

VOLUNTARY STATEMENT

DATE 9-4-86 PLACE Hewitt Police Dept. TIME STARTED 8:50 A.M.

I, the undersigned, Edward E. Graf, Jr., am 34 years of age, my date and place of

birth being the 3 day of May 1952 at Wichita Falls Tx.

I now live at 505 Angel Fire, Hewitt, Tx 76643

Before answering any questions or making any statements, Frank Latham

a person who identified himself as a Hewitt Police officer.

duly warned and advised me, and I know and understand that I have the following rights: That I have the right to remain silent and I do not have to answer any questions or make any statements at all; that any statement I make can and will be used against me in a court or courts of law for the offense or offense concerning which the following statement is hereinafter made; that I have the right to consult with a lawyer of my own choice before or at anytime during any questioning or statements I make; that if I cannot afford to hire a lawyer, I may request and have a lawyer appointed for me by the proper authority, before or at anytime during any questioning or statements that I make, without cost or expense to me; that I can stop answering any questions or making any statements at any time that I choose, and call for the presence of a lawyer to advise me before continuing any more questioning or making any more statements, whether or not I have already answered some questions or made some statements.

I do not want to talk to a lawyer, and I hereby knowingly and purposely waive my right to remain silent, and my right to have a lawyer present while I make the following statement to the aforesaid person, knowing that I have the right and privilege to terminate any interview at any time hereafter and have a lawyer present with me before answering any more questions or making any more statements, if I choose to do so.

I declare that the following voluntary statement is made of my own free will without promise of hope or reward, without fear or threat of physical harm, without coercion, favor or offer of favor, without leniency or offer of leniency, by any person or persons whomsoever.

At approximately 7:15 A.M. I left our house with my 3 sons. I first left our 6 mos old son at the babysitter + then took the two older boys to Trinity Lutheran church for day care that day. I then went on to work. After I left work that day I picked up the two older boys Jody + Jason from Trinity Lutheran daycare at approx. 4:15 P.M. then went + picked up the baby and then went home. When I arrived home the two older boys went to their room to play + I took care of the baby. They played in their room a little while + then said they were going outside to play. I told them to be sure + change their shirts to an older play shirt. I continued to watch the baby + change clothes. After 15 to 20 min. I left my bedroom to go to babys bedroom to change his diaper + saw smoke in the back yard, through window in the livingroom. I ran outside on the patio + saw the shed was on fire + it appeared 1/3 to 1/2 of shed was burning. I ran back into house + called the fire dept.

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I have read each page of this statement consisting of 1 page(s), each page of which bears my signature, and corrections, if any, bear my initials, and I certify that the facts contained herein are true and correct. I further certify that I made no request for the advice or presence of a lawyer before or during any part of this statement, nor at any time before it was finished did I request that this statement be stopped. I also declare that I was not told or prompted what to say in this statement.

This statement was completed at 9:10 A.M. on the 4 day of Sept., 1986

WITNESS: Frank Latham

WITNESS: R. Caldwell

Edward E. Graf, Jr.  
Signature of person giving voluntary statement