

**Drew Peterson Trial 2012 - Murder of Kathleen Savio
People of the State of Illinois v. Drew Peterson (09CF-1048)
Will County, Joliet, Illinois**

Michael Johnson Testified on August 2, 2012

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The next witness in the Drew Peterson murder trial is paramedic Michael Johnson. He responded to the scene on the night of Kathleen Savio's death.

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08/02/12: Prosecutor John Connor on direct examination

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The next witness is Michael Johnson (questioned by Prosecutor Connor).

He is a firefighter paramedic with the Bolingbrook F.D. (for almost 13 years). On the evening of March 1, 2004, he responded to Pheasant Chase Drive in Bolingbrook.

“I was part of the engine crew that evening.”

As he went upstairs, he was spoken to by an individual he later learned to be Drew Peterson (he then identifies him in the courtroom).

“He asked us to be respectful of the scene, as we entered the upstairs.”

Prosecution: “How far into the bathroom did you go that night?”

Johnson: “I was just a step or two into the bathroom.”

Prosecution: “At any time that night, did you place a blue towel on the side of the bathtub in that residence?”

Johnson: “I did not.”

Shown a photograph of the bathroom, the witness repeats that he did not place the blue towel

that can be seen in it.

Prosecution: "Did you place that towel there?"

Johnson: "No, Sir."

That completes the direct examination.

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08/02/12: Defense Attorney Steve Greenberg on cross examination

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Attorney Greenberg begins his cross.

The witness repeats that he was "assisting the ambulance crew that night."

Defense: "Would you recognize the house if you saw it again?"

Johnson: "No, Sir."

He repeats that he first saw Peterson inside the house ("as we were going up the stairs").

Defense: "Your memory's not perfect as to what happened?"

Johnson: "No, Sir."

Defense: "Spoken to your fellow paramedics about that night?"

Johnson: "Briefly, yes."

Defense: "You went in the bathroom, but you weren't working on the body?"

Johnson: "No, Sir."

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Defense: "You said you did not put that blue towel there?"

Johnson: "I did not, Sir."

Prosecution: "But you can't tell us if that blue towel was there that night?"

Johnson: "That's my recollection."

Defense: "You just know that at some point after you left that blue towel was put there?"

Johnson: "Not to my knowledge...I don't remember the towel."

Defense: "And when you left, Peterson was gone?"

Johnson: "To my knowledge."

08/02/12: Prosecutor John Connor on redirect examination

That ends the cross, and Connor begins his redirect.

"When you were asked if he was gone already, do you really have any idea where he was in the residence at that point?"

Johnson: "No, Sir."

He repeats that he didn't see Peterson on a brief recross, and is then excused.

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