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John: Now, our interview here today, which I hope we understand everything is going to be on the record, right?

Jerry: On the record.

John: Yeah, you're ok with that?

Jerry: I guess.

John: Well, that's what I'm here for.

Jerry: Ok.

John: So, and then you're going to have to call me, right? Now, March starts tomorrow.

Jerry: Right. I put in a request to call Saturday morning.

John: Great, ok.

Jerry: I don't see any reason they won't accept it.

John: Ok, now, my understanding is that at times you have made two phone

calls at the same time, is that correct?

Jerry: Well, what happened was, ok, last...

John: You don't need to give me all the details. I'm just asking assuming this goes well today...

Jerry: I'm not allowed.

John: You're not allowed to do two phone calls?

Jerry: I'm not allowed to do two phone calls. I'm only allowed a 15 minute phone call. That's my latest restriction.

John: And how many do you get in March?

Jerry: I can call you Saturday, and then I can call you the following week or how soon...

John: Well, could you call me Saturday and then Sunday? I mean, two days in a row could you call me?

Jerry: I think so.

John: Can we put in for that?

Jerry: Right. I'll put in for that as soon as I get back.

John: Now, do you have any questions for me?

Jerry: Well, I guess now that you got the interview ...very difficult. You understand that?

John: Because of the restrictions?

Jerry: Well, that and I get 15 minutes. After about 5 minutes, they will interrupt and say...then he'll go another 5 minutes and interrupt again with some sort of saying. And then at the end when there's 1 minute left, they'll notify you and come back in 30 seconds. So that's what happens with these phone calls. I think I can talk over....start again, you know, in terms of everything else.

John: Well, we'll work it out. We'll work it out. But I need something to be recorded so that. Now, this is not the way I wanted to do it but this actually might work better because this way, we have three hours together. I have a lot of questions. They're all going to be on the record, your responses. I'm not a very good with note taking, so I may have to pause or ask you to repeat something or whatever. But I want to get through as much as we can and then that way I'll actually have a better idea to narrow down the questions for the phone call.

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Jerry: Let me ask you this. The main issue I have is anything that I say, there's two issues. One would be incrimination. I don't want to incriminate myself. The second one is should we win an appeal and we have a retrial, I'm not sure....answers to some questions.

John: Well, both of your attorneys have made it clear to me what the parameters are here, which is basically everything's ok except they want me to stay away from very specific allegations to victims not related to Penn State. In other

words, other than Victim Number Two. Now, Norri had said that he actually wants you to talk about Victim Number Two, and Joe is perfectly fine with all of it. So I'm not going to ask you anything that Joe and Norri haven't already been told I'm going to ask you, alright? Please try to speak loudly because this is not a great audio, obviously, situation. We'll just go with it and see how it goes and we'll go from there, ok? Alright, I guess the first thing I think people are going to be interested in knowing is, could you describe your life here in prison?

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Jerry: (laughter) Well, it's certainly not a rose garden. It's challenging. Since I've been placed in prison, I've been confined. I was placed on suicide watch initially, even though I've never been classified as suicidal by any psychologist or psychiatrist. That's very difficult. You're confined. You have no interactions. You have no bedding, no, they give you a one-piece outfit. ...

John: I'm just trying to figure out if there's a clock in here.

Jerry: There's a clock right out there. So obviously you're confined, you can't do anything, really. You're allowed to have a shower at night, that was it. And after that, then I was hopeful that I would be placed in population the way I was in Centre County. That didn't happen. They told me for my protection I was placed on protective custody, which I had very few privileges. I could make I think one phone call a week. I had one visit a week for an hour over the phone, and I didn't have commissary. So that lasted for a period of time. Then basically I was able to get commissary. I worked all the way out to three phone calls a week, and then I still had the one visit. And I was allowed one hour a week for recreation by myself. I couldn't have a basketball. So then I was transferred to Camp Hill. Now I was placed on suicide watch three times there for no reason in my mind.

John: Do you believe you're suicidal?

Jerry: No, absolutely not. I said to them, when I came home, sentencing they put me on suicide watch they say for my protection, I said I want to live, I want to

fight. I am the furthest thing from suicidal right now. But, I guess they had to protect themselves. So then I went to Camp Hill. I had to go through a number of tests and evaluations and there was a very short period of time, I expected it to be much longer, but it was a short period of time. They assessed me, they categorized me at a level two, which is very good, it's as good as I could get. And then I was only there eight days. I was confined again.

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John: What would you say is the worst part of being in prison?

Jerry: Suicide watch.

John: And why so?

Jerry: You can't do anything. You couldn't read. I exercised because I exercise, but I had this one piece suit on, you didn't have bedding, you weren't allowed to have a book. I wasn't allowed a visit by my pastors.

John: So when you're on suicide watch, they actually make your life so miserable you want to commit suicide.

Jerry: Oh yeah. Actually I said to my wife if you're not suicidal going in, you are going out (laughter). They all have policies. So I was classified level two and then I was told that I wasn't going to be there long. (unintelligible) So then I was transferred here and it didn't get better, I was still confined, I was placed on restrictions, I had phone call restrictions, of course. I had commissary and visitation restrictions obviously.

John: Jerry, what would you say would be the number one thing you want people to know about you?

Jerry: The number one thing people ought to know? Right now? I'm not what I've been portrayed to be. I'm fighting for a lot of things and a lot of people.

John: What are you fighting for?

Jerry: Fairness. .

John: How do you feel as if you've not been treated fairly?

Jerry: How much time do you have?

John: What would you say would be the number one thing that where you were not treated fairly?

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Jerry: There's so many, John. I mean, I was not treated fairly by investigators, accusers, media, psychologists, civil attorneys, it goes on and on, Penn State, the politics, the system, you name it. By whole orchestration of what has happened I think was unfair.

John: Alright, let's get into some of the details. Let's go back to 1998, and I'm curious. The Freeh Report made a lot, have you read the Freeh Report? You've not? You've not been able to read the Freeh Report?

Jerry: I never had access to it. I get the paper at the house. I don't remember what day it came out...I haven't read it

John: It came out pretty much right after your conviction.

Jerry: I was in transit probably. I may have read a couple things about it or been told a couple things about it.

John: Alright. Are you aware that the case against Joe Paterno supposedly conspiring to cover up your actions is based upon a couple of emails that Tim Curley sent? Are you aware of that?

Jerry: Well, I've heard in the media some things.

John: Ok. Tim Curley sent a couple of emails in 1998 at the beginning of that investigation into your actions where he references "Coach." He references "The Coach" and having touched base with "The Coach" and "Coach" being anxious for an update. Do you have any recollection of having contact with Tim Curley at that time?

Jerry: No, I didn't have any contact with Tim Curley at that time.

John: You're sure?

Jerry: Absolutely positive.

John: Now, how would Tim Curley, how would he normally have referred to you?

Jerry: I don't know, Jerry.

John: Really?

Jerry: Yeah.

John: See, most people have said that he referred to you as Coach.

Jerry: Well, he might have. I don't know. Like if he and I were talking, I don't know how he referred to me because I never listened to what, you know, in reference, if he made reference to me to somebody I was either never there, or didn't pay any attention. He might have said at occasions said Coach. If we saw each other, it would be Hi, Jerry.

John: So it's untrue that you preferred to be called The Coach or Coach?

Jerry: No, I never really cared what I was called.

John: How about Joe Paterno? How was he normally referred to?

Jerry: Both Joe and Coach. I was referred to as Coach, but it wasn't important to me and it wasn't important to Joe, either.

John: Ok, so it was normal for people to call you Coach?

Jerry: Yeah, but most probably didn't.

John: Now would you say Joe would be normally called Joe, or normally called Coach?

Jerry: It's the same sort of arrangement. He was probably called Coach more than I was but not the whole time. He didn't push that. He was very comfortable with Joe.

John: Alright, well see, now those two emails have been considered to be very important because they are thought to prove that Joe knew about the investigation in 1998, and then later on they've been used to show that Joe lied about knowing about that investigation. To your knowledge, did Joe Paterno know anything about the investigation in 1998?

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Jerry: No.

John: And how do you know that? Are you confident in that, that he knew nothing?

Jerry: Well, he didn't talk to me about it ever. I mean, he never said a word to me about it in 1998. I was on his staff. I was coaching. I wasn't led to believe by anyone that I talked to that anybody at Penn State like was talked to, other than the officer, Mr. Sheffler, because he was the only person from Penn State that I talked with. In other words, I never talked to any administrator, coach, or any person. I was led to believe that this was such a, there wasn't a very significant thing. I mean, It was never made a huge deal to me from anybody at Penn State including Mr. Sheffler. Now. So that's why I didn;t talk to Tim Curley then and I didn't (talk to Joe) so how would I have thought that Joe knew anything?

John: So after the '98 investigation, first, how were you informed that the '98 investigation ended? Do you remember?

Jerry: Oh yeah. The only concerns I ever had was for the young man who was

involved in this. And when I met with his mother, it was out of concern. I was told that this young man had cancer. I was told that he really liked Penn State football. He asked me to take him to a Penn State football game, then, ok, his mother talked to me a little bit about this and I do not recall saying some of the things that she said I said or that Sheffler said that I said. But I was upset because this young man, I didn't want to do anything to hurt him. I didn't feel that I did anything to hurt him. And I never told anybody that I did anything to hurt him. So out of the clear blue sky Sheffler and a man by the name of Lauro, Mr. Lauro show up at the locker room. I was working out. And then we went into a side room and they talked to me about that incident. I don't remember Mr. Sheffler saying much at all. Mr. Lauro from CYS did all the talking. Not all, he did the vast majority of talking. He was the one who asked me the questions. He was the one that conducted the interview. At the conclusion of that interview, you know, what I remember was me asking them, they concluded, I remember Mr. Lauro saying well, we've investigated things much more worse than this, much worse. That we've investigated things much worse than this.

John: That was Lauro?

Jerry: Yes.

John: And so was he giving you the impression that he didn't think this was a big deal?

Jerry: That they showed up, that was startling to me. That they showed up. So in that sense, it was a big deal. But I was left with comfort, you know. My concern was what do I do with this young man. I didn't want him to have a bad perception. My concern was he asked me to take him to a football game, should I take him to a football game. They said yes, you can take him to a football game because I didn't want to hurt him. But they said don't work out with him and don't shower and I said well, I won't do that. So my total focus was on the young man.

John: Who told you don't take a shower with him?

Jerry: I can't remember, I thought both of them said don't work out with him, don't shower.

John: This was after the surveillance episode where you were under surveillance?

Jerry: What do you mean by surveillance?

John: In other words, the investigators, you were under surveillance during that episode, I mean, not during that episode, but there was an investigation and you, were you not aware that you were under surveillance?

Jerry: what do you mean? you mean with the mother? Yeah, I think that was after the interview, yeah, the interview would have been after they were at her house. The interview happened later than me going to see her.

John: At what time did they tell you, you know what? We've done the investigation, it's over, and you're in the clear?

Jerry: Ok. At that interview, I don't have absolute proof, they said we will let you know shortly. It was maybe at the most two days I got a call....or maybe I think I got a call right away from Mr. Lauro. I might have gotten the call the next day or that day from Mr. Lauro saying that this is not going to be founded, and its not going to be on any kind of record or anything like that. And then I received in the mail shortly after that notification that this was an "unfounded."

John: By whom, do you remember?

Jerry: CYS, it came from Mr. Lauro. It came from the Department of Public Welfare. He was a State person, he's with Children and Youth, but he was from the State.

John: Ok, now, so you were informed there was an investigation going on almost immediately after the episode, is that correct?

Jerry: No.

John: No you were not?

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Jerry: No. The only time, I mean, I didn't know there was an investigation when I went to see his mother.

John: So you did not know there was an investigation when you were under surveillance?

Jerry: No.

John: Ok, so let's talk about the mother thing. A lot has been made of you saying I wish I were dead. Can you explain what context that may have had?

Jerry: Well, number one, I don't remember if I said that. Now she also said things that weren't true. She had said something to me when I first came in that Zac had nightmares and was all upset and made up this big thing about that, which bothered me. You know, it bothered me that he had that kind of perception. And I certainly felt bad. I didn't want to hurt him and may have said something about you seem upset, I'm sure you're probably not going to forgive me, or something

like that. But, you know, Zac...

John: It doesn't matter, they're adults now.

Jerry: Yeah, but I was told not to say their names.

John: By whom?

Jerry: The young man was anxious to do things....

John: So you don't believe you said I wish I was dead?

Jerry: I don't think. You know, am I absolutely positive? No, but certainly I would guess that I didn't say that. I never said that to anybody. After all the things that have happened, there were plenty of times I would have said that in the last three years,(laughter) and it wouldn't come out. It just wouldn't come out that way. Now. I felt bad, though, I did feel bad.

John; What did you feel bad about?

Jerry: Because, well the mother said that, you know, at that point she wasn't sure if Zach was going to be allowed to go to football games or things like that. Things that he wanted to do. These were things that he wanted to do. And she said, you shower with kids, and I said yes, I've done that. So she didn't have a good perception of that. She didn't want anything to do with that. I didn't, unfortunately, think much about that.

John: There was another child in the shower in that episode, was there not?

Jerry: No.

John: There was not? Because I've been told that. It was just Zach. Ok.

Jerry: So I was concerned about that. Here I was feeling good about doing something pretty special. Also that this young man had cancer. I was told he loved Penn State football, you know. That's why we gave him Penn State shorts to work out in. Joe Paterno socks, you know. Here I am feeling great and all of a sudden boom, I got my bubble burst. You know, I didn't want to leave that undone like that. I wanted to continue a relationship with him and go forward because it was important to me. I felt that was something I was glad to do and wanted to complete it. And the thing was, ok, I still don't know there's an investigation going on. Now, all of a sudden they show up at the locker room and that was bang, bang, ok? It was like they met with me, boom, it's over.

John: So, what I'm trying to figure out, Jerry, is these e-mails. Because these e-mails, your recollection is that this was a very quick investigation, correct? Yes, no?

Jerry: Well, yeah, I mean I don't know how long investigations last. Relative to now it was like a snap. I didn't think there was much time that transpired, I don't remember the dates.

John: Here's why it's important from Paterno's perspective.

Jerry: I'm not probably going to give you the answer you want.

John: That's fine. I'm just trying to figure out what the truth is Jerry. Whatever happens, happens. So there's these emails from Tim over the course of a couple of weeks in May 2008, one saying I touched base with Coach, and the

other saying Coach is anxious for an update. And Louis Freeh presumed that meant Joe Paterno was in the loop on this. And I was trying to figure out what, how involved Curley was, how involved Paterno was. Did Tim Curley ever have conversation with you about 1998?

Jerry: No. He mentioned it in 2001, however, he said that was handled by the authorities. he said he didn't get involved with that. That was what, that was the impression that I had. And that was the only feeling I had. That was my understanding. I had no idea it went to the District Attorney. I had no idea of any of the happenings other than I had no idea that I was being investigated when I went to her home. The only idea I had that this was an issue was in that meeting in the locker room. And that went bang bang. I mean it was like, meet with him (it's over).

John: Ok, we'll get to 2001. I want to go in chronological order. Just so I understand, it was your impression in 2001 that Tim Curley viewed 1998 as a situation where you had been exonerated. Is that accurate?

Jerry: Oh Yes. Yes. I mean, it was not a focus....other than you know, it happened. I mean I was led to believe they handled that.

John: Let me ask you, to me, one of the ways to figure out how what really happened in '98 is what happened with your relationship with Victim Six or Zach and his mother afterwards. I'm told that you actually continued that relationship.

Jerry: (laughter). I'm glad you asked. I maintained the same relationship. I took him to football games. He asked me to work out and I didn't. I didn't want to get into that. He came to Penn State football games with other kids. I always, I had a bunch of kids at every home football game, most from The Second Mile. So he came to games. He came to my house. I remember at my last home football game against Michigan, I had a problem, I didn't have enough tickets for everybody. There were other young men that I had been inviting to these games for a longer period of time. Ah, I didn't invite him. So we're driving in to the game, at Damon's I see somebody waving at me. It's his mother and he was

standing there. She comes pleading to me, could you please take Zach to the game. I figured I could find a way. It was my last game at home. I figured I could find a way to get him in. The managers had an allotment for one person a week to be on the sidelines working as kind of an assistant manager, so I said yeah. Following that, I maintained a relationship for 10, 11 years.

John: And obviously his mother was aware and approving of this.

Jerry: Yeah. He testified something to the effect that she wasn't happy...I talked to her. I had no indication...I'd gotten tickets for his sister...

John: You had no indication of what?

Jerry: Indication from her that she was holding any kind of ill feelings. I mean, why would she stop me and encourage Zach to go to games? Why would he continue? He was living at home. He was working part-time at Barnes and Noble after high school. I talked to him. He was planning to go to college. He came to games. He came with alleged Victim Number 7 regularly. They were friends. He and Number 7 came to games together after they grew up. They're in their 20's and they're asking me for tickets for games. And I'm providing them. He went away to school. We maintained contact during that time. He would even call and ask if he could come to such and such games and I always obliged. His father was in my home two times with him; his biological father.

John: Now, the mother of Victim Six, or Zach, is a critical figure in this because after the indictments, I know that whole first week I'm sure was a whirlwind. You probably aren't even aware of this, but there was a story in a local paper that the mother of Victim Six and the mother of Victim One were very upset with Penn State and Joe Paterno. Now, I maintain that story was inaccurate because first of all, the mother of Victim One was not making statements about Penn State or Paterno. But more importantly, I want to ask you about the mother of Victim Six. You just explained you had a long relationship with her and her son after the investigation was over.

Jerry: I had a long relationship with her son. I had a cordial relationship with her.

John: She certainly knew?

Jerry: Oh yeah, she was with him at home. I drove them home from games.

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John: Ok, so here's my question. She's been very critical, the mother of Victim Six, has been very critical of Penn State and Joe Paterno. What do you make of that in light of the fact that she allowed you to see her boy well after the 1998 investigation?

Jerry: What I make of that is that the '98 thing was forgotten by her. She didn't really deal with it. Noe, she wanted more out of it than she got back in '98. She probably wanted this to become a big issue with me and maybe with Penn State back in '98, but couldn't.

John: Why do you say that?

Jerry: She had a lot of financial problems. I mean, she has a horrible financial record. They moved from location to location. I don;t know if I should be saying this, but she didn't pay bills, so, there are leans against her. Things like that.

John: Do you believe that she was critical of Penn State when this all broke because she thought that was the place to get money?

Jerry: I think that's certainly a possibility noting her circumstances. The media and I guess investigators, they bring this whole thing back up. So now the media talks to her, interviews her, and the person who interviewed her was very

ambitious, very... involved.

John: Sara Ganim.

Jerry: Sara Ganim. Very involved. She contacted, Sara Ganim contacted her and provided information that neither should have known.

John: How do you know that?

Jerry: Discovery. Also, it was brought up at trial, that Sara Ganim refused to testify...it was never made clear because I don't think Joe was able to ask the question, or something like that. She didn't testify. But it was made clear that she said she had information that if she didn't move on this, if she didnt come foreard. Sara had information that if his mother didn't come forward, they were going to drop this. And you better get on the stick, in other words. You better start....

John: Sara Ganim told that to the mother of Victim Six?

Jerry: Something to that effect.

John: During the Grand Jury, or?

Jerry: Probably. It was right around at the time she wrote the articles. Around March.

John: Now, obviously a lot of the alleged victims are connected to Victim Six. Do you believe that the mother of victim Six was acting as a facilitator of those

allegations against you?

Jerry: For a couple of them, yes, possibly.

John: And what makes you believe that?

Jerry: Well, because he was really close friends with Number Seven. And then Number Five, her daughter knew him and I would imagine that there was some sort of communication there. Other thing, we sponsored Number Six on a mission trip. He asked for money to go on a mission trip when he was in college. He came over for a visit. He sent me text messages Thanksgiving and Father's Day and the text message was like, I can't believe God sent you into my life. Love you. That's the kind of, you know, and the summer before we, this is after Sara Ganim's article. This was in June, July after Sara Ganim's article comes out. I never said anything to him, but I maintained the same relationship. I would call him or he would call me every three, four weeks just to touch base. And then I would say if you're thinking about coming to a game, let me know so I can plan and have tickets. He was not bashful about asking, (laughter) ok? He was not bashful about asking. We went out to dinner in July, the July preceding the trial, while he was there with another young man that was in The Second Mile. The next day, I had a colonoscopy. He called me the next day asking me about how that went. What in the world? Does that make any sense? (laughter) You're getting me fired up (laughter).

John: You're doing fine. Just keep your voice up. Did anyone at Penn State, Jerry, ever mention the '98 investigation to you after it was done? Or did anyone every treat you differently at all after that?

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Jerry: No, no. I mean, the next thing that happened was, my retirement? '99 was my last year. Ok, when I retired, I had come to the point in my coaching career where I was concerned. I had done everything that I could do as a football coach. I wanted to be a head football coach, but I also had this passion for The Second Mile. So I was a pulled at person. Actually, I was trying to resolve my

situation. I was concerned that I would have enough energy and motivation to do what was right for the players. I didn't want to do anything, I never did anything halfhearted. I poured my guts into everything I did. I didn't feel I was going to become the head football coach at Penn State, that had passed. That wasn't going to happen. So I tried to start football at Penn State Altoona, ok, and I said well, I could become head football coach, I cannot be far removed from The Second Mile, I worked at that, I tried to create that, it failed. So now, then at about the same time it failed, this retirement window came available. I was given, I would have been offered five extra years as an incentive to retire.

John: Five years' service towards your pension?

Jerry: Right. So maybe I'll look at that. So I decided, I talked to Tim Curley about it. In the meantime, Tim had talked to me about well, if you're thinking about getting out of coaching, maybe you want to be assistant athletic director. He talked to me about that. I was never excited about being an administrator, so I said no to that. So now I'm left with that option of retirement and I chose it. Now, when I chose it...what kind of feelings would anybody have. They met with me. I wasn't forced into it at all. In fact, I had to make a decision, I didn't want to make the decision, I wanted to make the decision at the end of football season and "bang" be done with it. Well, the retirement window was going to close in June, so I had to make my decision.

John: June of '98?

Jerry: '99. In other words, I had to make a decision in June of '99. Well, when I did, then it became public record of something like that. But I was not forced into it. I talked to Joe that week. I talked to Tim Curley right before. He said, are you sure you're going to make that decision? This was at football camp. I told him yes, and then I went out to coach and I started crying because this was something I love, you know, I just made that decision. But Penn State, I was named their Alumni Fellow in, I think 1999, for my work with The Second Mile and things like that. I received other awards from Penn State. human service award. I was granted, I understood it was an exception, but I was granted emeritus. I did have faculty rank. And then I was recognized by Quarterback

Club, I was...

John: I want to get into the retirement a little bit more, but I want to make sure, do you know whether or not The Second Mile was ever informed about the '98 investigation? And was there any...

Jerry: Not until 2001. I never mentioned it to them. They never mentioned it to me. Nobody ever mentioned it to them.

John: Does that seem odd that you would be...forget about you for a second. I mean that somebody would be investigated by all these agencies and that The Second Mile, I mean Zach was a Second Mile, kid, was he not?

Jerry: Well, he wasn't heavily involved. He went to what was called Friends Program...

John: I mean, does it surprise you that The Second Mile wouldn't be informed of such an investigation?

Jerry: No, because like I said, my perception of what happened wasn't what's come out (laughter)

John: You thought, no big deal?

Jerry: Yeah. I mean, this kid, he's chasing me, wanting to do things with me. He's a part of my life. I had his father in my house. I mean, why would I...

John: But the Second Mile was informed in 2001 of '98, as well?

Jerry: Right. I believe. Yeah, I'm sure, yeah, I'm sure. Yeah. .

John: So you're sure that Tim told The Second Mile in 2001 about both the 2001 McQueary episode and the Zach episode?

Jerry: Right. And I talked to The Second Mile about '98 and 2001 (in 2001).

John: Ok, we'll get to that. I want to get back to that. Ok. Now, before we get into the retirement, what was your understanding of why you were not charged in '98?

Jerry: The last thing that was in my head was what Mr. Lauro said, we've seen so many more worse things than this, you know? That was the feeling I had. Like, again, I was focused on the young man. What can I do for him? I don't want to mess up here. That's why.

John: Did your behavior change at all after '98? I mean, were you more careful after '98?

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Jerry: My behavior didn't change drastically, no. I mean, it didn't change drastically. Put it this way. The way its been portrayed was like I did all of this showering and I did shower occasionally with kids after '98. There were times when they would come to activities that I wouldn't shower with them. There were a few times that I did. Not nearly as many as was alluded to or presented by those who made the accusations.

John: But you had indicated that with regard to Victim Six, he asked you to work out after that and you decided not to?

Jerry: Right, because that was my fault because then I clearly understood what I should do with him.

John: So your behavior did change with him, but not in general.

Jerry: Right.

John: Alright. Do you have any recollection of having contact during that investigation with a therapist Chambers or Sesock?

Jerry: No.

John: You have no, neither of them had any interaction with you?

Jerry: No.

John: Sesock did not, Chambers did not interview you?

Jerry: No.

John; Really? I was under the impression that they did.

Jerry: Yeah, Chambers made all of these conclusions without even talking to me (laughter). I never met with her once. I think she met with the mothers.

John: So you never met with Chambers, you're sure of that, never had a conversation?

Jerry: Never. I wouldn't have known who she was until her name came up right before trial.

John: And Sesock you never had any contact with? Who was your contact person regarding the '98 investigation?

Jerry: Mr. Lauro. The only contact was the meeting and the phone call right after the meeting. That was it.

John: And, of course, you know, I've actually battled with a Sports Illustrated reporter, Jerry, who has written, and still never corrected, the allegation in '98 was that you raped a boy in the shower. (Jerry laughs) And he acknowledged that that's not accurate, but he didn't correct it. What's your reaction to that?

Jerry: After this experience, nothing surprises me. I didn't know he said that. There's been so many things, so many words thrown out there, so many monster creating terms been thrown out that nothing surprises me what was said.

John: Is it frustrating? Does it still anger you, or are you beyond that?

Jerry: (laughter) I'm beyond that, but when you mention it, it's in my craw. The hurt, the pain, the anger, all of the emotions come out when you mention things like that and I think about how all this transpired. But yeah. But I'm beyond that. That's done. All I want is another chance (laughter).

John: A chance at what?

Jerry: Another trial to be able to do the kind of job we would be able to do. To bring up things at work. To get things out that were never paid attention to, or ignored, or not presented. To be able to present a different view, different account of things.

But I don't know if anyone's going to listen?

John: Do you think they will?

Jerry: That's a tough road.

John: I agree with you. I don't think anybody will listen, unfortunately. I mean, I'm trying...I've had a tough enough time to get people to understand that Joe had nothing to do with this. And so, it's amazing how people have a view of this and they just don't want to change it. Once they decided, I mean, it's...

Jerry: You read some books and things you understand why.

John: Why do you think that is? What's your explanation?

Jerry: You have to read the book, Victims of Memory, and then, I've written my version of what that book meant relative to what happened to me, what transpired, when one person started the whole thing, the young man from Lock Haven. He started the whole thing and if you knew about him and you know what a story teller, what a drama person he is, if you knew that (Victim 1). He made up a whole story at school. I have a video of him creating a whole story that he was going to be attacked by somebody and that he was held prisoner. Then he comes into school and makes up this whole thing. When they investigated, there was no information to substantiate what he said. Then his mother said the next day he's run off the road when he has a car accident by this person who was trailing him.

That's where it all started. And it started out very small. It didn't start out the way it ended. He had all these problems. He gets into a fight with a kid shortly after this because he called the kid gay. Now what the, does that make any sense? Ok, after he had all these things happen, he's going to call somebody gay. He used that term freely. Then it just went on, and it just took off from there. And the media and everybody, the psychologist, the civil attorneys and everybody involved. It's a rage. It's a theme right now. It's a big public makes fast judgments. The media. It isn't important it's accurate, it's important first. And then opportunities existed to make this bigger and better and they took advantage of that.

So then Penn State, their reaction to it. They called these kids victims. They weren't supposed to be victims, they were supposed to be alleged victims. So right away, all the information, they were bombarded with information, and it's an issue that there's a craze about it. It's become,

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the world today is much different than the world I grew up in. These kids are much different, I've learned, their perceptions, you know like to be asked by Bob Costas, the question I was asked, I've never thought in terms of was I attracted to, I mean, I was devastated at that point in time. All the things that happened. I never thought in terms of being attracted to kids like that, sexually. It was the furthest thing from my mind. My world, (laughter) I was not oriented like the world is today where sex is this or that, if you're this or that, if you're heterosexual, homosexual or whatever. That was not my world. I never thought about that. My world was athletics and what I could do there. My world was what I could help these kids, not sexually attracted to them. I was taken back by the realization of some things that were said.

John: Let's go back to retirement. My understanding is that the process actually began technically before the '98 investigation. According to Joe's notes, he had spoken to you before that and said to you something along the lines of, you gotta make a decision between Second Mile and Penn State football, and you're not going to be the head coach. Does that jive with your recollection?

Jerry: Joe and I had conversations about my future. Those conversations could have been relative to starting football at Penn State Altoona...

John: Just so you know, 'cause you haven't read the Freeh Report, in the Freeh Report, there are notes from Joe that are before the '98 investigation, in '98, indicating that he had spoken to you and that the process for your retirement was going to begin. Does that not jive with, I mean, and I understand that was not the final, final decision, but that the process had begun. That you guys had...

Jerry: You said before '98?

John: No, no, it was early '98, but it was before the '98 investigation. The '98 investigation is May of '98. I believe according to these notes Joe talks to you and there needs to be a decision between Penn State and The Second Mile and that you're not going to be the head coach.

Jerry: Yeah, if you could find out when the retirement window became available, see, I mean, I talked to Joe about starting football at Penn State Altoona. In fact Joe and I and Graham Spanier met about it, we had a meeting about that.

John: So you're not quite sure of the timing, is what I'm getting?

Jerry: No, because my recollection was I was hoping to do thing at Penn State Altoona. When that fell through, there was a period maybe....I don't know

John: Let's piece it together. If you wanted to do the Penn State Altoona thing, I believe you said earlier that would allow you to do more work with The Second Mile.

Jerry: I wouldn't be removed from the area...

John: Right. And so my, piecing it together, that sounds like in your mind that might have been a compromise situation.

Jerry: Right. Absolutely.

John: Ok, so you get to keep coaching, you're still able to do The Second Mile thing, but it just didn't work out. There was never a football program at Altoona. But the most important part of this is in no way, shape or form was your retirement related to the 1998 investigation, was it?

Jerry: No. Not to my knowledge (laughter), unless you know indirectly people might have been saying things I don't think. I never got that feeling I was forced to retire (laughter). Like I said, they honored me at the quarterback club, they gave me alumni fellow.

John: And of course, if you follow logic here you coached two more seasons after the '98 investigation, which doesn't seem to fit the pattern of somebody that's been forced to retire.

Jerry: You wouldn't think, would ya? (laughter) I remember the day I retired because I remember what happened to me. I met with Tim and he was still saying "are you sure you want to do this?" And that was the most conclusive statement, I wasn't going to become the head football coach at Penn State, you know, so. The last meeting I had with Tim, he told me that. I don't think I'd ever had that conversation with Tim. But now with Joe, I mean, Joe talked to me at various times about The Second Mile. One time I was told I would probably become the head football coach but then time passed.

John: By Joe? Joe told you that?

Jerry: Well, he said that obviously there'd be a chance, like after 1986, and

things like that. I was a big deal at that time (laughter). So yeah, that possibility was certainly there. But then over time..

John: But Joe at one point does tell you you're not going to be the next head coach at Penn State, correct?

Jerry: I remember Tim concluding that....I remember Joe kind of, it wasn't as absolutely, positive, but the indication was that. It probably would have come up in our discussions about Altoona, things like that. And Fran Ganer had been offered the job at Michigan State and if Joe retired I felt like Frany might get the job.

John: By the way, he retired yesterday.

Jerry: That's what I heard. My wife told me.

John: There's been a lot of media speculation that because you retired a year after this investigation that, and that you never coached again after that, that those two events must somehow be related. Is that accurate?

Jerry: No.

John: Why not?

Jerry: That I didn't coach anywhere else? Well because I chose to take an active role in fund raising and doing things with the Second Mile. But I still love coaching. I did football camps, I volunteered at high school, I spoke at clinics, I did a lot of football things. I would talk to coaches. I went over to Juniata College; I helped out there. I did a lot of football things to satisfy my yearning, you know, for coaching. I spoke at clinics.

John: Now, I've been told that you actually did have other job offers after you retired. By one count, I've been told you had three solid offers. Is that accurate?

Jerry: No.

John: Ok, how many did you actually have?

Jerry: Well, depends on how you look at it. That's a story in itself. Ok, I was offered an agreement by the University of Virginia to be their head football coach. That's the story.

John: Is it true that fell through over a dispute over how much time you could spend with The Second Mile?

Jerry: Well, I was offered this agreement. I didn't sign the agreement. I didn't have an attorney; I didn't have anybody look at the agreement. I, I, I was struggling; I was trying to see if somehow The Second Mile could expand into Charlottesville, VA, something like that. And I couldn't deny to those people or to anyone that The Second Mile wasn't important to me. Being a head football coach was important, the Second Mile was important. I'm a complex person; my family is extremely important. My mother's situation at that time was probably an issue too. There's a lot of things.

So, I'm struggling and I bring the agreement back home, and then in the meantime, I get a phone call from a friend who was helping me saying they might come back up and meet with you, the people from Virginia. And they came back up and met with me and they asked questions, and they asked questions about, I'm still a candidate for that job, I hadn't signed this agreement, I don't know what would have happened if I had signed the agreement. I had talked to an attorney. We had talked about the things we were going to ask. But now there was uncertainty about whether I was their person anymore.

John: Why was that, because of The Second Mile considerations?

Jerry: It's possible. It's possible

John: Did they ever ask you about anything related to the 1998 investigation?

Jerry: No. No.

John: So there's zero connection to that investigation as to why you didn't get or accept...

Jerry: Why would they have offered me an agreement?

John: I'm just asking. There's no connection as far as you know to why that job didn't happen?

Jerry: Right. Well I think it was I had expressed my interest in The Second Mile to them. They were concerned maybe a little bit, well, here's what really happened. Ok, I'm wavering a little bit, ok? I didn't like the way it all transpired. I lived in a fishbowl at Penn State. That world was a lot different, the way they were making their decisions, the things they were forcing upon me, and then all those things bothered me. I didn't feel, not that money meant anything, but they were going to pay me what was...

John: So there were a lot of things that went into why that job didn't happen?

Jerry: Yeah, I had a lot of questions. I went back into what we had planned for me to ask. One of the things I was going to ask next time I met them before I signed, ok, so then I'm dragging my feet and they became concerned and then Al Groh was on search committee for the job. They were communicating with him along the way. Now he realizes he's going to get fired. So I'm meeting with the business manager and I sensed something happened because his tone changed when I was down there. This is when he gave me the agreement, the business person gave me the agreement and he was called out of the office and he came back with a different demeanor. He had given me the agreement but it wasn't the same feeling.

John: What do you think happened?

Jerry: Al Groh called.

John: And said what?

Jerry: I'm interested in the job.

John: Ah, ok, and he ended up getting it.

Jerry: Yeah, So they came up and talked to me and they hired him that night after they met with me.

John: Ah.

Jerry: So Al Groh became concerned about his future.

John: So you were in the middle of a meeting and Al Groh calls and says I'm interested in the job?

Jerry: Well, I don't know that. I'm speculating.

John: He was hired immediately after that.

Jerry: Well, a few days after that. He was hired immediately after they came back up to State College and met with me....

John: The details aren't that important. Was there interest from other schools ever other than Virginia after you retired?

Jerry: I talked to the people at Bucknell.

John; So they approached you?

Jerry: Yeah, they did.

John: Ok, so clearly there was not rumors that were circulating within the football community about Jerry Sandusky at this time that would prevent anyone from reaching out to you.

Jerry; No.. I don't think.

John: Did anyone else ever reach out to you? But you weren't pursuing jobs, either, because you were happy with The Second Mile.

Jerry: Well, we were in a big fund raising campaign and I was wrapped up in that...

John: A couple other questions about 1998. If Joe Paterno had thought in 1998 that you might be a pedophile, even though you weren't charged, would he have allowed you to coach two more seasons after that?

Jerry: I don't know the answer to that question. I believe knowing Joe Paterno he wasn't bashful about asking or questioning (laughter). Joe did not have ulcers, but he was a carrier. that's what he would say. So if he was worried about something I think he would have expressed it.

John: Then knowing him like you do, had he thought, had a suspicion you were a pedophile, would he have left you coach two more years?

Jerry: No, I don't think. If he absolutely thought I was, I'd say no. If he had a suspicion, I don't know the answer to that. We had the same thing later on. Why would all these people not report...

John: Well, we'll get to that. How do you think, you know Joe Paterno very well, how do you think Joe Paterno would have reacted to you personally if he had strong suspicions that you were a pedophile. How would that have gone down. What would he have done?

Jerry: Well, I'll have to think about that. I'm not sure what he would have done. I think he probably would have talked to me, but I don't know that.

John: Would he have allowed you to continue to be part of his program if he thought that?

Jerry: I don't think so. I don't know. That would have been a difficult situation.

John: But you're sure that was not the case?

Jerry: He would have encouraged me to go get another job or something like that someplace else. I don't know what he would have done. But ah, I don't think he would have been happy (laughter).

John: You don't think he would have been happy? My understanding was that he didn't put up with a lot of stuff like that?

Jerry: Yeah, he was very controlling and demanding.

John: But the most important element here is you have absolutely no doubt he had no suspicions about you at all?

Jerry: I wouldn't have had any feedback of any of that of that nature. I was proceeding like there was nothing in '98. He didn't talk to me, nobody talked to me. Life was as it was. We were football coaches. Our conversations were about football. We had a job to do.

John: So there was never any comment, he didn't treat you any differently; there was never any indication at all he thought something was up.

Jerry: No. I mean he signed autographs for Second Mile kids.

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John: So you're sure that Joe Paterno never suspected you were a pedophile?

Jerry: Well, how can I be sure. I don't know Joe's mind. I don't think that he suspected. I don't know what, I don't know absolutely what he knew. I you left that he didn't know anything about '98, but that was my feeling. Do I know that? No, I don't know that. But that would have been my feeling because if he had been brought into the investigation he would have talked to me. Just like any other player that was alleged to do something. You know, he would have brought them in and talked to them.

John: Ok, let's go to 2001. So it's February 9, 2001 on a Friday night. It's a couple years after you were almost charged with similar activity in the shower. You decide to take a shower naked with a boy. Why?

Jerry: Well, that particular day, this young man was family in every sense of the term....He and I had gone to a book signing in my hometown, and we got back later than expected. We hadn't worked out. I work out every day. So I was going to take him home and shower. He had been us, like I said, he was like family, he was a Second Mile kid. So we worked out and we always competed at things. He would play games and that was always a big thing to him. So we went and showered before I was taking him home. He lived a distance away from State College. We had had a big day, competed at a lot of things, had a lot of fun. I don't remember everything.

John: Do you remember what you were competing at?

Jerry: Well we always played Polish soccer, like an Olympic soccer game. He played much more intensely. Like we played an Olympic soccer game. Everything we did, I mean, he and I competed at racquetball, we competed at basketball, we competed.....

John: Do you remember what you competed in that night?

Jerry: Probably Polish soccer. What I call Polish Soccer.

John: What is Polish soccer?

Jerry: It's just a makeshift I made out of a towel. We would set our goals and we'd just play soccer.

John: This was at Penn State?

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Jerry: Yeah. So, now I don't recall everything. My recollections would be based

on what I remember and then in talking to him about it would be my recollections. The things that I remember are I remember he went in the shower, he turned on every shower. The next thing I remember was he started, because he was like wild, he put soap on himself and was sliding, he was seeing how far he could slide. I remember that. Then we may have been like slapping towels, slap boxing doing something like that. He thought that probably it was slapping towels, but I don't know that he knew that.

John: What are you basing that on?

Jerry: This is what he said. He said it was probably slapping towels. Or snapping towels

John: When did he say that?

Jerry: When he was interviewed by investigators...

John: You don't remember slapping towels yourself, do you?

Jerry: I'm not actually sure. I would have been more inclined to do slap boxing or something like that. I'm not sure. And then I remember, he always, no matter what, he'd always get the last lick in (laughter). And then I would chase him like and I ran into a wall, but then I was pulling him back in the area of the shower where we were showering and then that was it. I never saw Mike McQueary. I don't know if the young man saw Mike MCQueary.

John: You're sure you never saw Mike McQueary?

Jerry: I am sure. And Tim Curley never told me. I did not know who this person was.

John: So Tim Curley never told you it was Mike McQueary?

Jerry: No. Tim Curley said it was a man or a woman (laughter). That's what he said. He was not about to give me the name of the person who said he saw something inappropriate.

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John: Alright, we'll get to that in a second. Did you feel, especially coming out of the '98, it was a shower episode, you were almost charged, you almost had your reputation destroyed, you could have even lost your freedom...

Jerry: I never looked it like that.

John: You didn't look at it that way. Because you didn't think '98 was a big deal.

Jerry: No. Almost charged? I didn't feel like that. I mean it wasn't like, they didn't go to The Second Mile. They didn't go to all those things. They didn't go to anybody at Penn State. That's what I thought.

John: So in 2001 after this long day with Victim Two, alleged Victim Two, you don't feel like you're taking a risk showering naked with a boy alone at night?

Jerry: Not with him because he was family. I didn't want him to think that life was any different. That is what we had done.

John: But Jerry, can you understand why people would have problems with that? It's late at night...

Jerry: It wasn't terribly late.

John; Ok, but come on. People look at that, in all seriousness, they look at it and they see an older man with a young man boy, naked in the shower, alone at night. That bothers people. Can you understand why people are bothered by that?

Jerry: Now.

John; Now you do, but not then?

Jerry: Well, I grew up in a recreation center, ok? A YMCA. we swam, we swam naked; I showered at the recreation center with people. That's where I lived. We didn't have a shower we had a bath tub. I was a physical education major. After physical education class, you showered. After exercise, I showered.

John: So you were used to showering naked, you're saying. This was not unusual with other people. This was normal to you growing up.

Jerry: Yeah.

John: So when you were younger, you showered naked with other men?

Jerry: Yeah. And same thing in high school football. The shower activity, there was goofing around, there was towel slapping, there was things like that took place. It was kind of like a relief at the end of the day kind of thing. That was always the way it was. Second Mile kids, when they would come to the football games, there would be a group of them. Now they stayed out in the locker room area. It was a big thing that they get to shower in the locker room where the players showered. That was a big deal to them. I had a hard time getting them

out of there. They had so much fun (laughter). I don't know. But then again my world was different.

John: You can see now why people look at that and go...

Jerry: In this day and age, yeah, probably. Like I said, its something that I wish I hadn't done.

John: Tell me, who is Victim Two?

Jerry: I won't give you his name, but I'll tell you who he was to me.

John: Why can't you tell me his name?

Jerry: Because its never come out

John: He's an adult now.

Jerry: I won't give you his name, but I can tell you our relationship wasn't...

(can't hear your question)

Jerry: No, but I haven't told you the whole thing.

John: Ok, well what do I need to know?

Jerry: He was like family. We did all kind of things together. We studied. We tutored. We worked out. He went to California with my wife and I twice. He spoke for the Second Mile numerous times.

John: This is after the episode in 2001?

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Jerry: Oh, yeah. He had me stand as his father at his senior night football game. He asked me to speak at his high school graduation, I did. He stayed with us the summer after his high school graduation, worked part-time jobs with classes. He would go home on weekends. You tell me. I have text messages from him. I mean, we went to his wedding. I have text messages from him. I helped him with school. John: hours to my mother's funeral from North Carolina while he was in the service.

John: I understand why you won't tell me his name. I've got to be able to try and track him down and talk to him to be able to verify this. How do I track him down? How do I do that? If there's a way to help me do that without...

Jerry: Talk to Joe Amendola.

John: You mean Joe will help me?

Jerry: He might. I don't know.

John: But Joe can get in touch with him, you think?

Jerry: Get in touch with him? (mumbling)

John: So you don't know any way to get in touch with Victim Two at this point?  
How old was he at the time?

Jerry: I think he was around 13 almost 14.

John: So the ten-year-old boy thing is incorrect? So he was 13 or 14.

Jerry: Yeah.

John: How tall was he at the time?

Jerry: He wasn't a real tall kid. I don't know. Mike McQueary said he came up to here (touching chest) or something on me. I really don't know. I have pictures of him, but I'm not sure. He was short, he was not an early maturer or anything like that. He was short, but he was very competitive. Feisty.

John: Alright. So let's go back...

Jerry: He's in the Marines.

John: So he went into the Marines?

Jerry: Yeah.

John: So you say that you're playing this game. Victim Two has said to the investigator we might have been slapping towels, you think you might have been

slap boxing, which might have been what Mike McQueary heard as slapping.

Jerry: (exasperated) Well, his version of things was... I don't understand how anybody would have walked into that locker room from where he was and heard sounds associated that was sex going on (laughter), like he said. That would have been the last thing I would have thought about. I would thought maybe fooling around or something like that (laughter). And his recollections of things, he told so many different stories. He said he went to his locker. Then when he had to write something obviously he had to put some thought into it when he had to write something. He said he looked in the mirror, and then there was one other look and it was a one to two second glance. Now, What in the world? Then he said initially he said there was one other look and you know by that time we had separated or something. And he said he saw me. I didn't see him.

Mike McQueary, I had no indication.. He plays in a Easter Seal football game that i'm coaching. He plays in two Second Mile golf outings. Now, when he says he had nothing to do with me, I think that may have occurred like in 2009/2010 after the investigators had come back to him and told him about all this stuff that had transpired.

John: You noticed a difference in your relationship with Mike McQueary around 2009, 2010?

Jerry: What I noticed was, I never had, I mean I never had much of a relationship with Mike. I'd see him in the weight room, I'd say hi. He asked me about a walk on football player from Central Mountain. I talked to him about that. He came to a couple Second Mile golf outings. He played in a football game, like I said. I was a coach, honorary coach on the opposing team but I coached his team more than i coached my team..

John: You're positive McQueary played in Second Mile golf tournaments after this?

Jerry: Oh yeah. There's record of that.

John: There was some ambiguity about whether the records were... No, look. I've been told by others that that is true, and so I believe it to be true. But I'm asking you how strong, you have personal recollection of Mike McQueary playing in Second Mile golf tournaments after 2001?

Jerry: Yeah. Because I brought that up before we had record of it.

John: You brought it up meaning during the investigation?

Jerry: Well, when Mike McQueary made his statements, I said to Joe Amendola that Mike played in golf outings.

John: Ok, but tell me more about, when you said you sensed something different about Mike McQueary's behavior towards you.

Jerry: Well, it was only like right around 2009, 2010 and again I had like no interaction. My last days of working out at Penn State. I'm starting to go up the stairs and he was there and I still didn't know, I didn't know for sure, you know it wasn't public knowledge that he was the one and he walked away when I went up the stairs. I thought that kind of funny.

John: Do you know when that was?

Jerry: That would have been like 2010. That was right before this all came out.

John: He was approached in 2010, so that would have been about the right time. So before that, you never had any problem with Mike McQueary?

Jerry: No.

John: So you don't remember a locker being slammed or anything like that?

Jerry: nah

John: You never had any issue with Mike McQueary before that?

Jerry: No, I didn't have any issue. I don't know if he had issues. He was a high school player from State College high school. Initially, he wasn't recruited by us. Then we weren't going to get Ron Powlus. We weren't going to get him, so then we decided to offer McQueary. So i visited him at school. But he was kind of my recruit and kind of not my recruit. I wasn't sure what to do. I wasn;t sure we were going to give him an offer. So I was never the kind of person that wanted to mislead anybody. so i was only lukewarm in the recruiting. In fact, when he made his visit, I wasn't even on campus. So whether that bothered him, I don't know. He was good friends with Tom Bradley. He lived in the same apartment as Tom Bradley.

John: Do you think that's significant?

Jerry: I don't know. Tom I think was very of jealous me.

John: Tom Bradley was jealous because of linebacker u and all that?

Jerry: Yeah. And then when he became defensive coordinator he got criticized for not doing it Jerry's way.

John: This is kind of a weird way of looking at it, but if Ron Powlus decided to go to Penn State and not Notre Dame, all this might have been different?

Jerry: Yeah, I would say so (laughter)

John: Why do you believe Mike McQueary is now claiming that he saw you in a sexual situation with Victim Two? Why is he saying that?

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Jerry: I think there's a lot of things that transpired. I think these investigators, the way they went about business. His story changed a lot. I think he said some things and then it escalated on him even. There's a lot of suggestive questioning. There's a lot of information being provided to him. Now he's questioning himself and whether you know what he saw, what he recollected, and he's being told all these other things were occurring. So he had a lot of suggestive questioning. Then he got into it and he got into it so deep he had to protect himself. He had to run for cover. if you look at it, some of his initial interviews and everything it was more consistent with Tim Curley and Gary Schultz, with what they were saying initially. The only thing that was inconsistent was the presentment.

John: You don't believe that the presentment was consistent with what Mike McQueary was saying?

Jerry: Right.

John: What was your reaction when you saw the presentment?

Jerry: That was, you know, ok, I was in Cleveland Ohio with my wife Joe called me and said they're going to come and arrest me and I need to get back there. So I drove late at night to be there that morning. So I've just driven back. Now, they hand me what became the presentment. I read it over. I didn't even read it. I just read it over.

John: You had to have read what they said what McQueary said, right?

Jerry: Eventually. I don't know as I did that day.

John: What was your reaction when you finally did read the McQueary allegation as it was in the presentment?

Jerry: My reaction was like.. After I read everything I felt like that Tim Curley's and Gary Schultz's testimony was just as close. That they were all saying the same thing but that wasn't presented that way. It was presented intentionally in a different way. That was a media presentment. You know, they called them victims. That was all for effect. Everything they did was for effect. The way they handled it. The way they brought attention to the whole thing. The timing of it. Why would they do it in November during the football season? They waited over three years. Why would they do it in November? It was all for effect. You know, I just shook my head at some of the allegations. You know, I just shook my head. But what was I going to do? I really felt, even though I shook my head, I knew so much about these young people that I said "why are people are going to believe this? Why are people going to believe this?" That was my feeling.

John: Jerry, did you touch Victim Two sexually in the shower that night?

Jerry: No.

John: Did you ever touch him sexually?

Jerry: No. Victim Two, no.

John: What would you say to Mike McQueary right now if you had a chance to talk to him?

Jerry: (laughter) Gee, what would I say? I don't know what I would say. I would be at a loss for words. Why so many different stories? Was it worth it Mike? I don't know.

John: How do you think he feels right now?

Jerry: I wouldn't know. I don't know what he feels. He probably feels like one day one way, next day another. One day he's going to be a strong, I'm going to swagger, and the next day "why in the world did I do this?" next day this, next day that. I guess he's divorced nowhere's things that have happened to him. So I'm not sure what's going through his mind.

John: How long after that episode did Tim Curley contact you about it?

Jerry: I'm not sure about that. My recollection, I don't know.

John: You're not sure the time of the event? Why do you doubt that?

Jerry: Because the time frame of the book signing I wasn't sure.

John: But you knew it wasn't 2002?

Jerry: Oh yeah, I knew that.

John: Ok, we'll get to that in a second. But approximately how long after that event did Tim Curley talk to you?

Jerry: My recollection was he talked to me during spring break, but I'm not positive about that. I recall it was like snowing.

John: Now, do you remember why you thought Curley was contacting you? Like when he said hey, Jerry, I want to talk to you, do you remember what you thought it was about?

Jerry: No, I didn't know at all. I mean, I wondered why he was going to talk to me. Maybe there was somebody interested in me coaching. Thought maybe The Second Mile, they had some problems sometimes with things that the Second Mile did fundraising wise and things like that.

John: Now, Victim Two was a Second Mile kid?

Jerry: Yeah.

John: Now, what did Tim (Curley) say to you when you met with him about the 2001 shower episode?

Jerry: He said to me that a person had witnessed me doing something inappropriate with a kid in the shower. He may have said fondling or something like that, I don't know. And then I gave them an account of things. And after I gave him my account. And I offered to actually, if he thought it was, to bring the young man in to talk to him. Well, I didn't think of that right away. I wasn't even sure right away. It took me some time to kind of figure out...

John: Was this all in one meeting, or was there a second meeting?

Jerry: See, it's not clear to me. There was two conversations...

John: The first one, you actually said that you denied there ever being an episode, correct?

Jerry: Well, I don't know that.

John: Well that's been widely reported. Is that not accurate? My understanding is that the first time Tim comes to you, you said "I don;t know what you're talking about Tim, I wasn't there that night." And then apparently you think about it again...

Jerry: That's probably the way it happened I guess, yeah.

John: Why did you say it didn't happen the first time? Why was your first reaction to Tim to deny that it happened?

Jerry: Because I didn't know what I did. I was trying to figure out who was in the shower with me or whatever. And then time frames of when this happened. There was all kinds of things going through my mind.

John: So what made you realize oh Tim's actually right, I was in the shower.

Jerry: I just thought about it. I thought that this was probably I guess what he was talking about. It was the only thing I could recollect.

John: Did you come back to him with that information?

Jerry: I may have. I think it occurred to him the second conversation probably.

John: Ok, so your recollection is at first you don't remember the episode, and then you come back to Tim and say actually, Tim, I do remember the episode.

Jerry: What I don't know the answer to is that, I know that was my initial reaction. I don't know whether that was by the end of our conversation that I was surmising that was the case, or was it at the next...the second conversation.

John: The second conversation. Ok. But at some point you say Tim, yes, I was in the shower with a boy and you offer to identify the boy.

Jerry: Correct.

John: And what happens next?

Jerry: He was going to decide whether he wanted that. And he never pursued that.

John: Tim said I don't need to know who the boy is? Or what did Tim say?

Jerry: I don't know. I don't remember. All I remember is I offered. I said I'll bring the young man in.

John: Did you ever have a conversation with Victim Two to tell him that Penn State might contact you? You did? Is that yes?

Jerry: Yes.

John: And what did you tell Victim Two at that time?

Jerry: We just talked about it. I said would you be willing to come in and talk to somebody. I didn't want to scare him, but talk to somebody about the events of that night and that I didn't do anything inappropriate, if you feel that way.

John: What was Victim Two's reaction to that?

Jerry: He didn't jump up and down and say let's go. He said he'd do that. I mean, like I said, he was like family.

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John: And then no one from Penn State ever contacted him. What about Second Mile? Did the Second Mile ever talk to him?

Jerry: No, they knew who the young man was. They knew my relationship with the young man. They had had a relationship with him. He spoke at Second Mile events. I mean, they didn't know who it was. I told them who it was. I don't think they knew who it was when they talked to Tim Curley but when they talked to me then they knew who it was because I told them who it was.

John: So did they ever talk to Victim 2 about this?

Jerry: No.

John: So the Second Mile was well aware who the kid was.

Jerry: From me, yes.

John: So then this media narrative that somehow the kid was never identified and that no effort was made to identify the kid, that's false, correct?

Jerry: Yeah. Yeah.

John: So the kid was identified by The Second Mile.

Jerry: Oh, yeah.

John: And they never spoke to him.

Jerry: They didn't speak to him.

John: Did Curley ever mention reporting this incident to any outside child welfare agencies or authorities to you?

Jerry: I remember.. That's confusing me because '98 was child welfare and that sort of thing. I'm not sure exactly, we talked about the investigator from Children and Youth in '98, something like that, but I don't know.

John: So he might have and he might not have.

Jerry: Yeah. It all runs together.

John: You said that Curley told you that someone had come to him and said that you were doing something inappropriate with a boy in the shower and they had used the words fondling. How strongly, are those exact words that you recollect?

Jerry: What?

John: Do you recollect those exact words?

Jerry: No.

John: What was the inappropriate?

Jerry: I would think, inappropriate. I remember that.

John: What was the definition of inappropriate? If someone had told me I was doing something inappropriate with a kid in the shower I would have been like, what the heck are you talking about? What's inappropriate? What did I do? What was your reaction? Did you have that reaction?

Jerry: I don't remember what my reaction was. Like I was trying to figure out what, where, when.

John: But do you know how he defined the inappropriate?

Jerry: Well, I mean, I guess it became I was showering with a kid and that I had touched him inappropriately.

John; So Tim was aware that you had touched him inappropriately.

Jerry: I don't know that. That's what went through my mind. Because of "fondling."

John: You remember the word fondling?

Jerry: Again, it's hard for me to remember because I've read things...

John: Right, I understand, but I'm just asking for your best recollection because the words here are very important.

Jerry: Yeah, I hate to use words that I'm not absolutely positive about...

John: Now, to your knowledge, were any outside child welfare agencies or authorities contacted about the 2001 shower incident? Were you ever notified?

Jerry: I was never notified by anybody.

John: But The Second Mile was informed by Tim Curley. And what was The Second Mile's reaction to that? They spoke to you?

Jerry: I met with them and I talked with their...

John: When you say them, you mean Raykovicz?

Jerry: Yeah. He wa the president. He was the only one I talked to.

John: And what was that conversation like?

Jerry: We talked about what happened, and I gave my version of my account of

what happened.

John: And you identified the boy.

Jerry: Yeah, I believe I did. Now did they say I didn't? (laughter) I believe that I did.

John: You have a strong recollection of that.

Jerry: I mean I believe I did. Because I may have volunteered him to come in to talk to them. I can't be sure about that, but I think I probably did. They knew that young man really well. They knew my relationship with him, they knew. They all had relationship with him, too.

John: But they never spoke to him?

Jerry: No, not to my knowledge. I mean, they cautioned me about showering with kids. That was not going to be an issue because I didn't do that anymore. And Tim Curley said that I couldn't bring kids into the locker room.

John: And did you abide by that?

Jerry: Yes.

John: Was Tim mad?

Jerry: No, I didn't sense he was mad. I sensed he was acting as an

administrator.

John: But at that time, he mentioned 1998 to you, correct?

Jerry: Yeah.

John: That's a yes?

Jerry: Yes. And in the same tone, he said that was investigated by the authorities.

John: So he didn't think that was a big deal?

Jerry: Well, they never said anything to me about it before that.

John: What was your interaction with Joe Paterno after the 2001 episode?

Jerry: I was retired. He's busy, I'm busy.

John: Did it change at all?

Jerry: Well yeah, I didn't see him.

John: I mean, you had already been retired. I'm talking about did anything with your relationship, for instance you had mentioned with Mike McQueary you felt like your relationship changed in 2010.

Jerry: I never had that much of a relationship with Mike. I'm just saying that when I read some of the things he said I thought well maybe around 2010 after he talked to investigators or something like that....

John; I'm asking about Joe Paterno. Was there any difference in your relationship post 2001 episode?

Jerry: I would see him, say hi. See him at functions. He was always, at functions he didn't need me talking, there were people he needed to talk to so. I never went to practice. Actually, I think I went to one practice in 2009'ish, there was a coach from Juniata College there. He came in, I introduced him to these coaches. He talked about me to them positively. He said good things. He thought I was going to become a part time coach or something over there.

I had one meeting behind closed doors with him. But that was about a Second Mile golf outing that we were having. Pitt vs. Penn State golf outing. We were hopeful that would take some involvement but he didn't want to do that and he expressed why he didn't want to do that.

John: Did he say why?

Jerry: He was angry about the University of Pittsburgh over the breakup of his idea of the conference. I wanted him to understand that I wasn't trying to hurt Penn State in any way shape or form.

John: Was there ever any sense that Joe looked at you suspiciously or differently after 2001?

Jerry: No. The other thing I did talk to him about that came up at that time, I got trapped into a thing with the media, a guy from The Philadelphia Inquirer, he called my wife and my wife wasn't sure I wanted to take the call and she said he

wants to talk about Second Mile so I took the call. Well, he asked one question about Second Mile. Every other question was about the football team having a down year. He took my answers totally out of context, took them out of timeframes and placed them...

John: Not surprising. I feel like we're running out of time here, so I want to get to as much as I can. Now you and Joe were never very close, right?

Jerry: I mean, to say we were never close, we spent 30 years together.

John; You weren't social friends.

Jerry: No, I wasn't social friends with any coach. I didn't think that was the right thing to do. When Joe was assistant coach, he lived with Jim Ahora and I didn't think that was probably the best thing to do.

John: The point is, a lot of people have tried to say you guys were buddy-buddy. You weren't buddy-buddy. And is it true your office was next to his? Or is that false?

Jerry: I had different locations over the years. When they built the last building, my office would have been close to his because they went by seniority.

John: But you didn't see him on a regular basis? Did you? I mean, how often did you use that office?

Jerry: When we were coaching.

John: No, no, no. I'm talking about after you retired. You retired. When you

retired, apparently you got an office.

Jerry: No, I didn't see him on a regular basis.

John: Was your retired office right next to Joe's?

Jerry: No, no, it was in the old building...

John: So that's false then that you had an office in retirement right next to Joe Paterno?

Jerry: Oh yeah, Absolutely.

John: Because that's been reported. That's funny?

Jerry: Doesn't surprise me.

John: Did your relationship with Curley change after 2001?

Jerry: Not at all.

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John; I'm curious, are you aware that Curley had a son that was vaguely about the same age as Victim Number Two at this time?

Jerry: Yeah, he came to my football camp. This is after 1998. After 2001. His son came to my football camp!

John: So Tim clearly had no fear having his son be with you.

Jerry: Right. I saw him in the airport in Detroit when we were coming from

Tennessee and our sons when he was going to the basketball, I saw Tanner and his friend who he was really close to at a funeral.

I threw Tanner up in the air in the swimming pool when he was a kid.

John: He's never accused you of anything, has he?

Jerry: No, Not to my knowledge. There's no money in it for him. His dad wouldn't pay him.

John: Obviously if Tim was concerned about you being a pedophile he would not have let his son go to your football camp.

Jerry: I can't...That would be my speculation, yeah.

John: How do you think Tim would have reacted to you if he thought that you had sexually abused a young boy in a Penn State shower? If he thought that was true, how would Tim Curley have reacted to you?

Jerry: Negatively!

John: How negatively?

Jerry: I don't know what he would have done. You know, he would have reported it.

John: You thought of him as a person of high moral character?

Jerry: Yeah.

John: Same with Joe Paterno?

Jerry: Yeah. I mean, everybody is political in that business and things, they had to please a lot of people, ya know (laughter)? It's not like I always agreed with him on everything. That's the irony of Joe Paterno's firing. In the world of athletics, that I knew and the world of athletics that I learned about, for someone who probably stood above the crowd to be brought down is kind of ironic in the sense of this whole experience. And that entered my mind when I heard about the sanctions. I said, isn't this ironic.

John: That someone that actually good would be brought down?

Jerry: Yeah. Who preached fair play, fair competition, who went about things probably differently than a lot of places. That the program would be brought down like that...

Not that he was perfect or thought that he was perfect. And not that I didn't fight with him on a regular basis (laughter). God, he was so cocky.

John: You thought Paterno was cocky?

Jerry: yeah, he was from Brooklyn (laughter). Those would have been his words.

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So from 2001 to 2005 there are no public allegations of sexual abuse against you. Did you change your behavior after the 2001 episode?

Jerry: I didn't think so.

John: But do you find that significant in this timeline that there is this gap where there are no alleged victims after 2001? Did you ever shower with a boy after 2001?

Jerry: No. I'm trying to think of who made allegations and when those allegations were made.

John: Well, we've done the research and there are no public allegations after 2001 up until Aaron Fisher, for all intent and purposes. And we think that's potentially significant and I was curious as to what your take on that was. When did you become aware of the Grand Jury investigation and to these allegations of sexual abuse against you?

Jerry: It's crazy because it was alluded to by Joe Amendola, but it wasn't sure, I was never sure it was going on. It wasn't till we come around... (Interrupted by knocking and discussion of what time it is) What were we talking about?

John: The Grand Jury.

Jerry: I was never sure, I became more sure right around June (2011) that there had been a grand jury. It was alluded to, but I was never absolutely certain.

John: Ok, well during the Grand Jury investigation, you spent a lot of time with a former colleague of yours, Gary Gray, who I've spoken to on the record. He's part of the...

Jerry: I spend time with Gary in March after the article came out.

John: Ok, so that was March of 2011, correct?

Jerry: Yeah, the charges came out in 2011. Right.

John: So you spent a lot of time with Gary. He was kind of advising you. He tells me that you were pretty much aware of what was going on, that you had heard stories of what was happening in the Grand Jury. Is that accurate?

Jerry: Yeah, I'd heard stories, yeah.

John: And you were, in his mind, you were essentially concerned with three potential allegations. In his mind, you talked with him mostly about three potential allegations. One which had to do with Matt Sandusky. Two others, I don't remember the details.

Jerry: It wouldn't have been Matt, no.

John: It would not have been Matt?

Jerry: No, no. What I was concerned about was the one in Lock Haven. I was concerned about what was presented in 98.

John: Here's where I'm going with this. First of all, I want you to confirm that you had these conversations with Gary, right?

Jerry: Um hm.

John: And that there were a couple different allegations in particular that you and

he spoke about, correct?

Jerry: Yes, the ones that were presented in the paper.

John: Ok. Now, Gary said you never mentioned to him the Mike McQueary episode. Is that accurate?

Jerry: Because it wasn't in the paper.

John: But you had not heard anything thru the grapevine that McQueary had testified or...

Jerry: No.

John: You never heard that, even though.

Jerry: What came out in March, what came out in the at the end of March...?

John: It wasn't very specific.

Jerry: Clearly the Second mile kid was in that (Fisher? Myers?) and clearly Zac, clearly number 6 was because his mother, I could put two and two together and I could tell who the mothers were and the other thing that came out was Matt's biological mother.... it was clear, I knew in that spring that the GJ was investigating because Matt went (to testify).

John: Right. So maybe that's where Gary got Matt from in his brain.

Jerry: Well, Matt's mother was, she came out in the paper, I mean she hated my guts. His biological mother. And his brother just been convicted of murder. So Gary was interested in that.

John: Ok, so, alright, so now I understand why Gary got to Matt Sandusky. But here's the important part of where I'm going with this. It never occurred to you, even though you had spoken to Tim Curley in 2001 about an episode in the shower, and you didn't know it was Mike McQueary at that time who had witnessed it, correct?

Jerry: Correct.

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John: But it never occurred to you that that was an episode that you might be concerned about in the Grand Jury?

Jerry: No because of all the things that had transpired with that young man, you know, because he asked me to be at his wedding. He asked me to stand as his father. He asked me to speak at his graduation. He lived with us practically. During the summer I got him a job. He went into the service. He drove 10 hours to come to my mom's funeral. You know, why would I think it would be of concern? I don't know...(Laughter) I was naïve, obviously. Oh boy was I naive. Some say stupid.(laughter) I'm stupid in certain ways, but not totally stupid (laughter). Yet. I'm working on that, a couple of more suicide watches (laughter)

John: You didn't think much about the so-called McQueary episode. That wasn't something you were worried about during the Grand Jury investigation. In your mind, you hadn't done anything wrong. You had a good relationship with Victim Two.

Jerry: I guess when it came out that they had interveiwed Spanier, Paterno and

Curley and McQueary, I think maybe, didn't Sara Ganim say something about a graduate assistant? Then I started thinking who in the world that might have been. It probably occurred to me that it probably might have been him because he was GA at that time.

John: Why did you think it might be McQueary?

Jerry: Because he was a GA around that time.

John: But I mean there were other GAs, weren't there? Or no?

Jerry: Yeah, but there were only a couple a year. Not that many. I'm not sure. I really don't know. Again, when did it come out in the paper that Mike McQueary was?

John: It was after your indictment.

Jerry: After my indictment? So that is when I would have been sure (McQueary was the witness) you know.

John: I want to ask you, this is an important point to me, I think. During the Grand Jury investigation in September 2011, before your indictment, before your arrest, you left two voicemail messages for the person who now has claimed through his lawyers to be Victim Number Two. First of all, is that the same person that was in the shower in the Mike McQueary episode?

Jerry: Yes.

John: Are you positive of that?

Jerry: Well, that's what I thought.

John: You have no reason to not believe that he's the person, correct?

Jerry: That person came out of the service. He came out of the service in the summer.... I'm trying to get the timeline. When was the trial? 2011 or 2012?

John: 2012

John: Here's what I'm asking. In September of 2011...So here's what happens. I'll tell you what happened, and you can fill in the blanks, ok? There are voicemail messages from you in September of 2011 to the boy who apparently was Victim Number Two, alleged Victim Number Two in the McQueary episode. You are saying to him in those voicemail messages, clearly he has called you. He has said someone has asked him to come forward and you're telling him to go ahead and come forward. Go ahead and tell the truth. We got nothing to hide here, really. And then you say something about maybe going to a football game, and then you finish by saying love ya. Now, do you remember the voicemail messages?

Jerry: I remember trying to get ahold of him to find out if he was interested in going to the football games.

John: But here's the key point. He's calling, you're clearly calling him back, correct?

Jerry: Um hm.

John: Yes?

Jerry: I think, I don't know for sure.

John: Well, it certainly sounds on the voicemail message like you're calling him back.

Jerry: We maintained contact, ok, eventually I suggested to him, I saw him, he came to me I was at the locker room. This is after he was interviewed by the police. He came to me. Found me at the locker room.

John: This is before you were arrested?

Jerry: Um, hm.

John: So it's during the Grand Jury investigation, he was interviewed by the police?

Jerry: Yeah, I don't think he was ever interviewed by the grand jury.

John: He was not, but that's where I'm going with this.

Jerry: He was interviewed by the police, yes.

John: You're positive?

Jerry: Oh yes.

John: And what did he say?

Jerry: Nothing ever happened.

John: Ok, this is why this is very important, Jerry, ok, you gotta follow me here. So you leave these voicemail messages. He's clearly asking you or had asked you in a previous call or telling you someone's asking me to come forward. You return the call and say go ahead and come forward.

Jerry: Yeah Ok, yeah, ok, I remember now how this transpired. He had told me he wasn't necessarily going to talk to the police.

John: But the police had asked him to come forward.

Jerry: They had left messages. He was living with his wife at his in-laws. He was working, was not there, they had visited the house and left a message. He was uncertain as to whether he was going to call them back or even meet with them.

John: Ok, so he called you?

Jerry: Yes, we talked about that. I don't remember whether I saw him that day or he called me or something like that. It was relative to our conversation and I was saying: you know why not?

John: Ok, so this is exactly what I thought happened, then. So he's being asked by the police to come forward. You tell him go ahead and come forward. He's interviewed by the police after that, correct?

Jerry: Correct.

John: And he tells them nothing happened.

Jerry: Correct.

John: And then he never testifies in front of the Grand Jury? And he never testifies at your trial?

Jerry: Right.

John: Because he's telling the prosecution, or he's telling the authorities that nothing happened in the shower that night.

Jerry: Right. The thing that's inconsistent is that others did the same thing, but then they changed their tune. Let's not get other things in my crawl.

John: Ok, I understand. Victim Number Two is very critical to this Penn State/Paterno situation. So my suspicions are correct then that you're leaving him a voicemail message saying go ahead, come forward, you have nothing to hide really. He comes forward to the police and then they never call him. Then after you get indicted, he comes forward to Joe Amendola and to an FBI trained investigator with his mom and his brother, correct?

Jerry: Right.

John: Now, did you have any knowledge he was going to come to Joe?

Jerry: Um hm.

John: You did?

Jerry: Right.

John: How did you know that?

Jerry: Because I said, I suggested to him, I said, if you want, if you would be willing, my attorney would be willing to talk to you about this and you could present your version of what happened to him. I didn't force him to do that. I gave him the phone number whatever and I don't know whether he called Joe or Joe called him.

John: Joe says he didn't even know he was coming in.

Jerry: Really? Ok.

John: Where was he living at the time?

Jerry: Well, it was one of two places. He was living, he went to West Branch High School.

John: Where is that?

Jerry: It in no where?

John: What state?

Jerry: Pennsylvania. It's not far.

John: So he wasn't living very far from State College?

Jerry: No, no. He was either living in Karthaus at that time, or he may have moved shortly after that to Snow Shoe. So it's Karthaus or Snow Shoe.

John: Pennsylvania?

Jerry: Yeah.

John: Ok. So he comes forward, tells Joe and this FBI trained investigator/former police officer nothing happens in the shower in the McQueary episode. You were playing a game, he was sliding along the shower, he turned on all the shower heads. And Joe and the investigator think this is fantastic for your case. Now there were reports at the time that Joe was not certain this was actually Victim Number Two. Were you always certain that this was the kid in the shower in the McQueary episode?

Jerry: Yes.

John: You were?

Jerry: Yeah.

John: What did you make of the fact that the prosecution kept saying it was 2002

when you thought it was, when you knew it was 2001? You knew it was 2001. You knew that the 2002 date was incorrect.

Jerry: When all this come out, 2002, this and that, whatever, if it was 2002. I mean, by that time, how many years had elapsed? We're talking eight, nine years. I didn't even necessarily think about that. I didn't care whether it was 2002 or 2001 but as time wore on I started thinking, that's not right.

John: But you told Joe...

Jerry: I did tell Joe first, because Joe went out publicly with that.

John: ...that it was 2001.

Jerry: yeah.

John: And then you also told him that this is the kid that was in the shower in the McQueary episode.

Jerry: Yeah.... I thought I did.

John: Ok. So then just after that happens, after Joe says this publicly, Victim Two apparently flips his story. Is that correct?

Jerry: I guess.

John: How'd that make you feel?

Jerry: Eck. Betrayed. Same way I felt when our son flipped his story, you know?

John: Were you shocked?

Jerry: Yeah.

John: Why do you think it happened?

Jerry: He had just had, well Joe told me it was because he had met with the attorney. He had just had a DUI and he went to that attorney for the DUI his mother I think had worked in his office. And I just felt, I don't know what happened there. It's hard for me to fathom, to believe that happened. Dottie and I both said numerous times, what in the world....

I guess he might have been having some financial problems. He didn't have a full-time job. He was out of the marines. He was trying to get in the reserves. He got this DUI. At that point in time I don't know what was going on in his life. I wasn't allowed after he met with Joe, Joe said I shouldn't talk to him. So I didn't know what was going on.

John: Have you ever had any contact with him since?

Jerry: No, because it was recommended that I not.

John: What would you say to Victim Two now if you had a chance?

Jerry: What's going on (name of victim 2 redacted)? What happened (name of victim 2 redacted)? Why?

John: Was that the worst betrayal in all this?

Jerry: Our son Matt was probably worse than that. I mean It was pretty comparable.

John: I was told that you actually played golf with Victim Two at some point before the arrest.

Jerry: Yeah, in the summer.

John: The summer before the arrest you played golf with Victim Two?

Jerry: I played golf and did things with him all the time. Like I said, we stayed in touch. Every time he came home on a leave I'd see him. I called him, he was doing academic work at Penn State Long Distance Education. I helped him with that. I organized, I was kinda like a go-between between because he was in the service. He was traveling. He brought in AWOL soldiers so he was traveling all over the country. So it was hard for him to keep up with things and know what was going on. So I would communicating as much as I could.

John: But people I think would find this amazing. Just to be clear, just months before you get arrested, based largely on Mike McQueary's testimony about what happened in 2001, the boy who was in the shower with you in 2001 and you are playing golf together, correct?

Jerry: Ok, and he had dinner with Victim Number Six in July with Dotty and I!

John: Ok, but I just want to make sure. The golf story is correct?

Jerry: Yes, it's correct, yeah.

John: Where did you play golf?

Jerry: Toftrees. He also went with me to a golf outing out in Washington Pennsylvania this spring when he got out of the service. Just when he got out of the service.

John: Did you play golf alone, or did you play with someone else?

Jerry: I'm with somebody else all the times.

John: But who else played with the two of you?

Jerry: At State College, the one at Toftrees, Bruce Heim.

John: Bruce Heim? Who's Bruce Heim?

Jerry: Bruce Heim and Ryan Mccombie.

John: Ryan Macombe? The Board of Trustees member? Does Ryan know that he was playing golf with Victim Number Two? That's pretty amazing.

Jerry: It's all pretty amazing.

John: You're sure about that? That Ryan Maccombie and Bruce Heim

Jerry: I played with Bruce Heim and Ryan a couple of times and I'm pretty sure that day Ryan was....yeah, because Ryan was a Navy SEAL. And (name of victim 2 redacted) was in the Marines and I thought there was a conversation piece, it was a good fitting...

John: This was at Toftrees?

Jerry: Yeah. Bruce is a member there.

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John: Now after the indictments, after your arrest, Graham Spanier is forced to resign. Joe Paterno was fired, essentially because of your actions, what was your reaction to that, Jerry?

Jerry: (laughter) What would you think?

John: Tell me.

Jerry: It was horrible. You know, I'm watching all this transpire, one thing after another. The one thing that happened, you know, this was roughly around the time like when Bob Costas that thing happened, that was a momentary decision. All these things were going through my head.

I never felt, I never looked at these accusers, or alleged victims as I called them, as they were the victims. I looked at the victims were all the young people in The Second Mile that was going to get hurt (crying). All the people that I had been with who was going to get hurt. What happened to Tim Curley. What happened to Joe Paterno. What happened... And then, I was a part of it. If I hadn't showered maybe none of that would have happened. So I felt horrible. I felt horrible that all that transpired. I didn't know what to think. Here I was, I was isolated from everybody. I was confined to my home.

John: Did you cry when Paterno was fired?

Jerry: By myself I imagine. I'm sure. I tried not to cry too much in front of family or friends. I never cried in front of friends, or tried not to because I didn't want them to be overly concerned. I cried more with my dog (laughter).

John: What's your dog's name?

Jerry: Bo. he and I talked more about everything than anybody because I didn't want them to think that I was going to get what happened. Until the very end, I didn't talk to them about if the worst scenario happened, how I wanted them to handle things.

John: What about Joe's death? How did you handle that? Did you feel responsible for that?

Jerry: I don't think I felt responsible for that. I knew he had some health problems. I was thinking maybe that this certainly didn't help. All the happenings didn't help.

John: A lot of people obviously will blame you for what happened to Joe and to Penn State. How do you feel about that?

Jerry: I mean, I lived with this. When I grew up, my mom always said sticks and stones will break my bones but names will never hurt me. I have my account of how everything transpired. I feel horrible that it happened. I feel so many people have been hurt. That's one of the difficult things to handle. I've been separated from loved ones (crying) Excuse me. I just think the whole thing's horrible and I wonder, I wonder why. Have there been some pluses? I feel like maybe I'm stronger. I'm determined to be strong in this and I'll fight. I'm going to endure it. I'm going to be able to handle everything that transpired and is transpiring.

I'm not going to give up because there's too many reasons not to give up. There's my whole family. There's some people that who stood by me, as many have fallen off, who have stood by me. There's been all kinds of reasons that people have fallen off. There's lawyers, there's school districts, there's all kinds of...but you know what, actually I've got some new friends. Some people who have come out of the woodwork who stood by me and I have people who have stood by me... What you look at is what you see. And I see a lot of great memories of things that happened and experiences that will never be taken away

from me (choking up).

John: What do you say to the Penn Staters who feel like....

Jerry: That I betrayed them? I say that this whole thing was a rush to judgment. No body investigated the accusers. Nobody....I was found guilty by the media right away. I would say in coaching we always said: you're never as good as you think you are when you win. You're never as bad as you think you are, when you lose.

I would say that I am not the monster that I have been made out to be and that this hasn't been the fairest thing in the world (crying).

John: Did you get a fair trial?

Jerry: No.

John: Why not?

Jerry: Well, number one, because of the media and everything that was said prior to the trial. Not being enough time for preparation for the trial. A real rush for the trial. So many factors and so many actions became involved with this. People, investigators said things. They lied. They lied on the stand. Everybody ran for protection. The media protected themselves. The system protected the media. The sytem protected the investigators.

Civil attorneys came in. I didn't have much respect fro them.The psychologists became involved. Everybody had their own agenda. Penn State's reaction to it as to protect itself. The University. Everybody ran for protection. Penn State protected itself. "Oh, these poor these poor innocent kids, these poor innocent victims." They didn't know those people. They didn't know their family circumstances. They didn't know their circumstances. They didn't them. They didn't know their honesty. They didn't know why they were in the Second Mile.

They didn't know anything about them. But everybody rushed to judgment. Everybody assumed right away that these things really transpired. They didn't know that some of them I didn't even have a relationship, one of them I didn't even know! They didn't know there were crazy things. Some of those things couldn't have happened. There was so much rush to trial and Joe was so wrapped up in motions. The judge encouraged him to make motions. he's making motions...We couldn't communicate. We couldn't get things clear about what transpired. There was always something going on. We had all this discovery. We had all these subpoenas.

I knew things. I knew that one of them had been in psychiatric care. I knew he had been abused when he was little. I knew those kinds of things. I had a sense of what was transpiring. I knew what these civil attorneys and these investigators were saying to people and bringing things out and I knew what they said at one point and then what they said at another point and then what they said at this point. I knew all of that. I thought that somehow people would understand that but I think ultimately even the jury there had been so much they would have had to go home and face their neighbors and their friends and they would have had to say that we found this guy not guilty?! After all of this media surge of speculation? Did the people investigate the people they interviewed? Did Sara Ganim investigate the people? Did she investigate Number One's mother? Did she who she was talking to? Did she know the kind of person that she was talking to? Did she know Matt's biological mother? Did she know that, okay I'm blamed for everything in all these kids lives. Number one, three different kids all different fathers. Did they know, Matt's biological brother. I didn't have anything to do with him. They didn't know any of that stuff.

John: Jerry, I've run out of time here. I understand what you're saying. I need to get a couple quick things before we wrap up. You mentioned earlier for a lot of people, this is the reason why they convicted you in the public persona. When Bob Costas asks you, are you sexually attracted to young boys, you hesitate and you repeat the question. And to a lot of people they think, my God. If I got asked that question, I would say hell no. Why did you answer that question the way that you did?

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John: Number one, I was an emotional wreck at that time. Joe Paterno had been fired. I mean, all these things had happened. I was not prepared at all to do an interview. Joe was doing that, he calls me and said all they want to do is ask you,

this is my recollection, whether you're innocent or guilty. That's what I was told. So I was not expecting anything like that. When that question was asked I'm thinking my thoughts all were on what I call the victims of this. I was thinking about all the people that gotten hurt. My frame of reference was not whether or not I was sexually attracted to boys. Ok, my frame of reference was all these people that were going to get hurt. My frame of reference was to always to try help. I didn't think in those kinds of terms. I was taken aback. I've never been asked anything like that in my life. I said to myself, I want to be honest. I want to clear. I want to be fair. And when he asked the question, I was trying to think in my mind, is he saying do I like young people? You know, what is he saying? I was trying to get it into my mind. Yeah, I love young people. I enjoy..My two favorite groups are the young and the old. One doesn't know any better and the other just doesn't care. So those kinds of thoughts were going thru my mind. It really didn't even register with me that that would be a question to ask.... I don't know.

John: Do you regret that interview?

Jerry: Yes. It was a terrible time.

John: Did you ever take a lie detector test?

Jerry: Did I ever take a lie detector test? Yes. But that can't be submitted in court and things like that so I'm not going to talk about it.

John: Whose idea was it? Was it your idea? Did you want to take a lie detector test?

Jerry: Yeah, it was fine.

John: But was it your idea?

Jerry: I don't really want to get into that.

John: It's important because obviously your veracity here is everything. It's your word against the word of now a couple of dozen other people. And if you wanted to take a lie detector test, I would think people would find that interesting. So were you asked to take a lie detector test, or did you want to take one.

Jerry: I can't, I really can't remember. I really don't want to get into that. It was probably as much my idea as anything.

John: Do you know what the results of those tests were?

Jerry: I can't talk about it because it's inadmissible.

John: Well, this isn't a court of law, this is...

Jerry: I can't talk about that.

John: Ok. Did you read the Freeh Report?

Jerry: No.

John: Are you aware of what the Freeh Report said?

Jerry: Just parts of it. By that time, I mean, I was in prison. I didn't have access to a lot of information. I had more important things to deal with. I did watch what the

Paternos said.

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John: What do you make of Louis Freeh's theory that Joe Paterno, Tim Curley, Gary Schultz and Graham Spanier conspired to keep allegations surrounding you quiet for fear of bad publicity? What do you think of that theory?

Jerry: I think it's kind of absurd. For a lot of reasons, number one, I don't think there was a lot to hide. I guess you know you could think about that differently. Why would... if they were trying to hide something, why wouldn't they talk to me more about it? Why wouldn't they have told Mike McQueary, "look, we don't want to say this"? Everybody was like on their own. There was no collaborative efforts by anybody saying to cover themselves, nevermind cover me. So, it didn't make sense. Why would so many people who became aware of this didn't report it? Why didn't Mike McQueary report it? Why didn't Dr. Dranov report it? He's a mandatory reporter. Why didn't Mr. McQueary? why didn't Tim? Why didn't Schultz? Why didn't Joe? Why didn't Spanier? Why didn't the Second Mile? At that time I wasn't with Penn State football in 2001! I was two years removed.

John: Your lawyer Joe Amendola indicated to me that had there been a Penn State cover-up of your activity, that he would have used that to your legal advantage in maybe to get a plea bargain or something. But you said that, you told him there was absolutely no indication of that. Is that true?

Jerry: Right.

John: You had that conversation with Joe? Joe asked you about that?

Jerry: Indication that there was a cover up?

John: Right.

Jerry: We both kind of agreed that was ridiculous. (chuckles). I don't remember who brought it up or anything but I do remember there was something about that.

John: So the NCAA sanctions come down based upon the Freeh Report. All those wins from '98, Joe loses his record, his statue comes down, the sanctions, the scholarship restrictions, the bowl victories taken away...What is your reaction to that?

Jerry: I was in Centre County Jail. It was like, one minute something good would happen. I got... I didn't have access to a lot of media but there was a television I could see by looking around the corner and I wasn't sure what they were. But I said this is horrible. This is so unfair. My reaction was you know, here's a program that, like I told you earlier, this is a program probably stood as tall or taller than many and who would be penalized in such a way based on how this had all transpired. The media and everything that was involved.. politics. You know..I just said.. I was down. And actually some inmates there, it was interesting and it really meant a lot to me... I really wasn't really allowed to have contact with inmates but there were some that I became friends with and they came to me and they supported me.

John: In what way?

Jerry: "Jerry we don't believe this stuff." One was a former 2nd mile kid (laughter). One had become a real help to me and there was a handful who was really supportive at my worst times and that was one of them. (laughter) There were quite a few. And he helped me through it. It was God's light in a way.

John: You said you read the Paterno Report? Or you heard stories about the Paterno Report?

Jerry: I just watched it on the media.

John: What did you make of that?

Jerry: I agreed with, I thought the irony of this was that their report showed was a rush to injustice. I said, the presentment to me was a rush to injustice. The media was a rush to injustice to me. The media was a rush to injustice to everybody. I look at it like it was suggestive interviewing by the Freeh people. It was selective presentations of things. They chose what to present. There were friends of mine, they were supposed to be talked to, they weren't even talked to because they knew they would support me.

John: So you thought the Paterno Report was a positive development?

Jerry: Well, I thought it was the same things that they were bringing up were the same things that happened to me. I believed what they were saying. The one thing that I disagreed with was that the FBI person (Jim Clemente) coming forward with stating that I was such a secretive person, that these are people to watch out for. If you look at being sneaky you would see: No alcohol involvement with these kids. No videos. No child pornography. No seductive conversations. No warning no threats. None of the things that some people like this will do.

John: Some of the accusers have accused you of threats.

Jerry: In the civil. I think those came in the civil (case).

John: You're saying that your behavior doesn't match what, I think you were referring to Jim Clemente is the expert. And I've actually spoken to Jim quite a bit. I think you're referring to him, is that right?

Jerry: I don't know him.

John: He's, you referenced the FBI guy. I think that's who you're talking about. But you're saying that your behavior doesn't match...

Jerry: Right. Why would I have advertise? I had those kid's picture are in my book. Would I have advertised them? Why would they come to functions at the 2nd Mile, speak at the 2nd mile? Why would they parade around with me at football games and go to football games?

John: He would say that that's exactly what you do when you're a pedophile because you're doing it all out in the open so no one would suspect it. That's what he would say. He definitely believes, he says that you're one of the top one percent of pedophiles that he's ever studied.

Jerry: Top one percent, what's that mean?

John: The most proficient and effective pedophiles.

Jerry: (you mean) I'm good at hiding things? Why would I interview with Costas? Why would I go over to Lock Haven when my attorney told me I shouldn't go to meet with CYS?

John: When was that?

Jerry: When the first allegation was made by Children and Youth in Clinton County and Joe told me he didn't think I should go and I said, I gotta go.

John: Ok. Did you watch Sue Paterno on Katie Couric?

Jerry: Ya.

John: What did you think of that?

Jerry: Again, I think everything was alright. It was ok Jay Paterno comments, I read where he said, now he would think differently a little bit. That bothered me some. Because he doesn't know. Everything is based on a lack of information. They don't have the information. They don't know what I know about these accusers. They don't know.

John: What would you say to Sue Paterno if you had the chance?

Jerry: Well, I wrote her when Joe passed away... I would remember. I would talk about how grateful I was that someone gave me a chance to coach. How grateful I was that I had, he gave me autonomy for what I did. How grateful that I was involved with a man who was a fighter.

John: Would you apologize to her?

Jerry: Would I apologize to her? I would say Sue, I'm sorry for everything that's happened. I feel horrible about it.

I appreciate you being so honest, Jerry, and opening up about what is going on in here. I'm going to need you to call me.

END INTERVIEW

