



SHARK BEACH SHOWDOWN – QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

This document will serve as a “Pre-trial ORDER” dated January 20, 2026, in case anyone needs to refer to this during trial.

Every question was read and considered. Not every question was answered. If not part of this order you can assume our answer is that the problem speaks for itself for that question. The following can be treated as facts of the case:

1. There was a typo between indictment, law, and case summary as to the charges. This has been amended so all should say the two charges are BUI Manslaughter and Vehicular Homicide.
2. Does stipulation 14 mean you can raise only a relevance objection to the adjudicative document? ANSWER: Yes.
3. The Shorley receipt has been amended to say 12:58 AM. Apologies for the typo.
4. What side of the boat is the throttle on? ANSWER: Next to the steering wheel.
5. Did Brandy see Bruce drinking? ANSWER: Yes.
6. How does Det. Murphy know the boat is the Defendant's? ANSWER: From the lettering on the boat, Det. Murphy was able to look up the boat's registration.
7. Is the picture of Megan in the water supposed to be in the daytime? ANSWER: The photo was taken in the early morning hours.
8. Is the picture of the boat and the layout provided in the exhibits an accurate depiction of Brandy's boat? ANSWER: Yes.
9. What is the no wake speed limit? ANSWER: 5 mph.
10. Are we meant to use the Federal Rules of Evidence for objections? ANSWER: Yes.
11. The law definition for Vehicular Homicide was clarified.
12. In all trials the date, jurisdiction and identity must be established in addition to proving the appropriate law.
13. How many friends does Megan have at the bar? ANSWER: Three, the problem has been edited.
14. The Nova Guppies is a minor league affiliate of the Miami Marlins.

15. No video will be provided. Stipulation #5 speaks to this issue. No best evidence objections will be entertained at trial. No discussion about the absence of a video will be made by either party.
16. The 15th Street Fisheries receipt has been amended. A tequila sunrise has been added and testimony relating to the name of the shots was amended to match the receipt.
17. Are we to assume that Map 2 is the black box data that Det. Murphy references?
ANSWER: Yes. This map is pre-admitted. No objections to this exhibit will be entertained.
18. Is it beer bottles or cans? ANSWER: Bottles. The problem has been corrected.
19. For Vehicular Homicide, must the defendant be the one driving the boat?
ANSWER: Yes. There is no vicarious or accomplice liability in this case.
20. Megan Morrison was 24 years old when she died. The problem has been amended to fix the typo.
21. Can actual physical control of the boat be satisfied by mere ownership?
ANSWER: No.
22. Where was Bruce's fingerprint on the throttle located? ANSWER: The leaver.
23. How does Bobby Denver know that Brandy was only pretending to drive when he looks at the surveillance video? ANSWER: That is Bobby's perception.

COMPETITION RULES CLARIFICATIONS

1. Whose time is taken when objections are made? ANSWER: If objections are argued the clock is stopped.
2. Do experts need to be formally tendered? ANSWER: This should be addressed in housekeeping / preliminary matters with the judge each round.
3. Are all notice requirements assumed to be fulfilled? ANSWER: Yes.
4. Do the Federal Rules of Evidence apply? ANSWER: Yes.
5. Are non-competition spectators allowed to watch the rounds? ANSWER: Yes, the more the merrier!
6. How much time will we have to meet our NSU student witness before the start of the competition. ANSWER: You will meet your witness on Thursday at check-in. You decide how much you want to prep the witness. They will be available Thursday night. Some are available Friday morning, but some have class to attend. There is no time limit to witness prep.