
TODAY'S DATE IS JANUARY 31, 1990. THE TIME NOW IS 0904 HOURS. WE'RE
IN MY POLICE VEHICLE PARKED OUTSIDE OF 739 EAST SIXTH STREET. THIS
WILL BE A TAPED STATEMENT CONCERNING CASE NUMBER 90 01 31 0233.

BJ Sir, could you state your full name please?

A My name is Syed Salahuddin.

BJ Okay, and your first name spelling is S Y E D?

A S Y E D.

BJ Your last name spelling is S A L A H U D D I N.

A Yes, sir.

BJ How old are you, sir?

A I am forty-one.

BJ And your address?

A 225 North First Avenue.

BJ Okay. Do you have a phone number?

A Yeah. 628-7420.

BJ Okay. We were talking a little bit. Uh, you said you were
you were walking by and you're just looking around to see what's
going on?

A Yes, sir.

BJ Okay. You see all the cameramen here and all the

A (inaudible) yes, sir.

BJ Police officers?

A Yes, sir.

BJ Uhm, do you know the pastor of this uh congregation here?

A Yes, sir.

BJ And that is Mr. Khalifa?

A Rashaad Khalifa.

BJ How long have you known Mr. Khalifa?

A About four, five years.

BJ Okay. And uh, you said you were last, you last saw him on
Friday?

A Friday, yeah.

BJ And what were you doing here?

A I came here. Uh, they have a Koran ika (ph) study.

BJ Uh.

A In the afternoon, and uh I saw him about nine thirty.

BJ Okay. How often do you attend this congregation here?
A Not very often. Just uh once in a while when I get uh
(inaudible) because I don't belong, or I do not condone
uh his uh way of uh preaching Islam.

BJ Okay. So you don't belong to the congregation?
A No.

BJ However, you do attend sometimes?
A Right, because I live close by.

BJ Okay. Uhm, I was askin' you earlier before I turned the tape
on and I asked you do you know any reason why anybody would
be upset with him or mad at him right now?
A One time he was uh circulating a petition signature

BJ Uh-huh.
A That woman was trying to create a problem.

BJ How long ago was this?
A About two, three weeks back.

BJ Okay.
A And he said that he was going to write a petition to the police
chief

BJ Uh-huh.
A With all the signatures so she doesn't come here.

BJ Oh, to have her removed?
A Yeah, just

BJ Was she, was she a member of the congregation?
A I, I don't know her. I don't know 'bout that.

BJ Do you know her name?
A I don't even know her name.

BJ Okay. Did he tell you that he was afraid of what she might
do, or that he just wanted to have her removed?
A Uh, I I have no idea.

BJ Did you talk to him about that incident?
A No, no, sir.

BJ How do you know about that incident?
A Well, he was circulating a petition.

BJ Oh, he was circulating a petition?
A Right, getting everybody's signature.

BJ Did you sign that?
A No.

BJ Okay. But you didn't know what it was about
A No.

BJ Other than he was trying to have a lady removed?
A Yeah (ph).

BJ Okay. Uhm, and
A And he said that he was writing to the police chief.

BJ Okay. Do you know why anybody would want to, other than that
incident, do you know of any reason why someone would want to
kill him?
A I have no idea.

BJ Is he a very political figure here in Tucson?
A Not that I know.

BJ Okay. You know he's been with this congregation for how long
now?
A I think uh, for long time. I don't know how long, but

BJ Just (ph)
A He claims himself as a messenger of God.

BJ Okay. Uh, you've known him for four or five years?
A Right.

BJ And during those four or five years, has he always been with
his congregation?
A No.

BJ Okay. How long has he been with his congregation that you know
of?
A I I didn't ask (inaudible)

BJ Okay. Alright. Uhm, so he preaches a form of Islam?
A Uh, he focuses more on the scripture and uh he has his own
translation.

BJ Okay. Do you agree with it or disagree with it?
A Uh, I I am more of the, I'm assuming (ph), he, uh, I, my,
(inaudible) is Islam, but uh I do not condone his uh

BJ Okay. You don't condone his way of preaching?
A Right.

BJ Okay.
A Because he focuses more on certain things.

BJ Okay. Uh, during the time that you've known him, the four or five years that you've known him, other than the incident that happened two weeks ago, have you ever known anybody to threaten him or be mad at him or anything like that?

A No, not that I know.

BJ Okay. Alright. Is there anything else you'd like to add?

A No, sir.

BJ Alright. Is that (ph)

A I'm just as, uh, you know, private citizen. I saw this

BJ Okay.

A Uh,

BJ The news reporters. They a, were asking you questions?

A Yeah, they were asking whether I belong, and I said that no, I don't belong.

BJ Okay.

A And uh, you know, out of just curious they were asking me.

BJ Okay. Alright. Has everything you, today you've told me been the truth?

A Yeah.

BJ Can you state your full name for the record please?

A My said is Syed Salahuddin.

BJ Okay. I'll stop the tape at 0909 hours.

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