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On Friday, November 24, 2000, I conducted an interview with the following individual at her home:

Barbara HAMEL
81 Kennedy Drive
Keene, NH
[REDACTED]

Also present for the interview was,

Sergeant Allen WELCH
NH State Police – Troop C

B. HAMEL is a former girlfriend of EVANS, dating him between 1985 and 1991. She indicated that she did meet with him briefly after 1991, for a lunch meeting. She stated that she was already engaged to her husband at the time. She added that her husband was aware of this meeting and actually sent along a music CD as a peace offering to EVANS. B. HAMEL's husband is a morning disc jockey for a local radio station and was at that time. She estimated that her lunch meeting with EVANS occurred approximately five years ago, after he had moved to Rochester.

B. HAMEL indicated that she was a freshman in high school when she first met EVANS. They were both employed by McDonald's Restaurant of Keene, and were introduced by a friend. At first, they were just friends, but eventually they started dating. She stated that during the six years they were together they broke up numerous times, but would eventually get back together after a short period of time. B. HAMEL described EVANS as "very jealous", "controlling" and "smothering". She added that he would get upset if he felt she was having a better time with others, than with him. According to B. HAMEL, she and EVANS would often get into heated arguments. She stated that admittedly she knew what buttons to push to get him upset. She added the arguments would usually reach a point where he would push her into a wall or physically assault. She said that EVANS never took responsibility for actions and always blamed someone else.

B. HAMEL was able to remember specific incidents where an argument with EVANS turned into violence. Back when they were dating, she attended a party at a local residence where there were some individuals smoking marijuana. According to B. HAMEL, EVANS arrived and was convinced she had been smoking marijuana as well. She stated that he thought that because she had come down from upstairs where it was being done. She continued, stating that she and EVANS began to argue, because he had accused her of doing something she had not done. The argument continued as they stepped outside onto the front porch. It was there, B. HAMEL indicated, that EVANS physically threw her off the porch and onto the ground. She stated that she landed face down but was uninjured by the fall. She remembered EVANS' brother jumping on his back in an attempt to control him. She added that EVANS was a "bad drinker".

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Another incident B. HAMEL remembered occurred sometime after the one just mentioned. She stated that she had just moved into her new apartment and was having a house warming party. She indicated that EVANS was drunk and became enraged and punched a hole into one of her walls. She said that she never called the police, but did call his brother hoping that he could come and get him. Finally, some of her friends were able to get him out of the apartment at which point he purposely hit his head on the hood of his own vehicle. She added that he also punched a hole into the dashboard of his vehicle.

A third incident B. HAMEL described had EVANS attempting to strangle her. She said that she was at his apartment in Rochester and because of an earlier argument she laid down on the couch to sleep and EVANS went upstairs. She mentioned being upset and that EVANS knew she was upset and was angry because she was upset. She stated that EVANS came back downstairs, grabbed her by the throat and said, "I'm going to kill you fuckin' bitch." B. HAMEL continued, stating that she did not lose consciousness, but did gag as a result. She added that EVANS had been drinking that evening and indicated she thought the argument was about something to do with his work.

B. HAMEL was asked if EVANS had shown aggressive tendencies toward others, not just her. She stated that during either 1988 or 1989, she accompanied EVANS to Keene District Court because he had been arrested for assaulting another subject. She was not sure of the specifics because they were not dating at the time, but EVANS had asked for her to go with him to court. She stated that she did remember EVANS tell her that he never felt the pain of the other subject's punches.

B. HAMEL stated that she had also heard that EVANS had been involved in a motor vehicle accident in the Corvette he owned at the time. According to the information she had received, EVANS had been operating under the influence at the time of the accident. She indicated that he avoided prosecution by coercing the female passenger he had with him to admit she had been driving. She also recalled an incident in which EVANS, after having just been in a fight, was observed driving around with either a 9mm or 10mm handgun looking for the subject he had just fought with. B. HAMEL indicated that from what she was told, EVANS met up with the subject, who was also armed, at which point they made each other aware that they were armed and then parted company.

According to B. HAMEL, she had seen EVANS become enraged at work, not only with her but with customers as well. She stated that she had often times seen him strike a piece of equipment in anger, which she observed for the first time shortly after they had been introduced. I asked her if his anger was the result of alcohol abuse and she stated that the alcohol just enhanced his already short temper. I asked her what usually enraged EVANS and she indicated that his anger was tied into his jealous tendencies and his insecurities. She added that he was "very manipulative", which usually she could see coming. She mentioned that their relationship brought out the worst of each other.

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I asked B. HAMEL to explain or describe some of the instances where she observed EVANS become enraged at work. She stated that back when they were dating, a woman complained to him about the service she had received. During the conversation the woman had with EVANS, she berated him and insulted his intelligence. B. HAMEL indicated that EVANS did well not to argue with her, but as soon as the conversation was over he went around the corner and punched a piece of equipment. He also, according to B. HAMEL, reprimanded her for using a chair while taking orders at the drive thru window. This was after his brother had done the same and was not reprimanded. She told us that she was having a problem with her back, which she tried to explain to EVANS. She stated that she told him that she was leaving and EVANS told her that if she did he would break off the relationship with her. She added that she did indeed leave and soon after he came to her and apologized.

B. HAMEL stated that she had never seen him interact with other female partners. She indicated that it was customary for him to send her flowers and in an attempt to apologize. She mentioned that flowers and apology usually came after they had broken up due to some violence directed at her. She continued, stating that the flowers and balloons would eventually stop coming and he would stay away for a while. However, they would eventually get back together until the next time he became violent with her. She added that she was not surprised that EVANS was being accused of some form of domestic violence, citing her past relationship with him as evidence.

I asked B. HAMEL if she had ever observed EVANS with kids and she indicated that she had not. She told us that she was surprised that he had been accused of killing a child. She mentioned that she had spoken to EVANS' sister who told her that marriage had changed him. Additionally, the sister also told her that he had one child of his own and was attempting to adopt his wife's eldest child. EVANS had always been hard working and very dedicated to McDonald's Restaurant, but, she added, that there is a dark side to EVANS, which many people never see.

At the end of the interview, B. HAMEL stated that if EVANS had done what he is being accused of doing then she wants justice to be done. If he did not do it then she does not want him to be falsely accused or convicted. Finally, B. HAMEL stated that EVANS, if he did do it, would not accept blame for his actions.

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