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#### **INTERVIEW FORM**

Code Number:
Location of Interview:
Date of Interview:
Length of interview:
Contact Person:
Telephone Number:
Interviewers:

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# **PART ONE: QUANTITATIVE QUESTIONS**

Thank you for your willingness to participate in this important research project and answering the questions to the best of your ability. By now a member of the research team should have answered all questions you have about participating in this study and your rights as a research participant. If not, please let us know so we can do so now.

In the following pages we have many questions for you to answer. Most require us to check a box, although some require you provide a brief response.

The final interview portion of the study will consist of open-ended questions about the assault of a law enforcement officer that we are here to study. To restate what was covered in the Informed Consent, some of these questions may make you feel uncomfortable. You do not need to answer any questions that you do not want to. You may end the interview at any time. You may also ask for a rest at any time.

## I. BACKGROUND MATERIAL

2.1 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

- 2.2 Sex:
  - □ Male
  - □ Female
  - □ Non-Binary
  - □ Gender Non-Conforming
  - □ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.3 Race (check all that apply):
  - American Indian or Alaska Native
  - □ Asian
  - □ Black or African American
  - □ Hispanic or Latino
  - □ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
  - □ White
  - $\Box$  Pending further investigation
  - □ Unknown/not reported:
- 2.4 Current Height:
- 2.5 Current Weight:
- 2.6 Weight at time of assault: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.7 Current physique:
  - □ Thin/Skinny
  - □ Slim/Slender
  - □ Medium/Average
  - □ Heavy/Stocky
  - □ Obese/Fat
- 2.8 Physique at the time of the Assault:
  - □ Thin/Skinny
  - □ Slim/Slender
  - □ Medium/Average
  - □ Heavy/Stocky

#### □ Obese/Fat Obese/Fat

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- 2.9 Religion:
  - □ Buddhist
  - □ Catholic
  - □ Eastern Orthodox
  - □ Hindu
  - □ Islamic (Muslim)
  - □ Jehovah's Witness
  - □ Jewish
  - □ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
  - □ Multiple Religions
  - □ Other Christian
  - □ Pagan
  - □ Protestant
  - □ Sikh
  - □ Atheism/Agnosticism
  - □ No Affiliation
  - Other (Specify): \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 2.10 Are you currently active in your religion?
  - □ Yes □ No
- 2.11 Besides English, in which languages are you proficient?

#### 2.12 Were you born outside of the United States?

- □ Yes
- □ No

2.12.a	If yes,	where	were	you	born?
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#### 2.13 What is your current relationship status?

- □ Single, Previously Married
- □ Single/Never married
- □ Married
- □ Divorced/Not remarried
- □ Divorced/Remarried
- □ Widowed/Not remarried
- □ Widowed/Remarried

- □ Separated
- □ Living with significant other
- Domestic partnership
- Long-term intimate relationship (not living together)
- $\Box$  Other (Specify): \_\_\_\_
- 2.14 What was your relationship status at the time of the assault?
  - □ Married
  - □ Remarried
  - □ Single
  - □ Divorced
  - □ Widowed
  - □ Separated
  - □ Living with significant other
  - $\Box$  Domestic partnership
  - □ Long-term intimate relationship (not living together)
  - Other (Specify): \_\_\_\_\_

2.15 How many times have you been married? \_\_\_\_\_\_

- 2.16 Do you have children?
  - □ Yes

#### □ No

- 2.16.a How many children lived at home with you or who you had responsibility for at the time of the assault?
- 2.16.b Age(s) of children:
- 2.16.c How many are biological children?
- 2.16.d How many are stepchildren?
- 2.16.e How many are adopted children?
- 2.16.f How many are foster children?
- 2.17 Do any of your children require special education services?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No

- 2.17.a If yes, for what?
- 2.17.b If yes, did this cause (check all that apply at the time of the assault)?
  - □ Financial stress
  - □ Career stress
  - □ Marital/relational stress
  - □ Self-doubt and uncertainty
  - □ Other (Please describe): \_\_\_\_\_
  - $\Box$  None of these
- 2.18 What was your family structure during childhood (check all that apply)?
  - □ Both parents
  - □ Single parent/never married
  - □ Single parent/separated
  - □ Single parent/divorced
  - □ Single parent/widowed
  - □ Single parent/living with significant other
  - □ Grandparents
  - □ Other family member
  - □ Foster care
  - Other (Specify): \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 2.19 Do you have any siblings?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No
  - 2.19.a If yes, how many brothers do you have?
  - 2.19.b If yes, how many stepbrothers do you have?
  - 2.19.c If yes, how many sisters do you have?
  - 2.19.d If yes, how many stepsisters do you have?
  - 2.19.e If yes, other (specify):
  - 2.19.f What is your birth order among your siblings?
- 2.20 Is there anything else about your **background** you'd like to tell us?

## **II.EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT**

- 3.1 What is the highest degree or level of education you have completed?
  - Did not graduate high school
  - □ High school diploma or equivalent
  - □ Trade school/apprenticeship
  - □ Some college, no degree
  - □ Postsecondary nondegree award
  - □ Associate degree
  - □ Bachelor's degree
  - □ Master's degree
  - Doctoral or professional degree
- 3.2 What was your field of study in your highest degree program?
- 3.3 Most recent occupation:
  - Executive, administrative, managerial
  - □ Professional specialty
  - □ Technician and related support
  - □ Marketing and sales
  - □ Administrative support, clerical
  - □ Service
  - □ Agricultural, forestry, fishing, or related
  - □ Precision production, drafting, or repair
  - Equipment operator, fabricator, or laborer
  - □ Student
  - □ Unemployed
  - □ Disabled
  - □ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

3.4 How long had you held this position prior to prison? \_\_\_\_\_ Years.

- 3.5 How many jobs did you hold in the three years before going to prison? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3.6 Is there anything else about your **education/employment** you'd like to tell us?

## III. MILITARY HISTORY

- 4.1 Have you ever been on full-time active-duty military service (**reserve-duty military** service will be addressed in question 4.2)?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No
  - 4.1.a If yes, please identify the branch of active-duty military service:
    - □ Air Force
    - □ Army
    - □ Coast Guard
    - □ Marines Corps
    - □ National Guard
    - □ Navy
    - □ Space Force
  - 4.1.b Number of years of active-duty military service:
  - 4.1.c What was your military occupation?
  - 4.1.d Did you experience combat?
    - □ Yes
    - □ No
  - 4.1.e Type of discharge:
    - □ Honorable
    - General (under honorable conditions)
    - □ Other than Honorable
    - □ Uncharacterized
    - □ Bad-Conduct Discharge
    - Dishonorable Discharge
    - □ Dismissal
- 4.2 Have you ever been in the **reserve-duty military service**?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No

- 4.2.a If yes, please identify the branch of reserve-duty military service:
  - □ Air Force
  - □ Army
  - Coast Guard
  - □ Marines Corps
  - □ National Guard
  - □ Navy
- 4.2.b Number of years of reserve-duty military service:
- 4.2.c Type of discharge:
  - □ Honorable
  - General (under honorable conditions)
  - □ Other than Honorable
  - □ Uncharacterized
  - □ Bad-Conduct Discharge
  - Dishonorable Discharge
  - □ Dismissal
- 4.2.d Did you experience combat in the reserves?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No
- 4.3 Is there anything else about your **military service** you'd like to tell us?

## IV. PERSONAL STRESSORS

5.1 Is your father living?

- □ Yes
- □ No
- 5.1.a If no, when did he die in relation to the assault we're discussing?
  - Prior to the assault. How long before?
    After the assault. How long after?
- 5.2 Is your mother living?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No
  - 5.2.a If no, when did she die in relation to the assault we're discussing?
    - Prior to the assault. How long before?
    - □ After the assault. How long after?

#### 5.3 Have you experienced the loss of a child?

- □ Yes
- □ No
- 5.3.a If yes, when did the death occur in relation to the assault we're discussing?
  - $\Box$  Prior to the assault.
    - How long before?
  - □ After the assault.
    - How long after?
- 5.4 Have you experienced the loss of a sibling?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No
  - 5.4.a If yes, when did the death occur in relation to the assault we're discussing?Prior to the assault.

#### How long before? After the assault. How long after?

- 5.5 Do you or someone in your family suffer from alcohol abuse?
  - □ Yes

- □ No
- 5.5.a If yes, select all that apply:
  - □ Self
  - □ Father
  - □ Mother
  - □ Spouse
  - □ Child
  - □ Sibling
  - □ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- 5.6 Do you or someone in your family suffer from a substance use disorder, other than alcohol?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No
  - 5.6.a If yes, select all that apply:
    - □ Self
    - □ Father
    - □ Mother
    - □ Spouse
    - □ Child
    - □ Sibling
    - Other (specify):
- 5.7 Do you suffer from a psychiatric disorder?
  - □ Yes
  - $\Box$  No (if no, skip to question 5.8)

- 5.7.a If yes, which psychiatric disorder(s) do you suffer from (Check all that apply)?
  - □ Autism Spectrum Disorder
  - □ ADHD
  - Schizophrenia or Other Psychotic Disorders
  - □ Depressive Disorders
  - □ Bipolar Disorders
  - □ Anxiety/OCD Disorders
  - Trauma Disorders (e.g., Post-traumatic Stress Disorder)
  - □ Eating Disorders
  - Oppositional Defiant or Conduct Disorders
  - □ Substance-Related Disorders
  - □ Neurocognitive Disorders (e.g., dementia)
  - Personality Disorders
  - □ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 5.7.b If yes, what symptoms do you experience (check all that apply)?
  - □ Depressed mood
  - □ Change in weight or appetite
  - $\Box$  Feelings of worthlessness, self-reproach, or guilt
  - Change in sleeping patterns (too much/little, disturbances)
  - Thoughts of death, suicide, or wishes to be dead
  - □ Speaking and/or moving with unusual speed or slowness
  - □ Loss of interest or pleasure in usual activities
  - □ Withdrawal from family and friends
  - □ Fatigue or loss of energy
  - Diminished ability to think or concentrate, slowed thinking or indecisiveness
  - Extreme anxiety, agitation, or enraged behavior
  - □ Impulsive risks taking
  - □ Aggressive tendencies
  - Excessive drug and/or alcohol use or abuse
  - □ Neglect of physical health
  - □ Feelings of hopelessness or desperation
  - Physical illness impacting your ability to perform in the capacity of the job
  - □ Concern over impending retirement
  - □ Domestic violence
  - □ Chronic illness

- □ Financial problems
- □ Relationship problems (pending divorce, affairs)
  - Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- 5.8 Does someone in your family suffer from a psychiatric disorder?

□ Yes

 $\Box$  No (if no, skip to question 5.9)

5.8.a If yes, select all who apply:

- □ Father
- □ Mother
- □ Spouse
- □ Child
- □ Sibling
- $\Box$  Other \_
- 5.8.b Which psychiatric disorder does this family member suffer from (Check all that apply and write in the person's relationship to you in the blank line)?

Autism Spectrum Disorder
ADHD
Schizophrenia or Other Psychotic Disorders
Depressive Disorders
Bipolar Disorders
Anxiety/OCD Disorders
Trauma Disorders (e.g., Post-traumatic Stress Disorder)
Eating Disorders
Eating Disorders
Eating Disorders Oppositional Defiant or Conduct Disorders
Eating Disorders Oppositional Defiant or Conduct Disorders Substance-Related Disorders

5.9 Have you experienced abuse from another person?

- □ Yes
- $\Box$  No (if no, skip to question 5.10)
- 5.9.a If yes, what type of abuse did you experience (check all that apply)?

- □ Sexual
- □ Verbal
- □ Emotional
- □ Physical
- □ Mental
- □ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

5.9.b If yes, from whom did you experience the abuse (check all that apply)?

- □ Parent/Guardian
- □ Sibling
- □ Other relative
- □ Spouse/Partner
- □ Teacher or mentor
- $\Box$  Member of the clergy
- □ Colleague/Boss/Supervisor
- □ Stranger
- Other (specify):
- 5.10 Have you ever experienced any of the following (check all that apply)?
  - □ A family member with a serious illness
  - □ Financial strain
  - □ Domestic violence
  - □ Marriage
  - Divorce
  - □ Birth of child
  - □ Loss of job (you or family member)
  - □ Relational problems
  - □ Social difficulties
  - Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 5.11 Has anything happened of an emotional nature that has shocked or had a lasting effect on you (other than the assault under study)?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No

5.11.a If yes, describe the situation:

5.12 Do you suffer from a traumatic brain injury?

Yes
No

5.12.a If yes, what caused the traumatic brain injury?

5.13 Is there anything else about **personal stressors** you'd like to tell us?

## **V. ATTITUDES TOWARD AUTHORITY**

- 6.1 Using the scale below, how was your relationship with the following authority figures in your life?
  - 1 = Excellent
  - 2 = Good
  - 3 = Fair
  - 4 = Poor
  - 5 = Very Poor
  - 9 = Does not Apply
  - 6.1.aMale Parent/Guardian6.1.bFemale Parent/Guardian6.1.cTeachers6.1.dOther Adults6.1.eWork Supervisors6.1.fSuperior Officers6.1.gClergy6.1.hPolice Officers
- 6.2 How old were you when you first encountered the police? \_\_\_\_\_ Years.
- 6.3 What were the circumstances of that first encounter?
  - □ Friend/Family Acquaintance
  - □ School Program
  - □ Traffic Stop
  - □ Victim of Crime
  - □ Subject of a Crime
  - □ Witness of a Crime
  - □ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 6.4 What impression did this first encounter leave with you?
  - □ Good Experience, Liked the Officer
  - Bad Experience, Disliked the Officer
  - □ The Experience Made no Impression
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 6.5 Prior to the assault, did you ever think or fantasize about killing or assaulting a police officer?

- □ Yes
- $\Box$  No (if no, skip to question 6.8)

6.5.a If yes, what did you fantasize about?

- □ While committing another crime
- □ Execution-style Murder
- □ Sadistic Murder
- □ In Hand-to-Hand Combat
- □ In a Shootout
- □ Other \_\_\_\_\_

6.5.b What weapon did you fantasize about using?

- □ Handgun
- □ Rifle
- □ Shotgun
- □ Knife, Cutting Instrument
- Blunt Object (e.g., baseball bat)
- □ Hands, Fist, Feet, etc.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 6.6 Prior to the assault, did you ever think or fantasize about killing or assaulting other people?
  - □ Yes
  - $\Box$  No (if no, skip to question 6.9)

6.6.a If yes, what did you fantasize about?

- □ While committing another crime
- □ Execution-style Murder
- □ Sadistic Murder
- □ In Hand-to-Hand Combat
- □ In a Shootout
- □ Other \_\_\_\_\_

6.6.b What weapon did you fantasize about using?

- □ Handgun
- □ Rifle

- Shotgun
- Knife, Cutting Instrument
- Blunt Object (e.g., baseball bat)
- Hands, Fist, Feet, etc.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 6.7 Were your attitudes toward the police influenced by media (e.g., social media, print, television, etc.)?
  - Yes

No

- 6.7.a If Yes, please explain:
- 6.7.b Was there a specific news story that influenced your attitudes toward LE?
  - Yes No
- 6.7.c If Yes, what about that story influenced you?
- 6.8 Were your attitudes toward the police influenced by officer-involved shootings and other headlines?
  - Yes

 $\square$ No

- 6.8.a If Yes, please explain:
- Was there a specific event that influenced your attitudes toward LE? 6.8.b
  - Yes
    - No
- 6.8.c If Yes, what about that event influenced you?
- 6.9 Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about your **attitudes toward authority**?

# VI. CRIMINAL HISTORY

**NOTE: PLASE DO NOT GIVE DETAILS ABOUT CRIMES FOR WHICH YOU WERE NOT CONVICTED.** Participation in this research study will not affect your current sentence in any way. If you discuss crimes for which you have not been convicted, or any future crimes you are planning, the researchers will be legally obligated to investigate or report this information.

- 7.1 How old were you when you committed your first crime? \_\_\_\_\_\_ years.
  - 7.1.a What was that crime?
  - □ Arson
  - □ Assault
  - □ Burglary
  - □ Disorderly Conduct
  - □ Domestic Violence
  - □ Drug-Related Matter
  - Driving While Intoxicated
  - □ Forgery
  - □ Fraud
  - □ Gambling
  - □ Homicide
  - □ Larceny/Theft
  - □ Motor Vehicle Theft
  - $\Box$  Other Sex Offenses
  - □ Rape
  - □ Receiving Stolen Property
  - □ Robbery
  - □ Traffic Violation
  - □ Vandalism
  - □ Weapon Sale
  - □ Weapon Use
  - □ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- 7.2 How did you feel after that first crime (check all that apply)?
  - □ Angry
  - □ Confused
  - □ Depressed
  - □ Enhanced Status
  - □ Excited
  - □ Frightened
  - □ Frustrated
  - □ Guilty
  - □ Happy
  - □ Nervous
  - □ Proud
  - □ No Feeling
  - $\Box$  Other: \_\_\_\_

7.3 Did you expect to get caught for this first crime?

- □ Yes
- □ No

7.3.a If yes, what did you expect would happen to you (check all that apply)?

- □ Arrested
- □ Confinement (Jail/Detention Center)
- $\Box$  Get Away with it.
- □ Monetary Fine
- □ Parental Discipline
- □ Police Record
- □ The Assault Under Study was the First Crime
- □ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 7.4 What were the consequences of your first crime (check all that apply)?
  - □ Arrested
  - □ Confinement (Jail/Juvenile)
  - □ Got Away with it.
  - □ Monetary Fine
  - Parental Discipline
  - Police Record
  - □ The Assault Under Study was the First Crime
  - □ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 7.5 In what ways were you confined before becoming an adult (check all that apply)?

Adult detention (juvenile charged and confined as an adult)

□ Juvenile Detention Center

- Overnight (pending arraignment or released to guardian)
- Group Home/Halfway House
- □ None
- □ Other\_\_\_\_\_
- 7.6 How were you different when you were released from confinement? (That is, what, if anything did you learn, such as street smarts, etc.)
- 7.7 How old were you when you were first confined?
- 7.8 How long were you confined at that time? \_\_\_\_\_
- 7.9 Have you ever run away or escaped from a correctional facility?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No
  - 7.9.a If yes, please tell us about that.
  - 7.9.b If yes, what did you learn from that experience?

7.10 Which of the following crimes were you convicted of at any time in your life, excluding the incident of investigation (check all that apply)? **Reminder: Do not give details about crimes for which you were not convicted.** 

	YES	NO	NUMBER OF ACTS
Arson			
Assault			
Burglary			
Disorderly Conduct			
Domestic Violence			
Drug-Related Matter			
Driving While Intoxicated			
Forgery			
Fraud			
Gambling			
Homicide			
Larceny/Theft			
Motor Vehicle Theft			
Other Sex Offenses			
Rape			
<b>Receiving Stolen Property</b>			
Robbery			
Traffic Violation			
Vandalism			
Weapon Sale			
Weapon Use			
Other			

Describe:

# NOTE TO INTERVIEWER: USE THE FOLLOWING DATA FOR *LATER* [QUESTION 8.7] WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THIS ASSAULT. DID THEIR WEAPON CHANGE, AND IF SO, WHY?

- 7.10.a If Homicide, which of the following circumstances best describes your motive (enter the number of the following circumstances for each homicide)?
  - 1 Criminal Activity
  - 2 Crime of Passion
  - 3 Fight/Quarrel
  - 4 For Hire
  - 5 Jealousy
  - 6 Revenge
  - 7 Other (explain)

Incident	1:	 

Incident 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident 3: \_\_\_\_\_

- 7.10.b If Homicide, what type of weapon (weapons) were used for each incident (enter the number of the type of weapon used for each incident)?
  - 1 Handgun
  - 2 Hands, Fist, Feet
  - 3 Knife or Bladed Instrument
  - 4 Rifle
  - 5 Shotgun
  - 6 Other (explain)

Incident 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident 2: \_\_\_\_\_

- 7.10.c If Homicide, how were the weapon (weapons) obtained (unless hands, fists, or feet were used)?
  - □ Legally purchased in a store
  - □ Legally purchased from an individual
  - □ Legally purchased at a gun show
  - □ Legally borrowed
  - □ Illegally purchased in a store
  - □ Illegally purchased/traded from an individual
  - $\Box$  Illegally purchased at a gun show
  - □ Illegally borrowed
  - □ Stolen
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):

- 7.10.d If Assault, which of the following best describes the circumstance for each incident (enter the number of the following circumstances for each incident)?
  - 1 Criminal Activity
  - 2 Crime of Passion
  - 3 Fight/Quarrel
  - 4 For Hire
  - 5 Jealousy
  - 6 Revenge
  - 7 Other (explain)

	Incident	1:			
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Incident 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident 3: \_\_\_\_\_

- 7.10.e If Assault, what type of weapon (weapons) were used for each incident (enter the number of the type of weapon used for each incident)?
  - 1 Handgun
  - 2 Hands, Fist, Feet
  - 3 Knife or Bladed Instrument
  - 4 Rifle
  - 5 Shotgun
  - 6 Other (explain)

Incident 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident 2: \_\_\_\_\_

- 7.10.f If Assault, how was the weapon (weapons) obtained (unless hands, fists, or feet were used)?
  - □ Legally purchased in a store
  - $\Box$  Legally purchased from an individual
  - □ Legally purchased at a gun show
  - □ Legally borrowed
  - □ Illegally purchased in a store
  - □ Illegally purchased/traded from an individual
  - □ Illegally purchased at a gun show
  - □ Illegally borrowed
  - □ Stolen
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):

#### 7.11 Prior to incident, how many times have you assaulted a police officer?

- 7.11.a Which of the following best describes the circumstance for each incident (enter the number of the following circumstances for each incident)?
  - 1. Ambush
  - 2. Attempted Escape
  - 3. Burglary Arrest
  - 4. Domestic Disturbance Arrest
  - 5. Drug Arrest
  - 6. Public Disturbance Arrest
  - 7. Questioning by Police No Arrest
  - 8. Robbery Arrest
  - 9. Showing off for Friends
  - 10. Traffic Arrest
  - 11. Other (explain):

Incident 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident 3: \_\_\_\_\_

7.12 Prior to incident, how many times have you attempted to kill a police officer? \_\_\_\_\_

7.12.a Which of the following best describes the circumstance for each incident (enter the number of the following circumstances for each incident)?

- 1. Ambush
- 2. Attempted Escape
- 3. Burglary Arrest
- 4. Domestic Disturbance Arrest
- 5. Drug Arrest
- 6. Public Disturbance Arrest
- 7. Questioning by Police No Arrest
- 8. Robbery Arrest
- 9. Showing off for Friends
- 10. Traffic Arrest
- 11. Other (explain):

Incident 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident 2: \_\_\_\_\_

- 7.13 Prior to incident, were you ever involved in a confrontation with a police officer?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No

7.13.a If Yes, check all of the following that apply:

- D Physical Confrontation (Pushing, Shoving, Resisting)
- □ Verbal Confrontation
- □ Weapons Involvement
- 7.13.b If physical and/or weapons were involved, what type of weapon was used for each incident (enter the number of the type of weapon used for each incident)?
  - 1 Handgun
  - 2 Hands, Fist, Feet
  - 3 Knife or Bladed Instrument
  - 4 Rifle
  - 5 Shotgun
  - 6 Other (explain)

Incident 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident 2: \_\_\_\_\_

- 7.14 Did you ever consider the possibility that you might be killed or severely injured during the commission of a crime?
  - □ Yes
  - $\Box$  No I knew I would come out on top
  - $\Box$  No I never gave it a thought
- 7.15 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about your **criminal history**?

## VII. WEAPONS

- 8.1 Check all weapons you were exposed to as a child or teenager:
  - □ Explosive Devices
  - □ Handguns
  - □ Knives or Other Bladed Instruments
  - □ Martial Arts
  - □ Rifles/Long Guns
  - □ Shotguns
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):
- 8.2 At what age did you start carrying weapons? \_\_\_\_\_ Years.
  - 8.2.a Which type of weapons did you first carry (check all that apply)?
  - □ Club/Blunt Objects
  - □ Explosive Devices
  - □ Handguns
  - □ Knives or Other Bladed Instruments
  - □ Rifles/Long Guns
  - □ Shotguns
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):
- 8.3 How did you obtain this/these weapons (check all that apply)?
  - □ Legally purchased in a store
  - Legally purchased from an individual
  - Legally purchased at a gun show
  - □ Legally borrowed
  - □ Illegally purchased in a store
  - □ Illegally purchased/traded from an individual
  - □ Illegally purchased at a gun show
  - □ Illegally borrowed
  - □ Stolen
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):
- 8.4 Before your incarceration, when/where did you carry weapons? Use the following scale for how often you carried:

#### **SCALE**

	1 = Always		
	2 = Frequent	tly	
3 = Sometimes			
4 = Infrequently			
	5 = Never		
<u>Weapon</u>		Yes	How Often?
At Home			
At Work			
Traveling (specific destination	on)		
Traveling (no specific destination)			
While Involved in Criminal	Activity		. <u></u>

8.5 What type of weapons did you mostly carry (check one per weapon column, with weapon 1 being your primary, go-to weapon of choice)?

While Socializing

	Weapon 1	Weapon 2	Weapon 3
Club/Blunt Objects			
Explosive Devices			
Handguns			
Knives or Other Bladed Instruments			
Rifles/Long Guns			
Shotguns			
Other (explain):			

- 8.6 How many firearms have you possessed in your life (check one)?
  - □ None
  - □ One
  - □ Two
  - □ Three
  - □ Four
  - □ Five
  - □ Six to Ten
  - □ Eleven to Fifteen
  - □ Sixteen to Twenty
  - $\Box$  More than Twenty
- 8.7 Did you use any weapons for the assault under study?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No
  - 8.7.a If Yes, what weapon(s) did you use (check all that apply)?
    - □ Club/Blunt Objects
    - Explosive Devices
    - □ Handguns
    - □ Knives or Other Bladed Instruments
    - □ Rifles/Long Guns
    - □ Shotguns
    - $\Box$  Other (explain):
  - 8.7.b How often did you practice or train using this weapon?
- 8.8 If you used a firearm in the assault we're talking about, how many rounds did you fire?
  - 8.8.a How many of these shots hit the officer?

- 8.9 If you kept weapons in your vehicle, where did you keep them (check all that apply)?
  - $\Box$  Beneath the Seat
  - □ Glove Compartment
  - □ In the Center Console
  - $\Box$  On the Seat
  - □ On Yourself
  - □ Trunk
  - □ Visor
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):
  - □ I Didn't Keep a Weapon in My Vehicle
- 8.10 If you kept weapons on your person, where did you keep them (check all that apply)?
  - □ Ankle Holster
  - □ In beltline/holster (front and side)
  - □ In Crotch
  - □ In Jacket Pocket
  - □ In Pants Pocket
  - □ In the Small of Your Back
  - □ Under Your Arm
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):
  - □ I Didn't Keep a Weapon on My Person
- 8.11 If you kept weapons in your residence, where did you keep them (check all that apply)?
  - $\Box$  At the Front Door
  - □ Attic
  - □ Basement
  - □ Bedroom Closet
  - □ Garage
  - □ Nightstand
  - □ Other Closet
  - □ Under the Pillow
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):
  - □ I Didn't Keep a Weapon in my Residence

8.12 Have you ever encountered law enforcement with a weapon in your possession and

chosen not to use it?

- □ Yes
- □ No

8.12.a If Yes, what type of weapon was it (check all that apply)?

- □ Club/Blunt Objects
- Explosive Devices
- Handguns
- □ Knives or Other Bladed Instruments
- □ Rifles/Long Guns
- □ Shotguns
- $\Box$  Other (explain):
- 8.12.b Using the following scale, why did you choose not to use the weapon in each situation?

		Incident 1	Incident 2	Incident 3
1.	Afraid			
2.	No Opportunity			
3.	Not Immediately Available			
4.	Other (explain):			

#### 8.13 Are you trained in Martial Arts?

- □ Yes
- □ No

8.13.a If Yes, describe if and how that came into play during the assault under study:

8.14 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about **weapons**?

## VIII. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE

## **ENCOUNTER SCENE**

9.1 Please circle the location in which the assault occurred:

1. Alabama	27. Montana
2. Alaska	28. Nebraska
3. Arizona	20. Nevada
4. Arkansas	30. New Hampshire
5. California	31. New Jersey
6. Colorado	32. New Mexico
7. Connecticut	33. New York
8. Delaware	34. North Carolina
9. District of Columbia	35. North Dakota
10. Florida	36. Ohio
11. Georgia	37. Oklahoma
12. Hawaii	38. Oregon
13. Idaho	39. Pennsylvania
14. Illinois	40. Rhode Island
15. Indiana	41. South Carolina
16. Iowa	42. South Dakota
17. Kansas	43. Tennessee
18. Kentucky	44. Texas
19. Louisiana	45. Utah
20. Maine	46. Vermont
21. Maryland	47. Virginia
22. Massachusetts	48. Washington
23. Michigan	49. West Virginia
24. Minnesota	50. Wisconsin
25. Mississippi	51. Wyoming
26. Missouri	, ,
9.2 In which month was the assault?	

9.3 On which day of the week was the assault? \_\_\_\_\_

9.4 At what hour (closest estimate, using Military Clock) was the assault? \_\_\_\_\_

9.5 What were the weather conditions at the time of the assault (check all that

apply)?

- □ Clear (Unremarkable)
- □ Fair, Warm
- □ Foggy
- □ Rain
- □ Snow
- $\Box$  Very Cold
- □ Very Hot
- □ I Don't Remember
- $\Box$  Other (explain):
- 9.6 Lighting conditions at the time of the assault (check all that apply):
- □ Artificial Lighting
- □ Daylight
- Dawn (Before Sunrise)
- Dusk (After Sunset)
- □ Full Moon
- □ Dark
- 9.7 Were the existing lighting conditions an influencing factor in your decision to assault the officer?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No
  - $\Box$  I didn't think about it

- 9.8 What was the location when you first encountered the officer?
- □ Air/Bus/Train Terminal
- □ Bank/Savings & Loan Institution
- □ Bar/Night Club
- □ Church/Mosque/Synagogue/Temple
- □ Commercial/Office Building
- □ Convenience Store
- □ Department/Discount Store
- □ Doctor's Office/Hospital
- □ Drug Store/Pharmacy
- □ Field/Woods
- □ Gas Station
- □ Government/Public Building
- Grocery Store/Supermarket
- □ Highway/Road/Ally
- □ Hotel/Motel
- □ Jail/Prison
- □ Lake/Waterway
- □ Liquor Store
- □ Parking Lot/Garage
- □ Rental Storage Facility
- □ Residence/House/Apartment
- □ Restaurant
- □ School/College/University
- □ Specialty Store
- $\Box$  Other (explain):
- 9.9 Was the location of the encounter the same as the location of the assault?
- □ Yes
- □ No
- 9.9.a If No, why?
  - □ Foot pursuit
  - □ In Custody, Being Transported
  - □ Vehicle Pursuit
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):
- 9.9.b If there was a vehicle or foot pursuit, did you deliberately lead the officer(s) on a planned route or into a particular area?
  - □ Yes
  - □ No

- 9.9.c If Yes to 9.9.b, why did you choose that particular route or area?
- 9.9.d If Yes to 9.9, where did the assault take place (scene of assault different from scene of encounter)?
  - □ Air/Bus/Train Terminal
  - □ Bank/Savings & Loan Institution
  - □ Bar/Night Club
  - □ Church/Mosque/Synagogue/Temple
  - □ Commercial/Office Building
  - □ Convenience Store
  - □ Department/Discount Store
  - Doctor's Office/Hospital
  - □ Drug Store/Pharmacy
  - □ Field/Woods
  - □ Gas Station
  - □ Government/Public Building
  - □ Grocery Store/Supermarket
  - □ Highway/Road/Ally
  - □ Hotel/Motel
  - □ Jail/Prison
  - □ Lake/Waterway
  - □ Liquor Store
  - □ Parking Lot/Garage
  - □ Rental Storage Facility
  - □ Residence/House/Apartment
  - □ Restaurant
  - □ School/College/University
  - □ Specialty Store
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):

9.10 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the **Scene of the Encounter**?

# IX. THE ATTACK

### **PART I: QUANTITATIVE QUESTIONS**

- 10.1 Did you know any police officers prior to the assault in question?
- □ Yes
- □ No

#### 10.1.a If yes, what was their relationship to you?

- □ Casual Friend
- □ Acquaintance
- □ Neighbor
- □ Close Friend
- □ Relative
- □ Professional
- □ Other
- 10.2 Was this officer the victim of the assault in question?
- □ Yes
- □ No

10.3 How old were you at the time of the assault?

- 10.4 What was your frame of mind immediately **before** the attack (choose not mor than three of the following)?
  - □ Agitated/Uneasy/Restless
  - □ Angry/Hostile
  - □ Calm/Relaxed
  - □ Confused
  - □ Depressed/Unhappy/Sad
  - □ Desperate
  - □ Excited
  - □ Frightened/Scared/Terrified
  - □ Frustrated/Aggravated
  - □ Guilty/Sorry for things Done
  - □ Lonely
  - □ Nervous/Anxious/Tense/On Edge
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):
- 10.5 What was your frame of mind immediately **during** the attack (choose no more than three of the following)?

- □ Agitated/Uneasy/Restless
- □ Angry/Hostile
- □ Calm/Relaxed
- □ Confused
- Depressed/Unhappy/Sad
- □ Desperate
- □ Excited
- □ Frightened/Scared/Terrified
- □ Frustrated/Aggravated
- □ Guilty/Sorry for things Done
- □ Lonely
- □ Nervous/Anxious/Tense/On Edge
- $\Box$  Other (explain):
- 10.6 What was your frame of mind immediately **after** the attack (choose no more than three of the following)?
  - □ Agitated/Uneasy/Restless
  - □ Angry/Hostile
  - □ Calm/Relaxed
  - □ Confused
  - □ Depressed/Unhappy/Sad
  - Desperate
  - □ Excited
  - □ Frightened/Scared/Terrified
  - □ Frustrated/Aggravated
  - □ Guilty/Sorry for things Done
  - □ Lonely
  - □ Nervous/Anxious/Tense/On Edge
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):
  - 10.7 Were you in emotional crisis before the assault (i.e., surpassed your ability to

cope)?

- □ Yes
- □ No
- 10.7.a If Yes, what do you think was the cause of your crisis?
- 10.8 Which of the following best describes the assault?
- □ Impulsive

□ Opportunistic
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 $\Box$  Other (explain):

10.9 How long was it between your first encounter with the police officer and the

attack?

	Immediate/Blitz Within 10 to 30 seconds Within 31 to 60 seconds Within one – 10 minutes Longer than 10 minutes (specify): I don't remember				
10.10	Were t	ere there others involved in the assault?			
	Yes No				
10.10.a		If Yes, how m	any besides you?		
10.10.b		Among these,	how many were <b>males</b> ?		
10.10.c		Among these, how many were <b>females</b> ?			
10.10.d		If there were multiple people involved in the attack, what was your role?			
		Leader/Initiato Follower/Actio Other (explain	on-Taker		
10.11	Had yo	you been drinking before the assault?			
	Yes No				
10.11.	a	If Yes, what h	ad you been drinking (check all	that apply)?	
		Beer Liquor Wine	How many? How many? How many?		
10.11.b		If Yes, how long before the assault? Hours.			
10.11.c		If Yes, was this typical of your drinking (check one)?			

- □ Not at all Typical
- □ Mostly Not Typical
- □ Mostly Typical
- □ Completely Typical

10.12 Had you taken any drugs before the assault?

- □ Yes
- □ No

10.12.a If Yes, what had you taken (check all that apply)?

- □ Cocaine or its derivatives (e.g., crack)
- □ Ecstasy or Molly
- □ Hallucinogens
- □ Marijuana
- □ Methamphetamines
- Opium, Heroin, and Other Opioids (e.g., Fentanyl)
- □ Steroids
- □ Synthetic Cannabinoids
- □ Synthetic Narcotics
- $\Box$  Other (describe)

10.12.b If Yes, how long before the assault? \_\_\_\_\_ Hours.

- 10.12.c If Yes, was this typical of your drug use (check one)?
  - □ Not at all Typical
  - □ Mostly Not Typical
  - □ Mostly Typical
  - □ Completely Typical

10.13 What was the nature of the conversation at the time of the assault (check as many as apply to you and the police officer)?

	You	Officer
Abusive/Degrading/Insulting		
Complimentary		
Inquisitive (asking about each other)		
Manipulative/Conning		
Personal		
Polite/Friendly		
Silent (No conversation)		
Other (explain)		

- 10.14 What, if anything, did you do to prevent or destroy identifying evidence after the assault (check all that apply)?
  - □ Disguise
  - □ Took Evidence
  - $\Box$  Wore Gloves
  - $\Box$  Other (explain)
  - 10.15 Were you injured during the assault on the officer?
  - □ Yes □ No
  - 10.15.a If Yes, describe your injuries.
  - 10.15.b If Yes, did your injuries require hospitalization?
    - □ Yes □ No

## 10.15.c If you were injured, how did the injuries happen?

- □ Injured in the initial confrontation (by the victim)
- □ Injured by the victim after they were assaulted
- □ Injured by assisting officers
- □ Injured at a later arrest location
- □ Other (explain)
- 10.15.d If you were hospitalized, how many days were you there? \_\_\_\_\_ Days.

10.16 What was your initial assessment of the officer you assaulted (check all that

apply)?

- □ Afraid
- □ Anxious
- □ Carefree
- □ Capable
- □ Confident
- □ Decisive
- □ Indecisive
- □ Loud
- □ Menacing
- □ Neat
- Passive
- Prepared
- Professional
- □ Sloppy
- □ Soft-Spoken
- □ Surprised
- □ Weak
- $\Box$  Other (explain)
- 10.17 Was there anything about the officer that may have influenced your decision to assault them (check all that apply)?
  - □ Apparent Age
  - □ Height
  - □ Race
  - □ Sex
  - □ Weight
  - $\Box$  Other (explain)
  - 10.17.a Please discuss your choices:

- 10.18 What did you observed that led you to believe you could take the officer (check all that apply)?
  - $\Box$  The officer appeared afraid
  - The officer appeared unsure, hesitant
  - The officer appeared weaker than me
  - □ The officer was cocky, overconfident
  - □ The officer was too nice, easy going
  - □ The officer wasn't paying attention/was distracted
  - □ Other (explain)
- 10.19 In your opinion, what kind of physical shape did the officer appear to be in?
  - □ Strong/In Shape
  - □ Average Condition
  - □ Inferior (small, skinny, weak)
  - □ Overweight, Out of Shape
  - Didn't Notice
  - $\Box$  Other (explain):
- 10.20 During the initial contact with the victim officer, who initiated the conversation?
  - □ I Did
  - □ The Officer
  - □ Can't Recall
  - 10.20.a What were the officer's first words?
  - 10.20.b How did you react to the officer's initial statement?
  - 10.20.c What were your first words?
  - 10.20.d How did the officer seem to react to your initial statement?
- 10.21 What did you do when you were initially confronted by the officer you assaulted (check all that apply)?
  - □ Attempted to feign cooperation
  - $\Box$  Attempted to flee
  - □ Attempted to overpower the officer
  - □ Attempted to physically intimidate the officer
  - □ Attempted to verbally intimidate the officer
  - □ Hesitated (looked for an opportunity to either escape or attack)
  - □ Immediately assaulted the officer (blitz attack)
  - $\Box$  Other (explain)

10.22 Did you notice if the victim officer(s) in this incident was wearing body armor?

□ Yes □ No

10.22.a If Yes, did this effect how you assaulted the officer?

10.22.b If Yes to 10.22.a, please explain:

10.23 During the initial confrontation, did you notice if the officer had anything in their

hands?

□ Yes □ No

10.23.a If yes, what did you think was in their hands (check all that apply)?

- □ Don't recall
- □ Flashlight
- □ Knight Stick/Baton
- □ Service Weapon (Handgun, Firearm)
- □ Other (explain):

### PART II: QUALITATIVE QUESTIONS

We will now ask you a series of open questions about the assault we are studying. Please answer as fully as possible, and if you do not understand something, please ask. Remember that some of these questions may make you feel uncomfortable. You do not need to answer any questions that you do not want to. You may end the interview at any time. You may also ask for a break at any time.

### **CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SCENE**

- 10.24 Please tell us about why you were at the location of the assault.
- 10.25 Please describe the scene (e.g., people, crowd, darkness, etc.).
- 10.26 Did your awareness of possible media coverage and bystander cellphone use influence your decisions during the encounter? If so, please elaborate.

### **CHARACTERISTICS OF THE OFFICER**

- 10.27 Describe when you first encountered the officer. What were they doing? What was their attitude toward you?
- 10.28 Was the officer alone or with others? If they were with others, what did they do during the assault?
- 10.29 Did you know or have any prior encounters with the officer? If so, please describe.
- 10.30 Please describe the moment when you decided to attack the officer. What went into that decision?
  - 10.31 Did you perceive any warning signs from the officer? If so, what were they?

## CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ASSAULT

- 10.32 In as much detail as you can, walk us through the assault. Include descriptions **your** weapons, actions, words, etc., AND of **the officer's** weapons, actions, words, etc.
  - 10.33 Please describe your thoughts during the assault.
  - 10.34 Please describe your feelings during the assault.
- 10.35 Please tell us about what you did to defend yourself during the assault (e.g., hand-to-hand combat, use of weapon, etc.).
- 10.36 Please explain your decision to use aggression in this situation.
- 10.37 What were you hoping to accomplish by attacking the officer? That is, what motivated you (e.g., personal conflict, recent stress, avoiding arrest, retaliation for police violence)?
- 10.38 Did the media narrative surrounding police violence against citizens influence your decision to assault the officer? Please explain.

10.39 What actions did you take to subdue the officer, and how successful were they?

10.40 What was the outcome of the assault?

- 10.41 Tell us about any injuries you sustained. Include when you first became aware that you were injured.
- 10.42 Were you hospitalized? If so, how long was it before you were released?
- 10.43 Was anybody else that was with you, or a bystander, injured or killed during the assault? If yes, please describe.
- 10.44 Was the officer injured or killed? Please describe.
- 10.45 What do you think was most beneficial to the officer's ability to survive this assault?
- 10.46 Is there anything else about the **assault** you'd like to tell us?

# **X. POST-ASSAULT**

- 11.1 Please tell us about how the incident ended.
- 11.2 Tell us how you were apprehended.
- 11.3 Where were you when you were arrested?
- 11.4 Did you resist arrest? If so, tell us about that.
- 11.5 Was your assault reported by the media, and if so, how do you believe that influenced the disposition of your case?
- 11.6 Was your assault reported on social media, and if so, how do you believe that influenced the disposition of your case?
  - 11.7 Describe any lingering **physical** conditions you may have from your assault.
  - 11.8 Describe any lingering **psychological** effects of your assault.
  - 11.9 Is there anything else you'd like to teel us about the **post-assault**?

# XI. THANK YOU AND RESOURCES

Do you have any questions before we wrap up?

Thank the interviewee for taking the time to visit with us.

If this has raised emotions that are difficult, please reach out to the psychologist, psychiatrist, or social worker here at the prison.