

Durst Prosecutors Weigh Value Of Clips

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The whispered words of Robert Durst recorded in an unguarded moment in a bathroom could come back to haunt him — or help him — as he faces a murder charge.

A possible move by prosecutors to introduce the incriminating material from a six-part documentary on his strange life and connection to three killings could backfire as interview footage did in the Michael Jackson molestation trial and the Robert Blake murder case.

In both cases, the defense was allowed under the “doctrine of completeness” to provide segments of interviews that presented their clients favorably without subjecting them to tough cross-examination.

“I submit that Blake didn’t have to testify and Michael Jackson didn’t have to testify because the prosecution foolishly wanted to introduce portions of their interviews,” said attorney Thomas Mesereau Jr., who represented both men. “They just got greedy. They were mesmerized by portions they thought could help them.”

In the Jackson case, the defense used unaired footage to counter damage done by “Living With Michael Jackson,” a damning documentary in which Jackson held hands with his accuser and spoke of letting children into his bed.

Suspect Arrested In Phoenix Shooting

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — A gunman killed one person and wounded five others Wednesday in a rampage that included a motel shooting, a carjacking and a home invasion and ended with his arrest at a nearby apartment in suburban Phoenix.

The suspect was taken into custody after officers spotted him on an apartment balcony and deployed a stun gun. Numerous officers later led a handcuffed man to a truck parked outside an apartment complex. Police did not immediately release his identity.

The incident started with an argument inside a room at a motel and spilled outside, leaving one man dead and two women wounded, Mesa Detective Esteban Flores said.

The suspect then shot a man working at a nearby restaurant. That victim, an adult student at nearby East Valley Institute of Technology, was able to run across the street to emergency responders already at the motel, Flores said. The school said in a statement that he was one of seven students and an instructor working at Bistro 13 restaurant. The student has been treated and released from a hospital.

The suspect got away by carjacking the instructor’s car.

ACLU Challenges Alabama Abortion Law

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — The American Civil Liberties Union on Wednesday asked a federal judge to block an Alabama law that allows a fetus to be represented in court when a minor is seeking judicial permission for an abortion.

While abortion opponents have rolled out a variety of new restrictions on abortion in recent years — including new requirements on clinics and doctors — ACLU staff attorney Andrew Beck said the Alabama law was unique.

“This particular law is one of a kind,” Beck said.

Alabama minors must have permission from their parents or a judge to have an abortion. Alabama legislators in 2014 changed the judicial permission process to allow a judge, at his or her discretion, to appoint a guardian ad litem “for the interests of the unborn child.” The law also requires that local district attorneys are notified of the hearing and can question the minor and call witnesses.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Susan Russ Walker heard arguments on the ACLU request for a preliminary injunction blocking the law and a state request to dismiss the lawsuit. State lawyers argued the law provides options to the judge to obtain information about the minor’s maturity level, while the ACLU argued the law forced teens to go through a “trial” to obtain an abortion.

Ebola Monitoring For Two More Workers

NEW YORK (AP) — Health officials say two more American aid workers arrived in the United States on Wednesday night to be monitored for Ebola.

The two bring to 17 the number of Americans flown back from West Africa’s Sierra Leone since Friday for monitoring. None have tested positive.

All are connected to an unidentified American who returned to the U.S. last week after he came down with Ebola. He is in critical condition at a government hospital in Bethesda, Maryland.

The other aid workers are staying near hospitals with special isolation units in Bethesda, Atlanta and Omaha, Nebraska, in case they get sick.

Museum Attack In Tunisia Kills 19

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TUNIS, Tunisia — Foreign tourists scrambled in panic Wednesday after militants stormed a museum in Tunisia’s capital and killed 19 people, “shooting at anything that moved,” a witness said.

Two gunmen were slain by security forces following the deadliest attack on civilians in the North African country in 13 years, and the president said the young democracy was embroiled in a war with terror.

The militants, who wore military-style uniforms and wielded assault rifles, burst from a vehicle and began gunning down tourists climbing out of buses at the National Bardo Museum. The attackers then charged inside to take hostages before being killed in a firefight with security forces.

Authorities launched a manhunt for two or three accomplices in the attack. Prime Minister Habib Essid said the two Tunisian gunmen killed 17 tourists — five from Japan, four from Italy, two from Colombia, two from Spain, and one each from Australia, Poland and France. The nationality of one dead foreigner was not released. Essid said two Tunisian nationals also were killed by the militants.

At least 44 people were wounded, including tourists from Italy, France, Japan, South Africa, Poland, Belgium and Russia, according to Essid and doctors from Tunis’ Charles Nicolle.

“I want the people of Tunisia to understand firstly and lastly that we are in a war with terror, and these savage



CHOKRI MAHJOUB/ZUMA PRESS/TNS
Police secure the area outside the National Bardo Museum in Tunis, Tunisia, near the Tunisian Parliament building, where two gunmen were killed after an attack at the museum killed 19 people on Wednesday.

minority groups will not frighten us,” said newly elected President Beji Caïd Essebsi in an evening address to the nation. “The fight against them will continue until they are exterminated.”

Tunisians overthrew their dictator in 2011 and kicked off the Arab Spring that spread across the region. While the uprising built a new democracy, the country has also struggled with economic problems and attacks by extremists.

Essid identified the slain gunmen as Yassine Laabidi and Hatem Khachnaoui.

Twitter accounts associated with the extremist Islamic State group based in Syria and Iraq were described as overjoyed at the attack, urging Tunisians to “follow their brothers,” according to Rita Katz of SITE, a U.S.-based organization that monitors militant groups.

The assault at the Bardo, Tunisia’s largest museum that

is housed in a 15th century palace, began sometime after noon local time as scores of European tourists were visiting.

Josep Lluís Cusido, the mayor of the Spanish town of Vallmoll, said he saw people being gunned down on the plaza outside the museum before the gunmen moved inside.

“After they entered the museum. I saw their faces: They were about 10 meters away from me, shooting at anything that moved,” Cusido told Spain’s Cadena Ser radio station.

“I managed to hide behind a pillar, there were unlucky people who they killed right there,” he said, adding that he and his wife spent nearly three hours in the museum until they got out uninjured.

Dozens of tourists scrambled from the museum linking arms or clutching children as Tunisian police and security forces pointed their weapons

at the building. The museum, 4 kilometers (2 1/2 miles) from the city center, is located near the national parliament building, which was evacuated.

Some of the Italians at the museum were believed to have been passengers from the Costa Fasciosa, a cruise liner that had docked in Tunis while on a seven-day tour of the western Mediterranean. Ship owner Costa Crociere confirmed that some of its 3,161 passengers were visiting Tunis and that a Bardo tour was on the itinerary, but said it couldn’t confirm how many were in the museum at the time.

The Bardo, a popular tourist attraction, houses one of the world’s largest collections of Roman mosaics among its 8,000 works.

It was the worst attack in the country since an al-Qaida militant detonated a truck bomb in front of a historic synagogue on the Tunisia’s island of Djerba in 2002, killing 21, mostly German tourists.

Tunisia has been more stable than other countries in the region, but has struggled with violence by Islamic extremists who have sworn allegiance to both al-Qaida and the Islamic State group.

A disproportionately large number of Tunisian recruits — some 3,000, according to government estimates — have joined Islamic State fighters in Syria and Iraq and many have received training in neighboring Libya.

The U.S. Embassy in Tunis was attacked in September 2012, seriously damaging the embassy grounds and an adjoining American school. Four of the assailants were killed.

Netanyahu Victory Leaves Damage In Wake

BY JOSEF FEDERMAN
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TEL AVIV, Israel — Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu’s strong showing in national elections this week has come with a price: He has managed to antagonize friends and foes alike with hard-line rhetoric on the campaign trail.

While the tough talk gave Netanyahu a last-minute boost in the polls, the Israeli leader could now face a difficult task convincing an already skeptical world that he is serious about reaching peace with his Arab neighbors — particularly if, as expected, he forms a new government comprised of religious and nationalist parties.

Trailing in opinion polls, Netanyahu took a sharp turn to the right in the final days of the campaign to shore up support among his core nationalist constituency.

He vowed to increase settlement construction in east Jerusalem, the Palestinians’ would-be capital, and rejected the idea of a Palestinian state in current conditions — putting him at odds with U.S.

and European positions and reversing his own policy of the past six years.

In a last-ditch attempt to spur his supporters to the polls Tuesday, he warned that Arab citizens were voting “in droves” and endangering years of rule by his Likud Party. The comments drew accusations of racism from Israeli Arabs and a White House rebuke.

In Washington, the Obama administration said Wednesday that it was “deeply concerned” by the divisive language used by the Likud.

White House spokesman Josh Earnest also said the U.S. would have to rethink the best way to bring about a two-state resolution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict — a cornerstone of U.S. Mideast policy for years — after Netanyahu rejected the idea.

“Based on those comments, the U.S. will evaluate our position going forward,” Earnest told reporters traveling aboard Air Force One on a flight to Cleveland.

State Department spokesman Jen Psaki said Secretary of State John Kerry had called Netanyahu to congratulate him. But she refused to describe the conversation as “warm” or friendly.

Netanyahu’s controversial stance appears to have paid off at home. Thought to be in danger of being voted out of office just a few days ago, the Likud emerged as the largest party in parliament when near-final results trickled in Wednesday, leaving it in position to lead the next coalition government. But the comments may have reinforced a belief in many world capitals that Netanyahu isn’t serious about peace.

Dore Gold, a confidant and unofficial adviser to Netanyahu, said he was confident the prime minister could repair the relationship with the U.S., Israel’s closest and most important ally.

“The U.S. and Israel have had very sharp disagreements in the past about different aspects of Mideast policy but have usually been able to overcome the differences,” Gold said. “I suspect that is exactly what is going to happen this time as well.”

Gold declined to speculate on what Netanyahu might do, saying only that he is a masterful diplomat who knows “exactly how to address the U.S.-Israel relationship in a positive way.”

Brand

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Bailey, executive director of Big Friend Little Friend Yankton. The event, as it was in January, was hosted by 1 Million Cups-Yankton founder Ben Hanten.

Hanten said there’s a lot the two towns can do if they’d identify with each other.

“My premise on this is, we’re 22.7 miles apart — which is a shorter commute than most people in Sioux Falls have these days,” Hanten said. “If we started branding these two cities together, we’d have a population base of more than 25,000, we’d have a couple of colleges involved, we’d have powerhouses in medical, manufacturing and recreation and banking. I just think there’s a lot of things that, if we just start to identify that we’re from the same areas, it puts us at an advantage.”

BUILDING A BRAND

Hanten said one of the most effective ways to sell the area would be to establish a brand.

“If we want to say that we’re from the same area, we need to

have a moniker to say where we’re from,” he said. “We know where the Twin Cities are. We know where the Quad Cities are. What are we? ... I think people want something they can identify with so we can begin to package these ideas and assets together.”

He used the example of two larger Iowa cities that recently linked themselves together developmentally.

“Cedar Rapids and Iowa City are about 40 miles apart and they’ve managed to brand together,” he said. “They call themselves the Creative Corridor and they’ve found ways to bridge on arts, culture and entertainment.”

Welch said branding would be a way of teaching those outside of the Yankton-Vermillion area about the two cities.

“Branding together really is a great idea because, for one, branding and marketing really is educating,” he said. “It’s making people aware of it. Sometimes people don’t realize how close Yankton is to Vermillion. ... Branding helps to change the thinking of some individuals and saying, ‘(The distance) is not really that bad.’”

YOUTH MOVEMENT

Another focus of the town hall was youth retention in the area and

a need to appeal to a younger demographic.

Bailey said one issue he sees is youth don’t always necessarily see the attributes Midwestern communities have.

“The youth in our communities are the people who are going to take over when we’re done or when we’re getting older,” Bailey said. “I think what I hear the most is, ‘What are we going to do? What is there to do?’ and I think it’s because a lot of youth see in social media bigger cities. ... They look past the great things we have in our communities.”

He added that the cities working together and emphasizing the existing attributes and attracting desired economic opportunity and activities will help retain youth.

“I think if we can work together and keep growing our communities, we don’t necessarily need that big city feeling,” he said. “I think if we keep going down that road, we can convince our youth to stay as well.”

Schramm said the Yankton School District’s efforts are a help in highlighting some of those opportunities.

“I think the school in Yankton has done an awesome job as far as letting some of our kids know some

of the opportunities that are within our community,” she said.

THE RIVER

The Missouri River is a defining characteristic of both communities, and some of Wednesday’s conversation centered on the need to better utilize it in the Vermillion area.

Hanten pointed out that in the previous meeting a panelist stated a belief that Vermillion didn’t take much advantage of its location.

“Larry Ness, last time, said he doesn’t think Vermillion views itself as a river city,” he said. “There’s a river that runs by it, but there’s not really access to it.”

Collier-Wise said the river does play into the town’s culture and steps ought to be taken to make it more so.

“I think there’s a lot of people who take advantage of the river,” Collier-Wise said. “I talk to people about how they spent their summers, and the river plays a large part in peoples’ lives. We definitely need to be taking more advantage of the part of the river that we have as far as access. That’s something that’s being worked on. ... A lot of people in Vermillion do have a relationship with the river — it may be a different kind of culture than the lake culture. It’s not quite as pub-

lic, it’s more private. It’s something that’s going to grow in the future for sure.”

NEXT STEPS

Welch said continuing the discussion is key in fostering a sense of community between the two cities.

“These kind of efforts are the most important things,” he said. “It’s bringing in not only those that work in this every day, but it’s bringing in community folks that have an interest and a desire and a passion for that and do want our leaders and people in our positions to be able to continue to work together.”

Collier-Wise, who appeared at both town halls, said there’s a number of steps to take from here to bring the two communities together.

“There’s a lot of contacts being made and that’s going to happen organically,” she told the *Press & Dakotan*. “Identifying who we are and really trying to market that is a big step, and also acknowledging the things that we’re doing that are really working.”

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