

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF DAKOTA

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

State of Minnesota,

Declaration of Regina Hagerman

Petitioner,

vs.

Philip Vance,

Respondent.

D. C. File No. K6-04-000736

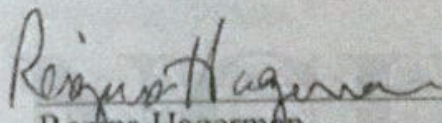
For her Declaration pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 358.116, Regina Hagerman states as follows:

1. I testified against Philip Vance before the Grand Jury and at his trial in 2004. My testimony was false. I gave the false testimony because of pressure and threats from the police.
2. I had many encounters with the police during the investigation of the robbery and killing at Sabreen's. They were talking to me because around that time, Philip Vance was going with my niece, Darlene Jones. I knew Philip Vance as "Florida."
3. The police wanted me to say that Florida was involved in the robbery and killing at Sabreen's. I didn't know anything about that, and I told them so. But they would not leave me alone. They kept telling me I had to say something against Florida. I kept telling them that I didn't know anything about it, so I had nothing to say. They said I had to say something.
4. Police would often be at my house when I came home from my job at Goodwill, and they would keep pressuring me to say something against Florida. Also, when I went to work in the morning, the police would show up and confront me at my bus stop, still trying to get me to say that I knew something about Florida being involved with what happened at Sabreen's. But I didn't know anything so I had nothing to tell them. Sometimes they would be at the bus stop when I was coming back from work, and they would confront me again. It scared me when I would see them at the bus stop. I thought I was in trouble.



5. The police threatened me. They told me that I would go to jail if I did not tell them what they wanted to hear about Florida. Also, at the time my fiancé and my child's father, George McCleod, was in jail, and the police told me that something bad was going to happen to George in jail if I would not tell the police what they wanted to hear about Florida.
6. I was scared for myself and for George. I didn't want to go to jail, I didn't want anything to happen to George, and I wanted to be left alone. That is why I agreed to say that Florida was at my house the Saturday before the Superbowl in 2003. He never said that he was involved in a crime. I testified about this before the Grand Jury and at the trial.
7. My testimony about what Florida said was false. The truth is, Florida never said that he had anything to do with the robbery and killing at Sabreen's. Like I told the police at the beginning, I don't know anything about it.
8. The false testimony I gave has bothered me more and more over the years. I am worried that because I gave in to pressure and threats from the police, an innocent man may be in prison for life.
9. No one has threatened me, or given me, or promised me anything for signing this Declaration. I am doing this because I want the truth to come out.
10. I read this Declaration before signing it and I had the chance to correct anything that was wrong in it.
11. I declare under penalty of perjury that everything I have stated in this document is true and correct.

Dated: 2-2-21, 2021.

  
Regina Hagerman

Cook County, Illinois  
County and State where Signed