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right? I mean most of us everything --
 1
 2
                   SKYLAR: Yeah. I think, I think.
 3
                   T.T. FAINE: -- we do is --
 4
                   SKYLAR: I did not try and kill my
 5
     baby.
                   LT. FAINE: So what did you -- what
 6
     did you find out when you looked up how to have an
 7
 8
     abortion?
                   SKYLAR: Nothing that even sounded
 9
10
     relevant, really nothing.
11
                   LT. FAINE: Okay.
                                      I mean were
12
     there -- were there no sites that popped up as far
13
     as like, like helping yourself have an abortion?
14
                            There was just like ways --
                   SKYLAR:
15
                   LT. FAINE: And the reason -- and
16
     Skylar, the reason I'm asking you this is one
17
     thing we have to do is we're going to have your
18
    phone and we have to do what's called a forensic
19
     examination of your phone. And what that does is
20
    it's almost kind of scary because how much we use
21
    our phones, but what that does is it will go back
22
    in our phone and it will bring everything up.
23
    Like let's say my phone here, well, actually I
24
    just remembered, I bought something from Home
25
    Depot.
            I bought a ceiling fan for a house I'm
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building about six months ago. When we go in and
 1
     we do a forensic download of my phone, it will go
 2
     back and it will show the date and time where I
 3
     put ceiling fan Home Depot and then it will show
 4
     as I clicked and clicked and it will literally
 5
     show everything, everything I looked at. The
 6
 7
     duration of how long I was on that page and so --
     and I'm not trying to scare you, but I'm just --
 8
 9
     I'm just wanting to make sure, you know, that this
10
     is -- that you're completely honest with us
     because the phone it's going to show everything,
11
     you know. So I need to know because I feel like
12
13
     you've been really honest so far. And -- but this
14
     is a big part right here because if you say one
15
     thing and then your phone shows another, then
16
    that's when we would really have a big problem and
17
    I don't -- you've already been through so much I
18
    don't know want to have a big problem where we've
19
    got a big discrepancy.
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SKYLAR: No. I'm just trying to wrack my brain. I don't -- I don't think.

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LT. FAINE: Okay. Well, take -- I mean take your time. If you need to get a drink and just try to -- try to think, try to wrack your brain about it because -- because this is

1 really -- this is really important. And if -- I mean because I know -- I know it's hard to say 2 because you already feel so bad, you feel so 3 quilty. You say you felt like she deserved so 4 much more and I believe you. But also there's 5 part of me that knows you've already been through 6 7 so much, you're going through this on your own. And you've got a healthy baby, you know, at 32 8 9 weeks -- and then -- on April 26th. And then on May 7th, you know, suddenly you deliver her in the 10 11 middle of the night. 12 And I know just based from my 13 experience in doing this -- doing this job since 14 before you were born, there are a lot of times 15 where people just get so overwhelmed and it's too 16 far along to get an abortion at a place and 17 they -- they still feel like it's the better 18 choice because -- for everyone kind of. And so I 19 need to know and I need you to think really hard 20 about this moment right now because it's, it's 21 okay if you're able to tell me and you want to 22 tell me the truth. You know, that I assisted --23 not that you tried to abort her or kill her, but 24 you tried to assist your delivery so you could

25

deliver at home.

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SKYLAR: No, I promise I didn't try
 1
     to do anything like that. She just came out and I
 2
 3
     wasn't ready. I didn't want to --
                   LT. FAINE: Okay. What about -- so
 4
     let's go to your phone. When we look in there,
 5
     how much research are we going to see about having
 6
     or getting an abortion?
 7
                   SKYLAR: Probably not a lot.
 8
     really don't think -- I really didn't think that
 9
     much into it. I really don't know what I planned
10
     to do.
11
                   LT. FAINE: Okay. Well, and I'm
12
13
     just -- again, Skylar, I wasn't there so I don't
14
     know. And I know you're going through so much or
15
     so much -- everything is going through your mind
16
    when this happens. Is there going to be any --
17
    any sites or links or anything you visited where
18
    you looked up where it said, you know, how to give
19
    yourself an abortion or how to do a self abortion?
                   SKYLAR: I don't think there
20
    should -- no, no, I don't think.
21
22
                   LT. FAINE: You don't think
23
    or there's not?
                   SKYLAR:
24
                            I think the only thing -- I
25
    think the only thing I searched is how to not have
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a baby or how to get rid of a baby, but I never
 7
 2
     did any of those things.
                   LT. FAINE: Okay. Well -- but, but
 3
     see how to get rid of baby is kind of --
 4
                   SKYLAR: It sounds really bad now,
 5
 6
     I'm sorry.
                   LT. FAINE: That's like how to --
 7
 8
     no, not that it sounds bad, but it's just a
 9
     different terminology for, you know, how you can
     help yourself, you know, with an abortion.
10
11
     Because that's technically what it is. You're not
     actually -- you know, you're not getting rid of a
12
13
     baby. You didn't wish her any harm or anything
14
     but it's just -- it's trying to have an abortion
15
     which is, you know, it is a legal -- it is a legal
16
     thing to do.
17
                   SKYLAR: It's illegal?
18
                   LT. FAINE: I said abortions are
19
     legal.
20
                   SGT. GEE: It's legal.
21
                   LT. FAINE: Like people are allowed
22
    to have -- people are allowed to have abortions,
    but --
23
24
                   SKYLAR: Yeah, but I wasn't going to
25
    do that.
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LT. FAINE: I just --
 1
                   SKYLAR: Nothing was like -- nothing
 2
     was how to do it. And I promise you I did not
 3
 4
     try.
 5
                   LT. FAINE: Nothing what?
 6
                   SKYLAR: Nothing was going to -- I
     didn't try anything. I just kind of looked at it.
 7
 8
     I didn't want --
 9
                   LT. FAINE: What did it say? What
10
     did you see? What kind of information did you see
11
     on there?
12
                   SKYLAR: There was different --
13
     there was like -- it gave you like different pills
14
     or different things to do. And like different
15
     ways, but I never did any of the things.
16
                   LT. FAINE: You didn't take any of
17
     the pills?
18
                   SKYLAR: No, no, no, no, no.
19
                   LT. FAINE: Was there -- did you see
20
     any sites that showed you any physical things to
21
     do as far as ways you can put things inside
22
     yourself --
23
                   SKYLAR:
                           No.
24
                   LT. FAINE: -- and did you see
25
     anything like that?
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SKYLAR: Maybe. I don't -- like I
 1
     don't remember, but I never did anything like
 2
 3
     that.
                   LT. FAINE:
 4
                              Okay.
                   SKYLAR: I never, I never tried to
 5
 6
     do anything like that.
 7
                   LT. FAINE: Okay. And I'm not --
     I'm just trying to -- I'm trying to see what you
 8
     found in the research because it's almost crazy on
 9
     the Internet. I mean you can put, you know,
10
11
     something in and you know how you'll pull up 100
12
     pages of things that it is hit on during the
13
     search.
14
                   SGT. GEE: Did you get birth control
15
    pills when you went then, to the doctor?
16
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
17
                   SGT. GEE: Did you take any of
18
    those?
19
                   SKYLAR: Yeah. I didn't think it
20
    was going to hurt.
21
                   SGT. GEE: Okay. How many of those
22
    did you take?
23
                   SKYLAR: Just a little of them.
24
    Just like the days I was supposed to.
                   SGT. GEE: All at once?
25
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1	SKYLAR: No, no, no, the day
2	SGT. GEE: One per day?
3	SKYLAR: Yeah.
4	SGT. GEE: Starting on April 26th?
5	SKYLAR: The day they were
6	prescribed.
7	SGT. GEE: Okay.
8	SKYLAR: I didn't think that was
9	going hurt though.
10	SGT. GEE: Okay. All right. I'm
11	just asking questions. Do you remember what kind
12	of pills they were?
13	SKYLAR: Just birth control pills.
14	SGT. GEE: You don't know what kind?
15	Is this the first time you've been on birth
16	control?
17	SKYLAR: Yeah.
18	SGT. GEE: Okay.
19	SKYLAR: I never meant to kill my
20	baby. I didn't do it on purpose, I didn't.
21	SGT. GEE: I understand. I
22	understand. Now, when you got rid of when you
23	threw away the towel that you used to clean
24	yourself up, did you also throw away the towel
25	that the baby had been wrapped in?

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SKYLAR: Yeah.
1
                   SGT. GEE: Or was it the same towel
2
    or was it two towels?
3
                   SKYLAR: Yeah. I just threw it
 4
5
    away.
                   SGT. GEE: Okay.
6
                   SKYLAR: I'm sorry.
7
                   LT. FAINE: You don't have to say
8
    that. I have to step out for just a second, okay.
9
                   SKYLAR: Can I talk to my parents?
10
                   LT. FAINE: In just a minute, but
11
    I've got to step out just real quick.
12
                   SKYLAR: Am I going to have to stay
13
14
    the night?
                   SGT. GEE: No, honey, just take a
15
    deep breath, okay. I'm going to stay in here with
16
    you, okay?
17
                   SKYLAR: Please just be honest,
18
19
    what's going to happen?
                   SGT. GEE: I don't know, okay. I'm
20
    in here observing.
21
                   SKYLAR: Am I going to jail?
22
                   SGT. GEE: No, no, no, no, you're
23
    not going to jail today, no, no, no, no.
24
                   SKYLAR: I'm not going to --
25
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SGT. GEE: Just relax, okay.
 1
     Listen, listen just relax, okay?
 2
 3
                   SKYLAR: I don't want to go to jail.
                              I know you don't. Just
                   SGT. GEE:
 4
 5
     relax, okay?
                   SKYLAR: I don't have to go to jail,
 6
 7
     though, right?
                   SGT. GEE: Listen, I understand that
 8
     you're sorry and I understand that you're upset
 9
10
     and I understand that you didn't want this to
11
     happen, okay? Just take some deep breaths, okay.
12
     Everything's going to be okay.
13
                   SKYLAR: So I don't have to go to
14
     jail?
15
                   SGT. GEE: You're not going to jail.
16
    Okay? We're not taking you to jail today. You're
17
    not going to jail, okay?
18
                   SKYLAR: Okav.
19
                   SGT. GEE: What's the worst that's
20
    going to happen to me?
21
                   SGT. GEE: Honey, I don't know, this
    isn't my case. Okay. He's talking. He just
22
23
    wants to get some things straightened out so that
24
    we can figure out exactly what happened. Are you
25
    being 100 percent honest with us?
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SKYLAR: I swear. 7 SGT. GEE: Okay. All right. Just 2 deep breaths, okay? I know this has to have been 3 really hard on you. I'm sure there's part of you 5 that is glad that the weight has been lifted off 6 of you. 7 SKYLAR: Yeah, I just want everybody to believe me because I don't want to be in 8 9 trouble. 10 SGT. GEE: I understand. You're a 11 very nice young lady. I know that you're smart. 12 I know that you're honest. I know you have a big 13 heart, okay. I believe that. I don't think 14 you're a bad person, okay? Just like you said, we're not judging you. We just have to get facts, 15 okay. So deep breath. Things are going to get 16 17 better from here, okay? 18 SKYLAR: They'll be better, right? 19 They'll get better? 20 SGT. GEE: Yeah, it's going to get 21 better, okay. 22 SKYLAR: Do I get to see my parents? 23 SGT. GEE: Yes, yes, yes. Your 24 parents are right out there, okay. You're just 18 25 now, and we talk to you alone. And I think it's

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probably better that you do talk to us alone.
 1
 2
     It'd probably be really uncomfortable for you to
     talk about a lot of this stuff in front or your
 3
 4
     mom and dad.
 5
                   SKYLAR: I do need to tell them.
 6
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah.
 7
                   SKYLAR: I need to tell them what
 8
     happened.
 9
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah, you're going to
10
     have to tell them what happened.
11
                   SKYLAR: It will be okay though,
12
     right, they won't hate me?
13
                   SGT. GEE: It will be okay.
14
                   SKYLAR: They'll understand?
15
                   SGT. GEE: They're going to love you
     no matter what, honey. You're their daughter,
16
17
     okay. Your mom and dad are going to love you no
18
    matter what, that's their job, that's part of who
19
    they are, okay?
20
                   SKYLAR: Okay.
21
                   SGT. GEE: So don't worry about
22
            Nobody hates you. We don't hate you.
    that.
23
    Okay?
            Nobody's going to hate you, okay?
24
    understand that you went through some really bad
25
    stuff and it was really hard on you, okay? And
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now you've got some people to turn to, okay? And
 1
     you don't have to deal with this on your own,
 2
 3
     okay? So deep breath. Calm yourself down. I
 4
     don't want you to get yourself super upset, okay?
 5
                   SKYLAR: I'm really afraid he's
 6
     going to arrest me.
 7
                   SGT. GEE:
                              He's not going to arrest
 8
     you, okay. That's not what we are here for today.
 9
                   SKYLAR: It's not?
10
                   SGT. GEE: Were not here to take you
11
     to jail today or put handcuffs on you today or
12
     anything like that, okay?
13
                   SKYLAR: I don't have to stay
14
     overnight or anything?
15
                   SGT. GEE: No, no, no, no, you're
16
     not going --
17
                   SKYLAR: He just wants to understand
18
     what happened?
19
                   SGT. GEE: He wants to understand
20
     what happened, okay? We've got to figure out what
21
    happened, okay?
22
                   SKYLAR: That's what happened.
                                                   Ι
23
    know it was wrong.
24
                   SGT. GEE: Is there anything else
25
    that we don't -- that you didn't tell us that
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1
     maybe we didn't ask the right questions or
 2
     anything?
 3
                   SKYLAR: No.
                   SGT. GEE: Anything else you could
 4
 5
     think of?
                   SKYLAR: No. I just want to go
 6
 7
     home. I feel so bad.
                   SGT. GEE: I know you do, honey.
 8
 9
     And I believe you when you say that. I know that
10
     you do, okay?
11
                   SKYLAR: I just want to hold my mom.
12
     I want to see my parents.
13
                   SGT. GEE: I know, and you're going
14
     to get to see them here in a few minutes, okay?
15
                   SKYLAR: Okay.
16
                   SGT. GEE: He had to make a phone
17
     call to somebody else. I don't know, it's
18
    nothing. I think he's working on another case
19
    too. So just deep breath. You're going to go
20
    home today, okay.
21
                   SKYLAR: I won't go to jail, right?
22
                   SGT. GEE: You're not going to jail,
23
    today. We're not -- I told you that, we're not
24
    taking you to jail today. You're going home to
    your parents, okay? You're going to see them here
25
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in just a few minutes. I wouldn't lie to you, 1 okay? I'm telling you everything that I know, 2 3 okay? SKYLAR: Okay. 4 SGT. GEE: Deep breath, okay, calm 5 yourself down. I'm sure this has been weighing on 6 7 you for a couple of months now, hasn't it? SKYLAR: Yeah, but I would never do 8 9 anything to hurt her. SGT. GEE: I understand. You didn't 10 11 tell anybody? You haven't got to confide in 12 anybody? How have you been dealing with this? 13 SKYLAR: Just the doctor. I deal with a lot of stuff by myself. It's just what I 14 15 do. I just like to keep to myself. SGT. GEE: Well, you don't need to 16 17 do that, okay? Even if we've got to find somebody 18 for you to talk to that's not your mom or dad or 19 your friends, okay? 20 SKYLAR: Okay. 21 SGT. GEE: It's hard being a 22 teenager. Believe it or not I was a teenager 23 once. It's hard being a teenager and it's hard 24 dealing with all the regular teenager stuff and

adding things like this on top of it, and it's

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1
     super hard. You never told the father?
 2
                   SKYLAR: Mm-mm. I don't want to
 3
     talk to him. I don't want to tell him.
 4
                   SGT. GEE: Do you know who the
 5
     father was? Yeah, okay. Calm down, okay.
 6
                   SKYLAR: I'm just ready for it to be
 7
     over.
 8
                   SGT. GEE: I know.
 9
                   SKYLAR: It will be over though,
10
     right?
11
                   SGT. GEE: It's going to be -- yes.
12
     Yeah, it's going to be over. We're going to get
13
     this taken care of. Just to make sure we know
14
     everything that's going on, okay?
15
                   SKYLAR: Okav.
16
                   SGT. GEE: Just calm down.
17
    be relieved that you don't have to keep this
18
     inside anymore, okay?
19
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
20
                   SGT. GEE: And that you can work
21
    towards healing from this, okay?
22
                   SKYLAR: The hard part's over,
23
    right?
24
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah, I think that this
25
    is probably going to be the hardest part right
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1
     here. And I appreciate the fact that you were
 2
     honest and you talked to us, okay? So deep
 3
     breath, calm yourself down.
                   SKYLAR: What else do you think he's
 4
 5
     going to ask me when he comes back?
                   SGT. GEE: I don't know. I'm not
 6
 7
     sure. I don't know, he may not ask you anything
 8
     else. I'm not sure, okay? Are you cold?
 9
                   SKYLAR: No, I'm just ready to go
10
     home.
11
                   SGT. GEE: I understand.
                                             I
12
     understand.
13
                   SKYLAR: It's going to get better,
14
     right?
15
                   SGT. GEE: Yes, it's going -- yeah,
16
     honey, it's going to get better. You're going to
17
     have a support system now because there's going to
     be other people that know about this other than
18
19
     just you, okay?
20
                   SKYLAR: Okay.
21
                   SGT. GEE: And you need that.
22
     You're going to need a support system. You needed
23
     a support system long before now. You know, it's
24
     too hard to deal with things like that on your
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25

own.

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1
                   SKYLAR: Not because I'm going to
 2
     jail, right?
 3
                   SGT. GEE: No, your parents, honey,
     your parents are going to be your support system.
 4
 5
                   SKYLAR: Okay.
 6
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah, you can talk to
     your parents about it and your mom can help you
 7
     through this, okay? Because you're only 18. I
 9
     know that you're an adult now, but you're still
10
     18, okay? So you can -- you'll be able to talk to
11
     your mom about this. And she'll be able to help
12
     you through this. Moms are good at that kind of
13
     stuff, okay? I mean obviously they're going to be
14
     surprised. You know, they're not expecting this.
15
     They don't know anything about this, right?
16
                   SKYLAR:
                           No.
17
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah, they're going to be
18
     surprised, I'm not going to lie to you. And I'm
    sure they're going to be upset that you didn't
19
20
     come to them and tell them. But they're going to
21
     love you no matter what and they're going to help
22
    you from here on out, okay?
23
                           Yeah. Yes, they're good
                   SKYLAR:
24
               They will help me.
    parents.
25
                   SGT. GEE: Do you have a good
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1
     relationship with your mom?
 2
                   SKYLAR: Pretty good.
 3
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah. What about your
     dad?
 5
                   SKYLAR: We -- he's very supportive.
 6
     I just -- we don't talk that much. We're not as
 7
     close as me and my mom.
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah.
 8
 9
                   SKYLAR: Am I going to have to go to
10
     court?
                   SGT. GEE: Honey, we're not even to
11
12
     that right now, okay? We're not even thinking
13
     about that right now, okay?
                   SKYLAR: Okay. Because I didn't --
14
15
     I did not hurt her. I didn't want to hurt her.
16
                   SGT. GEE: I understand. I
     understand. Do you need anything else?
17
18
                   SKYLAR: No, I just want to go home.
19
                   SGT. GEE: I understand. I
20
    understand. Sit tight for just a second.
21
     got to go check with him and see what's going on
22
    and I'll be right back, okay?
23
                   SKYLAR: Is it something bad?
24
                   SGT. GEE: No, no, no, no, not at
25
    all, no, just relax, okay?
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1
                    SKYLAR: Okay.
 2
                    SGT. GEE: Just sit still, relax.
 3
     Calm down.
                Okay? (Left the room.)
 4
                    SGT. GEE: It's just me, Skylar, do
 5
     you need anything?
 6
                   SKYLAR: No. Will he be here soon
 7
     though?
 8
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah, yeah, here shortly.
     He's just finishing up a few things right now and
 9
10
     then you're going get -- we're going to let your
11
     parents come in, okay?
12
                   SKYLAR: Okay. Do I get to talk to
13
     them?
14
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah, honey, yeah.
15
                   SKYLAR: And then we get to go?
16
                   SGT. GEE: Well, they know already.
17
                   SKYLAR: Okay. Are they really mad?
18
                   SGT. GEE: I think they're kind of
19
     surprised right now. They're kind of in shock,
20
     you know what I mean? I'm not going to lie,
21
    they're not happy.
22
                           Oh, I know.
                   SKYLAR:
23
                   SGT. GEE: You know. But they're
24
    worried about you too.
25
                   SKYLAR: But I get to go home after
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1
      this?
 2
                    SGT. GEE: Yeah, yeah.
 3
                    SKYLAR: No jail?
 4
                   SGT. GEE: You'll get to leave with
 5
     them, okay.
 6
                   SKYLAR: So I'll probably have to
 7
     come back eventually?
 8
                   SGT. GEE: I don't even know that.
 9
     I can't say anything to that. I have no idea.
10
     I'm not sure. I'm not going to give you answers
11
     that I don't know the answers to, okay?
                   SKYLAR: Okay. But everything will
12
13
     be okay, right?
14
                   SGT. GEE: Everything is going to be
15
     okay, honey.
16
                   SKYLAR:
                           I didn't hurt her.
17
                   SGT. GEE: I understand that, I
     understand. Just deep breath, okay. We're going
18
19
     to get your mom and dad in here as soon as
20
     possible. He's working on something right now.
    He's got to talk on the phone about something, I
21
22
     don't even know what. And then he's going to come
23
     in and chat with you for a few more minutes and
24
     just make sure that there's nothing else that, you
25
     know, he needs to ask you or that you thought of
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1
     and then we'll get your parents in here, okay?
 2
                   SKYLAR: Talk to my parents and then
 3
     go home.
 4
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah, you can leave with
 5
     your parents. What do you do at the Y?
 6
                   SKYLAR: I work in child watch.
 7
                   SGT. GEE: What's that? Is that
     like daycare? Do you work there every day?
 8
 9
                   SKYLAR: Just a couple days a week,
10
     not too often.
11
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah. Did you think that
12
     this is what we're going to be talking to you
13
     about?
14
                   SKYLAR: Yeah. And I didn't want to
15
    be in trouble because that's not what I meant.
16
    never meant to -- I didn't want to hurt her or
17
    kill her, I did not ever, no.
                   SGT. GEE: I understand. I'm sure
18
19
    it was pretty scary when your dad got a hold of
20
    you.
21
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
22
                   SGT. GEE: But I'm sure it's also
23
    like I said a relief now that --
24
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
25
                   SGT. GEE: -- that this is out there
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1
      and can be dealt with now.
 2
                    SKYLAR: Mm-hmm, yeah.
 3
                   SGT. GEE: Where's your cell phone?
 4
                   SKYLAR: I gave it to my dad. It's
 5
     in his truck.
 6
                   SGT. GEE: Okav.
                   SKYLAR: I'll give it over. I don't
 7
 8
     have anything to hide.
 9
                   SGT. GEE: I believe you. I
10
     understand.
11
                   SKYLAR: Everything will be okay?
12
                   SGT. GEE: Everything's going to be
13
     okay, honey.
14
                   SKYLAR: The hardest part's over.
15
                   SGT. GEE: Yep.
16
                   SKYLAR: Do you think they might
17
     think that I killed her?
18
                   SGT. GEE: I don't think that
19
     anybody thinks that, okay?
20
                   SKYLAR: Because I would never.
21
                   SGT. GEE: I don't think anybody
22
    thinks that, okay?
23
                   SKYLAR:
                           Okay.
24
                   SGT. GEE: You do need at some point
25
    go and get checked out by a doctor though, okay?
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Make sure that everything's okay with you.
 1
 2
     want to make sure that you're okay, okay?
 3
                    SKYLAR:
                            I'm so ready to go home.
 4
                   SGT. GEE: I know you are.
 5
                   SKYLAR: Life will be okay, it'll go
 6
     back to normal, right?
 7
                   SGT. GEE: Yes, honey. Yeah, your
 8
     life is going to be okay. You're a very bright
 9
     young lady. You're very smart, okay, so you're
10
     going to be okay.
11
                   SKYLAR:
                            I still get to go to school
12
     in the fall?
                   They're not going to penalize me or
13
     anything?
14
                   SGT. GEE: No, we're not calling
15
                   This has nothing to do with your
     your school.
16
              We don't have anything to do with that,
17
     okay? Everything's going to be okay. All right.
18
     This is a chapter of your life that we need to get
19
     completed and get past, so you can get to the next
20
    chapter, okay?
21
                           Bad things happen.
                   SKYLAR:
22
                   SGT. GEE: Absolutely they do, yep.
23
    Now, you're just -- you got -- you're going to
24
    have to get through this and then you can move on,
25
    okay? It's just something that's happened in your
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life and you're going to have to move past it,
 1
 2
     okav?
 3
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
 4
                   SGT. GEE: And you're on that road
 5
     now. You're on the road towards moving past it
 6
     and healing from it and moving on to the next
 7
     chapter.
 8
                   SKYLAR:
                           Yeah. You're -- you're not
     sugar coating it, are you?
 9
                   SGT. GEE: No, I wouldn't sugar coat
10
11
         I'm sure you've heard through the high school
12
     that I tell you the truth no matter whether you
13
     like it or not. I'm nice, but I'll tell you the
14
     truth and if I've got to be mean, I'll be mean.
15
     So I'm not afraid to be mean.
16
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
17
                   SGT. GEE: I'm not sugar coating
     anything, okay? You just need to take some deep
18
19
    breaths and calm yourself down, okay, and deal
20
    with what's going on right now, okay? And not get
21
    yourself so stressed out about all the other
22
    stuff, okay? Let's get you healed up and make
23
     sure that physically you're okay, all right?
24
    let you start emotionally dealing with -- because
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you've not really dealt with what happened at all.

25

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You've not been able to because you've not had
 1
 2
     anybody to turn to, okay?
 3
                    So now is the time that you can make
 4
     sure physically that you're okay and emotionally
 5
     start towards that road of healing, okay? That's
 6
     what I want you to concentrate on right now, okay?
 7
                   SKYLAR:
                             Thank you.
 8
                   SGT. GEE:
                               Is emotionally getting
 9
     through this and dealing with it and not having to
10
     push it down anymore, okay?
11
                   SKYLAR:
                           Thank you.
12
                   SGT. GEE: And you probably need to
13
     talk -- look at getting maybe a counselor to go
14.
     talk to and stuff because there's a lot of things
15
     that you're going to want to talk about that
16
     you're not going to want to talk to your mom about
17
     or your best friend about or your dad about, okay?
18
                                    Do you think that I
                   SKYLAR:
                            Yeah.
19
     will be able talk to my mom and she'll listen to
20
    me and it she won't be that mad?
21
                   SGT. GEE: You're going to be able
22
     to talk to her. I just saw her outside. And, you
     know, they asked me how you are and stuff.
23
24
     I mean they're not happy.
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Yeah.

SKYLAR:

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1
                   SGT. GEE: I mean -- but they love
           I think their number one thing is they're
 2
     worried about you over all else. They're mad, but
     mad's down here and worrying about you because
 5
     they love you so much is up here, okay?
 6
                   SKYLAR:
                            Mm-hmm.
 7
                   SGT. GEE: I think that's -- their
 8
     main emotion right now is that they're worried
 9
     about you, they're sad for you. They want to make
10
     sure that you're okay. They're protective of you.
11
                   SKYLAR: Yeah. Do you think I'm
12
     going to need a lawyer?
13
                   SGT. GEE: I don't know that answer.
14
     I can't tell you that, okay? I'm not sure.
15
     not there yet. This is going to be handled by
     John that was here. I was in here just to kind of
16
17
     help out and try to make you feel a little bit
18
    more comfortable since you know me and, you know,
19
    you've seen my face before. You're familiar with
20
    me and sometimes it's easier when there's a woman
21
     in the room, you know, if you're a girl so --
22
                   SKYLAR:
                            Mm-hmm.
23
                   SGT. GEE: Just relax, okay?
24
    will get better from here.
25
                   SKYLAR: They'll get better because
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1
     I didn't do anything.
 2
                    SGT. GEE:
                               It'll get better from
     here. And we can -- and if you're -- I'm sure
 3
     your mom can help you with it. If you don't want
 5
     to go to your mom, you can come to me and I'll
 6
     help you find somebody to talk to if you need
 7
     somebody to talk to, okay, a counselor or
     something. And they can help you learn how to
     process all of those emotions and stuff, okay?
 9
1.0
                   SKYLAR: He'll come back soon
     though?
11
12
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah, I think he might be
     using the bathroom right now.
13
14
                   SKYLAR: And he'll just tell me
15
     everything that's going on?
                   SGT. GEE: Yeah, he may have a
16
17
     couple more questions, I don't know, I'm not sure.
     I can't read his mind. I wish I could. My job
18
     would be a lot easier if I could read people's
19
20
    minds, right? So, yeah, he's taking care of some
21
    other stuff. I have to take this phone call,
22
    okay, it's about something else. Sit tight.
23
                   SKYLAR: Not me, though, right?
                   SGT. GEE: You're fine. Hold on a
24
25
    sec. (Left the room.)
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1
                            (Pause.)
 2
                   LT. FAINE: All right. Skylar,
 3
     we're going to let your mom and dad come in, is
     that okav?
 4
 5
                   SKYLAR:
                            Yeah.
 6
                   LT. FAINE:
                               They're wanting to talk
 7
     to you and you probably want to talk to your mom
 8
     and dad.
 9
                   SKYLAR: Do I get to go home after
10
     that?
11
                   LT. FAINE:
                               I'm sorry?
12
                   SKYLAR: Do I get to go home after
13
     that?
                   LT. FAINE: I still don't know.
14
                                                   T m
     still working on that, okay, because we don't --
15
16
                   SGT. GEE: I told you that's what I
    believe, okay, that's all I know.
17
18
                   LT. FAINE: We're still -- we're
19
     still trying to piece it together. I'm talking
20
    with a couple different people, okay? So,
21
    we'll -- we will make that decision here shortly.
22
    But I want to let you talk to your mom and dad,
23
    they're outside. You know, they're a nervous
24
    wreck. You know, they're, trying to -- they're
25
    trying to know -- they want to know what's going
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I'm going to let you know. You may already
 1
     know like your mom and dad you can tell them, you
 2
     know, whatever you want, okay? They know why
 3
 4
     we're here, okay? So do you want to talk to your
 5
     mom and dad?
 6
                   SKYLAR: Yeah, I want to go home.
 7
                   SGT. GEE: Do you want me to get
 8
     them for you?
 9
                   LT. FAINE: Yeah, do you want to get
     them and bring them on in? Because they're -- I
10
11
     mean and you're -- you're 18, but it's just --
     it's totally up to you, but I would just -- I mean
12
     obviously no one loves you in the world more than
13
     these two. So I would just be honest with your_
14
15
    mom and dad.
                   SKYLAR: I will be.
16
17
                   LT. FAINE: If you choose to.
                   SKYLAR: I just thought I was going
18
19
    to get to go home after this.
20
                   LT. FAINE: As parents that's all --
    as parents that's all we want, okay? So I'm going
21
22
    to step out, okay, we're all going to step out so
23
    you all can have the room. (Left the room.)
                   SKYLAR: I'm sorry. I'm sorry.
24
                                                    I'm
     so sorry, Mommy. I'm sorry.
25
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1
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You should have
 2
     just told us.
 3
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: I know.
 4
                   MR. RICHARDSON: If you would have
 5
     just told us.
 6
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: I mean kids get
 7
     pregnant every day. Pregnancy's not the end of
     the world.
 8
 9
                   SKYLAR: I'm so sorry. I'm sorry.
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: We know that.
10
11
                   SKYLAR: I'm sorry.
12
                   MR. RICHARDSON: What did they tell
13
    you?
                   SKYLAR: They just -- I think they
14
15
    want to know if I killed her myself.
16
                  MRS. RICHARDSON: Yeah, you'll go to
17
    jail.
18
                   SKYLAR: I didn't though. But
19
   that's the thing. I know.
20
                  MR. RICHARDSON: You know but they
21
    can't tell that?
                  SKYLAR: I know. I promised them I
22
23
    didn't do anything.
24
                  MRS. RICHARDSON: Skylar, we had a
25
    perfect life.
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1
                    SKYLAR:
                             I didn't --
 2
                    MR. RICHARDSON: Who was the father?
 3
                    SKYLAR: Tre, that guy I used to
 4
     date a long time ago.
 5
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: You lied to me
     about him. You lied to me about so much and now
 6
 7
     you're going to lose Brandon over this.
 8
                   SKYLAR:
                            I didn't lie.
 9
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Skylar --
10
                   SKYLAR:
                            I didn't lie.
11
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Okay. Honey, you
12
     did lie.
13
                   SKYLAR: Well, not -- not about
14
     this. I didn't hurt her.
15
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Look, here's the
     thing, what's done is done. But it would have
16
17
    been so much better had you told us, so much
18
     better. And I don't know what's going to happen
19
    next. They're over there digging up something in
     our backyard that we had no idea. Your mother and
20
21
     I didn't even know you were pregnant.
                            I know.
22
                   SKYLAR:
23
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Can you imagine the
24
     absolute horror that we just went through not
25
     knowing what's going on?
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1
                    SKYLAR. Yes. I'm sorry. I'm
 2
     sorry.
 3
                   MR. RICHARDSON: I know you're
 4
     sorry, honey, but lying is never --
 5
                   SKYLAR: But I was completely honest
 6
     to them.
 7
                   MR. RICHARDSON: But you lied to us.
 8
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: We could have
 9
     helped you.
10
                   SKYLAR: I know, but you would have
11
     been so mad at me. And I'm sorry.
12
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: And we're not now?
13
                   SKYLAR: I know you guys are so mad.
14
                   MR. RICHARDSON: The thing is,
15
    because now we can't fix this.
                  SKYLAR: I know.
16
17
                   MR. RICHARDSON: There's nothing we
18
    can do.
19
                  MRS. RICHARDSON: You could go to
20
    jail. It's in the papers, it's everywhere.
21
    It's -- the neighbor's have already called me.
22
    Krista already called me and I know she was
23
    telling me that they're digging up stuff in our
24
    backyard. You're going to be on the news. How do
    you think Mems, and Paps, and Bill, and Jana will
25
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1
     feel?
 2
                   SKYLAR: Mom, please, vou're
 3
     supposed to support me. I didn't --
 4
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Skylar, I am
 5
     supportive, but I'm just saying --
 6
                   SKYLAR: I didn't do anything wrong,
     I just didn't tell you guys.
 7
 8
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, that is the
     wrong --
 9
                   SKYLAR: I know, but I didn't kill
10
11
     her. I didn't kill the baby.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, why didn't
12
13
     you just tell us?
14
                   SKYLAR: Because I didn't want you
15
    to be mad at me.
16
                   MR. RICHARDSON: But do you think
17
    you could possibly get away with something like
18
    that?
19
                   SKYLAR: I didn't.
20
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You're not --
21
                   SKYLAR: I was going to tell you
22
    guys.
23
                   MR. RICHARDSON: But after the fact.
24
    I understand you're sorry. I understand you
    didn't mean it, but you got to understand, this is
25
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the single worst possible scenario you could have
 1
 2
     possibly put us in.
 3
                    SKYLAR: I know, I'm sorry. I will
     do anything to fix it.
 4
 5
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You can't, it's
 6
     done.
 7
                   SKYLAR: I know.
 8
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You've just got to
 9
     hope they don't take you to jail. I don't know
     what's going to happen. Did they ever advise you
10
11
     of your rights?
12
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
13
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you talked to
14
     them?
15
                   SKYLAR: Yeah. I didn't have
16
     anything to hide.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Did they charge
17
18
     you?
19
                   SKYLAR: No. Katie told me I got to
20
     go home.
21
                   MR. RICHARDSON: I hope that's the
22
    case.
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Skylar, if they do
23
    an autopsy on the baby and they find out that it
24
    was living at the time of the birth then you will
25
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1
      go to jail.
  2
                    SKYLAR: I know I will.
 3
                    MRS. RICHARDSON: So now is the time
     to be honest.
 4
 5
                    SKYLAR: It wasn't.
 6
                   MR. RICHARDSON: What happened?
 7
                    SKYLAR: I had the baby and it
 8
     wasn't breathing.
 9
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: How did you cut
10
     the umbilical cord?
                   SKYLAR: I didn't. It came out of
11
12
     me. I didn't kill it.
13
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Was the cord
14
     wrapped around its neck or anything?
15
                   SKYLAR:
                            No.
16
                   MR. RICHARDSON: It just wasn't
17
    breathing?
18
                   SKYLAR: No.
19
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: There was no cord?
20
                   SKYLAR: No. I held it really
    tight, maybe that's the only thing I can think of.
21
22
    I didn't kill it. I'm sorry.
23
                   MR. RICHARDSON:
                                   How did you get the
24
    pills if you were pregnant?
25
                   SKYLAR: From the doctor. I don't
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1
     know, they were just prescribed to me. They were
 2
     given to me. Like they were prescribed to me.
 3
                   MR. RICHARDSON:
                                     They said you
 4
     couldn't get a pill if you were pregnant.
 5
                   SKYLAR: I don't know, they were
 6
     prescribed. I went to the prescription place and
 7
     got them.
 8
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So when you went to
     the doctor in April you were already pregnant and
 9
10
     they gave you the pills anyway?
11
                   SKYLAR: They were prescribed to me.
12
     They were -- mom called and said the
13
     prescription's ready, go pick it up.
14
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So the doctor knew
15
     you were pregnant and gave you the pill anyway?
                            I don't know.
16
                   SKYLAR:
                                           I quess.
17
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Did you start
18
     taking the pill right away?
19
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
20
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So just -- you have
21
    to not tell anything other than the absolute God's
22
    truth.
23
                   SKYLAR:
                            I did.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You went to the
24
25
     doctor on April 26th and they put you on the pill
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1
     and you started taking the pill?
 2
                    SKYLAR: Yeah.
 3
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you were
 4
     already pregnant?
 5
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
 6
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you knew that
 7
     you were pregnant?
 8
                   SKYLAR: Yeah, but it wasn't
 9
     supposed to hurt the baby. I assumed it was okay.
10
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You're sure that's
11
     what happened?
12
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
13
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Did you go back to
14
    the doctor before Wednesday?
15
                   SKYLAR: No.
16
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So April 26th and
17
    this Wednesday is the only two times you've been
    to the doctor?
18
19
                   SKYLAR:
                           Yeah.
20
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you told the
21
    doctor you buried the baby?
22
                   SKYLAR: Yeah. I'm sorry. Mommy --
23
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, you're still
24
    our daughter. Just please be patient with us
25
    because this is a shock, okay?
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1	SKYLAR: I know. I know.
2	MR. RICHARDSON: You're absolutely
3	certain beyond a doubt because we didn't hear
4	anything. That was a Sunday night and you did
5	this all your own. Jackson didn't get up? Nobody
6	got up? Nobody helped you?
7	SKYLAR: No. Can I please hold your
8	hand, Mommy? I'm sorry. Will you please hold my
9	hand?
10	MRS. RICHARDSON: Skylar, I can't
11	feel my body right now.
12	SKYLAR: I'm sorry. I didn't
13	MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, please stop,
14	that doesn't help. You did a horrible thing.
15	SKYLAR: I didn't kill her.
16	MR. RICHARDSON: You got pregnant.
17	You had a baby in our house and you never told us.
18	SKYLAR: I couldn't.
19	MR. RICHARDSON: Yes, you should
20	have. Do you understand how much worse this is
21	than that would have been?
22	SKYLAR: Yes, I understand.
23	MR. RICHARDSON: That's what we're
24	trying to grasp because we were thinking that we
25	were trying to do the things that were right for

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you, and they went horribly wrong. But if you
  1
     went to the doctor and they prescribed you with
 2
     the pill and then they called because the baby was
 3
     no longer there, it doesn't make any sense.
 5
                   SKYLAR:
                             I don't --
 6
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: If they gave you
 7
     the pill and you took it, then that would have
     killed it, that's manslaughter.
 8
 9
                   SKYLAR: But I didn't do it on
     purpose. I thought -- they gave me the pills.
10
11
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Are you -- okay.
12
     You're absolutely 100 percent certain that you
13
     went to the doctor and they prescribed the pill to
14
     you in April and you started taking them?
15
                   SKYTAR:
                            Yeah.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So less than two
16
17
    weeks later you delivered a stillborn baby?
18
                   MRS. RICHARDSON:
                                     When you walked
19
    out of that doctor's office, did you know you were
20
    pregnant?
21
                   SKYLAR:
                            No.
                                 I hadn't taking any
22
    tests, I mean I thought I might be.
23
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Who confirmed it
24
    for you?
                            Dr. Andrews.
25
                   SKYLAR:
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1
                   MR. RICHARDSON: He told you later?
 2
                   SKYLAR: He told me that day.
 3
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Wait, he told you
     that day, the 26th?
 4
 5
                   SKYLAR: Yes.
 6
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: You just told me
     you walked out of the doctor's office and didn't
 7
     know you were pregnant.
 8
                   SKYLAR: No, I thought you meant
 9
     when I walked in like I didn't think that I was.
1.0
11
     But when he told me, yes, I left, I knew.
12
     didn't --
13
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you didn't tell
14
     us then?
15
                   SKYLAR:
                           No.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So if you took the
16
17
    pill after that, then that's manslaughter.
                   SKYLAR: No. Because they gave it
18
19
    to me. I didn't know.
20
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Did they tell you
21
    not to take the pill if you were pregnant?
22
                   SKYLAR: No. They didn't tell me
23
    that. I just picked up my prescription like I was
24
    supposed to.
25
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you're
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absolutely certain about this point because the
  1
     doctor's telling a different story.
 2
 3
                    SKYLAR: What did the doctor say?
 4
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Well, they said
     that you were pregnant when you were there and you
 5
     came back and you're not. And you told them you
 6
 7
     buried it.
 8
                   SKYLAR: Because I had the baby and
 9
     it wasn't alive.
1.0
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you're certain
11
     that you got a prescription from the doctor and
12
     started taking it right away?
13
                   SKYLAR: I don't know because I went
     and I said I want to be on birth control and then
14
15
     they found out I was pregnant and then I thought
     that was the end of it. And then mom text me
16
17
     later and said go pick up your subscription (sic)
18
     so I went and got it.
                MR. RICHARDSON: So they never told
19
20
     you to come back? They never said follow up or
21
    nothing?
22
                            They did. They wanted me
                   SKYLAR:
23
    to come back but I never called back.
24
                   MR. RICHARDSON: How long have you
25
    been on the pill?
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1
                   SKYLAR: Like three months.
 2
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So like right after
 3
     you went there you started taking it right away?
 4
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
 5
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Did the detectives
     ask you these questions about taking the pills and
 6
 7
     stuff?
 8
                   SKYLAR:
                            No. The only thing they
 9
     asked me was if I looked up anything about how to
10
     do a self-abortion.
11
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Did you?
12
                   SKYLAR:
                           No.
13
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Just taking the
14
     pills is self-abortion.
15
                   SKYLAR: I didn't know that. Nobody
16
    told me that. They didn't say that.
17
                   MR. RICHARDSON: They can check your
18
     Internet history.
19
                SKYLAR: I know, I told them they
20
    could. I told them everything.
21
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Okay. Something
22
    isn't jiving though, I don't understand the
23
    doctor. If you were pregnant, they can't put you
24
    on the pill. That's what the pill does is make
25
    you think you're pregnant. How did this come up
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with the doctor that you told them you buried the
 1
 2
     baby?
 3
                    SKYLAR: She asked me what happened.
 4
     I told her I gave birth to the baby.
 5
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Are you sure? I
 6
     mean I know I keep harping on this, but are you
 7
     absolutely certain everything that you just said
 8
     is true?
 9
                   SKYLAR: Yes.
10
                   MR. RICHARDSON: There's no way the
11
     doctor should have given you a prescription for
12
     the pill if they knew you were pregnant.
13
                   SKYLAR: I don't know.
14
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So when did you
15
     find out for sure you were pregnant?
                   SKYLAR: When I went to the doctor
16
     on April 26th.
17
18
                   MR. RICHARDSON: They told you right
19
    then and there you were pregnant?
                   SKYLAR: Well, because I peed in a
20
21
    cup and they tested it.
22
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And what did he
23
    tell you to do after that?
24
                   SKYLAR: Make a follow-up
25
    appointment or something. Like call back and make
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an appointment.
 1
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Which you never
 2
     did?
 3
                   SKYLAR:
                            Hmm-mm.
 4
                   MR. RICHARDSON: How did you get the
 5
     birth control pills then? They wrote you a
 6
 7
     prescription?
                            I don't know.
                   SKYLAR:
 8
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: They had to have
 9
     called it in at the pharmacy and the pharmacy
10
     called my phone and said your prescription's
11
12
     ready.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So they didn't hand
13
     you anything?
14
                   SKYLAR:
                           Hm-mmm.
15
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: I just got -- or
16
     it just goes right to the pharmacy.
17
                                     I don't even know
                   MR. RICHARDSON:
18
     what to think. I just hope and pray they don't
19
     take you away. I just don't know what's going to
20
21
     happen next.
                   SKYLAR: I don't either.
                                              But I
22
23
     didn't -- like I didn't kill it.
24
                   MR. RICHARDSON: What you say may be
25
    true, but how do we -- how do they know that?
                                                    How
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1
     do we --
 2
                    SKYLAR: But I tell them everything.
 3
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Okay. You have to
     understand, you didn't tell us everything so how
 4
 5
     does the detective have any idea whether or not
 6
     you're telling the truth now?
 7
                   SKYLAR: Because I told them
     everything, everything that happened. I love you
 8
 9
     guys.
10
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, we love you
11
     too, but this has got us in a really bad, bad spot
12
     right now. I don't even know what to do. I don't
13
     know if I should be trying to call an attorney or
14
     somebody to defend you or what they're going to
15
     do.
16
                   SKYLAR: It was my own baby, I would
17
    never try and hurt it.
18
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Unfortunately,
19 _
    honey, it's happened before.
20
                   SKYLAR: I know.
21
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you hid it.
22
     So, you know what I'm saying?
23
                   SKYLAR:
                           Yeah.
24
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You're the only one
    that can say that. And the only thing the doctor
25
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1
     knows is you were pregnant and now you're not
 2
     pregnant and you told them you buried a baby.
 3
                   SKYLAR: I know, that sounds bad. I
 4
     was just told them that I had the baby and I had
 5
     to --
 6
                   MR. RICHARDSON: That doesn't
 7
     happen. People don't just do that. You go to the
     hospital.
 8
 9
                   SKYLAR: I know but I couldn't tell
10
     you guys.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You should have
11
12
     told us.
                   SKYLAR: I know.
13
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And, of course, you
14
15
     turned 18 right then and there so you're an adult.
16
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: You're talking
    women's prison, Skylar. We're not talking --
17
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, let's don't
18
19.
    talk about that, it's bad enough as it is even if
20
    she doesn't go but -- I don't know. We don't
21
    know. I mean you told him, hopefully they'll
22
    believe you. I don't know what they're going to
23
    find. I don't even know what they could find at
24
    this point. What did you wrap it in?
25
                   SKYLAR: I had it in a towel, but I
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1
     didn't put her in anything when I buried it.
 2
                    MR. RICHARDSON: Where did you bury
 3
     it?
                   SKYLAR: In the backyard.
 4
 5
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Where?
 6
                   SKYLAR: Like by the tree line.
 7
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Where exactly?
                   SKYLAR: I don't know. Like a
 8
     little to the left like.
 9
10
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Like over towards
     Cobra (sic) or towards Brent (sic)?
11
12
                   SKYLAR: Towards Brent a little bit,
13
     but just a little.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Were all the bushes
14
15
     and stuff right up against the --
                   SKYLAR: Kind of, yeah.
16
17
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And no one saw you?
    You were all by yourself? You did this and you
18
19__
    came back in and went to bed? What about was
20
    there a mess to clean up?
21
                   SKYLAR: Yeah, I cleaned it up
22
    though.
23
                   MR. RICHARDSON: What did you do
24
    with it?
25
                   SKYLAR: Threw it away.
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1
                   MR. RICHARDSON: In the trash can?
 2
                   SKYLAR: No, not in ours, I put it
 3
     in a bag and threw it away.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Outside away or at
 4
 5
     someplace else away?
 6
                   SKYLAR: At someplace else.
 7
                   MR. RICHARDSON: What was the mess?
 8
                   SKYLAR: It was just like bloody
 9
     towels and stuff. Just a bloody towel.
10
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you didn't cut
11
     a cord or nothing?
12
                   SKYLAR: No.
1.3
                   MR. RICHARDSON: There was no --
     isn't there an afterbirth or something?
14
15
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: There should be.
16
                   SKYLAR: The placenta?
17
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: A sac of some
18
     sort.
.1_9..
                   MR. RICHARDSON: There was nothing
20
     else?
21
                   SKYLAR: No, just the placenta.
22
                   MR. RICHARDSON: What do you mean
23
    just the placenta?
24
                   SKYLAR: Like the baby and the
25
    placenta. I don't know what else was supposed to
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7
     come out. Will you always love me?
 2
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Yes, honey, we'll
     always love you. We're not ever not going to love
 3
     you, but it would certainly be helpful if you were
 4
 5
     honest with us. I cannot -- I can't understand
 6
     how you think this could be better than just not
 7
     telling us in the first place.
 8
                   SKYLAR: I know it's not. I didn't
 9
     know. I should have told you guys. I know, I'm
10
     sorry.
11
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Before I talk to
12
     the detective, I'm going to ask you this one more
13
     time. And please, please don't even -- don't tell
14
    me anything that's not 100 percent true.
15
                   SKYLAR: Okay.
16
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You went to the
17
    doctor. You found out you were pregnant. They
18
    prescribe you with birth control pills. You pick
19
    them up and started taking them?
20
                   SKYLAR: I quess.
21
                   MR. RICHARDSON: They came from CVS
22
    or some place like that?
23
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You picked them up,
24
25
    prescribed to you in your name?
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1
                    SKYLAR: Yeah.
 2
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Your pills and you
 3
     started taking them right away?
 4
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
 5
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you've been on
     them ever since?
 6
 7
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
 8
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Do you remember
 9
     what day it was you started?
10
                   SKYLAR: Probably like the day right
11
     after the doctors.
12
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So the doctor said
13
     to schedule a follow-up appointment, but you did
14
     not do. What else did he say?
                   SKYLAR: That's like all I can
15
16
     remember. But he didn't tell me --
17
                   MR. RICHARDSON: He says your
18
    pregnant?
19...
                  SKYLAR: He said there's like
20
    different options. Like I could give it away once
21
    I had it and stuff like that.
22
                   MR. RICHARDSON: I want you to think
23
    back, tell me as best you can exactly what the
24
    doctor told you.
25
                   SKYLAR:
                            That's literally the best I
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1
     can remember. He thought I should tell somebody.
 2
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you told
     nobody? Because your 18 the doctor told nobody,
 3
     until you went back and then they had to call the
 5
     police. I mean is it for sure that birth control
 6
     pills can cause a miscarriage?
 7
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: I don't know.
 8
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Do you swear you
 9
     never looked anything up on the Internet about
10
     that?
11
                   SKYLAR: No. I told them.
12
     everything. I told them everything.
13
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So what is it do
     you think they were trying to get out of you? I
14
15
     mean did they act like --
16
                   SKYLAR: They're going to take me
17
     away from you quys.
18
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, stop.
19
                  MRS. RICHARDSON: You have to be
20
    prepared for that.
21
                   SKYLAR: I am. They're going to
22
    take me away?
23
                   MR. RICHARDSON:
                                   No, let's not go
24
    there yet. Nothing you said, if you told us what
    you told them would lead them do to that if what
25
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1
     you said is true. If you lied to them in any way,
 2
     they will find out and then you will be in much
 3
     worse trouble. So as long as you told them the
     truth, but something does not jive with a doctor
 4
 5
     finding out you're pregnant and you getting a
     prescription for birth control pills. Do you
 6
     understand what I'm saying? And the doctor or the
 7
     detective didn't ask you that?
 8
 9
                   SKYLAR: No, I don't think.
10
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Are you sure?
11
     told them you went to the doctor to get birth
12
     control pills. You found out you were pregnant.
13
     You got a prescription for birth control pills and
14
     started taking them even though you knew you were
15
     pregnant, you told them that?
16
                   SKYLAR:
                            Yeah.
17
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you're sure Dr.
18
    Andrew did not tell you not to take birth control?
19
                   SKYLAR: No, I'm positive.
20
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And the pills
21
    you're taking now are the same pills you were
22
    originally prescribed and they're in your name and
23
    you just got a refill?
24
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
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MR. RICHARDSON: Did the doctor say

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when you were supposed to schedule a follow-up?
 1
                   SKYLAR: He just said to call back.
 2
                   MR. RICHARDSON: And you went back
 3
     now because?
 5
                   SKYLAR: I had to get a refill of my
 6
     birth control.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: But you had never
 7
 8
     talked to the doctor since? You never went to any
 9
     other doctor anywhere, no clinics, no nothing?
10
                            Nothing.
                   SKYLAR:
11
                   MR. RICHARDSON: How did you know
12
     the doctor wouldn't prescribe it if she was on --
13
     how did that information -- who told you that?
14
                   -MRS. RICHARDSON: I told you when
15
     your blood work came back and I didn't understand
16
     what that was. And I had you call and --
17
                   SKYLAR: I lied.
18
                   MR. RICHARDSON: You lied to mom?
1-9....
                  SKYLAR: Yeah. I lied to both of
20
     you guys and I'm sorry.
21
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So the whole thing
22
    about not prescribing if you're already pregnant
23
    doesn't necessarily mean anything. That was her
24
    telling you --
25
                   SKYLAR: Yeah.
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MR. RICHARDSON: So maybe they would
 1
 2
     have, but I don't understand.
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: She couldn't --
 3
     they had to call in the prescription. You can't
 4
     iust --
 5
                   MR. RICHARDSON: I know, but I don't
 6
 7
     understand why they would. You're absolutely
     certain you did not tell them one thing that was
 8
 9
     not true?
                   SKYLAR: Yes.
10
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Did they ask you
11
12
     the same things over and over again?
13
                   SKYLAR: No.
14
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Then why were you
15
     in here so long? Why did it take so long?
16
                   SKYLAR: They just asked me a lot of
     questions. They -- we just talked about the whole
17
18
    night.
           MR. RICHARDSON: About what time did
19....
20
    this happen?
21
                   SKYLAR: This was like in the middle
22
    of the night, like three.
23
                  MR. RICHARDSON: I can't believe one
24
    of us didn't wake up. I cannot believe that. And
25
    it was a Sunday night, May 7th, you're sure of
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that? Were you feeling bad before then? Did you
 1
     have any idea what was going on? I mean did you
 2
     know you were getting ready to deliver or
 3
 4
     something?
 5
                   SKYLAR: No, I didn't think. I mean
 6
     I hurt real bad but I thought it was -- I didn't
     think so. I didn't know. I kind of thought
 7
 8
     maybe.
 9
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So what did you do,
10
     you went in the bathroom and pushed it out?
11
                   SKYLAR: I had to, I was in so much
12
     pain.
13
                   MR. RICHARDSON: It happened in the
14
     upstairs bathroom?
15
                   SKYLAR: Why can't they just believe
16
    me?
17
                  MR. RICHARDSON: Because you didn't
18
     do things normal people would do. We should have
1-9-
    -gone to the hospital.
20
                   SKYLAR: I know.
                  MR. RICHARDSON: So, therefore, you
21
22
    lied to us. You buried a baby in the backyard.
23
     That's why they don't believe you. Because
24
    nothing you did makes any sense. That's the thing
25
    that's across the board causing problems, honey.
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SKYLAR: Will you guys always love
 1
 2
     me?
 3
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, we love you.
 4
                   SKYLAR: Do you believe me?
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, how would we
 5
     know if we can believe you. Look at how much
 6
     you've lied to us. That's the biggest problem
 7
 8
     here. Think about all the times you've lied to
     us. How do we know if you're telling the truth?
 9
10
     That's why I don't know what the doctor can tell.
11
     The detective, how do they know? I mean we've
     known you for 18 years, and we don't know you're
12
13
     lying. If you'd just told us you were pregnant,
14
     it would have been way better than this. You've
15
     lied to us so many times, we have no idea what to
16
     think. We have no idea what to do. I mean the
17
     last thing I want is for anything to happen to
18
     you, but if you can't tell us, what are we
19
    supposed to do? If you can't be honest with us,
20
    how can we help you?
21
                   SKYLAR:
                           But that was just a big
22
     thing, I didn't want you guys to be disappointed
     in me. I know --
23
24
                   MR. RICHARDSON:
                                    I guess the thing
25
    is once it happens, there's no way you can hide
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it. And as you see, it's far worse when you let
 1
 2
     it go.
                   SKYLAR: Mommy, I love you.
 3
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Skylar, I love
 4
 5
     you.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: What did they tell
 6
     you was going to happen next, anything?
 7
                   SKYLAR: No. Katie, told me I would
 8
 9
     get to go home.
10
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Even though they
11
     read you your rights and everything and they never
    said they were charging you with anything?
12
13
                   SKYLAR: No, no.
14
                   MR. RICHARDSON: What did they tell
15
    you before they brought us in? Were they coming
16
    back? Did they say anything about anything else?
17
                   SKYLAR: No. I don't think so, no.
18
                   MR. RICHARDSON: So Brandon has no
19
    idea what happened either?
20
                   SKYLAR: No.
21
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Nobody does?
22
                   SKYLAR: No. Will you guys ever
23
    forgive me?
24
                  MR. RICHARDSON: I think we can
25
    forgive you but you can't ever lie to us again.
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SKYLAR: I would never after this.
 1
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Skylar, you're not
 2
 3
     going home with us.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, don't start
 4
 5
     that.
 6
                   SKYLAR: Mom?
 7
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Skylar, I'm
     telling you, it makes me sick. The cute little
 8
     bag of popcorn you had, you'll never finish.
 9
10
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, stop, please
11
     stop.
12
                   SKYLAR: Mom, do you have any idea
13
     how I feel?
1.4
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Do you have any
15
     idea how we feel?
16
                   SKYLAR: I had to deliver a dead
17
    baby by myself.
18
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: You could have
19
    gotten us, Skylar, I would have helped you so many
20
    times. I told you if you'd just tell me, I'm
21
    always going to be here for you. I've always told
22
    you that I love you. How do you think I feel the
    thought of losing my baby?
23
24
                   SKYLAR: I'm sorry, Mommy.
25
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: I'm losing my
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child. And I've done everything right.
 1
                   SKYLAR: You have. It's not your
 2
     quys's fault.
 3
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, please stop.
 4
     You guys both, we need to stop this right now. We
 5
 6
     don't know what's going to happen yet. If she
     told them the truth, I don't even know what they
 7
     could charge her with. There's no reason to put
 8
 9
     her in prison. It doesn't mean what you did is
10
     not wrong.
11
                   SKYLAR: I know.
12
                  MR. RICHARDSON: And it doesn't mean
13
    that there's not going to be trouble. But we
14
    don't know yet. So let's don't go there.
15
                  MRS. RICHARDSON: It's really hard
16
    for me right now. I lost my dad this year. I'm
17
    stressed about Jackson. This is just too much for
18
    me. I can't --
19--
      MR. RICHARDSON: Do you want me to
20
    go ask for something?
21
                  MRS. RICHARDSON: No, I don't think
22
    so.
23
                  SKYLAR: Will you please hold my
24
    hand, Mommy?
25
                  MR. RICHARDSON: Whatever it is,
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we'll get through this. We don't even know where
 1
 2
     we're at. Kim, listen, I know this is not good.
 3
     But you've got to just hold it together, okay?
     We'll figure this out, all right?
 4
 5
                   SKYLAR: What if they take me away?
                   MR. RICHARDSON: If Katie said you
 6
 7
     can go home, let's just go with that, okay?
 8
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: I can't find any
 9
     Kleenex anywhere. I had some, where are they?
10
                   SKYLAR: I'm sorry.
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Brandon's mom,
11
12
     words out that a crime scene's at our house.
13
                   SKYLAR: Just tell everyone it was a
14
     misunderstanding. Please hold my hand, Mommy. I
15
     need your guys' support.
16
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, you have our
     support, but you absolutely have to stop lying.
17
18
     Period.
7-9-
                  SKYLAR: I understand.
20
                        (Knocking.)
21
                   MRS. RICHARDSON: Yes.
22
                   UNIDENTIFIED: Do guys you want
23
    water or anything?
24
                   MR. RICHARDSON:
                                    Tissues.
25
                   UNIDENTIFIED: Tissues, water?
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SKYLAR: No, thank you.
 1
                   UNIDENTIFIED: Would you like water?
 2
                   SKYLAR: Just please tell me we're
 3
     going to get through this.
 4
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, we will, but
 5
 6
     I don't know what it takes yet, I have no idea.
     All we got was the detective, he told us about the
 7
 8
     fact that you were pregnant, which we didn't know.
 9
                   SKYLAR: Where is Katie?
10
                   UNIDENTIFIED: Do you want to speak
11
     to her?
12
                   SKYLAR: Can I talk to her, please?
13
                   UNIDENTIFIED: Yeah, let me check
14
     here in just a sec, okay?
15
                   SGT. GEE: (Entered the room.) Hi.
16
                   SKYLAR: Hi. What's going on?
17
                   SGT. GEE: Honey, he has to make
18
     some phone calls and stuff. He's in the bathroom
19
    right now, okay. And I'll ask him to come in and
20
     talk to you and explain to you. He's actually
21
     going to be -- he's the one that's going to be
22
    handling all of this. Okay? I'm just helping him
23
    out. So let me go get him, okay? And I'll see if
24
    he can come in here and talk to you and let you
25
     know what's happening right now, okay? Calm down,
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okay? Deep breath.
 1
                   SKYLAR: I'm so sorry, Daddy. I'm
 2
 3
     sorry.
                   MR. RICHARDSON: Honey, I know
 4
     you're sorry. But we are where we are. We can't
 5
 6
     do anything about it.
 7
                   SKYLAR: Right.
 8
                         (Knocking.)
 9
                   LT. FAINE: Hi. I didn't know, did
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     you all have any questions or want to talk to me
11
     or us or --
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                   MR. RICHARDSON: We want to know
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     where we're at. We're just not sure what's next
14
     here.
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                   LT. FAINE: Okay. We're going to --
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     they're at the house right now. They're just
17
     waiting on the two of us. We have to get -- get
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     this signed by the judge right here at Franklin
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    Court who's just waiting on us. And we've got to
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     go over there to the -- we've got to go over there
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     to the house and take care of that part there.
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    And then -- and really that's it. We need to --
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    we need to look at your phone as well. Is your
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    phone --
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                   MR. RICHARDSON: It's in my truck.
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                   LT. FAINE: It's in your car, in
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     vour truck, sir? Okay. And really that's --
     really that's it. Let me see if I still have a
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     card on me. I do. That's my name right there.
 4
     And that's my cell number. That's the only phone
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     I have. I answer that, I answer that 24/7. Do
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 7
     you all -- are you comfortable waiting here for a
 8
     little bit or would you rather go -- would you
 9
     rather go somewhere else?
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                   SKYLAR: Can we go home, please?
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                   LT. FAINE: I'm sorry, Skylar?
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                   SKYLAR: Can we go home, please?
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                   LT. FAINE: Can you go home, please?
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     Not yet because we're -- as soon as we get done
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     out there. Most likely you are going home today,
16
     okay? But we have to go out there and do, you
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     know, do this part. There's -- and so we'll go do
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     that. We're going to get this signed. And you
    all are -- you're welcome to stay right here while
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    we do that or you're welcome to go somewhere else.
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    I can let you all kind of talk about that and see.
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    And then we'll be -- we'll be coming right back
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    here.
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                   MR. RICHARDSON: I guess we're
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    better off just waiting here then. But she's
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obviously in a panic mode that she's going to
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 2
     jail.
                   LT. FAINE: I understand. As of
 3
     right now unless I hear something different from
 4
     the prosecutor's office, you are not going to
 5
     jail. Okay. As of right now, and that's 90,
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 7
     probably 90 percent that you're not, okay, going
     to jail. Okay? I don't know why he -- I don't
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     know all of a sudden I get a call saying okay,
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     we've given it further consideration. So there's
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     a 90 percent chance that you're, you know, that
     you're not going to jail. And I mean I think I've
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     been honest.
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                   MR. RICHARDSON: What she did
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     though, is that a chargeable offense? I mean is
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     this --
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                   LT. FAINE: Yes, yeah.
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                   MR. RICHARDSON: So there is some
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    legal issue that we've got to face?
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                   LT. FAINE: Yeah, there's definitely
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    potentially, but not certainly, if I'm making
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    sense. She certainly faces it potentially, but
23
    it's not certain that she will face any criminal
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    consequence for it.
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MR. RICHARDSON: Well, the one thing

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and I was trying to clarify, and this is something
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     we were talking, she went to the doctor.
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     found out she was pregnant, but they prescribed
 4
     her with birth control pills and she started
 5
     taking.
                   LT. FAINE: With what kind of pills?
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                   MR. RICHARDSON: Birth control
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     pills. And I guess that was the part we were lost
 9
     because we didn't think she would be prescribed
10
     with birth control pills if she was pregnant. Can
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     that not --
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                   LT. FAINE: Yeah. I don't think I
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     understand that myself.
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                   MR. RICHARDSON: That doesn't -- and
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     I asked her several times to make sure she was
16
     being honest with us about this. But she went to
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     the doctor. They told her to follow a schedule --
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     schedule a follow-up, which she did not. But we
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    got the call her prescription's ready. She got it
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     and she started taking the pill.
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                   LT. FAINE:
                               Okay.
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                   MR. RICHARDSON: And she's been
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     taking it ever since and that's why we didn't have
24
     any clue that she was -- (inaudible) already.
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LT. FAINE:

Understandably.

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                    SKYLAR: So you're going to go to my
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      house and then you'll come back and tell us
      what -- you'll go to my house and tell me and then
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  4
      come back --
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                    LT. FAINE: We are going to go to
 6
     your house right now, yeah.
 7
                    SKYLAR: And tell me what's going
 8
     on?
 9
                    LT. FAINE: And -- and then we
     will -- we'll be coming right back here. Okay?
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11
                    MR. RICHARDSON: I guess just do
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     what you got to do and we'll just wait here.
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     We've got several people calling us, we're just
     not answering. Do you want her phone -- it's
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15
     right --
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                   LT. FAINE: Yeah, let's do that part
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     I guess. And we won't have -- won't have the
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     phone on. (Left the room.)
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