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Interview Summary

CASE: Wagoner County District Court, CF-2018-00554

DEFENDANT: Lisa K. Woolley

INTERVIEWEE: Melissa Worley

INVESTIGATOR: Lori Hamilton

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DATE: March 19, 2019

TIME:

Investigator arrived at the home of Melissa Worley, the biological, paternal grandmother of Elijah Woolley, located at 8994 S 254th E. Ave, Broken Arrow, OK on 3/19/19 at approximately 6:00 pm. Melissa welcomed me into her families' home and was willing to answer all my questions without hesitation.

~~Melissa Worley stated that she had known Bill and Lisa Woolley since Elijah's birth. Melissa stated that her and her family had been out to lunch with the Woolley's and had went to church with them once for the dedication of Elijah and saw them when they brought Elijah for visits/exchanges with their son and father of the child, Paul Worley.~~

~~Melissa stated the child always appeared well cared for and that there were no signs of abuse or neglect. Melissa found Bill and Lisa Woolley to be good people and had no concerns for Elijah's well-being.~~

~~Melissa stated that they always followed the rules regarding visitation with Paul. Melissa stated the only food the baby could consume was goat's milk because they were told by the Woolley's the baby had allergies.~~

~~The Worleys met with the Woolleys a few times when Lisa had concerns regarding food. Lisa always wanted to make sure they didn't feed Elijah food. The Worleys went to the Woolley's home a few times.~~

*See doctors
letters
and records*

Woolley's had guardianship and they had Elijah every other Sunday. Paul lived with them at the time but now lives with his grandmother. Melissa said the last time she saw Elijah was the week before he passed away.

~~Elijah was constipated a lot.~~ Melissa changed most of the diapers, but Paul did some. The last time they had him he had a bit of diarrhea. Melissa never saw any redness, bruising or blood in the baby's anal area. Melissa said she never had reason for concern and if she had she would have said something.

Melissa said it is very hard for her to think that that Bill and Lisa would do anything to harm Elijah. Melissa said she would never, never think of them doing anything to Elijah and still feels that way. Melissa believes there must be something else. Melissa also is troubled that if the Woolley's are in jail wrongfully, she hates that.

Melissa did not know if Elijah had ever been taken to the Dr. Melissa said when the DHS worker came, he indicated that he could not find one single medical record for Elijah. Melissa doesn't understand why Elijah wasn't taken to the Dr. Melissa said Elijah was not circumcised and that is weird to her.

Melissa finds it weird that Elijah was born at home and that Desiree and Elijah were not taken to the Dr. for care. Melissa said the Bill and Lisa are homeopaths and that Lisa is controlling. Melissa indicated that Desiree was old enough to make her own decision regarding medical care but felt her parents persuaded her decision. Melissa said despite these things, she still does not believe that they would harm Elijah. Melissa has every text message between herself and Lisa Woolley.

Melissa said it was hard for Lisa. Lisa was stressed being in her 50's and taking over raising her grandchildren and Lisa wasn't shy expressing it and Lisa was willing to let Desiree have the children but not until she knew they would be properly cared for.

Melissa said Elijah was always congested and the last time they had him he was drooling like a water fountain. Melissa said Elijah wouldn't take a nap because he just wanted to be held. Melissa looked back at pictures and said she noticed he didn't look well. Melissa said her daughter had walking pneumonia once and didn't have a fever. Melissa just doesn't understand why Elijah hadn't been taken to a Dr.

Melissa said that Lisa did offer to let them see Elijah more than twice a month. ~~Bill and~~ Lisa were leery of Paul having the baby because of his past and didn't want Paul alone with Elijah. Melissa said that her and her husband honored that although it got a little old but with what happened (to Elijah), she counts it a blessing. Melissa stated that Paul was never alone with Elijah because that is what the Woolleys requested.

Paul was in the process of getting his life together and the Woolleys knew that.

Melissa said that Clayton spent the night once when Desiree and Paul were there. Melissa said that someone said that Clayton was slow, but she wasn't around him enough to notice. Melissa doesn't like labeling children.

Melissa again stated that the only thing Elijah ate was goat's milk. Melissa said that Lisa is they type of person that is just overthinking things. Lisa told Melissa that they had taken Elijah to the pediatrician and they were told they think Elijah had allergies and Lisa told

the Worleys that they knew they were having a birthday party and to please tell everyone not to give Elijah any food.

Lisa had all the conversations with Melissa and her husband. Bill was present but didn't say much. Melissa said Lisa was always giving them instructions and it was almost as if she was afraid. Melissa was annoyed by that because she felt Lisa should trust them with Elijah, they were his grandparents. Melissa didn't know where the fear came from.

Melissa said that her daughter told her that she noticed Elijah's anus looked bigger the last time he was with them as she changed his diaper (interview of daughter, Heather available). Melissa said she never noticed anything unusual and Heather did not mention what she observed until after the fact. Melissa said that Lisa told her that she gave Elijah enemas to try to help him go to the bathroom and he struggled to have bowel movements. Melissa saw ~~him straining to try to pass a stool.~~ Melissa said he wasn't constipated all the time, but he was a lot. ~~Melissa said he seemed like he always had a fever and was congested.~~ Melissa said he was warm to the touch, but she checked his temperature and did not have one. Melissa said she did have to take Elijah back to Lisa Woolley once because Elijah did not feel well and had a fever and was just not well. Melissa has every text between her and Lisa up until their arrest. Melissa was shocked that they arrested the Woolleys. Melissa said her husband almost passed out when they arrested them. Melissa said DHS told her and her husband that the Woolleys were going to be arrested and Melissa thought they were crazy and said they would never hurt the baby.

Melissa said one time Clayton was playing with her daughter Heather's son Christian and Clayton pulled his pants down and showed his penis. Melissa said boys do stupid stuff like that. Melissa doesn't remember why Clayton did that, but she felt like Clayton seemed like a happy, well-adjusted kid. Melissa said the kids did not seem afraid or appear like they were afraid to go back to the Woolleys. Clayton spend the night one time at Melissa's home when Desiree was there with Paul.

Melissa said that DHS talked to her and her husband but did not interview them. Melissa said that DHS came to talk to Paul.

Melissa said again that she can't believe the Woolleys would ever hurt the children. It is hard to believe and hard to understand. Melissa said one of the first people Melissa and her husband Larry talked to was Larry's good friend Chris and Chris made the statement that you cannot believe everything the medical examiner says and that they are often wrong. Melissa stated that if she thought there were any reasons to, Melissa and her husband would have sought to get Elijah. ~~Melissa said there was no reason to do so.~~ Melissa just cannot see this and cannot believe that Elijah would die by the hands of his grandparents, on purpose. Melissa said if they are sitting in jail innocent, that really sucks. Melissa said that she thanks God that they followed all the Woolley's rules because this could have happened to them. Melissa has had to turn it over to God because she can't wrap her head around it.

The Worleys talked to the District Attorney and they were told that this case had to go through several judges before it would be considered for jury trial because of the expense.

Melissa said they have good memories with Elijah and at least they have that.

Melissa said her husband was torn up over Elijah's death. Melissa said you hear about things like this but never expect it to happen to you. Melissa said that she knew something

was wrong when the medical examiner wouldn't release Elijah's body to the Woolleys, and they were told there was crime scene tape at the Woolley's home. Melissa wanted to pass out. Melissa said they wanted to go over there after it happened, but no one could go in or out. Melissa said Elijah was at Floral Haven and that her, her husband Larry and son Paul paid for the memorial portion and that Floral Haven was great.

Melissa said that the media left out the fact that there was pneumonia on the medical examiner's report. Melissa said she didn't read it and mentioned a friend of hers went through something and the media was awful and untruthful.

Melissa said Elijah was always congested and his drooling was very bad. There were a few times that Elijah seemed ok, but Lisa told her Clayton was the same way. Melissa said Lisa may have been going to take him to the Dr. and Melissa thinks Lisa was giving him something, but she didn't know if it was a prescription or over the counter medication. Melissa said she may have more details in her text messages with Lisa.

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INTERVIEWEE: Larry Worley

INVESTIGATOR: Lori Hamilton

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Larry said that he didn't notice anything unusual. Larry started to get very emotional and it is difficult to talk about.

Larry was unaware of the pneumonia and believes there is relevancy regarding the pneumonia with regards to the death of Elijah.

Larry never changed Elijah's diaper, but he was aware of his constipation and witnessed him struggle to go to the bathroom. Larry said that Elijah drooled a lot. Larry stressed a lot.

Larry said all they (Melissa and Paul) fed him was goats' milk and that was all the Woolleys gave them to feed Elijah.

Larry said that you never get to the point of healing because every time you make progress you get sucker punched by having to discuss the case again.

Larry said that he didn't notice anything with Clayton but was never looking for anything. Larry said that Elijah loved Paul and they always had a great time and Elijah was fine. Larry said they are floored about all of it and it is crazy.

I certify this statement as a true and accurate statement taken from Larry Worley.

Seri Hamilton

Investigator