

1 can get unconfused. Would somebody hand him a copy of
2 the application?

3 MR. WYDE: The Judge has a question,
4 Mr. Ramos.

5 THE WITNESS: Okay.

6 THE COURT: Mr. Ramos --

7 MR. WYDE: You might turn around a little
8 bit. It's easier to kind of hear him if you're looking
9 at him.

10 THE COURT: Would you look at your
11 signature?

12 THE WITNESS: Uh-huh, yes.

13 THE COURT: Is that your signature?

14 THE WITNESS: The one on the top is.

15 THE COURT: The one on the right?

16 THE WITNESS: On the right side.

17 THE COURT: Not the left, on the other --

18 THE WITNESS: Okay. The one on the left is
19 my signature.

20 THE COURT: The one on the left is, and the
21 one on the right is not?

22 THE WITNESS: No, sir.

23 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you. Let me see
24 that there. Okay. Thank you. Any further questions?

25 MR. RICH: No, Your Honor.

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MR. WYDE: No, sir.

MR. RICH: We would just ask the Court to take a look at 111 in comparing the signatures.

MR. WYDE: May Mr. Ramos --

THE COURT: You mean 112?

MR. RICH: I'm sorry, sir. 112, sir.

THE COURT: Okay.

MR. WYDE: May Mr. Ramos be excused?

THE COURT: Yes, you may be finally excused. Thank you.

MR. WYDE: Thank you for coming in today, sir.

MR. RICH: Thank you, Mr. Ramos. Gracias.

MS. WOERTENDYKE: Are you showing the next one to be Annie Taylor?

THE BAILIFF: Yes.

MS. WOERTENDYKE: Okay. Annie Taylor, she is number 18 on the list that -- of the subpoena list. She is on page 12, she's number 9 from the top.

MR. WYDE: Judge, the court reporter indicates that you didn't admit 112.

THE COURT: Okay. Thank you. Admitted.

MR. WYDE: I tried to tell her that you didn't make a mistake, but she insisted that you did make a mistake.

1 THE COURT: My mistake is just delayed.

2 THE BAILIFF: Judge, she brought her own
3 chair, if that's all right.

4 THE COURT: That is fine. I may need to
5 borrow it.

6 ANNIE TAYLOR,
7 having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:

8 DIRECT EXAMINATION

9 BY MR. WYDE:

10 Q. Good afternoon, young lady. Are you
11 Ms. Taylor?

12 A. Yes.

13 THE COURT: I'm sorry, was that a yes?

14 MR. WYDE: I think she's got a little --

15 MS. WOERTENDYKE: Laryngitis.

16 MR. WYDE: -- frog in --

17 A. I can't hear you.

18 Q. Yes, ma'am. May I sit next to you?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Okay. You're Ms. Annie Taylor?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Thank you for being here today.

23 A. You're welcome.

24 Q. No one asked you to come here, Ms. Taylor,
25 because of anything you did.

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Nobody's suggesting you've done anything wrong,
3 okay?

4 A. I hope not.

5 Q. I'm sure of it, okay?

6 A. Okay.

7 Q. Ms. Taylor, do you vote by mail or absentee
8 when you can?

9 A. Well, really, both ways because it's been times
10 that I stayed near enough to make it to vote, and it's
11 times that I have to vote absentee because I can't get
12 there.

13 Q. Yes, ma'am. Yes, ma'am. Is -- are you able to
14 write your name, Ms. Taylor?

15 A. I'll do the best I can.

16 Q. I see that. I see that. Did you do your best
17 on this part right down here to the right?

18 A. Well, at that time, I did.

19 Q. Okay. And Ms. Taylor, do you know Segwen
20 Tyler?

21 A. Who?

22 Q. A lady by the name of Segwen Tyler, do you know
23 her? Do you know this lady, by any chance (showing
24 photo)?

25 A. I've seen her.

1 Q. Has she ever been to your home?

2 A. I really don't remember because my mind is kind
3 of bad.

4 Q. Yes, ma'am. Is this your signature up here on
5 this copy by my thumb?

6 A. No. No.

7 Q. Do you remember getting the green envelope --

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. -- in the mail? And when the green envelope is
10 open, there's generally a brown envelope along with the
11 list of people who are running for the different
12 offices. Does that jog your memory?

13 A. I don't remember.

14 Q. Do you remember a Mark Baker? Do you know a
15 Mark Baker coming by your home and picking up your
16 election papers?

17 A. I don't know a Mark Baker. I don't remember a
18 Mark Baker, but I remember a man coming by.

19 Q. Okay. Did he pick up your papers to mail for
20 you?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. Do you --

23 A. That was kind of a heavysset, dark guy? I
24 signed them papers.

25 Q. He picked the papers up; is that right? This

1 is back in February for the Democrat -- Democratic
2 primary.

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Do you know how this lady, Ms. Tyler, do you
5 know how she got her name on your envelope?

6 A. Well, I might have signed it, but that's not it
7 right there.

8 Q. Well, when you -- if that -- even though you --
9 that's not your signature, right?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Even though that's not your signature, did you
12 sign -- did you fill out your papers in front of any
13 female at all?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. It was a female?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Was she a relative?

18 A. I don't remember that.

19 Q. Okay.

20 A. But I did fill out some papers in front of a
21 lady.

22 Q. Was that at your home or at --

23 A. At home.

24 Q. So were those the papers that came in the green
25 envelope, or were they different papers?

1 A. Sir, I don't remember.

2 Q. Okay. Is this your signature here?

3 A. Yes, sir.

4 Q. And if you'd just take a look at that picture
5 and tell me if this is the lady that was at your house
6 helping you fill them out?

7 A. I really don't remember. I've seen her
8 somewhere. It's been so many peoples come there and did
9 so many things, I don't remember who is who.

10 Q. Yes, ma'am. That's okay. Can you give me just
11 a minute?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Just so I understand, Ms. Taylor, these are
14 your signatures, correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Both of those are yours?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Is that your signature?

19 A. No, I can't write that good.

20 Q. And do you know this lady that signed the name,
21 SeGwen Tyler?

22 A. No, I don't.

23 Q. Is your daughter Portia Grant?

24 A. Who?

25 Q. Your daughter. Do you have a daughter?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Is her name Portia?

3 A. That's my granddaughter.

4 Q. Her granddaughter?

5 A. Mine.

6 Q. Your granddaughter?

7 A. Yes. And she's not a blood granddaughter.

8 She's not a blood granddaughter, but she do live with
9 me, and she's always claimed as my granddaughter.

10 Q. When the election papers come, did anybody read
11 them to you?

12 A. No.

13 Q. Did you fill them out yourself?

14 A. The best I know how. If anybody read them to
15 me, I don't remember because I can't remember nothing
16 too much.

17 Q. You don't remember this Ms. Tyler or your
18 granddaughter reading them to you?

19 A. No, sir, I don't.

20 Q. And I'm sorry, Ms. Taylor, but did you say that
21 a man picked them up or a woman?

22 A. It was -- I say it was a man come by there.
23 Now, when I was coming down -- I guess this is the same
24 thing that was signed to come down here for. It was a
25 man come by there and give me some papers and told me,