

## POLICE DEPARTMENT PATERSON, N.J.

## DETECTIVE BUREAU

TIME 6:35 P.M. DATE June 17, 1966  
 VOLUNTARY STATEMENT OF Patricia Ann Graham AGE 23  
 BORN February 3, 1943 AT Paterson, N.J.  
 EMPLOYED AT Housewife. *Boque Elec.* AS A.....  
 MADE TO Lt. James Lawless

I AM Lt. James Lawless OF THE PATERSON POLICE DEPT.

I am going to ask some questions in reference to a crime that you witnessed, this morning at East 18th. Street, and Lafayette Street. You may answer them or not but what you do say will be taken in writing, and may be used at a trial:

Q. What is your full correct name, age, and address?

A/ Patricia Ann Graham and I am 23 years of age, I live at 428 East 18th. Street, Paterson, N.J.

Q. How long have you lived at that location?

A. It was a year in March.

Q. Patricia early this morning an incident occurred at East 18th. Street and Lafayette Street. Will you tell me in your own words all that you can recall about this?

A. Well, I was laying on the couch I had fallen asleep while watching television. I heard three noises, I thought that it was Jim closing the bar downstairs, and I went to the front window and saw that the lights were still on. I saw the tavern sign still on I went to my side window on Lafayette Street. There were two colored men running to a white car. One had a hat both wore sport jackets. So the way that they took off I thought that there had been trouble, I couldn't see the plate that good to get the number but I could see that it was a dark plate. So I went in my son's room and I took my raincoat out of the closet, I put that over my pajamas I still ~~xxxxxxx~~ didn't have my shoes on. I opened the side door Alfred Bello walked in the front door. Al told me to stay by the door, I went to go towards Willie he looked like he was going to pass out, and then I saw Hazel on the floor, I ran over to her and she asked me to call the police. I ran up stairs I called the police and I came back down and she asked me to call Bob. So she gave me his number and I called him. While I was up there I changed from my Pajamas and I put on my slacks. When I came down the police were there and they weren't going to let me in. So I told him that I had made a phone call for the woman that was on the floor. So I told Hazel that Bob said he was coming down. I walked over toward the bar toward Bob, and the Policeman stopped me and made me go sit by the cigarette machine. that was it.

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- Q. Patricia could you identify the car that the two colored men got into at the scene?
- A. I don't know what year it is, but I drew a picture of the tail lights for the police officer at the scene and I identified the car at the scene, and again here in headquarters.
- Q. Do you refer to the Dodge ~~Rxk~~ N.Y. Reg. 5-Z-4741, color white that was in the Police garage?
- A. Yes, I don't know the~~x~~ make, but it was in the police garage.
- Q. Do you think that you would be~~x~~ able to identify the men?
- A. I didn't see thier faces.
- Q. Which direction did the car go after leaving the scene of the shooting?
- A. Towards Graham Ave., down Lafayette Street.
- Q. Is there anything that I have not asked that you might wish to add to this statement?
- A. No.
- Q. I am now going to ask you to read this statement and to make any corrections that you may find are necessary. Then if this statement is the truth. Will you sign it to show that you gave this of your own free will. Will you sign it?
- A. Yes.

Signed: Patricia A. Graham

Sworn & Subscribed before me  
this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1966

James Lawless  
James Lawless

JAMES LAWLESS  
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Wit: My Commission Expires May 18, 1970