

ALTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
OFFICER NARRATIVE
REPORT: 99-0017552

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SUPPLEMENT

OFFENSE: DEATH INVESTIGATION

DATE & TIME OF THIS SUPPLEMENT: 10/25/99 1245 HOURS

At the above date and time, based on information received from Madison County Detective Bradley Wells, Detective Jason Simmons and I responded to the Madison County Jail to interview an informant who was currently incarcerated in the same cell block with the defendant in this case, VALDEZ JORDAN.

Upon arranging this interview in the Detective Bureau of the Madison County Sheriff's Office, this particular informant, who will remain anonymous at this time, advised Detective Simmons and me that VALDEZ JORDAN had spoken to him directly with regard to this murder and subsequently admitted to being the shooter in the incident. The CI went on to report that he has had numerous conversations with JORDAN from October 8 until today's date, 10/25/99. The CI estimated that he had spoken to JORDAN regarding this case at least 10 to 12 different times.

According to the CI, their initial conversation took place on October 8, at which time JORDAN summoned the CI to his particular cell (#5), at which time, he told him that he "fucked up." According to the CI, JORDAN told him, referring to the victim, "The Mother Fucker saw me," and then went on to report that as he (JORDAN) was making his way to the door of the "Crap House", at the conclusion of this robbery, he (JORDAN) fired the gun, and as he was doing it, the victim, KENNY SPANN, walked in front of him and was struck by the bullet.

According to the CI, since that initial conversation, he and JORDAN spoke of the incident numerous times in greater detail. The CI then went on to report the full story as he had heard it from VALDEZ JORDAN over the past two (2) weeks. The CI stated that JORDAN told him that he went to the Chess Club on the night of this incident and that he

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was by himself, driving TAMMY GREEN's car. The informant stated that he did not specifically describe the car to him, but the CI stated that he knew GREEN'S car to be a '92 or '93 Chevrolet Cavalier. According to the CI, JORDAN stated that he went to the Chess Club to gamble and that he went in there with approximately \$1500. The CI stated that, according to JORDAN, he began gambling at the "craps" table with several individuals, one of whom he identified as TYRONE PARKER. The CI stated that, according to JORDAN, he initially won several hundred dollars and had built his money up to somewhere between \$2000 and \$2500 before he started losing money. According to the CI, JORDAN then began steadily losing his money to TYRONE PARKER until he was eventually down to "some change in his pocket." According to the CI, JORDAN told him that after losing all his money to PARKER, he became angry and left the Chess Club to get his "thang." The CI stated that JORDAN told him that he returned a short time later and observed a couple of people standing in front of the Chess Club, so he waited until they left before he approached.

According to the CI, JORDAN told him that he then approached the front door of the Chess Club and buzzed the door twice before it was eventually opened by the victim, KENNY SPANN. According to the CI, immediately upon SPANN opening the door, JORDAN stepped into the club, pulled down his mask, grabbed SPANN around the neck, and pulled out his handgun. The CI stated that JORDAN then escorted SPANN into the main room of the gambling house, yelling for people to put their money on the table. The CI stated that JORDAN was gesturing to him how he was doing it, and, according to the CI, he was holding SPANN in a neck restraint from behind with one (1) arm and waving the gun with his free arm. According to the CI, JORDAN told him that the people in the club were not particularly paying attention to him, so he fired one (1) shot to get them to take him seriously. The informant stated that

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he was unsure if the shot went into the wall or the ceiling, but he believed that this particular round was not intended to hit anyone. The CI stated that, according to JORDAN, after yelling for everyone to put their money on the pool table, JORDAN then released SPANN in order to gather the money that had been thrown out on the table. According to the CI, after releasing SPANN, SPANN made his way to the door and then JORDAN, after gathering some of the money, turned to go out the door also. According to the CI, JORDAN told him that he was attempting to fire another shot near the doorway in an effort to discourage anyone from following him out the door and, according to JORDAN, as he discharged this last round, SPANN walked in front of the gun and was struck in the area of his lower back. The CI stated that JORDAN then exited the club and ran up the street to where his car was parked.

According to the CI, JORDAN told him that upon reaching his vehicle, he drove back to Storeyland and "crashed." The CI stated that he assumed when JORDAN referred to Storeyland, he was referring to his girlfriend, TAMMY GREEN, who lives in an apartment in Manor Court. The CI stated that JORDAN told him that he later left Storeyland and went to another black female's apartment in one (1) of the housing projects. The CI stated that, according to JORDAN, upon contacting this black female, she told him that the police had already been to her apartment looking for him with regard to the Chess Club shooting. According to the CI, JORDAN, after hearing this information, then left the housing project enroute to St. Louis to meet with family members. According to the CI, one (1) of JORDAN's family members subsequently arranged for him to meet with an attorney later that day or the following day. According to the CI, JORDAN then met with this

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particular attorney who bought JORDAN food from Burger King and then discussed the circumstances of his case. The CI stated that, according to JORDAN, the attorney told him that he needed to work on an alibi to account for his whereabouts at the time of this shooting and then subsequently arranged for him to turn himself in to the Alton Police Department. According to the CI, this attorney accompanied JORDAN to the Alton Police Department, at which time, JORDAN advised the police that he had nothing to say with regard to this incident.

During the course of this conversation with the CI, he also advised Detective Simmons and I that JORDAN told him that, upon contacting his family members in St. Louis, he gave the gun to his brother, who the CI only knew as "SHORTY 4." The CI stated that he believed he had met "SHORTY 4" in the past but had no idea where "SHORTY 4" lived. The CI estimated "SHORTY 4" to be in his early 20's, stating he believed that "SHORTY 4" was older than VALDEZ JORDAN. The CI further reported that "SHORTY 4" had apparently just been released from a Department of Corrections facility in the State of Illinois and that he had been told to hide the gun. The CI further indicated that, according to JORDAN, the gun had not been destroyed but that it was still in the City of St. Louis in the custody of "SHORTY 4."

During the course of this conversation with the CI, the CI further advised myself and Detective Simmons that JORDAN indicated to him that he was concerned about the potential testimony of two (2) witnesses, one (1) being GORDY BALLINGER, and the second being JARVIS BROWN. According to the CI, JORDAN mentioned other witnesses such as BEN HOWARD, TYRONE PARKER, TRACY EVERAGE, two (2) unidentified white males, and a black female named C-LOVE who the informant identified as "Boss's Woman." According to the CI, JORDAN knew these people to be

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witnesses to the incident, but was not particularly worried about their testimony. He stated that he seemed the most concerned about GORDY BALLINGER and JARVIS BROWN.

It should be noted that this particular CI also told us that on the day after the shooting, he had personally spoken to both KAREEM HAMILTON and JARVIS BROWN, and they advised him that they had been present during the course of this incident. According to the CI, JARVIS BROWN had been outside the Chess Club on the rear parking lot involved in a drug transaction at which time the incident occurred. The CI stated that BROWN told him that he heard some commotion and "banging around" in the back room of the club shortly after he completed this drug transaction. The CI stated that BROWN started making his way along the north side of the building in an attempt to go to the front door, at which time he observed C-LOVE standing outside the front door with her hands in the air. He stated that BROWN then heard at least one (1) gunshot, at which time BROWN turned and ran back toward the wooded area behind the Chess Club. The CI stated that BROWN told him that he then saw the offender run out the front door of the club followed by numerous people a few seconds later.

According to the CI, KAREEM HAMILTON told him that he had been inside the club gambling when the suspect came in and "busted a pistol." The

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CI stated that, according to HAMILTON, he broke for the back room and hid, "not trying to look at the guy." The CI stated that HAMILTON told him that the offender was VALDEZ JORDAN, but HAMILTON stated that he got that information from TYRONE PARKER who was also in the Chess Club gambling. The CI had no additional information at this time, and this interview was subsequently concluded at approximately 1430 hours this date.

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