Administrative Interview
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Administrative Interview Advisement

Following is the record of an Administrative Interview conducted by the Los Angeles Police Department on 2/13/2022 with the Victim of this investigation. The interview was recorded and a true and correct copy of the recording is being maintained by the Professional Conduct Southern Bureau. The recording reflects all relevant statements and conversations occurring during the course of the interview. The interview was also transcribed by AXON Auto-Transcribe. This transcript was prepared by Analyst I Anna Huang, Professional Conduct Southern Bureau.

Parties Present:
Sergeant II Shawn Svoboda, Los Angeles Police Department, Primary Investigator
Sergeant II Todd Schmidt, Los Angeles Police Department, Secondary Investigator
Victim

[00:00]
Sergeant Svoboda: Okay, we're back on tape. Back on tape with, uh, Victim, Sergeant Svoboda. Sergeant, uh, Schmidt time now is 1637 hours. Okay. So you, you described that there had been a previous incident when the police were called. About how long ago was that?

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Victim: I would say it was last year and maybe, I can't even remember. No, not last year. It has to be two years ago. I think it was like maybe in Sep September, around there

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Sergeant Svoboda: September, about two years ago. Mm-hmm <affirmative>. Okay. So not this last September, but maybe September before that. Mm-hmm. So maybe 2020 I think. Was this during the pandemic?

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Victim: Yes. I think it was around when the Dodgers were playing. So I think that was in September. I'm not sure <laugh>

[00:49]
Sergeant Svoboda: Sure. Okay.

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Victim: Um, so I went to Relevant Party 4's house to go watch the game and he went out with his friends. And when he got home, you know, he was drunk and he was questioning me where I was at. And the whole time I told him that I was with [redacted] Relevant Party 4 and everybody. And I told him, if you don't believe me, you can call RP 4. You know, RP 4 dropped me off here at home, sorry. And, um, he got home, he threw everything out the pantry and then he had like a little foldable table and he threw that at me, but it didn't hit me. It hit the wall. So then I got up, I

was scared, and I called the police and they came and then they just questioned us. But that was pretty much it, and they brought me to [redacted]'s.

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Sergeant Svoboda: And that took place in, in, in your address? In Baldwin Park on [redacted]?

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Victim: Mm-hmm <affirmative>.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. And they, Baldwin Park PD responded

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Victim: mm-hmm <affirmative>.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Now, did any report taken or anything like that, that you're aware of?

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Victim: Uh, he did take down on my information and he, I think he did put a report, but I think that was pretty much it.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. And, and it did not hit you, there was no injuries or anything like that?

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Victim: No.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Now were, were there any other instances where you contacted the police at all?

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Victim: No.

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Sergeant Svoboda: No. Okay. So just today at that time, and you mentioned that your hair was pulled by him at one point, and you said, how many years ago was this?

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Victim: Uh, like two years ago.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay.

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Victim: I would say like two.

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Sergeant Svoboda: It wasn't that incident, it was a different incident?

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Victim: No. Mm-hmm.

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Sergeant Svoboda: And what did you, what did you do with that incident

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Victim: With the little,

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Sergeant Svoboda: When you had your hair pulled?

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Victim: Oh, this was today. It was this incident.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Oh,

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Victim: My hair pulled the other time he did it.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. So before this incident today, there's never been any other

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Victim: Oh, yes.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Physical Violence.

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Victim: The one with the hair pulled? Yes, we were, um, you know, we just, when we go out, he gets upset, just pulls my hair. That's pretty much it.

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Sergeant Svoboda: So he does that often?

[02:42]
Victim: Not often. He's done it twice already.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. So when was the last time he did that?

[02:48]
Victim: Like three years ago? I would, I don't remember exactly when it was.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay.

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Victim: But he comes home drunk and he gets aggressive.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. So does it, how often does he come home drunk?

[03:01]
Victim: Um,

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Sergeant Svoboda: Is it, is it once a year? Is it once a month, once a week, every day?

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Victim: Maybe like three times a year, I would say. Or more.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Three times a year.

[03:12]
Victim: He hasn't, he hasn't done that because we've had problems with that in the past where he would go out with his friends. He wouldn't even tell me where he was going and, you know, but he stopped doing that last year. So it happened for like, maybe four years straight where he would just come home and he was intoxicated and would just try to start arguing with me, but I would just ignore it and go to sleep.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. And when, when he was doing that, was it every day? Was it how often?

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Victim: No, I would say maybe twice, like every other month.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Every other month. Okay. So not something that's so regular, but it did, it did happen on occasion. Okay. And then, but no violence back then? It was just, just arguing.

[03:58]
Victim: Yeah.

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Sergeant Svoboda: And then occasionally he would pull your hair, you said two, two times.

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Victim: Mm-hmm <affirmative>.

[04:02]
Sergeant Svoboda: And you remember both occurrences?

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Victim: Mm-hmm <affirmative>.

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Sergeant Svoboda: So the one time that he did pull your hair, you said he came home drunk?

[04:06]
Victim: Mm-hmm <affirmative>.

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Sergeant Svoboda: You guys argued, and this was about four years ago, you said?

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Victim: Like, two

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Sergeant Svoboda: Oh, 2 years ago.

[04:12]
Victim: Two, three years ago.

[04:13]
Sergeant Svoboda: okay.

[04:13]
Victim: Yeah. I don't exact, I don't exactly know when.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. No police called. Nothing else happened then?

[04:19]
Victim: No. No.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. And then what was the, the incident prior to that?

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Victim: To which one?

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Sergeant Svoboda: What's that?

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Victim: To which one? I'm sorry.

[04:26]
Sergeant Svoboda: The first time he pulled your hair.

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Victim: That, that's the time when he pulled my hair. And then one time I went out with my friends to go have dinner and I didn't answer the phone. And when I got home, he pulled my hair.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. And when did that happen?

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Victim: Um, I don't remember.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. Has he ever threatened you?

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Victim: Um, yeah.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. So now, did he threaten you in this, this time? Did he say anything to you?

[04:55]
Victim: No.

[04:56]
Sergeant Svoboda: Okay.

[04:56]
Victim: Not this time.

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Sergeant Svoboda: So before this, when was the last time he threatened you, threatened to harm you, kill you, et cetera?

[05:03]
Victim: Last month.

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Sergeant Svoboda: And what did he say?

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Victim: He said, if I ever go out, he'll kill me

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Sergeant Svoboda: If you ever go out.

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Victim: Yeah. I went out to have dinner with my friend and um, he had said it was fine, but when I got home he, I don't know if he was drinking or what was going on, but he got upset with me and he threw my phone. He broke my glasses and he said if I ever go out, he'll kill me.

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Sergeant Svoboda: And this was a month ago?

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Victim: Mm-hmm <affirmative>.

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Sergeant Svoboda: And, okay. And, and this was in what started this argument?

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Victim: Um, because I had went out with my friends.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. So that's what, that's what triggered it then?

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Victim: Mm-hmm <affirmative>.

[05:40]
Sergeant Svoboda: Did you believe him?

[05:41]
Victim: Um, yeah.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Do you believe he would actually kill you? <laugh> He had,

[05:45]
Victim: yeah.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Okay. So you're actually afraid of him then? Mm-hmm. Alright.

[05:49]
Sergeant Schmidt: Has he ever pointed his gun at you?

[05:51]
Victim: No.

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Sergeant Schmidt: No?

[05:52]
Victim: Mm-hmm.

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Sergeant Schmidt: Is when you go out, alright? Right. Does he tell you you are not allowed to go out with your friends?

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Victim: No, I'm not.

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Sergeant Schmidt: You're not allowed to go out with your friends and he tells you that, do you? And he Is he, do you believe he's controlling you? Okay.

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Victim: He said he doesn't want me to go out 'cause he's jealous.

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Sergeant Schmidt: Did you ever do anything to give him a reason to be jealous?

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Victim: No.

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Sergeant Schmidt: No. Okay. Okay.

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Sergeant Svoboda: Um, just to confirm, you guys have been together nine years? Correct. Okay. Alright. That's all I have. We're gonna go ahead and go off tape. Uh, same admonition applies. 1643 hours.