

R. In response, I told Sgt. Wick that I would cooperate but that I would not testify or sign my name to any statements that were not true.

S. Upon hearing this, Sgt. Wick became very upset and told me that he was going to complete an Internal Affairs report and all I would have to do was read the report and verbally state the report as true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

T. That the only way for me to attend my mother's funeral was to give Sgt. Wick what he wanted.

U. That upon reading the Internal Affairs report, I told Detective Sgt. Wick and Assmusen that the report was totally false, and asked why they were "setting up" Deputy RODRIGUEZ, especially when he was only doing his job.

V. That Detective Sgt. Wick told me that "Deputy RODRIGUEZ had stepped on a couple of peoples' toes and they wanted to send him a message." Sgt. Wick assured me that Deputy RODRIGUEZ wouldn't lose his job, at the most he would get "a couple of days suspension."

W. I didn't hear again from Sgt. Wick until on or about May 13, 1996, when he told me I needed to appear at the Sheriff's Commission to testify about the statement I gave Internal Affairs in December, I told him there was no way I was going to testify against Deputy RODRIGUEZ.

X. Sgt. Wick told me that if I didn't show up Special State's Attorney Russo was going to subpoena me and I would be arrested for contempt and it could affect my probation. I reminded Sgt. Wick that I had never signed a complaint or any statement against Deputy RODRIGUEZ.

Y. I was told to appear at Sgt. Wick's office on the morning of May 14, 1996 to meet with him and Special State's Attorney Russo. I went early that morning and met with Sgt. Wick who introduced me to the Special State's Attorney Russo. Mr. Russo told me he was going to ask him a number of questions that he would later ask when I took the stand later that day.

a. When I began answering Mr. Russo's questions truthfully, Mr. Russo shook his head from left to right saying "try it again".

b. Mr. Russo wanted me to testify that:

I never had any Gang Affiliation.

I believed that Deputy Rodriguez had Gang Ties.