

1 IN RE: PEOPLE VS. BEN BAKER AND CLARISSA GLENN

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3 SGJ# 2530
4 ARR. DATE: 1-20-06
5 06 CR 810

6 BEFORE THE SPECIAL GRAND JURY OF COOK COUNTY,

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8 DECEMBER, 2005

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12 TRANSCRIPT OF TESTIMONY TAKEN IN THE
13 ABOVE-ENTITLED MATTER ON THE 29TH DAY OF DECEMBER,
14 A.D., 2005.

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17 PRESENT: MR. JOSEPH M. LATTANZIO
18 ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY

19 REPORTED BY DEBORAH E. DeSANTO
20 CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER
21 ILLINOIS LICENSE NO. 084-1384

22 LIST OF WITNESSES:

23 OFFICER JONES
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1 THE FOREPERSON: Would you raise your
2 right hand, please.

3 (Witness Duly Sworn.)

4 MR. LATTANZIO: Ladies and gentlemen of
5 the Grand Jury, my name is Joe Lattanzio. I am
6 an Assistant State's Attorney assigned to the
7 Narcotics Unit.

8 The People of the State of Illinois are
9 seeking a True Bill of Indictment of defendants
10 Ben Baker and Clarissa Glenn before the December
11 Special Grand Jury No. 2530. Both defendants are
12 charged with possession of a controlled substance
13 with intent to deliver, 1 or more grams but less
14 than 15 grams of heroin, and this is an amount
15 greater than 5 grams, which is a non-probationable
16 offense, on CHA property and within 1,000 feet of
17 a school.

18 The Grand Jury has the right to subpoena
19 and question any person against whom the State's
20 Attorney is seeking a Bill of Indictment, or any
21 other person, and to obtain and examine any
22 documents or transcripts relevant to the matter
23 being prosecuted by the State's Attorney.

24 At this time I ask leave to call Officer

1 Jones.

2 OFFICER JONES,
3 called as a witness herein, being first duly
4 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

5 EXAMINATION

6 BY MR. LATTANZIO:

7 Q. Officer, can you please state your name,
8 your star number, and your current unit of
9 assignment for the record.

10 A. Officer Jones, Star No. 19462, assigned
11 to the 2nd District of the Chicago Police
12 Department.

13 Q. Officer, turning your attention to
14 December 11, 2005, at approximately 12:12 p.m.,
15 were you on duty in the vicinity of 511 East
16 Browning in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And, Officer, on that date, time, and
19 location, was defendant Baker observed to be the
20 driver of a vehicle committing a traffic
21 violation, at which time police officers curbed
22 the vehicle defendant Baker was in?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Officer, was defendant Glenn observed to

1 be the front-seat passenger of that vehicle?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Officer, did police officers, upon
4 approach, observe defendant Glenn give defendant
5 Baker a bag containing suspect narcotics, at which
6 time defendant Baker placed that same bag in the
7 console area of that vehicle?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Officer, did police officers recover that
10 bag, find it to contain 50 bags containing suspect
11 heroin?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Officer, with respect to where this
14 activity was occurring, to the best of your
15 knowledge, did it occur within 1,000 feet of
16 Doolittle Elementary School, as well as on CHA
17 property, the Ida B. Wells Complex?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Officer, with respect to the items that
20 were recovered from that vehicle, were they in
21 fact inventoried and sent to the Illinois State
22 Police Crime Lab for testing and analysis?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And, Officer, to the best of your

1 knowledge, did those items have a total estimated
2 weight of 13.1 grams, of which 5.2 grams tested
3 positive for heroin?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And, Officer, with respect to all these
6 events that you testified to today, did they take
7 place in Chicago, County of Cook?

8 A. Yes.

9 MR. LATTANZIO: Thank you. I have no
10 further questions.

11 THE FOREPERSON: Are there any other
12 questions from the Grand Jury?

13 (No Response.)

14 THE FOREPERSON: The witness is excused.

15 (Witness Excused.)

16 Whereupon the Grand Jury
17 was left alone to
18 deliberate, after which the
19 following proceedings
20 were had:

21 THE FOREPERSON: True Bill.

22 Whereupon the above-
23 entitled cause was
24 continued for arraignment

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before the Presiding
Judge of the Criminal
Division.

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6 I, Deborah E. DeSanto, a Certified
7 Shorthand Reporter licensed to practice in the
8 State of Illinois, do hereby certify that I
9 reported in shorthand the proceedings had in the
10 hearing of the above-entitled cause; that I
11 thereafter caused the foregoing to be transcribed
12 into typewriting, which I hereby certify is a true
13 and accurate transcript of the proceedings had
14 before the Grand Jury of Cook County.
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