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MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

TO: File # 31-21-0061, 31-21-0092, 31-21-0098
FROM: Senior Special Agent Ryan Kelly *RK*
RE: Interview with Lynn Murdaugh Goettee
COUNTY: Hampton

Name: Lynn Murdaugh Goettee
Address: [REDACTED] Summerville, SC 29483
Phone: [REDACTED]
DOB: [REDACTED] 1963
Employer: 1st Circuit Solicitor's Office

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Ms. Goettee advised she had no knowledge or suspicion that Mr. Alex Murdaugh was embezzling from clients. She had no knowledge or suspicion Mr. Alex Murdaugh was addicted to narcotics. Ms. Goettee had no knowledge he previously attended drug rehab. Ms. Goettee had no knowledge or suspicion that Alex and Maggie Murdaugh were having any type of marital issues or if either was involved in an extra-marital affair. Ms. Goettee advised she witnesses her nephew, Mr. Paul Murdaugh, drink in social settings. She never witnessed Mr. Paul Murdaugh grossly intoxicated.

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Phone: [REDACTED]
DOB: [REDACTED] 1963
SSN: Not Obtained
Employer: 1st Circuit Solicitor's Office

Name #2: Randolph Murdaugh IV (Randy)
Address: [REDACTED] Hampton, SC 29924
Phone: [REDACTED]
DOB: [REDACTED] 1966
SSN: Not Obtained
Employer: Parker Law Group



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Name #3: John Marvin Murdaugh
Address: [REDACTED] Okatie, SC 29909
Phone: [REDACTED]
DOB: [REDACTED] 1970
SSN: Not Obtained
Employer: Owner, Murdaugh Rental Center

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Lynn Goettee

Lynn's interview began at approximately 10:49 a.m. *Agent's Note: The Murdaugh Family was advised of the video during a meeting prior to Alex Murdaugh's arraignment on murder charges.* Lynn stated she heard rumors of the video and that she was told of the video but not the content of the video. SS/A Owen played the video, only allowing Lynn to hear the audio and asked if she recognized any voices. Lynn stated she heard Paul talking to the dogs, she heard Maggie in the background talking about the guinea or the chicken and, "I can hear Alex." She believed she heard another person but did not know if it was another person or just something said by Paul. Maggie,

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or Alex that she was not able to identify. *Agent's Note: Lynn became visibly emotional during the playing of the video.*

The video was played a second time for Lynn, and she indicated the place in the video where she could not identify someone. The video was played a third time to determine the point in the video she could not identify. The time mark was approximately 15 seconds.

Agent's Note: The audio file was enhanced by the Federal Bureau of Investigation into three files.

The enhanced files were played, and the first file played was titled "FemaleBackground," which Lynn identified as Maggie. The second file was titled "MaleBackground," which she stated sounded like Alex. The third file was titled "Subject," which she identified as Paul.

SS/A Owen showed Lynn a picture of blue Kokatat raincoat, one legally seized as evidence from Randolph Murdaugh III's Family residence at Alameda. Lynn stated it looked like a full-length parka, which did not recognize. She stated, "No, I have not seen it."

The full video was shown to Lynn. After watching the video, she stated she recalled Rogan Gibson had said talk he talked with Paul and tried to FaceTime, and she assumed the video was a result of that conversation because of the video was of the dog and dog's tail.

Lynn's interview concluded at approximately 10:58 a.m.

Randy Murdaugh

Randy's interview began approximately 11:01 a.m. Also present during Randy's interview was Attorney John Moylan from the Wyche Law Firm. SS/A Owen played the video several times, only allowing Randy to hear the audio and asked if he recognized any voices. Randy did not commit on what he heard at this time. He

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requested to hear the enhanced audio. The enhanced files were played for Randy. The first file played was titled "FemaleBackground," the second file was titled "MaleBackground," and the third file was titled "Subject." Randy stated he believed he heard Paul in the third clip but there were a couple of phrases where he was not sure. It was the way the "he enunciated," and some were "just not clear." After hearing the enhanced clips, Randy requested to hear the full clip again. The full clip was played for Randy several times. In the first of the series of clips, Randy stated that he believed he heard Alex, Maggie, and Paul. *Agent's Note: Randy worn hearing aids and indicated the way his hearing aids worked and that he needed to be "squared up" on the computer. Accommodations were offered and made to assist Randy.* The full clip was again played for Randy, which he identified Paul, Maggie, and Alex.

SS/A Owen showed Randy a picture of the blue Kokatat raincoat. Randy did not recognize the coat nor the name brand.

The full video was shown to Randy. Randy pointed out areas of the video where he was not sure of the voices. He stated it did not sound like Paul, but it was the area of when Paul was talking. The time mark for this area was 17 seconds. He stated he was confident it was Maggie, Paul, and Alex in the video. There were other areas where he was not sure if the voice was Paul. One was when a voice stated, "Hey Bubba," and the other, "It's a chicken."

Randy's interview concluded at approximately 11:35 p.m.

John Marvin Murdaugh

John's interview began at approximately 11:38 a.m. SS/A Owen played the video, only allowing John to hear the audio and asked if he recognized any voices. John identified Paul, Maggie, and Alex. He also thought he heard someone else talking at the 15 second mark and at the 32 second mark.

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SS/A Owen showed John a picture of the blue Kokatat raincoat. John did not recognize the coat nor the name brand.

The full video was played for John. He asked if the fourth voice had been identified. John was advised that agent had not yet identified a fourth voice.

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