efficiency by 11 repeating now the instructions that you were given 12 this morning, but I don't ever want it to appear 13 that our objective is efficiency over fairness, so 14 if when you begin your deliberations or at any time during them you think that the lapse of time 15 16 between the first segment of the instructions and the remainder of them is interfering at all with 17 18 your ability to recall those instructions and 19 utilize the information which is in them, don't 20 hesitate to ask that some or all of the 21 instructions be repeated.

Right now, however, I want to
concentrate on the two charges that are made in
this case against Mr. Stephen Turner.

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Remember that just as the bringing of a charge against an individual is absolutely no evidence of that individual's guilt, there is no legal principle equivalent to where there's a charge, there must be fire, or something like that.

9 Bringing two charges is just as much no
10 evidence, because since a charge is nothing in
11 terms of evidence, a multiplicity of charges is
12 still simply nothing.

Also, don't read into my instructions any judgment by me as to guilt or innocence. Some people might think that if the judge really thought they were innocent, he wouldn't be telling them what the charges were. Of course, that's not my decision to make. In every case the judge always instructs on these elements.

20 Similarly, don't take these latter 21 remarks as somehow suggesting that I have to. I'm 22 not making any judgment one way or the other. I'm 23 telling you what you need so that you can make 24 decisions in this case.

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you, and it may well be, given your decisions, that some or a good many of my instructions aren't necessary. But that's a decision you have to make.

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And the third thing to keep in mind is that the two charges against Mr. Stephen Turner have to be evaluated separately. Don't decide that because you're convinced he's guilty of one, for example, that, well, you will find him guilty of the other although you're not quite sure, because having done it once, what harm is there in doing it twice.

Or if after looking at one charge you're satisfied that you can't find him guilty of that charge, don't do the converse and simply say, "Oh, well, then why should we bother to look at the other."

You have to look at the two of them separately, evaluate the evidence, and decide whether he's guilty of one crime, two crimes, or no crimes.

And you can return any combination of verdicts that your evaluation of the evidence in light of the law and these instructions tells you is the appropriate one; since there are two, the

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combination of two guilty verdicts, two not guilty verdicts, one guilty, one not guilty, and there will be some alternatives you could consider.

So there can be a variety of combinations. We'll get to those in a minute.

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Let's now talk about the offenses, the two offenses with which Mr. Turner is charged, and therefore the two offenses that you have to evaluate.

In Count Two of the information in this case -- and remember, the information is simply the name of the Michigan legal document which accuses a person of a crime -- Mr. Stephen Turner is accused of aiding and abetting his brother's commission of a criminal sexual conduct in the first degree.

His brother, Mr. Daniel Turner, is
charged in Counts One, Two, and Three.
Mr. Stephen Turner is charged with his brother in
Count Two. Typically, the person who is said to
have committed the crime and the person who is
alleged to have assisted him are charged jointly.
And then Mr. Stephen Turner is charged
all by himself in Count Four. So we're going to

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Your verdict form will make reference to Counts Two and Four. That may seem a little odd, as to what happened to Counts One and Three, and that's the explanation.

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While we've tried two cases here together, and they really are two separate cases, for purposes of our paperwork we've used common documents. And so the charges were One, Two, Three, and Four.

As I've said, One, Two, and Three apply to Mr. Daniel Turner, and you're not judging his case, so obviously you needn't be concerned about those specifically, and Counts Two and Four relate to Mr. Stephen Turner. Those are the two that you are concerned with.

Any person, ladies and gentlemen, who directly commits a crime, in other words, any person who himself or herself actually engages in all the conduct which constitutes that crime, is called under Michigan law a principal. A person who helps another, a principal commit a crime, is called an aider and abettor.

In order for you to convict Mr. Stephen Turner of what he's charged with, aiding and abetting his brother's commission of a criminal

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First of all, the prosecution has to prove that Mr. Daniel Turner committed one of two offenses. Now, although Mr. Stephen Turner is accused of aiding and abetting the commission of a first degree criminal sexual conduct, it is sufficient if the prosecution proves to your satisfaction that his brother committed either criminal sexual conduct in the first degree or criminal sexual conduct in the second degree.

If you find that Daniel Turner committed a criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, and that his brother Stephen Turner helped him in the ways I'm going to talk about, then you may convict Mr. Stephen Turner of aiding and abetting the commission of a criminal sexual conduct in the first degree.

19 If what you decide is that what the 20 prosecution has proven is that Mr. Daniel Turner 21 committed a criminal sexual conduct in the second 22 degree, for some reason the proofs don't add up to 23 criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, then 24 you may convict Mr. Stephen Turner of aiding and 25 abetting a criminal sexual conduct in the second

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Obviously, the prosecution's got to prove that Mr. Daniel Turner committed one of those two offenses. Mr. Stephen Turner is accused of helping him commit one of those offenses.

If Mr. Daniel Turner is not, to your satisfaction, guilty of one of those two offenses, then obviously his brother can't be convicted of a crime in helping him because there was no crime for which help was offered.

Even if you find there was help but there wasn't a crime to which it pertained, then that help doesn't add up to any criminal liability.

So let's spend a little time talking about what constitutes criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, what the prosecution has to prove Mr. Daniel Turner did in that regard, and also what constitutes criminal sexual conduct in the second degree.

If the prosecution has met its burden of proving that Mr. Daniel Turner committed criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, if it has proven to your satisfaction beyond a reasonable doubt that he, Daniel Turner, did one of these

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things -- and it only has to prove one. The legislation considers a lot of things and lists a lot, but it does not require that all be proven, one is enough. But, obviously, one has to be proven.

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The prosecution has to prove that Mr. Daniel Turner inserted his penis, or his tongue, or a finger, or some object, any object will do, into the genital or anal openings of Lakeysha Cage.

Now, any penetration, however slight that penetration, is enough if it was sufficient to go beyond the surface of the body. It doesn't have to go all the way in, to put it bluntly. As long as it goes beyond the surface of the body, that constitutes a sufficient penetration.

It's also criminal sexual conduct in the first degree if the prosecution proves that Mr. Daniel Turner put his penis in Lakeysha's mouth. Again, any insertion beyond the surface of the skin is sufficient. Or the prosecution has satisfied its burden if it proves that Mr. Daniel Turner touched Lakeysha Cage's genitals with his mouth.

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there does not in fact have to be penetration. It is sufficient if there is contact between his mouth and her genitals. But because the law deems the offensiveness of that kind of conduct to be comparable to the other things which truly are penetration, it considers it, for definitional purposes, to be a form of criminal sexual penetration.

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So if the prosecution proves any one of those things, it has proven the offense of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, because under the law of this state, doing any one of those things with a child who's ten years old is criminal sexual conduct in the first degree.

There is an exception: If it was done for legitimate purposes, hygiene or medical treatment, use of a rectal thermometer, or something like that, then it wouldn't be a crime. But nothing of that sort is claimed in this particular case, so you don't have to worry about evaluating any such exception.

Now, if instead of proving a penetration the prosecution proves any one of these things that I'm going to describe for you in a moment, what it's proven, so long as it's done it beyond a

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That offense occurs whenever any one of these things are done to a ten-year-old child, actually any child under the age of thirteen.

So to prove this other offense, criminal sexual conduct in the second degree, the prosecution has to prove that Mr. Daniel Turner intentionally touched Lakeysha's genital area, her groin, an inner thigh, a buttock, or a breast, or that he intentionally touched the clothes that cover those particular areas, or that he had her touch one of those parts of his body, or the clothes covering the area, provided it was done under circumstances which could be construed for purposes of sexual arousal or gratification.

To prove criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, the prosecution does not have to prove why somebody did it. Engaging in an act of penetration, as we've defined it, most often is for purposes of sexual arousal or gratification, but the prosecutor doesn't have to prove that to be the purpose.

In fact, even if the purpose was something else, if that kind of penetration

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occurred, it's still criminal sexual conduct in the first degree. The law of this state takes the position that an intrusion like that is just so inherently offensive that it doesn't matter why it was done. Unless it was for some legitimate purpose like we've talked, it's a crime.

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Criminal sexual conduct in the second degree is different, however, because a lot of these things which can constitute sexual contact can in fact be done for reasons that are not sexual, and wouldn't be taken by anybody to be sexual.

And if they're not, or at least don't have the appearance of being for sexual purposes, then whatever they are, they're not the crime of criminal sexual conduct.

So the prosecution has to prove that the touchings of these various kinds, however, one's enough, were under circumstances that a reasonable person could construe them to have been for purposes of sexual arousal or gratification.

That doesn't mean that the defendant meant it to be for that purpose. It doesn't mean that the complainant or victim actually took it to be for that purpose. But if a reasonable person

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7 Now, if you're not convinced beyond a 8 reasonable doubt, ladies and gentlemen, that 9 Daniel Turner did one of those two things to 10 Lakeysha, that he either engaged in criminal 11 sexual conduct in the first degree or criminal 12 sexual conduct in the second degree with her, then 13 you don't have to go any further. You have to find Mr. Stephen Turner not guilty, because, as I 14 said, if there wasn't a crime committed by his 15 16 brother, whatever he did, he could not have helped 17 in the commission of a crime, and therefore he's 18 not guilty of anything.

19If, on the other hand, you're satisfied20beyond a reasonable doubt that Mr. Daniel Turner21committed one of those two forms of criminal22sexual conduct, then you've got to go on to decide23whether Mr. Stephen Turner is also guilty of a24criminal offense, because remember, his brother25committing an offense does not make him guilty of

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So if the prosecution satisfies you that Daniel Turner committed one of the crimes that we've talked about, the next thing it's got to prove is that Stephen Turner, and it's important that we keep these names straight, did something to assist his brother Daniel.

9 Now, it does not matter how much help or 10 assistance he gave, as long as the help or 11 assistance he gave indeed actually helped his 12 brother in some way commit the crime.

Mere presence when his brother committed a crime is not enough to prove that Mr. Stephen Turner helped commit that crime, even if he knew that it was being committed, nor is it enough for the prosecution to prove that Stephen Turner did not do anything to stop his brother, or that he didn't do anything to help Lakeysha.

What the prosecution must prove is that Stephen Turner did some affirmative act which helped his brother in some way commit whatever offense you decide his brother committed, if you find that he did.

No particular amount of help need be

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proven, so long as the help was more than insignificant. The law doesn't deal with "insignificant," but if it was more than insignificant, whatever it was, it constituted enough help.

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Let me give you some examples of the kinds of things that constitute aiding and abetting. This is not an exhaustive list, by any means. It's simply designed to give you some idea of what is in the nature of sufficient assistance.

Urging another person to commit a crime, egging them on, for example. Acting as a lookout while one person commits a crime. Restraining a victim so that the person can in fact commit a crime on them. Impeding a victim's escape. Doing 15 something to deter a victim from reporting the 16 matter or doing something which would damage the victim's credibility if it gets reported. 18

Or doing something designed to help the 19 principal, the person who committed the crime, at 20 least temporarily avoid detection are all the 21kinds of things which constitute aiding and 22 23 abetting.

> But proving that a crime occurred at the hands of Daniel Turner and that Mr. Stephen Turner

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helped in one of these ways is still not enough. The prosecution has to prove one more thing.

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It has to prove that Mr. Stephen Turner meant for his help to indeed assist in the commission of the crime. He has to have wanted his brother to be able to succeed with the crime, and to have done whatever he did in assisting it with that purpose in mind.

Now, when a specific intent is an 10 element of a crime, as it is here, obviously the 11 crime can't have occurred if the intent didn't 12 exist. So you have to determine, like you 13 determine everything else in this case, the issue 14 of intent, and do you that from the evidence, the lack of evidence, and what conclusions follow. 15

16 Frankly, most people who engage in 17 criminal behavior -- and I'm not saying Mr. Stephen or Mr. Daniel Turner did, that's for 18 you to decide. But most people who do engage in 19 criminal behavior don't actually state their 20 21 intent in so many words in the hearing of other 22people.

23 So it's usually impossible to bring in a 24 witness who can report having heard someone say what their intent is. However, the law does not 25

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require impossibilities of anybody, so it recognizes that there are other ways to go about proving an intent.

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Obviously, if someone can report having heard what somebody said, that's evidence of that, but there are other things.

In other words, the prosecution doesn't have to prove intent directly. It has to prove it, but it can do so indirectly or circumstantially. We talked about how circumstantial evidence works.

What you have to do is consider who said what, who did what, and what were the other surrounding circumstances, take all those things together and see if they reveal to you what Mr. Stephen Turner's intent or purpose was, even though you find, if you do, that no intent was expressed in so many words.

You've often heard the statement,
"Actions speak louder than words." That doesn't
sound like a real legal principle, but, frankly,
it is. It simply says you may look to words, to
actions, to the combination of the two, to the
circumstances, and deduce from that what somebody
actually was thinking and meant, even though, as

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is usually the case, they didn't tell anybody what they meant, or at least they didn't tell anybody who can come here and report about it.

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You have to find that the intent existed, and I don't want you to think that by saying it can be done circumstantially, that I'm diluting the significance of having to prove it. But I'm just pointing out that while it has to be proven, it does not have to be proven directly. It can be proven indirectly, and very often that's the only way it can be proven.

In sum, before you can find Mr. Stephen Turner guilty of aiding and abetting his brother, you've got to find three things beyond a reasonable doubt.

Number one, that Daniel Turner committed either criminal sexual conduct in the first degree or criminal sexual conduct in the second degree.

Number two, that Stephen Turner did
something affirmative to help his brother commit
one of those offenses.

And three, that Stephen Turner intended that his brother commit one of those offenses, and intended that what his help was, whatever it was, was going to assist.

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If you help someone inadvertently, not meaning to, not knowing that you're going to, then, of course, it's not a crime. So you have to have meant for your assistance to in fact be assistance.

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If you meant for it to be assistance, if it was of assistance and if the person committed a crime with that help, even though it wasn't much help, as long as it was affirmative and real, then the crime of aiding and abetting has indeed occurred, and it's aiding and abetting whatever offense you find that the principal, the other person, actually did.

So if you're satisfied that Daniel Turner committed one of the two offenses that I've talked about, and that his brother helped him, intending to help him, then you may find him guilty of aiding and abetting whatever offense you're satisfied Daniel committed.

20 On the other hand, if you've got a 21 reasonable doubt as to whether Daniel committed 22 any offense, or if you're satisfied Daniel did but 23 have a reasonable doubt as to whether his brother 24 Stephen Turner helped or intended to help, then 25 you have to find Stephen not guilty of aiding and

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Now, in addition to being charged with aiding and abetting his brother, Stephen Turner is charged with himself having engaged in criminal sexual conduct in the second degree. That's what Count Four is all about.

Count Two charges him jointly with his brother, charges his brother with doing the crime and Stephen with helping him.

Count Four charges Stephen with himself having engaged in criminal sexual conduct in the second degree. So let me repeat what that offense is, but in this instance it's not a question of did Daniel do it and did Stephen help him. It's a question of did Stephen do any one of these things.

17 To prove criminal sexual conduct in the second degree, then, as a reminder, what the 18 19 prosecution has to prove is that Stephen Turner 20 himself intentionally touched Lakeysha's genital 21 area, her groin, an inner thigh, a buttock, or a 22 breast, or the clothing covering those areas, or that he had her touch those parts of his body, and 23 that it was done under the circumstances where 24reasonable people looking at it could construe it 25

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If that kind of activity was in fact done by Stephen Turner on Lakeysha Cage, you may find him guilty of criminal sexual conduct in the second degree, because that conduct on a child under the age of 13 is, in and of itself, the offense.

9 With that, since those are the two 10 offenses we're talking about, I'll turn the matter 11 over to Mr. Bramble, and when he and Miss Krause 12 are finished, I will tell you how to go about 13 deliberating. We'll go over the verdict form, and 14 we'll in short order turn the matter over to you.

Mr. Bramble?

MR. BRAMBLE: Thank you, your Honor.

Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, this is the stage of trial known as closing arguments, my opportunity to argue how the facts apply to the law the judge just instructed you.

Now, I think this works out a little better, because now you have the elements of offense, and I don't really have to go over them like I normally do in a closing argument.

But clearly the CSC One, penetration,

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some act of penetration; him, Daniel Turner, that is, placing his penis in Lakeysha Cage's mouth, or the fact that he put his mouth on her vagina.

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And the second element, normally, is that she's less than 13 years of age. Well, clearly no one is contesting that she's a ten-year-old girl, so one element, one element is all you need focus on here.

The word here is "assist." Did he do 10 anything, anything throughout this entire process 11 when Lakeysha Cage was in the apartment, anything 12 to assist. That goes to Count One, the aiding and 13 abetting.

It's really pretty simple, ladies and 14 gentlemen. It's against the law for me to dump a 15 16 bucket of water on Detective Vazquez or this cup 17 of water. And if the deputy goes out and gets that cup of water for me and I dump it on her, 18 19 he's just as guilty as I am, because he assisted 20 me in the crime, in the commission of the crime.

21 Now, defense counsel made a couple 22 points initially during her opening statement. 23 One is that we have two fish here, and she said 24they brought in two fish with a net. She's asking 25 you to let one go.

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Well, I submit we have two fish here, that is correct. One of them may be a bigger fish. He may be the principal, Daniel Turner, but the other fish assisted and helped out, and he's equally culpable and you don't throw him back in. He is equally responsible as his brother, Daniel Turner.

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Two major points I'd like to make from the get-go here. Number one is, one person lied throughout this. One person lied to the police throughout this whole matter. That person is Stephen Turner. How do we know this?

The first statement made by the defendant to Officers Mesman and Baar is, "I have been here all day, but I have been sleeping and I just woke up."

17 Well, we know that isn't true. He lied 18 And when he finds out that lie isn't to them. 19 going to fly, he talks to Lieutenant Straub. And 20 if there is any question as to the veracity of 21 Lakeysha Cage, it has to be dispelled by some of 22 the things that come out in his statement as to Lieutenant Straub, because, in fact, Lakeysha Cage 23 24 is there and, in fact, Lakeysha Cage -- imagine 25 this.

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A ten-year-old little girl is there, he's there and she's there, and just as she indicated, she's trying on some lingerie, and she's playing a game of video strip poker with his brother. Mere presence, as the judge indicated, isn't enough.

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The defendant would have you believe he then sees all this and says, "Well, I think I'm going to go get the mail." Does that make any sense to you? I submit to you the defendant lied again, because what else do we have? The last witness that testified here today, Mr. Kusmierz, and he testifies he comes home at approximately 4:30. He walks by their apartment. He lives right next door to them.

And what does he see? The door is open, the blinds are open. Both defendants are sitting in there doing what appears to be watching TV. He isn't sleeping, as he told the officers. He's there, he's awake, he's with his brother, and what else does he happen to see?

He happens to see a young black female out near their apartment bouncing a ball, which is essentially what Lakeysha Cage testified she did initially, or she went and tried to make a boat or

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the arrow out of the rubber bands and the sticks.

And so the defendant was not sleeping, as he once told the officers, and he hadn't left the apartment, as he told the officers, during this entire incident.

Now, the second thing I'd like to point out is the defense counsel stated in her opening statement that the prosecutor must show the Defendant Daniel Turner committed a CSC First, and I don't think the evidence will demonstrate that.

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13 Compare that with the evidence you have before you in the last two weeks. The Defendant 14 15 Daniel Turner, when confronted by Cynthia Marble, 16 in front of everyone, everyone who will listen and 17 everyone who happens to be there, drops to his knees in an act of apology and contrition and 18 says, "I don't know why I did it, I don't know why 19 I did it." 20

And you heard from Carmen Garcia that at this time Miss Marble is asking, "Why did you mess with my daughter? Why did you fuck with my daughter? Why did you molest my daughter?" And the co-defendant, Daniel Turner, says, "I don't

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2 And we know exactly what he did, because 3 Lakeysha Cage told us. And the defendant, Daniel 4 Turner, knew exactly what he was admitting to. 5 And how do we know this? 6 Well, when the police officers arrive, 7 again, this is Mesman and Baar, they come in, and 8 what is the first thing he said? "Take me to 9 jail." They ask him why, and he says, "You know, 10 what she's accusing me of." 11 Well, the officers knew and the 12 Defendant Daniel Turner knew, as well. Нe 13 admitted, he confessed to this. 14 We demonstrated our case against him, no 15 question about it. He's admitted to this crime, 16 ladies and gentlemen. 17 How else do we know, how else do we know 18 that the Defendant Daniel (sic) Turner knows what went on in that apartment? Well, the very tape 19 20 admitted by defense counsel, if you listen closely 21 to that, he talks about an alleged sexual affair. 22 Those are the words he uses, "a sexual affair," to 23 describe the conduct, sexual conduct with a ten 24year old. A sexual affair with a ten year old, 25 and those are his words.

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He knew exactly what went on in that apartment, exactly.

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3 He provided you some information in his statement to Lieutenant Straub that corroborates 4 5 that of Lakeysha Cage, because what did Lakeysha 6 tell you? She's there, or she's outside playing 7 and she is playing on the steps, and again, some 8 of the photographs are with the other jurors and I 9 ask you to -- if you need them we'll get the 10 blown-up ones, but we have the original 11 photographs. 12

She's playing on the steps when the Defendant Daniel Turner, the man with the lipstick, comes up and grabs her.

And if you will look at these hotographs, I think they're -- Exhibit 1, at least, is one of them -- you will see that Lakeysha Cage didn't have time to collect up this boat or this arrow, or whatever it was she was making with the sticks and rubber bands.

She didn't have time to because she's grabbed and picked up and taken into the apartment, and those things were made there right where the police found them.

She goes into the apartment. The

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1 crucial testimony of Mr. Kusmierz, who was here 2 this morning, is -- she testified as to the bird 3 being back here and all these items (indicating). 4 And this is the bedroom, by everyone's account, 5 this is Stephen Turner's bedroom. This is Stephen б Turner's apartment. And Mr. Kusmierz said, "You 7 can't see what's back here from out here." 8 That is because she was back here, back 9 in really the same bedroom the Defendant Stephen 10 Turner claims he was sleeping in. 11 Well, again, we've demonstrated he 12 didn't tell the truth. He didn't tell the truth 13 to the police throughout this whole matter. 14 Lakeysha testifies she's brought in here and assaulted in both parts of the room, or both 15 16 parts of the apartment. The mattress in the front and the cot in back, cot or bed or whatever she 17 18 calls it in back. 19 She describes the American eagle being 20 there, and she describes how at one point while 21 she is in there, the Defendant Daniel Turner is in 22 there, the Co-defendant Stephen Turner comes in and says something to the effect of, "I'm not 23 24 going to help, but get that bitch out of my

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Lakeysha Cage didn't go on and tell you that, that word. I think she said, "He called me a 'B' or said get that 'B' out of the bedroom." This man comes in there and says, "Get that bitch out of the bedroom," his bedroom, and yet when she is out here (indicating), back out in the living room, she's brought back out there, Lakeysha testifies that, in fact, Stephen Turner touches her. He touches her top, her chest area.

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Now, throughout this Lakeysha Cage described what went on to many different people, and one thing that has always been consistent is the big fish, Daniel Turner, is the one who put his mouth to her vagina. The big fish, Daniel Turner, is the one who put his penis in her mouth.

The little fish, the other person involved here, she's been consistent all along that he was involved in the touching. "He was the one who touched my breast."

21 Now, if they were going to make any of 22 this up, ladies and gentlemen, the easy way to say 23 this is to say, "Hey, they both did it, they both 24 did this, they both penetrated this and this." 25 She has clearly defined who the big fish

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Now, she also testifies, again, that towards the end of this and after being told, "If you tell anyone I'm going to kill you," by Daniel Turner, that they put this mock together, they put this charade together where they hold the knife, or have her hold the knife to one of the individuals while the other one pretends to take the picture or takes the picture and says, "Look" -- and this is the kind of guys you're dealing with here and this is the way they're jerking this little girl around.

They say, "Look, you tell anyone about this" -- she says, "If I tell anyone they're going to kill me." They tell her, "You tell anyone, we're going to have this picture and we are in fact going to tell them you were in here, you were threatening us."

When Lakeysha Cage finally was out and finally tells India and India says, "Well, she wanted to tell me more," you heard testimony from Carmen Garcia that she's in the bushes and she's crying and cowering -- this is before her mother gets home and before anything -- and from there

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they elicit a little bit of what happened and she's brought to the hospital.

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It's important what takes place at the hospital, and both defense attorneys talked about this, or that is consistent, as I, told you during the opening statements, allegations of Daniel's penis in her mouth, his mouth on her vagina, and the defendant touching her breasts.

9 Well, the doctors came in here and they 10 heard the same history you did, and they said, 11 "Yes, this would be consistent." You wouldn't expect to find any physical findings in her 12 vagina. There wouldn't be any tearing because 13 14 there isn't any penetration as we often think of penetration, a penis in her vagina, or anything of 15 16 that nature.

And so both doctors say their examination, their evaluation is consistent with the history provided by Lakeysha Cage.

20 What's important, also, to note that 21 takes place at St. Mary's Hospital is the fact 22 that you heard the testimony, the questioning of 23 Mr. Mirque, the defense attorney for Mr. Daniel 24 Turner. He tried to elicit information that would 25 somehow lead you to believe that this girl isn't

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reacting the way a normal person, a normal child of a sexual assault would.

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And the fact that she was laughing in the waiting room and that she wanted pop, and things of this nature.

You heard Patty Haist, the woman who for nine-and-a-half years has supervised people from both -- has counseled victims, child victims of criminal sexual conduct, adult victims, now supervises people who do that.

She said, and her testimony was real clear, she said most people who aren't around us would look at that and try to draw the conclusion that, in fact, because she isn't reacting how we have this preconceived notion that she should react, that it didn't happen, and she said, "That's just not the case."

18 She described to you two ways or two theories, two ways in which people react, and they 19 may do both of them. She said oftentimes a child 20 is trying to regain control of their life and will 21 22 do things trying to get back in their normal life and trying to regain control. Why? Because the 23 24 control of their life has been taken away. It was 25 taken away by these two guys.

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In fact, that's consistent. You see that in the interview with Detective Vazquez. At that time she's saying, "I want pop, I want chips." But then what happens? She started to regain control and assert some control.

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Then what happens? The doctor says, "Now's the time we're going to do a pelvic examination. Now is the time you're going to get to put your feet in the stirrups and we're going to stick some cold gadgets in your vagina."

What happens then? Leslie Vandenhout testifies pretty clearly what happens. The word she used was "hysterical," because what's happening then? She's losing control again, just as she lost control in the apartment when these two individuals were assaulting her.

Leslie Vandenhout also testified that she takes a medical history, which is, in fact, consistent with what she said: "He urinated on me. He penetrated my mouth with his penis or his private parts and white stuff came out in my mouth. I spit it out."

And it's important to note, if you heard the tape, even at the hospital, despite having spit this stuff out, Lakeysha Cage is still

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talking about a taste being in her mouth and wanting to brush her teeth to get this out. And this is a ten year old who says, "I've never done this, this is the first time," and she says, "I wish it never would have happened."

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But even at the hospital some three or four hours later she's talking about this taste still being in her mouth.

And Lakeysha Cage told Leslie Vandenhout that, in fact, there were two men there. One man grabbed her, snatched her. There were two men in the apartment.

During all these medical times they wanted to know who touched her vagina, and she told them it's the big fish, but it's clear what she told you, listening to the tape, what she told Detective Vazquez. She clearly delineates the big fish versus the little fish.

She clearly indicates both to Leslie Vandenhout, Detective Vazquez, to you, that this defendant also was involved. That he touched her chest. That he was involved in this set-up of this placing of the knife.

> You also heard on this tape her description of how the defendant was dressed, what

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games she was playing, and again, that all comes out in the defendant's statement. But we know the defendant is lying. We know that.

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When you start comparing the statements that have come forward that are trivial to him, he lied, he has never told the truth in this matter.

The fact of the matter is, ladies and gentlemen, that Lakeysha Cage has been able to testify to you as to what went on on July 7th, 1993. And she has been able to clearly distinguish and delineate the respective roles of these two individuals.

We have charged the Defendant Daniel Turner as assisting, in Count One, his brother. We have charged in Count Two for his own touching of her.

17Daniel Turner was in that apartment. He18engaged in the first degree criminal sexual19conduct. But this act was not done and this20transaction was not done until she left that21apartment.

This man was involved, this man assisted, and you may find that assistance very slight or maybe, as the judge gave one of the examples, to prevent him from getting caught, but

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The facts here, ladies and gentlemen of the jury, indicate the defendant is guilty of first degree criminal sexual conduct as an aider and abettor. The facts also indicate that the defendant is guilty of second degree criminal sexual conduct by his own conduct, by his own touching.

9 Both fish are here. You have to 10 consider the little fish's involvement. You have 11 to consider how he helped his brother. And you 12 have to look at his statements and look at how 13 ridiculous they sound when he stands up and tells you how this little girl, ten-year-old girl who he 14 15 doesn't even know was in his apartment, trying on 16 lingerie that was in their apartment, his 17 apartment.

And he would have you believe he goes out and gets the mail. And this is after he's already lied to the police officer and said, "Oh, I was here all day but I have been sleeping," sleeping in a back bedroom which we know, by Lakeysha's statement, was used during this assault.

The facts of the matter indicate the

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1 defendant is guilty of both charges. 2 On behalf of Lakeysha Cage and on behalf of the People of the State of Michigan, I ask that 3 4 your verdict reflect that. 5 THE COURT: Miss Krause? 6 MS. KRAUSE: Thank you, your Honor. 7 Here we are, it's the end, and it's time 8 for the prosecutor to pull in his fishing net. 9 And he's right, in my opening I did use the 10 analogy of the keeper, and wanting to catch these 11 fish. 12We're way past that. It's not a matter 13 of, as he pulls in his net, are any of these fish 14 going to escape out of the holes in the net, the 15 holes in the prosecutor's case. 16 I told you in the very beginning that 17 one of them might be a keeper, and that's Daniel 18 Turner. But I think the evidence has shown you 19 that in this case, the holes in the prosecutor's 20 case, in his fishing net, will allow Stephen 21 Turner to be released from that net, and those 22 holes in the prosecutor's case are simply these 23 three things: No assistance, no act, and no 24 alignment. 25 The judge told you, as did the 852

prosecutor, that to convict Stephen Turner of aiding and abetting his brother in sexual conduct, there has to be more than just his brother doing the sexual conduct. Stephen has to have assisted in some manner, and intended to assist in some manner. And if you don't think Stephen assisted or intended to assist, then you must return a verdict of not guilty.

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9 And I think the evidence has clearly 10 shown here that Stephen Turner did not assist his 11 brother in any way. Let's take it one by one. 12 Where do we start?

Lakeysha tells you that she's outside playing on the steps of her apartment, and that a man grabs her, a man with lipstick. Not my client, Stephen.

The man then drags her to
Apartment 204. She told you that the man who
dragged her is the man with lipstick. Not my
client, Stephen.

Lakeysha tells you that when she goes into the apartment, she is first taken into the living room, the very first room in the house -excuse me, the apartment. That was by the man with lipstick. Not my client, Stephen.

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Then what does she tell you happens in the living room? She tells you that she's thrown on the mattress, her shirt is pushed up, and her breast is felt. By whom? The man with lipstick. Not my client, Stephen.

And she told you that Stephen was not even in the room.

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At some point Lakeysha told you that Stephen came out from the back of the apartment, and that she assumed that he had come out of the back room. How did she describe how Stephen looked? Like he had just awakened. Those were Lakeysha's words.

What did she tell you Stephen did? Left the apartment, left out the front door and left the apartment.

She then proceeds to tell you that the 17 18 man with lipstick takes her to the back bedroom. 19 In the back bedroom she tells you that the man with lipstick undresses her, undresses himself. 20 Ι 21 think there's testimony of urinating on her, and what we can say as ejaculating in her mouth. 22 23 That's not how she described it, but that's what 24she was talking about.

That was done by the man with lipstick.

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Not my client, Stephen.

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2 And, in fact, Lakeysha told you Stephen 3 was not in the bedroom. We know he wasn't in the 4 bedroom because she talks then about Stephen 5 walking in. And remember what happened when 6 Stephen walked in? Lakeysha told us that Dan, the 7 man with lipstick, said, "Hold her down," or "Help 8 me out," or something to that extent. Lakeysha's 9 own words, ladies and gentlemen, Stephen said, 10 "No." 11 Now, the prosecutor made a big deal that 12when he came in to the back bedroom, Stephen said 13 something about, "Get the bitch out of here." 14 Look through Detective Vazquez's 15 statements and compare it to all the other 16 statements attributed to Lakevsha up to this 17 point, and you will see that she never said 18 anything about my client using the word "bitch" 19 before. 20 All right, so at this point we don't 21 have Stephen doing anything. He left the

22 apartment once, came back in. 23 Lakeysha then is taken back in to the 24 living room. Well, before she's in the living 25 room -- let me back up a second. Before she gets

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into the living room she talks about trying on men's clothing -- women's clothing, excuse me, and that was at the closet in between the rooms, before you get back into the front room. Who did she tell you she tried those clothes on with? The man with lipstick. Not my client, Stephen.

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In fact, I think she told you at that point Stephen had gone back into the back bedroom and was not even in her presence. Then Lakeysha tells you she plays video games. We know that they're not video games, they were actually computer games, but nonetheless, an electronic form of game.

And the person who has her play these games has Lakeysha sit on his lap. Who was it? It was the man with lipstick. Not my client, Stephen.

Lakeysha told us that Stephen was not in the room when any of this happened. So what does that leave the prosecutor with? To try and convince you that Stephen somehow assisted his brother in the commission of this act, the photograph, the photograph that Lakeysha talked about.

She described to you this staged

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photograph in which Daniel places a knife in her hand and has her stand up next to Stephen, act like she's stabbing him, and then he takes a picture of her.

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All right. Well, let's talk about that. Lakeysha was very specific and clear that the photograph was taken with a Polaroid camera.

Now, some of you might think, how does a ten year old know what a Polaroid camera is. She told you how she knew, she told you. She's familiar with a Polaroid camera. She knows what they look like. She's used one before.

She told you her mom had one, and that was verified by her mother, Cynthia Marble. It may not have been theirs that they personally owned, but one had been in the house.

Lakeysha had taken pictures of her mother, her sister, and her grandmother with that camera.

Do we have the Polaroid camera? No, we don't. The police certainly took a lot of things out of that apartment, a lot of things, and you were shown a lot of things, and it's also pretty clear that the police were there within a reasonable amount of time after this is alleged to

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There is no Polaroid camera. There is no Polaroid photograph.

We do have a knife. Lakeysha talked about the knife that was in the peanut butter jar. They've got that. When Lakeysha testified here in the courtroom she said there was jelly on the knife.

9 I invite you to look at that knife in 10 the jury room. There's peanut butter on the 11 knife, there is no jelly. And even if there had 12 been trace amounts of jelly, we don't know about 13 it because it was never sent to the State Lab for 14 analysis.

But I think you can look at it with your
naked eye and tell that there's no jelly on it.

So even though we have one piece of evidence to substantiate this photograph, it doesn't really help us.

The next thing is stabbing Stephen. She said they wanted it to appear like she was stabbing Stephen, and, in fact, in her statement to Detective Vazquez, which you all listened to yesterday and you have the transcript of, she was very clear with Detective Vazquez that they put

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1 jelly on Stephen's shirt to make it look like he 2 was bleeding. 3 Again, we don't have a photo of it, but, 4 more importantly, we don't have the shirt. 5 Every time I tried to ask somebody about 6 this, what did they say? "Well, we found a white 7 shirt next to the cot" -- excuse me, the mattress 8 in the living room. 9 But what did Mr. Birr tell you was on 10 that shirt? Semen and something consistent with 11 lipstick. 12Now, we know he had done some testing 13 for jelly because there was a little bit of jelly 14 found on Lakeysha's shirt, and just as a quick aside, I think it's interesting, Detective Vazquez 15 16 asked Lakeysha if she had breakfast that day and 17 she said yes. No one bothered to ask her what she had for breakfast, whether she had any jelly and 18 19 toast. But let's get back to Stephen's shirt, 20 21 because that's the shirt that Lakeysha told Detective Vazquez had a big jelly stain on the 22 belly to make it sound like she was stabbing him. 23 The prosecutor showed Lakeysha this 2425 picture (indicating). This is my client, 859

Stephen. This is what he was wearing when he was arrested.

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He showed her this picture and said, "Is that how he looked to you on that day," and she said yes. I asked the officers, "Officers, is this what Stephen was wearing when you got to the scene? Is this what he was wearing when you took him to jail?" "Yes."

9 There is no jelly stain on the belly of 10 this shirt. Again, you will be able to look at 11 this picture in the jury room.

So I think we've shown how, as to the no assistance, the facts don't add up, and we have no alignment.

Why would Lakeysha say something about a photograph if it didn't really happen? I don't know. I don't know. But remember, I asked her if she was curious about the people who lived in Apartment 204 and she heard about the one brother who was different, and she said yeah.

Then I asked her if she remembered telling us back at the other hearing about laughing and joking with her little sister about wanting to be able to get a photograph of the men in Apartment 204. She said she didn't remember

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saying that, but when I showed her her testimony, she said that she recognized that it was there on paper and did not deny making that statement. Maybe that's why, I don't know.

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Can you think that it's a really crummy thing that Stephen Turner did not help Lakeysha Cage? You bet you can. It was. It was. It was awful. But that's not what he's on trial for, whether he made a bad moral decision.

He's on trial for aiding and abetting his brother for committing a crime, and if all he did was ignore this ten-year-old girl in the apartment, that may be really awful and it may be really crummy, but it's not a crime.

I think we've shown, and using 15 Lakeysha's own testimony, there was no aiding and 16 abetting. That on all major points, when Lakeysha 17 alleges that Daniel was doing something to her, 18 she either admits that Stephen did not do it and 19 was not participating in it, and for several of 20 the things she testified about, Stephen was not 21 even in the apartment or was in another room. 22

And I think you will have to return a verdict of not guilty as to the aiding and abetting count.

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Now, Stephen is also charged with 1 actually committing the act of criminal sexual 2 3 conduct himself, touching Lakeysha's breasts. 4 I think that if you look at how 5 inconsistent her statements are as to Stephen touching her breast, you will not be comfortable 6 7 finding those statements credible. 8 And I can see on your faces you're 9 thinking, Miss Krause, you just got done telling us everything she said doesn't support the fact 10 that Stephen didn't aid and abet. 11 But remember that Judge Kolenda told 12 you, you can believe part of what a witness tells 13 14 you and not believe other parts. And one of the 15 ways you will make that determination in weighing what parts of a witness's testimony you believe is 16 the consistency. 17 And when it came to the aiding and 18 abetting, from moment one Lakeysha was consistent 19 as to who helped, who did the acts against her, 20 and that Stephen did not help, consistent all the 21 way through. I think you can rely on that. 22 As to Stephen actually touching her 23 breast, that's where things get real fuzzy. 24 Now, the prosecutor brought in the 25

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original police reports or the police who first responded to the scene, Officer Mesman, Sergeant Carrier, and Officer Baar. Mesman -- and, first of all, the prosecutor made a big deal of asking all of these police officers, "It's not your job to get a full statement, is it? You're just there to kind of calm things down and you're going to let the next person whose job it is get the full statement."

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Well, that's all well and good if that's their policy, but let's think back for a moment to what this scene was like when Officer Mesman arrived.

Why were they called there? They were called there because Lakeysha Cage's father, Larry Marble, had a crowbar and was trying to beat his way into Apartment 204. It was a crazy situation, it was a hostile situation, as we've heard from all the people who observed this in the apartment building. There were all kinds of people around.

And Officer Mesman had to revise his report. Why did he have to revise his report? Because he switched names and addresses and because he misheard things. For example, names; mistook "Cynthia" for "India." I'm not blaming

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him. I'm not saying he's a bad officer. It was a rough situation, but he got information wrong.

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Why do I point this out? Because if he got that stuff wrong, it's possible he got other things wrong. And Mesman told us that Lakeysha said Steve felt her breasts at some point, and I believe that Mesman said Lakeysha said it was in the back room.

9 Sergeant Carrier came in and said that 10 she was kind of overseeing or standing by while 11 Officer Mesman took this report, talked to 12 Lakeysha. Sergeant Carrier heard something 13 entirely different than what Officer Mesman put in 14 his report and testified to. Sergeant Carrier says that Stephen came into the back room, dragged 15 16 Lakeysha out by the neck, I believe, and is fondling her breasts as he's dragging her out. 17

Well, aside from thinking about the physical logistics of that, of trying to fondle the breast as you're dragging the person out, the fact is you've got two officers listening to a statement at the same time and they gave us different versions of what happened.

Again, it's not saying the police officers did a bad job. Maybe they misheard what

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Lakeysha said. Maybe they just heard it wrong. Maybe they wrote it down wrong. But the fact of the matter is, they're inconsistent.

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Referring back to the prosecutor's expert that he brought in from the YWCA, she talked about how people normally have two types of reactions to trauma: They have a hysterical response or a controlled response.

9 And I'm not going the talk to you about 10 whether or not -- how she was acting in the 11 hospital, no. Why I bring this up is because 12 perhaps Lakeysha's statements at the time were 13 either unclarified or jumbled, confused, and by 14 the time she got to Detective Vazquez, she was more calm and under control, and that's consistent 15 16 with what the State's own expert told you.

Mr. Bramble asked her: Could at one point she be under one form of response and at another time be under another form of response? And his expert said, "Absolutely, absolutely."

And the point I'm trying to get to here, ladies and gentlemen, is the original statements made at the time the police officers came to Apartment 204 at the Oak Park Apartments on July 7th, they're inconsistent and they're

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unreliable for several different reasons.

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So then we get to Lakeysha talking to Detective Vazquez, and I invite you, if you have your transcripts of Detective Vazquez's statements, to refer specifically to pages 20, 22, and 23. Detective Vazquez first asks Lakeysha about what the brother did when Daniel told him to grab her hand. She told Detective Vazquez that Stephen said, "No, because I don't want her in my room."

Apparently, it's at that point that
Lakeysha says that the brother Stephen dragged
Lakeysha out of the room by her neck.

On page 22 toward the end
Detective Vazquez asked Lakeysha, "Did the brother
do anything other than grab you by your neck and
drag you into the living room?" "He felt me on my
breast part."

"Did he touch you anywhere other than your breast?" "No." "When did he touch you on your breast?" "When he was holding me down." And where was that?" "In the bedroom."

But she had just asked Lakeysha if in
the bedroom when Daniel had asked her to, asked
Daniel -- hang on.

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Detective Vazquez had just asked Lakeysha moments before if when Stephen came into the back room and Dan asked him to hold her down, Stephen did, and she said no. And then on page 23 it appears that Detective Vazquez is still a little unclear about what's happening with the CSC Second here, because she keeps trying to clarify it. "Did he," referring to Stephen, "hold you down at all in the bedroom?" "No."

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But a few minutes before that she had just said, "Yeah, that's when Stephen touched me, when he was holding me down in the bedroom."

She then goes on to ask Lakeysha, "Did Stephen do anything in the living room?" "No, he just dragged me out there."

At trial when I was asking Lakeysha, 16 17 trying to clarify how exactly it was Stephen was alleged to have dragged her out into the living 18 room because here she was saying it was by her 19 shirt collar, so hard to the point that she had, 20 21 it was cutting into her neck, and I asked her about testifying previously that she'd been 22 dragged out there with both hands over her head, 23 24 she gave some interesting answers.

She was -- she started to say that when

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she was playing the video games, "He touched my chest and after he touched my chest he started licking my chest," and I said, "Wait a minute, that's Dan, that's what you told us Dan did."

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I asked her if she was telling us today if that's what Dan had done, and she said yes. And then I specifically asked her, "Not Stephen," and she said, "No, not Stephen."

9 And it seems like what has happened is 10 every time Lakeysha is asked about the isolated 11 incident, the isolated allegation of Stephen 12 Turner touching her breast, number one, it's 13 always inconsistent, but it seems that she slips 14 back into telling us what Daniel did to her, not 15 Stephen.

The prosecutor stood up here and told you that Dan -- excuse me, Stephen lied to you. Lieutenant Straub came in and told us that Stephen denied assisting his brother and denied touching Lakeysha's breast.

Lieutenant Straub told us, also, that Stephen admitted that he felt incredibly uncomfortable with what he had seen in the apartment, and again, that gets back to what I said a few minutes ago. You can think it's really

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crummy that he didn't help, but that's not enough to convict.

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Lieutenant Straub tells us that Stephen said that he heard voices, woke up, came out, and discovered that this girl was in the apartment.

And that's not inconsistent with what the officer told us he said. The officer told us something to the effect of when he asked Stephen what was going on or what had happened, "I have been here all day, was sleeping, I just woke up."

11 First of all, we don't know the specific 12 question the officer asked. He may have said, 13 "What do you know about this? When did this girl 14 get here?" And his response, obviously, the first time, according to his statement through 15 Lieutenant Straub and according to what Lakeysha 16 17 told you the first time those two encountered each 18 other, is when Stephen came out of the back room 19 and just woke up.

But yet the prosecutor wants you to believe that that's all a lie because he said he'd been there all day. He'd been sleeping the whole time because he worked third shift. How do we know that that's what Lieutenant Straub told us. And that's enough on that, because I

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just don't think the prosecutor can convince you that that's a lie.

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Why would Stephen Turner, if he were guilty of aiding and abetting, somehow, and had just touched this girl's breast, why would he call 911? Well, I know what the prosecutor's going to say. He's going to say because there was a man beating on his door with a crowbar ready to bash his head in.

Does he have a legitimate reason to call 911? You bet. Is that probably why he called? Partially. Can you think of another one? I can.

He told us through Lieutenant Straub that he was uncomfortable with the situation. Maybe that was his way of turning his brother in. Maybe it's a two-fold purpose. But he certainly is not going to call 911 and have the cops come get him if he just committed an offense.

No, it's not the first call on 911, but it wasn't the last one, either.

And I ask you, given all the inconsistencies in Lakeysha's statement about the CSC Second, how it seems that she always slips back into describing what Daniel had done to her when pushed to tell us what Stephen did, are those

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inconsistencies? Are those statements ones that 1 2 you would want to rely upon in making an important 3 decision in your life? I bet they're not. And if 4 they're not, then the State hasn't proved its case 5 beyond a reasonable doubt and you must return a 6 verdict of not quilty. 7 Basically, I've summed it all up: No 8 act, no assistance, no alignment, no conviction. 9 Thank you. 10 THE COURT: Mr. Bramble? MR. BRAMBLE: Thank you, your Honor. 11 Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, this 12 is my chance to comment on some of the things that 13 14 defense counsel raised in her closing argument, 15 not rehash my entire closing. As I was sitting there I thought it was 16 really an interesting argument posed by defense 17 counsel, because she says, "He's got two big 18 fish." Pretty apparent, pretty apparent he did 19 this, so therefore you could look at Lakeysha Cage 20 and say, "Yup, pretty much everything she says 21 about Daniel Turner" -- I mean, you've got to read 22 23 a little bit between the lines here. Everything she says about Daniel Turner, 24you can believe that, that's true. Let them 25

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1 convict him. You know what? She even relies on 2 some of the things Lakeysha says she says. She 3 says, "When Lakeysha testifies that my client 4 refused to hold her down in the back bedroom when 5 Daniel Turner requested, well, then you can б believe her because that helps my case, and it 7 shows he wasn't acting in concert, he wasn't 8 assisting." 9 But, boy, the minute she starts saying 10 anything else about my client, it's 11 incriminating: "Well, then, don't believe her." 12 That's the gist of her argument, ladies 13 and gentlemen. 14 You can't have it both ways here. You 15 can't pick and choose some of Lakeysha Cage's 16 statements and say, "Well, they help me, so 17 believe her then. Everything else she's saying 18isn't the truth." And that is the gist of that 19 argument. 20 She talks about the camera. Let's touch 21 upon this real briefly. Lakeysha said, "I suppose 22 when you're a ten year old, one camera looks like 23 any other." 24 But, you know, if you look at 25Exhibit 16 -- and I just have the little one here, 872 REBECCA L. RUSSO, CSR, RPR, CM - OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER the true exhibit that's been admitted has been presented to the other jury -- you know, one thing that struck me is Crime Technician Karen Curtiss looked at that item, it's got a little flash, a little flashlight on there, and said, "Yeah, that's a Polaroid camera."

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And, in fact, Detective Vazquez was on the stand: "Yeah, I looked at that picture and thought, 'How could I have missed that, it's a Polaroid camera.'"

And if they believe it, certainly Lakeysha could believe it. What these guys did in staging this incident, Lord only knows the kind of things they tried to pull over on her, but I ask you to take a look at that exhibit.

16 If you want to look at action, whether it be clothing removed, things done, action taken 17 to cover up this crime, well, then look at -- I 18 19 believe this is the exhibit. I'm not sure which 20 one it is, but it's the photograph of the 21 panties. And they're children's panties, ironically, if you look at these things, and 22 they're the white panties that Lakeysha says, "You 23 24 know, I remember trying those on. Those I 25 remember."

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1 And where do the police find these 2 panties? In the box with all the other stuff? 3 These are panties Lakeysha tried on. Where No. 4 do they find them? They're wet, they're damp, 5 rinsed out maybe, underneath the sink, underneath 6 the sink. 7 The evidence here has also indicated 8 that there's lipstick on Lakeysha's collar, jelly 9 or something consistent with a jelly substance. 10 The shirt next to the mattress, and I 11 hope you listened to Robert Birr's testimony very 12 closely, because he said, "Yeah, there's lipstick 13 on it, there's semen on it, " just as there's semen 14 on the aqua blanket. 15 Lakeysha talks about putting some of the 16 semen in her mouth and putting semen on the 17 blanket. There's semen on that blanket. It's the 18 aqua-colored or light-green blanket. 19 Robert Birr also testified he couldn't 20 necessarily tell what was on that shirt. There 21 was substances, there was stuff on there that 22 wasn't enough on it, there wasn't the consistency 23 requisite for him to actually produce an 24 analysis. 25 There was never any testimony that there

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was a big stain. As defense counsel said, she simply said there was a knife used on the stomach and it had some jelly on it.

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The photograph and the purpose of the photograph, and it's the enlargement that defense counsel has, you saw Lakeysha testify, when she looked at them, said that she clearly identified the big fish. The little one, well, geez, didn't really look the same.

Well, you take a look at the photograph,
because he has changed his appearance. He's grown
a beard and he looks different.

Now, if these individuals are willing to rinse out some panties and throw them under the sink, are they willing to remove clothing, articles of clothing that they had on that might containing evidence, rinse it out, flush it down the toilet, do whatever?

Well, if they were willing to take the action to throw a pair of panties and rinse them out, I assume, and throw them under the sink, well, they're certainly capable of doing that.

Now, defense counsel talked about the officers arriving at the scene. Officer Mesman, being a new officer, I was basically reading his

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report. One of the things he described is, "She said those men inside the apartment touched me." "Those men," two, both of them. And those were the statements she made to him.

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Now, again, why did, if in fact -- and defense counsel wants you to rely on Lakeysha's testimony that when Daniel Turner asked him to hold him down, hold her down, she said no. And if that is in fact true, why didn't the defendant present any of that and tell Lieutenant Straub any of that?

It's because, just as I indicated, he wasn't forthcoming when the police arrived the first time. He wasn't to Lieutenant Straub, as well.

The hospital personnel describes the things defense counsel said wouldn't appear in the case, the pain in the neck that Leslie Vandenhout said Lakeysha told her about, the pain in the foot from being thrown against the wall.

And one of the questions that defense counsel has you rely on that occurs right here during trial was, she asked Lakeysha, after saying, "Well, it wasn't Daniel who licked and sucked on your breast," or whatever. She said,

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"Yeah, that was Daniel."

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She said, "Well, did Steve do that?" She says, "No." Well, Stephen -- and there's never been any allegations that Stephen licked on her breast. The only thing and the way she's been consistent all along was saying Stephen touched.

This girl has been able to clearly delineate who the main player is. She points at Daniel, but she has been consistent all along in describing the conduct of Stephen Turner and his involvement and his role in this.

The incident with the knife and the
touching, very consistent all the way along,
ladies and gentlemen.

Now, again, defense counsel would have you believe, "Well, you can take parts of Lakeysha's testimony and believe it because it helps me, and it helps my client." When Lakeysha says, "He refused to hold me down," well, then, let's believe her because it helps Stephen Turner.

22 "And you can believe everything she
23 says about Daniel Turner, because that doesn't
24 hurt me." The minute she begins to say things
25 like, "He touched my breasts. He was involved in

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That's what she would have you believe, and it isn't consistent, and I don't think it makes sense.

Look, Lakeysha Cage has come in here after describing this incident to a number of people and has described it to you, and defense counsel would have you believe, "Geez, in that limited role, if she's talking about my client, she's lying."

Well, there's a poet that once said that "Each child born today is God's expression of 13 hope for the future."

15 What hope does Lakeysha Cage have or any 16 child have when she tells someone, "This adult 17 hurt me," and we don't believe 'em? Especially 18 when Lakeysha Cage, along with India Harris and 19 everyone else there, sits and listens to the big 20 fish say, "I don't know why I did it, I don't know 21 why I did it."

22 Well, he did it and he did it. And 23 Lakeysha Cage has been consistent all along as to 24their roles in this.

The facts here, ladies and gentlemen,

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the facts indicate the defendant assisted, he helped Daniel Turner. And if you listen to the instructions, even helping him cover this up or having him be involved in this incident that would keep Lakeysha from disclosing is enough assistance, that alone.

He's assisted him in the CSC One, in the criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, and as Lakeysha has indicated all along, he touched her breast. He is guilty of criminal sexual conduct in the second degree.

Because of those factors, I ask that your verdict reflect that.

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THE COURT: Again, ladies and gentlemen, if, because there's been an interruption, so to speak, between your deliberations and hearing from me what it is that the prosecutor has to prove in terms of the elements of this offense, you want some of that repeated in part or in total, simply let us know.

I'll explain in a moment how to go about making requests that I give you instructions over again, or how I deal with matters that I haven't dealt with that you think is important.

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I want to talk now, however, about the process by which deliberations are to occur. Obviously, they are to go forward in as courteous and businesslike a manner as you can.

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The first thing you should do is select a foreperson. That individual's responsibility is to see to it that your deliberations do go forward courteously, sensibly, and orderly, and also, that person has the responsibility to see to it, along with everyone else, it's not just one person's responsibility, that everybody has a chance to participate in the deliberations fully and fairly.

A verdict in a criminal case, whatever that verdict is, has to be unanimous. To convict an individual of a crime, all twelve jurors have to agree that that individual is guilty of that crime. To find an individual not guilty of a crime, all twelve jurors, likewise, have to agree that the individual is not guilty.

Nothing is done in jury deliberations
without a majority vote. It's unanimity that
constitutes a decision.

Now, it's your duty to consult with your fellow jurors and to deliberate with a view to reaching an agreement if you can do that without

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violating your own individual judgments. Inevitably, differences of opinion are going to arise. It's out of analyzing those differences that we've developed the comfort that everything was thoroughly considered and, then, that a judgment is in fact a correct judgment.

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When those differences do arise, talk things out. Just don't assert a position that, "I see it this way or that way" or "I vote this way or that way," but explain why it is you hold to a particular position. Because, frankly, explaining your position is the only way this process is going to work.

14 You can't expect to convince other 15 people that they are wrong and you are right unless you explain why. And, similarly, you're 16 not giving your fellow jurors a fair opportunity 17 18 to convince you that one of your positions is incorrect and that theirs is the better one 19 unless, again, they know why it is you're thinking 20 the way you are and you know why they're thinking 21 22 the way they are.

Again, as differences arise, talk about them as fully as you can. Experience teaches that by reasoning things out, it's almost always

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possible for jurors to come to a unanimous verdict.

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Now, obviously, part and parcel of talking things out is being not at all hesitant to re-examine your views and change your minds if you're convinced that a position you're taking is incorrect. But none of you should ever give up your honest conviction as to the weight of the evidence in this case or the lack of evidence just to go along with your fellow jurors or just to get this particular case over with.

12 Ultimately, each of you has got to make 13 up your own mind. In reality, when you come back in here and announce a verdict, while your 14 foreperson will announce it, it is a collective 15 decision of the jury. What in fact your 16 foreperson is doing is telling the Court that he 17 18 or she is reporting twelve identical decisions, because that's what a verdict is. 19

If you want to communicate with the Court during your deliberations to ask for exhibits, to ask a question, to take a break, whatever, we now must insist that you do that in writing.

Miss Hull will show you how to buzz to

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get our attention, and simply put your note on a piece of paper and she will get it to me.

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If I can respond in just a few words, I'll write it on the paper. If in fact something more than that is needed, we'll come in here in the courtroom so that I can deal with it, and don't hesitate, whether I respond in writing or not, in the courtroom to tell me that that's not what you need, that's not what you were looking for.

We want you to have what information you need, and so if we don't understand the question or if you don't ask it quite correctly, don't hesitate to keep working at it until you get an answer to your question.

We can't guarantee it will be the answer someone's looking for, but at least the answer to the right question.

It's especially important now that you be very careful not to talk to anybody at all about this case. That includes me and my staff. You can talk to us if, meaning me and my staff, if you want to make a phone call, to let us know that you want to take a break, something like that, but nothing that at all alludes to this case.

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And also be very careful that you don't reveal to anyone, anybody at all, what you're talking about, how the discussions are going, or if you've taken any votes where things stand. That simply is none of our business, and for it to get out would have the effect of potentially interfering with your deliberations.

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Miss Hull is handing out a verdict form. I'm going to ask that your foreperson, whomever you select to hold that office, fill it out. It's simply a matter of checking off two lines, a verdict with regard to each of the two counts that apply to Mr. Stephen Turner, date it, and sign it.

15 That form, filled out, will be placed in 16 the files of this Court and will be the official record of your decision. You're all welcome to 17 18 have a copy now and keep it, but please don't fill out drafts or fill out more than one. Decisions 19 20 might change and we don't need preliminary versions of your verdict floating around for 2122 people to find.

The top of the form is simply the information which we use to identify this case. The next two lines, while there are only two

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lines, are packed with things of significance. It says, "We, the jury, in the above-entitled cause, all being in agreement" -- a constant reminder that your decisions, whatever they are, are to be unanimous, we can't accept anything less than that -- "find upon our oath" -- your oath we talked about this morning was to decide this case based only on the evidence and on the law -- "that Stephen Turner is," and then you have listed there the alternatives that we've discussed.

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As to Count Two, there are three alternatives: Guilty of aiding and abetting the commission of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, or guilty of aiding and abetting the criminal sexual conduct of criminal sexual conduct in the second degree, or not guilty.

As to Count Four, there are two alternatives: Guilty of the charged offense of criminal sexual conduct in the second degree, or not guilty.

With regard to Count Two, what you should do, ladies and gentlemen, is start your deliberations by considering whether Mr. Stephen Turner is guilty of aiding and abetting his brother committing a criminal sexual conduct in

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Once you start there, however, you can then let your deliberations go in whatever direction or process you think is appropriate.

You do not have to find Mr. Stephen Turner not guilty of the first degree version in order to go on to consider the second degree. If you are satisfied that he's guilty of the first degree version, then, of course, there's no point in considering the other two.

But you don't have to do it in any particular fashion other than start with considering whether the prosecution has proven criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, and whenever you think it opportune, given the chemistry of your deliberations, to go on and consider the others, that's entirely up to you.

We are, however, insistent that it be a unanimous decision, and, of course, it can only be one decision with regard to each count. That's why the word "or" is there and why the word "or is" capitalized.

With regard to Count Four, it's obvious
someone can't be both guilty of an offense and not
guilty. That's equally true with regard to Count

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1 Two. A person can't be guilty of one degree and 2 also be guilty of the other degree. You have to 3 come to an agreement yourself as to which it is. 4 What I would like you to do now, ladies 5 and gentlemen, once we determine who the two б alternates are, is to go to the jury room. Elect 7 a foreperson, first of all, but don't start 8 deliberating. 9 What I'll spend the next couple minutes 10 doing is talking to the lawyers about the instructions that I've given over the course of 11 12 this day to make sure I haven't misstated 13 something or forgotten something, or correcting something if something needs to be corrected. 14 It's best we do it now before there's 15 16 any possibility that it have an impact on your verdict. It doesn't make a lot of sense to let 17 you deliberate for a while and call you back in 18 and say, "Oh, by the way, I should have changed 19 something," only to find out you've already gotten 20

over that point and we have to go back and replow the ground.

Once you've determined who your foreperson is, then go on to consider one other thing, to some extent, and that is what kind of

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schedule you want to adhere to. You can stay as long as you want today to come to a decision, you can go home when you want to. We will leave that entirely up to you.

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The first thing we ought decide, frankly, is whether or not, now being 3:00, you want to get right to deliberations or take a short break. You're certainly welcome to do that.

9 Just be very careful you don't end up 10 mingling with the other jury, if in fact they're 11 taking a break at this time. Then get into your 12 deliberations, and a little bit later in the 13 afternoon I'll ask you not how it's going, because 14 that's none of our business, but whether you want 15 to stay a while longer or whether you want to 16 adjourn for the day. If so, when, and when you 17 want to come back.

We'll be glad to come in tomorrow if that's what you want to do. We'll do it on Monday. Again, that's entirely up to you.

What we need to do now is decide which two of you are the alternates. I'm sure there will be a certain amount of frustration, at least, having been here for two weeks and now not being able to participate in the decision.

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I want to thank you for being here, because, frankly, at this time of year it's very important that we have extras so that had something else gone wrong, enough did in the course of trial, we would have had plenty of jurors to pursue this particular matter with.

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I'm glad that our difficulties didn't involve you. They clearly affected you and protracted things, but that nobody got ill or had a problem. But every once in a while that happens, and when it does, we like to be able to be decent and tell people that they go rather than insist that they be here.

Those two of you are certainly welcome to wait around to see what the outcome is. If it's achieved today, we certainly also welcome you to simply leave a phone number and ask that we call you with the outcome.

We understand why you wouldn't want to spend your tenth day here any longer, but certainly are owed the courtesy of a phone call to find out what the outcome is, so we'll gladly do that for you.

> Those two, whoever you are, need to go to the jury room to collect whatever you have

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1 there, if it's a coat or umbrella, and at least 2 leave the jury room or you can remain around the 3 courtroom, because once you're designated as the 4 two extras, you are no longer part of the jury and 5 cannot have any interaction with them, any more 6 than anyone else in the courtroom can. 7 Miss Hull, will you tell us who fate 8 tells you to be are the two alternates? 9 THE CLERK: Number 217, Cheryl Soloman. 10 Number 113, Gary Kaminski. 11 (At about 3:00 p.m. - The two alternate 12 jurors left the courtroom) 13 (At about 3:00 p.m. - Clerk sworn by the 14 Court to take charge of the jury) 15 THE COURT: If you would, go with 16 Miss Hull, ladies and gentlemen, select a 17 foreperson, and decide whether you want to take a 18 break or get right to work. If you choose to get 19 right to work, please wait to hear from me before 20 you do that so that if additional instructions are 21needed, we can take care of it. 22 (At about 3:00 p.m. - The Stephen Turner 23 jury left the courtroom) 24THE COURT: Before I ask Mr. Bramble and 25 Miss Krause whether there are any objections to 890

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1 those instructions that pertained exclusively to 2 Mr. Stephen Turner, I should note for the record 3 what was forgotten before, and that is that this 4 procedure we've utilized of virtually all 5 instructions being given before argument was 6 agreed to by everybody. 7 Rule 6.414(F) has authorized such a 8 procedure, but only upon agreement of the 9 parties. We discussed it yesterday, and my clear 10 recollection was everybody agreed. 11 Mr. Bramble, any objections to the 12Stephen Turner instructions? 13 MR. BRAMBLE: No, your Honor. 14 THE COURT: Miss Krause? 15 MS. KRAUSE: Your Honor, no objections 16 to the instructions, per se. 17 The record should reflect at this time, 18 as we discussed in chambers, that we specifically did not request the lesser charge of aiding and 19 20 abetting criminal sexual conduct in the second degree, and I just want the record to reflect that 21 at this time. 22 THE COURT: It does, and the Court 23 24decided, frankly, that in light of the evidence in 25 this case, a reasonable jury could conclude that 891

there might be some doubts as to the first degree offense committed by Mr. Daniel Turner, but be satisfied that at least an offense in the second degree did occur.

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In light of the testimony, to, therefore, not instruct them on that, to take the all or nothing approach was factually unrealistic and unfair to the appropriate determination of this case, so that one lesser was given.

10There was discussion of other lesser11offenses for both defendants, in particular,12assault with intent to engage in criminal sexual13conduct involving penetration, as well as an14assault to engage in conduct of the second15degree.

In the end, the prosecutor and defense counsel decided that neither one wanted any such instructions, and the Court acquiesced.

Do you want to just wait to see what our schedule is like?

21 MR. BRAMBLE: Judge, I guess I would --22 I think we discussed this maybe very early on, the 23 Court waiving any type of theory claim, and I 24 would do that at this time.

MS. KRAUSE: The same goes for Defendant

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1 Stephen Turner. 2 THE COURT: And Mr. Mirgue? 3 MR. MIRQUE: Daniel Turner joins. 4 THE COURT: All right, let us get to 5 work. 6 (At about 3:04 p.m. - Recess taken, and 7 the Stephen Turner Jury commenced deliberations) 8 (At about 4:18 p.m. - The Daniel Turner 9 jury returned to the courtroom) 10 THE COURT: Everybody have a seat. 11 Ladies and gentlemen, you have asked a 12 question which I think can best be answered here 13 in the courtroom. You have asked some other questions, asked for exhibits which were sent to 14 15 you, asked one question to which the answer was 16 straightforward and I could write it out. 17 That's not to say that the answer to 18 this guestion is not straightforward, but it takes a little bit more time than would it make it 19 convenient to write it out. 20 I trust you realize that the earlier 21 22 instructions I gave, while I was by no means 23 reading from a script, because I don't think 24 that's an effective way of doing it, were thought out ahead of time and a basis for the instructions 25 893

was drafted out. Of course, when it comes to answering questions, I'm doing it without all of that benefit, so that it may not be as precise as the other ones were, as were the other one, but I'll do my best.

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The question is, "Why must we agree on the method of penetration but not the method of kidnapping."

9 The answer is you do have to agree on 10 the method of kidnapping, but let me explain why 11 things were dealt with differently here.

The claim is that two acts of penetration occurred, and there was testimony, which you have to assess to decide whether you believe it, but there was testimony of two acts of penetration, as that is defined in Michigan law.

So the way we do things is to charge a separate offense for each claimed separate act.

With regard to the kidnapping, there is only one claim here that something happened that constitutes kidnapping. The only thing which is being claimed is that the kidnapping occurred when Lakeysha was, if you find that she was, grabbed and taken from the outside of the apartment, sidewalk, or porch, wherever it was, into the

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apartment. That's what is claimed to be the kidnapping here.

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If you find that that did indeed happen, then that clearly constitutes having led, taken, or carried her, any one of those three things is as the statute requires.

You then have to decide, was that act involving a movement of some significance, or was it an insignificant movement. Remember, I told you a movement from one place to another place in the same general area, if it's a short movement, may not be significant. A long movement in the same area may be significant.

Moving a person from one place to another place, one environment to another environment, even if it's a short distance, may be significant. But you have to decide that. But when we listed all of the things that the statute deals with, all I can say is that's the way legislators write things.

They don't tend, because they're not sure they can ever be that precise in language, to identify only one thing. They list a variety of things maybe which are, frankly, synonymous with one another, but it's my job to give you what the

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What I can tell you is if you find that she was taken in some variation of the form she described, then that first element, at least to the extent that she had to have been led, taken, or carried, has been satisfied.

Then if you decide it was from one place to another place, that the movement was significant, item number one has been satisfied.

If you believe that in fact someone put an arm around her and took her as she described, then that clearly constitutes "forcible" within the meaning of the statute, and we don't have to worry about malicious or fraudulent.

15 Again, we're thorough and we put 16 everything that's in the statute. But the claim, really, here is that force was used as opposed to 17 any one of those other two things, and then, of 18 19 course, you have to decide if you believe that she 20 was forcibly moved from one place to another, whether that was done with intent to detain or 21 22 conceal her from her parents.

So there's a lot of "or's" in the statute, but the reason there was just one kidnapping charged here is that there's only one

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So the bottom line is, you decide whether she was moved as she says she was, and then decide whether it was forcible and whether it was with intent to detain or conceal her, and then the elements of the crime will have been met.

If you don't believe that she was moved as she says she was, that there wasn't any force or that there wasn't any movement, then, of course, none of those things can have been proven.

Does that help?

JUROR NUMBER SEVEN: Can I ask in the manner that indicates our line of thinking?

THE COURT: You probably shouldn't do that.

JUROR NUMBER SEVEN: Okay.

THE COURT: In fact, probably not, you shouldn't do that. If you want to go back and try and figure out a question that is as precise as you can make it, then I'll answer it.

And, frankly, if you people deduce a
little bit what you think is your line of
thinking, that just happens. But I don't want to

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run the risk that in the course of talking about 1 2 it here we go too far. 3 So write out the question as precisely 4 as you can and I'll deal with it. I promise I'll 5 deal with it, but there's a little too much risk 6 of finding out more than we should dealing with it 7 orally here. You write it out and I'll answer 8 it. 9 Okay, why don't you go back to the jury 10 room and do that. We'll gladly wait to get the 11 next question, and then we can come right back in and deal with it. 12 13 (At about 4:25 p.m. - The Daniel Turner 14 Jury left the courtroom) 15 THE COURT: Mr. Kamm, any objection to 16that exchange? 17 MR. KAMM: I have no objection. 18 THE COURT: Mr. Mirque? 19 MR. MIRQUE: No objections, your Honor. 20 THE COURT: Okay, let's everyone hang 21 around for Part B. 22 (At about 4:25 p.m. - Recess taken) 23 (At about 5:08 p.m. - The Daniel Turner 24jury returned to the courtroom) 25 (At about 5:08 p.m. - The Stephen Turner 898

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THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, I understand from the clerk that both juries have decided, quite understandably, that today's been long enough, and that you'd like to end your deliberations for today and resume them on Monday. Of course, that's fine.

8 The only reason I brought you back in 9 the courtroom is to remind you, in as impressive a 10 way as I can, that the admonitions that you have 11 been given all throughout this trial, about not paying attention to any publicity about either 12 13 this case or one like it, and not discussing this matter with anyone or come to any conclusions, 14 15 applies with special emphasis now because you're 16 in the midst of the most sensitive part of this 17 particular case.

So please keep all of those things in mind, but do have as pleasant a weekend as the circumstances allow.

I understand that the jury trying the case of Mr. Daniel Turner wants to return at 8:30. Mr. Stephen Turner's jury wants to return at ten. Frankly, that's just fine, and that will work out fine.

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We won't have two juries deliberating necessarily at the same time all the time, and we can maybe coordinate exhibits and that a little bit better.

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I want to advise you of something which may happen on Monday, only so it's no surprise. It's of no particular significance. You may, in fact, if you have any further questions or when you return a verdict, if it is on Monday, do so in the presence of Judge Buth, one of my colleagues down the hall.

12 I'm scheduled to be out of town Sunday, 13 Monday, and Tuesday. I will see whether those plans should be changed, but if I'm not here, I 14 will be at the other end of a phone, and any 15 16 questions you have will be directed to me, 17 inasmuch as I'm the one with the knowledge of this particular case, and Judge Buth will just be 18 reporting on to you my answers to your questions, 19 and then presiding over the process of returning a 20 verdict. 21

Please don't look upon that as anything of significance in the case, and I might very well be here. If not, it's because I simply cannot be and will make other arrangements. It happens all

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I've done the same thing for Judge Buth and Judge Benson and Judge Soet, and they have done it for me. The judges do that all the time.

If you do need, although I see you've got your jackets on and are ready to depart immediately, to sign out, if you want that grand sum that you will be paid for being here today, Marilyn has gone to get your cards. They will be in your respective jury rooms.

Just sign them, then feel free to leave and return back at the times you've decided on Monday. Have a good weekend, and we'll see you then.

15 (At about 5:11 p.m. - The Daniel Turner
16 jury left the courtroom)

17 (At about 5:11 p.m. - The Stephen Turner
18 jury left the courtroom)

19 THE COURT: Counsel, any objection to 20 that exchange with the jury? 21 MR. MIRQUE: No, your Honor.

MS. KRAUSE: No, your Honor.
MR. BRAMBLE: No, your Honor.
THE COURT: We had talked about it in
chambers but we didn't put anything on the record,

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1	was I correct in assuming from the statements I
2	made here that nobody objects to Judge Buth
3	handling what needs to be handled on Monday, at
4	least so long as I'm available by phone?
5	MR. MIRQUE: Not from Mr. Daniel Turner.
6	MS. KRAUSE: No objection.
7	MR. BRAMBLE: No, your Honor.
8	THE COURT: Okay, everybody have a good
9	weekend, at least as good as possible with the
10	anxiety of having a case hanging over your heads,
11	and I'll see you or at least talk to you by phone
12	on Monday.
13	(At about 5:13 p.m Proceedings
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