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1036 JJ: She was a lady, a friend of mine.  
1037 [REDACTED] She was a friend of yours? Really?  
1038 JJ: Yeah.  
1039 (Rustling sounds)  
1040 [REDACTED] Interesting. What happened there?  
1041 JJ: She was screwing around with my husband.  
1042 [REDACTED] You're shitting me.  
1043 JJ: I'm not.  
1044 [REDACTED] She was screwing around with your husband. And you found out, or he told  
1045 you?  
1046 JJ: No, he didn't tell me. I did a lot of digging. And found out.  
1047 [REDACTED] Yeah? I bet that pissed you off. I'd be f-, pissed off.  
1048 JJ: I was furious.  
1049 [REDACTED] Yeah. Hard, eh? So then what happened?  
1050 JJ: Well, then it just, you know, I just, that was just one time, that I wasn't going  
1051 to put up with this nonsense any more.  
1052 [REDACTED] Mm-hm?  
1053 JJ: And I just did something about it.  
1054 [REDACTED] Which according to this papers ...-  
1055 (Rustling sounds)  
1056 [REDACTED] -is you went and you killed her. Basically. Is that wrong or right?  
1057 JJ: Right.  
1058 [REDACTED] You did that? You didn't get someone else to do it?

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- 1059 JJ: No.
- 1060 [REDACTED]: ...cause that's ...
- 1061 JJ: This is strictly between you and I, right?
- 1062 [REDACTED]: This is not going farther than, further-
- 1063 JJ: Yes.
- 1064 [REDACTED]: -than you and me ever. I'm never gonna talk about it.
- 1065 JJ: Yeah.
- 1066 [REDACTED]: Are you?
- 1067 JJ: No.
- 1068 [REDACTED]: 'Kay.
- 1069 JJ: I never, I never have. I have never told anybody.
- 1070 [REDACTED]: Well, that's smart, right.
- 1071 JJ: Yeah.
- 1072 [REDACTED]: But I got to know because I gotta know if it's true. And if it's not true, then
- 1073 that's a whole other-
- 1074 JJ: It's true. I never-
- 1075 [REDACTED]: Did you get somebody else to do it?
- 1076 JJ: Never.
- 1077 [REDACTED]: Then uh, then that's not necessarily making you A to Z now, is it?
- 1078 JJ: If I would get someone else to do it?
- 1079 [REDACTED]: Sure. Yeah. It's not hands on. It's not as, it's not the same thing. Follow
- 1080 me?
- 1081 JJ: Yeah.

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- 1082 [REDACTED] Make sense to you? So 'cause A to Z is, you're doing the dirty work yourself.
- 1083 You're doing the heavy lifting.
- 1084 JJ: Yeah, it-
- 1085 [REDACTED] So. Uh. What happened here?
- 1086 JJ: Hh. I just went round and uh, confronted her about it. And she lied to me.
- 1087 And I caught her, because I checked through the, she was, he was in a hotel
- 1088 here, and the phone calls that. - coming thru
- 1089 [REDACTED] Mm-hm.
- 1090 JJ: -I mean, so I got a bill from the hotel. And checked the phone number.
- 1091 [REDACTED] that's pretty smart.
- 1092 JJ: Yeah. And um, then she said, oh, then she started laughing in my face. And
- 1093 I just got furious, and I just did it. Hh.
- 1094 [REDACTED] What did you do to her?
- 1095 JJ: I slit her throat.
- 1096 [REDACTED] You slit her throat? Get out of here. Really?
- 1097 JJ: Yes.
- 1098 [REDACTED] You are an A to Z person. For sure it's you, eh, not somebody else ...
- 1099 JJ: Yeah, oh, no, it wasn't someone else. I have never told anyone else. I have
- 1100 always denied it.
- 1101 [REDACTED] Smart. This is a little more important, though. 'Cause I need to know that I
- 1102 can trust you.
- 1103 JJ: Mm-hm.
- 1104 [REDACTED] So you slit her throat. What else? Just slit her throat? That was it?

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1105 JJ: No. I was trying to get some more information out of her, so I did a few other  
1106 cuts before I cut her throat.  
1107 [REDACTED]: Good for you. She had it coming.  
1108 JJ: She'd been my friend for five years, and she did that.  
1109 [REDACTED]: That's pretty low.  
1110 JJ: I think it's pretty low.  
1111 [REDACTED]: It is pretty low.  
1112 JJ: I wouldn't do that-  
1113 [REDACTED]: Yeah.  
1114 JJ: -to a friend of mine.  
1115 [REDACTED]: Me either. Never. I would never do that to anybody I know. I would never  
1116 mess around with his girlfriend or his wife.  
1117 JJ: Yeah.  
1118 [REDACTED]: It's low.  
1119 JJ: To me, it's taboo. You don't do those things.  
1120 [REDACTED]: No. Yeah, it is. I, you're preaching to the converted. I couldn't agree with  
1121 you more. That's uh, that's pretty nasty. Your best friend, it's like a, what do  
1122 they call that? It's like a bad movie. Right?  
1123 JJ: Yeah.  
1124 [REDACTED]: So then what did you do with her?  
1125 JJ: I ju-  
1126 [REDACTED]: Did you-  
1127 JJ: I just left her there.

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- 1128 [REDACTED] You just left her there?
- 1129 JJ: Mm.
- 1130 [REDACTED] And where's there?
- 1131 JJ: In her house.
- 1132 [REDACTED] In, in her house?
- 1133 JJ: ... yeah.
- 1134 [REDACTED] Where'd she live?
- 1135 JJ: She lived in Vancouver.
- 1136 [REDACTED] Actually-
- 1137 JJ: ...
- 1138 [REDACTED] -I think it said that in here.
- 1139 JJ: 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue, I think it was, and Selkirk, somewhere around there, 53<sup>rd</sup> and
- 1140 Selkirk. It was Selkirk, anyway.
- 1141 [REDACTED] Yeah? And, and when, when did that happen? That article, I think I said it
- 1142 was July. Was-
- 1143 (Rustling sounds)
- 1144 JJ: 'Scuse me. I think it was, yeah, the beginning, it could have been the end of
- 1145 June, beginning of July. Somewhere like that.
- 1146 [REDACTED] No one saw you, obviously.
- 1147 JJ: No, I was very careful.
- 1148 [REDACTED] I would think. Or you probably wouldn't be here. If they did see it.
- 1149 JJ: Yeah.
- 1150 (Rustling sounds)

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- 1151 [REDACTED] What did you do with the knife?
- 1152 JJ: I didn't use a knife. I used a box cutter.
- 1153 [REDACTED] You said you slit her throat. A box cutter. I like that. That's good. A box
- 1154 cutter. I just assumed that you'd use a knife.
- 1155 JJ: No.
- 1156 [REDACTED] What did you do with that? Did you get rid of that?
- 1157 JJ: Yeah. I took it to the other side of town, I threw it into a metal dumpster
- 1158 where they used to dump metal-
- 1159 [REDACTED] Yeah.
- 1160 JJ: -for recycling.
- 1161 [REDACTED] 'Kay. And was there any um, and I just uh, now I just want to make sure you
- 1162 cleaned this up all good.
- 1163 JJ: Mm.
- 1164 [REDACTED] Kind of gives me an idea of your capabilities.
- 1165 JJ: And all the clothes that I had-
- 1166 [REDACTED] Yeah.
- 1167 JJ: -I took them, um, and there was an incinerator at the school. I threw them all
- 1168 in there.
- 1169 [REDACTED] That's good. Nobody saw you, obviously, again.
- 1170 JJ: No.
- 1171 [REDACTED] Um (sighs) how'd you get there?
- 1172 JJ: I, I walked to her house. I parked my car about five blocks away.
- 1173 [REDACTED] Yeah?

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- 1174 JJ: And I went in and out of the alley ways. I didn't go down the main streets.  
1175 (Background sounds)  
1176 [REDACTED]: And the box cutter, was that hers or yours? Like, did you bring that? Or did,  
1177 was it ...-  
1178 JJ: It was mine.  
1179 [REDACTED]: It was your's. 'Kay, that's good. Yeah, ...  
1180 JJ: We had, we were doing some ... Christmas, not Christmas, um, fund raising  
1181 um, things for putting out for ca-, for a fair for the school-  
1182 [REDACTED]: Mm-hm.  
1183 JJ: -which is why I had it.  
1184 [REDACTED]: No. That's good. Okay. Um. Any worries with the car?  
1185 JJ: No.  
1186 [REDACTED]: Did you think of that?  
1187 JJ: I got rid of the car actually.  
1188 [REDACTED]: You did, eh?  
1189 JJ: Yeah.  
1190 [REDACTED]: And again, I'm just, you know what, I, you've obviously proven you're A to Z,  
1191 but I just want to see how careful you are.  
1192 JJ: Yeah.  
1193 [REDACTED]: So you got rid of that car.  
1194 JJ: Yes, I did. I traded it in on another one.  
1195 [REDACTED]: Okay. So that, that's good. Did you get jacked up for this? The cops arrest  
1196 you or anything? Or did they ... you, or?

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1197 JJ: Oh, they were getting ... they did. They looked at me. And uh, I had a  
1198 lawyer. And he just dealt with it all after that.  
1199 [REDACTED]: And you're sitting here today, and that was, was almost, that was over twenty  
1200 years ago, right.  
1201 JJ: Yeah.  
1202 [REDACTED]: No. Eighteen years ago. Like you said. That's good, then. You didn't talk  
1203 to them. You didn't tell them anything.  
1204 JJ: I told them nothing.  
1205 [REDACTED]: 'Kay.  
1206 JJ: I didn't even give them my name and address or anything. I just called a  
1207 lawyer.  
1208 [REDACTED]: Okay. Um. No, that's good. This girl, looks like her parents are pretty rich,  
1209 eh? Her parents?  
1210 JJ: Yeah.  
1211 [REDACTED]: Did you know that?  
1212 JJ: I knew the father ... I didn't know her father, I seen him, but her mother, I  
1213 knew her.  
1214 [REDACTED]: 'Cause that got me a little worried.  
1215 JJ: I think they're dead now. Probably.  
1216 [REDACTED]: Yeah, but apparently, that's, this other little ... tidbit I got here from this guy  
1217 this morning.  
1218 (Rustling sounds)  
1219 [REDACTED]: I'll show you this stuff if - you want to see it. But really, uh (sighs). What was



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- 1220 her name?
- 1221 JJ: Gladys. WAKABAYASHI.
- 1222 [REDACTED] Right. Okay. But her ter-, her family name's different, right?
- 1223 JJ: I can't ... to, that was her married name. She was married to a Japanese
- 1224 boy.
- 1225 [REDACTED] Oh, okay.
- 1226 JJ: She was married and divorced. Actually, she divorced her husband so she
- 1227 could screw around with mine. I ...
- 1228 [REDACTED] That was nice.
- 1229 JJ: Yes.
- 1230 [REDACTED] Eh? Well, like I say, she sort of got what she had coming, right.
- 1231 JJ: From my point of view she did, yes.
- 1232 [REDACTED] Mm-hm. Well, I think from a lot of people's point of view. I don't, I have no
- 1233 issue with that at all. I'm thinking good. Good for you. Yeah, it says uh, I
- 1234 should have brought my glasses. ...
- 1235 (Rustling sounds)
- 1236 [REDACTED] It's on here somewhere that the parent, uh, not, not the parents, but now the
- 1237 son, her s-, her brother, I guess. I guess he's the new boss of their, and
- 1238 apparently it sounds like they're like, either millionaires or billionaires.
- 1239 JJ: Yeah, they live in Taiwan.
- 1240 [REDACTED] And that they actually have plans to sue you. Did you know that?
- 1241 JJ: I haven't heard anything about it.
- 1242 [REDACTED] Yeah. Uh.

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1243 (Rustling sounds)

1244 [REDACTED] Okay. When you were there, and I'm, and I'm only asking 'cause there's,  
1245 there's a reference on this thing to s-, some possible DNA. Like, I don't know  
1246 if you follow that shit or not. But I know (chuckles) we have to be really  
1247 careful about it. And I know now they've got, they're even getting these  
1248 newer methods, where stuff they couldn't do before, they can now.

1249 JJ: Mm-hm.

1250 [REDACTED] And they're resubmitting it, and that's part of what this thing here is saying.  
1251 It's talking about the family and like I said, you can read it if you want. Uh,  
1252 it says they're resubmitting them. Is there any chance that your DNA's gonna  
1253 be there?

1254 JJ: No. Well, my DNA was in the house because previous, two days, that  
1255 weekend before-

1256 [REDACTED] Mm-hm.

1257 JJ: -I had been at the house. And they knew that.

1258 [REDACTED] Okay.

1259 JJ: 'Cause I told them.

1260 [REDACTED] When you were uh, when you slit her throat and, and stabbed her with this  
1261 box cutter thing, you didn't bleed yourself? You know. 'Cause that happens  
1262 a lot, eh. (Chuckles)

1263 JJ: Mm-hm.

1264 [REDACTED] You probably don't know that, but-

1265 JJ: I do.

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1266 [REDACTED] -that can happen a fair bit. People can cut themselves. Uh. Yeah, Mr.  
1267 Matthew MA-, MAYOWI (ph)-  
1268 JJ: Mm-hm.  
1269 [REDACTED] -is the new patriarch of the family, and has insisted upon taking action uh,  
1270 into the murder of his sister. Basically, he's making a lot of noise according  
1271 to my guy. Well, I guess they got this thing in Vancouver, this cold case  
1272 squad. You ever hear about that?  
1273 JJ: Yeah.  
1274 [REDACTED] And so 'cause this family's pushing it, they're pushing it, so. But it sounds to  
1275 me like you got, you took care of it. There's nothing they can find.  
1276 JJ: No.  
1277 [REDACTED] They can make all the noise they want.  
1278 JJ: That's right.  
1279 [REDACTED]: There's nothing uh, you didn't take anything?  
1280 JJ: Not a thing.  
1281 [REDACTED] Uh, you didn't keep anything.  
1282 JJ: No.  
1283 [REDACTED] 'Cause whatever you did, we gotta get rid of that, if you did that.  
1284 JJ: I kept nothing.  
1285 [REDACTED] Okay. And.  
1286 (Rustling sounds)  
1287 [REDACTED] Uh, okay. And, uh, here it is here. Unsolved homicide unit. Is that, that what  
1288 that cold case squad is out there? Is that what it's called?

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- 1289 JJ: I'm not sure. But anyway, I know that um, there was nothing there. And
- 1290 plus, I had been in the house on the Saturday.
- 1291 [REDACTED] Mm-hm.
- 1292 JJ: And picked up, 'cause she had wine, uh, my wine store, and my husband's
- 1293 wine and stuff stored at the house.
- 1294 [REDACTED] Mm-hm.
- 1295 JJ: And I picked up somethings, and I had been in the bathroom, so anything
- 1296 that's there, they know was there. They know I was there on the Saturday.
- 1297 [REDACTED] Okay. But there's no way, like, I, I'm more concerned with like, you didn't
- 1298 bleed or anything, so there's no ...-
- 1299 JJ: Nothing.
- 1300 [REDACTED] -... there.
- 1301 JJ: Absolutely nothing.
- 1302 [REDACTED]: Yeah, eh. Okay. She was laughing at you.
- 1303 JJ: Yeah.
- 1304 [REDACTED] Bitch.
- 1305 (Someone sighs)
- 1306 [REDACTED] She didn't, there's no way, she didn't like, she, did she grab you at all? Like,
- 1307 was, was there any kind of a fight at all, or-
- 1308 JJ: No.
- 1309 [REDACTED] -just, just surprised her.
- 1310 JJ: Well, she thought, I was very sneaky about it. She thought I was giving her
- 1311 her surprise, and uh, she, we were upstairs, she was sitting in her closet, and

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1312 I was going to show her this necklace, and so she had her back to me.

1313 [REDACTED] Ah.

1314 JJ: And I had, and I had put gloves on then, so I mean, there was no DNA.

1315 [REDACTED] So she has her back to you.

1316 JJ: Mm-hm.

1317 [REDACTED] So how did you get her, around to her, from her front?

1318 JJ: Well, I pretended to put the necklace around her neck.

1319 [REDACTED] Oh, you are sneaky.

1320 (Laughter)

1321 JJ: I was just mad, and I just used a cord and just turned, and I used the box

1322 cutter.

1323 [REDACTED]: Oh, so you used a cord first?

1324 JJ: I had, it was a thing on her sweater.

1325 [REDACTED] Yeah.

1326 JJ: I had pulled it out and just went like that.

1327 [REDACTED] Oh, okay. And she thought you were putting a necklace on.

1328 JJ: Mm-hm.

1329 [REDACTED] That's pretty crafty. I like that actually... So basically, that was it for, did she

1330 struggle at all? She didn't grab any part of you?

1331 JJ: Uh, no. She just had, she fell on the floor, and she was saying that she was,

1332 she was sorry, and this sort of thing, and she was-

1333 [REDACTED] Yeah.

1334 JJ: -pushing her foot against me.

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- 335 [REDACTED]: A little late then.
- 336 JJ: And I had said to her, you tell me the truth, and I'll call you an ambulance.
- 337 Which of course I had no intention of doing anyway. And that was it.
- 338 [REDACTED]: And then you said you stabbed her a few more times?
- 339 JJ: Well, I did because I was trying to get her to admit, you know, how long it had
- 340 gone on and things. I was just after information.
- 341 [REDACTED]: Um. Okay, well. Well, that's good ... I mean, that, that kind of makes, it just
- 342 makes you tr-, you know, truthful. Like, you are telling me the truth, A to Z.
- 343 Um. It's not really the same thing as, I mean, this one was passion, right,
- 344 and you've got a stake in it 'cause it's your husband, and, you know, so, you,
- 345 so you think you're so A to Z, you can A to Z if it was just business? It's a
- 346 little different, right?
- 347 JJ: Of course. I don't think so?