

AFFIDAVIT

I, Helena Stoeckley, of 2346 Barrington Circle, Fayetteville, 28303, being of sound mind, solemnly swear and aver that the following statement is the full truth as I know it:

- 1) I am the mother of Helena Stoeckley (Davis), who is now deceased.
- 2) I was very close to my daughter and held her confidences.
- 3) After the murders of Jeffrey MacDonald's wife and children on Ft. Bragg, NC, on two separate occasions, my daughter confided in me that she was present in the MacDonald house during the murders on February, 17, 1970.
- 4) The first occasion was after the trial and prior to her moving to South Carolina. The second occasion was shortly before her death in 1983. My daughter did not appear to be under the influence of any type of illicit drugs or alcohol at the time she made these two separate admissions to me.
- 5) On the second occasion when she confided in me, my daughter knew she was dying. She wanted to set the record straight with her mother about the MacDonald murders, and that she wished she had not been present in the house and knew that Dr. MacDonald was innocent.
- 6) Helena told me that she and Greg Mitchell, her boyfriend at the time, and two other men who was friendly with went to the MacDonald apartment during the early morning hours of February 17, 1970 to "intimidate" Dr. MacDonald because she and her friends believed he was being too hard on drug users in the Fayetteville community.
- 7) She stated that she and the others did not go there to harm anyone. Helena was high on drugs at the time, as were the men, but she told me she absolutely knew what was happening: That she saw a hobby horse in a child's bedroom and that she saw one of the men stab Dr. MacDonald.
- 8) She then told me that Greg Mitchell and one of the other men went "out of their minds" and when she became aware that Mitchell and the other man were killing the family, she and the other male fled.
- 9) My daughter tried to tell the truth- that she was in Dr. MacDonald's home and that Greg Mitchell and another man were responsible for the deaths of the MacDonald family, not Dr. MacDonald, but the FBI and other law enforcement officials told her to keep quiet.
- 10) My husband, Clarence Stoeckley and I were contacted several times after the murders. The FBI told us that they wanted Helena to stop contacting them.

11) On the second occasion during which she confided in me, she told me she could no longer live with the guilt of knowing she had been in the house but lied about it at the trial. She told me she was afraid to tell the truth because she was afraid of the prosecutor.

12) I am currently 86 years old. After the death of my husband in 2002, my youngest son Eugene, began asking me questions about Helena and if it was true that she was involved in the MacDonald murders. My son wanted to know the truth-he was only 10 years old at the time of the murders and this was not a subject my husband and I discussed with our children- but approximately 2 years ago, I told Eugene what Helena had told me- what I am swearing to now.

13) As her mother, I felt Helena was telling me the full truth about being in the MacDonald house on the night of the murders. She stated to me that she wanted "set things straight" before she died.

14) I've decided to give my statement now because of my advanced age and because I don't believe he should be in prison.

15) I have never met Jeffrey MacDonald, or his current attorney Tim Junkin. Until today, I had never met or spoken with Kathryn MacDonald or attorney Hart Miles. I met Kathryn MacDonald at the request of my son, Eugene, who had contacted her recently because he also wanted to do the right thing and corroborate that I had told him exactly what I am saying in this sworn statement.

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Helena & *H. Stoeckley*

SIGNED _____
Helena Stoeckley

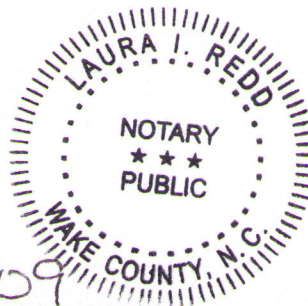
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Witness _____
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Gene B. Stoeckley
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Sworn to and subscribed this the 31st day of March, 2007.

Laura D. Redd
Notary Public



My Commission Expires: 10/05/09