

STATEMENT OF: Rolland FONTAINE
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 RCMP Members Present: Cpl. Tracy KENNETT
 Winnipeg Major Crime Unit
 Cpl. Todd DOYLE
 Winnipeg CROPS

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KENNETT: May 29th, 2006. Corporal Tracy KENNETT here with Corporal Todd DOYLE and, uh, Paramedic Rolland FONTAINE. Is that your correct, uh, title, Paramedic or is your EM?

FONTAINE: Yes. Paramedic.

KENNETT: Okay. And, uh, time is, uh, 12:55 hrs. Rolland, we just provided you a copy of your statement from re, uh, regarding a motor vehicle accident that occurred February 25th, 2005, at Highway 59 and Highway 101. Um, what I'd like to do is, uh, from you, for you to just recall what happened that day as far as the time you arrived on the scene to the time you departed. If you can tell me what you observed, what you saw, what you experienced that day.

FONTAINE: Okay, uh, after talking to you earlier today, I, with my partner today, uh, talked over what I recalled from the call and, uh, reading it now that you've shown me this, uh, that I gave to the East St. Paul Police, it's quite accurate to what I recalled and mentioned earlier. Uh, the times I noticed aren't written in here, um, but the, uh, the, uh, motor vehicle accident that we responded to, uh, it was around 07:00 in the morning.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: When, uh, we got the call. Um, I believe in that time and, uh, other than that there is really nothing else in what I recollected and what I see here. Uh, it's very accurate. Um, if there's any questions that you have that could, about anything on the scene, you could ask and I'll see if I can...

KENNETT: Okay. Uh, well, for, to start with, who was your partner and what kind of conversations did you have about this recently?

FONTAINE: Um, I haven't talked to Ted about this call recently. I did talk to his wife, uh, when I first got my subpoena and told them that, uh,

told her that, uh, my subpoena had come with a lot of Ted's information on it and stuff but as per talking to Ted in reference to this we haven't talked about it for quite some time.

KENNETT: Okay. You just...

FONTAINE: Personally.

KENNETT: Okay. You just...

FONTAINE: Ted's not my partner.

KENNETT: Okay. Who is your partner then?

FONTAINE: I was talking to my partner today.

KENNETT: Oh, alright.

FONTAINE: Yeah.

KENNETT: Who's your partner today?

FONTAINE: My partner today is Marianne BYMAN.

KENNETT: Okay. And was she at the, uh, accident scene that day?

FONTAINE: Was she present at the scene with us? No.

KENNETT: Alright.

FONTAINE: No.

KENNETT: Okay. Um, what did you, uh, see when you first got to the scene that day?

FONTAINE: Um, I noticed, I recognized, uh, first of all, a pick-up truck that was, uh, on the, uh, meridian or is it the meridian is what you call the curb in the middle of, uh, the two highways...

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: I noticed this, this grey two-tone pick-up was in the middle, up on top facing south and, uh, also seen the little yellow car, uh, which stood out cause it was yellow and it was a convertible and being winter time, I've seen that vehicle many times, that yellow, cause I travel that road a lot and, uh, recognized the little car cause I had seen it numerous times travelling on 59. Um, and at that point in time I understood what had happened, someone, someone, I

figured, we basically could figure out that someone was rear ended and that was the yellow car, was rear ended by another vehicle.

KENNETT: Uh hum. Now, in your statement I believe you said you observed a male, um, near that truck or related to that truck, is that accurate or?

FONTAINE: Um, the gentleman that I talk about in my statement was the gentleman that the firemen, uh, from East St. Paul said that the driver involved in the other vehicle was in East St. Paul's SUV and since that was the only other patient that we were told by the first responders who were on the scene before us then we went over, uh, Ted and myself to see if this gentleman was in need of emergency services.

KENNETT: Okay. So who was it when you first got to the scene then that you spoke to to get direction on who to treat or?

FONTAINE: It was, uh, the first responders with, uh, East St. Paul Fire.

KENNETT: Alright. Do you remember who you spoke to that day or?

FONTAINE: Um, yeah, I do believe I remember who I talked with. Uh, he's been a veteran or he's been with them for quite a few years and I've, I've known him over quite a few years. I can't recall his name but I know his face. I'd have to, uh, basically bump into him on a call to see, uh, I can't remember if it's, uh, if it's Larry or, I'm sorry, I can't recall his name.

KENNETT: That's okay. And, but he is with, is he with Paramedics or with Fire?

FONTAINE: No, he's with Fire.

KENNETT: Okay.

FONTAINE: He's a responder fireman with, uh, Fire. I believe he does, he's also employed with the City of Winnipeg.

KENNETT: Okay. So, you think you got the call at roughly seven o'clock that, that, uh, morning.

FONTAINE: Morning.

KENNETT: (c/u)

FONTAINE: Near the end of our shift. Yeah.

KENNETT: Okay. And about how long would it take you to get from wherever you were to the scene that morning? How long approximately do you think it took to get there?

FONTAINE: Um, I can just probably go over the fact that our time trials in perfect condition, um, that we arrive in, uh, Birds Hill, I believe in around eighteen minutes...

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: In perfect, uh, conditions and, uh, so I would say probably around twenty minutes time, from the time that "911" would have given us the call...

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: We would be on scene.

KENNETT: Okay. And that's...

FONTAINE: Give or take...

KENNETT: That, exactly, that's an estimate?

FONTAINE: That's an estimate.

KENNETT: Okay.

FONTAINE: Yeah.

KENNETT: But when you did arrive, um, you said that there was a, uh, patient that had not been treated yet that was in the Su, Suburban or the SUV of the, uh, East St. Paul?

FONTAINE: East St. Paul, yeah.

KENNETT: Okay. Um, and then you mentioned that you and your partner, uh, who was your partner that day?

FONTAINE: Ted ROSSER.

KENNETT: Uh, the two of you went over to the SUV?

FONTAINE: Yes.

KENNETT: Okay. Uh, did you treat that patient?

FONTAINE: No. I, uh, talked to him first. He was sitting in the rear, uh, passenger side of the vehicle and I opened the driver's side rear door and, uh, talked to him personally. Ted continued on around, uh, to his door immediately to his side of the vehicle and, um, so I talked to him first saying, you know, partner, how are you doing and, um, he said I'm fine and, uh, before Ted had opened the door, uh, I had said, uh, you don't wanna come with ambulance or come get checked over and, and he said, uh, no, I'm fine. And the whole time that I talked to him he didn't look to me, he kept his gaze straight ahead...

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: And, uh, I could tell that he was under a great deal of, in my experience, he was under a lot of pressure, uh, probably very worried, couldn't even look me in the face or look me in the eye, he just looked straight ahead, hands between his leg, legs, and just sat there looking straight ahead and he talked to me, not looking at me once.

KENNETT: Okay. In your experience, what would you contribute that to?

FONTAINE: Uh, I could tell that, uh, he'd been into, uh, immediately I figured he, uh, was under a lot of pressure, that he was involved in this accident, and I believe that he was, uh, uh, from my experience, I, I believe that he was very stressed out over what had happened.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: And, uh, that, uh, he was in a great deal of, uh, I would say trouble.

KENNETT: Hmm. Okay. Did...

FONTAINE: That was the way I took it.

KENNETT: Alright. Did you make any other observations?

FONTAINE: Um, he was just a medium to light build gentleman, uh, maybe anywhere between, uh, five ten and, and six feet, uh, clean cut, brown hair gentleman and that's what I'm, that's all I can recall from, how he looked.

KENNETT: And about how, approximately how long were you talking to him for?

FONTAINE: Uh, could be as much as a minute.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: Uh, could be as much as a minute and then Ted spent a little more time with him. It might have been a minute or more that I talked with him. Uh, he wasn't, uh, eager to talk about what had happened and stuff.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: And, uh, when they're denying our care we just take care of the paper work that, uh, that legally is our responsibility on the scene and that was left with Ted. He was tr, he was attending that day and he took, took care of the paper work that was important before we left scene.

KENNETT: Uh, did you speak to the officer that was either in that vehicle or around that vehicle at the time?

FONTAINE: Um, I believe I talked with Norm from East St. Paul Police. I've known Norm for quite a few years. He's been with East St. Paul as long as I've been here I believe and, uh, we just talked briefly. I can't remember what we talked about much other than, uh, what had happened.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: And, uh, and is the patient, was, uh, condition of the patient that Winnipeg had, had grabbed.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: Because, uh, mutually that's all our concern is what happened to people on scene.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: And, uh, the car was just destroyed, the yellow car, so just from experience, looking at that vehicle it was a very good possibility that, uh, that the occupant would, could have died on scene.

KENNETT: Hmm.

FONTAINE: Yeah.

KENNETT: And wh, where was this con, where did this conversation take place that you had with, uh, Norm?

FONTAINE: Um, Norm, it would have been, uh, just outside, uh, the ambulance, um, between the fire truck and, uh, and my truck, the ambulance. So it was just outside.

KENNETT: Okay. And in relation to where you spoke to the male in the SUV of the police car, uh, where was your ambulance in relationship to that, uh, SUV?

FONTAINE: Well, when we arrived on scene, um, there was already EMS from Winnipeg on scene, they had already grabbed, uh, the occupant from the yellow, um, car. Uh, the police already had the highway blocked off, there wasn't traffic, uh, moving, I believe at that time...

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: Through that, uh, intersection and, uh, so all the areas of command and control of the scene were taken care of. We arrived after the fact.

KENNETT: Right.

FONTAINE: Since Winnipeg so, we, we stayed on the outskirts which was near this SUV, uh, of the East St. Paul, uh, Police and, um, first on the scene we wanna know are there any more patients.

KENNETT: Right.

FONTAINE: And if there are, where are they? And after that was taken care of, Ted had looked after, uh, was looking after the gentleman, uh, in the SUV. I was conversing with Norm in reference to how the other patient was doing and that Winnipeg, uh, had fulfilled and had taken care of their duties and everything was done.

KENNETT: Okay. So was that then, when you were talking to Norm, it was pretty close to the SUV of the police vehicle then?

FONTAINE: Uh, yeah, it probably would be just, you know, fifteen feet away or, I believe.

KENNETT: And how about the other officer then that was, um, either with that police vehicle or did you see any other officer with that vehicle or...

FONTAINE: Yeah...

KENNETT: In that vehicle or?

FONTAINE: But you know what, yeah, I, there's so many calls that we go on I couldn't tell you what, what, what the other officer, or who the other officer was. I know I've been on calls with, uh, I can't recall the lady's name that's a Constable with East St. Paul so Norm wasn't the only member on scene and I'm pretty sure but, uh, I'm pretty sure it was Norm I was talking with. I, cause he's the one who said to me that, why I put his name up here was I believe he talked to me about, uh, an interview later down the road and I put this together I think within a week of, of, of the collision. And he gave it to their office.

KENNETT: Okay. So you're not sure about the, any, uh, the officers (c/u)?

FONTAINE: Any other members with Norm? Yeah, I can't recall exactly.

KENNETT: When you...

FONTAINE: (C/u).

KENNETT: Had first arrived, did you see, uh, any of the off, other officers at the scene? Did you pay attention to where any of the, they were?

FONTAINE: No, the first people that we saw were East St. Paul responders with the Fire Department.

KENNETT: And then, so then you went and spoke to, uh, the fellow in the back seat of the police, uh, SUV? Do you know who that fellow was? Did you, did he give you his name?

FONTAINE: No.

KENNETT: Did you recognize him?

FONTAINE: No, I did not.

KENNETT: And did you, uh, smell any odour on him of any type?

FONTAINE: Uh, we definitely, immediately from opening the car, the SUV, to talk to him we had a liquor odour that we picked up on

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KENNETT: Uh hum.
FONTAINE: Uh, to me, it's kinda like liquor odour or, or a stale beer odour and we got that right off the hop with him and, uh, that's what I recollect.

KENNETT: And did you pass that information on to anybody?
FONTAINE: Talked it over with, uh, my partner on the way home that, uh, what we both figured, what we had just witnessed.

KENNETT: But did you let the officers know?
FONTAINE: Um, I believe, I can't say for sure but I, I normally have no problem, uh, talking with the, uh, police in reference to, uh, a liquor odour on my patients. Uh, something to me is, uh, very important that we get these people off the road and, uh, I, uh, have no problem talking over with them what I observe.

KENNETT: Uh hum.
FONTAINE: So it's very likely that I talked with, uh, Norm or any other members of the Police Force there in reference to what I suspected of the person in the SUV.

KENNETT: Right. Okay. So do you recall then passing that information on to any of the officers at the scene?
FONTAINE: Yes. Norm. I believe talking with Norm, I says, yeah, um, it was definitely my, uh, what you wanna call it, assumption or, uh, I believe that this gentleman, uh, had been drinking and driving just by the odour that I had talking to him. And I, and I would hop into the vehicle to talk with him, I didn't stay outside of the vehicle with the breeze going by, I reached in, held my body weight up off of the seat and looked at him closely and that's why the, it was alarming to myself that he didn't turn to look at me but he kept looking straight ahead.

KENNETT: Okay. So how close...
FONTAINE: Communicating.

KENNETT: How close would you say his face was to your's?

FONTAINE: There may been room...

KENNETT: (C/u).

FONTAINE: There may have been room for another person to sit between us if they were small.

KENNETT: So what, a couple of feet or?

FONTAINE: A couple of feet. Yeah.

KENNETT: Alright. And after that, uh, after that conversation you had with this male that was, the male in the back of the SUV, did you, you said you went and spoke to Norm?

FONTAINE: Yes.

KENNETT: And we're talking Norm, uh, who?

FONTAINE: Um, Norm's last name, he's now a Corporal with, Corporal or Sergeant, sorry, I don't know his, uh, level, uh, Norm, his last name I cannot recall. But he's East St. Paul and I believe he's an investigator with East St. Paul Police.

KENNETT: Okay. Maybe describe the, him to me.

FONTAINE: Norm is about five foot seven, five foot eight, uh, his build's about a hundred and fifty pounds...

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: Um, grey and receding hair, moustache is usually what he, uh, he usually wears a moustache and, uh, he would be roughly 55 years old.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: And he's been with East. St. Paul Police for a great many years.

KENNETT: Are you, um, confident that he's the officer you saw at the scene that day or is it possible that you may be, uh, mixed up with another officer?

FONTAINE: Yeah, that's possible. I can't honestly tell you that, there's so many calls we go with, I know Norm I talked with about this, um, yeah, I could definitely be, uh, wrong in saying, you know. And the time being so far away, yeah. Yeah, I could be, yeah.

KENNETT: So I guess to help clarify this and, and maybe using the name may not be the right way to go about it, but if you were to just close your eyes and try to recall who did you speak to the day, right after you spoke to the fellow in the SUV, and try to envision what he looked like and not necessarily related to the name you've given us but who, who you may have spoken to that day. Was there anything about him that could help identify him to you now?

FONTAINE: Um, if I could, if I could believe that, uh, I was incorrect in stating that Norm was on the scene then, if I was wrong on scene, I wouldn't be surprised to know that it was, uh, I believe her name is Betty or Bev, she's a, a white haired lady, uh, Constable with East St. Paul Police. That would be, you know, those are the two faces I see a lot on calls if we go there.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: And that could be the reason why. But to, to tell you exactly which member of East St. Paul was on the scene there, I can't tell you for sure to say, yes, that person was the one.

KENNETT: Okay. So let's move on then. After you spoke to this officer, whoever this officer was, um, where did you go and where did the officer go?

FONTAINE: Well on scene time, couldn't have been much more than ten minutes.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: Um, if it was, it wasn't much more than ten minutes and, uh, I'd, if I talked with a member of the, of the police in East St. Paul and Ted was taking care of the paper work with this gentleman in the SUV and we cleared roughly in and around a ten minute time period from the time we arrived and, uh, then we just left. And whoever I talked with, which I think his name, I can't honestly say, Norm and I talked in reference to this after that, that could be why I'm thinking...

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: That it was Norm I was talking to on scene.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: So...

KENNETT: Okay. So where did the, you, as you were departing the scene, where did this officer go, do you know?

FONTAINE: No.

KENNETT: Did you see any officers, uh, taking photographs or doing traffic control while you were there?

FONTAINE: No, I cannot say without a, any doubt that, uh, I did recognize any.

KENNETT: Would you be able to say how many police officers were on the scene?

FONTAINE: On the scene? Well, um, from East St. Paul, I would say, uh, uh, I'm pretty sure that there was, uh, two or more.

KENNETT: What makes you say that?

FONTAINE: Um, I just find Norm is always on any quite high, uh, importance calls or the severity or seriousness of each call, you'll find Norm on the scene as it seems like to me.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: Um, and, uh, and because right away, I would say there was at least two or more as far as I can recall if I'm think correctly, cause like I say, I, I, I think Norm was on the scene and when you put that to the test in trying to say can you honestly say, prove that he was there, uh, with the amount of times that we deal with East St. Paul and go on scene there, no, I can't honestly tell you. But I think, I believe, yes, there was Norm and there was more than one other occifer, occifer, officer, officer.

KENNETT: Okay. Well...

FONTAINE: On the scene.

KENNETT: I, I can tell you from our information and, and from everyone we spoke to that, uh, uh, and it's Norm CARTER, the name...

FONTAINE: Norm CARTER.

KENNETT: The name that you're referring to.

FONTAINE: That's correct. Yes.

KENNETT: That he, he was not at the scene that day.

FONTAINE: Okay. That's...

KENNETT: Um...

FONTAINE: That's possible.

KENNETT: Just to, uh, clarify that for you. Um, are you familiar with who, uh, the Chief was at the time there that, uh, during that time?

FONTAINE: I believe, uh, the Chief at that time was new to the office.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: I cannot remember his name. I remember reading it in the, in the Journal. I remember reading about him in the Journal and stuff.

KENNETT: Do you know what he looks like?

FONTAINE: Uh, I think so. Just from the pictures I saw in the Journal I think I know what he looks like. He's a tall gentleman I believe.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: Heavier than myself I would think.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: And...

KENNETT: Could you say if you saw him at the scene that day?

FONTAINE: No, I can't say for sure.

KENNETT: And do you know any of the other officers by name? Like are you familiar with their names?

FONTAINE: I, I know Randy. Randy's been with East St. Paul for quite some time. Um...

KENNETT: What's Randy's last name?

FONTAINE: Uh...

KENNETT: You're not sure?

FONTAINE: I can't remember. The last time I remember using his last name a

lot was when we were raising, EMS and Fire and Police were raising money for cancer, kids with cancer.

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: Um, I spent a little more time with him then cause he was one of the gentlemen who shaved his head for cancer. But, uh, Randy, I know him well, know him on a first name basis...

KENNETT: Uh hum.

FONTAINE: Talked with him and, uh, some of the other members, uh, no, I don't know them on a first name basis. Norm, Norm I know on a first name basis.

KENNETT: Do you any of them by their last names?

FONTAINE: Um, that are with East St. Paul now? No.

KENNETT: Or at the time of the accident that were with East St. Paul?

FONTAINE: No.

KENNETT: So is it fair to say then that you're, um, you know you spoke to an officer about, uh, the fellow in the back seat of the vehicle, and that you did detect a odour of liquor and you're not sure who the officer was but you did pass on this information to the officer? Is that accurate?

FONTAINE: I believe so, yes.

KENNETT: Okay.

FONTAINE: Yeah.

KENNETT: Do you have any questions, Todd?

DOYLE: Uh, maybe just your first contact, uh, when you guys rolled up? Um, you indicated the, uh, you were directed to the, to the police vehicle, um, by a East St. Paul fireman?

FONTAINE: Fireman. Correct.

DOYLE: Fireman.

FONTAINE: Yes.

DOYLE: Um, and you may not, you know, you've only been there a short time...

FONTAINE: We were on scene only for a short time...

DOYLE: A couple of minutes, would that be accurate?

FONTAINE: I would say...

DOYLE: (C/u).

FONTAINE: By the time we talked to the gentleman (c/u) from exiting the ve, the ambulance, walking across...

DOYLE: Okay.

FONTAINE: And we knew this gentleman, uh, with the Fire Department.

DOYLE: And that you, so you, you said you made some observations at the scene, uh, the, the yellow...

FONTAINE: (C/u).

DOYLE: Convertible, the truck, um, did you make any assumption as to why this gentleman was in the back of the police car?

FONTAINE: Um, yes. First of all, talking to the fireman, uh, who first came over to us, I said to him, uh, how many patients. He said two. I understood later there was three vehicles but, uh, at that time it was like the other guy's over here. He pointed to the SUV. I said which vehicle was he driving and my assumption was the truck that was parked up on the boulevard imbetween the two highways, which was a two-tone grey Dakota pick-up and he said, yeah, it's over there, he's in the SUV. And so that steered us to know that we had someone on scene that was a possible patient that we had to, uh, clear with documentation and a refusal. We call it a ten two six form which they cancel us from our obligation and responsibility for themselves. And so that was our focus.

DOYLE: Um, did, beside, uh, you had, you had described, uh, your interaction with the gentleman in the back of the S, East St. Paul Police SUV, um, through their con, our conversation here, do you, do you recall saying anything else to him or any further exchange, um, with him?

FONTAINE: I guess, uh, it was only inquiring if he was hurt, if he was okay, if

he thinks he was gonna be going to the hospital by ambulance and it was all, no, I'm fine no, as I re, that's what I recall of (c/u).

DOYLE: Okay. Um, when you got there, were there any other emergency vehicles, uh, specifically ambulance, paramedic, uh, types from any of the jurisdictions that would have responded there, were there any other...

FONTAINE: Yeah, there was a Winnipeg Ambulance, um, on the other side of, uh, the perimeter. They were at the intersection on the other side, um, of the little yellow car and, uh, do I recall, I'm thinking, uh, more than one vehicle from Winnipeg was there. Yes.

DOYLE: So were there people actively working at the little...

FONTAINE: Everybody was inside...

DOYLE: At the little yellow car?

FONTAINE: No, she was already taken.

DOYLE: Okay.

FONTAINE: And they were inside an ambulance so I saw no one who was involved with, um, the patient's care from the yellow car.

DOYLE: Okay.

FONTAINE: Like I say it would have been twenty minutes from the time the "911" would have came down with the call for us to be there at the perimeter.

DOYLE: Okay.

FONTAINE: So we just talked to the gentleman from the Fire Department, he instructed us and pointed us in the direction of the SUV and we then, uh, got our ten two six covered and shortly thereafter I believe I talked with, uh, uh, a member of the police, East St. Paul, and we left the scene.

DOYLE: Okay. And was that your last run of the day or were, were you just...

FONTAINE: That was the last run of the shift. Yeah. That was the last one in the morning or in the morning, end of our shift.

- DOYLE: Okay. I don't have anything else, Tracy.
- KENNETT: No I don't either. Do you have anything to add before we conclude this interview?
- FONTAINE: No, I don't believe there's anything that I think I could have added. I think I've...
- DOYLE: Maybe just one, one, one more thing, uh, Rolland. Um, you mentioned your observation of the, of the person in the SUV as, that, that you recognized a stale beer order, odour or a, some sort of liquor odour...
- FONTAINE: Liquor.
- DOYLE: Um, in, uh, in your observations wh, and, and how long have you been a paramedic?
- FONTAINE: Twenty years.
- DOYLE: Twenty years? And you've attended other, uh, alcohol related scenes?
- FONTAINE: Numerous.
- DOYLE: Numerous? Did you observe any other, uh, signs of, uh, impairment or alcohol use with this gentleman?
- FONTAINE: No. He was sitting in the seat looking straight ahead responding, uh, verbally. There wasn't much I could really tell. He wouldn't, he was speaking and he was breathing, he had a good airway cause he's talking to me and, uh, he just kept lookin' straight ahead. His hands were between his la, lap, in between his knees and, uh, I could tell he was under a great deal of, from my experience, a lot on his mind.
- DOYLE: Okay.
- FONTAINE: Yeah. Looking straight ahead and not, no eye contact.
- DOYLE: So you, you didn't, uh, note any other signs of impairment?
- FONTAINE: No.
- KENNETT: And just one more question, uh, with regards to, uh, you deal with a lot of patients that have, are in shock from an accident or...

No other signs of impairment.

FONTAINE: Yeah.

KENNETT: From an accident scene. Um, can you comment on whether you, that was part of what was going on for the fellow in the back. This is only your observations obviously.

FONTAINE: Okay. My observation at the time, um, looking at this gentleman, no trauma was noted looking at him from that side. He didn't, uh, have eye contact. Um, I don't recall taking a pulse myself. We have a line that we try not, when we're driving, we leave that for the attendant, that's his responsibility. If he wants us to come in, so I don't believe I took a pulse on the gentleman. I just talked to him cause I wanted to know if he was going to come with us then I was gonna go and prepare the truck and Ted would, uh, decide what he was gonna do and I was gonna be there to support him. Um, so, uh, when I seen him, from my observation, that he didn't look like he was in any medical problems at the time but I was confident that when Ted took a look at him we would know so I, myself observed nothing, uh, that, uh, jumped out and said this guy is in shock or in any trouble. No, I figured he was, had a lot on his mind, as far as I understood, from what I recollected from the scene and, uh, what I saw is that he was involved in this collision and he had a lot on his mind now.

KENNETT: Okay. Nothing further? It's, uh, 13:26, concluding interview. Thank you.

FONTAINE: Okay. You're welcome.

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