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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

THE STATE OF ARIZONA

Plaintiff,

vs.

JODI ANN ARIAS,

Defendant.

(Hon.

No. CR 2008-031021-001DT

MOTION TO PRECLUDE TESTIMONY OF DR. JANEEN DEMARTE FOR FAILURE TO TIMELY DISCLOSE REPORT

(Hon. Sherry Stephens)

Defendant, Ms. Jodi Ann Arias, by and through undersigned counsel, hereby moves to preclude the state from presenting the testimony of Dr. Janeen DeMarte regarding Dr. DeMarte's witness interviews. This motion is made via the 5th, 6th, 8th and 14th Amendments of the United States Constitution as well as Article 2 §§ 4, 15, 23 and 24 of the Arizona Constitution. This motion is based upon the aforementioned authorities as well as those cited in the attached Memorandum of Points and Authorities.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. **Factual Background**

Dr. DeMarte was previously noticed as a penalty phase witness for the state. Defense counsel disclosed the written notes of its experts Dr. Fonseca and Dr. Geffner in July 2014. The state interviewed both of the defense experts Dr. Fonseca and Dr. Geffner prior to the start of trial. After disclosing the defense expert notes and providing interviews, defense counsel repeatedly requested Dr. DeMarte's notes and the opportunity to interview Dr. DeMarte prior to the start of trial. The state continued to advise this Court and counsel that Dr. DeMarte had no notes as of yet and while counsel could interview her, she had nothing new to say. This Court eventually ordered Dr. DeMarte to disclose her notes by October 16, 2014. The state disclosed one page of notes, bates number 2351 in October 2014. However, there was nothing substantive contained within the notes. On about December 5, 2014 the state disclosed additional notes, bates numbers 2389 to 2403.

On January 30, 2015 the defense was finally allowed to interview Dr. DeMarte. Partway through the interview, Dr. DeMarte admitted that she had created additional notes of interviews that she conducted. At that point, Dr. DeMarte disclosed an additional 14 pages of single-spaced typewritten notes. Ten pages of the notes were created on December 15, 2014 when she interviewed Ms. Lisa Diadone (Andrews) and Ms. Sky Hughes. An additional four pages of singlespaced typewritten notes were created on December 24, 2014 when Dr. DeMarte

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interviewed Mr. Chris Hughes. Dr. DeMarte did not disclose any handwritten notes at all.

All of these notes were created prior to defense expert, Dr. Geffner finishing his testimony. However, none of these notes were disclosed by the state until January 30, 2015, two business days prior to Dr. DeMarte's testimony and after the defense rested.

Furthermore, Dr. DeMarte's recently disclosed notes indicate that she spent 12.5 hours consulting with Mr. Martinez between the dates of December 7, 2014 and January 29, 2015. Not once in this time frame did the state ever disclose the newly created notes to the defense.

Not only did the state fail to timely disclose it, the notes were not disclosed until the issue arose during an interview with Dr. DeMarte. Therefore, the substance of the interview was also compromised since 14 pages of new notes were disclosed as the interview was ongoing.

When Dr. DeMarte was questioned as to why she failed to turn over her notes, she claimed she would just give it to the defense when she was interviewed. However, this claim is wholly inconsistent with the first page of her notes where it indicates that she was ordered to disclose her notes by October 16, 2014.

II. Argument

The state is *again* attempting to call an expert witness to testify without timely providing a full and complete report that the expert witness created. Furthermore, the state disclosed the interview notes only *after* Dr. Geffner

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completed his testimony. Arizona Rules of Criminal Procedure, Rule 15.1(i)(5) states in part:

- (5) Within 60 days of receipt of the disclosure required under Rule 15.2(h)(1), the prosecutor shall disclose to the defendant the following:
- (c) The names and addresses of experts who may be called at the penalty hearing together with any reports prepared by the expert.
- (d) A list of any and all papers, documents, photographs or tangible objects that the prosecutor intends to use during the aggravation and penalty hearings.

Additionally, because of the late disclosure the state forced the defense to present its case without knowing all of the evidence the state intended to use to attempt to achieve a death sentence. This is in direct violation of Skipper v. South Carolina, 476 U.S. 1 (1986).

As *Brady* and its progeny have made clear, a defendant is entitled to due process of law throughout the criminal proceedings, including during the discovery process. Brady v. Maryland, 373 U.S. 83 (1963). The prosecution has a constitutional duty to disclose exculpatory evidence to the defense, even without a defense request. United States v. Agurs, 427 U.S. 97, 107-13, 96 S.Ct. 2392, 2399-2402 (1976); accord, State v. Fowler, 101 Ariz. 561, 564, 422 P.2d 125, 128 (1967). The prosecution is also obligated to obtain information from persons who have investigated the case and are under the prosecution's control. ARCP Rule 15.1(d); State v. Krone, 182 Ariz. 319, 321 n.3, 897 P.2d 621, 623 n.3 (1995). The prosecution has a duty to keep itself apprised of the evidence relating to its case,

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and it may be held accountable for the negligence of its investigators. State v. Towery, 186 Ariz. 168, 186-87, 920 P.2d 290, 308-09 (1996). The defense is unable to properly investigate a case when it is surprised by the state's untimely discovery disclosure. State v. Smith, 140 Ariz. 355, 359, 681 P.2d 1374, 1378 (1984).

When the defense's investigation of the evidence is impaired by the state's delay in disclosure, prejudice results. State v. Towery, 186 Ariz. at 186-87, 920 P.2d at 308-09. "[T]he individual prosecutor has a duty to learn of any favorable evidence known to the others acting on the government's behalf in the case, including the police." Kyles v. Whitley, 514 U.S. at 437, 115 S.Ct. at 1567.

Failing to disclose this type of evidence is a constitutional violation (including of due process), even in the absence of bad faith. *United States v.* Agurs, 427 U.S. at 110, 96 S.Ct. at 2400; see also, ARCP Rule 15.1(i)(5)(a)(c)(d). A Brady violation is constitutional error that cannot be harmless. Kyles v. Whitley, 514 U.S. 419, 435-36, 115 S.Ct. 1555, 1566-67 (1995).

III. Conclusion

Therefore, the defense respectfully requests this Court to preclude the state from providing or eliciting testimony from Dr. DeMarte regarding her interviews of Mr. and Mrs. Hughes and Ms. Diadone.

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