

LAWRENCE COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
CRIMINAL DIVISION

STATE OF OHIO

Plaintiff

vs.

DEREK CANNON

Defendant

: CASE NO. 94-CR-172  
: JUDGE DONALD A. COX  
:  
: STATE'S RESPONSE TO  
: DEFENDANT'S REQUEST  
: FOR EXCULPATORY  
: EVIDENCE

Now comes Seth S. Tieger, Special Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, and respectfully provides the defendant the following information regarding the death of Darrell Depina:

INMATE SAMUEL BATSON.

He identified inmate Abraham Douglas as a person that assaulted Depina possibly killing him with a baseball bat or a stick. He also identified inmates Charles Outlaw, Rasheem Matthews, and James Robinson as being involved in the assault and/or killing of Depina.

INMATE GERALD KELLY

He made a statement regarding Depina's kidnapping, but later recanted and said that he did not see that crime occur. He indicated that inmate Eugene Canady was involved in Depina's homicide.

INMATE JEFFREY SIMMONS

He made statements implicating numerous inmates in the assault, beating or killing of Darrell Depina. Those implicated by Simmons are: Gregory Beauchamp, Thomas Blackmon, Gregory Curry, Stacy Gordon, Louis Jones, Edward

Julious, Keith Lamar, Richard Nelson, Derrick Matthews, Rasheem Matthews, and Timothy Williams.

INMATE THOMAS TAYLOR

He made statements to law enforcement identifying other inmates beating Depina. Those statements have been provided by way of discovery.

INMATE MICHAEL TROCADERO

He made statements implicating numerous inmates involved in the assault and killings in L-6. Those implicated by Trocadero are: Cecil Allen, James Robinson, Lavelle Pascol, Terry Page, Timothy Grinnell, Keith Lamar, Robert Goodgame, Anthony Copeland, Rasheem Matthews, Emanuel Newell, Albert Young, Charles Outlaw, and Thomas Taylor.

INMATE ANTHONY WALKER

He indicated that Gregory Curry struck Depina with a baseball bat.

INMATE STANLEY ALDRIDGE

He states that inmate Orson Wells hit Depina in the head with a baseball bat.

INMATE RASHEEM MATTHEWS

He identified numerous inmates being involved in Depina's death, among them was Keith Lamar. His statements have been provided to the defendant by way of discovery.

INMATE JAMES EDINBURGH

He indicated that he observed Derrick Matthews, Thomas Blackmon, Gregory Curry and Frederick Frakes striking Depina.

INMATE AARON JEFFERSON

He admitted to killing Depina. This statement was discounted as being not credible by investigators. He is currently charged with crimes involving events other than the Depina homicide.

INMATE DANIEL DAVIDSON

He said that he observed inmate Frakes strike Depina in the head with a baseball bat at the end of the gym ramp.

Respectfully, submitted,



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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on this 17 day of July, 1995, I have posted a copy of the above entitled "State's Response to Defendant's Request for Exculpatory Evidence" to counsel for defendant by posting same in the U.S. mail addressed to Joseph L. Hale, Attorney at Law, 547 Sixth Street, Portsmouth, Ohio 45662.



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