

STATE OF LOUISIANA

versus

JAMES BUNCH

CRIMINAL DISTRICT COURT

PARISH OF ORLEANS

SECTION "C"

NO. 286-606

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MOTION HEARING IN THE ABOVE
ENTITLED MATTER AS HEARD ON SEPTEMBER 27, 1996
BEFORE THE HONORABLE IKE SPEARS, JUDGE PRESIDING.

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APPEARANCES:

FOR THE STATE:

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MATTHEW COMAN, ADA

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3 BY THE COURT:

4 State, are you ready for Mr. Bunch?

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6 BY MS. CLOTTA:

7 Yes, Your Honor.

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9 BY THE COURT:

10 You left this open for additional
11 testimony, Ms. White?

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13 BY MS. WHITE:

14 Yes, Your Honor.

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16 BY THE COURT:

17 Ms. White, what witnesses do you
18 need to call?

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20 BY MS. WHITE:

21 I have two witnesses, Judge.

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23 BY THE COURT:

24 Who are they?

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26 BY MS. WHITE:

27 The first witness is Mr. Shelton
28 Crawford.

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30 BY THE COURT:

31 Call Mr. Crawford forth. All
32 right, who is your second witness?

1 BY MS. WHITE:

2 Mr. Phillip Joseph.

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4 BY THE COURT:

5 Where is Mr. Joseph?

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7 BY MS. WHITE:

8 He's present.

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10 BY THE COURT:

11 Mr. Joseph, step into the hall
12 until you're called to testify, please.

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14 MR. SHELTON CRAWFORD

15 WHO AFTER HAVING BEEN FIRST DULY SWORN TESTIFIED
16 ON HIS OATH AS FOLLOWS:

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18 BY THE COURT:

19 Have a seat in the witness box.
20 Let's proceed. This is the continuation
21 of the hearing in this matter.

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23 DIRECT EXAMINATION

24 BY MS. WHITE:

25 Q State your name, please.

26 A Shelton Crawford.

27 Q Mr. Crawford, do you know James Bunch?

28 A No, I don't.

29 Q Do you know him by the name James Bunch?

30 A No, I don't.

31 Q Did you ever know him in any type of social
32 setting or any other type of

1 relationship?

2 A No.

3 Q Are you here to day as the result of a
4 subpoena that you received?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Now, were you, in June of 1991, at the
7 Swingers Lounge when a shooting
8 occurred?

9 A Yes.

10 Q At that time, did you later, or during that
11 evening, did you learn that there had
12 been a murder at that location?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Was there also someone else that had been
15 shot at that location?

16 A Not to my knowledge.

17 Q Did you later learn that James Bunch was the
18 person that was tried and convicted of
19 that crime?

20 A I heard that a guy was convicted, but I don't
21 know him personally.

22 Q And you didn't know him by the name of James
23 Bunch?

24 A No.

25 Q Did you come in contact with a lawyer by the
26 name of Jack Dolan (spelled
27 phonetically) that represented the
28 guy that was convicted of this murder?

29 A Yes, I did.

30 Q Did you see Mr. Dolan and talk to him about
31 information that you had prior to the
32 person that was convicted being

1 convicted?

2 A Yes, I did.

3 Q Did you give him information for which you
4 were willing to testify at trial?

5 A Yes, I did.

6 Q Did you ever testify at trial?

7 A No, I didn't.

8 Q Did you later provide him with an affidavit
9 of the information and at that point he
10 took you to someone to sign the
11 affidavit, and I'm talking about Mr.
12 Dolan?

13 A He had -- I had went up there and I talked
14 with him and I had gave him a statement
15 and I signed it, but he told me don't
16 even worry about it.

17 Q The information that you gave to Mr. Dolan,
18 did you give this information to the
19 police at the time of the shooting or
20 just after?

21 A No, I didn't.

22 Q Did you know that your information was
23 important until Mr. Dolan took you to a
24 notary to have your affidavit signed?

25 A At the time I didn't know it was important,
26 but now I know.

27 Q Did you attend the trial for James Bunch or
28 the person that was convicted?

29 A No, I didn't, this my first time here.

30 Q In court?

31 A Right.

32 Q Did you know the person that was murdered in