

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE [DISTRICT]

[YOUR NAME],)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
v.) Civil Action
No. _____)
)
OFFICER JANE MARTINEZ, et al.,)
)
Defendants.)

DECLARATION OF [YOUR NAME]

I, [Your Name], declare under penalty of perjury under 28 U.S.C. Section 1746 that the following is true and correct based on my personal knowledge:

1. I am the Plaintiff in this action.
2. On March 3, 2025, at approximately 8:15 p.m., I was standing on the public sidewalk near 400 Main Street in Exampleville, holding my cell phone and recording police activity.
3. I remained several feet away from the officers and did not cross any police tape, touch any officer, or interfere with their activities.
4. I heard Officer Jane Martinez say words to the effect of, "Stop recording and move on."
5. I responded that I was on a public sidewalk and had the right to record.
6. Within seconds, Officer Martinez grabbed my left arm, pulled it behind my back, and placed me in handcuffs.
7. I did not swing at, threaten, push, or physically resist Officer Martinez or any other officer.
8. Officer David Lewis then assisted Officer Martinez in escorting me to a patrol vehicle.
9. I asked what I was being arrested for. Officer Martinez stated,

"Disorderly conduct."

10. Before I was handcuffed, no officer told me that I was blocking traffic, creating a disturbance, or committing any crime.

11. I was transported to the Exampleville jail and detained for approximately six hours.

12. I was released without being formally charged.

13. Attached as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct copy of a screenshot from the video I recorded that night.

14. Attached as Exhibit 2 is a true and correct copy of the release paperwork I received from the jail.

15. Attached as Exhibit 3 is a true and correct copy of my records request response showing that body-camera footage exists for the incident.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on [date], in [city, state].

[Signature]

[Printed Name]