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OD Hey it worked for once.

AO- Heh, yeah.

OD- I got bad news about. At least initially bad news about Franklene. I called her this morning. I called her last night and left a message. I called her this morning. She sounded pretty cold and said that um she had your clothes that were in a bag but she's chucked them out. I don't know if that's true or not. You know. Maybe she's just kinda holding them or something. But she's sounding kinda cold.

AO- She didn't say where she chucked them?

OD- Heh. She said she threw it out. I don't know, maybe she threw it? You know what I mean? I got the sense that she was just saying it. Maybe it's true. Or she just didn't want to be troubled.

AO- Did you ask about the watch?

OD- Yeah she said she through that out, too. See, I don't really she would do that. I mean do you? You know her?

AO- She chucks here stuff. Her trash behind her apartment.

OD- I'm not going to go look through trash. I don't think that's a good idea.

AO- Yeah.

OD- But I mean it could be she hasn't gotten rid of it yet. You know. She didn't tell me it was gone. She said she threw it all out. And she said she had, had it in a bag like at one point. I don't know, I might have just caught her at the wrong time in the morning. You know.

AO- Yeah

OD- But, So anyway. Sorry about that. I will call her again. And I'll mention it again. I'll say maybe she found something else, or something like that. And see. At least she knows you're looking for it.

AO- Yeah

OD- So, um, tell me some. I got my pen and notebook and everything now. Give me some of the hard details of where you grew up and when and all.

AO- OK, well I was born in Tanana

OD- What year?

AO- Ah, 1977.

OD- And what's your birthday?

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AO- May 4th

OD- And your dad, was there other kids in the family.

AO- Yeah, I had a sister and died, ah, last January.

OD- I'm sorry to hear that.

AO- Yeah, she shot herself.

OD- Jeeze.

AO- (Both?) of the troopers said

OD- Wow.

AO- I have a younger brother. He's going to school at UAF right now.

OD- Huh. He's not the basketball player is he?

AO- Which one?

OD- There's an Olson. I think the name's spelled differently, on the basketball team.

AO- Oh, no, he's not playing UAF basketball.

OD- Was your sister older?

AO- No I'm the oldest.

OD- So you're the oldest? So am I. Um. And ah was your dad a teacher in Tanana back then, or

AO- Ah

OD- Principal or something

AO- No there was an old Army hospital in Tanana.

OD- Right, right.

AO- That's where I was born. Both my parents were living in Kaltag at the time.

OD- Oh, oh.

AO- They weren't married when I was first born.

OD- Huh

AO- They got married after I was born.

OD- Right. And was your dad a teacher up in Kaltag or something?

AO- Yeah, he originally was a teacher, yeah, when he first moved into Kaltag.

OD- Right. I've slept in that school there, during Iditarod and stuff.

AO- Oh, OK

OD- How long did ah. So then you moved back to Kaltag?

AO- No I was born in Tanana. Then they flew back to Kaltag with me.

OD- Right.

AO- Liven in Kaltag for about. Till I was in the first grade.

OD- you probably dojn't remember much?

AO- No the only thing I remember is running. Oh, I remember some stuff. Like being in dog races and running into the wall at the gym and getting this scar on my head.

OD- Ha.

AO- You know, stuff like that.

OD-Running into the gym and getting? Not the mark you have now?

AO- Yeah

OD-Oh.

AO- Heh, ha, That's the one.

OD- Huh. I imagine you've been asked about that your whole life.

AO- And, the certain stuff. Like, I remember my grandparents buying me a Schwinn bicycle.

OD- Hmm

AO- Playing or playing in the woods. Running around with my friends down there.

OD- Um Hmm

AO- I remember going swimming in the lake. Then my parents moved to Hughes because my dad was going to become principal, instead of a teacher, He got a job offer to Hughes. Going to Hughes. Lived there for about four, four years I think.

OD- So you probably would have been around forth, fifth grade by the time you moved out of there?

AO- Yeah. Exactly, then we moved to Nulato. I lived in Nulato for eight years.

OD- So you pretty much grew up there.

AO- Yeah.

OD-Um. Any big memories stand out of life in Nulato, or anything?

AO- Oh, yeah, I remember when I was, went chicken hunting with my friends and I was shot in the leg.

OD-Whoo

AO- With a .22. Got medevac'd. I was a cross country runner. I was a cross country skier. I was really good cross-country skier.

OD-Um hmm.

AO- Went to the Western Interior Ski Championships when I was in, what, sixth grade and I had to race against junior high.

OD- Wow

AO- I got like third, third there. I got first at a regional.

OD- How'd you do in school?

AO- Ah, I was doing good in school then. I gotta. I was always the B-honor roll, every now and then I'd make the A honor roll. I wasn't that much into studying.

OD- Who is at that age. What, a, did you move when your dad got another job or something.

AO- Yeah, we moved. After we lived in Nulato my dad got a job offer to be in the district office, as director of construction. So we moved to Fairbanks. I went to school in Tanana jr. high my eighth grade year.

OD- Did you meet any of those other guys during those years or?

AO- Nope I met Eugene when I was in high school playing basketball. Huslia came to Kaltag. Ah, I met George when I was like 20. 20 years old first time I met him.

OD- So you moved back to Kaltag for high school?

AO- Yeah, I got in trouble.

OD- Hmm

AO- My dad went on, he was on a business trip and, ah, me, my mom, my brother and my sister, we all got into it. We ended up arguing then we ended up fighting. They ended up telling me, kicking me out. So I ran to Fred Meyers, called my grandmother, then next thing my grandmother sent my uncle up. My uncle picked me up. We went over to my mom's. I apologized. They're still. We were still pretty pissed at each other.

OD- Um hmm

AO- So I flew to Kaltag after that. I stayed in Kaltag my junior and senior year.

OD- Had there been trouble bef. I mean was this a long fight, you know, that was long simmering stuff?

AO- Oh, yeah. My parents for years told me I belonged in API. I mean one time, I remember when my parents wouldn't buy me ski equipment. And I was a really really good skier, No. 2 or No. 3 skier in the Interior in high school. They wouldn't buy me new ski equipment. So I said, "I quit." They said, "you're not that stupid."

OD- "Watch."

AO- So I quit.

OD- Hmmm

AO- I came home from school. They came home from work. Came downstairs. My dad threw me down. My mom started, you know, kicking me in the head.

OD- Wow.

AO- I got pissed off and started crying. They left. Then my dad came down again. And (? Unintel) I was pretty angry. I didn't let my dad throw me down this time. I got up I picked him up and I threw him down on the floor and I held him there.

OD- Huhh

AO- He was like, "hit me, hit me, hit me." I was like, "No, you're my dad." I started crying again.

OD- How old are you then?

AO- I was. What was I, fifteen?

OD- Yeah, one of my younger brothers got into it with my father like that.

AO- And that's how that went.

OD- Right, so at that point they're thinking it's a difficult situation or something and maybe

AO- Well, at that, when we're go onna family, anything went wrong with the family I was the one to blame. Like we'd go on vacation and (?) go wrong and I was to blame, because of my attitude.

OD- UM hmm

AO- If the vacation didn't go as planned.

OD- Right.

AO- And for years I tried to go to my grandmother I always wanted to live in Kaltag. I always wanted to be around my grandparents. But for years my parents told me that my grandparents didn't want me. Stuff like that.

OD- So Kaltag, for you, was someplace you just thought things would be better. Yeah, Kaltag for me was a safe haven, you know.

OD-Um hmm

AO- When I want there I was doing really bad in school. I wasn't going to classes. I was skipping class. Smoking marijuana. Stuff like that. When I went to Kaltag, you know, I was just showered with love from my grandmother. From the time I woke up, she was like, "I love you, I love you, I love you," till the time I went to bed. She'd tell me how special I was.

OD-Umm hmm

AO- I was just like instantly I started doing really really well in school. My grades picked up. I was making the A honor roll. Studying. Doing stuff. I was doin it to make my grandmother proud. She told me she wanted to go to "honor roll" dinner. So I made the honor roll. She told me that she wanted to watch basketball. So I joined the basketball team.

OD- Um hmm

AO- Just stuff for her. Then she ended up getting pancreatic cancer.

OD- Mmmm

AO- The doctor. Doctor (Elgerman?) diagnosed her for two years with arthritis of the back. When a specialist. When my mom finally brought her to a specialist, because my grandmother couldn't get out of bed, you know. The specialist said, "you don't have arthritis, you have pancreatic cancer. You've had pancreatic cancer. By then it was spread into her lungs, into her liver and up her whole back. They gave her six weeks to live.

OD- You know, once people have pancreatic cancer. It goes quick. My grandmother actually died, I think, of the same thing.

AO- Yeah, but she lived till after I graduated from high school—seven or eight months.

OD- had you hooked up with Franklene during this time.

AO- yeah

OD- What's your first memory of her.

AO- Well we first started seeing each other when I was 17. We saw each other for a couple months when she was in Kaltag. She always had a drinking problem. She was always dinking when she was young. And so her family got tired of her drinking. She would drink three or four days out of the week. A couple (unintel) you know. Blacked out drunk to her family. So they shipped her off to her mom. Oh, no, they shipped her off to Shageluk to live with her sister Marlene. But she would do the same thing there. Then her sister Marlene got tired of her and shipped her off to her mom. That's how Franklene was. She was always getting shipped from one. Boom. Boom. to a place.

OD- I imagine just knowing how old Franklin is, she's probably got a lot of brothers and sisters?

AO- Yeah.

OD- Right and she's probably one of the younger ones?

AO- She's almost the youngest, other than her sister Lisa.

OD- But, um, something about her. You guys just couldn't stay apart? Or something?

AO- Yeah, you know. She would write me and stuff. And I wouldn't write her. And then, so, I just kinda forgot about her. Till after I graduated from high school. She came to Kaltag again. And she called me up. And I was, like, I don't wanta talk to you. I didn't want to talk to her. But, you know, she'd like, "well just come talk to me.

She kept calling my grandmothers. And so I went back and I talked to her. We ended up getting back together. By that time I was supposed to do, went off to college.

Um hmm.

You know I spent the whole summer with her. You know. We had. It was. It was fun. I mean it was real romantic.

OD- Yeah

AO- You know, we'd (take?) walks. Stuff like that, you know. Yup. Puppy love.

OD- Yup

AO- But when I went off to college. Down in Fort Lewis. She would call me. Call me crying and tell me to come home. You know. Quit school.

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OD- Oh, sorry

AO- And so, I was away, I missed my grandmother. I quit school and I came back. I didn't even start college. I quit and I came back to her. We had our own pl, a little, little place, little house in kaltag. This little log cabin. I got a job at the store. I was working at the store. Saved up enough money to get a snow machine. We were doing good. And then. I got. My first assault was like on New Year's Eve.

OD- Right, I saw that. Yeah. Or, I thought it was New Year's Day? But maybe that

AO- That's when I got arrested. Was New Year's Day.

OD-OK

AO- But it was New Years Eve I got my first assault on her. It was.

It was pretty vicious. You know. Troopers came and arrested me new Years Day. She was crying. Telling troopers to leave me alone, you know. I got 40 days for that first assault. I was. That was an excessive sentence I thought. I should have, maybe, three days.

OD- What started that?

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OD- Hey Arlo?

AO- Yeah.

OD- That's funny how that works.

AO- Yeah, you only get, only get fifteen. They allot, like, 15 minutes before they cut it off.

OD- Must be some automatic thing.

AO- Yeah, Evercom, it's out of Texas.

OD- Do you get charged for this?

AO- Ah, nope.

OD- That's good, for local calls and all?

AO- Local calls are free. Long distance, (chuckle) they're pretty expensive for long distance.

OD- Yeah. I always wondered. Through the years we get a lot of calls from jails. You know. You just never know what was being allowed or

AO- Yeah, I've called my dad in Barrow. And I've talked to him, my dad, about once a week and he says, I should call more often. But it's like a dollar something a minute to call long distance.

OD- Yeah, I've heard complaints before that Evercom was a real ripoff.

AO- Yeah, it's a real

OD- I think that they've changed it a little. I don't think you used to get free local calls or anything.

AO- It's been for as long as I've been in and out of jail. It's always been free local calls. I mean I like the system better before when you didn't have it like this.

OD- Right. There was one dude that he used to call me up all the time to tell me that he'd figured out how people could get energy out of a light bulb. Heh.

AO- Ha, ha

OD- And, ah, he was sure it was going to be worth a lot of money if I just wrote a story about it. You know.

AO- Yeah

OD- But, I just before you got cut off I was asking what was it that started that fight on New Year's Eve? If you remember anything at all? Or?

AO- Oh, yeah, yeah. I remember bits and pieces of it. Franklene was at the dance. I was drinking, you know. I got drunk and decided to pass out.

OD- Um hmm

AO- I passed out and I woke up, you know, and her two cousins were in our house.

OD- Umm

AO- They gave me a bottle and started drinking. And they started: You know Franklene's over there dirty dancing with Joey or something.

OD- Ahhhh

AO- That's That's just what set me off. You know.

OD-Right,

AO- And when I go off, I, I black out, even when I'm sober when I go off I get so much rage.

OD-Hmmm

AO- But I didn't automatically go over there. That's her problem. I started drinking and drinking. And then I ended up going over there and caught them dirty dancing and kissing and stuff like that. And that's what set me off.

OD-Umm hmm

AO- And with her, she always did that. She always messed around. She always blamed it on alcohol.

OD-Hmmm.

AO- I, I don't know if that was really really the case. You know. But she would come crying to me the next day. Tell me how sorry she was. And how it will never happen

OD-Right

AO- and how she'll change. And I always had hope she'd change. Always had hope that I would change after that first incident.

OD-Right

AO- You know, I went to jail and I did 40 days. The judge gave me 40 days for it.

OD-You know, this is funny because it almost looked to me like that nothing happened as a result of that. It must be that it shows up again because of probation stuff or something.

AO- Oh, no! There was lots. I got, 120 days, with 80 days suspended. I got 120 days, with 100 days suspended. Something like that.

OD- That's the Galena case, right?

AO- Yup, I had two charges.

OD- Right, right.

AO- Because people, a whole bunch of people tried to break me, break us, break me up from fighting with her. This was totally, just going, going off.

OD-Um hmm

AO- This happened in the dance hall.

OD-Um hmm

AO- I went to. People went to getting me and I was throwing them. And, heh, heh,heh. And then I bit some wom, someone's finger.

OD- Hmmm

AO- That's where I got my second assault. I guess (unintel). It was a woman, she kept pointing at me.

OD-Oh, yeah, I did see something about that.

AO- She kept pointing at me and pointing at me.

OD- I thought it was Franklene's finger. That's what's hard to read on these things sometimes.

AO- But yeah, everyone in Kaltag told me to get, go to Fairbanks. And go see a judge in Fairbanks. (My first unintel) see a judge, see one in Galena, see the magistrate there.

OD- Um hmm

AO- He just totally maxed me out.

OD- Hmmm

AO- At that time I think that was the max.

OD- That certainly is a pretty stiff sentence for fourth degree assault.

AO- Especially for my first time ever.

OD- Right.

AO- Ever. I didn't even have a juvenile record.

OD- Right.

AO- I don't think almost ever people do jail time for that.

OD- Yup, and I just totally. He totally gave me 40 days. The trooper he was Burt Barrack (SP) He wasn't even the one the trooper that arrested me. The trooper that arrested me was trooper Hughes (Sp?) And Trooper Hughes even told me I was only supposed to do three days. But he. Another fight broke out in Kaltag. He ended up having to stay in Kaltag. Trooper barrack ended up escorting me and Trooper barrack he was a young rookie trooper at the time. Went in front of the judge and said I was a danger to society. And everything. And just totally just

OD- Hmmm

AO- Cut me down to shit. To nothing. And that judge maxed me. That's what I did for that first one.

OD- Did you do that in FCC? Or did you. Or did. I mean you were, um, seven

AO- Yeah, I came up here to FCC.

OD- OK

AO- I remember crying on the airplane. Cause. Telling the trooper, I was just a little guy and I was gonna get raped. (chuckling)

OD- Um hmm

AO- But, but that's not how it was here.

OD- Right. Um, the, ah, '97 you get in trouble again? The summer or something.

AO- OK, Yeah.

OD- You and Franklene were back together though after you got out, right?

AO- Yeah. She stayed with my aunt the whole time. When I got out, you know, she was waiting (hoe?) with my family back at the airport. Stuff like that.

OD- I remember reading something about, supposedly the night of then whole Hartman thing that she was mad because you were dancing with an old girlfriend or something?

AO- Yeah

OD- So it's not like you only went out with Franklene?

AO- No No. No, I mean, I had tons of girlfriends before her. Tons. I was a. The one she was. The one in the Eagles Hall. I was dancing with Twana(Sp?) Alexander. She's a big woman.

(Laughter)

AO- But when she was in high school she wasn't so big. She was always meaty, but she wasn't big.

OD- Right. Right. So you knew her from Kaltag high school?

AO- Yeah, I went to the prom. She graduated when I was like a junior.

OD-Um hmm.

AO- So I. I actually went to Minto for her prom.

OD- Ahhh. So that was kinda serious?

AO- Yeah. And the night of that thing. I was out there dancing. And I was going to have a shot with my cousin Jessica and, coming back, and Twana came up to me. Hugged me, Oh Arlo! Arlo! Let's go dance. I was, like, OK. Wasn't (thinking?) drinking already. Left my cousin. My cousin went and told Franklene, I was dancing with Twana.

OD- Hahaha

AO- That's how. That's how I got busted, because my cousin told (chuckling) on me.

OD-Right. Yeah, well.

AO- Then Franklene went off for a while. She left. She left me that night.

OD-Oh, she wasn't, she wasn't just mad that night? She actually left?

AO- She actually left, yeah. Flew back to Kaltag.

OD- Wow. Wasn't she pregnant at that point? Or

AO- Yup. She was pregnant with Jaz then.

OD- That's your first kid?

AO- Yup.

OD- She was pregnant with her.

AO- Hmmm

OD-I don't have any daughters, I don't think I'd want 'em, hehheh, just in terms of how much trouble they could be later on.

AO- I don't know. My acts, even at her age, she acts just like her mama.

OD-Uh huh

AO- She's (?) onery, onery attitude. But my son, you know, he's real sweet. Just total, total opposite. My son.

OD-Um Hmm, OK tell me about the when you go, first time you'd come, running, Ring. He thinks you're someone else?

AO- Yeah, He said I was Conan.

OD-Right

AO- There was me and

OD-That's Conan Goebles (Sp?) or something?

AO- Yeah, there's me Jeremy, Evalyn, Rubin, Gary. We were all walking over to a friend's (unintel) my friend's to get some weed.

OD- Um hmm

AO- We were walking down by behind KFC. And Detective Ring came up. He was like, hey, are you Conan? I was, No my name is. "Well, who are you?" Showed him my identification. I was I didn't do nothing. It was, "Oh, we're looking for you too."

And I like "What?"

OD- Why would he be looking for you too?

AO- I'd? I don't have the slightest.

OD- Yeah.

AO- Absolutely. That's what he said, "We're looking for you." I was, my heart's beating, you know. I had a court case pending. That assault, right. I had that pending and I was like, fuck, did I miss court. Am I going back to jail? "No, no, no, just contact us."

Well, I went and. I ran and hid for a while.

OD- Um hmm

AO- Kept going at friends' houses. Friends' houses. Not going to my grandfathers.

OD-Were the police still looking for you?

AO- They were. My grandpa said they stopped by his place a couple times. They called. Kept calling.

OD- Right

AO- I wasn't there.

OD- Cause I'm figuring that one thing they might have done is they might have looked up the cases you had. It would have shown up for them pretty quick that you had other cases pending.

AO- Yep. I had one, one case pending on me.

OD- Well, and I know that with the one case you had pending the other ones kinda have live probation things.

AO- Yeah, that was. That was a double assault.

OD- Yeah. So when. What's the deal with. When you decided to go in? You decided to go in because at that point you just decided you're going to bump into them sooner or later?

AO- Oh, my my grandfather told me to go in. I came home and he, we talked. He told me to go and talk to the cops.

OD- Um hmm

AO- I walked down. I don't even remember, it was some morning. And I walked down there.

OD- Right. And at this point were you going to be talking, were you just following up on them looking for you? Or did you really have something to tell them about what you'd seen?

AO- Yeah. I did see a fight that night.

OD- Um hmm.

AO- I did see Eugene and them. We. I went down and started talking to 'em. I knew. But then, it was outside. I didn't know. I didn't know that Frankie Dayton incident was going to be tied into this Hartman.

OD- Right. Right. Right.

AO- All, I was like, I saw them beat up Frankie Dayton

OD- Um hmm

AO- and all of the sudden that was tied into the Hartman thing.

OD- Right. Right

AO- And then

OD- Yeah, cause, yeah, I mean you'd. Alright. You know. A lot. The other people we've talked that were around the front steps don't remember actually seeing the fight. They remember seeing Dayton come back.

AO- Yeah.

OD- You know. So I imagine everybody saw Dayton come back.

AO- Yeah, but my friend Bobby Nicholas was standing there.

OD- Um hmm.

AO- He saw it. But he wasn't going to get involved in the

OD- Um hmm

AO- I mean they, they tried contacting him. And he told me in Kaltag that, you know, I don't want to get involved. I should have did the same thing.

OD- Right, right.

AO- I mean if I was to do it again. I wouldn't. I wouldn't. I would never testify in that trial.

OD- Um hmm

AO- It's just. All it has is brought me is stress, you know.

OD- Right. Right

AO- Added to my, my, my I'm classified as major depression re- re-occurant. My API classification. You know. And this, just. This, this case it did nothing but stress me out. Scare me. I mean last year I went to the FNA basketball tournament. Some guy named Gordon (Lord?) fucking was throwing me around in the bathroom and had me pinned into a stall. Calling me a "snitch bitch," shit like that.

OD- Um hmm

AO- You know?

OD- Do you, Did you complain to the police about that?

AO- Bull shit! Heh-heh. I learned my lesson already

OD- Right

AO- OK?

OD- Right

AO- I'm not telling nothing I see or nothing that happens.

OD- Um. The. The distance from where you were, to where supposedly Dayton, or at least Dayton says he got jumped. Was pretty hard to. I mean I don't doubt that you could see a fight. But could you really see, at that distance? The people involved?

AO- Waa. (untel) Not. I don't know.

OD- Yeah.

AO- I mean like the clothes. And, the, their hair and shit like that. But no I couldn't make out like facial features.

OD- Right.

AO- And really it's been so long that. It's been like three or four years?

OD- It's five years.

AO- I don't even remember a bunch of the assault myself.

OD- Right.

AO- Um, by the time you testify. I mean the Grand Jury happens about a week later though. And then you're pretty certain about stuff, right?

OD- Yeah.

YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE LEFT

OD- Heh heh

AO- OK, it says we have one minute left.

OD- Yeah, yeah. Well.

AO- Ah D'jou wanta call Franklene again and try. I mean, if you do again try and check if the stuff is around her apartment anywhere?

OD- I'll ask her that. I will.

AO- And if she could, if she'd like put it outside there. She has. It's a double door.

OD- Double door.

AO- She could put it outside.

OD- Well, you know, yeah, I was gonna. Now she knows that you want it. And, if she didn't throw it away, maybe she'll still come up with it. I call her again in a couple days and ask her if, like, she found anything. Maybe if she found something she hadn't see before, or something.

AO- OK

OD- So it's not like calling her a liar or anything like that.

AO- Yeah, I'm pretty sure she threw it out, out back.

OD- Yeah.

AO- That's where she

OD- Probably tomorrow. Holiday stuff and all that. I'll be here. Well? I don't know it I'll be here Friday or not. I'll try and come visit you again next Tuesday for sure. Why don't you give me a call Monday if you get a chance?

(Soft CLICK)

OD- You there?
