

Before we ask you any questions, you must understand your rights. You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say can be used against you in Court. You have the right to talk to a lawyer for advice before we ask you any questions and to have him with you during questioning. You have this right to the advice and presence of a lawyer even if you cannot afford to hire one. We have no way of appointing you a lawyer, but one will be appointed by the Court for you if you wish. If you wish, you may answer questions without the presence of a lawyer and you may stop answering any time you desire until a lawyer is present.

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(Witness)
For [Signature]

[Signature]
(Signed)

I have read or had read to me the statement of my rights shown above. I understand what my rights are and I am willing to make a statement. I do not want a lawyer at this time. I understand and know what I am doing. I know that the person (s) talking with me is a police officer and I understand what he is talking about.

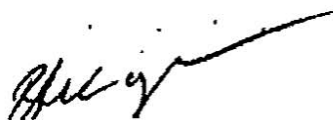
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PERSONALLY appears before me: Billy Wayne Cope, who after being duly sworn deposes and says: "My name is Billy Wayne Cope.
Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
My address is 407 Rich St. Rock Hill, SC.
Place of Employment: STEAK OUT W. MAIN ST. R.H.S.C.
Home Phone Number: 328-9124 Work Phone Number: [REDACTED]
I completed 11 years in school and I can () cannot () read and write."

[Signature]
Signature of person giving statement

On November 29, 2001, Jessica had homework. I helped her a couple of hours, then I got frustrated, and quit and took a break. Amanda said I will help Jessica. I then got some jokes off the computer and I said I am going to lay down and study for my Bible study. Amanda said I will help her and I said okay, but all homework stops at 1:00 a.m. I set the alarm for 1:00 a.m., and it went off and I said are ya'll finished. Amanda said yes. I said good, ya'll get in the bed. I called Amanda back into my bedroom to come and turn the light out and put the phone on the charger. I told Amanda to turn the light out and she did. I put my mask on and went to sleep. I woke up about 3:00 a.m., I went to the bathroom, then I went into Amanda's room. I had a hard on, I jacked off in the floor, then I used a blue towel to clean up. I started going into Amanda's room about the end of October thru the first part of November playing with her and rubbing her and fingering her while she was asleep. Amanda was asleep on her stomach. I think the dildo inside her is what woke her up. When she woke up, I jumped on top of her to keep her from turning and looking at me, then I heard her say, Daddy, help me. I started strangling her with my hands. Amanda was pulling at my hands, and I let go and started hitting her in the head. Then I went back to strangling her. Then when she went limp, I got up, I saw the green string on the blanket, and I was thinking to myself, this would look like she strangling herself. I took the green strip and I wrapped it around her neck. I went straight with the wrap from off the floor and I wrapped it around her throat. I pulled both ends so it would be good and tight. Her hands were already at her neck, so I left them there. I jumped up off the bed, and went and put the dildo up. I wiped it off first with the blue towel, then I put it up under the bed on the floor in my bedroom. Normally, I put it between the mattress at the head of the bed, but it had fallen so I put it at the head of the bed, on the floor where it was. Then I fixed the doors in Amanda's bedroom so that would lock. I pulled the closet and main door together, that is how I locked them. I did this so that the kids would not wake up and see her before morning. I got back in my bed, put my mask on and went to sleep. Then I woke up at 6:02 a.m., according to the clock in my bedroom. I sat up, called Amanda twice, somehow I knew she was not going to answer, it was like a dream. I thought it was a dream. I did not hear from Amanda those two times I called her, sir or yes sir. So I yelled at the top of my lungs, Amanda real loud. I thought the rapture had taken place because I had just finished reading The Left Behind series about one month ago. I had hoped the rapture had taken place. I was praying it had happened. I got up and looked in on



Kyla and Jessica and they were still asleep. I went to Amanda's door and I forgot I had set the doors, so I pushed on the doors and they would not open. I kicked the door open, saw Amanda laying there purple. I walked over to her and tried to wake her and she was cold. I screamed and I unwrapped the cord that I had put on her neck. Kyla and Jessica walked into the room, and Kyla started screaming. Jessica said Daddy is she dead, and I said yes. Go and get on the couch and pray as hard as you can and remember one thing, she is with Jesus. I ran to the telephone, which is exactly in front of the computer and I called 911. I said, my daughter is dead and she is cold as a cucumber. The reality had not set in. They asked me, fire police or medical, I said medical and the lady said describe your daughter. I said she was 11 or 12. Then I called my wife's work, 802-1100, and I got an answering machine. Then I dialed 802-1199. I did not get an answer. I called my sister-in-law at 802-8937, I asked her did she know another number to call Leightner? Her husband works there also. She said, no, why, what's wrong. I said Amanda's dead. Then I hung up and called the number again for Leightner. I told the male subject that answered the phone that he needed to have Mike Cope bring Mary Cope home immediately and that our daughter has been found dead. The Police started coming in the house, the phone rang and it was my wife. She wanted to know what was wrong. I told her that I did not want to tell her on the phone, but she made me tell her. I then told her that Amanda was dead. Then I called my pastor and spoke to his wife, and I told her and she said that the Pastor would be right over. Then the Police had arrived and sealed everything off and the pastor could not get in. My Daddy did come and get my girls. Not until today, 12/03/01, have I realized what I have done. Up until today, after talking with you and the other guy, I have blocked stuff out. I am telling the truth this time. Everything I said before now is not the truth. When I put my fingers inside Amanda, I pulled her pants and panties down and I used my two fingers, I could have jammed my hand inside her. I remember I had watered down jelly on my fingers. Around the first of October was when I started messing with Amanda at night while she was asleep and I would go into her bedroom and I would finger her and use a dildo on her. I did this many times. [REDACTED]

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PERSONALLY appears before me: Billy Wayne Cope,
who deposes and says: "I make this statement of my own free will and accord,
without reward or hope of reward. I have not been mistreated or threatened
in any way. All of the above is truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the
truth so help me God.

I have read or had read to me the above statement consisting of 2 pages
and have received a copy of the same."

Billy Wayne Cope
(SIGNATURE)

D. J. [Signature]
(WITNESS)

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME
THIS 03 DAY OF December, 2001

C. M. [Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES ON 03-23-02

STATEMENT TAKEN ON 12-03-01 AT 1330 AM (PM)
STATEMENT SIGNED ON 12-03-01 AT 1635 AM (PM)

STATEMENT FROM: TAPE (); WRITTEN NOTES (); DICTATED (); INTERVIEW ().

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: [Signature]