

2218:24 MR. WESTON: All right.
2219:01 (Whereupon the following
2219:02 proceedings were had in the
2219:03 the presence and hearing
2219:04 of the jury:)
2219:05 THE COURT: There were certain exhibits
2219:06 received this morning which apply to Mr. Weston's
2219:07 case here today, so he'll be tendering those to you
2219:08 for your examination.
2219:09 (Whereupon said documents,
2219:10 so offered and received,
2219:11 were thereupon marked as
2219:12 Defendant Grays Exhibits
2219:13 6 and 8 in Evidence, and
2219:14 are attached hereto and
2219:15 made a part hereof.)
2220:01 THE COURT: Do you have testimony now as to
2220:02 Paula?
2220:03 MR. WESTON: Yes, your Honor. Your Honor,
2220:04 the Defense would call the Defendant, Paula Gray.
2220:05 THE COURT: Very well.
2220:06 (Witness sworn.)
2221:01 P A U L A G R A Y,
2221:02 the Defendant herein, called as a witness on her
2221:03 own behalf, having been first duly sworn, was
2221:04 examined and testified as follows:
2221:05 DIRECT EXAMINATION
2221:06 By Mr. Weston:
2221:07 Q Would you state your name, ma'am?
2221:08 A Paula Gray.
2221:09 Q Now, Miss Gray, what is your age?
2221:10 A Eighteen.
2221:11 Q When were you born?
2221:12 A June 27th.
2221:13 Q 19 what?
2221:14 A 60.
2221:15 Q So, at the time of this alleged incident,
2221:16 to wit: one of the incidents on May 11, 1978,
2221:17 you were seventeen, is that right?
2221:18 A Yes.
2221:19 Q As of June the 19th, 1978 how old were
2221:20 you then? When is your birthday?
2221:21 A June 27th.
2221:22 Q So, you were still seventeen?
2221:23 A Yes.

2222:01 Q Now, you're currently [charged?] with committing
2222:02 the offense of perjury. You realize that?
2222:03 A Yes.
2222:04 Q That charge states, to wit:
2222:05 "That she, knowingly
2222:06 when under oath, in a
2222:07 proceeding where by law
2222:08 such an oath was required,
2222:09 to wit: the case for
2222:10 preliminary hearing,
2222:11 entitled the People of the
2222:12 State of Illinois versus
2222:13 Kenneth Adams, Willie Rainge,
2222:14 Dennis Williams and Verneal
2222:15 Jimerson, numbers 78-6-011035,
2222:16 78-6-011036, 78-6-011037 and
2222:17 78-6-011038 in the Circuit
2222:18 Court of Cook County, Illinois,
2222:19 County Department, Municipal
2222:20 Division, Sixth District,
2222:21 she made a false statement,
2222:22 material to the issue and
2222:23 point in question, relating
2222:24 to the presence and participation
2223:01 "of Kenneth Adams, Willie
2223:02 Rainge, Dennis Williams
2223:03 and Verneal Jimerson in
2223:04 the armed robbery,
2223:05 aggravated kidnapping and
2223:06 rape murder of [REDACTED]
2223:07 [REDACTED] and murder of [REDACTED]
2223:08 [REDACTED] when in fact she
2223:09 testified before the
2223:10 Cook County Grand Jury
2223:11 May term 1978, Grand Jury
2223:12 Number 235, under oath
2223:13 that she was present and
2223:14 witnessed Willie Rainge,
2223:15 Dennis Williams, Kenneth
2223:16 Adams and Verneal Jimerson
2223:17 rape and murder [REDACTED]
2223:18 [REDACTED] and murder [REDACTED]
2223:19 [REDACTED] in violation of
2223:20 Chapter 38 Section 32-2(a),
2223:21 of the Illinois Revised

2223:22 Statute 1977, as amended."
2223:23 You're aware that that's what you're charged
2223:24 with, is that right?
2224:01 Q Now, directing your attention to June
2224:02 the 19th, 1978, you appeared before the Honorable
2224:03 Judge Richard L. Samuels, Judge of said court, to-
2224:04 gether with Assistant State's Attorney Mr. Clifford
2224:05 Johnson, Mr. Archie B. Weston representing the
2224:06 Defendants Rainge, Jimerson and Williams and Mr.
2224:07 James F. Creswell representing the Defendant Kenneth
2224:08 Adams, is that correct?
2224:09 A Yes.
2224:10 Q At that time you were called by the State
2224:11 as a witness, is that correct?
2224:12 A Yes.
2224:13 Q Now, during these proceedings while
2224:14 these proceedings were held was this testimony and
2224:15 argument stated in open court that I'm about to
2224:16 relate to you?
2224:17 A Yes.
2224:18 MR. WESTON: Page thirty-six.
2224:19 MR. ARTHUR: Objection to the leading form
2224:20 of the question. He's going to start reading things.
2224:21 THE COURT: I haven't heard any question yet.
2224:22 MR. ARTHUR: Well, I'm objecting to any reading
2224:23 from the transcript at this point. This is his
2224:24 witness. If he wants to know what she said he can
2225:01 ask her.
2225:02 THE COURT: Well, that's the general way of
2225:03 doing it, read a question and then ask was such and
2225:04 such your answer.
2225:05 MR. WESTON: May I proceed, your Honor?
2225:06 THE COURT: Yes.
2225:07 MR. WESTON: Q All right.
2225:08 "Witness Sworn.
2225:09 Paula Denise Gray,
2225:10 called as a witness
2225:11 herein, after having
2225:12 been first duly sworn,
2225:13 was examined and testified
2225:14 as follows:
2225:15 Direct Examination
2225:16 by Mr. Johnson:
2225:17 Question: Could you
2225:18 state your full name,

2225:19 please.
2225:20 Answer: No response.
2225:21 Question: Could you
2225:22 state your full name, please?
2225:23 Answer: No response.
2225:24 Question: State your
2226:01 "full name, please?
2226:02 Answer: Paula Denise
2226:03 Gray.
2226:04 Question: How old are
2226:05 you, Paula?
2226:06 Answer: Seventeen.
2226:07 Question: And Paula,
2226:08 you live in the community
2226:09 of East Chicago Heights,
2226:10 is that right?
2226:11 Answer: Yes."
2226:12 MR. ARTHUR: Objection. What are we doing,
2226:13 just reading a transcript?
2226:14 THE COURT: Well, I assume he's going to ask
2226:15 a question.
2226:16 MR. WESTON: That's right.
2226:17 MR. ARTHUR: Today or you think he'll get to
2226:18 the question today?
2226:19 MR. WESTON: Surely.
2226:20 MR. ARTHUR: Okay.
2226:21 MR. WESTON: Q All right.
2226:22 "Question: Now, directing
2226:23 your attention to the early
2226:24 morning hours of May 11th,
2227:01 "1978, where were you on
2227:02 that night?
2227:03 Answer: No response.
2227:04 Question: Where were
2227:05 you?
2227:06 Answer: At home."
2227:07 Were those questions
2227:08 asked of you and were those your answers?
2227:09 A Yes.
2227:10 Q Question: And did
2227:11 you have an occasion to be
2227:12 in the company of one
2227:13 Kenneth Adams?
2227:14 Answer: No response.
2227:15 Question: Were you in

2227:16 the company of Kenny Adams?
2227:17 Were you with him?
2227:18 Answer: No response.
2227:19 Question: Yes or no?
2227:20 Answer: No response.
2227:21 Question: Were you with
2227:22 him? The Court Reporter
2227:23 couldn't hear that. Excuse
2227:24 me a minute, could we have
2228:01 "the court reporter around
2228:02 close to the witness?
2228:03 (Whereupon the court
2228:04 reporter moved close to
2228:05 the witness.)
2228:06 MR. JOHNSON: Question:
2228:07 were you with Kenny Adams?
2228:08 Yes?
2228:09 Answer: No response.
2228:10 Question: I ask you,
2228:11 Miss, on May 11th, 1978,
2228:12 were you with Kenny Adams
2228:13 at your home?
2228:14 Answer: Yes.
2228:15 Question: Did he have
2228:16 an occasion to leave your
2228:17 company? In other words,
2228:18 did he drive away--pardon,
2228:19 strike that question, Judge.
2228:20 Did you have an occasion to
2228:21 be present with Dennis
2228:22 Williams, Kenny Adams, Verneal
2228:23 Jimerson and Willie Rainge,
2228:24 otherwise known as Tuna,
2229:01 "at 1528 Cannon Lane
2229:02 on May 11th, 1978?
2229:03 Answer: No response.
2229:04 Question: Were you
2229:05 there?
2229:06 MR. WESTON: --"
2229:07 MR. ARTHUR: Objection.
2229:08 THE COURT: Sustained.
2229:09 MR. ARTHUR: Thank you.
2229:10 MR. WESTON: Your Honor, am I permitted then
2229:11 to let this jury know what happened at that proceeding?
2229:12 MR. ARTHUR: Objection.

2229:13 THE COURT: It's not a question of what
2229:14 happened at that proceeding. It's a question of
2229:15 whether certain questions were asked and certain
2229:16 answers given.
2229:17 MR. WESTON: Well, she's charged with, your
2229:18 Honor, I repeat--
2229:19 MR. ARTHUR: Objection, Judge. If he's going
2229:20 to make any speeches--
2229:21 THE COURT: I understand the charge because you
2229:22 just finished reading it to the ladies and gentlemen
2229:23 of the jury and to the witness.
2229:24 MR. WESTON: Well, I want to relate to the Court
2230:01 and to the witness the entire proceeding that
2230:02 occurred on the 19th so they can determine whether
2230:03 or not there's some guilt of perjury.
2230:04 MR. ARTHUR: Objection.
2230:05 THE COURT: No. Sustained. You can read
2230:06 the questions asked and the answers given and no
2230:07 more.
2230:08 MR. WESTON: May I read the comments of Court?
2230:09 MR. ARTHUR: Objection.
2230:10 THE COURT: No, the Court isn't charged with
2230:11 any offenses.
2230:12 MR. WESTON: She's charged with, I repeat,
2230:13 your Honor, I read the charge. If I can't read
2230:14 the comments of Court what am I permitted to read
2230:15 from this transcript from which she's charged with
2230:16 committing perjury?
2230:17 MR. ARTHUR: I think you better say it loud,
2230:18 Judge, because I think you said it twice.
2230:19 THE COURT: You can only read the questions
2230:20 asked by Johnson I guess and answered by the Defendant.
2230:21 MR. WESTON: And nothing else?
2230:22 THE COURT: And nothing else.
2230:23 MR. WESTON: Thank you, sir. Of course, your
2230:24 Honor, I would object to that proceeding.
2231:01 THE COURT: Oh, I'm sure of that.
2231:02 MR. WESTON: Thank you.
2231:03 Q Now, Miss Gray, directing your
2231:04 attention again to the night of May the 10th, 1978,
2231:05 approximately 11:00 or 12:00 P.M., where were you
2231:06 at that time?
2231:07 A At home.
2231:08 Q At home. Did you have occasion to see
2231:09 Mr. Kenneth Adams?

2231:10 A Yes.
2231:11 Q Where did you see him?
2231:12 A He came over my house to get his hair
2231:13 braided.
2231:14 Q To get his hair braided?
2231:15 A Yes.
2231:16 Q Did you braid his hair?
2231:17 A Yes.
2231:18 Q After you braided his hair what did you
2231:19 do then?
2231:20 A We went out to the car and sat and listened
2231:21 to some music and then--
2231:22 Q Keep your voice up so the ladies and
2231:23 gentlemen of the jury can hear you. What did you do
2231:24 then, ma'am?
2232:01 A We went out to the car and listened
2232:02 to some music and then he had told me that he had
2232:03 to take his sister to the clinic and then I said
2232:04 okay and I went back in the house.
2232:05 Q Did you have occasion while you were
2232:06 in the car to see any of the Defendants herein,
2232:07 to wit: Willie Rainge or Dennis Williams?
2232:08 A Did I see them?
2232:09 Q Yes, while you were in the automobile
2232:10 sitting with Mr. Kenneth Adams did you have occasion
2232:11 to see any of the defendants?
2232:12 A No.
2232:13 Q Now, after you sat in the car what did
2232:14 you do next?
2232:15 A I got out of the car and went in the
2232:16 house.
2232:17 Q Now, after you went in the house what
2232:18 time was that? About what time was that?
2232:19 A I don't know.
2232:20 Q You don't know. Then that's the night of
2232:21 May the 11th, May the 10th, is that right?
2232:22 A Yes.
2232:23 Q What did you do? You went to bed?
2232:24 A Yes.
2233:01 Q Then you woke up the next morning I
2233:02 assume?
2233:03 A Yes.
2233:04 Q Now, that's May the 11th, the morning
2233:05 thereof. Anything unusual happen during that day?
2233:06 A Yes.

2233:07 Q What happened?
2233:08 A They had came to my house, the police.
2233:09 They knocked on the door and they asked for me and
2233:10 my mama, she answered the door.
2233:11 Q Just so you're aware of dates, madam,
2233:12 do you know what date you were arrested on? Do you
2233:13 know what date you went with the police department?
2233:14 A No.
2233:15 Q You don't recall the date. Well, the
2233:16 date that you're referring to is the date that the
2233:17 police came and took you from your home?
2233:18 A Yes.
2233:19 Q Well, on that date they came and took
2233:20 you from your home. What if anything happened?
2233:21 Where did they take you?
2233:22 A To the Homewood Police Station.
2233:23 Q They took you to the Homewood Police
2233:24 Station?
2234:01 A Yes.
2234:02 Q And what happened at that police station?
2234:03 A They took me down and they took me in
2234:04 a room and I was in there by myself and they had two
2234:05 men had came in there.
2234:06 Q Do you know who those two people are?
2234:07 A Yes. I don't know their names but I
2234:08 know them by face. One is black and one is white.
2234:09 Q And what happened then, ma'am? Did you
2234:10 have a conversation with them?
2234:11 A No.
2234:12 Q What happened next?
2234:13 A They was questioning me.
2234:14 Q Did you give them some answers?
2234:15 A No.
2234:16 Q What happened next?
2234:17 A They asked me did I know who the people
2234:18 was that died and I told them I don't know nothing,
2234:19 I haven't seen nothing and they asked me, they
2234:20 say was it Kenny, was it Dennis, was it Tuna or was
2234:21 it Verneal and I told them no and they said yes, it
2234:22 was and I told them no.
2234:23 Q Then what happened?
2234:24 A Then they kept going over and over it.
2235:01 Q How long did they keep you in custody?
2235:02 How long the police keep you, if you recall?
2235:03 A They kept me from Saturday until Sunday

2235:04 morning.
2235:05 Q They kept from Saturday until Sunday
2235:06 morning?
2235:07 A Yes.
2235:08 Q Where did they keep you?
2235:09 A In Homewood.
2235:10 Q Homewood. Was that at a hotel or a jail?
2235:11 A That was at a jail because I was in that
2235:12 room.
2235:13 Q Did they take you to a motel for you to
2235:14 sleep?
2235:15 A Yes, and I know the motels. I know the
2235:16 number of the room. It was 353.
2235:17 Q Are you aware of anything known as a
2235:18 witness protection act? Are you aware of any law
2235:19 known as the Witness Protection Act?
2235:20 A No response.
2235:21 Q Do you know anything about it?
2235:22 A No.
2235:23 Q Did you at any time sign any written
2235:24 consent to them keeping you in, quote, unquote,
2236:01 custody?
2236:02 A No.
2236:03 Q Did you know whether or not your mother
2236:04 or anyone signed a written consent from them to keep
2236:05 you in custody?
2236:06 A No. She didn't sign nothing.
2236:07 Q Now, during this time that you were held
2236:08 by the police department did anyone advise you of
2236:09 what your testimony would be?
2236:10 A No.
2236:11 Q The story that you then told before the
2236:12 Grand Jury, where that story come from?
2236:13 A Say that again.
2236:14 Q The story that you told before the Grand
2236:15 Jury, where did that story come from?
2236:16 A The State had made me tell a lie.
2236:17 Q Now, when you say the State had made
2236:18 you tell a lie, are you talking about the State's
2236:19 Attorney's office, the police department or what?
2236:20 A The State's Attorney's office. All of
2236:21 them made me tell a lie.
2236:22 Q All of them?
2236:23 A Yes.
2236:24 Q Now, did they take these three days to

2237:01 create this story for you?
2237:02 A Yes.
2237:03 Q Did they emphasize what would happen if
2237:04 you did not tell this story?
2237:05 A That they would kill me.
2237:06 Q Now, were you frightened or apprehensive
2237:07 about the whole matter?
2237:08 A Yes.
2237:09 Q Now, then you went-- you left the hotel
2237:10 and you were carried to 26th and California, is that
2237:11 correct?
2237:12 A Yes.
2237:13 Q Now, at that time were you with any kind
2237:14 of police officers?
2237:15 A Yes.
2237:16 Q Did they take you to the Grand Jury?
2237:17 A Yes.
2237:18 Q Were you at that time represented by
2237:19 any lawyer?
2237:20 A No.
2237:21 Q Did any lawyer advise you prior to your
2237:22 going before the Grand Jury? Did any lawyer talk
2237:23 to you prior to you going before the Grand Jury?
2237:24 A No.
2238:01 Q Did any lawyer talk to you prior to you
2238:02 testifying at the preliminary hearing at which time
2238:03 you testified that this was all a lie? Were you
2238:04 represented by a lawyer?
2238:05 A No.
2238:06 Q Now, you weren't represented by myself
2238:07 until you were indicted, is that right?
2238:08 A Yes.
2238:09 Q Had you spoken to me at all prior to that
2238:10 time?
2238:11 A (No response.)
2238:12 Q Had you spoken to me at all prior to you
2238:13 being arrested?
2238:14 A Yes.
2238:15 Q Now, directing your attention again to the
2238:16 deceased parties, did you at any time see these
2238:17 parties while they were alive?
2238:18 A No.
2238:19 Q Are you aware of any of the circumstances --
2238:20 what if any of the circumstances are you aware of
2238:21 that caused their death?

2238:22 A None.

2238:23 Q Now, after you were arrested did you or
2238:24 anyone in your family or do you know whether anyone
2239:01 in your family signed a consent for them to search
2239:02 your house?

2239:03 A No.

2239:04 Q You don't know. Now, did they present
2239:05 any evidence to you that they wanted you to identify?
2239:06 Did the State present any evidence to you for
2239:07 your identification?

2239:08 A Yes, they made me.

2239:09 Q Did they show you black boots?

2239:10 A Yes, those are my sister's boots.

2239:11 Q You identified them as your sister's
2239:12 boots?

2239:13 A Yes, and they told me that those was
2239:14 the woman's and I told them no, those are my sister's
2239:15 boots.

2239:16 Q Did they try to force you to say they
2239:17 were the woman's boots?

2239:18 A Yes.

2239:19 Q Now, did you know where the filling
2239:20 station was that this Mr. [REDACTED] was employed at?
2239:21 Do you know where that's located?

2239:22 A No.

2239:23 Q Do you own any types of firearms, pistol,
2239:24 gun?

2240:01 A No.

2240:02 Q Do you know whether or not anyone in your
2240:03 family owns a gun?

2240:04 A No.

2240:05 Q Are you employed? Are you working?

2240:06 A No.

2240:07 Q Now, what school do you attend?

2240:08 A Bloom.

2240:09 Q Now, when you first went to Bloom what
2240:10 year were you in?

2240:11 A The Eleventh.

2240:12 Q Were you eventually-- Did you remain in
2240:13 Bloom or were you transferred?

2240:14 A I was transferred.

2240:15 Q Where were you transferred to?

2240:16 A To Bill's Institute.

2240:17 Q Bill's Institute?

2240:18 A Yes.