

EDWARD L. OWENS JURY TRIAL
REBUTTAL CLOSING ARGUMENT by Troy Rawlings:

1 / 53 Million (blood on panties)

1 / 1.28 Billion (right hand)

No J.I. on motive / why...Not Required as an element to Prove

No J.I. on Police Perfection...you are to base decision on evidence presented not what police could have done or should have done...

Jury Instruction #'s _____ (Common Sense / Reasonable Doubt / Firmly Convinced);

Def. provided no explanation from the evidence as to how and why Ed's DNA on Karin Strom (Def Atty. argument not evidence);

Coco, person who most wants right person convicted and used to think Steve, now knows it is Ed Owens;

DEFENSE FALSE PROMISES FROM OPENING STATEMENT and / TRIAL:

Just DNA...DNA [does not] = Murder;

No Blood on Karin's Panties in 1980 [planted];

Alibi (Ed at a bar drinking...drinking...drinking...closed the bar and drank some more);

2 other low-grade male donors (not Strom or Owens) under Karin's fingernails;

2 cuts out of crotch we do not know about;

Other items not tested as State had DNA (only DNA);

Goes to TX to see a friend (who)?;

Hards Parole Officer never appeared....;

(1). Steve Strom Killed Karin...Affair / D.V. / Life Ins.

Response:

- a. Honest back in 1980 deposition...because did not kill Karin...;
- b. Not AWOL from work when Karin Murdered;
- c. Yes, Strom charged in 1980 based on circumstances, but science now shows he did not do it! Fortunately, it was realized back then that there was not enough evidence so he was not convicted;
- d. Volatile when Drunk...no evidence he had been drinking at all on June 5-6, 1980 when went to work...would have been sent home...;
- e. did not know about life insurance / if did, why kill her now? Why not wait until change back!!!!...reconciling according to Melba and Steve;
- f. drive by Buff's house / because knew of affair AND THOUGHT SHE ALIVE;
- g. saved rugs;

- h. wrote Pres. Clinton 1995;
- i. drove to Kevin Fielding 2003;
- j. was at work when she died;
- k. *had short fingernails at the scene AND no injuries* (Roger Anderson);
- l. law enforcement thought Strom for years Strom...now does not;
- m. Ed admits to friend Dana Clark he was with Karin night died and had a confrontation;
- n. **Coco now knows was Ed Owens** (thought Strom in 2006) so why lie?!!!

(2). Cannot Believe Travis Hards...

Response:

- XXX: case does not rest on Hards...State of Utah had filed even before knew about him;
- a. Hards worked Owens...played Owens;
 - b. Owens talked because he saw Hards as a bad guy (type he could talk to) / because he wanted his respect or camaraderie / AND because he wanted his OPINIONS AND ADVICE!
 - c. Defense did file motion related to Blood on Panties...HAD TO HAVE AN EXPLANATION AS TO HOW IT GOT THERE;
 - d. Hards description: "and then whatever happened happened" as describing how he held Karin down;
 - e. Hards CORRECTON OF BODY POSITION of Karin!!!!
 - f. Hards put self in danger by testifying...AND where his Probation / Parole Officer by the way to say he tried to run him over????
 - g. Owens admitted to his wife was "My Fault" for talking to Hards and the he "told him some shit" about the case;
 - h. Hards knows too many DETAILS and DEFENSE STRATEGIES;
 - i. Why Hards come forward? Tired of Ed getting away with it...RUBS HIM WRONG;
 - j. Dana Clark verifies "confrontation" with Ed night died...so Ed tells 2 people of this;

(3). Poor Investigation: Not All Evidence Collected and Tested...Compromised Crime Scene

Response:

- a. See list of what submitted to Weber State Crime Lab and Gaskil in 1980.
- b. See the list from Sorenson and Utah State Crime Lab for all ANALYZED / then tested! Defense does not appreciate the discriminating nature of ANALYSIS and LAB PRACTICE / EXPERIENCE; ITEMS LEFT AVAILABLE FOR DEFENSE OR INDEPENDENT LAB TO TEST:

Suzanne Miles: She discussed lab practice and experience and why certain items were ANALYZED and TESTED SEROLOGICALLY and the why some moved on to DNA TESTING...

(4). ALIBI...none presented...(see Studebaker opening)
Why? Jail call from Ed to Pat...guzzled beer and left...

(5). NOT JUST DNA BUT = WHAT FOUND / WHERE FOUND / AND WHEN THERE (ED AND KARIN JUNE 6, 1980)

Def. is A.W.O.L., without explanation, during time period Karin Murdered;

Def. and Karin had a FIGHT / Confrontation night she was Killed;

Dana Clark (friend)

Travis Hards (cell mate)

Physical Evidence

(Yet Said In 1980 Deposition not alone with Karin);

Karin Fought her Killer and Has Injuries on her Body, Particularly Fingernail Gouges on her NECK and watch mark on chin:

(see photo of Karin's neck and Def. fingernails and left thumb cut / see also photo of left hand of Def. with watch);

ED had Defensive Injuries on his face and hands / ED told multiple stories to explain his injuries:

Steve did not see injuries...*(but see Ed's own Deposition about how why Steve may not have seen...Steve not a liar)*

Lawson / Knighton / Gines...all thought his injuries remarkable and had to look!
Bob Lawson asks and gets Dog Explanation...does not go over well so next day giving alternative explanation (parts / machine...)

Face = re-loader (coincidentally at time of Karin's murder and his hand injuries)... PICTURE WITH GLASSES MARK...(Steve did say Ed did not have glasses on when he returned)

ED'S DNA under BOTH OF V FINGERNAILS (only 2 people under both) NOT REFUTED OR REBUTTED BY DEFENSE EXPERT!!!:

Right Hand = Semen, but in SKIN CELL FRACTION (hide / mask / cover...)

Left Hand not Semen or Saliva SO does = **Skin or Blood**

[and more DNA would have been present in 1980]

| **(1). Dr. James Gaskil** = trace amounts of blood under all of Karin's fingernails;

(2). **Cami Green** = ED OWENS DNA under Karin's Right Hand fingernails / with Karin and Mr. or Mrs. Artifact (**1.28 Billion**)

ED OWENS DNA under Karin's Left Hand fingernails / with Karin--Steve—and Mr. Stutter

(3). **Todd Rigley** = DNA (semen) of Ed Owens under right hand fingernails of Karin, but opened up in the skin or epithelial cell fraction during testing!!!

DNA of Ed Owens under left hand fingernails of Karin, but not semen or saliva!!! = skin or blood as observed by Dr. Gaskil in 1980

There was More DNA under fingernails in 1980

C. SIGNIFICANTLY, NO DEFENSE EXPERT CALLED TO REFUTE STATE OF UTAH AND OUR EXPERTS (Studebaker Opening)!!!! Where are Mr. or Mrs. Artifact and Mr. Stutter after all? Cami Green had it right...!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

ED's BLOOD on V Panties:

2 spots (Indications of Blood) Not Refuted or Rebutted...

No other reasonable explanation from the evidence other than from ED's hands

(4). **Suzanne Miles** = DNA (indications of Blood) two (2) drops [Q1 and Q2] on panties of Karin Strom...the ones she is found wearing when murdered a.m. June 6, 1980.

ED has Long and Clean Fingernails and 1 CLIPPED LEFT THUMBNAIL:

More of ED's DNA UNDER KARIN'S FINGERNAILS THAN HIS OWN!!!

Less than 1 cell...not even enough to test!!!

Cami Green: Only 1 CELL ED'S DNA UNDER HIS OWN HANDS! More of Ed's DNA under Karin Strom's fingernails than his own!!!

ED takes off after informed case opened and DNA being TESTED:

VA letter spin...(Jail Call from Ed / Pat saying a big deal and as if no one ever see you again)...

When it comes to Steve Strom, more than reasonable doubt so his prosecution was abandoned decades ago...when it comes to Ed Owens, no doubt.

As she was struggling for her life, fighting, scratching, and gasping for her last breath, Karin Strom was collecting evidence that speaks even after she was dead. What is that evidence screaming that her crushed throat could no longer utter? My killer is ED

