

# CALUMET COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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**TYPE OF ACTIVITY:** Interview of Lt. James Lenk

**DATE OF ACTIVITY:** 01/11/07

**REPORTING OFFICER:** Inv. Gary Steier

On Thursday, 01/11/07, at approximately 9:15 a.m., I (Inv. GARY STEIER of the CALUMET COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT) spoke with Lt. JAMES LENK of the MANITOWOC COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT at his office.

On 01/10/07, Inv. WIEGERT had informed myself (Inv. STEIER) to pick up Lt. LENK's, Sgt. COLBURN's and Det. REMIKER's work schedules and speak with them reference their work schedule from 10/30/05 through 11/05/05 because the defense for STEVEN AVERY might be inquiring as to where these officers were from 10/30/05 to 11/05/05.

Lt. LENK provided myself (Inv. STEIER) copies of Lt. LENK's, Sgt. COLBURN's and Det. REMIKER's work schedules for October and November, 2005. Lt. LENK said he had talked with his wife and attempted to try to remember where he was and what he was doing the week of October 30 through November 5, 2005.

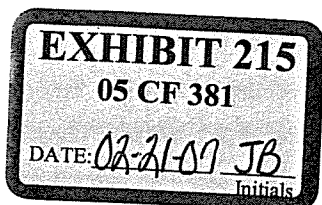
On Sunday, 10/30/05, Lt. LENK stated he had no idea where he was but guessed he probably had gone to church and then after church, watched football that Sunday afternoon. Lt. LENK indicated he did not work at the MANITOWOC COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT on Sunday, 10/30/05. Lt. LENK also said when he is on his off duty days, if he is to leave the house, it is generally with his wife. He and his wife spend most or all of their time together when not at work.

On Monday, 10/31/05, Lt. LENK indicated he worked a schedule generally consisting of the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Lt. LENK indicated he probably went home after working his shift.

On Tuesday, 11/01/05, Lt. LENK indicated he had a meeting with ROHER (ph) between 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Lt. LENK, as far as researching his schedule and notes, could not provide anymore detail as to what happened on 11/01/05.

Lt. LENK does remember being on vacation on 11/02/05 and looking for a camper trailer with his wife. Lt. LENK indicated they had been pricing campers in the Appleton and Cleveland area.

On Thursday, 11/03/05, Lt. LENK indicated he was at work at the MANITOWOC COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT and did work an 11 ½ hour shift assisting Inv. MARK WIEGERT with a missing adult.



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Lt. LENK indicates his normal routine after work is to work out, go home, eat, watch TV and then go to bed. Lt. LENK stated, if after work he was to go some place, it would generally be with his wife.

On Friday, 11/04/05, Lt. LENK indicated he was at work from the hours of 7:30 to 3:30 p.m.

On Saturday, 11/05/05, Lt. LENK indicated he was again pricing campers in the Menasha and Appleton area. Lt. LENK remembers being at a camper dealership, which is approximately one mile west of 41 just off of 441. Lt. LENK indicates around mid morning he received a call from Det. DAVID REMIKER indicating Lt. LENK should return to work.

Lt. LENK indicated he has been working for the MANITOWOC COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT for approximately 18 years. Lt. LENK indicated during that time he has never received the access code for the MANITOWOC COUNTY CLERK OF COURTS OFFICE. Lt. LENK indicated he had no idea the blood was in STEVEN AVERY's file located in the MANITOWOC COUNTY CLERK OF COURTS OFFICE until DCI Special Agent TOM FASSBENDER had informed him of it. Lt. LENK also indicated he had no idea the STEVEN AVERY file was kept in the MANITOWOC COUNTY CLERK OF COURTS OFFICE.

Lt. LENK indicates during all his years of service, he has maybe been behind the Clerk of Courts Office approximately twice. Both times he was asked by the clerk, who opened the secure door for him, to come inside their general area. Lt. LENK indicates he has not been inside the Clerk of Courts Office secure doors for at least three years. Lt. LENK indicated on both occasions, he was with a clerk or personnel from the Clerk of Courts Office the entire time.

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