

AFFIDAVIT OF CHARLES J. SIETING

I, Charles J. Sieting, declare that the following statements are true and correct, based on my personal observation, knowledge and interactions with P F Lazor.

I; Charles J. Sieting, Rt. 1, Box 3000C, Quarterline Road, South Boardman, Michigan 49680; have lived in this community for fifteen (15) years. I have been married for fourteen (14) years. I am the father of two (2) sons age 9 and 3. I am self employed as a licensed mechanic and repair facility. I also am a blacksmith. I am a nine (9) year member of the Michigan National Guard and currently hold the rank of Sergeant, platoon sergeant and equipment section chief.

I have known P F Lazor since our 1st grade class at New Hudson Elementary School, P F (George) and I were good friends. P F and I were not close friends but we shared many close moments and growing events. P F was always likeable, even tempered, tolerant and patient, not the least of his traits was his sense of humor. I always respected and admired P F because of his ability to keep an "up" attitude regardless of what happened.

P F came to live with my family during our senior year of high school. He insisted on paying rent so my parents allowed him to rent the small house next to ours. He handled the whole situation with dignity and a healthy attitude. There was a situation while he was living there, involving some prowlers on our property. We lived far out into the country on a big farm, not like the life in the city or city suburbs, and there had been prior events with prowlers. One of the prowlers directly approached P F with malice. P F remained calm and repeated his demand to stop. The man would not stop approaching until I made my presence known. It was after midnight, we had discovered a half-full can of gas near our house, and the prowlers were armed with rifles, as they came in view around the corner of our house on the rather secluded farm. I therefore felt it necessary to arm myself with a shotgun for protection. One of the prowlers seemed irate and it required firing a warning shot in the air before the prowlers finally fled for the second time without returning.

P F, the entire time, had assumed a position of tact and peaceful maneuvering. P F was glad to let the prowlers go on their way without any malice. I don't feel P F could have harmed anybody in that situation, which was a tense situation. It is difficult to tell ahead of time how one would act in such a situation, because it's different to think about it, than when it really happens. P F showed more calm and reason than I did that night.

I would have felt it my duty to a friend and a fellow human being to testify as a character witness on PF's behalf, had I been asked, in 1983. I would still do so now.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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