



STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE
LANSING

GRETCHEN WHITMER
GOVERNOR

COL. JOSEPH M. GASPER
DIRECTOR

2/12/2021

JOHN CLORE


Subject: CR-31217429

Dear JOHN CLORE:

The Michigan State Police (MSP) has received your request for public records under the Michigan Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), MCL 15.231 *et seq.*

Your request is granted in part and denied in part. Portions of your request are exempt from disclosure based on provisions set forth in the FOIA. Please see the comments on the next page. Under the FOIA, Section 10, you have the right to appeal to the head of this public body or to a judicial review of the denial. The documents you requested are provided. Under the FOIA, Section 10a, you have the right to appeal the fee to the head of this public body.

For requests that were granted or granted in part and for which a balance is owed:

If your request was submitted via the Records Request Portal, you can make payment in the portal by selecting "Request Details" for the request number (CR) indicated in the subject line above. All other requestors can make payment using the online payment center (<http://mistatepolicepmts.state.mi.us/crsearch>). You will need to provide the request number (CR) listed above. Please note there is a \$2.00 processing fee for online payments.

If you prefer, you can mail a check or money order made payable to the State of Michigan to Michigan State Police, Cashiers Unit, P.O. Box 30266, Lansing, MI 48909. To ensure proper credit, please enclose a copy of this letter with your payment.

The MSP's FOIA procedures and guidelines and written public summary can be accessed by visiting www.michigan.gov/msp.

Sincerely,

Records Resource Section

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF
STATE POLICE**

ORIGINAL INCIDENT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE: Mon, Nov 23, 2020		INCIDENT NO: 016-0000300-20	
TIME RECEIVED: 1310		FILE CLASS: 13001	
WORK UNIT: MSP CAPITOL POST		COUNTY: INGHAM	
COMPLAINANT: JOHN THOMAS CLORE		TELEPHONE NO: [REDACTED]	
ADDRESS: STREET AND NO: [REDACTED]	CITY: LANSING	STATE: MI	ZIP CODE: [REDACTED]
INCIDENT STATUS: OPEN			

ASSAULT & BATTERY

SUMMARY:

An open investigation of an assault & battery incident. Victim, JOHN THOMAS CLORE, was assaulted by [REDACTED] during a "Stop the Steal" protest.

INFORMATION:

At approximately 1300 hours, I witnessed pro-Biden supporter, [REDACTED], arguing with pro-Trump supporter, CLORE. During the confrontation, [REDACTED] was holding protest signs and assaulted CLORE by pushing them into his face. Officer Munoz, F/LT. Green, D/Sergeant Luebs, and I quickly separated the parties. Upon de-escalating the incident, D/Sergeant Luebs conducted interviews, [REDACTED] left the area due to F/LT Greens request, and CLORE continued with his protest. This investigation is open pending assault & battery charges for BRIEGAL.

VENUE:

INGHAM COUNTY
ALLEGAN ST
LANSING, MI 48933
AT OR NEAR: WALNUT STREET

DATE & TIME:

ON OR AFTER: MON, NOV 23, 2020 AT 1310

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CRIME VICTIM'S RIGHTS:

D/Sergeant Luebs provided JOHN CLORE with Crime Victim's Rights information on this date.

SUSPECT:

F/LT. Green identified the suspect by his driver's license.

NAM: [REDACTED]
BIR: [REDACTED] RAC: [REDACTED] ETH: [REDACTED]
NBR: [REDACTED] DIR: [REDACTED] SEX: [REDACTED] DL: [REDACTED]
STR: [REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]
SFX: [REDACTED] HGT: [REDACTED] SI: [REDACTED]
CTY: [REDACTED] ST: [REDACTED] WGT: [REDACTED] FBI: [REDACTED]
TXH: [REDACTED] ZIP: [REDACTED] HAI: [REDACTED] MNU: [REDACTED]
TXW: [REDACTED] EYE: [REDACTED] PR: [REDACTED]
MB: [REDACTED]
SMT: [REDACTED]

UNSOLICITED STATEMENT BY [REDACTED]:

As [REDACTED] was leaving the scene, he shouted to CLORE "I'm sorry for assaulting you!"

[REDACTED] LIEN/NCIC QUERY:

[REDACTED]

CERTIFIED CRIMINAL HISTORY:

[REDACTED]

CHARGES SOUGHT:

Assault and Battery MCL. 750.81.

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MEDIA LINK TO INCIDENTS:

<https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/news/maga-protesters-drown-out-live-cnn-segment-by-shouting-cnn-sucks>

<https://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/politics/2020/11/23/dueling-protesters-gather-ahead-election-michigan-certification-vote/6389407002/>

EXTERNAL DOCUMENT:

None.

STATUS:

This incident is open pending charges.

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██████████ had his back turned to JOHN CLORE and was engaging in heated conversation with another protester. JOHN CLORE was using a megaphone and stated, "Biden is a pedophile." ██████████ turned around and struck JOHN CLORE in the face with his paper protest sign. ██████████ knocked JOHN CLORE's hat to the ground when he struck him in the face with the sign.

He was not injured in the assault. He wished to pursue charges against ██████████ for assault and battery.

WITNESS:

NAM: ██████████
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INTERVIEW ██████████

I interviewed ██████████ after speaking with JOHN CLORE. ██████████ advised that he witnessed ██████████ strike JOHN CLORE in the face with a protest sign.

WITNESS:

NAM: ██████████
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INTERVIEW ██████████:

I interviewed ██████████ after speaking with ██████████. He advised that he also witnessed ██████████ strike JOHN CLORE in the face with a protest sign.

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95 - LANSING, MI
33 - INGHAM,
DOWNLOADED AT JOINT OPERATIONS CENTER.
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CRIME VICTIM'S RIGHTS:

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STATUS:

OPEN

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0002**

RECONTACT COMPLAINANT:

D/Sgt. Luebs contacted JOHN CLORE by telephone on Monday, January 25, 2021 and advised him of the prosecutor decision.

STATUS:

EXCEPTIONAL CLEARANCE



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SUPPLEMENTARY DATE:
Fri, Jan 29, 2021

FILE CLASS:
13001

INCIDENT STATUS:
EXCEPTIONAL CLEARANCE

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JOURNAL:

DATE	JOURNALED BY	ACTION
11-25-2020	D/Sgt. William Luebs	ORIGINAL REVIEW.
11-25-2020	D/Sgt. William Luebs	SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT #1 REVIEWED.
11-25-2020	D/Sgt. William Luebs	DETECTIVE REVIEW. REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED TO INGHAM COUNTY PROSECUTOR OFFICE BY OFFICER HORNBUCKLE.
12-03-2020	D/Sgt. William Luebs	Monthly review. Pends prosecutor review for charges.
01-06-2021	D/Sgt. William Luebs	Monthly review. Pends review by Ingham Co. Prosecutor.
01-25-2021	Ofcr. Andre Hornbuckle	Prosecuting Attorney Dewane denied the assault charges. Stated [REDACTED]. Pending property and closed.
01-25-2021	D/Sgt. William Luebs	Contact with the victim/John Clore by telephone & advised him of the prosecutor decision. Pends property disposition.

PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE:

The Ingham County Prosecutor's Office declined to pursue charges on this case.

PROPERTY DISPOSITION:

The property on this complaint, a DVD containing a video, was destroyed by F/Lt. Darren Green, witnessed by D/Sgt. William Luebs, on Friday, January 29, 2021.

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 NBR: [REDACTED] DIR: [REDACTED]
 STR: [REDACTED]
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 TXW: [REDACTED]
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 SMT: [REDACTED]

RAC: [REDACTED] ETH: [REDACTED]
 SEX: [REDACTED] DL: [REDACTED]
 DOB: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]
 HGT: [REDACTED] SI: [REDACTED]
 WGT: [REDACTED] FBI: [REDACTED]
 HAI: [REDACTED] MNU: [REDACTED]
 EYE: [REDACTED] PR: [REDACTED]

CONTACT [REDACTED]:

[REDACTED] was identified by F/Lt. Darren Green by his Michigan Driver License. F/Lt. Green spoke with [REDACTED] at the scene. [REDACTED] yelled, "Hey! Hey! I'm sorry I assaulted you! I apologize for assaulting you!" to JOHN CLORE as he departed the scene. This can be heard on the Twitter video described below.

TWITTER VIDEO:

I located a video of the incident on Twitter at www.twitter.com/BGOnTheScene.

The Twitter page appears to be operated by an individual named [REDACTED]. A Twitter description states "Independent reporter on the scene capturing original videos at rallies, protests, breaking news & more in the US. Videos available for licensing, DM to inquire"

The video depicts [REDACTED] striking JOHN CLORE in the face with a paper protest sign. I downloaded the video as evidence and saved to DVD as Property Item #2.

BODYCAM & CAPITOL VIDEOS:

Officer Hornbuckle activate his bodycam as he attempted to separate the parties in the roadway. This Bodycam video has been downloaded and copied to DVD as Property Item #2.

A security camera from the Capitol was directed at the intersection of Allegan and Walnut Streets. This video shows the incident from a distance. The video is saved to DVD as Property Item #2.

EVIDENCE:

SEIZED BY: D/SGT. WILLIAM LUEBS

Prop 0002 -Type: RECORDING AUDIO/VISUAL Qty: 1 Article Type: DVD (digital video disc) Brand: Model: Serial #: Misc #: OAN: Value: \$0.00 Recovered Value: \$0.00
Descrp: ONE (1) DVD DISC, CONTAINING THREE VIDEOS OF THE INCIDENT: 1) TWITTER VIDEO; 2) CAPITOL SECURITY VIDEO; 3) OFFICER HORNBUCKLE BODYCAM VIDEO.

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JOURNAL:

None.

INFORMATION:

F/Lt. Darren Green and I were on foot at the Capitol Complex, walking from the Kelly Plaza Walkway towards a protest at the corner of Allegan Streets and Walnut Streets. The protesters were exercising their First Amendment rights to voice their concern over the recent election and the upcoming Michigan Board of Canvassers certification of the vote. MSP Officers Andre Hornbuckle and Vincent Munoz were monitoring the protest and reported by radio that the group was yelling at CNN newscasters present at the rally.

As we neared the sidewalk, I observed Officer Hornbuckle attempting to separate two individuals, who were later identified as JOHN CLORE and [REDACTED]. Witnesses advised that [REDACTED] assaulted JOHN CLORE with his protest sign.

I interviewed JOHN CLORE and witnesses [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

COMPLAINANT / VICTIM:

NAM: JOHN THOMAS CLORE



INTERVIEW JOHN CLORE:

I interviewed JOHN CLORE on Allegan Street, near the Austin Building, at 1:10pm on Monday, November 23, 2020. He advised the following information:

He was attending the protest at the corner of Allegan and Walnut Streets. A pro-Biden supporter came to the protest and was engaging attendees in debate. JOHN CLORE pointed out this individual across the street, wearing a Detroit Lions blue hooded sweatshirt, who was identified by F/Lt. Darren Green as [REDACTED].

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WITNESS 1:

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STR: [REDACTED] SEX: [REDACTED] DL: [REDACTED]
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SMT: [REDACTED]

WITNESS 2:

NAM: [REDACTED]
BIR: [REDACTED]
NBR: [REDACTED] DIR: [REDACTED] RAC: [REDACTED] ETH: [REDACTED]
STR: [REDACTED] SEX: [REDACTED] DL: [REDACTED]
SFX: [REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED] SSN: [REDACTED]
CTY: [REDACTED] HGT: [REDACTED] SI: [REDACTED]
TXH: [REDACTED] ST: [REDACTED] WGT: [REDACTED] FBI: [REDACTED]
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SMT: [REDACTED]

CAMERA FOOTAGE PROPERTY:

OBTAINED BY: HORNBUCKLE
Prop 1 -Type: EVIDENCE
Value: \$0.00

Description: USB CONTAINED VIDEO OF THE INCIDENT.

Obtained From: 100 S CAPITOL AVE
95 - LANSING, MI 48933

33 - INGHAM, STATE CAPITOL

FOOTAGE TAKEN FROM [REDACTED]

Date/Time Recovered: 11/24/2020 1100

BODY CAMERAS:

Hornbuckle #5: [REDACTED]

Munoz # 7: [REDACTED]

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INITIAL OBSERVATION:

While on patrol, Officer Munoz and I were requested by a CNN crewmember to standby as CNN reporter, [REDACTED], was being verbally harassed by a group of pro-Trump supporters. The incident took place on the south side of West Allegan Street, south of the Austin Building.

While on standby, I watched pro-Biden supporter, [REDACTED], arrive on the scene holding multiple paper signs approximately 18x24 inches in size. He began arguing with pro-Trump supporter, CLORE. During the confrontation, [REDACTED] assaulted CLORE by pushing the signs into his face.

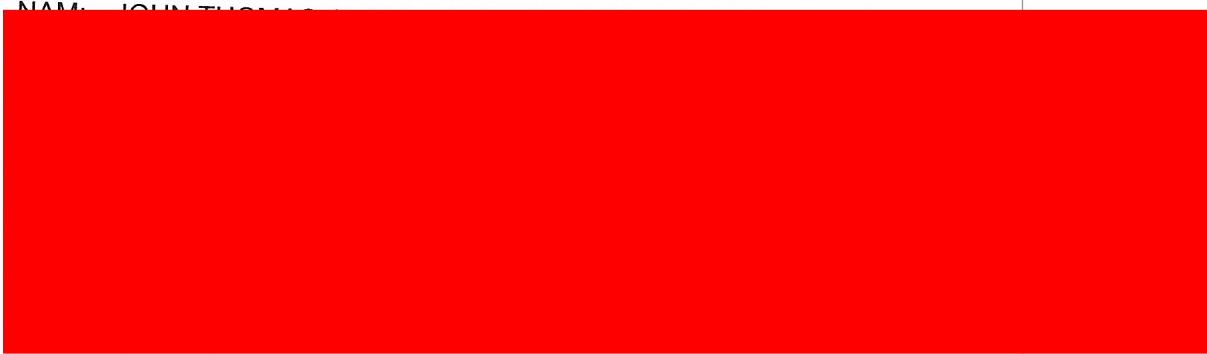
OFFICER ACTION:

Using my patrol bike, I separated [REDACTED] from CLORE. I followed up by backing [REDACTED] away from the victim and the other protestors to de-escalate the situation.

VICTIM/COMPLAINANT:

D/Sgt. Luebs identified the victim by his driver's license.

NAME: JOHN THOMAS



INTERVIEW:

Interview with CLORE will be located on the supplement by D/Sergeant Luebs.

JOHN CLORE LEIN/NCIC QUERY:

[REDACTED]

INJURIES:

No injuries.

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