



Michael Bastin



NORTHUP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Case Number

C4-10261995

PERSON OF INTEREST

NAME Last: <u>Baskin</u> First: <u>Michael</u> Middle: <u>Benjamin</u>					ADDRESS Home Address: <u>1101 Stanford Dr - Room 429</u>							
Contact Number: <u>555-2685</u>	Drivers License/ID Number: <u>346982037</u>	Marital Status: <u>Single</u>	City: <u>Northup</u>	State: <u>Georgia</u>	Zip Code: <u>30159</u>							
Date of Birth: <u>08-14-75</u>	Place of Birth: <u>Macon</u>	Age: <u>20</u>	Height: <u>6'7</u>	Weight: <u>215</u>	Race: <u>W</u>	Sex: <u>M</u>	Hair: <u>Brown</u>	Ethnicity: <u>W</u>	Eye: <u>Gray</u>	Shoe Size: <u>14</u>	Disability?: <u>none</u>	Dominant Hand: <u>L</u>
Scars - Marks - Tattoos: <u>"Flight" tattoos - right shoulder</u>		Prior Military Experience: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Martial Arts/Combat Experience: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Do you own firearms?: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Prior Arrests?: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Prior Felonies: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Outstanding Warrants: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Currently Under Investigation?: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
Employer: <u>Student</u>	Work Phone: <u>---</u>	Employer's Address: <u>---</u>			Occupation: <u>basketball scholarship</u>	Length of Employment: <u>---</u>						

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INDIVIDUAL STATEMENT

In the case space below, describe your whereabouts on the date and time of the incident

Date of Incident

10-26-1995

Time of Incident

8:23pm

I was at the gym with my roommate Danny Dugan until around 7:45 when I left to go get something to eat but wound up going back to my room instead because I didn't have any money. Around the time of the murder I was in my room studying and fell asleep pretty early - probably sometime around 9 pm.

Individual who can confirm your whereabouts at the date and time of the incident.

Name: <u>Danny Dugan</u>	Relationship: <u>Roommate</u>	Phone Number: <u>555-2685</u>	Address: <u>1101 Stanford #429</u>	Notes: <u>Was with me most of the night</u>
Name: _____	Relationship: _____	Phone Number: _____	Address: _____	Notes: _____
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Signature of Person Receiving

Agency Name & Address

Agency Phone Number

Officer Signature

Unit

Badge

Supervisor Signature

Assigned To



NORTHUP POLICE DEPARTMENT WITNESS STATEMENT FORM

DATE: 10-28-1995

INCIDENT #: C4-10261995

NAME:

ADDRESS:

Danny
FIRST

1101 Stanford Dr Room 429
STREET/P.O. BOX

Dugan
LAST

Northup, GA 30159
CITY/STATE/ZIP

DATE OF BIRTH: 03-21-1975

TELEPHONE #: (404) 555-2685

I make the below statement voluntarily. This account is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and represents my observations in the case currently under investigation. I understand that making false statements or reports pursuant to a police investigation is a criminal offense under MCL 750.411a.

NARRATIVE

I met Michael a couple of years ago when we were roommates freshman year. Since that time we've become great friends and we're still roommates. He's an amazing basketball player and extremely driven to make it to the pros. I think he's got a great shot at it too if he can bulk up and put in a couple more strong seasons here at Tubman.

Anyway, last Thursday evening Michael and I were at the campus gym. I've been working there since freshman year and I'm the assistant manager now. We had the place to ourselves after 7:15 so we decided to do a few supersets. I was going to close up early, around 8:30, when we were done.

Michael got light-headed and almost passed out while doing concentration curls. I've seen this happen with him before when he hasn't eaten much, so I told him to go grab a pizza for both of us while I finished up but he ended up going back to the dorm instead because he didn't have any money on him or his student spending card. He left the weightroom at about 7:45 and when I got back to the room at around quarter to nine he was asleep in bed with a British History textbook tucked under his arm.

Danny Dugan
SIGNATURE

Karl Gaynor
WITNESS SIGNATURE



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FULL RECORDED INTERVIEW - Michael Benjamin Baskin
CASE NUMBER: C4-10261995

Date: 10/27/1995
Time: 7:15 P.M.
Location: Northup Police Department
226 Peachtree St. - Interview Room A
Northup, GA 30159

Conducted by: Det. Karl Gaynor - Northup Police
Department

Transcribed by: Emily McGuire

***** **BEGINNING OF INTERVIEW** *****

Detective: Good evening. Please state your full name for the record.

Michael Baskin: Michael Benjamin Baskin. Can I please ask why I'm here?

Detective: We'll get to that. You're a student at Tubman—a junior, right?

Michael Baskin: Yep.

Detective: I see here that you're captain of the basketball team. Very impressive.

Michael Baskin: I've also been first team all-conference the past two years.

Detective: And how are your grades—are they impressive too?

Michael Baskin: Not bad.

Detective: I also see that you're on a full sports scholarship.

Michael Baskin: Yes I am.

Detective: I guess you've got to keep your grades up to continue playing at Tubman, right? Make sure you play by all the rules—both on the court and in the classroom?

Michael Baskin: Yeah, I guess.

Detective: And if your grades go down, then what?

Michael Baskin: They won't.

Detective: But if they did?

Michael Baskin: Listen, practice is in like 45 minutes, so can we please get to the point so I don't have to be late?

Detective: As important as you are? I bet they'd wait for you. But I'll tell you what, if we run long I'll write you a note for coach, how's that?

Michael Baskin: Whatever.

Detective: Michael, were you a student in Dean Cahill's British History 101 class?

Michael Baskin: Yeah.

Detective: How were you doing in it?

Michael Baskin: Fine.

Detective: Really? Then why did you feel the need to cheat on your test?

Michael Baskin: What? I... where are you getting that from? I didn't cheat on a test!

Detective: We have evidence that suggests otherwise. Dead men don't lie.

Michael Baskin: What are you talking about?

Detective: Before Dean Cahill was murdered, he'd written an email to the president of the college telling him all about it. He also suspected it wasn't the first time you cheated—as you told him, quote: "Why can't you just leave well enough alone? Everyone else does!" The dean thought it was quite possible that some of your other professors had been looking the other way all this time. He was strongly opposed to this sort of thing and knew the college president was too—even though he knew it meant you might get kicked off the team, suspended, and lose your scholarship. He was setting up a meeting for the three of you to discuss it together.

Michael Baskin: I can't believe it! That jerk told me he wouldn't say anything until Monday!

Detective: Ahhh... so you thought you'd snuff him out before he could spill the beans?



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Michael Baskin: What? No! Are you kidding me? You think I killed him?

Detective: The dean hadn't sent it yet, so your entire motive-along with a statement you made about wanting to take responsibility for his death-was right there on his computer screen, just waiting for us to find! And to think, all you had to worry about then was getting kicked off the team and losing a scholarship. Seems like small potatoes compared to the death penalty, doesn't it?

Michael Baskin: I didn't kill him! You've got to believe me!

Detective: I hope you've got one heck of a good alibi... Tell me Michael, where were you last night between 8:00 and 8:30?

Michael Baskin: I was at the campus gym with my friend Danny. He helps run the place on a work-study program. We were lifting.

Detective: Who else saw you there?

Michael Baskin: I'm not sure. I don't remember if there was anyone else there. Danny was gonna close up early because it was dead.

Detective: What time was he closing?

Michael Baskin: Around 8:30?

Detective: And you were there with him until then?

Michael Baskin: I... uhhh... no. I left a little before that. Not sure what time exactly. I hadn't eaten much that day, so I was getting a bit lightheaded and that's not a good thing when you're lifting. So I went out to grab a quick bite before coming back to finish my workout and help him close up.

Detective: Where did you eat?

Michael Baskin: I was heading to Pepperoni Palace, but then realized I didn't have any cash on me, so I went back to the dorm and ate some stale chips.

Detective: Do you know what time you got back to the gym?

Michael Baskin: Thing is, I never went back to the gym. I had a big test the next day in British History and decided to cram in some studying instead.

Detective: That's the best you can come up with? I find it pretty hard to believe that a jock who's cheating his way through college suddenly transforms into "Super Student" when he needs an alibi. Admit it, Michael! You had to take out the dean so you could continue your easy ride then move on to the pros. If you didn't, it could be game over for you.

Michael Baskin: I swear I didn't kill him! I really was studying! I wanted to prove myself in hopes that maybe they'd go easy on me. I'd do anything to make sure they didn't kick me off the team or cut my scholarship! Please believe me!

Detective: Anything, huh?

Michael Baskin: Almost anything. Not murder!

Detective: You can go, for now. Need that note?

Michael Baskin: No.

***** **END OF INTERVIEW** *****



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To:	mbelleve@tubmanemail.com
From:	mcahill@tubmanemail.com
Cc:	
Subject:	Michael Baskin - Academic Integrity

Hi Malcolm,

Unfortunately, this email is all business and no pleasure.

I'm writing to you in regards to Mr. Michael Baskin, a junior of ours here at Tubman. I'm sure you know him; he's captain of the basketball team and here on a full athletic scholarship.

Mr. Baskin is also a student of mine in British History 101, and I'm very sorry to report that I caught him cheating on an exam. It seems he's most likely done this in the past, as not only have I heard a few (unsubstantiated) rumors, but when I talked to him, he said, "Why can't you just leave well enough alone? Everyone else does!" I told him he needed to take responsibility for his grades and his actions, and in frustration he made an impetuous threat about wanting to take responsibility for "seeing me dead."

It goes without saying that you're completely against cheating, as am I. Our policy states he must be suspended and taken off the team. I know it's a blow to him, the team, his family and even the school. I also know this means he will have to forfeit his scholarship, but the integrity of this institution cannot allow this student, or any student, to get away with this.

I know these actions will have an adverse effect on his future and I deeply regret that. I also feel we should conduct an internal investigation to find out who, if anyone, has allowed this to go on but I'll defer to you on that matter.

I would like to set up a meeting for you, myself, and Michael as soon as possible once you return on Monday. I hope that somehow, someday, this course of action will bring about a positive result for him.

All my best,
 Max Cahill
 Dean - Tubman University History Department



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Copy of Dean Cahill's email draft to the president of the University

*Found open on Victim's office computer.
(message was NOT sent)*