

Thereupon, further to maintain the issues on his part to be maintained, the Defendant called as a witness KENNETH H. BENJAMIN, who, being first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION OF KENNETH H. BENJAMIN

By Mr. Garmone:

Q Will you state your name, please?

A Kenneth H. Benjamin.

Q Where do you live?

A In East Cleveland.

Q What address?

A 1500.

Q 1500 what street?

A 1500 Coventry Road, East Cleveland.

Q Are you married?

A Yes.

Q Do you have a family?

A Yes.

Q How many children?

A Two children.

Q How old are you, Mr. Benjamin?

A I'm 32 years old.

Q Did you know Marilyn Sheppard during her lifetime?

A Yes, sir.

Q And where did you first meet her?

A I first met her in junior high school.

Q And what junior high school was that?

A Roosevelt Junior High.

Q And was she in the same classes with you in school?

A Yes, sir.

Q Now, Mr. Benjamin, did you have the occasion to see Marilyn Sheppard a week or two prior to the 4th day of July?

A Yes, sir.

Q Will you tell the jury where that meeting took place?

A We were on the same bus riding out of the Municipal Parking Lot.

Q And where did she board the bus, if you recall?

A I don't recall where she boarded the bus.

Q Where did you board the bus?

A I boarded the bus on 9th Street near Vincent.

Q Was it a loop bus?

A Yes, sir.

Q Did you have some conversation with her at that time?

A Yes, I did.

Q About how long would you say that you and Marilyn were in company on that bus ride?

A Oh, I'd say about 10 minutes.

Q During the course of the conversation, did you have an occasion to observe what her attitude was?

A Yes, I did.

Q Will you tell the Court and jury what your observation revealed?

A She seemed extremely cheerful, happy, and she more or less discussed what --

MR. MAHON: Wait a minute,
now. About any discussion, I'm objecting to
that.

Q Did you have some conversation with her after you made the observation?

A Yes.

Q Will you state to the Court and jury what that conversation consisted of?

MR. MAHON: Objection.

THE COURT: Oh, I think the
objection will be sustained.

MR. GARMONE: That is all.
Thank you. You may have the witness.

THE COURT: Sir?

MR. GARMONE: I am through
with the witness.

MR. DANACEAU: No questions.

MR. MAHON: No questions.

(Witness excused.)

MR. GARMONE:

Will you call in

Mr. Mickey?

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