

1 THE COURT: Deputy, have Mr. Jones up here,
2 please. Mr. Jones, come up here, raise your right hand.

3 JULIUS DARIUS JONES,
4 being first duly sworn, testified on his oath, as
5 follows:

6 THE COURT: Mr. Jones, you heard Mr. McKenzie
7 announce that -- that the defense was resting.

8 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

9 THE COURT: And I've -- well, we've all had
10 some discussions about whether you were or were not going
11 to testify and since he has rested, that means that you
12 are not going to testify.

13 THE DEFENDANT: Correct.

14 THE COURT: All right. You understand that
15 your right to testify is a personal decision of your own.
16 Of course you can have the advice of counsel, Mr.
17 McKenzie and Mr. McKenzie's co-counsel in this matter,
18 but when it comes right down to it, it is your personal
19 decision whether to testify or not testify on your own
20 behalf. Have you determined with the assistance of your
21 counsel not to testify?

22 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

23 THE COURT: Is that a free and personal
24 decision of your own?

25 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.