MICHELLE BROWN TESTIMONY

Now that you have viewed the movie about Michelle Brown, and how her life has been affected by Identity Theft, you are to read the real Michelle Brown's <u>Testimony</u>. You only need to read her testimony; you do not need to read the part about how she feels they could better improve the current legal system against identity theft.

As you are reading the testimony, find 10 discrepancies (differences) from the movie. You need to list what was portrayed in the movie, and what actually happened.

Movie	Actual
It took place in Denver, Colorado	Michele is from Los Angeles, California
Identity Thief's name is Connie Volkos	The real name of the identity thief is Heddi Larae Ille
Michele gives Connie the application.	Michele never met Heddi before or interacted with her in any way.
The first few things Connie gets when she steals Michele's identity are stuff like skirts, jewelry, and electronics.	The first thing Heddi buys using Michele's identity is a wireless phone service.
Michele works as school teacher.	Michele is a banker.
It takes Michele less than 6 months to found out her identity has been stolen.	Michele finds out her identity has been stolen around a year later.
The reason Connie was able to get Michele's personal information was because she worked at the realty company where Michele filed her application. Connie buys a car and then rents an apartment.	Heddi was once an acquaintance of the land lord so she was able to get access to people's personal information at the landlord's property management office. Heddi rented a property and then bought a car.
Michele finds out her identity has been stolen when she sees dozens of charges had been made on her credit card which she had not made.	Michele finds out her identity has been stolen after a telephone service, a piece of property, and a car have all been bought in your name.

Connie calls Michelle when she is feeling suicidal in the motel room.	Heddi calls an acquaintance of hers when she is feeling suicidal in the motel room.

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