
Maynard Summation Cards

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Van Means

Lewis M. Steel '63

Q: On this particular Sunday when you saw him, was that business relationship still alive?

A: Not really. Because I left the shop previously, some time before.

Q: Now, how long before this particular Sunday that you saw Mr. Maynard had you seen him before?

A: I dont quite remember. I think quite some time. A matter of weeks. I mean--

Q: Now, when you saw the defendant Maynard in your hotel on this Sunday at about 5 or 6 as you say, was there a conversation between you and he?

A: Very briefly. He came and asked me for the keys to the shop.

2887 - VAN MEANS - for people - direct

Q: Did you know at that time whether or not the lock of the store had been changed?

A: No.

Q: You did write a letter to have the lease transferred?

A: No, I didnt write the letter.

Q: You did not write the letter?

A: This is my signature. I just signed it.

2899- VAN MEANS - for people - cross

Recd checks from Michael Quinn in March 1967.

Quinn associated w/ Maynard

During March partnership w/ Maynard came to end.

By April 1, 1967, was NOT working in boutique for several weeks

Paula Ayers was running it.

Borrowed money to pay rent at Albert Hotel.

Maynard never paid his rent.

2900 - VAN M ANS - for epopel - cross

Q: When you left the Abert Hotel, did you pay your bill,
Mr. Man Means?

A: No, I think I woed ~~money~~ them money wen I left.

Q: And you still owe them money today, M. Van Means?

A: Yes.

2893 - VAN MEANS - for people - cross

Q: Mr. Van Means, isnt it a fact that Mr. Maynard supplied the money, the capital, for the business?

A: Yes.

Q: And what was your function to be?

A: The creative part. Take care of the designing.

Q: Now, after you entered into the business venture with Mr. Maynard, did he in fact put money into the business?

A: Yes, he did.

Q: By the end of March, 1967, had you created any product?

~~Any product?~~ A: Had I created any product?

Q: Yes. Any dresses?

A: I dont think so. I dont remember. I dont think so.

Q: Did you have any idea how much money Mr. Maynard put into this business?

A: In terms of dollars and cents, I dont know.

Q: But he bought the fabrics, did he not?

A: Yes. He brought the fabrics and machinery.

Q: And at the time you had the shop, before Mr. Maynard entered into an agreement with you, you were in arrers ~~xxxx~~ with your rent, were you not?

A: Yes.

Q: And you hadnt been going to boutique from the time
t/ you ceased workint there until Mr. Mayard, you say,
went up to your room asking for your key?

A: Thats right.

Q: Testified on direct t/ you didnt know if lock changed.
No he didnt testify that. (summary)

2901 - VAN MEANS - for people - cross

A: (continuing) But I'm rick enought to pay it now, if
they need it.

2902 - BAN MEANS - for people - cross

Q: Were you angry or upset at Mr. Maynard as a result of the way your business relationship terminated?

A: Yes.

2902 - VAN MEANS - for people - cross

Q: You felt t/ Mr. Maynard had abused you, is that correct?

A: Taking advantage of me, yeah.

Q: Now, at a certa In poin in 1967, did you accuse Mr. Maynard of stealing a coat from you?

A: In when?

Q: In 67.

A: Yes.

Q: You did accuse him of stealing a coat?

A: I didnt accuse him of stealing a coat; I reported a robbery and he had the coat. But I didnt accuse him, you know, of stealing the coat.

Q: Now, you say t/ you saw Mr. Maynard wearing your coat, is that correct?

A: Yes.

Q: And you saw him wearing your coat, did you ask for your coat back?

A: No.

Q: How many times did you see him wearing it?

A: Twice.

Q: And neither time did you say Toney, give me my coat back, did you?

A: Nol

Q: Instead, you went to the police, and you said Mr. Maynard robbed my coat, didnt you?

A: Did I goto the police and say Mr. Maynard robbed my coat?

Q: Yes.

A: I called them and I told them that someone had seen Mr. Maynard weared my coat, and they asked me to come over.

Q: You didnt tell them you were the someone?

A: Beg your pardon?

Q: You didnt tell the police that you were the someone who had seen Mr. Maynard wearing your coat?

A: No.

Q: And when you became involved with the boutique, again, how did this come about?

A: How did it come about?

Q: Yes. It was Mr. Maynard's wasn't it?

A: No, it was not Mr. Maynard's; it was mine.

Q: And--

A: He took it from me. He decided that he was going to take it, yes. But it was never his. The lease was always in my name.

COURT: Well, the question is: how did it come about that you again became involved with the boutique?

WITNESS: When he was arrested I took the shop over again.

Q: How did you get in?

A: Beg your pardon?

Q: How did you get in?

A: How did I get in?

Q: Yes.

A: The day that he was arrested, I was there?

Q: And so you just stayed there?

A: Yes.

Q: Did you pay him anything for staying there?

QA: For what purpose?

Didn't pay Maynard anything

Doesn't remember being at boutique May 17.

Does remember a day when he went to boutique to buy it back

Was to pay \$500-\$600

Doesn't remember if the two days are same.

Does remember speaking to police

Doesn't remember the police asking him to set up a mtg at the boutique between him and Tony.

Inconsistent testimony 1109 prior hearing--to effect that he called Tony on phone.

Doesn't remember calling Tony after meeting w/ pigs on 5-13-67 and meeting Tony up for an arrest on 5-17-67.

Inconsistent testimony 1111 prior hearing -- Now the following day on the 17 of May, 1967, pursuant to this conversation that you had with Det McDonald, because of that conversation.

ANSWER: Yes.

QUESTION: Did you make any further appointments?

ANSWER: Yes, I made an - the appointment that that I told Tony that I would meet him at my store around 6 in the afternoon and give him the money.

Van Means doesnt remember the questions and answers.

Confused and unsure of dates 2914

Court goes over things with Van Means ending with did you know the pigs were coming in that day to arrest him.

NO.

It seems they met on street corner 6th Ave & 8th St and arranged to meet at boutique to pay Tony \$600. But he denies calling McDonald and telling him. Admits when pigs came, he never paid Tony.

Doesnt remember when he moved into to possession of boutique. Then he moved into a larger store.

A: Well, I didnt feel that I owed him anything.