

houses with him and conceded he went along with his friend "because I was real stupid." He went on to say that in the nine days prior to his arrest in late September of last year, he used "massive amounts of methamphetamines" with Randy and slept approximately one hour during that nine-day time period. He recalled he had become progressively more tense, anxious, and restless as the days passed and noted he became extremely distressed when he and Randy were stopped by a police officer in Cisco two days before his arrest last September after they had left a friend's house. He stated the police officer pulled alongside his vehicle as he was going in the opposite direction and "shinned a light on us and told us our vehicle was hot." He said he reacted very quickly to the officer's remark and "outran him as fast as I could." He further noted he subsequently stole a vehicle and went to a friend's house to request they help him find specialized assistance for his condition. He mentioned a female friend agreed to accompany him to his auto body shop and said he drove the stolen vehicle to the shop and was surprised when his female friend chose to keep driving rather than meet him at his shop. He did note, however, he became alarmed when a police officer pulled up behind his vehicle at his shop and said he ran approximately forty to fifty feet before retrieving a gun from his pocket and "shooting twice in the air." He stated he was simply trying to "get some running room" and did not have any intention of hurting the police officer. He went on to say he ran through several fields before seeing a house and stated he walked into the home to get some help and spoke with the two elderly residents before leaving after one of the residents telephoned the police. He said he then ran through several other fields before finding a vacant house and proceeded to kick in the door in order to gain entry. He mentioned he paced frantically throughout the house and remembered hearing police approach the building and talk to him. He stated he then loaded a shotgun with "birdshot" and fired "in a self-defense mode" in order to "get them away from me so I could have some time to think about what I needed to do." He underscored the fact he did not want to hurt anyone and was shooting aimlessly in a self-defensive way. He added he was hyperventilating, extremely fearful and tired due to the fact he had not slept for several days as a result of the adverse influence of the drugs.

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Mr. Townsend stated he made a decision to surrender to the police after he was wounded in the leg by one of the officers. He stated he was subsequently taken to a hospital in Abilene where he was treated and transferred to the Comanche County Jail. He said he is extremely regretful and remorseful for his actions and recognizes he needs assistance to help him avoid using drugs in the future and modify his deviant lifestyle.

CONCLUSIONS REGARDING CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY: Mr. Townsend is a 41-year-old male who has been in the Comanche County Jail for several months awaiting a hearing on two counts of Attempted Capital Murder of a Police Officer. My evaluation indicated that although Mr. Townsend was under the influence of different substances at the time of his criminal offense, he did know his conduct was wrong. Despite the fact the drugs had an impact on his thinking, reasoning, and judgment, I believe he recognized the

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