

Investigative Report #11

**TO:** RALPH J. RAY, JR.  
Chief Assistant State Attorney

**FROM:** PHILIP J. MUNDY  
Investigator

**SUBJ:** Statement of Bobby Lee Jones

**RE:** Homicide Investigation of Adam Walsh

**ENCL:** 1) Transcript of Statement of Bobby Lee Jones

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On September 16, 1996, the sworn statement of Bobby Lee Jones was taken from him at the Jackson Correctional Institute where he is currently an inmate. Jones is due for release in the second quarter of 1997.

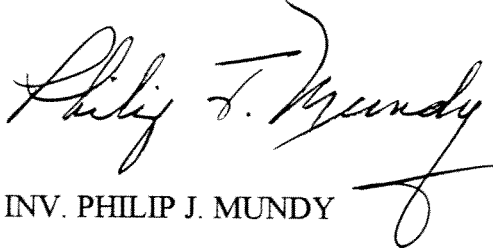
Jones started working for Southeast Colorcoat in March of 1982 and it was then that he met **OTTIS TOOLE** who was also employed there. Around July 1982, **TOOLE** started talking about crimes he had committed including the killing of a little boy. **TOOLE** talked of cutting up the child's body and throwing the head in a creek. Jones recalled **TOOLE** telling him that he lured the child to his car by telling the boy he was taking him to his father. These statements to Jones are thus far the first known admissions by **TOOLE** to the slaying of Adam Walsh.

The second time **TOOLE** told the witness about the boy's murder was in the Duval County Jail in 1983. At that time Jones did give a statement to Hollywood Police Department detectives but it was focused on the question of whether **TOOLE** had seen the movie "Adam" on television in the jail cell. In his current statement Jones states that in 1983 **TOOLE** told him that he cut the child's head off, cut the body up and burned it, and threw the head in a creek.

**TOOLE** also discussed the Hollywood area with Jones and his statement reflects that from what **TOOLE** said he believed that **TOOLE** had been in that city and was familiar with it. Of particular note was **TOOLE** described to him a small airport near a mental hospital. This is obviously North Perry Airport and South Florida State Hospital. **TOOLE** also talked about the Amtrak Station, Young Circle, Opa Locka, and Overtown.

From photographs provided by the Hollywood P.D., Jones identified **TOOLE'S** Cadillac and pointed out the dented right rear bumper that he caused by backing into **TOOLE'S** vehicle. This happened sometime around April of 1982. William Mistler has told police he saw a dent in the rear bumper of **TOOLE'S** Cadillac when he claims to have observed it on July 27, 1981.

Jones described how he had occasion to look in **TOOLE'S** Cadillac in 1982 and observed the handle of a "knife" that was under the front seat. From his description, the weapon he saw was not the bayonet or the taped handled machete that are now in police custody.

  
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cc: Det. Mark Smith, Hollywood P.D., with enclosures