

Dr. Phil

Cindy and George Anthony: The Interview

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CINDY AND GEORGE ANTHONY: THE INTERVIEW

PHIL MCGRAW: We're starting our 10th season with one of the biggest dramas to ever capture the nation's attention.

Announcer: For three years, you've followed the story.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: (From 911 call) Caylee's missing. Casey says Zanny took her a month ago.

(Graphic on screen)

The Disappearance

Unidentified News Anchor #1: (From newscast) Sheriff's investigators desperately search for two-year-old Caylee.

(Graphic on screen)

The Media Frenzy

(Excerpt from videotape)

Offscreen Voice #1: Grandparents of the young Florida girl lashed out.

Mr. GEORGE ANTHONY: Shut up! Shut up!

(End of excerpt)

Announcer: Now, the exclusive interview with Casey Anthony's parents.

McGRAW: (From upcoming segment) Do you think Casey was involved in Caylee's death?

(Excerpt from videotape)

Unidentified Man #1: What did you tell...(unintelligible).

Unidentified Man #2: Get away! Go away!

(End of excerpt)

McGRAW: (From upcoming segment) Are you saying she went psychotic and lost contact with reality?

Ms. NANCY GRACE: (From broadcast) Tiny skeletal remains are those of little Caylee.

McGRAW: (From upcoming segment) You don't include the possibility that she

used that shovel to dig a hole in the ground in the woods to bury her dead baby?

(Graphic on screen)

The Trial

Offscreen Voice #2: (From Fox News) It's the most sensational murder trial in recent memory.

McGRAW: (From upcoming segment) The public believes that you perjured yourself on the stand to protect your daughter. Did you lie?

(Graphic on screen)

The Verdict

Unidentified Woman #1: (In court) We, the jury, find the defendant not guilty.

Mr. BRIAN WILLIAMS: (From "NBC Nightly News") ...ongoing obsession of the summer of 2011.

(Excerpt from news broadcast)

Crowd: (Chanting in unison) Caylee! Caylee!

Unidentified Woman #2: They should've just thrown away the key for her.

(End of excerpt)

McGRAW: (From upcoming segment) America's never heard this explanation before. Why have you sat on this information?

Announcer: Over the course of two days, Cindy and George Anthony sit down face to face with Dr. Phil.

McGRAW: (From upcoming segment) There are millions of people in America right now that want to shake you awake.

Announcer: Today...

McGRAW: (From upcoming segment) In your mind, you know the truth, don't you?

Announcer: ...the revelations.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: (From upcoming segment) We've been through this for three years, and this is the first time I've heard that out of his mouth.

Announcer: On the season 10 premiere of the DR. PHIL show.

McGRAW: Today, Cindy and George Anthony speak out for the very first time since the verdict that shocked the nation. As a former litigation consultant

and a new grandfather of a little girl about Caylee's age, the Casey Anthony trial both fascinated and frustrated me, leaving me with more questions than answers.

And so I asked the Anthonys to sit down with me for a candid, no holds barred conversation about what they think really happened to their granddaughter. How much did they know, and when did they know it? Now, trust me, I've read the e-mails, tweets, and message boards; you are an audience divided. Many of you have come to blame them as much as Casey. Others do not. Did the Anthonys support and cover for a woman who many believe is a baby killer? Or are they grieving grandparents who have tragically missed the warning signs and lost the light of their lives? Whether you have supported or vilified them, one thing is for sure, after this interview, you just might change your minds about Cindy and George Anthony.

Now, it's been over a year since you've spoken publicly.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Yes.

McGRAW: Why did the two of you agree to sit down with me and have this conversation?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Well, we knew at some point we needed to tell our side of the story. Your venue, I think, what better place?

Mr. ANTHONY: We can trust you're going to do the right thing with us and by us, and you're going to get what you feel we need to talk about and open our hearts up about.

McGRAW: You know that you have some critics out there.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Mm-hmm.

McGRAW: Some say that you have tried to capitalize on, profit from, or exploit the death of your granddaughter.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Mm-hmm.

McGRAW: So I want to be very clear, neither of you have asked to be paid one penny for this interview, correct?

Mr. ANTHONY: That's correct.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: That's correct.

Mr. ANTHONY: We have not.

McGRAW: And we have not paid you for this interview.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: That's correct.

McGRAW: Now, what you have asked us to do, you're very passionate about something that you call the Caylee Fund.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Yes.

Mr. ANTHONY: Yes.

McGRAW: You have asked us to make a donation to that when it gets properly licensed, and I said we would do that. To make this further clear, neither of you derive any income from that charitable organization whatsoever. Correct?

Mr. ANTHONY: That's correct.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: That's correct.

McGRAW: And people, they have questions about you as parents, they have questions about you as grandparents. That's why I want you to answer my questions, tell the truth, and take the mystery out of this story once and for all.

Do you think Casey was involved in Caylee's death?

Mr. ANTHONY: Well, the last one I saw Caylee with was Casey. We didn't see her for all those days or all those weeks. To me, in my mind, that one and one adds up to two. She's responsible for Caylee. That was her daughter.

McGRAW: When you say one and one adds up to two, what are the one and one that makes it obvious that she has involvement?

Mr. ANTHONY: Casey and Caylee, when I saw them leave on June 16th, 2008, that's the last time I saw them together; and Casey, again, is responsible for Caylee, no matter where she was at or what happened.

McGRAW: You have to understand, from a psychological point of view, I have curiosities and queries about how we've come to the point that we're at today. Would you consider your household and their upbringing to have been a typical American home and family?

Mr. ANTHONY: I mean, we did things with the children growing up, participated in their school activities.

McGRAW: You were involved parents.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Mm-hmm.

Mr. ANTHONY: Mm-hmm.

McGRAW: Was she close with her brother, Lee?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: They were very close, and he always looked out for her.

McGRAW: I think we would agree that Casey has told a lot of lies...

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Mm-hmm.

Mr. ANTHONY: Mm-hmm.

McGRAW: ...to you two, before this situation happened, during the situation, and after. Here's the thing, and this is a question I think every parent in America wants to know the answer to: As you look back, were there any warning signs that would have suggested that Casey was going to do whatever it is that she did?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: After Caylee was born was when I started to see changes in Casey.

McGRAW: Why? In your view, what precipitated that?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Looking back now, I'm almost wondering if she didn't develop postpartum schizophrenia or some type of issue after her pregnancy, a hormonal type of illness. I mean, and that's my perception because none of those behaviors were exhibited prior to her pregnancy.

McGRAW: All right. Well now, how far along was she when you found out she was pregnant?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: It was five months.

McGRAW: Do you think it odd that she hid that from you all until that far into the pregnancy?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I would think...

McGRAW: What was she afraid of? Why would she hide it?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I don't know.

Mr. ANTHONY: That's a great question. I mean, we asked her even when that happened, I said, 'Why didn't you tell us?' She was afraid to tell us. I don't know what the reason was.

McGRAW: I think it's significant that she went halfway through a pregnancy before she said anything to you all. I mean, that's a--that's a big omission to me as a parent. But once that change took place, did it snowball?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: No, not right away.

McGRAW: When did it really start to be a problem?

Mr. ANTHONY: I think I noticed it probably early 2006, right around there. I just noticed some change in her when she would talk to me about certain things. It just didn't add up and in my mind how she could be...

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: No, you're thinking 2007. It was 2007.

Mr. ANTHONY: After I'd come back home, because Cindy and I had separated for a few months, I just noticed her not being at the places she said she was going to be at. Things never added up to me. Started to notice some money missing.

McGRAW: And you were out of the home in '06?

Mr. ANTHONY: '06, yeah, between November of 2005 until about June of 2006. Yeah, Cindy and I had separated. We had some financial issues. Did we almost go through a divorce? Yeah, it was pretty close.

McGRAW: Were you gambling at the time?

Mr. ANTHONY: There was some online gambling I was doing, yes.

McGRAW: OK. Was that part of the issue with you?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Yes. I didn't know about it, and when I found out, it was like a huge betrayal. I mean, we'd been married nearly 25 years at that time, and to find out that he was kind of leading a different life, you know. I know what happened and it was during the time when he wasn't working. I realized it was a very difficult time for him. But at that time, it was a huge slap in the face.

McGRAW: Was it a significant amount of money to your family?

Mr. ANTHONY: Oh, somewhere about \$30,000 I think, right around or near, give or take.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Yeah, it was.

McGRAW: Made a difference.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: It made a huge difference.

Mr. ANTHONY: Oh, a huge difference.

McGRAW: (To George) But then you come back in '06.

(To Cindy) And you say at that time, she changed.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Well, yeah. I mean, it was--it was a big effect. Everybody felt let down by their dad and kind of betrayed. And the thing that hurt Casey the most was then he wanted us to sell the house and split it up, that Casey felt like he was kicking her and Caylee out. And she could not understand how he could do that. I know she didn't want him to come home.

McGRAW: Did you know that she didn't want you to come back?

Mr. ANTHONY: Yes. She told me.

McGRAW: Again, from a psychological perspective, what comes to my mind is you said he had a different life. And I have to ask you, when you heard the defense in this case say that he was involved in--not in causing the child's death...

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Mm-hmm.

McGRAW: ...but in events that took place after that, did it ever occur to you that `He's hidden substantial things from me before. Could he have done it again?'

Remember, you heard Cindy say that when she and George tried to reconcile after their separation, Casey was strongly against her dad moving back home. Now, keep that in mind because it will prove to be a critical moment in this tragic story.

Announcer: Coming up...

(Excerpt from upcoming segment)

Mr. ANTHONY: All I know is that Caylee isn't with us anymore.

McGRAW: Do you believe she was in that trunk?

(End of excerpt)

(Announcements)

Announcer: We now return to DR. PHIL's exclusive interview with Cindy and George Anthony.

Mr. JOSE BAEZ (Defense Attorney): (In court, May 24, 2011) She saw George Anthony holding Caylee in his arms. She immediately grabbed Caylee and began to cry, and shortly thereafter, George began to yell at her. `Look what you've done! Your mother will never forgive you and you will go to jail for child neglect for the rest of your fucking life.'

McGRAW: When you heard the defense in this case say that he was involved in--not in causing...

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Mm-hmm.

McGRAW: ...the child's death, but in events that took place after that, did it ever occur to you that, `He's hidden substantial things from me before. Could he have done it again?'

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: No. Not when it came to his family, as far as Casey and Caylee. George would never have put us through those six months of not knowing where Caylee was if he knew where Caylee was. Because I watched his heart break every single day, and I watched him as frantic as he was.

McGRAW: Do you think you're someone that tends to see the best in people?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Oh, I know that.

McGRAW: Do you think you make excuses for people?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I did until the last three years. Going through therapy, I know better.

McGRAW: Because as we've been talking here, I hear you, and you kind of try to put it into context. But that's OK because--and even with George, you say he lied to me, he hid this from me, he betrayed me, but he was--he was in a bad spot. You kind of--we call it balancing.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Right.

McGRAW: Do you excuse the lies that Casey has told in this situation?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Not at all.

McGRAW: And some of them seemingly benign, but significant. For two years you thought she worked at Universal, right?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Yes. And to this day I've never had an opportunity to really talk to Casey about that.

McGRAW: What would you say to her about it?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I would be very angry about it. I would want to know why she felt she had to lie.

McGRAW: Do you all feel like you got suckered for two years? If she wasn't getting paid, where was she getting money?

Mr. ANTHONY: She'd borrow money from me or take money from me, same way as you, back and forth.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Well, see, that's what it...

McGRAW: Was she stealing?

Mr. ANTHONY: Oh, absolutely she did. Sometimes Cindy would even ask me, says, 'George, I'm missing \$20 from my wallet' or something and I would say, 'I didn't take any money from your wallet.' When I had 20 or \$30 of mine, I'd go look in mine and mine would be gone. She was stealing gas from our--my gas can outside my shed to keep her car going.

McGRAW: But for two years? Where was she when she was supposed to be at work? Where do you go?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Finding out now, I mean, most of the time Casey and Caylee were together. The times that she lied about working, she was having play dates or she was taking Caylee to the park.

McGRAW: But why lie about it? Were you in denial here? Because it seems to me that here's somebody that, for two years, you never see a pay stub, you know that she's lied about one job. There's money missing. In looking back, was that something that you just failed to see or deal with?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: No, because Casey and I had conversations a lot. I would ask her, 'Why did you use my credit card?' She would make excuses that she, you know, owed money to somebody else or whatever. And I just--I guess I had

the same faith in her that I had in George for those years. He, you know, was kind of living a different life. And I guess I didn't want to third degree her like I probably should've with George.

Mr. ANTHONY: I didn't want to see her hurt you like I had hurt you. And so when I confronted her about it, when I saw maybe myself in her, I said, you know, 'You can't do this to your mother. I've already hurt your mom too, too much. Why are you doing this?' She'd come up with these great excuses sometimes.

McGRAW: Was there a time before you knew Caylee was missing where you said in your mind, 'Casey is out of control'?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Mm-hmm.

McGRAW: 'She's spun off the deep end, her lies are out of control, her lifestyle is out of control.'

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: There was. In fact, that was the spring of 2008. I was confronting Casey a little bit more from the beginning of the year about, 'OK, you owe me this much money, you need to start paying me back.' And it was always an excuse. Something was going on at work, she didn't get her paycheck on time, or whatever. And I was afraid if I make Casey move out and she didn't have the means to do so, where would Caylee be?

McGRAW: So you were basically held hostage by Caylee.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Right.

McGRAW: Because you had to protect Caylee.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Right.

McGRAW: Did you ever consider taking Caylee away from her?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: No, actually not. And I told her flat out I did not want to do that to Caylee. I don't want to do that to Casey.

McGRAW: Was there a point in which you said, 'This is no longer OK'?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: The straw that broke the camel's back was when I found out that she had taken money from my mom.

McGRAW: Do you think you were a bad role model for her in that regard?

Mr. ANTHONY: Apparently, I was for possibly four or five years. And in my--Cindy was enabling me to keep on going, I guess she enabled Casey in the same regards.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Well, I think because I started coming down so hard on her in those few months before all this happened, she was not used to that. I said, 'I'm not taking your daughter away from you.' I said, 'I could, but I'm not going to do that. I need you to straighten yourself up.' And I pretty

much told her she had several months to do it. I never knew it would lead up to that.

McGRAW: Did you push her too hard?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I may have. I may have.

McGRAW: Watch as our conversation continues, and I ask them about the last day they saw Caylee alive. This is the same day Casey called her mother six times within four minutes. Now, this would be something that would have made me sit up and take notice, but it didn't seem to arouse any suspicion with either one of them.

I understand she called you six times in four minutes.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Something obviously was going on right then and there. She was trying to reach out to me, and she called my work phone, she called my cell phone. And at one point, I was in a meeting, and I could tell in her voice something was going on, but I wish she would've just blurted out, 'Mom, I need you.'

McGRAW: Was she upset? Was she crying?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I can't remember.

McGRAW: Calling your mother and your baby has just drowned or died, you don't call once, twice or three times, you call until you get somebody. And then don't you say, 'Something terrible has happened. I need you now'?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: If she was asking for help, I know I would've dropped everything.

McGRAW: Well, this brings us to the 31 days that you two went through without any contact with Caylee, whatsoever. Correct?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Correct.

McGRAW: Because I think people that are frustrated by this say, OK, how could you not know, when you go from seeing this child daily to having no contact with her for 31 days. You know that she lies, but yet you say, 'OK, I--OK, I believe you, she's asleep.' She's this, she's that. She's not there. She's with this Zanny the nanny for two years and you've never met her. You don't know her. Let me finish. You don't know who the father is. You never met her boyfriend who she says she's staying with. You don't know her friends. You didn't verify her employment. Her car has been impounded, and you go pick up the car and smell what smells like a dead body, and you Febreze the trunk and go to work. In looking back, does that seem like you missed huge signals that something was wrong before the 31st day?

Announcer: Coming up...

McGRAW: (From upcoming segment) That day, 911 calls were made, and she's being cuffed in the driveway, she knows Caylee is gone.

(Announcements)

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McGRAW: I just went through the litany of lies Casey had been telling her parents for years. As my conversation continues, we begin to drill down on the weeks leading up to Caylee's disappearance and the now infamous 31 days. Now, even though I realize hindsight is 20/20, I wanted to know from Cindy how she could miss such huge warning signs. Had she ever confirmed Casey's employment? And more importantly, had she ever even met this Zanny the nanny, the mysterious babysitter?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Well, you've got to understand, Casey had started talking about Zanny in spring of 2006. So this name was not something that she just fabricated on June 16th.

McGRAW: Right, right.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: And the other thing was that people's misconception was that Zanny watched Caylee every day, supposedly. That's not true either. I was the primary babysitter.

McGRAW: I think that's exactly the point. You're the primary caregiver...

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Right.

McGRAW: ...other than Casey.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Right. Right.

McGRAW: And then you go to 31 days of silence. It had to go off in your head, Cindy.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Well, the thing of it is, though, Casey's story to me was that she was working a second job. She was telling me that she was trying to get her life on track. I didn't know she was lying for two years about the job. I didn't know she was lying about Zanny. So hindsight, yes, but not during those 31 days. I'm going on those 31 days of knowing that Casey took excellent care of Caylee, that she was a good mother, that I never had any reason to doubt her relationship with Caylee.

McGRAW: So Casey had constructed an elaborate menagerie of lies.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Absolutely.

McGRAW: I mean, there are details, back stories, side stories.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Such details that...

Mr. ANTHONY: Very detailed.

McGRAW: If you had known then what you know now, your behavior would've been

very different.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Oh, absolutely. I would've called the, you know, the Army, the Navy, anybody in to go look for them. I was talking to Casey on a daily basis. From my understanding, Caylee was fine and having fun, you know, with her little playmates.

McGRAW: Are you mad at her for this?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I guess--I think I'm past the anger stage.

McGRAW: I mean, just about the lies. Because, realize, think of the phone calls where you're on there, and she's saying, 'Mom, she's with Zanny.' And the entire time she's saying that, she's playing you for a fool.

Mr. ANTHONY: Yes, she did.

McGRAW: When you learned that she was stealing from you, borrowing from her mother, stealing from her grandmother, did any of those things go off in your head that said, you know, 'She is behaving like a criminal here'?

Mr. ANTHONY: Well, absolutely I did. And I even told her, I said, 'You can't keep this pattern up. It's affecting your daughter. It's affecting my granddaughter. And I don't want that to happen any further.' She'd always say, 'Dad, I'm working on it. I'm going to get through this. You and mom are going to be so proud.'

McGRAW: But, I mean, come on, you're a cop. And when I look at this and I say, you know, you never met this nanny, you didn't know the father of Caylee, you never verified the employment. I don't get how you didn't have bells going off in your head.

Mr. ANTHONY: Well, I mean, I confronted Casey when things didn't add up in my mind. But then again, if I would've came across heavy-handedly or coming across trying to interrogate my daughter, I probably would've pushed her further and further away from me. And I was trying to repair that relationship to her that I didn't have for about, maybe, about a year. So I mean...

McGRAW: Were you...

Mr. ANTHONY: ...was I taken for a fool? Absolutely. I...

McGRAW: Were you parenting from guilt?

Mr. ANTHONY: Possibly.

McGRAW: I'm a new grandfather. I cannot imagine that over a 31 day period, that I could talk to my son or daughter-in-law and not hear that child in the background. Did nothing ever go off in your head that every time I talk to her, she's asleep, nap, gone, playing, that never one time heard a peep, squeak, laugh, cry, anything from Caylee?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: That's why on July 3rd I drove down to Universal Studios and tried to see Casey and Caylee. She then said she was in Jacksonville, and I was irritated like you wouldn't believe.

McGRAW: It was on July 3rd that you wrote something on MySpace. You say, "My Caylee is missing. She came into my life unexpectedly just as she has left me. Jealousy has taken her away, jealousy from the one person that should be thankful for all the love and support given to her."

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Caylee was missing in my heart that day. She wasn't missing physically in the sense because I thought I knew where she was at.

McGRAW: Did you know something then that you hadn't even admitted to your consciousness? Because what jumps out to me about this is the title of this is "My Caylee is Missing." You said, "This mother gave chance after chance for her daughter to change, but instead more lies, more betrayal."

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I wanted Casey to know how much she was hurting me. And I thought she was purposely keeping Caylee away from me.

McGRAW: Well, we now know Casey wasn't keeping Caylee away from her grandparents out of spite. It was mid July when things started to unravel. George and Cindy got notification that Casey's car had been impounded, the same car she supposedly had been driving every day for weeks. This fact, plus no contact with Caylee for all this time and still no bells went off? This was yet another one of Casey's elaborate lies which left them with more questions. Where was Casey? Where was Caylee? And what was that suspicious odor coming from the trunk?

So you walked up to the car together?

Mr. ANTHONY: No, I walked up by myself, with the--with the gentleman who's the manager of the tow yard.

McGRAW: Did you smell something right away?

Mr. ANTHONY: I did notice an odor that I had smelled prior from many years ago in being in law enforcement. And as I unlocked the car, that's when the odor was even more stronger. I was feeling very sick in my stomach. I opened up the trunk. There's nothing back there except a trash bag full of garbage. And I shut it. I was thankful I didn't see my daughter or my granddaughter there.

McGRAW: Your mind when there when you walked to the back of the car?

Mr. ANTHONY: Oh, absolutely it did.

McGRAW: What do you now believe the smell was from?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Truthfully, to this day, I don't know, to be honest.

Mr. ANTHONY: Do I want to believe that Caylee was back there? I don't want to believe it; but, I mean, I'm going by what investigators have told me. All

I know is that Caylee isn't with us anymore. I know that. I know that.

McGRAW: Do you believe she was in that trunk?

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McGRAW: Do you believe she was in that trunk?

Mr. ANTHONY: Some parts of me do believe that she was possibly back there, yeah. I do.

McGRAW: Do you?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I don't know. I know she had to be transported to get to the woods. I don't know if she was transported in Casey's car or she was transported some other way.

McGRAW: Are you believing that something bad has happened to Caylee? Or are you still thinking she just won't produce her?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I'm thinking she won't produce her, and I'm thinking that some point that she does not want me to see Caylee.

McGRAW: But you don't back off. You call 911.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I called 911.

McGRAW: Here it is.

(Excerpt from 911 call)

Unidentified 911 Operator #1: 911. What's the address? What's happening?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I have someone here that I need to be arrested in my home.

Operator #1: They're there right now?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I have a possible missing child. I have a three-year-old that's been missing for a month.

Operator #1: A three-year-old?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: We can't find my granddaughter.

(End of excerpt)

McGRAW: You wanted someone in authority to compel your daughter to produce your granddaughter.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Absolutely.

McGRAW: What happened in the next 57 minutes? Because things changed dramatically.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: When I drove up, Casey went right to her room and Lee followed her in.

McGRAW: You overheard something between Lee and Casey that changed your life forever.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Mm-hmm.

McGRAW: What did you hear?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I heard her telling Lee that Zanny had kidnapped Caylee and that she hadn't seen Caylee for 31 days. And then it was like it was so overwhelming, you know, just thinking, 'Oh my God!' You know, 'Why didn't she tell me? Is this why she stayed away from 31 days?' My worst nightmare had just unfolded right in front of me.

McGRAW: That was the first time it ever went through your brain...

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: That something was wrong.

McGRAW: ...that something had happened to her. What did you say to Casey?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I don't know. I just screamed at her. I said, 'What the hell are you talking about?' I said, 'What do you mean you haven't seen Caylee?' That's when I just screamed at her, and I wanted to go choke her or hit her. And I just went over there, and I just punched the bed as hard as I could to get my anger out. And I said, 'Why didn't you tell us?' And then she just said she was afraid and--I don't even remember. I ran out of that room, and I called 911 again.

(Excerpt from 911 call)

Unidentified 911 Operator #2: Is your daughter there?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Yes.

Operator #2: Can I speak with her?

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: Hello?

Operator #2: Hello?

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: Yes.

Operator #2: Hi. What can you--can you tell what's going on a little bit?

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: I'm sorry?

Operator #2: Can you tell me a little bit of what's going on?

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: My daughter's been missing for the last 31 days.

Operator #2: And you know who has her?

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: I know who has her. I've tried to contact her. I actually received a phone call today now from a number that is no longer in service. I did get to speak to my daughter for about a moment, about a minute.

Operator #2: Now your three-year-old daughter is missing? Caylee Anthony?

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: Yes.

Operator #2: And you last saw her a month ago?

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: Thirty-one days. It's been 31 days.

Operator #2: Why are you calling now? Why didn't you call 31 days ago?

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: I've been looking for her and have gone through other resources to try to find her, which was stupid.

(End of excerpt)

McGRAW: What did you think of her behavior right there?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I thought she was pretty calm.

McGRAW: Did you think that was strange?

(Cindy nods)

Mr. ANTHONY: I would think so, it was pretty strange. As a matter of fact, I remember talking to her, and I said, 'Where is she at? What's going on? We need these answers. We need to get her home now.'

McGRAW: Because you came home during the call.

Mr. ANTHONY: Just before 10:00 at night.

(Excerpt from 911 call)

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: George, Caylee's missing.

Mr. ANTHONY: What?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Caylee's missing. Casey says Zanny took her a month ago. She's been missing for a month.

(End of excerpt)

Mr. ANTHONY: Cindy, she just fell into my arms, and I tried to hold her up and say, 'Where's Casey? What's going on?' It just went so fast...

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Well...

Mr. ANTHONY: ...so quick.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: ...George and I didn't know if we could even be in the same house with her, and that's why I had talked to the sergeant in charge at one point to see if they could just take her in, into custody. And then when I saw the handcuffs on, then I'm like my heart's breaking, I don't want to see my daughter be taken to jail, but then all I wanted was answers for Caylee. And we didn't have anything.

McGRAW: And as we now know, that day 911 calls were made, when she's being cuffed in the driveway, when she's in your home that night, she knows that Caylee is gone.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Yeah.

McGRAW: And she continued to lie.

Mr. ANTHONY: She continued to lie.

Announcer: Coming up...

McGRAW: (From upcoming segment) You would think the child you raised would be grieving beyond belief, not getting a tattoo that's Italian for "Beautiful Life," not entering a hard body contest. Is this out of context?

(Announcements)

Announcer: We now return to DR. PHIL's exclusive interview with Cindy and George Anthony.

McGRAW: Under the assumption that their granddaughter had been kidnapped by the nanny, George and Cindy confront Casey in this jailhouse interview shortly after her arrest July 16th. Watch this, as it seems Cindy actually is suspicious of Casey after all, and she pressures her for answers.

(Excerpt from videotape, July 25, 2008)

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Look straight up so I can look into your eyes, darling. Thank you. I need--you know I need to do that. It's OK to cry, Casey. It's all right, love. We've all been crying. Please look up, sweetheart. I need to see your eyes.

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: Mom, I want to be able to look at you guys, too. I can't look at you and look at the camera.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Well, you don't have to look at the camera, look at me.

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: I'm looking at you.

(End of excerpt)

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: The camera is set differently...

McGRAW: Well...

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: ...for her to look at the camera to see us.

McGRAW: I understand. It wasn't about the cameras, it was about you looking her in the eye.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I wanted to see her in the eyes when I was talking to her because I wanted to be able to see if I could tell if she was telling me the truth. And I was trying to get answers about Caylee, and that we were--we were playing detective at that time. We wanted to find out anything that we could do to find her.

McGRAW: All right. Take a look at this brief clip.

(Excerpt from videotape, July 25, 2008)

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Casey, you don't realize that the whole United States is looking for our Caylee.

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: I know that, mom.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Everybody is looking for her.

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: Good.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Everybody is looking for her. Are we going to be able to find her, do you think?

Ms. CASEY ANTHONY: I hope we can, mom.

(End of excerpt)

McGRAW: "Are we going to be able to find her, do you think?" What was that question?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I wanted to know if Casey knew something that she wasn't telling us. You've got to understand, in the background I have people telling me from the sheriff's department, even some family members, that they felt that Casey was hiding Caylee from me on purpose. And I didn't know if Casey had her hidden away somewhere or if she really knew, you know, if Zanny was the one that really took her.

McGRAW: When she was released from jail the first time...

Unidentified Man #3: (From videotape, August 21, 2008) What happened, Casey? What can you tell us?

McGRAW: What was it like when she came home?

Mr. ANTHONY: First thing, I wanted to hug her. I was very, very tough on my daughter. I wanted answers. I wanted to know where Caylee was at. It started out being a nice general conversation and all of a sudden it turned--I turned a little belligerent with my daughter. I screamed, hollered at her to tell me what was going on. We could fix this. And Casey just says, 'Dad, Zanny took her. She has her.' And I said, 'Well, where she's at? Let's go get her.'

McGRAW: Were you suspicious of her at that point?

Mr. ANTHONY: Oh, I didn't--I didn't believe two-thirds of the things she was telling me. I thought, 'OK, she's keeping her away from Cindy.'

McGRAW: You would think the child you raised, that you describe as a loving mother, would be heartbroken, devastated, grieving beyond belief. Not getting a tattoo that's Italian for "Beautiful life," not entering a hard body contest. What do you make of that?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Well, talking to her friends, one of the girls that was supposed to be up there dancing, did not show up, so they asked Casey to fill in and, reluctantly, she did. And this was not brought up at trial that Casey's mood was very kind of subdued when she first got there. And I'm not making excuses for her.

McGRAW: I think you are.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: No, I'm not because her intent was not to go out there. I mean, I'm not condoning that at all. You know, it bothers me.

McGRAW: Is this out of context?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I don't know because they didn't take a picture of Casey going there that night. The only thing that came out at trial was what they wanted to come out to paint her in a bad light. So, I mean, for six months that Caylee was gone, I was devastated. I cried, but it--during that time, did I socialize with friends and maybe laugh once or twice at a joke? Yes. And if someone would've isolated that in a photograph and plastered it all over, would I be just as guilty as Casey?

McGRAW: Cindy, you weren't involved in the death.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I understand that.

McGRAW: Do you see this the same way? I see Cindy defending this, saying it's out of context. What I see is a woman that has made a conscious decision to go to a bar within days of being in some way involved in the death and cover-up of her child. And I have a hard time framing that out in any other way. I hear what you say. What do you say?

Mr. ANTHONY: Well, there's some things that Cindy and I don't agree with.

Announcer: Coming up...

McGRAW: (From upcoming segment) America has never heard this explanation before. Why has it been withheld?

(Announcements)

Announcer: We now return to DR. PHIL's exclusive interview with Cindy and George Anthony.

Ms. GRACE: (From broadcast): More stunning and disturbing photos emerge of mom Casey at a local nightclub reportedly bumping and grinding the night of the hot body contest. This is just days after little Caylee vanishes.

Mr. ANTHONY: I can't understand how, if my granddaughter was out of her life, she was gone, how she could take this next step. I could not be out celebrating or having a good time.

McGRAW: Do you believe that this is out of context and is acceptable behavior?

Mr. ANTHONY: Personally, no, I don't. And that's when her and I struggle with some things sometimes. Giving her an excuse of why she was here or there.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I'm not making excuses for her. I want to find out what's wrong with Casey. I know that there's something wrong.

McGRAW: You're getting ready to hear for the first time, in Cindy's view, the reason Casey did whatever it is she did.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: People don't know she had a grand mal seizure after she came home for the very first time.

(Excerpt from videotape, August 21, 2008)

Unidentified Man #4: Casey, what happened?

Unidentified Man #5: Come on. Back up, let her.

(End of excerpt)

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I don't know why she's having a seizure. Does she have a brain tumor where the seizure's caused by stress? I don't know. I don't know if she had a seizure that day and blacked out. I don't know what happened. And that's what I want to find out down the road. And I'm not making justifications for that, but there's a cause for those. You don't have--just have a grand mal seizure.

McGRAW: But there is a point where you have to put on your list of possibilities that these are the behaviors of an unconscionable psychopath. She has devastated you, she has devastated George, she has been involved in some way, by their own admission, in the death and burial and of her daughter in the woods in the most dishonorable way you can possibly imagine. Those are not well behaviors. We can agree on that, right?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Right. Absolutely.

McGRAW: The question is just why.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: So where do you take this caring, young person who cared about everybody, loved kids, and then all of a sudden something tragically happens to Caylee and then Casey completely goes off the deep end?

McGRAW: Your theory is that she is a victim in this in some way--a victim of an illness, a tumor, or something.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: I truly believe that because there was never any signs that Casey was an unfit mother. She was an awesome mother.

McGRAW: Other than the fact that she wasn't providing for her daughter.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Right.

McGRAW: She was out roaming around town...

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: But she didn't...

McGRAW: ...when she was supposedly at work. She was manufacturing friends, playmates, play dates, nannies, all of those sort of things, which to me, whatever the causation, is highly unstable behavior.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Absolutely.

McGRAW: Highly unstable behavior.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Well, she had a seizure in November of 2007. Her ex-fiance Jesse Grund had Casey taken to the hospital for a grand mal seizure.

McGRAW: But has she ever been evaluated? Has she had MRIs, CAT scans?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: She--at that time, she did.

McGRAW: Evaluations? And did they find anything?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: Not at that time. But, again, a year and a half later, she has another grand mal seizure. So, again, what is triggering it? Is it a hormonal response? Is it something that comes and goes? I don't know. They kept her in the hospital for three days and worked her up and didn't find anything.

McGRAW: OK, so she has been evaluated, she has been worked up, and the findings were negative.

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: But she hasn't seen--again, she had that second one when she was home after she had been arrested, when she was out on bail for the first time.

McGRAW: America has never heard this explanation before. Why has it been

withheld? Why have you sat on this information?

(Announcements)

McGRAW: I know there are many of you out there who have a lot to say about this, so logon to drphil.com and share your opinions because I will be monitoring the message boards.

Tomorrow, you'll hear more revelations from my in-depth interview with the Anthonys, including, for the first time, what George thinks really happened to his granddaughter.

(Excerpts from tomorrow's program)

McGRAW: You don't include the possibility that she used that shovel to dig a hole in the ground in the woods to bury her dead baby.

There are millions of people in America right now that want to shake you awake.

Mr. ANTHONY: I can't comprehend a human doing that, especially a daughter, doing that to my granddaughter.

(Graphic on screen)

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McGRAW: In your mind, you know the truth, don't you?

Ms. CINDY ANTHONY: We've been through this for three years, and this is the first time I've heard that out of his mouth.

(End of excerpts)

Announcer: That's tomorrow.

McGRAW: Just for the record, I have not and will not be interviewing Casey Anthony. I have zero interest in doing so. I personally believe that her actions have spoken louder than any words.

Now, as for Cindy, I feel this mother is desperately reaching for any reason to excuse her daughter for her role in this tragedy. In our time together, she advanced three main theories: brain tumor, postpartum schizophrenia, and grand mal seizures. Cindy admits she does not have any medical evidence of a brain tumor and, as a mental health professional, I am frankly skeptical that grand mal seizures would contribute to what happened here. In addition, I have not seen any evidence that Casey suffered from postpartum schizophrenia.

Thanks for watching. Don't miss tomorrow.