EXHIBIT 24

AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN ALBERT KRAFT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)	
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COUNTY OF FRESNO)	

- I, JOHN ALBERT KRAFT, being duly sworn, hereby depose and say under penalty of perjury that the following statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:
- 1. I am an 11-year veteran of the United States Army with an honorable discharge.
- 2. My wife Shayne Kraft is a cousin of Kirstin Blaise Lobato, who I have always known by her middle name Blaise. My wife and I have been separated for several years.
- 3. In July 2001 our family lived in Panaca, Nevada, as did the family of Larry and Becky Lobato.
- 4. About 7 am on the morning of July 8, 2001 I went to the Lobato's house in Panaca to talk with Larry Lobato. Blaise answered the door. She appeared sleepy, like I had woken her up.
- 5. About 8 pm on the evening of July 8, 2001 I went to the Lobato's house where my wife had gone a couple hours earlier to get some Tiger balm for a severe kink in my neck.
- 6. I am able to clearly recall the events of July 8, 2001 because it was the only time I have had such a severe and painful kink in my neck. The next day (July 9) I went to the Caliente Clinic and the doctor injected me with a muscle relaxer and a pain killer.
- 7. I was not subpoenaed to testify during Blaise's trial in May 2002. Although I was working in Minnesota at the time, I was willing and able to travel to Las Vegas and testify if I had been subpoenaed.
- 8. In September 2006 I testified as a witness for the defense during Blaise's trial in Las Vegas. I testified about the above events that occurred on July 8 and 9, 2001. I am positively 100% certain of the accuracy and truthfulness of my testimony.
- 9. I testified in September 2006 towards the beginning of the defense's case. While I was waiting to testify I was in the outside foyer area where people smoked on the same floor as the courtroom. I overheard two female jurors talking about Blaise's trial. I heard one of the jurors ask, "Do you think she's guilty?", and the other juror clearly answered "Yes" by nodding her head up and down.
- 10. I was alarmed that Blaise's jurors were talking about the trial, and that at least one of them had made up her mind that Blaise was guilty before the defense had presented its case. I told Blaise's male lawyer what I witnessed, but he didn't seem concerned. To my knowledge Blaise's lawyer did not take any action after being informed about the juror's conversation I overheard.

- 11. I have not been interviewed since Blaise's arrest on July 20, 2001 by any officer of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department or anyone with the Clark County District Attorney's Office.
- 12. I have not had any contact with Blaise while she has been incarcerated since her arrest on July 20, 2001.
- 13. I am executing this AFFIDAVIT voluntarily and of my own free will. No force has been used upon me, and no threats or promises made to me by anyone.

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JOHN ALBERT KRAFT	

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this ______ day of February, 2010.

Notary Public

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Notary Public for <u>Fresho County</u>.

My Commission expires: 11 | 27 | 2012

