

1 TAPED TRANSCRIPT OF MS. CASEY ANTHONY
2 INTERVIEW CONDUCTED BY CORPORAL WILLIAM "ERIC" EDWARDS

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5 EE – CORPORAL WILLIAM "ERIC" EDWARDS

6 JB – SPECIAL AGENT JEFFREY SCOTT BOLIN

7 DR – DETECTIVE DOROTHY RIVERA

8 CA – MS. CASEY ANTHONY

9 DR: Go.

10 EE: October 14, 2008, approximately 4:05 p.m. Corporal Eric Edwards, Orange
11 County Sheriff's Office Homicide. In the vehicle with?

12 DR: Detective Dorothy Rivera.

13 JB: Special Agent Jeffrey Scott Bolin.

14 EE: And we are approaching a traffic stop where Casey Anthony is in custody right
15 now by our Felony Unit. Uhm, and we will be having her in the car momentarily.

16 UM: Hey, we're 10-4 (inaudible).

17 EE: Alright. We'll be up there in a second.

18 DR: Can you please put that in the front uhm, cup holder, or right here. (Coughs.)

19 EE: First I'm going, I would like to interview a witness to a reckless driving event that
20 may have been orchestrated by someone. I think I'm going to question her in
21 regards to that.

22 DR: It's coming up on the right here.

23 JB: It's on your right hand side up here. I just saw them pulled over.

24 EE: Deputies should not be ran off the road.

25 DR: There it is.

1 **EE:** Alright. Northbound Turnpike, approaching mile marker, don't have one yet.
2 **DR:** Or call box 256.
3 **EE:** Call box...
4 **DR:** You can put your lights on right there with that little switch.
5 **EE:** (Inaudible).
6 **(Sound of doors opening and closing. Highway traffic noise. There is no talking**
7 **for a few minutes.)**
8 **DR:** (Inaudible.)
9 **EE:** (Inaudible) going to help them with the camera for...
10 **DR:** Sure.
11 **EE:** ...(inaudible).
12 **(Sound of car doors opening and closing.)**
13 **DR:** Are you going to sit in the car?
14 **JB:** Hmm?
15 **DR:** I have to.
16 **JB:** No, I'll just stay here.
17 **DR:** Okay. I'll be right back.
18 **JB:** You want to throw that in the trunk?
19 **EE:** Yeah (affirmative).
20 **JB:** I don't know where the trunk release is in this thing.
21 **EE:** Yeah (affirmative), I'll just put it up here. That was downright dangerous almost.
22 (Inaudible.)
23 **JB:** Hey.
24 **DR:** He thought it was going to be a...
25 **JB:** Hey.

1 **CA:** We've been literally stalked by media and not just today, but the weeks.
2 **EE:** Sorry.
3 **CA:** Oh, it's okay.
4 **EE:** (Inaudible).
5 **CA:** (Inaudible).
6 **EE:** (Inaudible).
7 **JB:** (Inaudible).
8 **EE:** You know why you're in custody for right?
9 **CA:** Yes. They've called out the indictment.
10 **EE:** You did get the call?
11 **CA:** (Inaudible). I talked to my attorney.
12 **EE:** Mr. Baez?
13 **CA:** Yes.
14 **EE:** Mr. crazy driver.
15 **CA:** (Inaudible).
16 **EE:** Huh?
17 **CA:** (Laughs.) Yeah (affirmative).
18 **SB:** German engineering is awesome.
19 **JB:** This is, this is a good car.
20 **SB:** I'm talking about the BMW though.
21 **JB:** Well it was, yeah (affirmative).
22 **EE:** Huh. Listen, you, you haven't met me before. You've seen me.
23 **CA:** Yeah (affirmative).
24 **EE:** You haven't met me. I did speak with your mother.
25 **CA:** Okay.

1 **EE:** Your father, and your brother. Uhm, this situation here, I'm trying to find the right
2 words for it. I'll tell you what got me a little bit out of mindset was what just
3 happened on the road back there. So you'll have to give me a second. Let me
4 get that bit of adrenaline out of my system. Do you have any adrenaline in your
5 system from that?

6 **CA:** A little bit.

7 **EE:** I think your mom does.

8 **CA:** Especially when we realized you know, who was behind us that it was media and
9 so.

10 **EE:** What's that fellow's name that you were in the car there with?

11 **CA:** Robert.

12 **EE:** What did he say when he realized it was the police?

13 **CA:** I think his exact words were, "Oh, shit, it was the cops, okay." (Laughs.)

14 **EE:** And when was that?

15 **CA:** Uhm, it was right as...

16 **EE:** What part of our journey?

17 **CA:** Right as you flashed the lights. We couldn't tell before that.

18 **EE:** And where was that, here?

19 **CA:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

20 **EE:** So he legitimately thought that it was...

21 **CA:** Yes.

22 **EE:** ...the press.

23 **CA:** We all legitimately thought it was the press, so.

24 **EE:** And including Mr. Baez?

25 **CA:** Yes.

1 **EE:** (Sighs.) I, I'm sure that, I just, I want to ask you a couple questions about that.

2 **CA:** Okay.

3 **EE:** And that's, not right now. That's, so Mr. Baez's intentions was to, If the...If if

4 was the press, was to keep the press (inaudible)?

5 **CA:** Yes.

6 **EE:** So I'm pretty sure the State Statute would apply in running press vans off the

7 road either. But it just makes it worse when it's unmarked police cars.

8 **CA:** Oh, I completely agree with you.

9 **EE:** (Sighs.) This is, this is where I'd like to be with you.

10 **CA:** Okay.

11 **EE:** I, myself have got a chance to unfortunately listen to, and I say unfortunately

12 because I almost feel guilty that I catch myself watching the TV...

13 **CA:** Uh-hum (affirmative).

14 **EE:** ...as much as I do like the rest of everyone.

15 **CA:** Yeah, It's hard not to.

16 **EE:** Uhm, but in that, in that few little excerpts, I've never really listened to the

17 interviews that Yuri and John Allen have done, and the opportunities they had to

18 talk with you before.

19 **CA:** Um-Hum (Affirming)

20 **EE:** But I do know from listening to the little bit that I have that I'd like to talk to you in

21 a different approach. And also I'd like to talk to you about if in your mind's eye

22 for me you will take yourself to the end of that hallway at Universal Studios.

23 Because today, in this charging incident today if you will, I think as far as

24 everything goes we're at the end of that hallway.

25 **CA:** Okay.

1 **EE:** With that being said, I would ask you for your help instead of all this other stuff
2 that's been going on. Maybe step away from the, the glitter and the glamour and
3 the pressure that's put on you, and your family, and the law enforcement, and Mr.
4 Baez, and help us...

5 **CA:** Okay.

6 **EE:** ...by helping yourself.

7 **CA:** Okay.

8 **EE:** Do you have any interest in helping us?

9 **CA:** I have had interest in helping law enforcement from the beginning. Unfortunately
10 my hands were literally tied and I was put in a position where someone's trying to
11 trick a confession out of me.....

12 **EE:** Well I don't want to...

13 **CA:** And that....

14 **EE:** Now don't, don't....

15 **CA:** ...that's not going to happen.

16 **EE:** Well don't go there. I don't want to, uh, you know that, you know as far as how
17 we have to do things, and I would want to do things aboveboard and, and
18 straightforward. I want, I would want to read you your Rights...

19 **CA:** Okay.

20 **EE:** ...and Mirandize (sic) you. Mr. Baez I'm sure has gone through that early with
21 you. Coached you on what to say, which is fine. That's his right. That's your
22 right. But I, as a law enforcement officer, still am afforded the right to approach
23 you as a suspect. I'm not going to sugar coat it. That's one thing you'll never get
24 with me is a mind game.

25 **CA:** I appreciate that.

1 **EE:** If I read you your Rights, and we take the time to do that, and have you, you've
2 met, right?
3 **SB:** No....
4 **EE:** Have you two met?
5 **SB:** ...I've never met her. Casey I'm Scott.
6 **CA:** Nice to meet you.
7 **SB:** I work with the FBI.
8 **CA:** Okay.
9 **SB:** Okay?
10 **EE:** Okay. Take all that aggravation from prior contacts out of your mind. It's a
11 different game.
12 **CA:** Uh-hum (affirmative).
13 **EE:** I'm a Homicide Corporal. FBI. Not John Allen. Not Yuri. Not the aggravation
14 that the family, that they see those two as. And I'm not minimizing their
15 professionalism or anything that they've done.
16 **CA:** Uh-hum (affirmative).
17 **EE:** Okay? I just want to approach it in a different manner. And today, with what was
18 done today at the grand jury, regardless of accusations from everybody around,
19 there's been people that have reviewed what, what it is so far. Casey, we're at
20 the end of the hallway.
21 **CA:** To an...
22 **EE:** We're where.
23 **CA:** ...extent, yes.
24 **EE:** Well...
25 **CA:** I understand that.

1 **EE:** We're need, where we, we need you to determine what our next course of action
2 is going to be.

3 **CA:** Okay.

4 **EE:** Really. I'm not saying you're in control of the situation. You're in control of your
5 situation. That being said, I'd like to read you your Rights and talk to you. Is that
6 something you're interested in?

7 **CA:** I would like to do that on the basis of with my attorney if that's possible...

8 **EE:** You'd want him there?

9 **CA:** Yes.

10 **EE:** So if we went up to our office and, and your attorney was there, you would
11 provi...you would provide us additional information?

12 **CA:** I can honestly say that...

13 **EE:** Don't, don't go in it to...

14 **CA:** No...

15 **EE:** ...any information now....

16 **CA:** ..I'm not going...

17 **EE:** ...because I haven't...

18 **CA:** No. I can honestly say that whatever questions you ask I will consider before I
19 answer anything. I don't want to be obligated to answer at that moment. Uhm, If
20 I feel that I do have the right with invoking my right to counsel that I should be
21 able to speak with my attorney before I provide any sort of answer. And know I
22 have that right as a citizen/suspect or not, that's....

23 **EE:** And you do.

24 **CA:** ...that's my Constitutional Right, which I'm glad that...

25 **EE:** And do you feel that I've circumvented that at all?

1 CA: No, not at all.

2 EE: And be...because I haven't (laughs).

3 CA: I know you haven't. Exactly. I was just going....To say.

4 EE: It's a...

5 CA: ...this is the first time that I've still be allowed to have that right throughout this.

6 EE: It's a, it's a different, now let me, you're, in your opinion, if that were to occur, do
7 you think Mr. Baez would entertain that, coming down today?

8 CA: Definitely.

9 EE: Did he maybe even mention that that maybe something that's...

10 CA: We have said...

11 EE: ...a possibility today?

12 CA: ...from the very beginning if law enforcement would like to speak with myself, he
13 would like to be present. I would like to have my attorney present. But we've
14 never shied away from that, not once.

15 SB: If I, if I were to tell you that I told Mr. Baez myself in the office that day that that
16 was perfectly alright with me and he turned me down, would that surprise you?

17 CA: It would to an extent. I think considering who else was with you that day. I think I
18 remember a day that...

19 EE: And that being who? I'm curious because I wasn't there.

20 CA: John Allen, Nick Savage and I think whoever else came with you that day...

21 SB: Uh-hum (affirmative).

22 CA: ...that was in the office. I left when you guys came in and just spoke to my mom.

23 SB: Right.

24 CA: So there's....

25 EE: (Coughs.) Excuse me.

1 **CA:** There's a certain level of things. I mean I've only heard certain things from
2 certain people. And as you can understand...

3 **EE:** And that's...

4 **CA:** ...we've haven't had direct contact, and we haven't either. And I have an open
5 mind when it comes to things. I try to keep an open mind when it comes to
6 things, but if I'm innocent that's, that's as far as that goes. And as far as anything
7 else on top of that....

8 **EE:** Let's uhm....

9 **CA:** ...I'll take this as far as I need to to prove my innocence, which I guess is my
10 point in all of this.

11 **JB:** When you say you'll take it as far as you need to prove you innocence...

12 **CA:** With....

13 **SB:** ...well what do you mean? I mean...

14 **CA:** Serving the indictment today and the warrant for my arrest, everything else. I'm
15 not running.

16 **JB:** (Inaudible.)

17 **EE:** Well you have to...

18 **CA:** I'm not going....

19 **EE:** You have to excuse me for mis...

20 **CA:** Yeah (affirmative).

21 **EE:** ...misunderstanding what we just went through.

22 **CA:** (Laughs.)

23 **EE:** (Laughs.)

24 **CA:** That wasn't us....

25 **EE:** That....

1 **CA:** ...running. That was us trying to counteract the media from following us down to
2 the jail because our only intention was to take me down to the jail to surrender
3 me before this happened. That was the only thing we were trying to accomplish.
4 You can ask Mr. Baez. You can ask my mom. You can ask anyone from the
5 office. Even my bondsman, who was the driver.

6 **EE:** I have...

7 **CA:** That was our only intention today.

8 **EE:** Okay.

9 **JB:** That's fine.

10 **EE:** Well what I'll uhm, entertain me on the formalities here. I, I just want to read this
11 sheet to you and have you sign it.

12 **CA:** Okay.

13 **EE:** And then you've already waived. We'll just do that again through the formalities.

14 **CA:** That's fine.

15 **EE:** Because I like to be as thorough as I can possibly be.

16 **CA:** I'm fine with that.

17 **EE:** Is that okay with you?

18 **CA:** Yup (affirmative).

19 **EE:** Orange County Sheriff's Office Waivers and Affidavits form. You have the right
20 to remain silent. Anything you say will be used in court as evidence against you.
21 You are entitled to talk to an attorney now, or have him present now or at any
22 time during questioning. If you cannot afford an attorney, one will be appointed
23 for you without cost. Do you desire to consult with an attorney first or have one
24 present during this interview? Yes or no?

25 **CA:** Yes.

1 **EE:** Okay, go ahead and mark that. And if anytime hereafter, we're, we're done.

2 **CA:** Yup (affirmative).

3 **EE:** Yeah (affirmative), you can just cross a line (inaudible), and your signature right
4 on that line.

5 **DR:** They don't need me anymore. Are we done?

6 **(Detective Rivera returns to the vehicle.)**

7 **EE:** Yep, we're done...and right here. And it is currently 4:22. Now this is no secret.
8 I have recorded that.

9 **CA:** Yeah (affirmative).

10 **EE:** Not so it would end up on any television show, but because I'm thorough.

11 **CA:** Sir, there's no question exactly.

12 **EE:** There's no question about what happened?

13 **JB:** No question?


14 **CA:** Yeah (affirmative).

15 **EE:** So I can take my recorder out of the hot Florida sun now and turn it off?

16 **CA:** Yup (affirmative). I expected you to record it anyway.

17 **End of recorded statement.**

18 **This transcript has been reviewed for accuracy.**

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