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INTERVIEW WITH

Q=Man

Q1=Man

A=

A: How are you?

Q: Very good, how you doin'?

A: I'm fine, thank you.

Q: All right. So I'm Sergeant Leonard with the Sheriff's Office...

A: Yes.

Q: ...this is my partner, Sergeant (unintelligible).

A: (Unintelligible).

Q: Um, so you're not in trouble or anything. I am recording this.

A: Yes.

Q: Um, but I wanted to talk to you.

A: Yeah.

Q: Um, first thing I wanted to ask you is have you been to court recently?

A: Um, yes, I was there yesterday...

Q: Yesterday?

A: ...and the day before yesterday.

43 Q: Okay. Uh, did you talk to anybody while you're at court about anything that
44 has happened?
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46 A: About?
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48 Q: About anything that has happened, like, in your dorm?
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50 ((Crosstalk))
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52 A: (Unintelligible)?
53

54 Q: Yeah.
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56 A: Uh, no, there's is nothing happening in 5C (unintelligible).
57

58 Q: Nothin' at all? Okay. Um, well, let me ask you this, is there anything that you
59 would wanna talk to us about right now that...
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61 A: Regarding?
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63 Q: ...already happened?
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65 A: Regarding what?
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67 Q: Anything at all.
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69 A: Uh...
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71 Man: We got (unintelligible).
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73 A: Well, you guys know what's going on I guess, you know, uh, up - up here on
74 this floor or whatever....
75

76 Q: Mm-hm.
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78 A:you know, like, um...
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80 Man: You guys (unintelligible). Okay, (unintelligible).
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82 A: I don't wanna say that it was a shock, you know...
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84 Q: Mm-hm.

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86 A: ...but, like, for me, you know, I've been in and outta this jail since 2003.
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88 Q: Mm-hm.
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90 A: (Unintelligible) that's what I mean, since, uh, '03...
91
92 Q: Okay.
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94 A: ...you know? Um, and I was (unintelligible) authority before and all that stuff,
95 but, uh...
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97 ((Crosstalk))
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99 A: ...the environment on this floor -- on 6B -- that's where I was housed at before
100 I went to 5C.
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102 Q1: You were where, 6B?
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104 A: Yes, I was on 6B.
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106 Q1: Were you up there when, uh, the murder occurred?
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108 A: Uh, no, I just left that Monday...
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110 Q1: Okay.
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112 A: ...and then I went to 5C. But, like, the environment is really, like, you know,
113 like, uptight. Like, for me, like, um, I'm on mental health...
114
115 Q: Mm-hm.
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117 A: ...but, um, I was locked in my cell here for a couple of months because just,
118 like, you know, I had a lotta mental health stuffs going on, but, that, like - that,
119 like - it was, like, the environment was something brewing was bad...
120
121 Q: Mm-hm.
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123 A: ...to where I went down to the court one time...
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125 Woman: Okay.
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127 A: ...and I was, like - you know, there was nothing that the officers, that nobody
128 was doing to me...
129

130 Q: Mm-hm.
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132 A: ...I just had a feeling, like, wow, I'm not getting outta here. Um, I felt really
133 paranoid. I'm scared for my life.
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135 Q: Mm-hm.
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137 A: And it was a trip, you know?
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139 Q: Mm-hm.
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141 A: And - but it was just an eerie, bad feeling, like, something was brewing, you
142 know?
143

144 Q: So when you get out of 6B, um, did you feel better?
145

146 A: But the environment feels better, yes.
147

148 Q: Okay.
149

150 A: I mean, I'm able to have a roommate now, you know what I mean? And, like,
151 up here, it's really hard for me to - you know, to deal with a cellie...
152

153 Q: Mm-hm.
154

155 A: ...you know, it just didn't feel right. And I would ask one of my cellies, "Hey,
156 dude, you know, do you get this feeling on this building?" Like,
157 (unintelligible) bad, huh...
158

159 Q: Mm-hm.
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161 A: ... like, you know, something bad's goin' on, you know? But, um, that's pretty
162 much it, you know? Like...
163

164 Q: Mm-hm.
165

166 A: ...the officers, they really aren't - aren't bad, but you got a couple of that are,
167 like, really disrespectful, you know?
168

169 Q: Mm-hm.
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171 A: (Unintelligible) bad back, (unintelligible) and you gotta stay away from them
172 or - or when they're here, don't even come out the program.
173
174 Q: Mm-hm.
175
176 A: And, you know, that's - and - and - and that's not right.
177
178 Q: Yeah.
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180 A: You know what I mean? But as far as this mental health ward 'cause I am
181 under ADA...
182
183 Q: Mm-hm.
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185 A: ...and I am a mental health ward. I'm on Social Security for mental health, um,
186 the - there needs to be some major changes as far as the way they...
187
188 Q: Mm-hm.
189
190 A: ...deal with us. As - as okay, I know what type of w- caliber this guy
191 is, you know, he's kinda paranoid when he comes in, or, you know,
192 uh - you know he's uptight or, you know, he's easily angered, so they should
193 already be aware of those type of people are (unintelligible) on - on - on 6B,
194 you know?
195
196 Q: Sure.
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198 A: 'Cause a lot of us, you know, who are there, come from 8A. (Unintelligible).
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200 Q: Mm-hm.
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202 A: And that's the mental health unit, you know?
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204 Q: Mm-hm.
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206 A: (Unintelligible) this is what we feel about as single cells there, and that works
207 out for a lot of us, you know, but, um...
208
209 Q: Right.
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211 Q1: Did you ever spend any time on 8A?
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213 A: I did.
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215 Q1: How much time did you spend up on 8A?
216
217 A: I just did a month there.
218
219 Q1: Did you? Okay.
220
221 A: I just did a month there, um, 'cause I said I was under a lot of stress. You can
222 ask any of these inmates that you got in here right now. "What's up with
223 ? How was he in his cell? wasn't comin' out for a long time."
224
225 Q: Mm-hm.
226
227 A: And I'm a sociable guy, you know, it's just I felt really paranoid. I felt really,
228 like, if...
229
230 Woman: Hello.
231
232 Man: How are you?
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234 A: ...if I was gonna be killed.
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236 ((Crosstalk))
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238 Q1: Mm-hm.
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240 Man: (Unintelligible).
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242 Woman: (Unintelligible).
243
244 ((Crosstalk))
245
246 Q: What was the specific thing that got you in there though?
247
248 A: In where, s-...
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250 Q: Into the 8th floor.
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252 A: That, um, I was having an anxiety attack.

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254 Q: Okay, which - which side were you on?
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256 A: I was on B side.
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258 Q: Oh, B side.
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260 A: 8A is where they can house, uh, some (unintelligible), we're PC...
261
262 Q: Yeah.
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264 A: ...so they don't have a mental health unit for us yet. But...
265
266 Q: Okay.
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268 A: ...in the future that would look like it need to be for us...
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270 Q: Okay.
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272 A: ...'cause there's nowhere for us to go. But - so us, you know, who are, like,
273 hey, I'm really depressed, or I'm feeling suicidal - or I - I'm gonna be honest
274 with you. Uh, that's why they house us up there.
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276 Q: Mm-hm.
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278 A: You know? 'Cause it's just, like, okay, this guy is, like, extremely paranoid...
279
280 Q: Okay.
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282 A: ...or suicidal.
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284 Q: So A side is here, C and then B...
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286 A: B is (unintelligible).
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288 Q: ...is all the way across, right?
289
290 A: Yeah.
291
292 Q: Okay, so you were in A side?
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294 A: I was on - no, A - A was where I was housed after 6B. (Unintelligible).

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296 Q: That's what - that's what I meant, A...
297
298 A: Yes.
299
300 Q: ...A side on the 8th floor.
301
302 A: Yes.
303
304 Q: Okay - okay.
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306 A: 8A, that's where we go.
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308 Q: Okay.
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310 Q1: Since you've been down on 5C, have you had any interactions with, uh - I - I
311 should say negative interactions with the, uh, correctional staff?
312
313 A: One.
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315 Man: (Unintelligible).
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317 Q1: Lay it on me.
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319 Man: (Unintelligible).
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321 A: Uh, and I just mentioned it earlier t- uh, right now with my social worker.
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323 Q1: Mm-hm.
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325 A: Um, there was two of us there who were locked down...
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327 Q1: Mm-hm.
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329 A: ...on Tuesday night...
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331 Q: Mm-hm.
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333 A: ...(unintelligible).
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335 Q1: Okay.
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337 Man: (Unintelligible).
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339 Q: Okay, so tell me about that, what happened?
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341 Woman: (Unintelligible).
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343 A: Um, the officer had walked up to me when I was going to shower, he said,
344 "Hey, take your medication."
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346 Man: (Unintelligible).
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348 A: And I was, like, uh, "I got court tomorrow, you know, it makes me pretty
349 groggy."
350
351 Q: Mm-hm.
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353 Man: (Unintelligible).
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355 A: So he was, like, "Okay," he said, um, "But medical staff come here and - and
356 you guys don't take your medication, I'm lockin' you guys down." So I'm
357 thinkin', okay, maybe it's a new rule, right?
358
359 Man: Right.
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361 A: So I got in line, and I said...
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363 Man: (Unintelligible).
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365 Man: (Unintelligible).
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367 A: ..."Hey, I'm gonna refuse my medication." And the nurse's like, "Okay,
368 , (unintelligible), it's cool, we understand. You have to go to court."
369
370 Q: Mm-hm.
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372 A: You know? And right now I'm tired, I've been going to court for two days
373 (unintelligible) probation violator. It wears me down though, you know? I get
374 tired. So I was, like, (unintelligible) my medication. He said, "Lockdown," so
375 I'm figuring, wow, this guy's kind of been harassin' me at least once a week
376 since I've been here, since (unintelligible).
377
378 ((Crosstalk))

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380 Q: Mm-hm.
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382 A: So, um, all of them got what they call Big Brother, you know? And he's, like,
383 calm down, you know, just talk to him. He's a good dude, you
384 know?"
385
386 Man: (Unintelligible).
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388 A: And, uh, I'm, like, "Okay." So he went to my cell, I said, "Hey, is there
389 anything about me that's making you go outta your way to act - act this way to
390 me, or - or is it just..."
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392 Man: (Unintelligible).
393
394 A: ... (unintelligible)?
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396 Q1: Uh, who - who is this?
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398 A: Uh, his name's Nedham.
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400 Q1: I'm sorry, what is it?
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402 A: Officer Nedham.
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404 Q1: (Need)...
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406 A: Nedham.
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408 Q1: N-E-D-H-A-M?
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410 A: Yeah, I think it's N-E-D (unintelligible). And he was, like, "Well, this is a
411 trickle effect." And I'm thinking, oh, God, they're gonna start fuckin' me up.
412
413 Q: Yeah.
414
415 A: They're gonna start messin' with us.
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417 Q1: Mm-hm.
418
419 A: Yeah.
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- 421 Q: Mm-hm.
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- 423 A: But, um, yeah, and - and that's kinda off the wall, 'cause I was, like, "Well,
424 what do I do? Do I stop taking my medication altogether?" And he's, like,
425 "That'd be the best bet." I said, "Come on, what's gonna happen if I stopped
426 taking my medication," you know? I'm getting ready to get out, I'm gonna
427 start taking my GED - you know, t- if you're looking out from eight weeks
428 prior to this, I was tore up, my hair was long, my nails were long - I was
429 paranoid, I wasn't coming outta my cell, you know? I was up on 8A, but now
430 I'm getting back on track, you know, and I'm now taking my GED. I'm going
431 to NA - a- a- classes, and I live around other people...
432
- 433 Q: Mm-hm.
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- 435 A: ...okay, and - and - and that's how I like it. Now if I woulda to stop my
436 medication, t- to suit, you know, him and - and stop him harassing me, you
437 know, what the heck's gonna happen to me?
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- 439 Q: Mm-hm.
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- 441 A: So he's, like, "I'm gonna roll you up - I'm gonna roll you up." So now I gotta
442 walk on eggshells around this guy, and - and that's not right...
443
- 444 Q: Okay.
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- 446 A: ...you know, that - that's where I see small stuff...
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- 448 Q: Mmm.
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- 450 A: ...like that, like - like, I didn't really wanna say nothing because, uh...
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- 452 Q: Mm-hm.
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- 454 A: ...even the other inmate was, like, " you know what" - 'cause I asked
455 him, I said, "Hey, did you - did you get locked down"...
456
- 457 Q: Mm-hm.
458
- 459 A: ...you know, like, uh, "Yeah, why?" "'Cause I refused my meds," you know.
460 "Okay, um, now what?" He's, like, "Well, we can't write it up, they're just
461 gonna fuck with us, he's gonna roll us up, and that's what we ain't tryin' to
462 see"...

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464 Q: Mm-hm.
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466 A: ...you know, (unintelligible).
467
468 Q1: Now did - uh, w- did - did he make any, like, specific threats or anything to
469 you, or body-harm, or...
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471 A: No, no bodily harm, nothing like that.
472
473 Q1: Did he - did he make any reference to the - the murder that occurred up here...
474
475 A: No, no, n- not at all...
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477 Q1: ...or anything like that?
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479 A: ...not at all.
480
481 Q: So how did he phrase it when he said that to you?
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483 A: As far as what?
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485 Q: How - how did he actually say it - and I know you may not remember the
486 exact words, but when he interacted - when he talked to you, what did he
487 actually say?
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489 A: Well, when he came to my - uh, well, 'cause he was at my - you know, at my
490 cell, it was programmed - I mean, he was outside the cell where he usually
491 hangs out at. And I was, like, "Hey, do you have my - you know, am I able to
492 still take a shower," you know?
493
494 Q: Mm-hm.
495
496 A: And he's, like, "Yeah, you know, that's cool, I'll let you shower." I was, like,
497 "I got court tomorrow, you know, I understand about the lock-down, cool,
498 whatever...
499
500 Q: Mm-hm.
501
502 A: ...you know, I'm not trying to fuck around with their (unintelligible). So he's,
503 like, "Yeah, you can still shower." And I said, "Hey, you know, uh, is there

504 something about me, you know, or - or is it just something that, you know, has
505 to be done?" He's all, "It's a trickle effect," right?
506
507 Q: What - what do you...
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509 Q1: Like...
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511 Q: ...think that meant?
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513 Q1: Yeah.
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515 A: Hey - hey, well, I m- I mean, it means, hey, you know what - after he's, like,
516 "Why, haven't you been watching the news?"
517
518 Q1: Mm-hm.
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520 A: Of course I have, you know what I mean...
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522 Q1: Mm-hm.
523
524 A: ...that - that was my (unintelligible) officer over there, y- you know. And - and
525 - and, you know, (unintelligible), you know, and - and - and it was just, like,
526 well, of course we are, you know, we're all watching it, you know, it's - it's
527 fuckin'...
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529 Q: Mm-hm.
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531 A: ...you know?
532
533 Q: Yeah.
534
535 Man: Okay, (unintelligible).
536
537 A: And - and, uh - uh, he was, like, "Well, I'm not picking on you, " -
538 like, he starts getting to all, "I'm not picking on you, ." And the other
539 inmates were, like, "What's he yelling at for," like...
540
541 Q: Mm-hm.
542
543 A: ...you know what I mean? But, um, I understand, you know, I get that's, uh, a
544 fellow officer...
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546 Q: Mm-hm.
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548 A: ...and stuff like that. But, like, I'm already high-strung with these officers
549 here...
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551 Q: Mm-hm.
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553 A: ...you know, like, I told somebody else, I've been to CDC - I mean, I'm more
554 scared of the CO's here in Santa Clara County than I am in CDC, you know
555 what I mean...
556

557 Q: Okay.
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559 Q1: Mm-hm.
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561 A: ...hey, they'll kick your ass, you know, so...
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563 Q: Mm-hm.
564

565 A: ...for the most part, if you ask me, there's some all right people but, like,
566 you're just doing small stuff like that...
567

568 Q: Mm-hm.
569

570 A: ...it m- makes me not even wanna come out the program. But I'm so scared of
571 getting rolled up from there before I get my GED, it's just like, what were they
572 gonna do to me, where they gonna put me, you know...
573

574 Q: Mm-hm.
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576 A: ...and I'm - and - and that's honest and open, you know, I'll be 100% open and
577 honest with that...
578

579 Q: Mm-hm.
580

581 A: ...it's just, you know, like, even out there, I'm, like, I don't wanna go back to
582 jail...
583

584 Q1: Mm-hm.
585

586 A: ...you know, like, man, 'cause one thing with the CO's, you know, this is their
587 world and it's - it's really fuckin' (unintelligible).

588
589 Q: Mm-hm. So after he had that interaction with you, uh, you asked him, "Hey,
590 can I take a shower...
591
592 A: Yeah.
593
594 Q: ...'cause I gotta go to court" ...
595
596 A: Yeah, yeah.
597
598 Q: ...you know, "Why are you acting this way to me...
599
600 A: Yeah.
601
602 Q: ...is there somethin' with me" ...
603
604 A: Yeah.
605
606 Q: ...and he gave you that response?
607
608 A: Yeah...
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610 Q: What...
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612 A: "I'm not picking on you."
613
614 Q: Okay...
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616 A: I'm sorry, I didn't mean...
617
618 Q: What - what happened after that?
619
620 A: I just locked it up, and at breakfast i was, like, "Hey, can I shower," you
621 know?
622
623 Man: Yeah.
624
625 A: "Yeah, go ahead, if you want to, it's cool." But, um...
626
627 Q: Okay...
628
629 A: ...and I w-...

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631 Q: Did you have any other interactions with him?

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633 A: No, 'cause it was his off day...

634

635 Q: Okay.

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637 A: ...and I went to court, it was Wednesday...

638

639 Q: Okay.

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641 A: ...that morning - it was Wednesday morning I went to court and...

642

643 Q: So - so you had that interaction with him on Wednesday or you went to court
644 on Wednesday?

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646 A: Tuesday night was the interaction.

647

648 Q: Tuesday night, okay - okay.

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650 A: So Wednesday I went to court on...

651

652 Q: Okay.

653

654 A: I'm not sure (unintelligible).

655

656 Q: Did you have any other interactions with them before or after that?

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658 A: Um, just small stuff, like, I'll have a wash rag - he'll be, like, "I got my homie
659 right now." And I'm thinkin', okay, he's just tryin' to keep me on my toes,
660 making sure I'm not getting in trouble...

661

662 Q: Mm-hm.

663

664 A: ...making sure I do what I gotta do as far as, you know, don't wanna - gotta go
665 in the program, but now...

666

667 Q: Mm-hm.

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669 A: ...it's just, like, after this, he's, like, you know, "You need to take your meds,
670 or you're gonna look-down...

671

672 Q: Okay.
673

674 A: ...and - and I'm, like, "Well, I'm" - I don't know, but see, here the - the process
675 is where they get an order from the courts...
676

677 Q: Mm-hm.
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679 A: ...to where this guy is outta control, he needs medication - if he refuses by
680 mouth, they give him a shot...
681

682 Q: Mm-hm.
683

684 A: ...now that the court process, I've been through that before, but I'm not on
685 that...
686

687 Q: Mm-hm.
688

689 A: ...so I can refuse if I want, if - if I choose to, you know, and - and it's just, like,
690 well now here, like, if - if - if you're asking me, "Hey, if you don't take your
691 meds, I'm gonna lock you down" - even another officer was, like, "He said
692 that to you," he was, like, "That's not cool," you know...
693

694 Q: Okay, so...
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696 A: ...that's only why...
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698 Q: ...that's kinda your main beef with him is the fact that he's kind of holding the
699 lock-down, um, and you deciding when you want and want not to take your
700 meds because of court...
701

702 A: Yes.
703

704 Q: ...or that's your main issue...
705

706 A: Yeah, uh, that's...
707

708 Q: ...and there's no other issues there?
709

710 A: No.
711

712 Q: I mean he didn't - he didn't punch you or (unintelligible) or anything like that?
713

714 A: No, no (unintelligible).
715
716 Q1: You don't fear physical - you don't fear physical...
717
718 A: N-...
719
720 Q1: ...harm from him or anything?
721
722 A: No, not at all - not at all.
723
724 Q: So it was kind of - kind of a respect thing, "Hey...
725
726 A: Yeah, you know...
727
728 Q: ...you know, (unintelligible)...
729
730 A: ...you know...
731
732 Q: ...(unintelligible).
733
734 Q1: Now when you told this person - uh, you told somebody - y- you said you told
735 somebody about this?
736
737 A: Yeah, 'cause another person got locked down that night...
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739 Q: Mm-hm.
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741 A: ...for the exact same reason and I told (unintelligible)...
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743 Q1: Now did you embellish anything when you told him this, or...
744
745 A: No, I just said, "Hey, um, did you get locked down the other night?" He's all,
746 "Yeah." I said, "Why?" He's all, "'Cause, I didn't take my psych meds" - I
747 didn't know that he was on psych meds. I'm, like, "Really," and - and I was,
748 like, "I got locked down for the same thing." I was, like, you know, um, "I
749 don't think they're supposed to do that 'cause we're not on (cohea)"...
750
751 Q1: Mm-hm.
752
753 A: ...you know, we're not on (cohea).
754
755 Q: And that's the court-ordered medication?

756
757 A: Yeah...
758
759 Q: Okay.
760
761 A: I've had that when I was in prison...
762
763 Q: Yeah.
764
765 A: I've observed in YA, where hey, if he told us to refuse this medication ion my
766 mouth, we're gonna send the - the g- the A team in there with a rag here...
767
768 Q: Mm-hm.
769
770 A: ...we're gonna slam his butt down and we're gonna put a shot in his butt, we're
771 gonna (unintelligible) about (unintelligible) from the judge...
772
773 Q: Mm-hm.
774
775 A: ...but I'm not on (cohea), so I - I'm not gonna refuse...
776
777 Q: Okay, all right.
778
779 A: ...you know? But it - it - it's - it - even right now, it's just, like, man, what's
780 gonna happen after this, you know what I mean, am I gonna to get rolled up,
781 or - hey, but you know what, uh, it - It's gotta be done, man...
782
783 Q: Mm-hm.
784
785 A: ...because as far as mental health is concerned, now we're bottom of the barrel,
786 all you , you know, that means, like, up in prison, it means...
787
788 Q: Mm-hm.
789
790 A: ...category which is (unintelligible)...
791
792 Q: Mm-hm.
793
794 A: ...(unintelligible) , you know what I mean...
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796 Q1: Mm-hm.
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798 A: ...that - that's where the term comes from, you know, like, hey, you know, this
799 guy's not all there...
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801 Q: Mm-hm, mm-hm.
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803 A: ...you know, um, but there needs to be more help with people like us...
804
805 Q: Sure.
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807 A: ...you know, and - and - and hopefully that happens in the future 'cause, uh, it's
808 pretty messed up when there's (unintelligible), you know - I mean, all on the
809 board even for the officer is pretty fucked up...
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811 Q: Mm-hm.
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813 A: ...you know, so...
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815 Q1: Yeah...
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817 Q: Okay.
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819 Q1: All right, you're not holding anything back on us, are you?
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821 A: Nah.
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823 Q1: If you were intimidated...
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825 Man: (Unintelligible).
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827 Q1: ...or threatened by an officer, would you tell us?
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829 A: Uh...
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831 Q1: It's all right, you can be honest - I mean, that's all we ask that you be honest.
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833 A: Like, yeah, I was...
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835 Q1: Yeah.
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837 A: ...uh, yeah (unintelligible) - I mean, (unintelligible)...
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839 Q1: S- I kinda seen you struggle with that, but...

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841 A: Well, because for me, like - it's, like, weird that you guys would ask me 'cause
842 I'm usually one of those ones who are, like, hey, you know, "I feel really
843 paranoid, you know...
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845 Q1: Mm-hm.
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847 A: ...I feel like something bad's gonna happen." Like, even when I went down
848 (unintelligible) hill, like, about two months ago, I was in yellow, and - and I
849 was feeling really paranoid on 8A, you know, when I was, like - you know, I
850 was, like, "Man, it feels like, I'm gonna be found out, on - you know, onto
851 somewhere...
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853 Q1: Mm-hm.
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855 A: ...and I'm just a violator, you know? Uh, and it - it's just a bad, bad feeling,
856 you know, and I - and I talked to a Sheriff down there, and he was, like,
857 , I'm glad you're talking to me about it." But then coming back to the
858 jail quick, and then this happens, and it's just, like, wow, you know, 'cause it's
859 - it's - it's out there sometimes, like, yeah, you mess with these cops, they'll
860 kill you, but now something finally happened, it's, like, whoa, you know, they
861 were right, you know, and it's - it's - it's - it's just scary...
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863 Q: Mmm.
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865 Q1: Oh...
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867 A: I'll be honest with you, it - it - It's scary. I've been to CYF and in prison, you
868 know, but in the - you know, when I was in there, I used to roll with gangs or
869 whatever, right? But you know what, if you ask me, I'm - I'm - I'm scared...
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871 Q1: Well, I don't blame you.
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873 A: ...you know, and - and before this happened, you know, and...
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875 Q: Yeah.
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877 A: ...so...
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879 Q1: You've been completely truthful and honest with us, right?
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881 A: Yes.

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883 Q1: All right, and then once again, I'm gonna ask you again, you're not holding
884 anything back, right, because of fear?
885
886 A: No, sir.
887
888 Q1: Okay, all right. When you were up in 6B, how was it up there? Did you have
889 any negative interactions up there?
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891 A: Um, no.
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893 Q1: You sure?
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895 A: Yes.
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897 Q1: Okay. How was the environment when you were there?
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899 A: Um, but what - it gets a little wild sometimes, and me, I don't really have any
900 altercations, you know, 'cause usually when we come back to jail and that's,
901 you know, I go to - everybody pretty much knows, "Hey, what's up, you're
902 back," this and that.
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904 Q1: How 'bout the deputies?
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906 A: They're all right.
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908 Q1: They're all right?
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910 A: They're cool.
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912 Q1: All right. Did you see this whole thing on the news about what happened?
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914 A: Yeah, it was surprising, I was, like, wow.
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916 Q1: Did - were - were any of those guys your, uh, deck officers when you were
917 there?
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919 A: Yeah.
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921 Q1: No problems with them?
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923 A: No - me personally, with me, no.

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925 Q1: No, okay. Did you see anything where they had problems with other inmates?
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927 A: Um, only, like, mouth off or whatever, but just regular stuff..
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929 Q1: Mm-hm.
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931 A: ...you know what I mean, you know?
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933 Q1: Did you ever see 'em give somebody a rap on the beak for mouthing off or
934 anything like that?
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936 A: Uh, can you explain that better?
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938 Q1: Somebody give somebody a smack for mouthing off, or..
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940 A: No, I mean, I - I mean, for me, like, I - I've been, like, slammed around
941 probably. They'll be, like, "Hey, get your ass over here and cuff up." "Dude,
942 what'd you say?" "Oh, you're over" - I said, "Well, c- come over and cuff
943 up"..
944
945 Q: Mm-hm.
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947 A: ...and then they'll push me around and, you know, up - up here, and they'll just
948 be, like, "Okay, (unintelligible)," you know, 'cause I'll mouth off, hey..
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950 Q1: Mm-hm.
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952 A: ...but, um, you know, I've never observed it, it's never happened to me.
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954 Q1: Okay, and you've never seen 'em just go off on anybody up there?
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956 A: No, not just like that, they never..
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958 Q1: Okay.
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960 A: ...just like that, there - you know, there had to be a reason, but, like, come on
961 now, how much of a reason do you got to - to b- to fuck somebody up - I
962 mean, just 'cause the kid doesn't wanna get up..
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964 Q: Mm-hm.
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966 A: ...you know what I mean?
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968 Q1: But, uh, I mean, that's why we're here 'cause that's - that's not a good reason...
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970 A: Yeah...
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972 Q1: ...you know?
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974 A: ...because sometimes - I'm gonna tell you, when they used to come to my cell
975 and I had to get up, and I was tired or I (unintelligible), you know, if d- if I
976 had to t- take my medication in the afternoon, I'd be so tired, like, damn, here
977 they come with them door knocks again, or damn, here they come for laundry
978 exchange - you know, how come I gotta get up for 'em, you know? Because
979 that's p- that's protocol, you know what I mean?
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981 Q: Mm-hm.
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983 Man: (Unintelligible).
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985 A: But, you know, that - there just needs to be some changes as far as the way
986 they deal with people in mental health.
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988 Q1: Uh-huh, I think we would all agree with that.
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990 Man: (Unintelligible).
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992 Q1: Anything else you wanna tell us?
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994 Man: (Unintelligible).
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996 Q1: Nah, you're good...
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998 A: Yeah.
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1000 Q1: You're comfortable with what y- with what you told us?
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1002 A: Yeah, it's just it feels weird, man.
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1004 Q1: Okay.
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1006 A: I mean, it's crazy. (Unintelligible).
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1008 Q1: Okay.
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1010 A: But yeah, I mean, if you ask me, there needs to be (unintelligible).
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1012 Q1: Yeah, sure.
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1014 Q: Yeah.
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1016 Q1: Okay, all right.
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1018 Q: Well, hey, we appreciate you comin' and talkin' to us, giving us your time.
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1020 Q1: Yeah, we really do. All right, .
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1022 A: All right, thank you.
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1024 Q1: Thanks, man. Just sit tight. We'll get you outta here in a second.
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1026 A: Okay.
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1028 Man: You're done? (Unintelligible).
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1030 Q1: Yeah. You wanna send him?
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1032 Man: Yes.
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1034 Man: Yes. Hey, we got a (unintelligible) for you.
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1036 Q1: Oh. . Come on, buddy.
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1038 A: (Unintelligible) locked are they?
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1040 Man: (Unintelligible).
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1042 Q1: No, nobody will lock you down.
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1044 A: All right.
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1046 Man: (Unintelligible).
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1048 Q1: We weren't worried about you goin'.
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1050 Man: (Unintelligible).

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1052 Woman: You got (unintelligible)?

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1054 Man: Okay, (unintelligible) on down (unintelligible).

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1056 ((Crosstalk))

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1060 transcription.

1061 Signed _____