



Colorado Bureau of Investigation  
**INVESTIGATIVE SUPPLEMENT 2018-273/17**

Report Date: 08/21/2018

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**Primary Information**

Description: **Polygraph and Interview with CHRISTOPHER WATTS 08.15.18**  
Occurrence From: **08/15/2018 11:00**  
Occurrence To: **08/15/2018 21:00**  
Reporting LEO: **LEE, TAMMY AGT (5202 / DENVER / CBI - Denver)**  
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**Synopsis**

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**Address #1 - OCCURRED #1 - 2825 SARATOGA TRAIL**

**Primary Information**

Address: **2825 SARATOGA TRAIL, Frederick, COLORADO 80530 , UNITED STATES**

**Subject #1 - VICTIM #1 - WATTS, BELLA**

**Primary Information**

Exempt From Disclosure: **YES**  
Subject Name: **WATTS, BELLA**  
Record Type: **PERSON**  
Bio: **4 yr. old, WHITE, FEMALE**  
Birth Date: **12/17/2013**  
Juvenile: **YES**

**Personal Information**

Deceased: **YES**

**Subject #2 - VICTIM #2 - WATTS, CELESTE**

**Primary Information**

Exempt From Disclosure: **YES**  
Subject Name: **WATTS, CELESTE**  
Record Type: **PERSON**



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**Subject #2 - VICTIM #2 - WATTS, CELESTE - Continued**

**Primary Information - Continued**

Bio: 3 yr. old, WHITE, FEMALE  
 Birth Date: 07/17/2015  
 Juvenile: YES

**Personal Information**

Deceased: YES

**Alias Information**

Alias  
 WATTS, CECE

**Subject #3 - VICTIM #3 - WATTS, SHANANN**

**Primary Information**

Subject Name: WATTS, SHANANN  
 Record Type: PERSON  
 Bio: 34 yr. old, WHITE, FEMALE  
 Birth Date: 01/10/1984  
 Juvenile: NO

**Personal Information**

Deceased: YES

**Subject #4 - SUBJECT #1 - WATTS, CHRISTOPHER LEE**

**Primary Information**

Subject Name: WATTS, CHRISTOPHER LEE  
 Record Type: PERSON  
 Bio: 33 yr. old, WHITE, MALE  
 Birth Date: 05/16/1985  
 Juvenile: NO

**Employment Information**

Occupation: FIELD COORDINATOR

**Identifications**

<u>ID Type</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>As Of Date</u>	<u>Fictitious</u>	<u>Comment</u>
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**Alias Information**

Alias  
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**ACTION TAKEN:**

On Wednesday, August 15, 2018, CHRISTOPHER "CHRIS" WATTS voluntarily consented to a recorded polygraph interview. The interview took place at the Frederick Police Department, which was located at 333 5<sup>th</sup> Street in Frederick, Colorado. It was my understanding the primary purpose of the interview was to determine if WATTS had any knowledge or involvement in the disappearance of his wife and two (2) young daughters.

The day before the polygraph interview, I assisted the Frederick Police Department with the initial investigation into the disappearance of SHANANN, BELLA, and CELESTE WATTS. I also observed a voluntary interview with CHRIS, which was conducted the prior evening by FBI Special Agent (SA) GRAHM CODER. During the interview with SA CODER, WATTS denied having any knowledge regarding the whereabouts of his wife and children. WATTS was also adamant there was no infidelity in his marriage of any kind. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he would be willing to take a polygraph and CHRIS agreed. CHRIS stated he had to pick up his father, later identified as RONNIE WATTS (Age 62; [REDACTED]) from the airport early the next morning, so the polygraph was scheduled for Wednesday, August 15, 2018, at 11:00 A.M. CHRIS then left the Fredrick Police Department for the evening.

It should be noted that approximately 3 hours before the polygraph was scheduled to begin (8:00 A.M.), I received a phone call from Anadarko Regional Security Manager, TONY HUSKEY. HUSKEY advised he had reviewed CHRIS' computer network traffic and it was possible CHRIS had started a relationship with an Anadarko contracted employee. HUSKEY advised he located emails between CHRIS and the contracted employee, who he identified as NICHOL "NIKKI" KESSINGER (Age 30; [REDACTED]). HUSKEY said it appeared a relationship between CHRIS and KESSINGER started around June of 2018. HUSKEY further explained KESSINGER was on the "Geo Sciences" side of the company and helped survey land. HUSKEY explained CHRIS and KESSINGER worked out of the same office in Platteville, Colorado. HUSKEY advised he would be forwarding the emails to law enforcement as soon as it was cleared by their legal department. The emails received by HUSKEY are attached to this report.

**PRE-TEST****INTERVIEW:**

On Wednesday, August 15, 2018, at approximately 11:00 A.M., SA CODER met CHRIS in the lobby of the Fredrick Police Department and escorted him to a private interview room inside the police department. CHRIS was wearing a short-sleeve North Carolina Tar Heels t-shirt, black athletic shorts, and black flip flops (no wedding ring). I greeted CHRIS inside the interview room and the door was shut. I told CHRIS the door

automatically locks from the inside, but there was a key inserted into the lock that could be turned to open the door. I also explained to CHRIS the door was shut for privacy, but he was not under arrest and could leave at any time. CHRIS said he understood. *(It should be noted, I was not wearing a gun, badge, handcuffs, magazines, or any other police insignia during the polygraph and interview.)*

Next, CBI's polygraph procedures were explained to CHRIS. I read CHRIS his Miranda rights and explained to him that he did not have to talk to me. CHRIS signed the Advisement of Rights form stating he understood his rights and wished to continue with the interview and polygraph. CHRIS also signed a consent form indicating his willingness to undergo a polygraph examination.

During the pretest interview, CHRIS told me the following: *(Note: Below is only a summary of our conversation – please review the attached transcript, audio file, and video recordings in their entirety for full details on the interview.)*

- *(With regard to CHRIS' background and upbringing.)* Growing up, he lived with his mother, father, and sister (JAMIE).
  - His father worked as a Parts Manager for a Ford dealership.
  - His mother worked as a secretary and notary for a used car dealership.
  - JAMIE is seven (7) years older than him.
    - He gets along well with JAMIE and her husband.
    - He just saw JAMIE and her family during his recent visit to North Carolina.
    - He was in North Carolina August 1-7, 2018.
  - Growing up, his family attended First Baptist Church on a fairly regular basis.
  - He was always the “quiet kid” who followed the rules.
    - JAMIE was the rebellious child in the family.
    - JAMIE left numerous times after high school and would always move back home.
  - His father was the disciplinarian in the family.
    - His father would not use physical discipline, but would raise his voice.
    - His father struggled with substance abuse after he (CHRIS) moved out.
    - It was hard on his father when he (CHRIS) left because his father was used to him (CHRIS) always being around.
    - His father is his hero and his best friend.
- After he graduated high school, he moved to Morrisville, North Carolina.
- He attended NASCAR college in Morrisville, North Carolina.
  - NASCAR college was a mechanical school.
  - He understands numbers and math very well.
- From 2001-2012, he worked for Morrisville Ford.
- From 2012-2014, he worked at Longmont Ford in Colorado.
  - While he worked for Ford, he developed the onset of carpal tunnel in both of his hands.
  - Since leaving Ford, he no longer has pain in his hands.
- In 2014, he worked for Covenant Testing Technologies (oil field contractor).
- In January of 2015, he was hired to work at Anadarko.
  - He currently works as a Field Coordinator with Anadarko.
  - He usually helps his guys in the field and tries to get everyone off of work by 3:00-3:30 P.M.
  - He usually starts his work day at 6-6:30 A.M. every day.

- Some people at work call him “Rain Man” because if he goes to an oil site once, he will remember it.
- He stayed the prior evening (Tuesday, August 14, 2015) at NICK and AMANDA THAYER’s house.
  - He met AMANDA while she was a Director at Primrose School (where BELLA and CECE attended).
  - AMANDA currently works as a “down line” from SHANANN in the company “Thrive.”
    - Thrive sells vitamins and minerals that are all plant-based.
    - Thrive is a 3-step system, which includes capsules in the morning, a protein shake with water, and a patch you wear on your skin.
    - Thrive is extremely healthy.
    - He (CHRIS) weighed 245 pounds before he started using Thrive in 2016.
    - He (CHRIS) is a down-line from SHANANN, but she sells for him.
    - SHANANN knows he is not a seller and told him he would tell people too much about the product.
    - One person at his work, TROY MCCOY, buys Thrive from him.
      - He and MCCOY are both Field Supervisors for Anadarko.
      - He and MCCOY have hung out a few times outside of work with their families.
- (*With regard to his relationship with SHANANN.*) He met SHANANN in 2010 through Facebook.
  - His cousin’s wife recommended he and SHANNAN become ‘friends’ on Facebook.
  - He started talking to SHANANN and they had their first date at a movie theatre.
    - SHANANN was not impressed with him because he came to the date very underdressed.
  - He and SHANANN’s second date was at a rock concert.
  - He and SHANANN spent their third date at Myrtle Beach.
    - SHANANN suffered from Lupus and it was “acting up” on their date at Myrtle Beach.
    - On the drive back from Myrtle Beach, she laid on his lap the entire time.
    - SHANANN realized he was a really nice guy because he let her lay on his lap for 2 ½ hours.
  - He proposed to SHANANN in 2011 at Ocean Isle Beach.
  - SHANANN is very OCD about organization and planned the entire wedding.
  - In November of 2012, he and SHANANN wed at the Double Tree Hilton in North Carolina.
    - Their wedding was amazing.
    - They spent their honeymoon in Myrtle Beach.
  - In December of 2013, their daughter, BELLA, was born.
    - BELLA was a ‘gift’ because doctors warned them SHANANN may not be able to have children due to her Lupus.
  - In July of 2015, CECE was born.
    - BELLA was a mama’s girl and CECE was a daddy’s girl.
    - CECE was rambunctious and was always moving until she fell asleep.
    - CECE loved riding in the airplane on the way back from North Carolina.

- He was excited when he found out SHANANN was pregnant with their third child.
  - SHANANN had an ultrasound the prior week (August 8, 2018) and they found out they were having a boy.
- SHANANN used fertility drugs with both BELLA and CECE.
  - SHANANN was not using any fertility drugs when she got pregnant with their third child.
  - They only “tried” twice when SHANANN got pregnant with their son.
  - SHANANN believed she got pregnant because she was using Thrive and had a much healthier lifestyle.
- SHANANN did not suffer from postpartum with any of her pregnancies.
- SHANANN found out she was pregnant with their son the first or second week of June 2018.
  - SHANANN is currently 14-15 weeks pregnant.
- *(With regard to the family’s recent trip to North Carolina.)* He and SHANANN went on a Thrive trip to San Diego the end of June 2018.
  - He and SHANANN returned from San Diego on June 26, 2018.
    - SHANANN’s father watched their girls while they were in San Diego.
    - Later the same day (June 26, 2018), SHANANN, BELLA, CECE, and SHANANN’s father flew to North Carolina.
  - While in North Carolina, SHANANN and the girls visited both sides of their family.
    - SHANANN needed to meet up with some of her promoters and customers while she was in North Carolina.
    - SHANANN wanted both sets of grandparents to watch BELLA and CECE while she was working.
  - CECE’s birthday occurred during their trip to North Carolina, so they had a birthday party for her.
    - SHANANN FaceTime’d him during the birthday party, so he could watch it.
  - While SHANANN and the girls stayed in North Carolina, he stayed at home, worked, worked out, ran, and kept the house together.
  - He flew out to North Carolina on July 31, 2018, so he could fly back to Colorado with SHANANN and the girls.
    - He spent a week in North Carolina with his family.
    - The night he arrived in North Carolina, he stayed at SHANANN’s parent’s house.
    - The following day, he, SHANANN, and the girls drove to the beach (North Myrtle Beach) and stayed there for 4-5 days.
    - It was the first time his daughters had ever seen the beach.
    - CECE loved the beach and her bathing suit was full of sea shells.
  - He was able to visit his paternal grandmother in the nursing home.
    - His grandmother lights up when she sees his daughters.
  - His dad came and picked him up and he spent the day with his parents.
    - He hung out with his parents and visited with his sister and her family.
  - On August 7, 2018, he and SHANANN packed up and flew back home to Colorado.
- On August 8, 2018, he returned to work.
- On August 10, 2018, SHANANN flew out to Arizona with her friend, NICKOLE (ATKINSON).

- He spent Friday (August 10, 2018), Saturday (August 11, 2018) and Sunday (August 12, 2018) with his girls.
- On Sunday, August 12, 2018, he took his girls to a birthday party for JEREMY LINDSTROM's son who turned 4 years old.
  - There was a mini pool at the birthday party and his girls "had an epic time."
  - They drove back home after the party and he gave his girls a shower and put them to bed.
  - He waited to hear from SHANANN who was going to fly back to Colorado that evening.
  - SHANANN's airplane got delayed because they couldn't find a flight crew.
  - SHANANN was supposed to arrive in Denver at 11:00 P.M., but she didn't end up getting in until approximately 2:00 A.M.
- (*With regard to the events that occurred after SHANANN arrived home from Arizona.*) SHANANN returned home around 2:00 A.M. and got into bed.
  - His doorbell alert showed SHANANN walked inside at 1:48 A.M.
  - His alarm went off at 4:00 A.M. so he could get up and go to work.
    - He got up, brushed his teeth, and put on deodorant.
    - He did not take a shower because he works in the oil field and showers when he gets home from work.
  - SHANANN told him before she got home that she wanted him to wake her up when he got up so she could shower and "get the airport off me."
  - He woke SHANANN up after he got ready and they talked about selling the house and separating.
    - He and SHANANN's conversation was emotional.
    - He and SHANANN were both crying.
    - After he and SHANANN talked, SHANANN said she was going to take the kids to a friend's house and she would return later the same day.
    - He told SHANANN that was fine and went downstairs to pack his lunch, fill up his water jug, and collect his computer.
    - He loaded his truck and went to work.
  - After he got to work, he texted SHANANN at 7:40 A.M. because he hadn't heard from her and he didn't know where she was going.
    - He texted SHANANN and asked her to tell him where she took the kids.
    - SHANANN did not reply to his text.
    - It is normal for SHANANN to not respond to his texts because her priority is to respond to her direct-sales people.
  - He continued working and at noon he realized he never heard from SHANANN.
    - He called and texted SHANANN and said, "Hey, call me."
  - At 12:10 P.M., he received a "doorbell alarm" on his cellphone stating someone was at the front door.
    - ATKINSON was at his front door, so he called her (ATKINSON).
    - He asked ATKINSON what was going on and ATKINSON said she hadn't heard from SHANANN the entire day.
    - He thought, "Alright, this is kinda strange."
    - ATKINSON told him SHANANN's car was there and she could see SHANANN's shoes by the front door.
    - He left work and headed home.

- ATKINSON told him there would be a police officer there when he got home.
- ATKINSON wasn't able to get inside because there was a top latch on the inside of the front door.
  - They use the top latch on the front door to make sure the kids cannot get outside without them knowing.
- The keypad on the outside of the garage door did not work.
  - The police and ATKINSON had to wait until he arrived so he could use his garage door opener.
- When he arrived home, they went inside the house.
- "Car's there...car seats are there...purse is still there...the phone's on the couch...like her wedding ring's sitting on the nightstand...there's like no sign of BELLA...CELESTE...her...anywhere."
  - BELLA and CECE's beds were not made.
  - The sheets were off of his and SHANANN's bed.
    - It is common for SHANANN to wash the bed sheets when she slept in the bed after coming home directly from the airport.
    - He believed SHANANN woke up and decided to strip the bed to wash the sheets.
    - He "washed everything" (all the sheets SHANANN had stripped and left on the floor in the bedroom) and put different sheets from the closet onto the bed. (*CHRIS described this had occurred after the police searched his home Monday.*)
    - The sheets SHANANN had taken off the bed should be clean in a pile in the bedroom where he left them.
  - They found SHANANN's cellphone and powered it up.
  - There were numerous text messages that started coming through from people trying to get ahold of SHANANN.
  - "Everything that was there just didn't make sense...as far as, like, why, like, what happened?"
- He started reaching out to numerous friends who had car seats or had kids in general.
  - No one had heard from SHANANN.
- Detective BAUMHOVER arrived at his residence and interviewed him, ATKINSON, and ATKINSON's son, NICK.
- The police talked to his (CHRIS') neighbor because he had a camera with a few different angles.
  - He (CHRIS) watched the surveillance video and didn't see SHANANN leaving at all.
  - There was no video of SHANANN leaving out the front of the house.
  - He knew SHANANN wouldn't just leave everything at home, which included the girls' medicine. (*CHRIS later mentioned that SHANANN takes Imitrex for migraines and it was also missing from the residence.*)
  - The only thing missing from the house were the girls' "blankies."
    - The girls usually take their "blankies" whenever they leave the house.
    - CECE had a New York Yankees blanket, a little dinosaur, a turtle, and an animated dog.
    - BELLA had two (2) "blankies," but one was left at the house.

- BELLA had a dinosaur and a swan blanket that were missing.
    - BELLA's animated cat was left at the house.
  - The police went around his neighborhood to ask if anyone else had surveillance video or if they saw something.
  - "We had nothing at all."
- He hoped SHANANN and the girls were just at a friend's house decompressing and they were safe.
- That evening (Monday, August 13, 2018), he called hospitals and hotels.
- He kept every light in the house on just in case they came home.
- He laid in bed, but he didn't sleep.
- He had friends who came over to show their support.
- Everyone told him that they hoped SHANANN was okay.
- He hoped he would get a knock on the door, a call, or a text.
- He hoped SHANANN would buy a "burner" phone, so she could at least call him and tell him she's okay.
- He misses the kids sitting at the dinner table and having to tell them to eat.
  - He misses the kids throwing their chicken nuggets at him.
  - He went to the kids' rooms to make their beds and he realized he didn't need to turn on their rain machine, wouldn't be able to read them a book, wasn't going to kiss them goodnight, wasn't giving them their nighttime snack, wasn't giving them their medicine, wasn't getting them dressed for bed, and didn't need to turn on the monitor to watch them.
  - He didn't want to stay in the house Monday night, but he knew he needed to be there in case they came home.
- SHANANN and the girls did not come home Monday night.
- On Tuesday, August 14, 2018, the police called him and told him they were going to issue a missing persons report.
- The news crews came over and the police used drones and K-9 units.
  - "It all set in...like, this is not...she's, she's not...they think something happened...because all this right here...this means, that okay, my worst fear...that's where this is going."
- He hopes wherever SHANANN and the girls are, they are safe.
- "I really, I really hope they can just come home."
- Being at home and not being able to tuck his girls in "it's heart-wrenching...it's earth shattering right now because that's-those are my kids...those are like, like you made those kids, you know?"
- His kids were gone for five (5) weeks and he got to FaceTime them every night.
- "They were just here...and not knowing where they are now, it's a nightmare right now."
- *(With regard to if he still believed SHANANN was at a friend's house.)* "At this point, I don't...because all this...like, everything that's happened now."
  - It made him feel like SHANANN vanished and hopefully had the kids at a hotel.
  - He just wants SHANANN to be safe.
  - With the FBI and CBI involved in the investigation, it made him feel like maybe someone has SHANANN who is not keeping her (SHANANN) safe "or something terrible has happened...and that is—that's the nightmare."

- He thought that someone could have hurt his wife and girls.
- “It’s running through my mind that somebody has hurt them and that they are not safe...and I really want them to be safe...I want them to come home.”
- (With regard to SHANANN’s trip to Arizona.) SHANANN was attending a “Thrive Local” conference.
  - SHANANN made between \$65,000-\$70,000 a year with Thrive.
  - SHANANN had approximately 200 people who are signed up under her.
- (With regard to when he first realized he wanted to separate from SHANANN.) He decided he wanted to separate from SHANANN during the five (5) weeks SHANANN and the girls were in North Carolina.
  - SHANANN left for North Carolina on June 26, 2018.
  - While she was gone, he and SHANANN could feel the disconnect through their calls and texts.
  - He and SHANANN spoke less and less and were “less lovey dovey.”
  - As of a year ago, he could tell his relationship with SHANANN wasn’t as “hot and heavy” as when they first met.
  - He hoped the issues in his relationship with SHANANN would just work themselves out.
  - He and SHANANN stopped going out on dates after they started having children.
  - “I’m not gonna blame the kids for disconnection or anything, but like, yea, we focus like on the kids, like, all the time.”
  - He and SHANANN stopped having deep conversations.
  - When he flew out to North Carolina, he met SHANANN and the girls at the airport.
    - He hugged his girls and gave SHANANN a hug and a kiss.
    - “You can just feel it start from there...like, everything just felt, like, different.”
  - Every night he was in North Carolina, he and SHANANN talked, but it was mostly through texts.
    - SHANANN’s family was there and they really couldn’t get their feelings across, except through texts.
  - He (CHRIS) arrived in North Carolina on July 31, 2018, and they went to the beach on August 1, 2018.
    - SHANANN’s father was with them for a few days, so he and SHANANN were rarely alone together.
  - He and SHANANN discussed over text where their relationship was going.
    - North Carolina was the first time he and SHANANN ever discussed separating.
    - “Like, if we’re bringing a third kid into this world, like, like, what’s, what’s our relationship gonna look like...is it gonna be—are we gonna be...are we gonna work this out...or is this gonna lead to a separation...is this gonna lead to where, like, we stay together and be civil with the kids or are we gonna be our separate ways?”
    - SHANANN was very emotional and there was a lot of crying.
    - He told SHANANN he didn’t feel the same connection with her anymore.
    - He didn’t feel like he could be himself anymore or the person SHANANN needed him to be.
    - Both he and SHANANN wanted to see if they could make their relationship work.
      - SHANANN suggested they read a book and go to counseling.
  - When SHANANN went to Arizona, she confided in many friends about their relationship.

- After SHANANN disappeared, he spoke to many of SHANANN's friends who told him they knew he and SHANANN were "having issues."
  - He wasn't aware if SHANANN told anyone about the possible separation.
  - SHANANN's friends said they could tell her emotional state was different.
- He did not sleep in the same bed with SHANANN while they were in North Carolina.
  - He slept with the girls one night and slept on the couch.
  - He and SHANANN did not have sex in North Carolina.
  - He and SHANANN were not affectionate with each other during the trip.
- SHANANN accused him of cheating and he told her, "You know that would never happen...like, you know the kind of guy I am."
  - He was at his friend JEREMY's house and JEREMY told him he (CHRIS) was the type of guy who could go away with his wife for a week and he knew nothing would happen.
  - "People know the kind of person I am...like, I'm not the type of guy that's just gonna say alright, my wife's gone, like, who's the, who's the girl, like, I can find for this, like, 5 weeks, like, no, that's not me...like, I respect my wife and she respects me."
  - "Like if she's somewhere safe right now, like, I don't think it would be with a guy."
  - "I never had an inkling she would do the same—do anything to me, you know?"
  - Sometimes when SHANANN called him while she was gone, he was out for a run or working out and didn't answer the phone.
  - SHANANN and the girls had never been away from him for that long in the past.
- SHANANN was more emotional when she was pregnant.
  - SHANANN's mother was full-blooded Italian and would make SHANANN very anxious.
  - SHANANN was under a lot of stress being around both of their families.
  - SHANANN most likely confided in her friends, NICKOLE and CASSIE, about her relationship with him (CHRIS).
  - SHANANN did not confide in her mother about their relationship
- (*With regard to his physical relationship with SHANANN.*) The last time he and SHANANN had sex was in May (2018) when they conceived their third child.
  - He and SHANANN talked about having a third child.
  - SHANANN kept track of her ovulation cycle.
  - Before May (2018), he and SHANANN had sex once or twice a week.
  - There were times they would go a month or two without having sex.
  - He was usually the one who would initiate sex.
  - Most times, he was shot down by SHANANN for sex.
  - He enjoyed having sex with SHANANN.
  - SHANANN was more emotional when she was pregnant.
- (*With regard to his and SHANANN's relationship with their in-laws.*) There was an "incident" while SHANANN and the girls were in North Carolina.
  - His (CHRIS') mother had ice cream in her house that CECE was allergic to (CECE was allergic to tree nuts and kiwi).
    - CECE was the type of kid who would lunge to get the ice cream and her reaction to tree nuts was getting worse each time she saw the allergist.

- One of his sister's kids ate the ice cream next to CECE and SHANANN said the kids could no longer visit his parents.
- When he arrived in North Carolina, his parents told him they hadn't seen the kids for two (2) weeks.
- He was hurt because he wanted his parents to see their "grandbabies."
- He went to visit his parents and sister without SHANANN and the girls.
- *(With regard to if he and SHANANN talked about counseling.)* He and SHANANN discussed going to counseling on August 8, 2018.
  - He told SHANANN he didn't think they needed to go to counseling.
  - He felt like anything they needed to say to each other, they could just say.
  - SHANANN told him she had married friends who were still going to counseling.
  - He was open to the idea of counseling, but he didn't want to do it.
  - He already felt disconnected from SHANANN and didn't feel like counseling was going to help.
- *(With regard to his schedule on August 8-12, 2018.)* He worked on Wednesday and Thursday **(August 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018)**.
  - On **Friday, August 10, 2018**, he took off work because SHANANN flew out to Arizona.
    - NICKOLE picked SHANANN up to go to the airport early in the morning.
    - He hugged SHANANN goodbye.
    - He told SHANANN to let him know when she arrived and told her he would send her pictures of the girls.
    - When SHANANN left for Arizona, he and SHANANN talked about counseling and knew the sex of their third child.
      - They weren't going to tell their family what the sex of the baby was until SHANANN got home.
      - NICKOLE knew the sex of the baby and was planning a gender reveal party.
    - He waited for the girls to wake up and then they hung out around the house.
    - He took the girls to the grocery store and to fix his eye glasses, which had some cracks in the frame.
    - They went to Target and also picked up their ClickList groceries from King Soopers.
  - His children attend Primrose School in Erie five (5) days a week, but the school was closed on Friday (August 10, 2018) for a teacher work day.
  - He and the girls got home around 4:30 P.M.
  - Friday evening, he made the girls dinner and got them ready for bed.
  - He does not call or FaceTime SHANANN with the girls while she is gone because the girls would get very upset.
  - BELLA asked repeatedly about SHANANN while she was in Arizona.
  - BELLA and CECE would have a "cry fest" if they talked to SHANANN while she was gone.
  - BELLA and CECE went to bed between 7:30-8:00 P.M.
  - After the girls went to bed, he went downstairs and worked out.
  - He watched Sports Center.
  - He did not have anyone come over on Friday.
  - On **Saturday, August 11, 2018**, BELLA got into bed with him that morning and they waited for CECE to wake up.

- He was going to go to Costco that day, but SHANANN told him she would do it when she returned.
- He hung out at the house with BELLA and CECE and played outside before it got too hot.
- He and the girls played inside in their play room.
- At 5:00 P.M., JEREMY LINDSTROM's daughter, MCKENNA, came over to babysit while he went to a Colorado Rockies game.
- The game started at 6:10 P.M.
- He went to the Rockies game with people from work (KODI and SAM).
  - He, KODI, and SAM ate at the Lazy Dog before the game.
  - He did not talk to KODI or SAM about his relationship with SHANANN.
  - His supervisor, LUKE EPPLE, was the only one at work that knew he and his wife may get separated.
    - He told EPPLE to say something if he saw his mind wasn't on task.
- The Rockies game was part of a raffle they did at work.
  - Their seats were on the 3<sup>rd</sup> baseline, approximately 10 rows up.
- The Rockies won after a walk-off 3-run homerun in the bottom of the 9<sup>th</sup> inning.
- He talked to SHANANN on the way home from the game to ask her how much he should pay MCKENNA.
- He stopped at the ATM inside the Conoco gas station next to his house so he had money to pay MCKENNA.
- He got home at approximately 11:00 P.M.
- The girls were already sleeping in their own beds.
- The girls have their own bedrooms and share a Jack and Jill bathroom.
- On **Sunday, August 12, 2018**, BELLA woke up and went into CECE's room and woke her up.
  - He and the girls went downstairs and watched Bubble Guppies.
  - He put the girls down early for a nap because JEREMY's (LINDSTROM) son was having his 4<sup>th</sup> birthday party.
  - He woke the girls up from their nap around 12:30 P.M. and went to JEREMY's house. (*CHRIS recalled he and girls went to Target earlier in the day to purchase a birthday present. CHRIS said they came home from Target and he fed them leftover, cold pizza.*)
  - They stayed at JEREMY's house from 1:15 P.M. until 4:30-5:00 P.M.
  - He didn't know the party was going to have water balloons and a pool.
  - He hadn't packed swim suits or water shoes for the girls.
  - CECE and BELLA had a lot of fun playing in the water.
    - He sent SHANANN pictures and videos of the girls from the party.
  - When they got home, he gave BELLA and CECE a shower because they had sand on them.
  - He got the girls out of the shower, dried them off, put lotion on them, and got their pajamas on.
    - CECE had on a pink nightgown with a drawing of a bird on it and a nighttime diaper.

- BELLA had on a multi-colored nightgown that said “Believe” or had a unicorn on it.
- The girls get hot at night, but they don’t take off their pajamas. (*Chris explained sometimes the girls will remove pajama pants if they get hot at night.*)
- They went downstairs and the girls wanted more cold pizza for dinner.
- He FaceTime’d SHANANN’s parents with the girls.
- BELLA and CECE sat on their little couches and he got them snacks.
- He gave CECE vanilla wafers and BELLA had some chips.
  - The girls ended up swapping their snacks.
- He brushed the girl’s teeth, had them use the potty, and put them in bed.
- The girls will lay in bed, but they don’t normally get out of bed after their rain machines are on and the lights are out.
- “BELLA came out twice that time just ‘cause she knew, like, SHANANN was coming home.”
  - BELLA came out of her room and asked if SHANANN was home yet.
  - He told BELLA, SHANANN would be there when she woke up.
  - CECE never came out of her room after he put her to bed.
- Sunday evening, SHANANN texted him and told him about the power being out in Arizona from the dust storms.
  - SHANANN told him her friends, ADDY and CINDY, paid for her dinner.
  - SHANANN’s flight ended up getting delayed.
  - He could tell SHANANN was ready to get home to see her girls.
  - “She was just ready to be home, be with us, and just kind of like, just be around us.”
  - SHANANN was supposed to be home at 11:00 P.M. before her flight got delayed.
  - SHANANN didn’t end up getting home until 2:00 A.M.
    - He felt SHANANN get into bed.
    - The doorbell motion sensor picked SHANANN up as she walked up to the front door (*which he explained he saw on his phone later that day (Monday).*)
    - The doorbell alert is tied to his entire home security system.
    - They have alerts on their front door, rear sliding door, garage doors, basement door, and motion sensors in their living room and basement (garden level).
    - It will alert if a door is left open for a certain period of time.
    - They only use the living room and basement motion sensors when they leave and set it to “away.”
    - He couldn’t check the surveillance system for any clues surrounding SHANANN and the girl’s disappearance because there had been so many alerts and the history didn’t go back that far.
    - He is not sure how many ‘events’ his surveillance system can store.

- The only thing he saw that was strange was that when he left for work, the surveillance system said the garage door was left open (5:27 A.M.).
  - A minute before receiving the notification that the garage door was left open, there was another notification stating the basement door (*door on main floor leading down to basement*) was left open (5:26 A.M.).
  - He did not recall seeing the basement door open when he looked around the house for SHANANN and the girls.
  - He usually works out in the basement, but he didn't work out the morning of **Monday, August 13, 2018**.
  - The surveillance system is called "Vivent" and it is an app on their cellphones.
    - The surveillance system uses SHANANN's email ([shanannwatts@gmail.com](mailto:shanannwatts@gmail.com)) and password (4284915Sw).
  - The surveillance system was installed a few years ago.
- (*With regard to what happened when SHANANN got into bed Monday morning (August 13, 2018).*) He felt SHANANN get into bed.
  - He sleeps facing the wall on the right side and SHANANN sleeps on the left side of the bed.
  - He did not believe SHANANN unpacked her suitcase because it was still at home.
  - He did not believe SHANANN was using her cellphone after she got into bed.
  - (*With regard to SHANANN's normal nightly routine.*) SHANANN would brush her teeth, use make-up remover, take 'Balance,' and lay in bed and text or call people.
    - SHANANN would charge her cellphone next to the bed.
    - SHANANN had an Apple watch and would take it off and charge it each night.
    - SHANANN sleeps in a t-shirt and underwear.
      - That morning (Monday), SHANANN was wearing a t-shirt and underwear.
    - SHANANN always wore her wedding ring to bed.
      - SHANANN would only take off her wedding ring to color her hair.
      - SHANANN never stopped wearing her wedding ring even though they discussed separating.
      - SHANANN wore her wedding ring to Arizona.
      - It was very unusual that SHANANN's wedding ring was left on the night stand.
      - SHANANN colored her hair the week before in North Carolina, so she did not color it at home.
  - He got up at 4:00 A.M. and got ready for work.
    - He went downstairs and made a protein shake, packed his lunch, filled up his water jug, collected his book bag, got his computer, and put more tools in his truck. (*CHRIS described his work truck as being parked on the corner of the house, west side.*)
    - SHANANN told him the night before to wake her up when he went to work so she could shower.
    - He woke SHANANN up because he didn't want to assume she wanted to sleep and he knew he needed to do what she said because he didn't want to make her mad.

- He “slipped” back into bed and rubbed SHANANN’s shoulder and head to wake her up slowly.
- He was on top of the covers and was fully dressed in his work clothes.
- He asked SHANANN if she wanted to wake up and take a shower.
- SHANANN said yes and he asked her if they could talk a little bit.
- SHANANN agreed, so he told SHANANN they needed to sell the house and downsize.
  - Their mortgage was \$2,700.00 per month.
  - They lived in their home since May of 2013.
- SHANANN had already contacted the realtor the week before.
- He suggested they get a less expensive house in Brighton or Northglenn.
- He told SHANANN he didn’t feel a connection with her any longer.
  - He told SHANANN their relationship wasn’t working and the love they had for each other in the beginning was gone.
  - SHANANN cried and it was very emotional.
  - SHANANN was upset and she asked him if there was someone else.
  - He told SHANANN there was no one else and it was just him talking to her about their relationship.
  - “This isn’t like somebody came into my life and took me from you...there’s no outside influence coming from this.”
  - SHANANN believed him that he didn’t have anyone else in his life.
  - SHANANN wouldn’t have an affair on him and she knows he would never cheat on her.
  - The only time SHANANN was suspicious of him was early in their relationship when they first started dating and he was still getting messages from other women.
  - SHANANN had full access to his cellphone and often used it to make posts on Facebook about Thrive.
  - He never logged into SHANANN’s Facebook and only did recently because the police and news crews wanted to see pictures.
- He and SHANANN talked from about 4:15 A.M. until 5:00 A.M.
  - He hoped he and SHANANN could sell their house and each leave with some money.
  - He hoped SHANANN would stay in Colorado because SHANANN told him in the past that if they separated, she couldn’t afford to live in Colorado on her own.
  - He hoped they could split the money from their home and still live close to each other.
- During their talk, he and SHANANN never got physical with each other.
  - He and SHANANN have never raised a hand to one another or struck each other for any reason.
  - He and SHANANN rarely even yell at each other.
  - When he and SHANANN talk, “it’s pretty civil.”
- After he talked to SHANANN, he backed his work truck (F-250) up to his garage door so he could load his large, clear containers, O-rings, earbuds, and some

combination wrenches from his personal toolbox. (*CHRIS explained he normally takes his tools out of his work truck every Friday and backs up to his garage door and loads his tools when he returns to work after the weekend.*)

- His work truck was backed up about an 1/8 of the way into the garage because SHANANN's car was parked inside.
- His work truck won't fit in the garage because it is too long.
- It took him approximately ten (10) minutes to load his work truck.
- He loaded his truck from 5:15 A.M. until approximately 5:25 A.M.
- He got into the truck, hit the button for the garage door to close, and drove to work.
  - (*With regard to his route to work Monday morning.*) He took Saratoga Trail, Right on Wyndham Hill Parkway, Right at roundabout to County Road 7, left on County Road 52, took County Road 52 (east) to I-76, took I-76 to Roggen, and then drove out to Cervi Ranch (possibly on County Road 386).
  - He knows where everything is located in his 'area.'
  - When he arrived at work he went to Cervi 319, Cervi 1129, Cervi 1029, and Cervi 629. (*CHRIS later estimated Anadarko's oil well sites cover approximately 10-20 square miles. CHRIS explained there is also a large number of cattle, sheep, and irrigation spots on the property.*)
- When he arrived at work at approximately 6:45 A.M., he first went to Cervi 319 (oil well site).
  - No one was there when he arrived, but TROY MCCOY, MELISSA PARRISH, and CHAD MCNEIL showed up.
  - KODI ROBERTS was working, but he was working at Cervi 1029.
  - MCCOY, PARRISH, and MCNEIL arrived at Cervi 319 around 7:15-7:30 A.M.
  - He was trying to pressure test the line to see if he could find a leak.
  - MCCOY, PARRISH, and MCNEIL weren't at Cervi 319 when he arrived because most days the workers either go to the office or the field first.
  - He knew ROBERTS had a leak at Cervi 319 over the weekend, so he (CHRIS) wanted to check it out and make sure they didn't have a health, safety, or environmental issue on their hands.
- (*I asked CHRIS if it was normal for him to leave his house around 5:30 A.M. and arrive at the oil well site at 6:45 A.M.*) "I'll usually leave between 5:30 and 6 o'clock, somewhere around there...I just knew it'd take us a little while to get out there...I wanted to be out...like, we usually like to start work at like 6:30."
  - He did not stop anywhere along his trip to work on Monday morning.
  - He did not see anyone he knew on the way to work.
  - He called MCCOY, ROBERTS, and MCNEIL while he was out at the oil field, but the calls wouldn't go through.
- He worked at Cervi 319 from 6:45 A.M. until approximately 8:00 A.M.
- He worked at Cervi 629 until approximately 8:30 A.M. (*CHRIS explained no other workers were at Cervi 629 when he was there.*)
- He drove over to Cervi 1129 at 9:00 A.M. to see if it was ready to run and it wasn't.
- He left Cervi 1129 at 10:00 A.M.

- At 10:00 A.M., he drove to Cervi 1029 and stayed there until he left to come home at 1:00 P.M.
- (*With regard to the policies pertaining to having civilians in his work truck.*) BELLA and CECE have played in his truck a few times.
  - SHANANN has been in his truck to see what he had in there, but she had never ridden in his truck.
  - They are only allowed to take other Anadarko employees and trainees in their work trucks.
- (*With regard to if he made any phone calls while he was at work.*) He texted ROBERTS, MCCOY and MCNEIL and ended up calling and talking to EPPLE to let him know he was out at the Cervi Ranch.
  - He texted SHANANN and also tried to call SHANANN, but she didn't answer and his call went to her voicemail.
  - He called ATKINSON after he received the front door bell alert.
    - ATKINSON told him SHANANN hadn't answered anyone, she could see the shoes SHANANN wore home from the airport sitting inside the front door, and SHANANN's car was in the garage.
    - He wouldn't know if SHANANN had other pairs of shoes missing because she has an entire shoe closet.
  - He called EPPLE on his way home from work to let him know they couldn't find SHANANN or the kids.
  - (*With regard to if he called Primrose School.*) "Yea. I don't remember what time that was, but I asked if the kids were there."
    - (*I asked CHRIS if he had any other conversation with Primrose that morning.*) He told Primrose that they were more than likely going to put the house up for sale and he wasn't sure if they would be staying in the area.
    - He told Primrose he wanted the kids to stay on the waiting list.
    - Primrose charges on Mondays for the week and Monday was going to be the girls' first day back.
  - (*With regard to the route he took to get home.*) He drove I-76 west to County Road 52 (west) and took it home.
- (*With regard to CHRIS' financial situation.*) Last year, he and SHANANN spent approximately \$25,000.00 (over \$500.00 each week) for their daughters to attend Primrose School.
  - SHANANN had surgery on a compressed disc in her neck last year.
  - He and SHANANN had insurance, but the surgery was over \$100,000.00.
    - He pays over \$500.00/month for health insurance through Anadarko.
  - SHANANN handled all of the finances, so he did not know how much they had left to pay on her medical bills.
  - CECE had acid reflux and they had medical bills related to her endoscopies.
  - They had numerous medical bills related to CECE's allergy testing, CECE's blocked tear duct, and both girls had tubes in their ears and their adenoids removed.
  - Both of his girls had inhalers for child asthma, CECE took Singulair for her allergies, and BELLA and CECE took medication for acid reflux.
  - They owe approximately \$8-10,000.00 in credit card debt.
  - Their Lexus was paid for by Le-Vel (Thrive) through a car allowance.

- He and SHANANN filed for bankruptcy two (2) years prior.
  - He does not recall how much was discharged during the bankruptcy.
- He knew when the kids returned to school that they would be living paycheck to paycheck.
- SHANANN recently took out \$10,000.00 from his 401k to catch up on their mortgage payments. (*CHRIS believed the loan against his 401k was taken out approximately five (5) months ago.*)
  - They were three (3) months behind on their mortgage payments.
  - They had received a letter from Chase Bank pertaining to their delinquent home loan.
  - He and SHANANN were stressed out about their financial situation.
  - He currently owes his mortgage payment for August (2018), which is due tomorrow (August 16, 2018).
  - He currently has \$2,000.00 in his Chase checking account and approximately \$1,500.00 in their USAA checking account.
  - Almost all of their credit cards are maxed out.
    - SHANANN had only been paying the minimum payment on their credit cards.
- (*With regard to life insurance.*) He has a policy on SHANANN and the girls through Anadarko.
  - BELLA and CECE had a \$20,000.00/each policy and SHANANN had a \$50,000.00 or \$100,000.00 policy.
  - He has his own policy and he believed SHANANN may have gotten another life insurance policy on her own.
  - SHANANN got their policies through his cousin's wife (NICOLE KENNEDY), so he does not know how much they were.
    - SHANANN and NICOLE had a falling out over a "money thing."
    - He believed NICOLE and SHANANN's old boss believed SHANANN had embezzled money from the business.
    - SHANANN's old boss owned a bunch of wheel shops.
    - He believed the accusation against SHANANN occurred around 2010, which was right before he (CHRIS) met SHANANN.
    - SHANANN and her old boss are still good friends and her old boss has been contacting people around the world about her disappearance.
    - He has not talked to KENNEDY for years.
- (*With regard to what he believed happened to SHANANN, BELLA, and CECE.*) "Like, the first day I thought she was with somebody."
  - He thought SHANANN was decompressing at a friend's house.
  - He now believes SHANANN is not safe, is possibly in trouble, or somebody has hurt her and the kids.

Next, I asked CHRIS if he could pass a question on the polygraph related to if he physically caused SHANANN's disappearance. CHRIS replied, "Yes." I asked CHRIS to tell me what the question meant to him and what he believed I was asking. CHRIS stated, "I feel like you're asking me, did I have anything to do with it myself or did I help somebody do it...and I had no part in any of that." I then asked CHRIS to tell me all the ways someone could physically make someone disappear. CHRIS replied, "I mean, like, if you're talkin' bout like what I've seen like on the movies or like, how like people, if you read about other people...I

mean, you hire somebody (like a hit man), I'm just being honest." I asked CHRIS to think about all of the possible scenarios in his head and he said he could hire someone or a person would use someone they knew to "do it." At that point, CHRIS giggled and told me it was a hard question to answer because he had nothing to do with the disappearance. CHRIS said he didn't like to think about it.

I explained to CHRIS that a person could physically cause another person's disappearance by murdering them. CHRIS agreed with my statement. I asked CHRIS to list all the physical ways a person could cause someone's disappearance through murder. CHRIS stated, "Stab someone, shoot someone, hit em' with a blunt object, um, what else is there, I mean, use a weapon of like a gun or a knife." CHRIS appeared to be thinking so I said, "You could smother someone." CHRIS repeated what I said and I immediately said, "You could strangle someone." CHRIS said, "You could hang some—...yea, you can—all that kind of things...I mean, it's hard to even think about that kind of stuff right now." I continued with telling CHRIS a person could drown, shock, or burn someone to death. I asked CHRIS if he could think of any other ways to murder someone and he said, "Lure them into a trap...I guess." I asked CHRIS to explain and he said you could have someone waiting around the corner and an accident could happen, such as getting hit by a car. I told CHRIS that a person could kidnap another person and he agreed and said someone could take a person somewhere and torture them and leave them without food or water. CHRIS then stated that a person could poison another person or beat them to death as a way to make them disappear. I asked CHRIS if he would have an issue with that question on the test and he said he could definitely pass that question.

I explained to CHRIS that I wanted him to make sure that I only wanted to know if he "physically" caused SHANANN's disappearance. I told CHRIS that sometimes people can feel guilty for causing someone to leave, such as telling a spouse you wanted to be separated. CHRIS said, "That's why I feel like a jackass right now." I reiterated to CHRIS that the test was only to ask if he physically caused her disappearance by murder, kidnapping, etc., not just caused her to leave because she was upset over their conversation Monday morning in bed. I explained to CHRIS that I was only going to ask him about SHANANN on the test. I told CHRIS that it wasn't hard to assume that SHANANN and the girls were most likely somewhere together. CHRIS asked, "That's gonna loop the kids with it though, right?" I explained to CHRIS the polygraph test I was going to administer was only going to ask him questions about SHANANN.

Next, I told CHRIS I was going to ask him on the polygraph test if he was lying about the last time he saw SHANANN. CHRIS replied, "No." I asked CHRIS to describe the last time he saw SHANANN and he said the last time he saw her she was in bed after he talked to her. CHRIS said SHANANN was lying in bed and had just told him she was going to take the girls to a friend's house and she would be back later. CHRIS said SHANANN was lying on her right side and she had mascara running down her face. CHRIS explained SHANANN didn't take her make-up off before she went to bed that morning. CHRIS said the last time he saw his children was on the baby monitor as it was cycling back and forth. I told CHRIS I had to talk about the worst case scenario and told him if he murdered SHANANN, that image he described would not have been the last time he saw her. CHRIS said, "I know...I agree with that." I told CHRIS if he murdered SHANANN in the house, she was obviously removed at some point, so her lying in the bed would not have been the last time he saw her. CHRIS said he agreed.

Lastly, I told CHRIS I wanted to ask him on the polygraph if he knows where SHANANN is now. CHRIS replied by saying, "I do not." I told CHRIS he was cooperating with the missing person investigation and the question centered around him actually knowing the location of SHANANN, but not telling the police. I told

CHRIS that SHANANN could have called him and told him her whereabouts or if he actually murdered her, he would know the location where he or someone else dumped SHANANN's body. I told CHRIS that if the last time he saw SHANANN she was in bed crying, he would be able to pass the question because we all knew SHANANN was no longer in bed.

I asked CHRIS what his answers would be to all three (3) of the posed questions and he responded, "I had nothing to do with what's going on right now...I did not physically harm her...I did—last time I saw her was in bed laying on her side with some mascara on her face after we had a conversation and I do not know where she is right now."

I asked CHRIS who he believed would have hurt SHANANN and the girls and he said he exhausted every option. CHRIS said he thought it was possibly a stranger who had SHANANN and the kids "and they're not safe right now...and that they've been physically hurt."

I asked CHRIS to tell me what he thought should happen to the person if indeed his wife and children were murdered. CHRIS said, "The worst possible thing." I asked CHRIS to explain and he said, "It's either gonna be like life in prison or the death penalty, isn't it...that's the only 2 things you really can do."

I asked CHRIS if he had any more information he hadn't shared with the detectives and he said no. CHRIS said he exhausted every option of reaching out to friends and family members who may have seen or heard from SHANANN.

During the entirety of the pre-test interview, CHRIS denied any involvement in his wife and daughter's disappearance as well as any infidelity.

#### **POLYGRAPH QUESTIONS:**

A polygraph examination was administered using a recognized directed lie comparison technique, the Utah 3-Question Test. The examination utilized a Lafayette computerized instrument (#381938) model LX5000, which continuously monitors and records respiration, electrodermal activity and cardiovascular functioning. In addition, a motion sensor pad designed to record peripheral behavior activity and cooperation during the examination was utilized. The instrument passed internal self-calibration prior to the exam.

I conducted a known acquaintance test to assess CHRIS' suitability for testing and to establish baseline physiology. CHRIS was able to follow instructions and showed suitable responses.

The following relevant questions were defined and reviewed in detail and asked of CHRIS over three (3) chart repetitions:

**1. Did you physically cause SHANANN's disappearance?**

Answer – No.

**2. Are you lying about the last time you saw SHANANN?**

Answer - No.

**3. Do you know where SHANANN is now?**

Answer - No.

I assessed CHRIS' psycho-physiological responses to the above relevant questions.

It is my professional opinion CHRIS was not being truthful during the testing.

Global analysis of the physiological data revealed it was of sufficient interpretable quality to complete a standardized numerical analysis of the test results.

Analysis of the polygraph tests using the Empirical Scoring System resulted in statistically significant numerical scores that support a conclusion of "*Deception Indicated*" (DI) when CHRIS was answering the above listed questions.

**POST-TEST  
INTERVIEW:**

While I was out of the room scoring the polygraph charts, CHRIS remained in the interview room and watched videos on his cellphone of his girls giggling and playing. SA CODER and I returned to the room to speak with CHRIS about his deception. We also had a printed photograph of BELLA and CELESTE we placed on the table in front of CHRIS. I informed CHRIS it was clear he was not honest during the testing and he did not pass the polygraph test. CHRIS replied by saying, "Okay." I told CHRIS we now needed to talk about what actually happened. CHRIS stated, "I didn't...I didn't lie to you on that polygraph...I promise." SA CODER told CHRIS it was time and asked him to stop and take a deep breath.

I told CHRIS that I appreciated him coming to take the polygraph even though he knew he wasn't going to pass the test. I told CHRIS he stayed because he knew he needed to get everything off of his chest. I asked CHRIS if he could start again and tell us everything that happened. CHRIS said everything he said was true. I told CHRIS the most important thing was to find out what happened to SHANANN, BELLA, and CELESTE. CHRIS said, "Okay." I told CHRIS that holding the lie inside of him would do nothing for him and he responded, "I know this...like, I'm not, like, trying to, like, cover things up." CHRIS said he wants his wife and children to come back home. I told CHRIS he knew his wife and children were not coming back home. CHRIS continued to say he "hoped" his wife and children would come back home "and I don't know they're not coming back home." SA CODER explained to CHRIS that we were confused and we had received a lot of leads over the past day. CHRIS continued to say he didn't know where his wife and children were located. CHRIS said, "If I could have my babies back home right now, I would...I want them back...I want everybody back...that is the God's honest truth."

SA CODER told CHRIS he couldn't understand why there were 2 CHRIS'. CHRIS then said, "I cheated on her...I'm not proud of it...she accused me of it...I denied it...and I feel horrible for it...like, she was pregnant...I didn't hurt her...I cheated on her...I hurt her emotionally." CHRIS admitted he also did not attend the Rockies game. CHRIS said he went to dinner with "her" the night of the Rockies game. CHRIS said the five (5) weeks he spent alone, he spent it with "her." CHRIS explained he fell out of love with SHANANN because he fell in love with "her." SA CODER asked CHRIS what "her" name was and CHRIS said he didn't want to get her involved in what was going on and didn't want to ruin her life. CHRIS said "she" was a wonderful person who knew he was married and that he was having "issues" in his marriage. CHRIS said he told "her" he was going to get separated from SHANANN, but he didn't know what that was going to look like.

CHRIS said “she” took his breath away and he never thought in a million years something like that could happen. CHRIS said he never felt the same way about anyone in his lifetime as he did about “her.” SA CODER told CHRIS that he didn’t think his girlfriend hurt anyone and asked CHRIS if they could leave “her” out of it and get back to talking about his wife and daughters. CHRIS agreed. SA CODER asked CHRIS where his wife and children were located and he said he didn’t know. CHRIS said the affair was the only thing he was holding back. SA CODER reminded CHRIS that he was not questioned about infidelity on the polygraph. SA CODER then informed CHRIS we already knew all about his girlfriend, “NIKKI” (later identified as NICHOL “NIKKI” KESSINGER (Age 30; 07/03/1988)).

SA CODER told CHRIS we were very concerned about his wife and daughters and CHRIS said he was also concerned. SA CODER told CHRIS that it shouldn’t have been the happiest time in their marriage. SA CODER said he believed SHANANN may have been a controlling person who didn’t listen to him and could do whatever she wanted. SA CODER said he wanted to give CHRIS an opportunity to help us find SHANANN and the kids. CHRIS said he would do whatever he could to help us (police) find his wife and children. CHRIS said he didn’t know where his wife and kids were located. SA CODER reminded him that his father flew across the country and was waiting in the lobby. SA CODER told CHRIS he was lying to his father and everyone he talked to. SA CODER pleaded with CHRIS to help us find his babies. CHRIS said he wanted to find them.

SA CODER asked CHRIS if we could go back and talk about “that night.” CHRIS agreed and SA CODER told CHRIS the police had his ‘Alexa’ (which he explained was trained to record distress) and the police also had the contents of his, KESSINGER’s, and SHANANN’s text messages. SA CODER asked CHRIS to tell us again about that evening. CHRIS reiterated he woke up at 4:00 A.M. and woke up SHANANN at 4:15 A.M. to talk about the house and separation. SA CODER asked CHRIS if they talked about KESSINGER and CHRIS said SHANANN accused him of having someone else. CHRIS said he denied having an affair. CHRIS said SHANANN asked him why he had a \$68.00 at dinner the other night and asked him if there were two (2) of them at dinner. CHRIS admitted the charge came from his dinner with KESSINGER. CHRIS said he couldn’t bring himself to admit the affair because he and SHANANN were already crying very hard. CHRIS said he told SHANANN he just wanted to separate.

SA CODER asked CHRIS about selling the house and CHRIS said SHANANN initiated the selling of their home the week prior because both of them knew they couldn’t afford to live on their own. CHRIS said SHANANN contacted their realtor named “ANN” (unknown last name). On Monday (August 13, 2018), he (CHRIS) sent ANN a text message asking what she could do.

SA CODER then asked CHRIS to tell him about the pregnancy. CHRIS said SHANANN was about 80/20 when they talked about the pros and cons of having a third child. CHRIS said after SHANANN got pregnant, she told everyone it was his idea. CHRIS said he wanted to have a son. CHRIS said SHANANN told her friends after she was pregnant she was 70/30 against the pregnancy. CHRIS said he was confused why SHANANN would say such a thing. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he understood that some of what he was saying didn’t make sense. CHRIS said, “I know.” SA CODER said he didn’t understand how a woman and two (2) kids could vanish off the face of the earth. CHRIS said, “I promise you...I have nothing on my hands that’s –I did nothing to those kids or her...to make them vanish.”

CHRIS told us it was on video that he left and was in his truck. CHRIS said, “I didn’t, like, load anything into my truck besides my tools, my container, my book bag, my water jug, my lunchbox.” SA CODER asked CHRIS what happened next and CHRIS said he drove out of the driveway. SA CODER asked CHRIS what happened with his wife and kids before he drove out of the driveway. CHRIS said, “I didn’t do anything with them...they were still in the house.” SA CODER asked CHRIS where his wife and kids went and CHRIS said he didn’t know. SA CODER told CHRIS that his wife wasn’t the type of person to vanish and CHRIS

agreed. SA CODER told CHRIS that his wife had plans that day and during the week and did not leave because she wanted to. CHRIS said, "Kay." CHRIS said he didn't do anything to SHANANN or the girls. I asked CHRIS if it was an accident and he replied, "I didn't do anything." I again asked CHRIS if it was an accident and he said there was not an accident and if there was, he wasn't in the house when it occurred. CHRIS said he did not cause an accident and didn't do anything to his wife and kids. SA CODER asked CHRIS if it was a misunderstanding and CHRIS said the only misunderstanding was that he didn't tell SHANANN about the affair. CHRIS said he couldn't bring himself to tell SHANANN about the affair.

SA CODER asked CHRIS how the separation was going to work and CHRIS said he planned on getting his own place. CHRIS said he anticipated having 50/50 split with the kids. CHRIS said he planned to "take it slow" with KESSINGER to see if anything developed. I told CHRIS I found it hard to believe he and SHANANN had an emotional conversation with SHANANN where they were both crying and he had yet to shed one tear in the 2 days we interviewed him. CHRIS said he loved his girls and it didn't mean anything that he hadn't shed any tears. (*At that point, CHRIS appeared to force a sniffle.*) CHRIS said him not crying didn't mean he didn't love his kids or his wife. I told CHRIS it didn't make any sense, and he said, "I'm hoping they're still around some—I'm hoping they're still somewhere...alive." I told CHRIS he no longer had his girls to take care of and the loss of them should cause him pain. CHRIS said he did feel pain. I told CHRIS I wanted to see the guy who felt bad about what he did and wanted to get it off his chest so the police could find his little girls so his girls were not out in the middle of field somewhere. CHRIS said, "I love those girls to death." CHRIS said he was showing us the CHRIS who cared about his girls and wife. CHRIS said his lack of tears didn't mean he lacked love for them. I told CHRIS it was weird and didn't make sense. CHRIS said he understood and could see my point.

I told CHRIS that I understood how some people could be pushed to do something they regret. CHRIS said, "I know." SA CODER told CHRIS that we could keep talking to him once we found his girls. SA CODER told CHRIS we would continue to talk to him no matter what he told us. I asked CHRIS if SHANANN did something to the girls and he said, "No—I don't know...I have no clue." I asked CHRIS, "Did SHANANN do something to them and then did you feel like you had to do something to SHANANN?" CHRIS sighed and said, "No...no, they were at the house when I left...they were there." I told CHRIS that the only way SHANANN and the girls could have left was in his truck. CHRIS said, "There's no way cause, like, I didn't just throw them in, in my truck." I reminded CHRIS his truck had GPS installed. I asked CHRIS if he knew the GPS would ping every ten (10) seconds and he said yes. I told CHRIS we were going to find out exactly where he went. CHRIS said, "Uh huh...I know." SA CODER asked CHRIS if we weren't asking him the right questions and CHRIS said, "You're asking all the questions." SA CODER asked CHRIS what we were doing wrong and he said we weren't doing anything wrong. SA CODER asked CHRIS if SHANANN did something and he said, "I don't think she did anything to these kids...we both loved them with all our hearts...there's no way." I told CHRIS it could have been an accident because I knew something happened inside his house. I asked CHRIS if something happened to his baby girls and then he felt like he needed to take something into his own hands and deal with it. SA CODER asked if he had to clean something up for SHANANN. I told CHRIS I knew he loved his girls with all of his heart, but sometimes people make mistakes. SA CODER asked CHRIS what he was thinking about and he replied, "She couldn't have."

I asked CHRIS which one of his girls had breathing problems. CHRIS explained both of his girls had inhalers, but CECE had the endoscopy and surgeries. I asked CHRIS if he thought CECE had trouble breathing and SHANANN freaked out and decided she didn't want to live without her baby girl. CHRIS said he didn't think so. Next, I talked to CHRIS about a cold case homicide from Aurora where a male beat a family to death with a ball-peen hammer. I told CHRIS that the only survivor of the attack was a 3-year old girl. I told CHRIS the girl grew up with no family and she admitted she wished she had died with her family. I told

CHRIS I have seen parents panic and decide their children can't live without each other. I told CHRIS I have also worked on a case where a mother smothered her two (2) children because she didn't want her husband to take her children away from her. I told CHRIS that the mother felt like she was doing right by her children and was saving them future pain. CHRIS looked at me and asked, "Why? How's she saving them pain?" I told CHRIS the mom didn't want them to have to live a life without her.

SA CODER told CHRIS it was a weight that was going to be on him forever unless we could resolve it. I told CHRIS we were giving him a lifeline and he needed to reach out and take it. SA CODER then pointed to the photograph of BELLA and CELESTE and asked CHRIS if the girls looked like the photograph. CHRIS pointed to CELESTE and explained she wore the same dress on August 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> because he recalled having to unbutton two buttons on the back of the dress in order to get her pajamas on that evening. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he made sure the girls were warm when they left the house and CHRIS seemed confused and said his girls were always warm and their beds were always warm. SA CODER asked CHRIS if they were taking care of the girls at the very end and he said the girls were always taken care of and never missed a meal. I told CHRIS he took the girls out of the house with their blankets and animals because he cared. CHRIS said, "I mean, I'm always caring for these kids...there's nothing in this wor—they're my life."

I told CHRIS I believed either he or SHANANN made a mistake. I told CHRIS I was getting concerned that maybe he did something to all 3 of them. CHRIS said, "I did not do anything to these kids." I asked CHRIS what SHANANN did to the girls and he immediately asked if he could talk to his dad. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he would please tell his dad what happened. CHRIS said he had been in there for 5-6 hours and asked if he could just talk to his dad. SA CODER recommended CHRIS' dad come into the interview room instead since there was a lot of activity in the lobby area of the police department. SA CODER asked CHRIS what he would tell his dad and CHRIS said he would tell his dad he loved him and wanted him to be by his side. SA CODER told CHRIS that it seemed he wanted to get everything off his chest and asked him if he could explain further what happened between SHANANN and the girls. CHRIS said he talked to SHANANN about the separation, the house, and SHANANN asked about the affair. CHRIS said SHANANN had mascara running down her face and it was very emotional. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he promised to talk to his dad and tell him everything and CHRIS agreed. SA CODER asked CHRIS if it would be easier for him to tell his dad and his dad could tell us. CHRIS said, "I don't know." SA CODER said he believed CHRIS was the type of guy who needed to take responsibility. SA CODER said he was worried his dad would distract him and CHRIS asked if SA CODER meant it would distract him from talking to us. CHRIS said he just needed to talk to his dad.

At that point, SA CODER and I met with CHRIS' father, RONNIE WATTS, in the lobby. RONNIE was wearing a polo shirt that had "Papa Ronnie" embroidered on the chest. We explained to RONNIE that CHRIS wanted to talk to him about what happened. We also informed RONNIE that everything that was said in the interview would be audio and video recorded. RONNIE said it was fine and told us he understood. RONNIE was escorted to the interview room and we told RONNIE and CHRIS they could have as much time as they needed. CHRIS pointed to the digital recorder on the table and asked if we were going to leave it in the room and we said yes. The door was shut for privacy, but still had the key in the lock. RONNIE asked CHRIS if he was going to tell him what was going on. CHRIS told RONNIE he failed the polygraph. CHRIS said, "They're not gonna let me go." RONNIE asked if there was a reason why the police wouldn't let him go. CHRIS said the police knew he had an affair. RONNIE asked CHRIS if he was going to tell him what happened. CHRIS said when he and SHANANN had a conversation that morning, it was emotional as they spoke about the separation. CHRIS said he went downstairs and then told his dad, "I don't want to protect her...I don't want to protect her, but I don't know what else to say." RONNIE asked him what happened and CHRIS replied, "She hurt them." CHRIS said, "And then I freaked out and hurt her."

RONNIE asked CHRIS if SHANANN and the girls left after that and CHRIS didn't answer. RONNIE asked if SHANANN started hurting the kids and CHRIS said, "She—they were--." RONNIE told him to talk to him and tell him what happened. CHRIS whispered, "She...she smothered them...they were smothered." RONNIE immediately asked, "They what?" CHRIS answered, "She strangled them." RONNIE asked, "She smothered them? Or chokin' em?" CHRIS replied by saying, "Like, I didn't – I didn't hear anything. When I was downstairs, I came back up and they were gone. I don't know, like, me tal- ta- talkin' to her about that...tal- talkin' to her about the separation and everything...about, like... I don't know, like, what else to say. Like, 'cause I freaked out and I did the same thing to fuckin' her. Those were my kids."

RONNIE asked CHRIS if SHANANN freaked out over the separation as he was leaving for work. CHRIS said SHANANN laid back down when he went downstairs, but he heard a "little commotion" upstairs and didn't think much about it. CHRIS said he went back upstairs and saw SHANANN on top of CECE. RONNIE asked CHRIS if SHANANN was choking CECE and if SHANANN killed CECE. CHRIS said, "They—they were blue." RONNIE asked, "Both of them?" and CHRIS said yes. RONNIE asked if SHANANN choked both of them to death and he said, "I freaked out and did the same thing to fucking her." RONNIE said, "Oh my God." CHRIS said he didn't call the police about what happened. RONNIE asked, "So then what'd you do...haul the bodies off or somethin'?" CHRIS said he didn't know what else to do and freaked out. RONNIE reiterated that SHANANN choked both BELLA and CECE to death and he (CHRIS) "lost it" and choked SHANANN. RONNIE clarified with CHRIS if he choked SHANANN and CHRIS said, "Mm hm...that's just...it's rage." CHRIS told his dad he was sorry and RONNIE told him he knew he was sorry. CHRIS said he knew SHANANN knew in her heart about his affair, but she was waiting for him to admit it. CHRIS said she believed SHANANN just "lost it" because she knew he was cheating and he denied it. RONNIE asked CHRIS if that was the point SHANANN "went off" and CHRIS said it was when SHANANN started crying.

CHRIS asked his dad what was going to happen. RONNIE asked if SHANANN was upset over the separation or the affair. CHRIS said he believed SHANANN thought he was having an affair. CHRIS said he kept denying the affair to SHANANN. CHRIS said he had talked to SHANANN prior about separating, but SHANANN hoped they could go to counseling. CHRIS said he didn't want to go to counseling. CHRIS told his dad it would be the last time he would see the light of day. RONNIE questioned why SHANANN would have to hurt "them babies." RONNIE continued to apologize to CHRIS and told him he would love him no matter what. RONNIE asked CHRIS if SA CODER knew about what happened and CHRIS said he wanted to tell him (RONNIE) first. RONNIE said, "Well, we need to find a good lawyer and see what and the hell they can do."

At that point, SA CODER and I re-entered the interview room and RONNIE said, "Come on in." I asked CHRIS if he was doing okay and RONNIE said, "No, he's not." I sat down next to CHRIS and asked CHRIS to help us work through everything with him. I asked CHRIS to tell us what he told his dad. CHRIS said after he and SHANANN had their conversation Monday morning, SHANANN accused him of the affair and he denied it. CHRIS said SHANANN knew in her heart that he was having an affair. CHRIS said SHANANN also knew about the dinner from Saturday night and that it was too expensive for just him. CHRIS said he went downstairs, started packing up some things, and heard "a couple things upstairs." CHRIS said he didn't think anything about the noise. CHRIS said he continued packing and went upstairs to talk to SHANANN before he left for work. CHRIS said he saw in the baby monitor that BELLA's covers were pulled off and she was just lying in bed. CHRIS said he figured BELLA was just hot. CHRIS said the baby monitor cycled over to CECE's bedroom "and she (SHANANN) was in there with her...on top of her." CHRIS said he "freaked out" and ran into CECE's bedroom and 'got on top' of SHANANN. CHRIS said

CECE was blue and "those were my babies...those were my kids." I asked CHRIS what happened and he said, "I did the same thing to her (SHANANN)." CHRIS said he was in CECE's room when he did the same thing to SHANANN. CHRIS then described that he put SHANANN back in their bed. CHRIS said he didn't know what to do and was shaking. CHRIS said, "Both my kids were blue and they were gone." CHRIS said, "And then in just like, blind--I'm not that person, like, she hurt my kids...fuck, I had to do the same thing to her." I asked CHRIS what happened after SHANANN was in her bed and he said he pulled the sheets back over SHANANN and covered her up "cause I couldn't see...I couldn't look at her...I felt horrible for what I did...then I look at my kids and see what she did."

I asked CHRIS where SHANANN and the girls were located now and told him we needed to find his babies.

SA CODER told CHRIS we could help him get his girls out of the cold. CHRIS said, "They're-they're gone...there's no bringing them back." I asked CHRIS where they were and they were located at the first location he went to at work that day, which was Cervi 319. I asked CHRIS where they were located at Cervi 319 and he said, "Right there, off the site." I asked CHRIS how he picked the location and he said it was the first site he was supposed to go to that morning. I asked CHRIS where we would find the girls at that site and he said, "I didn't know what to do...I didn't know what to fucking do...like, none of, none of this made sense...why would she hurt my fucking girls?" I asked CHRIS if his girls were in something or under the ground. CHRIS didn't answer, so I asked him if he would take us out there. CHRIS said there was no way he wanted to go out there. CHRIS said he would go if we wanted him to, but he didn't want to go. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he could point to where the girls were located and then we could get them out of the cold. CHRIS said he was sorry and started to cry. CHRIS asked us not to think anything less of him. SA CODER asked CHRIS if all three (3) girls were out at Cervi 319 and he said yes.

I asked CHRIS what SHANANN was doing to CECE and he said she was on top of her with her hands around CECE's neck. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he actually saw it and CHRIS confirmed he saw it on the baby monitor. CHRIS said that is when he ran into CECE's bedroom and threw SHANANN off of CECE. CHRIS said he saw that CECE was already blue and not moving. CHRIS said he went into a blind rage and did the same thing to SHANANN. I asked CHRIS if he ever went into BELLA's bedroom and he said after he put SHANANN back into their bed he saw BELLA on the baby monitor and "just knew" by the way she was "sprawled out." I asked CHRIS if that was when he packed up the girl's special stuff (blankets and stuffed animals) and CHRIS nodded 'yes.' I asked CHRIS how he got the girls out to Cervi 319 and he explained he took them in his work truck. CHRIS said he put SHANANN and the girls right behind his driver's seat. I asked CHRIS what he was thinking and he said he was thinking that his babies were gone and that he put his hands around his wife's neck and "did that same thing." I asked CHRIS if SHANANN fought back and he said "not much" because he had a lot of rage. I asked him how he knew SHANANN was dead and he said he knew because she wasn't moving.

At that point, RONNIE asked us to look at SHANANN's Facebook page. RONNIE explained 2 days ago, SHANANN posted a photograph of a 5-foot-tall baby doll that was lying on the couch. RONNIE said the doll was completely covered with a sheet. RONNIE said, "I'm thinkin' this might have been planned...I don't know." RONNIE said the caption read, "What do you say to this?" RONNIE said the sheet covered the doll's head and the only thing sticking out was the doll's feet. RONNIE said SHANANN commented that BELLA had put the sheet on the doll. RONNIE said a kid wouldn't do such a thing. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he recalled the incident and CHRIS said SHANANN made fun of it and thought it was funny. I asked CHRIS if BELLA did it and he said he didn't know because he couldn't recall. RONNIE said he was around BELLA and BELLA would only cover her baby dolls up to their stomach. RONNIE said he never saw BELLA cover a doll's head like it was a body.

CHRIS then looked at SA CODER and I and said he was sorry for lying to us. SA CODER told CHRIS he was a good man and CHRIS immediately responded, "I'm not a good man." SA CODER told CHRIS he stayed to talk even though he knew it was going to be difficult. CHRIS said, "I stayed here for 6 hours and 11 minutes so far" (*CHRIS was reading the counter on the digital audio recorder*). RONNIE said he could understand how rage could come out by seeing your kids dead. CHRIS told his dad he didn't understand what it felt like to see his daughters blue in the face. I told CHRIS his dad was going to love him no matter what. CHRIS looked at his dad and asked how he could still love someone who killed their wife. CHRIS said, "Nothing will ever be the same again."

SA CODER asked CHRIS if SHANANN was on top of CECE when he got into the room. CHRIS said yes. RONNIE asked CHRIS if SHANANN's hands were around CECE's throat and CHRIS said he didn't know what to do. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he was trying to save CECE and he said, "She was already blue in the face, she wasn't moving, her head just laying over limp like that." I told CHRIS it was very important to know where he put the girls at the oil well site and he said, "I didn't know what else to do...I didn't—I didn't know what else to do...I was so scared...it's like, my wife just did this and I just did that...what do I do...anything that I would do from there was just gonna be, just a fuckin', just insensitive and just a horrible thing." SA CODER told CHRIS he was in a tough spot. I asked CHRIS if he would show us where they were located and he asked, "What's gonna happen?" SA CODER told CHRIS we were going to help his girls get out of 'there.' SA CODER asked CHRIS if he preferred one of his co-workers go out there and he said, "Oh my God, no! No!" CHRIS said SA CODER told him everyone thinks of him as a good man but they will say, "What the fuck did you do, CHRIS...why didn't you just tell the cops to begin with?" CHRIS said he could not have his co-workers show us out to the oil well site because they were just going to form their own opinions about him "once they figure everything out." SA CODER told CHRIS the girls were still his babies and I told him he didn't want someone else to find them out there. CHRIS agreed to show us where they were located at the site. I told CHRIS that SA CODER and I needed to step out of the room to get some things arranged. RONNIE agreed to stay in the room with CHRIS.

While SA CODER and I were out of the room, RONNIE told CHRIS he was sorry. CHRIS said, "I didn't know what the fuck to do...this is just fucking horrible." CHRIS said, "The problem is, I don't even know if they (the police) believe me or not." RONNIE said, "I know you'd never do nothing to hurt no children...never...that was your life right there...those little girls." CHRIS told RONNIE that his mother always said SHANANN was an unstable person, but he never believed in a million years "that could happen."

RONNIE said he was asked if he thought SHANANN could do anything to hurt BELLA and CECE and he (RONNIE) told them, "No. Herself? Maybe." RONNIE said he didn't have a clue SHANANN could do such a thing. CHRIS asked his dad, "Why did this happen to me? Why did this happen to those two little girls?" RONNIE told CHRIS he was sorry.

RONNIE told CHRIS he would get him a lawyer and would see what they could do. RONNIE asked CHRIS if SHANANN killed both of their girls while they were sleeping and CHRIS said "yep." CHRIS said, "I emotionally drove her to do something stupid." RONNIE told CHRIS it was not his fault and not to blame himself for it. CHRIS said, "It's all I can do right now." RONNIE said they would probably call it a "crime of passion" and CHRIS replied, "I don't know, like, just because I hid it...I hid it...that's the thing...that's the thing that's gonna break the camel's back right there...I didn't just call the police right after it happened." CHRIS asked RONNIE if he told his mom yet and RONNIE said no. CHRIS told RONNIE that SHANANN had a temper and one minute she would be okay and the next minute she would not be okay. RONNIE asked CHRIS what SHANANN said that morning when he told her everything. CHRIS said SHANANN asked him why and asked him why he wanted to give up. CHRIS said SHANANN told him, "Fuck you, and fuck you, and fuck you."

RONNIE continued to question CHRIS about why SHANANN would take any of it out on the girls. CHRIS said he ruined everyone's life, which included his family and friends. CHRIS then asked his dad if he (CHRIS) should call his foreman and tell him he was going to go out to the oil well site. RONNIE asked if he could just describe where SHANANN and the girls were and CHRIS said no. RONNIE asked CHRIS if they were buried in something and CHRIS said, "SHANANN is." RONNIE asked about "the babies" and CHRIS said, "That—that's what I feel horrible about...they're in a freakin' oil tank...I didn't know what else to do." CHRIS said, "Please, God, forgive me for everything." RONNIE said, "Babies, babies, babies." CHRIS replied by saying, "They're gone." CHRIS said SHANANN took it out on the girls because of him. CHRIS told his dad that he (RONNIE) didn't know how unstable SHANANN was. RONNIE said CHRIS' mother also believed SHANANN was "unstable, a narcissist, and bipolar."

SA CODER and I returned to the room a short time later and RONNIE advised he needed to step out to use the bathroom and to text his daughter. RONNIE asked SA CODER about finding a lawyer who wasn't a public defender and SA CODER and RONNIE agreed they would discuss it later. I walked RONNIE to the lobby and returned to the room. We returned with a colored photograph (approx. 8 ½" x 11"), which was taken from a drone earlier the same day. The drone had flown over Cervi 319 and the image showed a tank battery and a field surrounding the site (which included the image of what I was informed was a sheet near the bottom of the photograph). I asked CHRIS what the photograph was and he confirmed it was of Cervi 319. I asked him to tell me the location of SHANANN and his girls. CHRIS asked how old the image was and I told him it was taken today. CHRIS looked at the photograph and pointed to the patch of dirt in the field below where the tank batteries were located. CHRIS advised SHANANN was buried at that location. CHRIS then pointed to both oil tanks and advised BELLA and CELESTE were in the tanks. I gave CHRIS a pen and asked him to mark where everyone was located. CHRIS put an "S" where SHANANN was located and a "B" and "C" on each oil tank to indicate where BELLA and CELESTE were located (separate tanks). I had CHRIS sign the bottom of the photograph and I labeled it with the date and time.

SA CODER asked CHRIS if the girls were inside the tanks and he said yes. SA CODER asked CHRIS if someone who didn't know what they were doing could open the tanks. CHRIS nodded 'yes.' I asked CHRIS what was in the tanks and he said it was a mixture of oil and water. I asked CHRIS about the sheet located in the field and he said the sheet was what SHANANN had been wrapped in. I asked CHRIS what the girls were wrapped in and he said they were just in their pajamas. I asked CHRIS if they were wrapped in their blankets and he shook his head 'no.' I asked where the girls' blankets and stuffed animals went and he advised they probably blew away in the wind. CHRIS said the blankets and stuffed animals were left by the sheet, which was near SHANANN's grave. CHRIS explained he dug SHANANN's grave using a shovel from the back of his work truck. CHRIS said he always had a shovel with him at work.

I asked CHRIS how SHANANN was dressed and he said she was wearing a black or gray t-shirt and blue underwear. I asked CHRIS how much time passed from the time he put her back in bed after she was deceased until he put her in the truck. CHRIS said it only took minutes. I asked CHRIS if he was sure the girls' blankets and animals weren't going to be in the tanks and he said no. CHRIS said the blankets and animals were left near the sheet (by the grave). SA CODER asked CHRIS what the girls were wearing and he said they were wearing nightgowns. CHRIS said CECE was wearing a pink nightgown with birds on it and BELLA's nightgown had a unicorn or "believe" on it. SA CODER asked CHRIS how someone could get the girls out of the tank and he said the girls were inside 20 foot tanks, which had hatches on the top. SA CODER asked CHRIS how far down the girls were in the tanks and CHRIS said it depended on the fluid level in the tank.

SA CODER asked CHRIS if there was any chance his baby monitor recorded anything and CHRIS said no. SA CODER asked CHRIS what he believed made SHANANN "snap." CHRIS said it was SHANANN

knowing he had an affair, even though he didn't admit anything. CHRIS said SHANANN needed him to admit it and he refused. SA CODER reiterated some of the events CHRIS had told us and asked him again what he saw when he went downstairs on Monday. CHRIS said he heard commotion upstairs, but didn't think anything of it. CHRIS said he figured one of the kids got up. CHRIS said he decided to go back upstairs to talk to SHANANN "and go to their room...or master bedroom...she wasn't in there." CHRIS said he looked in the baby monitor, which was beside the master bed. CHRIS said he saw BELLA and observed BELLA's covers pulled back and she was sprawled out on her bed. CHRIS said after 3-5 seconds, the baby monitor cycled over to CECE and he observed SHANANN on top of CECE and "ran" into CECE's bedroom. CHRIS said SHANANN was straddling CECE on the bed. CHRIS said he "walked" up from behind when SHANANN on the bed. CHRIS demonstrated that it looked like SHANANN's hand was on CECE's neck. CHRIS said CECE was lying on her side, so he pulled SHANANN off. CHRIS said CECE was limp and blue "there's no movement at all." CHRIS said, "You pick a arm up and it just falls."

CHRIS said he looked at SHANANN, got on top of her (SHANANN) and "did the same thing." CHRIS denied having to knock SHANANN down and said he pulled her off and onto the bed. CHRIS said he "lost it." CHRIS said SHANANN ended up lying down on the bed (crossways) when he pulled her off. CHRIS believed CECE had a queen sized bed. CHRIS said CECE was in the middle of the bed with her head near the headboard when he ran into the room. (*CHRIS then showed us an image on his cellphone of CECE's bedroom.*) CHRIS said he didn't believe SHANANN put up a fight because he "lost it so much." CHRIS said he felt so much anger that he didn't feel anything else when he strangled SHANANN and he has no marks on his body. CHRIS said he was numb, but he felt strangling SHANANN was over fast. SA CODER asked CHRIS if it was possible SHANANN's neck was broken and he said he didn't think so. CHRIS described strangling SHANANN with both of his hands (*demonstrated on video*). I asked CHRIS if SHANANN was strangling CECE with one hand or two and he said he came from the back and wasn't sure. CHRIS then explained he knew SHANANN was on top of CECE, but the monitor was black and white because it was dark.

SA CODER asked CHRIS if he had any idea why SHANANN would have hurt the girls and he said, "We both loved those kids more than, more than you know." CHRIS said people in his family have always told him they believed SHANANN was unstable. CHRIS said his friends (*later identified as his friend "MARK"*) also told him they thought SHANANN was unstable. CHRIS then said, "I don't want to paint a bad picture of her." I told CHRIS it didn't look good. SA CODER asked CHRIS if it was possible we would see something on the girls other than the cause of death being SHANANN's hands. CHRIS said, "No." SA CODER told CHRIS it was hard to believe his wife did it and CHRIS said, "I know." SA CODER asked CHRIS if it was possible SHANANN "did" one daughter and he (CHRIS) did SHANANN and the other daughter. CHRIS said no. SA CODER asked if it was possible we may find his handprints on the girls' necks and he said, "No, Lord no." SA CODER told CHRIS we would be able to compare the diameter of the finger marks on the girls' necks and CHRIS said he understood.

I asked CHRIS what he was thinking about and he said he let his family down. CHRIS said he let down his dad, his mom, his sister, nephew, nieces, friends, co-workers...everybody." I asked CHRIS about the point when he witnessed SHANANN strangling CECE and pulled SHANANN off. I asked CHRIS if he thought about calling an ambulance and he said CECE was blue and limp. CHRIS said he had never seen anything like it in his life. CHRIS said CECE was "laid over," wasn't moving at all, and "no gasp of breath." CHRIS said CECE was "totally just blue." I told CHRIS I had been doing my job for a long time and I told him most parents will never be able to fathom their child is dead, even if their kid is stiff or blue. CHRIS said parents always want to call to see if someone can revive their child. I asked CHRIS to explain what was going on in

his head and he said, "The rage that I felt for what she was—what she did...it just took over." I asked CHRIS if he agreed it sounded weird and he said, "I understand...I see where you're coming from." I told CHRIS that I would hate for SHANANN to get a bad rap if she didn't have anything to do with it. CHRIS said, "I know." I told CHRIS it wouldn't be fair and he said, "I know." I asked CHRIS if he wanted to tell us the truth about what happened and he said it was the truth. CHRIS said, "I did not hurt these girls." I asked CHRIS if he was good with the public knowing SHANANN killed her daughters. CHRIS immediately responded by saying, "I did not hurt these girls." I asked CHRIS the question again and he said, "Yes, 'cause I did not hurt these girls." I told CHRIS I didn't think he meant to hurt his girls and he said he didn't hurt them. I told CHRIS he didn't save them either and he said, "I know that." CHRIS said none of it made sense. I asked CHRIS if he was sure SHANANN didn't catch him in CECE's room and he said, "No, my God, no."

SA CODER told CHRIS that it looked like CHRIS found a new life and the only way to get the new life was to get rid of his old life. SA CODER told CHRIS he believed CHRIS killed the girls before SHANANN came home. CHRIS said no. CHRIS' voice started trailing off as he said, "This is the truth." CHRIS said he was not a monster and didn't kill his babies. SA CODER asked what was going to happen when the girls' cause of death comes back to him. CHRIS said it wouldn't come back to him because he was 100% positive the girls' death wouldn't come back to him. SA CODER asked who it would come back to and he said, "SHANANN was on top of CECE." CHRIS said BELLA was "laid out, sprawled on her bed." CHRIS said his fingerprints were not going to be on CECE's neck and the fingerprints would belong to SHANANN. CHRIS said he did not witness what SHANANN did to BELLA.

SA CODER asked CHRIS why he took the bodies out of the house and buried them. CHRIS said he was scared and didn't know what to do. CHRIS said he was scared of what everything was going to look like. CHRIS said, "My two babies were gone and I just did that to my wife." CHRIS said it was a nightmare. I told CHRIS that it seemed like SHANANN was a pretty good mom and he said, "I was a pretty good dad as well." CHRIS said, "You don't really know a person until you don't know a person." I told CHRIS I would hate for people like SHANANN, BELLA, and CELESTE who couldn't defend themselves, to have someone lie about them. SA CODER asked CHRIS why he didn't put SHANANN in the tanks and he said he didn't know what to do. CHRIS estimated SHANANN was buried approximately 2 feet down in the ground. CHRIS estimated it took him 20-30 minutes to dig SHANANN's grave.

I asked CHRIS how often the tanks are checked and he estimated once a week. I asked CHRIS if he wanted someone else to find his girls and he said he didn't know what else to do. CHRIS said he was going to Cervi 319 anyway that morning and didn't know what else to do. SA CODER asked CHRIS what he meant from his prior interview when he (CHRIS) talked about something happening to his wife and daughters, which was an "act of pure evil." CHRIS said he was referring to the evil that he witnessed when SHANANN was on top of CECE. CHRIS said he also felt evil for what he did to SHANANN. SA CODER asked CHRIS again about what he witnessed in CECE's room. CHRIS said SHANANN was wearing the same clothes he buried her in. I asked CHRIS if SHANANN ever went to bed when she got home and he said all of that was true. I told CHRIS it appeared SHANANN may have been up purchasing haircare products at 2:30 A.M. on her cellphone and her credit card was denied. CHRIS said he wasn't aware of the purchase if it occurred. I asked CHRIS if SHANANN got upset with him because they didn't have any money and he said he wasn't aware of the attempted purchase.

SA CODER asked CHRIS if it was possible SHANANN would have a black eye and he said no. CHRIS said he did not punch or slap SHANANN. SA CODER asked CHRIS if SHANANN would have a stab mark on her body and he said no. SA CODER asked CHRIS if the Coroner was going to find out they were poisoned and he said no.

I asked CHRIS about what he talked to KESSINGER about before his wife got home and he said they always talk and it was about their day. CHRIS said KESSINGER only knew about the disappearance by what she saw on the news. CHRIS said KESSINGER didn't know his wife was pregnant, but she does now.

CHRIS said he was scared to tell KESSINGER about the pregnancy because he felt like KESSINGER wouldn't have gone on a date with him if she knew. CHRIS said KESSINGER knew he was married with kids. CHRIS asked if we were going to talk to KESSINGER and we said yes. SA CODER asked CHRIS if KESSINGER was going to tell us she knew he was going to kill his family and he said no. CHRIS said KESSINGER just knew they were going to hang out more after he got his own place. CHRIS said, "She (KESSINGER) genuinely liked me." CHRIS begged us not to put KESSINGER's name in the news because she had been through enough in her life.

I asked CHRIS if he felt sorry for what he did and he said, "I wish I wouldn't have lost control and got on top of SHANANN and did that...and then I did that (*referring to dumping them at the oil well site*)." CHRIS apologized to myself and SA CODER for lying. I told CHRIS I believed he was there for a reason. CHRIS said, "There's a reason why I didn't—that I came in because, I mean, there's a reason why I didn't come in with a lawyer either...so I just, like, and this is gonna happen so." I told CHRIS I was struggling with the fact that as many people who would say he was a good person and would never do such a thing, there were an equal amount of people who would say the same thing about SHANANN. CHRIS said, "I know." I told CHRIS I was struggling with it and he said, "I know." SA CODER then asked CHRIS how we could prove SHANANN murdered the girls. CHRIS said we could examine the bodies and compare the hand marks on their necks. I asked CHRIS if he was sure they would have hand marks and that they weren't smothered and he said, "They shouldn't have been smothered, no...and BELLA, I don't know...but CECE she (SHANANN) was on top of her (CECE) and her (CECE's) head was to the side." I asked CHRIS if he saw SHANANN using a pillow on top of CECE and he said no.

I asked CHRIS why there were sheets inside his kitchen trash. CHRIS said he used the fitted sheet to wrap up SHANANN (*found at the oil well site*), so he didn't know what to do with the flat sheet and pillow cases that were left over. I asked CHRIS why he didn't try to hide the sheet out at the oil well site and he said he was so scared and didn't know what to do. SA CODER asked CHRIS if someone came up on him and he said no. CHRIS said he knew his co-workers were on their way out to the oil well site.

I asked CHRIS about the electronics taken from his residence and asked him if he could provide me with their passwords. I wrote down the passwords, which are attached to this report. SA CODER then asked CHRIS if he had any questions for us. CHRIS asked to use the restroom. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he had any weapons on his person and CHRIS said no. SA CODER conducted a pat down search of CHRIS and then escorted him to the restroom. SA CODER returned CHRIS to the room.

SA CODER and I returned to the room with CHRIS a short time later and asked him if he was positive BELLA and CELESTE were inside the tanks. CHRIS said yes. CHRIS said he put the girls into the tanks by the hatch on the top. CHRIS said he had to walk up the stairs and then opened the hatch. I told CHRIS the detectives on scene said they could barely fit their arm through the hatch. CHRIS drew an imaginary shape on the table with his hand to show us the approximate diameter of the hatch. I asked CHRIS if it was hard to get the girls in the tanks and he said no. I asked CHRIS if he had to push the girls into the tanks and he said, "Not really." I asked CHRIS if SHANANN was buried because he knew she was too big to fit in the tank and he said yes. I asked CHRIS if each girl was going to be in a separate tank and he said yes. CHRIS then advised he didn't know how much fluid was in the tanks. I asked CHRIS if he could hear them drop and he said BELLA's tank seemed emptier than CECE's tank. I asked CHRIS if it sounded like BELLA would have hit the bottom and he said he heard a splash. I asked CHRIS if it was possible he put the girls in the tanks when

they were alive and he said, "No, God no, no, no, no, God, no, God no." CHRIS said there was no chance the girls were alive when they were dropped into the tanks.

I asked CHRIS if the Coroner was going to find any resuscitation marks on the girls. CHRIS asked, "Like from CPR or something?" CHRIS said no. I asked CHRIS if he knew CPR and he said he took a class one time at work, which was two years ago. CHRIS said the class used adult dummies and he wouldn't even know how much pressure to apply to a child. CHRIS confirmed the girls were "gone," so he didn't attempt any sort of resuscitation. I asked CHRIS if he ended up checking on BELLA and he said yes. CHRIS said BELLA was, "blue in the face, not moving, I didn't hear anything as far as a pulse or a beat of any kind."

SA CODER and I thanked CHRIS for speaking with us and SA CODER asked CHRIS if he was hungry. CHRIS said he felt bad eating our food. SA CODER brought CHRIS two (2) pieces of pizza and a bottle of water. *(Note: I gave CHRIS an additional two (2) slices of pizza a short time later, which he also consumed.)* We then allowed RONNIE to return to the room to tell CHRIS goodbye as a police officer was going to drive RONNIE to a hotel for the night. RONNIE told CHRIS the police took his Lexus. RONNIE said the other detectives he (RONNIE) talked to said CHRIS' story changed a few times. RONNIE asked CHRIS if the baby monitor was upstairs or in the kitchen. CHRIS said it was upstairs and RONNIE said he thought CHRIS said it was in the kitchen. RONNIE told CHRIS he loved him no matter what. RONNIE said he (RONNIE) was interviewed and he told the detectives there was no way he (CHRIS) would ever hurt his children. RONNIE said it was a problem he didn't call the police and CHRIS agreed. RONNIE said they would just have to prove it some other way. RONNIE said it was unfortunate his baby monitor didn't record. RONNIE hugged CHRIS and left the police department.

SA CODER returned to the room and asked CHRIS to clarify the size of the hatch. SA CODER asked CHRIS to compare it to his paper plate. CHRIS estimated the hatch was twice the size of his paper plate. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he had to squeeze the girls in to get them into the hatch. CHRIS said, "It wasn't right." CHRIS said he put the girls into the hatch feet first. CHRIS described the girls with their arms stretched above their head. SA CODER asked CHRIS why he put them in separate tanks and CHRIS said he wasn't thinking at that point in time and was scared out of his mind and didn't know what to do. CHRIS said he walked up the staircase and put one daughter in the tank and then returned with the second daughter and put her in the second tank. SA CODER asked CHRIS if he had to cut the girls up or anything and CHRIS said no. CHRIS assured SA CODER the girls were in the tank batteries.

Lastly, I returned to the interview room and asked CHRIS if a Frederick Police Department Officer could photograph him without a shirt on to make sure he didn't have any marks or injuries on him. CHRIS agreed and Officer MATT JAMES photographed CHRIS' face, head, arms, chest, back, hands, and legs. Officer JAMES advised me the photographs would be turned into their digital evidence storage system.

#### **RESULTS TO:**

Results of the polygraph examination were released to CHRIS WATTS, Detective BAUMHOVER, and the 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney's Office.

The report package will be mailed to Detective BAUMHOVER, which will include the original advisement of rights form, consent form, and biographical form. The audio recording and videos from the polygraph and interviews are attached to this report.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. WATTS Miranda Advisement
2. WATTS Poly Bio Form
3. WATTS Poly Consent

4. iNet Now App Issues (Emails between Watts and Kessinger)
5. Polygraph-1
6. Polygraph-2
7. Polygraph-3
8. Polygraph-4
9. Polygraph-5
10. Polygraph-6
11. Disclosure
12. Disclosure part 2
13. AUDIO Poly and Interviews with Chris Watts on 08.15.18
14. Follow-up interview with Chris Watts 08.15.18
15. Chris Signed Drone photo of tank site
16. 08\_15\_18\_@1800\_C.Watts Disclosure\_Part 3 (Disclosure Video Part 3)
17. 2018-273 956948-0821-cWatts-2018-273\_20180828 (Transcript)
18. Passwords for Watts' Devices