IN THE MATTER OF:

Law Enforcement Review Act

Complaint No. 3601

12(1)

AND IN THE MATTER OF:

An application pursuant to s.13(2) of The Law Enforcement Review Act

R.S.M. 1987, c L75

BETWEEN:

Hì E.

Complainant,

- and -

CONSTABLE B. GI S

Respondent.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS had and taken before The Honourable Acting Chief Judge Miller, held at the Law Courts Complex, 408 York Avenue, in the City of Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba, on the 21st day of January, 2002.

APPEARANCES:

MS. H. E

In Person.

CONSTABLE B. S

In Person.

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             THE JUDGE: Ms. E
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             Constable S
                             , good afternoon, sir.
              I will ask both of you to bear with me. This is
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    the issue relative to the ordering of a penalty as a result
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    of the finding that I made in respect of the hearing that
    was conducted some time ago. And I apologize to you both
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    for the delay in bringing this matter to this point.
    purely my responsibility and my fault. I wasn't absolutely
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    certain and aware of exactly what steps had to be followed
    in order to bring it to this point and that was my
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    responsibility and oversight and I apologize for that delay.
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              Thankfully things have been straightened out to
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    the point where I am now very much aware of and familiar
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    with the process that has to be undertaken and we're at that
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    point now.
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              Mr. Wright, the Commissioner, I see is present in,
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    in the courtroom, as is, I believe, Sergeant S
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    individual who is here as a result of a summons that was
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    issued to him to attend this afternoon and to present for
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    the court's benefit, and for the benefit of Mrs. E-
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    the service record of Constable S
                                                      It is
                                                            by
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    virtue of the legislation of The Law Enforcement Review Act,
    a piece of the puzzle, if you will, and information that is
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    required to be shared with the court and with yourself in
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    this particular instance, Mrs. E
                                                And that's why
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    Sergeant S
                   is here.
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              So unless either you or Constable S
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    have any preliminary comments or thoughts I would suggest
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    that we can proceed to hear from Sergeant S
                                                   and carry on
    from there.
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              Is there anything that you wish to say at this
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    point, Mrs. E
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             MS. E
                     : No.
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             THE JUDGE: Constable S
                                            is there
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    anything you wish to say, sir?
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             CONSTABLE S
                                    No, Your Honour.
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             THE JUDGE: And again, I will call in Sergeant
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         in just a moment but perhaps as much for the benefit
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    of the parties as anything, I'll indicate what I understand
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    the process to be.
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             As you know, Mrs. E , my written decision in
    respect of my ultimate determination of the matter that I
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                              both yourself and
                                                    Constable
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    heard was provided
                          to
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                  You will recall that at the conclusion of the
    hearing and at the conclusion of my reasons I did, indeed,
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    find clear and convincing evidence of a disciplinary default
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                                       , namely in the form of
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    on the part of Constable S
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    his being discourteous or uncivil towards you in the course
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    of that particular exchange that you had with him at the
    community police office on the date in question when you
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    were accompanied by your son.
             Having preceded then to that point and submitted
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    my written decisions, or decision, it is now incumbent upon
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    me in the circumstances to hear submissions from both
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    yourself, Mrs. E
                          , and Constable S
                                                       should
    either or both of you choose to make submissions. And then
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    it becomes my responsibility to order one or more of a
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    number of penalties that are available to me in the course
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    of my determination of the appropriate disposition of this
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    matter.
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             And for your benefit, Mrs. E , and Constable
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                , the, the range of penalties that I have
31
    available to me to consider are as outlined in The Law
32
    Enforcement Review Act, particularly at Section 30(1). And
    again, I'm not sure if you're familiar with this, Mrs.
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                                      , but in any event I
34
         or Constable S
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1	will very briefly outline for you the provisions of that
2	section.
3	That particular section indicates;
4	
5	"A member who admits having
6	committed or is found to have
7	committed a disciplinary default is
8	liable to one or more of the
9	following penalties, set out in
10	diminishing order of seriousness:
11	(a) dismissal;
12	(b) permission to resign and in
13	default of resignation within seven
14	days, summary dismissal;
15	<pre>(c) reduction in rank;</pre>
16	(d) suspension without pay up to a
17	maximum of 30 days;
18	(e) forfeiture of pay up to a
19	maximum of 10 days pay;
20	(f) forfeiture of leave or days off
21	not to exceed 10 days;
22	(g) a written reprimand;
23	(h) a verbal reprimand; or
24	(i) an admonition."
25	
26	So that's the range
27	MS. E : What is an admonition?
28	THE JUDGE: And admonition, for your benefit and
29	mine, is as defined in Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary
30	as the following.
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32	Admonition, gentle or friendly
33	reprove. Counsel or warning
31	against fault or oversight To

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admonish is to indicate duties or
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                   obligation to, to express warning
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                   or disapproval to, especially in --
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                        in
                           a
                                gentle,
                                          earnest
                   or
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                   solicitous
                                 manner,
                                            to
                                                  give
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                   friendly,
                               earnest
                                          advice
                                                    or
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                   encouragement to.
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              So
                  that's
                           the definition of
                                                  admonish
                                                             and
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    admonition as --
                             I see you came prepared.
              MS. E.
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                          I, I came prepared in anticipation of
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              THE JUDGE:
                               either yourself or
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             inquiries
                        from
                                                       Constable
    certain
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    S
               or both.
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              MS. E.
                             Thank you.
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              THE JUDGE: Having had the benefit of your company
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    on the earlier occasion when I heard from you both as the
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    complainant and then under oath as a witness, I felt that I
    had some inclination perhaps as to the, the basis for your
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    pursuing the complaint. There was some particular concern
    about the events of that day and the fact that they did,
21
    indeed, unfold in the presence of your then 16 year old
22
23
    son -- or then 14 year old son, who was 16 at the time.
    heard from him as a witness as well. And so that's why I've
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    come prepared with a dictionary.
26
                             Thank you.
              MS. E
                          :
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              THE JUDGE:
                          So perhaps I could hear from Sergeant
             He is present and, and is available to provide his
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    evidence under oath, as I understand it. And so I would ask
29
    Madam Clerk perhaps to administer the oath to Sergeant S
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31
    at this time.
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              THE CLERK:
                            Take the Bible in your right hand,
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    please, and state your full name to the court.
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              THE WITNESS: A.
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THE CLERK: Can you spell your full name, please?
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                   WITNESS:
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                                     is A
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              THE
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    A-
                        S is S-
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                                      being first
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                        Al
                                   S
                   duly sworn, testified as follows:
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              THE CLERK: Thank you.
              Can you go around the microphone, please?
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                                                           Thank
    you so much. That's okay. Thanks.
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    EXAMINATION BY THE JUDGE:
              Sir, I understand that you are a member of the
13
    Winnipeg Police Service; is that correct?
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              That is correct.
         Α
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              And you've been employed in that capacity for
17
    approximately how long, sir?
         Α
              Twenty-five years now.
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              You presently hold the rank of sergeant, do you?
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              It's actually Staff Sergeant, Your Honour.
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              Staff Sergeant?
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         A
              Yes.
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              My apologies for my --
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              It's quite all right.
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         Α
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              -- earlier error. So -- and you've held the rank
26
    of staff sergeant for how long, sir?
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              Five years now, Your Honour.
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              All right. I understand that you are a supervisor
28
    within the ranks of the Winnipeg Police Service; is that
29
30
     fair to say?
               Yes, I'm currently the Unit Commander in charge of
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32
     the Professional Standards Unit and at present the Acting
33
     Executive Assistant to the Chief of Police.
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          Q
              Okay. And in that capacity then you have access
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- 1 to the service records of all Winnipeg Police personnel?
- 2 A That's correct.
- 3 Q All right. Have you, yourself, had personal
- 4 supervisory experience with Constable S
- 5 A No, I have not.
- 6 Q Okay. So it is in your capacity of the overseer
- 7 of these records -- is that fair to say, that you are the
- 8 overseer of these records?
- 9 A That would, that would be fair to say. We -- no
- 10 one else has the access that we have.
- 11 Q Okay. You have responded to the summons that was
- 12 served upon you and today have brought with you, by order of
- 13 the court, the service record of Constable S ; is
- 14 that correct?
- 15 A That's correct, Your Honour.
- 16 Q And can you tell us what, if anything, it reveals,
- 17 Staff Sergeant S ?
- 18 A Yes, I can. Would you like a copy to follow
- 19 through? And I made one for everybody.
- 20 Q All right.
- 21 A Is that all right?
- 22 Q That would, that would be fine. Thank you.
- We'll receive it and mark it as Exhibit 1 in these
- 24 proceedings then.
- THE CLERK: Exhibit 1, Your Honour.
- 26 THE JUDGE: And for the record, I should in
- 27 fairness to Constable S offer and afford him the
- 28 opportunity to review the material and, and to determine if,
- 29 if to the best of his knowledge and recollection it relates
- 30 to him and is accurate in its content.
- It's accurate and it does, indeed, relate to
- 32 you?
- 33 All right.
- 34 And you are badge number sir?

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performed.

1 CONSTABLE S Yes, Your Honour. 2 THE JUDGE: All right. Then we'll receive it and mark it as Exhibit 1. 3 4 5 EXHIBIT 1: SERVICE RECORD OF 6 CONSTABLE S 7 8 BY THE JUDGE: Yes, Staff Sergeant S if I could prevail upon 9 you just to indicate what these various references are. 10 11 All right. The first entry is dated the 10th of May, 1976. It details that Constable S 12 13 duties with the Winnipeg Police Department as a probationary 14 constable, 4th class, and attended recruit class number 88. 15 The next entry refers to the 10th of May, 1977, 16 Constable S was advanced from 4th class to 3rd 17 class. 18 The next entry is the 16th of June, Constable S 19 received a conduct form for good work 20 performed. 21 The next entry, 10th of May, 1978, he was advanced 22 from 3rd class to 2nd class constable. 23 The 18th of June, 1978, Constable S 24 received a conduct form again for good work performed. 25 15th of August, 1978, he again received a conduct 26 form for good work performed. 27 On the 10th of May, 1979, Constable S 28 was advanced from 2nd class to 1st class constable. 29 On the 13th of May, 1979, Constable S 30 received another conduct form for good work performed and 31 was awarded one day weekly leave with pay. 32 the 5th of November, 1979, Constable On 33 received another conduct form for good work

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- On the 10th of February, 1983, he again received a
- 2 conduct form for good work performed.
- On the 4th of December, 1983, he received a
- 4 conduct form for good work performed.
- On the 24th of May, 1987, he received a conduct
- 6 form for good work performed.
- And on the 1st of September, 1990, he received a
- 8 conduct form for good work performed, Your Honour.
- And that is the totality of his service record.
- 10 Q Can I ask you, to his credit there are several
- 11 notations of conduct forms submitted re: good work
- 12 performed. Who is it that submits these forms as a rule,
- 13 Staff Sergeant?
- A As a rule it's his immediate supervisor --
- 15 Q Okay.
- 16 A -- or a supervisor who would have noted the good
- 17 work.

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- 18 Q And did you delve in a more detailed fashion into
- 19 the forms that had been submitted?
- 20 A All the forms are on file and -- but I did not
- 21 delve into them in detail, Your Honour.
- Q Okay. All right. But you're satisfied that the,
- 23 the conduct forms which had been submitted were in all
- 24 likelihood submitted by his supervisory personnel as a
- 25 result of their being very pleased and feeling that he
- 26 warranted this special recognition?
- 27 A That's correct, Your Honour.
- THE JUDGE: Okay. Mrs. E , do you have any
- 29 questions of Staff Sergeant S in relation to --
- 30 MS. E. I only actually have one.
- 31 THE JUDGE: Go ahead, please.

33 EXAMINATION BY MS. E

34 Q You did take note that this -- the last time that

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- he had his conduct form submitted was 1990. That's 12 years
 ago.

 THE JUDGE: Yeah. Staff Sergeant S is -we're all well aware of that. He's not here to respond to,
- 5 to that --
- 6 MS. E : Well, no, I just wanted you to take 7 note of it.
- 8 THE JUDGE: It's --
- 9 MS. E. Just --
- 10 THE JUDGE: I've taken note of that.
- MS. E Yeah.
- 12 THE JUDGE: I'm sure that he has as well.
- MS. E Just one, one more quick question.
- 14 THE JUDGE: Yes.
- 15 MS. E. I'm not familiar with this side of
- 16 the table but anyway --
- 17 THE JUDGE: No, no.

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- 19 BY MS. E
- 21 they want to do? Like if he performs really, really well
- 22 they do that as a, a -- I would say as a recognition for his
- 23 work; right? They submit these forms?
- 24 A That's correct.
- 25 Q Okay.
- 26 A If they feel the work is above, above average and
- 27 above what is normal.
- Q Okay. So that's not just regular performance
- 29 reviews?
- 30 A No. No, no. These are conduct forms which are
- 31 specific to an incident, Your Honour, where --
- 32 Q He's performed above and beyond?
- A Above, above average work. Yes.
- Q Okay. Do you guys perform reviews? Like, once

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    every year or --
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             Yes, we do.
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             None of those are on record?
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             They don't form part of the service record as
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    described in The Law Enforcement Review Act.
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         0
             Okay.
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             THE JUDGE: Anything further Mrs. E
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                       : Well, it's just I, I, in my job I'm
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    reviewed every year.
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             THE JUDGE: Oh, sure. And they do that here as
11
    well, but --
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             MS. E.
                     : And it's part of my record --
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              THE JUDGE: Yeah.
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             MS.
                               -- as, as my job.
                                                      I'm just
15
    wondering 'cause it's been like 12 years since there was any
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    other conduct form submitted. That's why I was asking.
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              THE JUDGE:
                          Okay.
                                 But you are, I take it now,
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    having heard from Staff Sergeant S , satisfied that the
19
    Winnipeg Police Service has a process whereby on an annual
20
    basis there are performance --
21
              MS. E
                            The officers are reviewed.
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              THE JUDGE: -- appraisals. They're reviewed.
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              MS. E
                            Yes.
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              THE JUDGE:
                          And, and if there were any issues or
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    what have you, Staff Sergeant S. , I gather those also
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    would not necessarily form part of the service record as, as
27
    is presently defined in the -- under the Act?
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              THE WITNESS: No, they would not, Your Honour.
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              THE JUDGE: Okay.
                                 But between 1990 and 2001, at
30
    least, it can safely and fairly be said that Constable
31
                    performance on the job would have been
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    appraised and evaluated on an annual basis by his then
33
    immediate supervisors? Is that --
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THE WITNESS: That's correct, Your Honour.

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              THE JUDGE: That's correct. Okay.
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              Constable S
                                    , do you have any questions
    of Staff Sergeant S
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              CONSTABLE S
                                    . No, Your Honour.
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              THE JUDGE: Okay.
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                           , you have nothing further of Staff
              Mrs. E
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    Sergeant S
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              MS. E
                             No.
                                  I was just wondering about the
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    processes they go through.
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              THE JUDGE:
                          Sure. All right.
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              Thank you very much, sir.
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              THE WITNESS: May I be excused, Your Honour?
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              THE JUDGE: Yes, you may, sir.
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              THE WITNESS: Thank you.
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              THE JUDGE: Thank you very much.
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                   (WITNESS EXCUSED)
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              THE JUDGE:
                           Mrs. E
                                         , I will certainly now
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    afford you the opportunity to make whatever submission and
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    representations you might wish in respect of this particular
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    matter.
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              MS. E
                               The only, the only real thing
    that -- I guess I have to stand, eh?
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              The only real thing that I have to say is even in
26
    my job I have a code of conduct. And that code of conduct
27
    states that I'm not to yell, be aggressive or otherwise
28
    towards the kids that I work with. And a lot of the same,
    same conduct -- I have to follow the same as an officer. I
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30
    deal with the police every day in my job.
31
              THE JUDGE: And what exactly is your job again?
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              MS. E
                             I work in a group home, sir.
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              THE JUDGE: Okay.
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              MS. E
                             And I deal with young offenders.
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             THE JUDGE: Sure.
                      : And I'll give you an example. I
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             MS. E
3
    just had the police there this weekend. A child tried to
    set me on fire. Now if I don't maintain my calm and my
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5
    collectiveness in my job it reflects in my work.
6
    guess I look at it the same way with a police officer.
7
    realize that they go through a lot. I'm in a very high
8
    stress job myself. And it's -- we all have bad days.
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    that can't be brought into our workplace.
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              THE JUDGE:
                        Okay.
11
             MS. E
                             That's basically all I wanted to
12
    say.
13
              THE JUDGE: Would -- Mrs. E
                                              , you've struck
14
    me as a very reasonable and responsible person from the
15
    moment that --
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             MS. E
                            I have my days, too.
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              THE JUDGE: Oh, sure. We all do. The moment that
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    this process began, at least, or the interaction between you
19
    and I began, and you, again in fairness to you, simply asked
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    me as I read to you the range of penalties that can apply,
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    you asked me the definition of admonition.
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    something that you would certainly be content with at this
23
    point in time? That, just that he be reminded of -- I'm
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    sure that Constable S'
                                     can speak and will speak
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    for himself, but just to get some kind of idea of, of what
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    your thoughts are in that respect.
27
              MS. E.
                             I, I've had quite a bit of time.
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    It's been three years since this --
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              THE JUDGE: Yes.
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              MS. E
                             -- well, three and a half years
31
    about, since this, this incident. And like I've said when I
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    was in court with you before, everybody has a bad day.
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    it's very hard -- and I can see Constable -- I seen that
    he's -- has a very good record. And, and that's good and
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- 1 that's great for him. I have a very good record at my work,
- 2 too. And like I said, I'm in a very high stress job myself.
- 3 And I have bad days. But that doesn't come into my
- 4 workplace.
- 5 To me, I would think -- over the last 12 years
- 6 there, there isn't any conduct form submitted for good work
- 7 performance but I'm sure he does a good job. I know that a
- 8 lot of the police are frustrated with a lot of things that
- 9 they come across. And I've always said even to the
- 10 residents that I work with, it depends on who they come
- 11 across before you. They might have had a really, really bad
- 12 experience with somebody who's treating them like a piece of
- 13 garbage. And I can certainly sympathize with that in the
- 14 job that I do 'cause I get called a lot of names.
- 15 THE JUDGE: Yeah.
- MS. E And a lot of things happen.
- But I, I would just like the Constable to
- 18 recognize that it was not appropriate. It really was not
- 19 appropriate, not in his job place, especially the job that
- 20 he does. And in front of my son especially, that was not
- 21 appropriate. I am his parent and the only thing that I
- 22 wanted to do was see that something was done for my son
- 23 after he was assaulted.
- 24 THE JUDGE: Okay. Thank you.
- MS. E. I, I would trust your decision and
- 26 your choice of what should happen from here.
- THE JUDGE: Okay. Thank you very much.
- MS. E You're welcome.
- 29 THE JUDGE: Constable S is there
- 30 anything that you wish to say, any submission or
- 31 representations you wish to make, sir?
- 32 CONSTABLE S No, Your Honour.
- THE JUDGE: Constable S , you've had the
- 34 opportunity on two occasions now, the first one being when

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    we were together and I heard from Mrs. E and her son
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    and yourself under oath and then again today, and I just
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    wonder what, what your, your response and reaction and
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    thoughts are to the comments, particularly that Mrs.
 5
            has, has made today. Her observations about stress
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    and what have you,
                          and she certainly has been very
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    reasonable in my view and responsible in respecting and
8
    accepting that you have a high stress job. There's no doubt
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    about that. And that we do, indeed, all have our days and
10
    our moments when, when things might seem to be overwhelming
    us and we act out from time to time in a fashion that is not
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12
    appropriate or acceptable.
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             Do you have any, any comment or anything that you
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    might wish to offer to Mrs. E
                                     at this point in time
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    in response to, to her comments?
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             CONSTABLE S'
                                     No, Your Honour.
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             THE JUDGE: All right.
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             CONSTABLE S
                                  : Or maybe just, just one
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    comment. Your Honour, in my job I don't feel no stress at
    all in my job. I -- on that particular day I wasn't having
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    a bad day at all.
                         And as far as me not getting a
22
    commendation between -- is it --
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             MS. E
                            It wasn't so much a commendation as
    there is no documentation of your last 12 years.
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             CONSTABLE S
                                      Well, I can -- I don't
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    have it here with me but my last evaluation report --
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             four categories in the evaluation report.
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    exceeded all standards in every category. Or there's below
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    standard, standard, above standard, exceeds standards. And
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    there's about 15 categories. On the exceeds standards -- or
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    I was marked on exceeds standards on all 15 categories. And
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    I can produce that to the court if you need it.
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              THE
                   JUDGE:
                              I, I accept that, Constable
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    S
                  And I am satisfied Mrs. E / would accept
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- 1 that as well. And --
- 2 CONSTABLE S' And as far as no
- 3 commendations between now and then, well it's all up to the
- 4 sergeant who --
- 5 THE JUDGE: I, I understand that. And I am, I am
- 6 thankful to hear the results of the most recent performance
- 7 appraisal that, that was conducted, Constable --
- 8 CONSTABLE S I can produce that if, if
- 9 required.
- 10 THE JUDGE: If Mrs. E thought it was
- 11 necessary I would be prepared to make that order.
- 12 MS. E : No, I don't think it's -- in my --
- 13 the question that I was seriously trying to ask was that
- 14 there is just no other documentation over the last 12 years.
- 15 That's why I was wondering.
- 16 THE JUDGE: Yeah. And, and that's -- that was a
- 17 very good question and one that was fairly brought forward.
- And it's not your responsibility, Constable
- 19 S:
- 20 CONSTABLE S' Yeah. I guess --
- 21 THE JUDGE: Don't, don't get us wrong. We're not
- 22 suggesting --
- CONSTABLE S'. I guess anything I've
- 24 done in the last 13 years, or 11 years, hasn't -- in the
- 25 eyes of my supervisor, hasn't warranted a conduct form.
- 26 THE JUDGE: Yeah.
- 27 MS. E: Okay. Thank you.
- THE JUDGE: Okay. No, that's, that's understood
- 29 and, and accepted.
- And I, I can't help but think, having heard from
- 31 Mrs. E in particular, that again, she has reinforced
- 32 in my mind my, my assessment of, of her as a person. And I
- 33 think she's a very reasonable and responsible and respectful
- 34 person who appreciates the nature of the work generally that

- is performed by law enforcement personnel in our community and, in fact, comes into contact with them on a fairly
- 3 regular basis.
- 4 And I, I only hope and can say with all sincerity
- 5 that this experience has had a salutary impact upon
- 6 Constable S that he recognizes and, and accepts
- 7 and respects the comments that Mrs. E has made
- 8 because I would endorse them. I think she's been very
- 9 articulate and has, I think, quite aptly set out a
- 10 reasonable person's expectations.
- 11 And I, I hope -- Constable S you've
- 12 been on this job now for 26, 25 years. And you've
- 13 encountered many, many situations that I'm sure have caused
- 14 you particular angst and anguish and upset. And we -- Mrs.
- 15 E and I certainly appreciate the nature of the job
- 16 that you and your colleagues perform in rendering safety and
- 17 security and assistance in our community.
- At the same time it's absolutely imperative that
- 19 we be respectful, courteous and civil to one another in our
- 20 day to day affairs and, and work. And I'm sure, Constable
- 21 S that you appreciate and recognize and respect
- 22 that. This whole exercise, I think, as I say, hopefully had
- 23 a salutary impact upon you and, and has reinforced in your
- 24 mind the need when one is in a position such as yours that
- 25 comes into contact with the general public on a daily basis,
- 26 the need to be as absolutely courteous and civil as one can
- 27 humanly be in the circumstances.
- 28 So having said that and having read for all
- 29 concerned the definition of admonish and admonition, I am
- 30 of the view that in all of the circumstances, and indeed --
- 31 Constable S you're a family man, are you not,
- 32 sir?
- 33 CONSTABLE S Yes, I am, Your Honour.
- THE JUDGE: Yeah. You have family?

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             CONSTABLE S
                                      Yes, I do.
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             THE JUDGE: Yeah. Okay. So in that context as
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    well I trust, as a parent, you can appreciate some of the
    concern that Mrs. E had about the fact that her, her
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    son was privy to this interaction. And as I recall, when he
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    was on the stand and he was asked the question he turned to
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    his mother and said, I'm sorry, Mom, but --
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             MS. E
                             He actually wanted me to mention
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    that to you.
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              THE JUDGE: Yeah. Well, I remind, I reminded --
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             MS. E
                      : Say he was -- he apologized.
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             THE JUDGE: I reminded myself of it but he said,
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    I'm sorry, Mom, but -- actually he was surprised that you --
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             MS. E
                            Shut up?
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              THE JUDGE: Exactly.
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                  in
                     all of the circumstances and,
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    reviewing the applicable legislation I'm of the view that
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    the matter is best resolved by way of the admonition.
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              I like to think, Constable S
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    discussion here today, and in particular the comments of
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                     as reinforced by myself, have had the
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    salutary impact of that that I have mentioned and that we
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    can now move forward and put this behind us.
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                         anything further, Madam?
             Mrs. E
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                             No. I, I would like to say that
              MS. E
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    it's nothing -- I was very upset that day and that was why I
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    did shut up, because I know sometimes I can get really,
    really. . . .
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              THE JUDGE: Sure.
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              MS. E
                         : So it's just -- it's a code of
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    conduct and I realize that, just as I have a code of conduct
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    in my job.
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              THE JUDGE: Okay. I want to thank you for taking
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              MS. E.
                       Yeah. You're welcome.
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                          It's much appreciated and again, my
              THE JUDGE:
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    sincere apologies for the delay. It's solely my fault
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    and --
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              MS. E
                            That's okay.
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              THE JUDGE: And --
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              MS. E
                        : As long as it came to a conclusion.
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    That's all that matters.
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              THE JUDGE: Better late than never, I guess.
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              MS. E
                            Yes, yes. Truly.
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              THE JUDGE: It is now officially concluded and I
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    want to thank you again and as well, perhaps if you could
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    convey my thanks to your young son.
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              MS. E
                         : I will.
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              THE JUDGE: Thank you.
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              MS. E : He just wanted you to know he was a
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    little embarrassed of what --
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              THE JUDGE: I understand. Thank you so much.
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              MS. E
                            You're welcome. Thank you.
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              THE JUDGE: Constable S
                                                    thank you,
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    sir.
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