
Sequential Line-up Shown to Cynthia McDermid by Sgt. Bruce Folkens on 05-17-2004

On 05-17-2004, I was asked by Sgt. Mattson to show a sequential photo line-up to Cynthia McDermid. Sgt. Mattson then gave me 6 black and white photographs each numbered 1-6 sequentially. I then asked McDermid to accompany me to an interview room to be shown these photographs. It should be noted that I had no prior knowledge of any suspects or witnesses regarding the case in question.

Once in the interview room, I introduced myself to McDermid, and explained that I would be showing her 6 separate photographs in sequence. I further explained that she was under no obligation to pick a photograph, as I did not know a suspect or witness was included as one of the photographs. I then asked McDermid to indicate to me if she recognized anyone in the photographs and to explain how she recognized them. McDermid was finally told to take her time, and look at each photograph.

I then showed McDermid photograph #1, and she replied "No". I then retrieved photograph 1 and showed her photograph #2. McDermid looked at this photograph, and stated that she recognized this party as coming in the store on previous occasions, and further stated that he was from the neighborhood. I then retrieved this photograph, and showed McDermid Photograph #3. McDermid stated "No", at which time I retrieved this photograph and produced photograph #4. McDermid put her hand over the photograph, and said that she was not sure, but was maybe 75% to 80% sure. McDermid then stated that she was confused, and could not be 100% sure. McDermid was asked to sign and date the rear of this photograph, and write 75%-80% on the back with the date. I then retrieved photograph #4, and then showed her photograph 5 and 6 separately. After viewing each photograph, McDermid stated "No".

After viewing these photographs, McDermid stated that she was still in a state of shock, and could not be sure of an identification at this time.

The 6 photographs were then returned to Sgt. Mattson at which time I informed him of the results.

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