

911 Tape; Exhibit in Case of Louis G. Vargas v. Diamond Shamrock, No. 84-4951-D from Nueces County District Court, 106th Judicial District; Retrieved from Nueces County District Court Archives

Transcriber's notes:

Times are in hours:minutes:seconds.

[?] indicates words or phrases that are inaudible or indistinguishable;

?: indicates an unknown speaker;

M: indicates an unknown male speaker;

F: indicates an unknown female speaker

[This is a transcript of an audio tape submitted as an exhibit in the Vargas v. Shamrock civil suit. This tape only includes the 911 call. By the time the Civil Trial took place, the remainder of the police dispatch tape was missing, and all that was available was the 911 tape itself. Only the Escochea audio tape has both the 911 call and the remainder of the police dispatch tape. This version of the 911 call is somewhat clearer than the version on the police dispatch tape we received from Jesse Escochea.]

00:00:19

Dispatcher: Police Department.

Wanda Jean Lopez: Yes, can you have an officer come to 2602 South Padre Island Drive? I have suspect with a knife inside the store.

Dispatcher: What place is this?

00:00:30

WJL: Sigmor.

00:00:33

Disp: What's he doing with the knife?

00:00:35

WJL: I don't know. He was outside, bumming a ride off of this guy, and he just told me right now, he just came inside the store.

00:00:43

Disp: Has he threatened you in any way?

WJL: Not yet. Give [?] just a minute.

00:00:48

Disp: What does he look like?

WJL: What's that?

Disp: What does he look like?

00:00:54

WJL: I can't see him, standing behind the counter.

Disp: Huh?

00:00:58

WJL: Can't talk. Thank you.

Disp: Ma'am?

WJL: What?

00:01:01

Disp: Don't hang up, ok?

WJL: Ok.

00:01:03

WJL: [?]

00:01:05

Male voice: [?]

WJL: [?] eighty-five.

00:01:09

Disp: Where is he at now?

WJL: Right here.

00:01:12

Disp: Is he a white male?

WJL: No.

Disp: Black?

WJL: No.

Disp: Hispanic?

WJL: Yes.

00:01:17

Disp: Tall? Short?

WJL: Uh-huh.

Disp: Tall?

WJL: Tall.

00:01:23

WJL: Thank you.

00:01:24

Disp: Does he have the knife pulled out?

WJL: Not yet.

00:01:27

Disp: Is it in his pocket?

WJL: Uh-huh.

00:01:30

Disp: All right. We'll get someone over there.

00:01:31

WJL: You want it? I'll give it to you. [?]

00:01:36

Disp: Get a unit on 17 to the Shamrock, 2602 South Padre, got an armed robbery going down right now.

M: [?] see what you can get out of him.

00:01:42

(screaming)

00:01:44

M: Ok, hold on.

00:01:46

M: 165.

F: Are you through with your call?

M: 151 to base [?]

00:01:48

(brief dial tone)

?: [?]

M: [?]

[THE TAPE PLAYED AT THE CRIMINAL AND CIVIL TRIALS ENDS
HERE. JESSE ESCOCHEA'S TAPE CONTINUES FROM HERE TO THE
END.]

