



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY-
INVESTIGATION REPORT (DPS-302-E) (REVISED 2/3/06)**

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| CFS NO 1200704559 | INCIDENT DATE 12/14/2012 | TIME 09:41 | INCIDENT DATE 12/14/2012 | TIME | PRIMARY OFFICER JEWISS, DANIEL E. | BADGE NO 0336 | INVESTIGATING OFFICER KIELY, THOMAS D. | BADGE NO 0905 |
| INCIDENT ADDRESS 00012 Dickenson Dr Newtown 06482 | | | | | APARTMENT NO | TOWN CD T097 | TYPE OF EXCEPTIONAL CLEARANCE Not Applicable | CASE STATUS Active |

STATUS CODE C=COMPLAINANT V=VICTIM A=ARRESTEE J=JUVENILE H=OTHER M=MISSING W=WITNESS O=OFFENDER D=DRIVER S=SUSPECT P=POLICE OFFICER T=TOT

| STATUS | NAME | SEX | RACE | D.O.B. | TELEPHONE | ADDRESS | OP STATE & NO. |
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INTERVIEW REPORT - Joshua Flashman

ACTION TAKEN: On December 18th, 2012, Det. Downs and I were assigned to interview Joshua Flashman regarding comments he made to FOX news. At approximately 1830 hours, Det. Downs and I arrived at 371 Old Zoar Road in Monroe, CT which was listed as one of Flashman's addresses. Upon arrival we learned that the location was the Beacon Hill Church where Joshua Flashman's father is a pastor. Mr. Flashman contacted his son upon our request and had him meet us at the church. At approximately 1915 hours, Joshua Flashman arrived at the Beacon Hill Church and sat down with Det. Downs and I in the library area to conduct our interview.

SUMMARY: Joshua Flashman stated that on December 16th, 2012, he was at Newtown High School partaking in a human blockade consisting of military personal, motorcycle clubs, and public service people. He stated that this was in response to the report that the Westboro Baptist Church was going to protest at a prayer vigil for one of the Sandy Hook victims.

Joshua Flashman stated that he left the vigil around 7:45 PM and was approached by Jana Winter from FOX News.com. He stated that Winter asked him what he knew about Adam Lanza. Flashman stated that he told her what he had been hearing around town, and from other people closer to the Lanza family than he was. Flashman stated that Winter asked him if he would go and get a drink with her to discuss what he had heard further. Flashman stated that they proceeded to the Iron Bridge restaurant in Newtown.

Flashman stated that he told Winter he knew Ryan Lanza, who is Adam's older brother, but did not know Adam Lanza. Flashman stated that

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everything he told Winter was information he heard being discussed around town. Flashman stated that he did not know who specifically told him this information, but that several people were talking about it at the Memorial, and at the Iron Bridge restaurant. Flashman stated he told Winter he did not get his information directly from the Lanza family, and that it was all conversation he had overheard. Flashman further stated that he did not know if there was any truth or validity to this information he had overheard. Flashman read the FOX News.com article written by Jana Winter and confirmed that it contained the information he had overheard and subsequently relayed to Winter. See attached written statement for further details. See attached FOX News.com article written by Jana Winter.

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EXCLUSIVE: Fear of being committed may have caused Connecticut gunman to snap

By Jana Winter

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NEWTOWN, Conn. – The gunman who slaughtered 20 children and six adults at a Connecticut elementary school may have snapped because his mother was planning to commit him to a psychiatric facility, according to a lifelong resident of the area who was familiar with the killer's family and several of the victims' families.

Adam Lanza, 20, targeted Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown after killing his mother early Friday because he believed she loved the school "more than she loved him," said Joshua Flashman, 25, who grew up not far from where the shooting took place. Flashman, a U.S. Marine, is the son of a pastor at an area church where many of the victims' families worship.

"From what I've been told, Adam was aware of her petitioning the court for conservatorship and (her) plans to have him committed," Flashman told FoxNews.com. "Adam was apparently very upset about this. He thought she just wanted to send him away. From what I understand, he was really, really angry. I think this could have been it, what set him off."

A senior law enforcement official involved in the investigation confirmed that Lanza's anger at his mother over plans for "his future mental health treatment" is being looked at as a possible motive for the deadly shooting.

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Flashman was told Nancy Lanza had begun filing paperwork to get conservatorship over her troubled son, but that could not be confirmed because a court official told FoxNews.com such records are sealed. The move would have been necessary for her to gain the legal right to commit an adult to a hospital or psychiatric facility against his will. A competency hearing had not yet been held.

Adam Lanza attended the Sandy Hook School as a boy, according to Flashman, who said Nancy Lanza had volunteered there for several years. Two law enforcement sources said they believed Nancy Lanza had been volunteering with kindergartners at the school. Most of Lanza's victims were first graders sources believe Nancy Lanza may have worked with last year.

Flashman said Nancy Lanza was also good friends with the school's principal and psychologist—both of whom were killed in the shooting rampage.

"Adam Lanza believed she cared more for the children than she did for him, and the reason he probably thought this [was the fact that] she was petitioning for conservatorship and wanted to have him committed," Flashman said. "I could understand how he might perceive that—that his mom loved him less than she loved the kids, loved the school. But she did love him. But he was a troubled kid and she probably just couldn't take care of him by herself anymore."

The Washington Post reported that the distraught mother had considered moving with her son to Washington state, where she had found a school she thought could help him. Either way, according to Flashman, Nancy Lanza was at her wit's end.

A separate neighborhood source also told FoxNews.com that Nancy Lanza had come to the realization she could no longer handle her son alone. She was caring for him full-time, but told friends she needed help. She was planning to have him involuntarily hospitalized, according to the source, who did not know if she had taken formal steps.

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Multiple sources told FoxNews.com Adam Lanza suffered from Asperger's syndrome, a form of autism, and unspecified mental and emotional problems.

Adam Lanza has also been described by those who knew him as highly intelligent, and a spokesman for Western Connecticut State University told The Associated Press he took college classes there when he was 16, earning a 3.26 grade point average and excelling at a computer course.

Alan Diaz, 20, who was friends with Adam Lanza at Newtown High School, said the Lanza he knew was ill-at-ease socially, but not a monster.

"He was a wicked smart kid," Diaz told FoxNews.com by email. "When I first met him, he wouldn't even look at you when you tried to talk to him. Over the year I knew him, he became used to me and my other friends, he eventually could have full conversations with us.

"I've heard him laugh, he has even comforted me once in a hard time I had," Diaz said. "A big part of me wishes I never dropped contact with him after he left high school, felt like I could have done something."

Flashman said nobody will completely understand why Adam did what he did.

"No one can explain Adam Lanza besides God and Adam Lanza, and I don't even think Adam Lanza could explain Adam Lanza, to be honest with you."

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