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RE-INTERVIEW: SARAH PALIN CONTINUED

Palin also advised that a friend of hers, Deane Monk, told her a few months ago Wooten came up and challenged her husband, stating if he ever caught him spinning his tires again he would get him. Palin also advised that she again had no first hand knowledge of the incident.

INTERVIEW: TODD PALIN

Palin was interviewed on 8-18-05, at 1705 hours at his residence in Wasilla by Sgt. Wall (recorded, transcribed).

Todd Palin stated that on April 4, 2005, he telephoned Wooten to advise him to get the divorce over with and resolve the issues. Palin stated that he had been told by Molly about Wooten's claims to bring his wife down and he asked Wooten about the comments. Palin stated that Wooten denied making the comment to him. Palin stated that the remainder of the conversation related to divorce issues.

Todd Palin was asked about Wooten shooting the moose in September 2003. He advised that Wooten had told him that he shot the moose. Wooten also related to him that Molly drew the permit and that Mike had dropped off the moose at Chuck Heath's. Palin further related that he did not know if Molly had taken a gun to shoot the moose or not. Palin stated that Wooten told Chuck Heath that he would be back to take care of the meat and never showed up. Palin did not know if Wooten had told Heath that he shot the moose. Palin further related that he was aware that Molly had been drawn for the permit hunt.

Todd Palin advised that he didn't think that Wooten displayed good judgement. Palin supported this by using the incident where Wooten argued with the land fill employee. When questioned about the incident, Palin stated that he did not have any first hand knowledge of the incident and that he had been told that Wooten was upset over a \$5 fine for an unsecured load. Palin advised that the boss was then called into the central station and Wooten used his badge and argued about the fee. Palin stated that more details could be obtained from the employee but both he and the PI talked to the employee on separate occasions.

Todd Palin was asked about witnessing Wooten make disparaging comments regarding Alaska natives. Palin advised that he has witnessed Wooten say "fucking Native" to Payton when he was upset. Palin stated that this could have been the spring of 2004. Palin advised that he had only seen this one time but doesn't know how often it may have happened.

Todd Palin was questioned about his knowledge of Wooten drinking and driving. Palin advised that the bartender of the Mug Shot Saloon indicated that Wooten threw out his badge and got involved in another couple's business. Palin advised that the bartender told Wooten that the patron was a friend of the owner and Wooten still wanted him removed. Palin stated that the bartender was afraid to disagree with Wooten and removed the patron. Palin advised that Molly

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INTERVIEW: TODD PALIN CONTINUED

was told the same story with the only exception being that when Mike threw out his badge he said, "let me introduce myself." Palin also stated that the bartender stated he served Wooten a beer while he was there and that he didn't know how many drinks he had before he arrived at the bar.

Palin was asked about hiring the PI and stated that he had done so without telling Molly. Palin further advised that he felt that Wooten doesn't have the character to be a state trooper. He advised that this is demonstrated by taking a moose out of season, the issue with the \$5 fee at the landfill and drinking a beer while driving after being on the DUI team and MADD commercials.

Todd Palin also advised that he had just found out about Wooten using a Taser on Payton this year. Palin stated that this also brings Wooten's judgment into question.

INFORMATION:

Following the interview with Todd Palin I contacted Chris Brightbill at the Mug Shot Saloon in Wasilla where the following interview was conducted.

INTERVIEW: CHRIS BRIGHTBILL

Brightbill was interviewed on 8-18-05, at 1750 hours by Sgt. Wall (recorded, transcribed).

Brightbill advised that he was familiar with a disturbance at the Mug Shot Saloon involving Wooten. Brightbill stated that there was an argument between a guy and his girlfriend. Brightbill advised that Wooten then became involved. Brightbill didn't feel that it was Wooten's place to get involved in their argument. Brightbill advised that he believed Wooten was interested in the female but only said that it was an assumption.

When asked what action Wooten took, Brightbill advised that Wooten told him that he needed to remove the other guy from the bar. Brightbill stated that he told Wooten that it was his choice who was removed from the bar. Brightbill stated that Wooten then advised him, "Let me introduce myself," and displayed a badge. Brightbill stated that he didn't care if Wooten was a trooper, he felt that it was his determination who to remove. Brightbill further advised that Paul was holding Wooten back and that he held the other guy. Brightbill felt that if either one of them let loose they would have been fighting. Brightbill stated that both were yelling back and forth and that the other guy whose name is Brad was egging Wooten on.

Brightbill stated that Wooten and Paul sat down and that he then got a cab for Brad. Brightbill advised that Paul and Wooten left a short time later. When asked what happened to the female, he advised that she left following the argument and was arrested for DUI. Brightbill was not sure what the female's name was.

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