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Jurors heard more gripping testimony Friday morning against former Lafayette Police Officer Sam Parker.

Police Officer Stacey Meeks took the stand and recounted some of his past experiences with Sam Parker while the two worked for the Lafayette Police Department.

Meeks told jurors that at one point Sam Parker pulled a bullet out of his locker and showed it to him.

"It was many years ago when I first came on the department. I went back to the lockerroom and he had retrieved this item from his locker and told me it was a bullet that he had shot someone in the line of duty and he had retrieved this spent round from the cranial area of the deceased, and he had got it," Meeks told jurors.

Meeks said Parker was showing off the bullet and other items like they were trophies.

"He showed me a picture of the deceased, like a crime scene photo where he was laying on the floor. A lot of blood around and stuff like that," Meeks said.

Meeks did clarify that Parker had been exonerated of the shooting, but testified that at one time Parker had been

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subpoenaed for a potential murder charge in the case. He says that Parker told him that he went to the Grand Jury with a loaded weapon.

"Because he wasn't going to be arrested basically, he wasn't going down without a fight is what he said," Meeks said.

Meeks then went on to testify that Parker told him about what happened after a 2003 incident in Florida where Parker fired a gun in a parking lot.

"He had been seen by several psychologists or psychiatrists, and he was bragging to me that they had ruled him homicidal, suicidal," Meeks says.

Meeks told jurors that he had seen Parker subdue a number of people while Parker was working. Meeks used the prosecutor to demonstrate a choke hold, the move that he had seen Parker use to take people down.

But after hearing from several character witnesses including Meeks, Judge Bo Wood told both sides he's not hearing enough evidence relating to Theresa Parker's disappearance.

"I think it's a good time to stop all of this, I think we're going far afield, both of you," Judge Wood tells both sides.

Jurors went on to hear from GBI Special Agent Audie Murphy. Murphy searched the Parker's home and Theresa's car. He says he sprayed luminol on her 4-Runner and found two blood spots on the bumper and two more under the hatch.

"When we initially looked at the 4-Runner we couldn't see any blood. You couldn't see any there, it looked like it was clean. But when we sprayed the luminol it glowed which indicated there were trace amounts of blood there," Murphy says.

But Defense Attorney David Dunn pressed Murphy on specifics, pointing out that luminol can find other substances than blood, and that he can't prove how much may have been there.

"For all I know that bumper was covered in blood and somebody took a hosepipe and washed it all off and this is what's left. Just this minor amount that pools, when the water pools and dries, that's all that was left. I can't tell you if it was two drops or two buckets," Murphy tells jurors.

The prosecution then called on DNA Analyst Jessica Walker who testified about tests taken on the blood.

"You found the DNA of Theresa Parker on both swab one and swab two taken from the bumper?" Prosecutor Natalee Staats asks Walker. "That is correct," Walker testifies.

Walker testified that one swab of blood was Theresa's DNA. She testified the other was a mixture of both Theresa's and Sam's. But the question remains does any of this directly link Sam Parker to Theresa's disappearance?

"I think what we're all alluding to here is if there was a body in the back of that SUV would there be signs of it? Honestly, I don't know," Murphy told the jury.

Testimony continues Monday morning at 9:30 inside the Walker County Courthouse.

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