

Q All right. okay so what were the results of your attempts to track this phone?

A We were, after some time based upon the environment there -- we were able to locate the phone, or to actually capture the phone to begin with and then a relatively lengthy process of determining exactly where that signal was emanating from.

Using portable equipment we were able to actually basically stand at every door and every window in that complex and determine, with relative certainty you know, the particular area of the apartment that that handset was emanating from.

Q Okay. Now you started off by saying based on the environment. What do you mean by that?

A Just the apartment complex.

Q Okay.

A Being multi-story, with the way it's configured.

Q Okay. so and then you used the phrase you captured the phone. That means that after putting that information into your equipment you were able to direct the signal from the tower to your equipment?

A That is correct.

Q And that being the phone -- that was the serial number that belonged to the handset of the victim in this case. Is that correct?

A That is correct.

Q All right. And you said it was a lengthy process. Did that mean finding the apartment complex in general, or finding the actual location at the apartment complex?

A Really finding the complex was the difficult part, just that signal, getting it to emanate outside of the apartment complex. We actually worked during the day and it was actually later into the evening when there was less interference around, less other traffic around that our equipment was able to detect the handset. Once we were able to detect it and get close to it, then it became very simple at that point.

Q Okay. And what, if any, time constraints are there? **When you're in this case you're talking about verizon and as long as the phone is on, you're able to utilize the technique, correct?**

A Correct.

Q Are there time restraints on how effective this is going to be or before you might lose your potential to find this evidence?

A Certainly. In the case of a victim phone, victim handset being taken, there is not an apparent ability to charge the handset so the battery going dead for us is always a concern. Additionally, once the equipment comes into play and we capture that handset, to make locating it easier; the equipment forces that handset to transmit at full power. Again, that's why I say once we capture it, it becomes

much easier to specifically locate.

So we're forcing that handset to transmit at full signal, consuming battery faster, in an effort to help us locate that handset. so it going dead would - - that battery dying would essentially end our ability to locate it.

Q Okay. And you mentioned earlier that you were able to eventually locate or track the signal from this cell phone to an apartment complex. Is that correct?

A That is correct.

Q And what was the name of the apartment complex?

A 2060 Continental, Berkshire Manner, if I recall correctly.

Q All right. And what exactly did you do to narrow it down, once you got to the apartment complex?

A Again, using portable equipment, quite literally stood in front of every door and window measuring, determining that direction of where that signal was emanating from and contacting investigators, and advised them that we had an apartment.