

NOF Mock Trial
Fact Pattern:
State of Iris
v.
Nancy Coolidge

At 12:30 PM on March 16, 2022, a professional skateboarder named Luka Bai sat in his car after qualifying for the Olympic finals. Moments after sitting in his car alone, he was brutally attacked from the back by a mysterious person. The criminal attempted to strangle him with a leather belt. After attempting to fight back, Luka fell unconscious.

A manager named Nancy Coolidge who represented another skateboarder who didn't qualify due to Mr. Bai's success claims to have parked near Mr. Bai's car and stumbled upon an unconscious Mr. Bai fifteen minutes after the accident.

Mr. Bai received immediate medical attention and made a miraculous recovery after nearly being strangled to death.

Suspension fell heavily on Ms. Coolidge because of her location near Mr. Bai's car near the time of the attempted murder, as well as, the clear motive of revenge she had towards Mr. Bai due to her client earning 6th place to him at the Olympic qualifiers making him unable to qualify for the 2024 Summer Olympics.

On March 19th during the home search of Ms. Coolidge, investigators found a handwritten note (Exhibit One) they qualified as a threat towards Mr. Bai. Due to this evidence, the State has charged Nancy Coolidge with the attempted murder of Luka Bai.

Nancy Coolidge enters a plea of not guilty. The Defense asserts the state evidence is circumstantial and the state investigation was incomplete and failed to investigate alternative suspects.

Witness Statements

Prosecution Witness 1- Robert Coolidge

“My name is Robert Coolidge. I’m a forensic analyst. While the Defendant is my distant blood relative, I can guarantee our heated history will not get in the way of a fair and complete forensic investigation. I was tasked to examine Mr. Bai’s car for DNA and those tests came back inconclusive besides two eyelashes that can be traced back to the Defendant. Exhibit One is a full test I ran on the belt used to strangle the victim in this case. The person with the highest fingerprint match is the Defendant. It can be noted, other possible suspects’ fingerprints weren’t on there since gloves are used in crimes like this to prevent forensic tracing.”

Prosecution Witness 2- Georgian Hernandez

“Hello, I’m Georgian Hernandez. I’m a police officer down at Wood Police Department. I took two hours to examine the Defendant’s apartment and, in that small time window, I found Exhibit Two. In the academy, we’re taught to differentiate written threats between passive statements. With my years of experience, I determined Exhibit Two as a threat against Luka Bai. Notably, I found a hidden stash of pictures ripped from magazines of Mr. Bai. These pieces of evidence allowed me to conclude a motive to eliminate her clients main competition in the skate boarding world; however, I was unable to take photos of the stash of photos so the jury will have to take my word.”

Defense Witness 1- Kendra Lime

“Good day. My name is Ms. Lime, and, at 10:45PM-1:17AM on the night of the crime, I was with Nancy at a bar downtown. There is no way Nancy could’ve committed this crime. Sure she hated Luka and thought that he was the scum of the skateboarding world, but so many people think that like this one guy I know Gustav Pedro. I degrees. Nancy was with me all night. Sure I was pretty drunk so it’s a possibility I lost track of her at some point, but I pride myself on being as sharp as a pencil when drinking.”

Defense Witness 2 - Ransom Sherlock-Baldwin

“My name is Ransom Sherlox- Baldwin. I’ll keep this short and simple. The State’s expert did an incomplete investigation. The forensic analyst planted evidence of the Defendant in the victim’s car. In my 25 years of being a private investigator, I’ve never seen a case with such large gaps in it. Since I haven’t received my whole payment from the Defense, I will refuse to share any of my other findings about alternative suspects. But if I was to bait the Defense into giving me my money, one name, Gustav Pedro, the second place qualifier, would come to mind. He is the only other skateboarder out there who I personally think would take matters into his own hands to ensure his win at the Olympics.”

EXHIBIT

1



To do.

1: Get Christino to the summer Olympics so I can get that \$\$\$

2: back up plan **take out**
Whoever stands in his way

3: Call mom on her b-day 2/23

4: pick up jumper cables or belt
trash <

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EXHIBIT

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Case Details

Case Number: IRIS-FOR-2025-001

Date: February 27, 2025

Item Submitted: Leather belt



Findings Summary

1. Two fingerprint matches identified belonging to Nancy Coolidge.
2. One fingerprint match identified belonging to Gustav Pedro.
3. Other areas of the item yielded inconclusive fingerprint results.

Analysis Breakdown (Visual Representation)



Nancy Coolidge Matches (2)

Gustav Pedro Match (1)

Inconclusive Areas

Conclusion

The forensic analysis of the submitted leather belt indicates identifiable prints from two individuals (Nancy Coolidge and Gustav Pedro). Additional testing may be required for inconclusive areas to gather more data.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. Smith", written over a horizontal line.

