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SUNY Student Conduct Institute
Advanced Investigations Workshop
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Transcript of Complainant's Interview

1 **Investigator:**

2 I understand your concerns relate to an incident that occurred on November 4-5, 2022 with
3 Shawn Brown. How long have you known Shawn and what was your relationship with them
4 prior to November 2022?

5 **Complainant:**

6 I had never met Shawn before that night.

7 **Investigator:**

8 Starting where makes sense for you, tell me what you can remember about your experience with
9 Shawn in November 2022.

10 **Complainant:**

11 I went to a party at the Golf House, across from Mountain Ridge apartments. I had had a
12 horrible day, bombed a test, and was drunk and not in my right mind. I first met Shawn on the
13 dance floor, my friend Julian Green saw us dancing together. Shawn asked for my Snapchat
14 while we were dancing. After we danced a bit together, I just went on with my night. After what
15 he did to me later on, it kind of seems like no big deal, but Shawn would not stop grabbing my
16 boobs and my butt when we were dancing.

17 About two or three hours later, around midnight and 3:00 a.m., Shawn Snapped me and asked if
18 he could come over. I remember telling him that he could come over, but nothing would happen
19 because I was on my period.

20 So Shawn came over. I was still kind of wasted. We went to my bedroom and watched the
21 movie "Get Out" on Netflix. We started kissing, and my clothes came off. I was bending over
22 my bed and Shawn asked me about anal sex. I told him I never had anal sex before and I asked
23 if he had a condom. He replied, "Why do we need a condom, it's anal." And he just went ahead
24 and had anal sex, and I didn't really stop him, so I don't know, maybe you'd see that somewhat
25 consensual. I remember I didn't even react when he started the anal sex.

26 Then it was really hurting, so I told him that it hurt, I can't do this, I can't do this. He was like,
27 "You can't?" and I said, "No." He continued with the anal sex a little longer and then he
28 stopped.

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29 I was like zoned out, first on the side of my bed and then at the front of the bed. Shawn was
30 standing behind me, saying really weird things . . . and he then just immediately stuck his dick in
31 my vagina. He had sex with me like that for a few minutes and I basically shut down.

32 The next morning when I had to go to the bathroom, my vagina was really hurting. I ended up
33 going to the emergency room to get an exam.

34 I remember later the next day I told my roommate that I had had someone over, because she slept
35 at her girlfriend's apartment that night. I only told her that we kissed, I said nothing happened
36 except kissing. We have since gotten in a huge fight and I don't want her involved.

37 After this happened, I basically went into denial mode. I didn't tell anybody about the assault
38 and tried to act as normally as I could. However, it was impossible. I stopped attending class
39 and stopped going out. I didn't know what to do about it, and I didn't want my parents to find
40 out anything had happened.

41 I have flashbacks of the night. It got so bad, I started seeing a therapist two months ago. She
42 helped me understand what happened and she helped me realize that Shawn sexually assaulted
43 me. Before I talked with her, I had basically tried to put it out of my mind.

44 I should also mention that my friend told me that she heard Shawn had gotten with this girl
45 named Kelly in our dorm when that girl was completely wasted and was basically passed out.
46 My friend told me that Shawn made the girl have sex with him and that the girl had no idea the
47 next day how any of that happened.

48 While I haven't seen Shawn since this happened, I live in fear of seeing him around campus
49 since this occurred. Luckily I think he's in the engineering school, and I'm in modern languages,
50 so we aren't usually on the same part of campus. But I fear running into him at the gym or if I
51 go to a basketball game or even just seeing him around at parties. This fear of seeing him gives
52 me panic attacks.