

Exhibit 1

AFFIDAVIT OF [REDACTED]

THE STATE OF TEXAS

WILLIAMSON COUNTY

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared [REDACTED] who, being duly sworn upon his oath according to law, said as follows:

1. I, [REDACTED], am over the age of twenty-one and am competent to make this Affidavit. I have never been convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this Affidavit, and those facts are true and correct.

2. For the last 34 years, I have been a salesperson for [REDACTED], a fraternal life insurance company based in [REDACTED]. In addition to selling and providing insurance, we provide opportunities for our policy holders, whom we call members, to engage in cultural, social, educational, and civic activities. For example, we have lodge halls at locations all over the State of Texas, where we encourage members to come for social events, including dances and other gatherings.

3. In 1995, I was officer of the [REDACTED], located (at the time) at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] where we frequently held functions. At that time I went by the name [REDACTED]. As part of my responsibilities, I would open the hall, make sure we had enough workers for whatever event we had planned, set up the ticket sales, and perform other tasks. We would hire outside security officers to ensure safety at the event, and I would interact with the security, if there were ever problems or just to visit.

4. A frequent member of our security team was a man named Jim Fennell ("Jim"), who would come to the lodge hall and work security. I understood that he was a law enforcement officer, or involved in law enforcement in some way, and did this on the side—a practice that

was not uncommon for law enforcement officers who wanted to make a little extra money. I knew Jim because of this; and I can easily recognize him.

5. On one occasion, Jim introduced me to his girlfriend at the time, a young lady named Stacey Stites ("Stacey"). After that introduction, I remember seeing her at the lodge hall accompanying Jim on a few other occasions that he worked.

6. In November 1995, I struck up a conversation with Stacey at the lodge hall and asked her if she would be interested in applying for a life insurance policy. She agreed to fill out an application, and being in the insurance business, I always had an application nearby. When she was filling out the application she made the remark, "I really don't know why I need life insurance since I am so young."

7. In response to that comment, Jim, in my presence, told her "If I ever catch you messing around on me, I will kill you and no one will ever know it was me that killed you." I remember it well because of the tone of voice that he used. It was not presented as a joke. That concerned me and still concerns me today, because I took it as a threat on her life. I found it harsh and abrasive, and I have never forgotten it. Although I do not recall Jim applying for insurance or filling out an application, records with the insurance company indicate that he did as well. I have attached as **Exhibit 1** of this Affidavit a copy of the insurance company's receipt of applications for Jimmy Lewis Fennell, Jr., and Stacey Lee Stites, dated November 29, 1995.

8. Months later, at a function Jim was not scheduled for security duty, I remember he came to the lodge hall shortly before closing time. I remember looking at my watch. He entered through the kitchen door. He was familiar with all entrances and exits since he was frequently one of our security. He came around to the front of the bar. I observed him and noticed he was red-faced and his face seemed to be puffy, as though he had been drinking. I

remember thinking that he looked upset or like he had high blood pressure. It just did not seem like the Jim Fennell I was used to seeing. I did not speak to him, as I had duties and proceeded to do them since it was almost closing time. I did not have a reason to talk to him. A few days later, I learned that Stacey had been murdered.

9. Although I do not know Rodney Reed ("Mr. Reed"), sometime in the early 2000s I tried to contact an attorney of his to let his legal team know about Jim's threat to Stacey. I got the name Bryce Benjet from a newspaper article, and I called a phone number in Austin. I was not sure that I was calling the right place, but there was a recording asking that messages be left, and I left my name and a brief message relating to my call. I have since learned that Mr. Benjet had moved to New York. I did not try to reach him again. I did not come forward earlier because I thought Mr. Reed was going to be exonerated.

10. In 2015, after all of the coverage about Mr. Reed's case and with the possibility of his execution, I wrote and mailed two letters describing these events, one to Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton, and the other to Governor Greg Abbott. I wrote the letters because I thought at the time, and continue to believe, it is important that I share my experience witnessing Jim's threat to kill Stacey if he found out she was cheating on him. I have attached copies of those letters to this Affidavit, as **Exhibits 2 and 3**. I never heard back from either the Attorney General or the Governor based on these letters.

11. In July of this year, I learned from television media that Mr. Reed was scheduled for execution. I again wrote a letter, this time to Judge Shaver, the judge who presided over Mr. Reed's last hearing, to share my experience. I sent copies of that letter to Governor Abbott, Bastrop County District Attorney Bryan Goertz, and to Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton. I have attached a copy of that letter as **Exhibit 4** to this Affidavit. Despite the passage of time

between my 2015 and 2019 letters, my description of the interaction I had with Stacey in November 1995, and my recollection of the words Jim used to threaten to kill her, are the same.

12. I am coming forward now, again, because it is important that law enforcement and people in positions of authority in this State know and consider Jim's threat to kill Stacey, which I understand occurred shortly before her death.

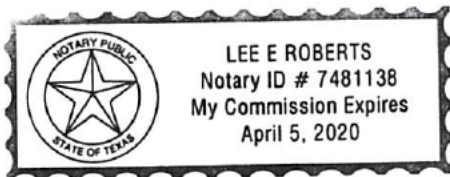
13. I fear that Texas may soon execute someone who I do not believe committed this crime.

Further Affiant sayeth not.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September, 2019, to certify which witness my hand and official seal.



[Handwritten Signature]

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
November 29, 1995

[REDACTED]
Dear [REDACTED],

This acknowledges the receipt of non-medical and / or medical applications and benefits as applied for:

Name(s)	Class	Amount	DI	PW	PY	OR
JIMMY LEWIS FENNELI, JR.						
STACEY LEE SITTES						

for membership to [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

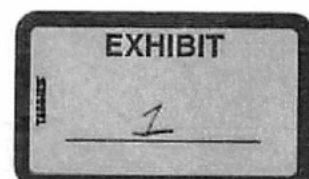
Please check the information listed above carefully. If any change(s) is required, call us immediately so that we may incorporate the change prior to issuing the certificate.

Thank you,

Cynthia
Insurance Department

[REDACTED]
Please call me as soon as possible regarding these applications.

Cynthia
[REDACTED]



February 16, 2015

Honorable Greg Abbott
Governor of Texas
State Capital
Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Rodney Reed

Dear Governor Abbott:

As I watch the news from day to day and week to week and see the continued execution of Rodney Reed, it saddens me to know that the young man doesn't seem to be getting the opportunity to be found not guilty. I can't imagine any judge or attorney not allowing a piece of evidence to be submitted to save a life.

I am in the life insurance business and knew both Jim Fennell and Stacy Stites. Stacy was in my presence filling out an application for insurance as Jim Fennell stood near. Stacy made the comment that, "I am so young I don't know why I would need insurance." Jim Fennell then made the statement that if he ever found out she was cheating on him, he would kill her and no one would ever know he did it.

I have read and heard others make similar reports, but no one seems to take these treats of Jim's serious. What in the world or why wouldn't a judge take every little bitty piece of evidence into consideration before taking the life of anyone not much less an innocent Rodney Reed.

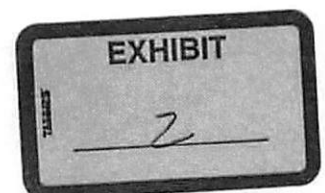
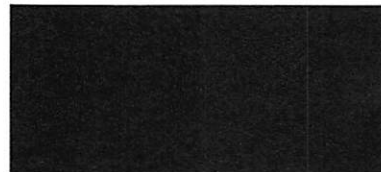
With all of the supporters and demonstrations and asking for help; I too decided to write my Governor and request some help for this innocent Rodney Reed. Please please help this innocent person and allow his lawyers the opportunity to prove his innocence.

Recently, a man went through this same type of conviction in Williamson County and after serving 25 years was finally found not guilty and was released. What a terrible tragic thing to convict an individual by not allowing all evidence to be submitted for evidence.

Thank you for your utmost consideration!

Please do not allow our state to become known for killing innocent people.
In God we Trust!!!!!!

With a deep plea for help I am,



February 19, 2015

Honorable Ken Paxton
Attorney General of Texas
State Capital
Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Rodney Reed currently on death roll.

Dear Mr. Paxton:

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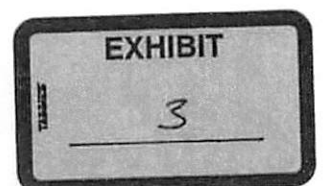
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July 25, 2019

Honorable Judge Doug Shaver
Bastrop County Court House
804 Pecan Street
Bastrop, Texas 78602

Re: Rodney Reed

Your Honor:

I have made several attempts to contact or notify various parties to express concern in the Rodney Reed case. Each time this has come up it concerns me that all possible evidence would not be allowed to save a human life. How could you possibly live knowing that you didn't allow this to happen?

I do not know Rodney Reed, but I did know Stacy and I also knew Jim Fennel. I am in the insurance business and sold Stacy a life insurance policy. When she was filling out the application she made this remark, "I really don't know why I need life insurance since I am so young". Jim Fennel (in my presence) told her, "If I ever catch you messing around on me, I will kill you and no one will ever know it was me that killed you".

That concerned me that day and it still concerns me today. That is why I feel I have to let this be known. That's a threat!

You obviously have made up your mind that Rodney Reed is guilty, but I am asking you to reconsider and hear all evidence even the evidence that was previously presented and later admitted being wrong. What kind of justice is that?

For God sake give the man a fair trial. Hear all the facts regarding the Rodney Reed case. Could you live with yourself if he was falsely put to death. I am not black and consider myself to be an honorable respectable individual in and around my community. But could not live with myself if I didn't share this information with you. I believe you are a fair individual and will do the right thing. Thank you for your consideration.

cc: Honorable Greg Abbott
cc: Honorable Bryan Goetz
cc: Honorable Ken Paxton

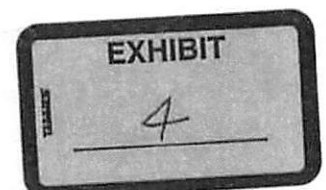


Exhibit 2

AFFIDAVIT OF JIM CLAMPIT

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF LEE

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Jim Clampit, who, being duly sworn upon his oath according to law, said as follows:

1. My name is Jim Clampit. I was born in Lufkin, Texas. My date of birth is 7/15/1940. I reside at 1321 Nails Creek Rd., Giddings, Texas, 78942. I am over the age of 21 and competent to make this Affidavit. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this Affidavit, and they are true and correct.
2. In about 1968, I graduated from the Texas A&M Game Warden Academy. After graduation, I accepted a position as the Lee County Game Warden. The position was based in Giddings, Texas. I moved to Giddings for this job. I met my wife in Giddings and have lived here ever since. I served as the Game Warden for about 15 years, until about 1984. At this time, the region was experiencing an oil boom, and so I became an oil field worker. I worked in the oil fields for about 3 years.
3. In 1988, I accepted a position as a deputy at the Lee County Sheriff's Office. As a deputy in a small Sheriff's office, I had a lot of responsibilities. For example, I worked patrol, traffic, and investigations. I investigated offenses including burglaries, assaults, and homicides.
4. In 1996, I was working as a deputy at the Lee County Sheriff's Office when Stacey Stites ("Ms. Stites") was murdered.
5. Though I did not know Ms. Stites personally, I knew her fiancé at the time, Jimmy Fennell ("Jimmy"). Jimmy was an officer at the Giddings Police Department. I knew Jimmy from around town, and because we were both local law enforcement officers. The Lee County Sheriff's Office often assisted the Giddings Police Department on calls. I recall Jimmy being present at several of the calls I provided support on. In this way, I became familiar with Jimmy.
6. I and many other law enforcement officers paid our respects to Ms. Stites and her family by attending her funeral. I have been shown a copy of a 33-page document entitled "Register of Friends and Relatives." It is a registry in which people who attended the visitation services for Ms. Stites signed their names. I have identified my signature on the last line of page 9. I signed this registry at the funeral home on the day I attended the services for Ms. Stites.



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7. I recall that at the viewing services, Ms. Stites's body was inside of a casket in a small viewing room. Her body was dressed in a white dress which looked like a wedding dress. I distinctly remember standing in the doorway to the viewing room next to Jimmy Fennell. Jimmy was looking at Ms. Stites. At that moment, Jimmy said something that I will never forget. Jimmy said something along the lines of, "You got what you deserved." Jimmy was directing his comment at Ms. Stites's body. I was completely shocked and floored by what Jimmy said. It did not strike me as something a grieving partner would say to their murdered fiancé.
8. Over the years, I have often thought about what Jimmy said at Ms. Stites's services. I am still shocked by it. Recently, after reading about Rodney Reed's case in the newspaper, I started thinking about what Jimmy said more and more. I told a couple friends and my wife about what I heard Jimmy say. The more I thought about it, the more I knew that I would not be able to live with myself if I did not come forward.
9. I know that Rodney Meyer and Rocky Wardlow would be good sources of information about the Stacey Stites murder investigation. I know both personally. The Lee County Sheriff's Office assisted on the investigation. Rodney Meyer was the chief deputy at the Lee County Sheriff's Office. Rocky was a DPS Ranger. Both Rocky and Rodney assisted with the Stites murder investigation.

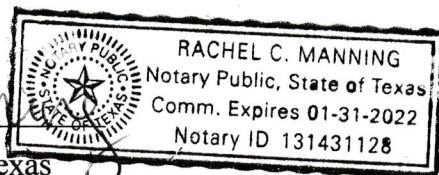
I have read and reviewed this 2-page affidavit. After reading each page, I initialed the bottom of each page.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Texas that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that this affidavit was executed on the 3 day of October, 2019 in Giddings, Texas.

Jim Clampit
Jim Clampit

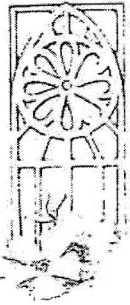
Sworn to and subscribed before me on the 3 day of October, 2019, by Jim Clampit.

Rachel C Manning
Notary Public, State of Texas



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Exhibit 3



Register of Friends
and Relatives

Lynetta Latimer

Norm + Alice Hochdorf

Maria I. Ramsey

Cindy Gonzales

Alayne Fletcher

Linda Kellur

Karen Hauser

Lili Leskar

Tamela Dunk

Susan Schultz

Herschel W. & Brenda Little ^{with all our love}

Maria Bryant Joe Bryant

Rhonda Bennett ^{Rest in peace} ^{Did we with you!}

Lickie Miles

Sally Shesheek BCSD

John D. Delle BCSD

Jim Host BCSD

Adam Gonzales LEE Co. 50

Jim Clappitt LEE Co. 50

Jim Clappitt
10-3-19