

## AFFIDAVIT OF KELLY CONNOLLY

1. I live with my mother and half-sibling, Robin Berkman, in an apartment in the Town of Wilmington. All three of us have lived together, except for a few months in 2012 when Robin lived in prison.
2. I was born on September 9, 2001. Robin is eight years older than I am.
3. Robin and I don't know our fathers, so we have to rely on each other a lot. Our mother works a lot, usually at night. Sometimes we'll go days without seeing her.
4. As long as I can remember, Robin has looked after me. Robin cooked us dinner every night and would even stay home with me when I got sick.
5. Now that I'm getting older, I'm beginning to realize how hard that must have been for Robin. Robin wasn't really able to go out much with friends because I couldn't be left alone. I had Robin to look up to and help me out when I needed it. Robin didn't really have anyone.
6. On February 6, 2012, I remember meeting Detective Smith when the Detective came to our apartment to talk to Robin. After Detective Smith left, Robin was really excited. Robin said that Detective Smith needed our help in solving a robbery where someone got hurt.
7. After Detective Smith left, Robin started doing all kinds of research on the internet about the case. Robin would talk about it all the time. Robin would go on and on about any information that Detective Smith provided—like the type of gun that was used and what had been taken from the store during the robbery. Robin would even search the internet to try to find the find the store clerk's watch for sale somewhere.
8. Robin said it was really important to help Detective Smith catch the person who hurt that clerk. Robin was very concerned about the clerk and would say that kind of thing could happen to any one of us if we didn't catch the culprit.
9. Robin also really liked Detective Smith. We'd go see Detective Smith at police headquarters in the Town of Wilmington. They'd talk about all the details of the case and Detective Smith would even call Robin a "Junior Detective," which Robin really liked. One time, Detective

Smith made a joke about getting Robin a pair of handcuffs, but I didn't like the way Detective Smith made it sound.

10. Robin even started talking about going to the police academy to be a detective one day. Sometimes when we watched crime shows (which we did a lot), Robin would point out things that the detectives did and compare them to the things that Detective Smith was doing.
11. Sometimes I thought Robin was spending too much time talking to Detective Smith and working on the case, but Robin would say that we had to do everything we could to help Detective Smith and be a good friend and partner.
12. At some point, Robin and I went with Detective Smith so that Robin could take a polygraph examination that was supposed to help the case. I didn't understand how it would help, but Robin said that we just have to trust Detective Smith.
13. Then another officer took Robin into an interrogation room like the ones on TV. The other officer started asking Robin questions in a really nasty way and I could tell it was upsetting Robin. Robin kept looking for Detective Smith, and I asked the Detective to help Robin and make it stop, but everybody just ignored me.
14. Eventually, when Detective Smith was getting coffee and talking to other officers, the jerk in the polygraph room called Robin a liar and Robin started crying. I could tell that Robin was worried that Robin had done something to hurt the investigation. By the time Detective Smith came back in the room, Robin was apologizing for whatever Robin had done and for what had happened to the clerk. I've never seen Robin so scared and confused.

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**I affirm the truth of this statement.**

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