

**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
REGION 4  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**04-0206-34-20**

On Monday, September 21, 2020, at approximately 10:00 a.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Coffee County, Ga. S/A NIPPER received a letter via e-mail from SAC MARK PRO (See attached). SAC PRO received this letter from DICK PERRYMAN, District Attorney for the Alapaha Judicial Circuit. The letter essentially stated that PERRYMAN would not seek prosecution in this case. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 10:05 a.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

OTHER DA Letter

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**ID DATA:**

**PERRYMAN, DICK** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 9/21/2020

tt: 9/22/2020



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**FINAL INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

On Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at approximately 2:30 PM, SA J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Coffee County, Georgia. SA NIPPER respectfully requested that this case be closed. DICK PERRYMAN, District Attorney of the Alapaha Judicial will not seek prosecution in this case. No evidence is located at the Crime Lab or Region 4 Evidence Room. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at approximately 2:40 PM.

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 9/22/2020

jn: 9/22/2020



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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 10:15 AM, S/A J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Coffee County, Georgia. S/A NIPPER spoke via telephone with SAC MARK PRO. SAC PRO had just received a request from CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY with the Adel Police Department (APD). CHIEF CASTLEBERRY requested GBI assistance in reference to an APD use of force incident, which had occurred on Monday, June 15, 2020. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 10:20 AM.

**ID DATA:**

**CASTLEBERRY, CHAD** (Previously Submitted)

**PRO, MARK** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

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BUSINESS:(912)389-4103

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/22/2020

tt: 6/23/2020



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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 11:30 AM, S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the Adel Police Department (APD) speaking with CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. CASTLEBERRY essentially briefed agents on the following;

On Monday, June 15, 2020, at approximately 7:00 PM, LT CHRIS GRIFFIN with the APD had received information from FBI SA BRETT MCDANIEL. GRIFFIN was provided with information that a known wanted individual by the name of CHARLES DUNWOODY, AKA "KUJO" was located at an area near South MLK and Sixth Street in Adel, Cook County, Georgia (exact address unknown). DUNWOODY was wanted on felony drug trafficking warrants. DUNWOODY would be wearing a black hat while near a brown shack with other unknown black males. DUNWOODY would be the only individual at the location wearing a black hat. GRIFFIN passed this information on to APD SGT SHAWN HANCOCK. SGT HANCOCK along with the following APD OFFICERS, JOEL FUTCH, KATLYN SUMNER, TAYLOR GREENE, and JASON BRASHER went to this location with the following Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) DEPUTIES, CLAYTON GODWIN, JOEY GATEWOOD, WILL GATES, and KYLE BREWER.

Officers arrived at the location in question (known to law enforcement as [REDACTED] in Adel, Cook County, Georgia) and encountered a subject (later identified by law enforcement as GARY THOMAS JR) who matched the clothing description provided by SA MCDANIEL. THOMAS was arrested on felony drug, felony obstruction, false name and battery charges. THOMAS was also wanted on a misdemeanor violation of

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probation warrant.

During THOMAS' arrest, APD OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE delivered strikes, exact number unknown, to THOMAS in an attempt to gain compliance and execute the arrest. SGT HANCOCK also tasered THOMAS, exact number unknown, in an attempt to gain compliance and execute the arrest.

Two citizens, exact names unknown, recorded the use of force incident with their cell phones. These videos have been posted on Facebook, exact details unknown.

CHIEF CASTLEBERRY allowed agents to review available APD body cam and vehicle footage related to the incident. A detailed account of the video footage will be documented in a later summary. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 1:00 p.m.

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**CASTLEBERRY, CHAD** (Previously Submitted)

**PRO, MARK** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 1:05 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the Adel Police Department (APD) speaking with APD LT CHRIS GRIFFIN. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. GRIFFIN essentially stated the following;

Prior to the interview, S/A NIPPER read GRIFFIN the following statement:

"This investigation is to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated during the use of force incident. This is not an administrative or disciplinary inquiry. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. Your cooperation in this investigation is voluntary".

GRIFFIN agreed to understanding and agreed to speak to agents in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation.

GRIFFIN has worked for the APD approximately thirteen years. His title is CHIEF INV LT.

He got off duty on Monday, June 15, 2020 at approximately 5:00 PM. At approximately 6:50 PM, he was at his home. He received a telephone call from FBI SA BRETT MCDANIEL. MCDANIEL essentially told him the following:

MCDANIEL had received information that CHARLES DUNWOODY, AKA "KUJO" was

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currently at a location near MLK Street and Sixth Street in Adel. DUNWOODY was at a location described as a "brown shack", exact address unknown. DUNWOODY would be found wearing a black hat and a black t-shirt. DUNWOODY would be the only one there wearing a hat. BOBBY KAISER would also be present in a red shirt. MCDANIEL provided no specific details on how he knew that DUNWOODY was at this location.

It was shift change at the time that he received this information from MCDANIEL. He called APD SGT SHAWN HANCOCK via phone. He provided HANCOCK with the same information that was provided to him by MCDANIEL. GRIFFIN did not leave his home at any point. GRIFFIN was not present during the use of force incident.

He later received a call from HANCOCK after the use of force incident had occurred. HANCOCK was still on scene and was unable to find CHARLES DUNWOODY or DUNWOODY'S warrants in the system. He assured HANCOCK that DUNWOODY was wanted on warrants that he himself had taken. GRIFFIN knew DUNWOODY to also be wanted out of the state of Oklahoma for drug trafficking charges.

He then received another call from HANCOCK from the Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) jail. HANCOCK had an individual other than DUNWOODY in custody, exact details unknown. It should be noted that this individual is known to law enforcement as GARY THOMAS, JR. According to HANCOCK, THOMAS was requesting medical attention due to his wrist being hurt during the arrest. THOMAS requested to go to the hospital for further treatment. THOMAS then changed his mind and no longer wished to go to the hospital. THOMAS simply requested Tylenol from the jail staff. GRIFFIN instructed HANCOCK to document THOMAS' decision. It is GRIFFIN'S understanding that a refusal of medical transport to the hospital was signed by HANCOCK, exact



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details unknown.

At the time of the call, GRIFFIN was unaware of any details related to THOMAS' arrest. He was unaware of THOMAS' name. He was unaware that any use of force incident had occurred. He first learned about the use of force incident earlier this morning.

After learning of the incident, he spoke with CCSO CLERK JESSICA GAY. GAY then spoke with CCSO CLERK STEPHANIE JACKSON. JACKSON confirmed to GAY that DUNWOODY'S warrants are active in GCIC/NCIC.

He does not know the exact number of officers or names involved in the use of force during THOMAS' arrest.

He has watched a video on Facebook filmed by an unknown citizen. He was shown this video by HANCOCK. The video essentially depicted the following: The video appeared to be from a distance. He was able to see several APD and CCSO vehicles on scene. He recalls seeing a gazebo with rails. The video was not clear. A struggle involving officers, exact names unknown, could be seen through the rails on the gazebo. He did not witness any strikes on this video.

Prior to HANCOCK'S video, GRIFFIN was shown a different video by OFFICER GREENE. This video also appeared to be filmed by an unknown citizen on scene. The video appeared to show GREENE striking THOMAS. The video was approximately one second in length. GREENE was upset over the video. GREENE told GRIFFIN, "look at this...this is a second video that they only used...it don't show that the guy tried to bite me". GREENE told GRIFFIN that he struck THOMAS. GREENE told GRIFFIN

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that the reason for the strike was due to THOMAS attempting to bite him. GREENE was upset that the video did not depict the entire incident.

Earlier this same date, GREENE was in the APD squad room. He and GREENE tried to watch GREENE'S vehicle dash camera of the incident. He was only able to watch a small portion of the video. He then walked into APD CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY'S office while HANCOCK was explaining the use of force incident that had occurred the evening prior. He then watched the longer citizen's video with HANCOCK. At approximately two minutes into the video, a portion of the incident can be viewed.

GRIFFIN is unaware of any other citizen videos of the incident. According to HANCOCK, approximately thirty citizens had began to gather around the scene during and following the incident.

GRIFFIN explained that the FBI was interested in CHARLES DUNWOODY'S case. The FBI intended to prosecute DUNWOODY'S case through the Project Safe Neighborhood's federal prosecution.

GRIFFIN has since been made aware that SGT SHAWN HANCOCK, SGT JOEL FUTCH, CPL KATLYN SUMNER, and OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE were present during the use of force incident. He does not know exactly which CCSO Deputies were present.

HANCOCK'S body camera battery was dead during the use of force incident. HANCOCK'S battery was dead due to an earlier barricaded individual at the Super 8 motel in Adel on Monday morning, which started at approximately 5:45 AM.

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HANCOCK'S body camera was recording from approximately 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM. All APD officers are equipped with body camera and vehicle dash camera. CCSO deputies are not equipped with body cameras. He is unsure if CCSO has any available dash camera footage due to being parked along Sixth Street.

GRIFFIN is unaware of any other civilian witnesses other than BOB KAISER. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 1:40 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Lt Chris Griffin interview

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**ID DATA:**

**GRIFFIN, CHRIS** (LIEUTENANT)

DOB: 1972

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: LIEUTENANT

EMPLOYER:

ADEL POLICE DEPARTMENT

**PRO, MARK** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 2:00 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the Adel Police Department speaking with OFFICER JAMES GREENE. GREENE had his PBA ATTORNEY DALE PRISER present on the telephone. PRISER advised that GREENE would not provide a statement at this time. GREENE was provided with SA NIPPER'S contact information. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 2:10 p.m.

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**ID DATA:**

**GREENE, JAMES TAYLOR (MR)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: OFFICER

EMPLOYER:

ADEL POLICE DEPT.

**PRISER, DALE (MR)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: ATTORNEY/LAWYER

EMPLOYER:

PBA

CELLULAR (Redacted)

**PRO, MARK (AGENT)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 2:30 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the Adel Police Department (APD) speaking with SGT SHAWN HANCOCK in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. HANCOCK essentially stated the following:

Prior to the interview, S/A NIPPER read and explained the following statement:

"This investigation is to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated during the use of force incident. This is not an administrative or disciplinary inquiry. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. Your cooperation in this investigation is voluntary".

HANCOCK agreed to understanding and agreed to speak to agents in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation.

HANCOCK initially started in law enforcement as a Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) jailer in 2012. He was then hired as an APD Officer in 2014. He has been a Sergeant since 2019. He is the day shift supervisor. On Monday, June 15, 2020 he worked day shift with OFFICER JAMES GREENE. He and GREENE'S shift was scheduled to begin at approximately 7:00 AM and end at approximately 7:00 PM.

On Monday, June 15, 2020, at approximately 6:50 PM, he received a telephone call

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from APD LT CHRIS GRIFFIN. GRIFFIN essentially stated the following: GRIFFIN had just received information from an FBI agent (known to law enforcement to be SA BRETT MCDANIEL). The FBI agent had received information from a confidential informant. GRIFFIN was told that a black male by the name of "KUJO" (known to law enforcement as CHARLES DUNWOODY), would be at a location with other unknown black males. DUNWOODY would be the only individual wearing a hat. The hat would be black in color. DUNWOODY was currently located at a "wooden shack" in the area of South MLK Street and West Sixth Street, exact address unknown (known to law enforcement as [REDACTED] [REDACTED] DUNWOODY was known to flee from law enforcement. DUNWOODY was likely to run due to having several active felony arrest warrants for drug trafficking charges. GRIFFIN had personally taken the arrest warrants out on DUNWOODY. BOBBY KAISER would also be at the scene wearing a red shirt. KAISER is a known local drug dealer. GRIFFIN told him that he was glad that it was shift change due to having additional officers to assist. GRIFFIN instructed him to go by the APD to get the other officers and brief.

He, OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE and CORPORAL KATLYN SUMNER were on day shift. SGT JOEL FUTCH and OFFICER JASON BRASHER were coming on for night shift. They all met at the APD parking lot for a briefing. He provided the officers with the same information he was provided by GRIFFIN. Deputies with the Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) were called by SUMNER to assist. CCSO was requested to assist due to the unknown other persons that would be present at the location. While leaving the APD parking lot at approximately 7:05 PM, GRIFFIN texted him the name CHARLES DUNWOODY.

APD Officers approached the location on S MLK Street. CCSO deputies approached



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on Sixth Street due to intelligence that the subject may run. He recalls seeing a wooden gazebo in the area of S MLK and Sixth Street. An unknown black male matching the description for DUNWOODY was seated on the east side bench closest to S MLK Street. This individual was later identified by law enforcement as GARY THOMAS, JR. THOMAS was seated alone. APD officers believed that THOMAS was DUNWOODY due to the description that was provided. THOMAS had on a hat that from a distance appeared to be black in color. THOMAS' hat was not black, but was a dark blue. THOMAS was the only individual wearing a dark colored hat at the time of their arrival. BOBBY KAISER was at this location wearing a red shirt.

Officers arrived in their department issued APD vehicles clearly marked as law enforcement. Officers exited their vehicles wearing their department issued uniforms clearly marked as law enforcement. He was initially approached by KAISER. KAISER was seated on the west bench of the gazebo. He identified himself as law enforcement to KAISER upon initial contact. KAISER asked the reason for the officer's presence. He advised KAISER that officers were looking for a wanted subject by the name of CHARLES DUNWOODY or "KUJO". KAISER told him there was no DUNWOODY or "KUJO" at the location.

He walked past KAISER toward THOMAS seated on the east side bench of the gazebo. He introduced himself to THOMAS as a law enforcement officer. He asked THOMAS for his identification card. THOMAS stated that he did not have any identification on his person. He requested THOMAS to provide a name and date of birth. THOMAS provided the name WILLIAM TOMLINSON with the date of birth [REDACTED] 1979.

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He did not identify THOMAS as GARY THOMAS, JR. until after the use of force incident and arrest had occurred. Once at the CCSO jail, TOMLINSON then provided a second false name being GARY TOMLINSON. He did not learn THOMAS' real name until speaking to a female family member outside of the CCSO with THOMAS' father after the incident.

He asked THOMAS what state his identification would be through. THOMAS advised that he has never had any identification. He then ran the information provided by THOMAS through 911. While waiting for a response from 911, THOMAS began to make a phone call. He requested that THOMAS end the phone call due to officer safety concerns. He explained to THOMAS that he did not want unknown others gathering at this location. THOMAS responded "okay" but placed the phone on speaker and continued the call. He made another request from THOMAS to end his call. THOMAS took his phone off speaker but continued the call.

He instructed THOMAS approximately five times to hang the phone up, to place the phone down or to turn the phone off. He explained to THOMAS the reasons for his request being related to officer safety concerns. THOMAS stated "yes sir" while continuing his call. THOMAS disregarded multiple verbal instructions to end his call and to place his phone down. THOMAS never gave any reason for refusing to end his call.

An unknown other citizen seated behind him on the west bench of the gazebo began to say that THOMAS was allowed to be on his phone (known to law enforcement as CALVIN SMITH). This diverted his attention away from THOMAS. He turned around to speak to SMITH.

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The CCSO Deputies on scene were GODWIN, GATEWOOD, GATES and BREWER. APD Officers present at this time were FUTCH, GREENE, BRASHER and SUMNER.

GATEWOOD was positioned near the SW side of the gazebo. GODWIN, GATES and BREWER were positioned near the NE side of the gazebo. FUTCH and GREENE positioned near the S side of the gazebo. BRASHER and SUMNER were positioned near the NE side of the gazebo.

GREENE then made his way onto the gazebo to assist in speaking with THOMAS. HANCOCK then requested that SUMNER and BRASHER assist by identifying the other three unknown individuals seated on the west bench.

RONNIE WALTON was identified as sitting in-between two unknown others (known to law enforcement as RANDALL WALTON and SMITH). RONNIE and RANDALL are known by law enforcement to be brothers. He believes that KAISER was seated on the far left of the west bench. He believes that SMITH was seated on the far right of the west bench.

SMITH began yelling "He has the right to be on his phone". He explained to SMITH his concerns of officer safety issues related to a phone call. THOMAS continued his call. THOMAS was then instructed by SUMNER to hang his phone up. He then turned his attention back to THOMAS and instructed THOMAS to place his phone down. THOMAS continued his call. He now instructed THOMAS sternly "hang the phone up". He grabbed THOMAS' phone. THOMAS released the phone. He placed THOMAS' phone on the hand rail. He asked THOMAS "why aren't you listening?" SMITH continued to make comments.

He reviewed GREENE'S body camera footage earlier this morning. He initially did not know why GREENE had loudly instructed THOMAS to place his hands behind his back. GREENE later explained to him that THOMAS had picked the phone back up off of the rail after multiple instructions not to. He witnessed this on GREENE'S body cam footage. After THOMAS picked the phone and attempted to use it, GREENE took the phone from THOMAS and told him not to pick the phone up again or he would be placed in hand cuffs. THOMAS grabbed his phone again and pulled it to his body. GREENE instructed THOMAS to "stand up, turn around and put your hands behind your back".

He was turned around attempting to de-escalate the situation with SMITH at the time that GREENE instructed THOMAS to stand up and place his hands behind his back. He recalls hearing GREENE raise his voice with verbal instructions to "put your hands behind your back" to THOMAS. THOMAS did not comply with GREENE'S verbal instructions. THOMAS began to stand up but did not place his hands behind his back.

GREENE then grabbed THOMAS' left wrist attempting to place them behind THOMAS' back. THOMAS' arm clinched and began to strain to prevent GREENE from placing his hand behind his back. He then grabbed THOMAS' right wrist. THOMAS then began pushing and pulling on GREENE during what he described as a "scuffle".

THOMAS pushed him at this point. He then unholstered his taser. He gave verbal commands for THOMAS to place his hands behind his back or that he would be tasered. THOMAS continued to actively resist by pushing and pulling officers. He then administered one drive stun to THOMAS' chest area. THOMAS screamed and took a

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seated position on the bench. THOMAS pressed his back area back "really hard". THOMAS continued to resist arrest by pulling away from officers. THOMAS continued to not comply with instructions to place his hands behind his back. He then delivered a second drive stun to THOMAS' chest. THOMAS pulled away again.

THOMAS then made his way to the middle of the gazebo, exact details unknown. THOMAS then fell to the gazebo floor. FUTCH had grabbed THOMAS' legs to prevent THOMAS from running. THOMAS continued to resist by trying to get the officers off of him and refusing to place his hands behind his back. KAISER, SMITH and both WALTONS then stood up and walked off of the gazebo. SMITH was throwing his hands down with an aggressive tone in his voice frustrated over the situation.

THOMAS continued to resist arrest. He delivered a third drive stun to THOMAS' leg area in an attempt to gain compliance. THOMAS' upper torso area to include his head and arms were now on the ground. THOMAS' legs were still up on the gazebo. THOMAS was half on and half off of the gazebo continuing to resist.

GREENE then yelled, "He's going for his waist." This statement immediately led him to believe that THOMAS may be going for a weapon. He has made several arrests where subjects have kept weapons in their waistband. According to HANCOCK, weapons are easily concealed in the waistband area for easy access.

Verbal commands for THOMAS to comply were still being given. THOMAS was continuously instructed to place his hands behind his back.

FUTCH told THOMAS, "Stop kicking". He then went to THOMAS' head area and

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provided a fourth and final drive stun to THOMAS' upper shoulder area in an attempt to gain compliance. He then realized that the drive stuns were not working. He turned his taser off and re-holstered it. He never fired his taser cartridge at THOMAS. He only delivered four drive stuns to THOMAS. He recalls GREENE stating "Your not going to bite me". FUTCH then restrained THOMAS' hands to his back from his waist band area. He is unsure who actually cuffed THOMAS.

He believes that GREENE, FUTCH, GATEWOOD, and possibly BREWER assisted him in the arrest of THOMAS. He is unsure about BRASHER or SUMNER.

His body camera was not on during the use of force incident. His body camera battery had died earlier in his shift. He assisted in tactical team call out in reference to a barricaded gunman at the Super 8 motel in Adel on Monday, June 15, 2020 at approximately 6:30 AM. His camera was in constant use until around 10:00 AM. He has not deleted any footage. He does not have the ability to delete any footage. All captured footage is uploaded wirelessly.

FUTCH and GREENE then assisted THOMAS to his feet. THOMAS was screaming that he was kicked and that his wrist and handcuffs were hurting. He did not witness anyone kick THOMAS during the incident. He was accused of kicking THOMAS by two of THOMAS' female relatives that live two doors down from his home while at the scene. The unknown female was not present during the use of force incident to the best of his knowledge. The unknown female arrived at the scene after THOMAS was already under arrest and placed in the patrol vehicle. Other unknown individuals who approached after the incident accused him of kicking THOMAS. He did not kick THOMAS. He attempted to de-escalate the crowd while still maintaining the crime

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scene.

After being placed in cuffs, THOMAS stood up but kept falling back to his knees. THOMAS made officers hold him up by his body weight. THOMAS was instructed that his cuffs could not be adjusted until he stood up. THOMAS was escorted to the patrol vehicle. GODWIN briefly spoke with THOMAS, exact details unknown.

HANCOCK asked THOMAS if he wanted EMS. THOMAS said "yes". EMS was notified and started to the scene. FUTCH and GREENE then removed THOMAS' handcuffs and re-adjusted the cuffs for comfort. He then got on his computer to look up WILLIAM TOMLINSON and CHARLES DUNWOODY. He was unable to find either. GRIFFIN then provided additional information for CHARLES LORENZO DUNWOODY, born [REDACTED], 1978. He advised GRIFFIN that he had a subject in custody matching the description of clothing previously provided for DUNWOODY.

He recalls a clear plastic container with a red lid containing what was believed to be cocaine located on the gazebo rail. According to SUMNER, she observed THOMAS reach into his waist band area during the struggle, remove the container and then throw the container onto the ground. SUMNER retrieved the container and placed it onto rail of the gazebo immediately following the incident. SUMNER also discovered what they believed to be marijuana located under the west bench where the two WALTON'S and SMITH were seated. Digital scales were also discovered, exact location unknown.

After the incident, KAISER and SMITH were gone from the location. Both WALTON'S were still present. Officers did not take a statement from either of the WALTON'S due to the large crowd beginning to gather.

THOMAS was instructed to sit down in his patrol vehicle while waiting on EMS. THOMAS began to complain of physical abuse alleging that he had been beaten by officers. THOMAS yelled out that someone had punched him and that his wrist was injured. He explained to THOMAS that more physical force would be used to place him into the patrol vehicle if THOMAS did not comply with verbal instructions. THOMAS eventually complied and sat in the patrol vehicle.

EMS arrived on scene. EMS were then instructed to meet THOMAS at the CCSO due to the crowd. THOMAS was then moved from his patrol vehicle to another unknown patrol vehicle for transport (known by law enforcement to be SUMNER). He then spoke with both WALTON'S and asked who the large unknown individual was (known to law enforcement as SMITH). The WALTON'S did not know SMITH. The WALTON'S denied owning the marijuana or cocaine that was found.

THOMAS' father (known to law enforcement as RANDY MERRITT) then arrived on scene. His father was tense and agitated.

He then met THOMAS at the CCSO booking area with EMS, exact names unknown. THOMAS complained of wrist pain. EMS was unable to find any wrist injury without an x-ray being completed. EMS stated that THOMAS' wrist was not swollen and did not appear to be broken. THOMAS was first examined by EMS while in cuffs. THOMAS was then examined by EMS without cuffs. THOMAS then stated "maybe it was just the hand cuffs" and began to move his wrists. He does not recall who removed THOMAS' cuffs.



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CCSO jailer, exact name unknown advised EMS that THOMAS may have to go to the hospital. The jailer called his supervisor and advised of THOMAS' wrist complaint. The jailer then advised that APD would be responsible for taking THOMAS to the hospital. The EMS paramedic then advised that THOMAS would need to be transported by APD if taken to the hospital. He then signed THOMAS' refusal to ride with EMS to the hospital.

He stepped out to call APD CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY. CASTLEBERRY did not answer after two attempts. He then called GRIFFIN. He briefed GRIFFIN on the transport issue. While on the phone with GRIFFIN, FUTCH advised that THOMAS changed his mind and no longer wished to go to the hospital. THOMAS only requested a Tylenol for the his wrist pain. GRIFFIN instructed him to document THOMAS' decision.

HANCOCK instructed the jail staff not to release THOMAS until he was fingerprinted due to providing two different false names. While in booking THOMAS provided the name GARY TOMLINSON to him. He asked THOMAS why he provided the name WILLIAM TOMLINSON. THOMAS denied providing the name WILLIAM TOMLINSON. THOMAS stated that he only denied being CHARLES DUNWOODY.

He then discovered THOMAS' real name once outside speaking with THOMAS' family. He was accused of kicking and punching THOMAS by an unknown female. He told THOMAS' family that he did not strike or kick THOMAS but that he did taser THOMAS. He told THOMAS' family that he did not witness THOMAS being kicked or punched during the incident.

He later watched a video which appeared to show GREENE striking THOMAS. This

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video was sent to him via Facebook by LINDA K. WILLIAMS. WILLIAMS is FUTCH'S mother-in-law. He received the video at approximately 8:15 PM. He watched the video last night. He allowed S/A NIPPER to photograph his phone (see attached). The video appeared to be filmed and posted by the Facebook account "NAKIMA DANIELLE". The video depicted a lot of yelling and portions of the struggle. He played a portion of the twenty minute video.

He was then made aware of a second video posted on Facebook by account "JALESHIA EVERETT" which appeared to be a one second loop video depicting GREENE striking THOMAS. S/A NIPPER photographed and recorded the video (See attached).

No officer drew a firearm during the use of force incident. He was the only officer to utilize his taser during the incident. He is a POST certified police officer with arrest powers. He is Taser certified.

HANCOCK completed a sketch of the incident and explained the incident (See attached).

While clocking out, GREENE told him that he did in fact strike THOMAS during the encounter. GREENE told him that he struck, kneed and elbowed THOMAS. He asked GREENE why he struck THOMAS. GREENE explained that he heard FUTCH say during the encounter "quit kicking me". GREENE mentioned that he was afraid that THOMAS was going for a weapon when THOMAS was reaching for his waistband.

According to GREENE, THOMAS tried to bite him. GREENE instructed THOMAS not

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to bite him. He struck THOMAS with an elbow at this point, exact location unknown. He also struck THOMAS with a closed fist in the face. GREENE delivered a knee strike to THOMAS' side area while trying to force THOMAS' hands behind his back. HANCOCK did not physically witness any of the strikes.

According to GREENE, he felt that THOMAS tried to bite his arm twice. THOMAS had opened his mouth and went towards GREENE'S arm. GREENE pushed THOMAS' head down. THOMAS grabbed GREENE'S arm and placed his mouth back against GREENE'S arm. GREENE wanted to explain the strikes during the altercation to HANCOCK after HANCOCK had told THOMAS' family that he did not witness THOMAS being struck.

He has spoken to GREENE and SUMNER since the incident occurred. SUMNER had shown him some social media posts that appeared threatening in nature towards her. The post implied that she would be assaulted, exact details unknown. He asked FUTCH and BRASHER if their video footage had been downloaded.

He has also watched SUMNER'S patrol vehicle footage. THOMAS can be seen with the clear and red container with the cocaine in his possession upon officer's arrival to the scene.

He has watched GREENE'S body camera footage. He watched GREENE'S video to determine why GREENE had initially instructed THOMAS to place his hands behind his back.

He briefed CASTLEBERRY last night on the use of force incident.

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He is not aware of any other witnesses. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 4:00 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Sgt. Shawn Hancock interview

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PHOTOGRAPH Hancock phone ref social media posts

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OTHER Hancock scene sketch

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**ID DATA:**

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 5:00 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the Adel Police Department (APD) speaking with CORPORAL KATLYN SUMNER in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording.

Prior to the interview S/A NIPPER read SUMNER the following statement:

"This investigation is to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated during the use of force incident. This is not an administrative or disciplinary inquiry. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. Your cooperation in this investigation is voluntary".

SUMNER agreed to understanding and agreed to speak to S/A NIPPER in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation.

It should be noted that SUMNER'S Attorney MATT BENNETT was present on speaker phone throughout the interview. SUMNER essentially stated the following:

She has worked for the APD since March of 2018. Her rank is Corporal. She has not worked for any other law enforcement agency.

On Monday, June 15, 2020, she was working a split shift from 2:00 PM until 2:00 AM. She worked the first portion of her shift with day shift. The day shift supervisor was SGT

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SHAWN HANCOCK. OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE also worked day shift. The second part of her shift was supervised by SGT FUTCH. OFFICER BRASHER also worked night shift.

At approximately 7:00 PM, she was at the APD with FUTCH and BRASHER. They received a radio call from HANCOCK. HANCOCK asked that day shift and night shift officers meet at the APD parking lot for a briefing. HANCOCK had just spoken with APD LT CHRIS GRIFFIN via telephone. GRIFFIN advised HANCOCK that he had received information from an FBI agent (known to law enforcement as SA BRETT MCDANIEL). According to the FBI, a black male by the name of "KUJO" (known to law enforcement as CHARLES DUNWOODY) was located in the area of MLK and Sixth Street in Adel. DUNWOODY would be with a group of unknown black males seated in a "brown shack". DUNWOODY would be the only individual wearing a hat.

She asked if either GRIFFIN or the FBI was coming along with the officers. She was told by HANCOCK that neither GRIFFIN nor the FBI would be present. They were also told that DUNWOODY was known to run due to having active arrest warrants for drug trafficking charges. She then suggested that the Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) be included. She contacted CCSO SGT GODWIN to assist with his tracking K9 incase DUNWOODY attempted to flee. GODWIN agreed to assist.

LT GRIFFIN then provided the name CHARLES DUNWOODY for "KUJO". She was familiar with DUNWOODY'S name from a previous search warrant that was executed. DUNWOODY was known to be involved in illegal drug sales and weapons based off of charges from a prior search warrant. DUNWOODY was known by her to be a "dangerous guy". She had never actually met DUNWOODY.

They arrived on scene (known to law enforcement as [REDACTED] after leaving the APD. Every officer arrived in their department issued patrol vehicle clearly marked as law enforcement. All officers were wearing their department issued uniforms clearly marked as law enforcement. She parked a short distance back on MLK in case DUNWOODY ran from the initial officers.

APD Officers present were HANCOCK, FUTCH, GREENE and BRASHER. APD officers approached by S MLK St. CCSO Deputies present were GODWIN, GATEWOOD, GATES and BREWER.

She recalls seeing an unknown black male (later identified by law enforcement as GARY THOMAS JR) wearing a dark navy blue hat seated on the east side of a wooden gazebo. HANCOCK approached THOMAS. BOBBY KAISER was also present. KAISER was wearing a red hat and a red shirt. There were three other black males present, RONNIE and RANDALL WALTON and another unknown black male (known to law enforcement as CALVIN SMITH). OFFICER BRASHER obtained SMITH'S contact information. She obtained RONNIE and RANDALL WALTON'S contact information.

The wooden gazebo was located in the area of Sixth Street and MLK. They initially went there looking to encounter a black male, who would be the only one wearing a hat from the information provided. Upon arrival there was also an individual wearing a red hat.

Officers asked the group if KUJO was present. KAISER said that there was no KUJO at this location. HANCOCK asked THOMAS for his name. HANCOCK then ran the name WILLIAM TOMLINSON. She did not actually hear what name THOMAS provided to

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HANCOCK. WILLIAM TOMLINSON then came back as "no return". "No return" means the name and date of birth provided are not valid in the 911 system and have no record. The "no return" from dispatch came back "pretty quick...pretty fast...it came back before the incident". HANCOCK asked THOMAS for identification. THOMAS stated he did not have any. THOMAS was later positively identified at the CCSO after the use of force incident and arrest had occurred.

During the conversation with HANCOCK, THOMAS picked up his cellular phone and made a call. THOMAS was instructed by HANCOCK not to make a call. THOMAS stated that he was only calling his mother. THOMAS was once again instructed to hang the phone up. THOMAS did not comply with HANCOCK'S verbal instructions.

According to SUMNER this instruction not to make a phone call during a police interaction is common practice with her shift and the APD. It is common practice for officer safety concerns due to the unknown aspect of who an individual may be calling to come to the scene, especially after a name comes back as "no return". Officers did not know who THOMAS was. She was also concerned knowing that DUNWOODY had felony arrest warrants and was known to frequent in drug sales and weapons. Someone could be calling to arrange a "drive by shooting". She commonly does not allow individuals to make phone calls during her traffic stops.

THOMAS defied several verbal instructions to hang the phone up. THOMAS was told approximately three to four times to hang the phone up by HANCOCK. She then instructed THOMAS to hang up the phone. THOMAS acted irritated and explained that he was only calling his mother. THOMAS was then instructed by HANCOCK to turn his phone off and place the phone on the hand rail of the gazebo. THOMAS did not comply



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with this instruction.

SMITH then became agitated. SMITH was upset over THOMAS having to hang his phone up. SMITH stood up. She then turned around and instructed SMITH to sit down. SMITH complied. SMITH stated that THOMAS did not have to hang his phone up.

GREENE, HANCOCK and FUTCH then tried to detain THOMAS by placing him in hand cuffs.

It is common practice for a subject to be detained in hand cuffs if a name or date of birth provided come back "no record". She believes that THOMAS' continued defiance over the phone and THOMAS matching the description of the wanted individual led officers to detain him. She does not know if any officer ever explained to THOMAS why he was instructed to place his phone down.

THOMAS did not comply with verbal instructions to stand up and place his hands behind his back. THOMAS began to struggle with the officers. HANCOCK, FUTCH and GREENE were unable to secure THOMAS' hands behind his back. She does not know if THOMAS was tased at any point. She does recall seeing taser lights being placed on THOMAS. THOMAS was resisting officers. She is unsure of exact verbal commands given by officers. She recalls a lot of yelling, exact details unknown.

THOMAS was then taken to the ground. THOMAS was half way on and half way off the gazebo. THOMAS' head and upper torso area were on the ground. THOMAS' legs were still on the gazebo. She was on THOMAS' right side. THOMAS kept turning around back and forth while resisting.

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She described THOMAS as "super strong". Officers were unable to control THOMAS' hands. THOMAS kept tucking his hands underneath his body while on his stomach. She witnessed THOMAS toss a container with a red lid from his person. She retrieved the container and tossed it out of the way. She threw the container in an attempt to get it away. This is normal for her to keep evidence from possibly being destroyed.

THOMAS' hands kept reaching near his waist band area. She thought THOMAS may have had a weapon. She kept pulling THOMAS' hand. She did not know FUTCH'S exact position. FUTCH told her to get her cuffs. She did not know GREENE or HANCOCK'S exact position. She was able to put one cuff on THOMAS. Other officers had to secure THOMAS' second hand. She does not know what other officers were doing during the arrest. DEPUTY GATEWOOD assisted during the arrest by taking THOMAS' feet and legs and pushing them against THOMAS' body. They were able to handcuff THOMAS at this point.

Those present on the gazebo upon arrival were THOMAS, KAISER, RONNIE and RANDALL WALTON and SMITH. She is unaware of any other witnesses. There were unknown people "everywhere".

She has watched two separate videos on Facebook. One is a twenty minute video from Facebook. She did not watch this video. She has seen a one second loop video. The one second video loop appears to be GREENE repeatedly punching THOMAS. She did not witness any officer strike, punch, elbow, knee or kick THOMAS. She had tunnel vision on THOMAS' hands and trying to get THOMAS into hand cuffs.

She has reviewed GREENE'S dash camera footage. She has reviewed her body

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camera footage. She was able to see THOMAS with the container in his hands upon their arrival on GREENE'S dash camera. THOMAS placed the container in his pocket. She believes that the container contained a substance believed to be cocaine. She believes that HANCOCK took all the warrants on THOMAS.

She has talked to GREENE since the incident. GREENE advised her that he had contacted his PBA Attorney and had been moved to another shift. They spoke about their frustration regarding how the public was attempting to make the incident look. GREENE told her that he was just trying to get THOMAS to turn over because THOMAS would not turn over. She stated "which is fine because that's what they trained us to do...sometimes you have to do stuff like that...". GREENE did not make any statement to her related to THOMAS biting or striking him. GREENE just told her he was trying to get THOMAS into handcuffs. GREENE did not tell her that he struck THOMAS.

HANCOCK told her that he has had to knee and strike individuals to get them to comply when subjects are fighting similar to THOMAS' actions. She has not had any specific conversations with GREENE, HANCOCK or BRASHER about the use of force incident.

She has talked with FUTCH. They talked about how FUTCH was trying to control THOMAS' hands from outside of the gazebo. FUTCH then got THOMAS' feet. They talked about THOMAS saying "they're beating me...they're kicking me...they're squeezing the handcuffs". She asked FUTCH what THOMAS was talking about. FUTCH told her that he may have kneed THOMAS, exact details unknown. FUTCH explained that he grabbed THOMAS' legs to prevent THOMAS from escaping. FUTCH did not elaborate on exactly where or why he may have kneed THOMAS.

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She did not strike THOMAS in any way or at any point through out the use of force incident. She did not witness anyone strike THOMAS. She did not use her taser at any point.

She told THOMAS that the cuffs would be adjusted if he would calm down. She explained to THOMAS that the cuffs would have gone on differently if he had not been resisting. She did not doubt that the cuffs were uncomfortable to THOMAS based off of the force that was needed to apply the cuffs. THOMAS complained of wrist pain. EMS was called.

FUTCH later adjusted THOMAS' handcuffs. FUTCH had scraped his wrist during the "scuffle". She collected evidence and attempted to identify THOMAS after the incident. The crowd grew. EMS then arrived. EMS was then instructed to check THOMAS at the CCSO jail. THOMAS was taken out of HANCOCK'S patrol vehicle and placed into her patrol vehicle.

She transported THOMAS from the scene to the jail. Her ride with THOMAS was recorded. She rolled the window down for the ride. THOMAS did not make any statements on the ride other than asking if DOUG HANKS (known by law enforcement to be the SHERIFF of Cook County) would be there.

EMS was present at the jail upon her arrival. CCSO Jailer RAY and another unknown white male jailer were present. FUTCH, HANCOCK, BRASHER and GREENE were also present at the jail. Unknown citizens from the scene followed them to the CCSO. She has no information to provide on any medical treatment or discussion over a hospital visit that may have been had related to THOMAS.

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She provided SA NIPPER with a sketch of the scene (see attached).

She is POST certified with arrest powers. She does not recall if herself or anyone else identified themselves as law enforcement upon their arrival. She has not altered any footage of the incident. She does not have the ability to manipulate or delete footage. She is unaware of any other witnesses. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 6:00 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Cpl. Katlyn Sumner interview

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OTHER K Sumner sketch

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**ID DATA:**

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EMPLOYER:

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COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: ATTORNEY/LAWYER

EMPLOYER:

SELF

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/21/2020

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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 5:41 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Adel Police Department in Adel, Cook County, Ga., in reference to interviewing SERGEANT JOEL FUTCH in regard to this ongoing investigation. This interview was audio recorded. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording.(See attached). Prior to interviewing FUTCH, SAC PRO advised FUTCH that this investigation was to determine whether any criminal laws had been violated during the use of force investigation. It is not an administrative or disciplinary inquiry, and he was not being compelled to give any statements or answer any questions. SAC PRO advised him that his cooperation in this investigation was voluntary. FUTCH acknowledged that he understood and wished to speak with SAC PRO in regard to the use of force incident. FUTCH essentially stated the following;

FUTCH has been an officer with the Adel Police Dept. for approximately five years. He had recently been promoted to Sergeant. His last firearms qualification was approximately two to three months ago. FUTCH indicated that on Monday, June 15, he came on duty at approximately 7:00 p.m. FUTCH is the Sergeant over the patrol shift for the 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shift. FUTCH stated this was his normal work assignment. FUTCH said on the 15th, he had been called in early to go on a call out, and he arrived at approximately 6:00 a.m. and worked until approximately 10:00 a.m. FUTCH went home and got some sleep and slept for approximately five hours, then returned to work at the police department for his normal duty shift at approximately 6:30 p.m.

FUTCH stated he was in the squad room at the police department and SGT. HANCOCK called on the radio for all officers to meet at the police department. All

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officers met at the police department and briefed in the parking lot of the police department. HANCOCK informed them they had gotten a tip that a wanted subject was in the area of 6th Street and Martin Luther King. HANCOCK described the subject as a black male, wearing a dark baseball hat and went by the name "CUJO". This individual was supposedly staying near a shed at the location of 6th and MLK. SGT. FUTCH, OFFICER BRASHER, CORPORAL SUMNER, and OFFICER GREENE were at the briefing. All of these individuals left the police department en route to the location. SGT. FUTCH was aware that CPL. SUMNER called the Sheriff's office and asked for assistance in trying to locate and apprehend this individual. FUTCH was dressed in his normal duty uniform and was driving his marked patrol unit. SGT. HANCOCK, OFFICER GREENE and FUTCH were traveling together en route to the location. FUTCH was unsure of who was behind him going to the location. Upon arrival, FUTCH noticed there was a gazebo located in the area and a shed in close proximity to the gazebo.

Upon FUTCH exiting his car, he saw a black male walking to the shed and FUTCH pulled his vehicle around to the wide side of where the black male was walking. FUTCH said the black male left the gazebo area and walked towards the shed on the left side of the property. FUTCH said that several officers approached the gazebo area. FUTCH said that OFFICER HANCOCK and GREENE went onto the gazebo and the deputies moved in on the perimeter around the gazebo and storage shed areas.

FUTCH continued to walk back and forth around the shed area. The black male in the red shirt was in the shed when he came back around the shed and the deputies were with him inside the shed. FUTCH did not know who the black male in the red shirt was. FUTCH moved back in front of the shed and saw CPL. SUMNER writing names down

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on a pad inside the gazebo. HANCOCK and GREENE were talking with a middle aged black male with a dark in color ball cap, dark shirt and blue jeans on under the gazebo. FUTCH could hear that they were talking about his cell phone. FUTCH heard an officer run a name on the radio but could not distinguish exactly what the name was. FUTCH started towards the gazebo at this time and stood to the side of the gazebo where HANCOCK and GREENE were talking with the black male subject with the black shirt and dark ball cap.

FUTCH could hear HANCOCK and GREENE telling the black male they were looking for a wanted person. HANCOCK told the black male the name he gave was not coming back. FUTCH was watching everyone and then saw the black male pick up the phone again. FUTCH then went to the rail of the gazebo where the phone was laying, picked up the phone and took it to OFFICER GREENE'S patrol car and placed it on the hood of the vehicle.

As he was doing that, he heard a commotion and looked back and saw HANCOCK and GREENE trying to put the handcuffs on the black male in the dark shirt and black ball cap. FUTCH reached over the rail and tried to help cuff the subject, but the subject pulled away. FUTCH ran around to the front of the gazebo to help HANCOCK and GREENE while they were struggling with the subject. FUTCH tried to reach in and grab an arm of the subject, but he was unsuccessful. FUTCH then grabbed the subject's legs and pulled the subject from the bench onto the floor of the gazebo. HANCOCK and GREENE still had a hold of the subject, and the subject and the officers were on the floor of the gazebo. The subject was on his side and stomach. FUTCH was putting weight on the calves of the subject by using his body to prevent him from getting up and running.



The subject continued to struggle and move. FUTCH had gotten a tattoo on the 13th and it was sore, damaged and painful from the subject kicking him while they were on the floor of the gazebo. CPL. SUMNER was helping also. The subject's body was mainly on the floor of the gazebo, but the upper portion of the subject's body was outside the gazebo. The subject continued to struggle with the officers, but FUTCH still had a hold of the subject's legs.

FUTCH was holding the subject's legs and trying to maintain control of the subject's legs and while doing so, FUTCH saw a clear Tupperware container with a red top fly by his head. At that point, FUTCH let go of the subject's legs and moved towards the subject's torso. The subject was on his left side and FUTCH saw the subject move his right arm toward his waist area. FUTCH reached under the subject's right arm and pulled the subject's arm back.

All officers were giving verbal commands for the subject to comply. FUTCH did hear a taser being used, but he is unsure who was using it. FUTCH stated that it was deployed maybe three to four times. Once while they were still in the gazebo area, and two to three times while they were out on the ground in front of the gazebo. FUTCH held the subject's right arm and told CPL. SUMNER to place a cuff on it. FUTCH got the subject's left arm and got it up to be cuffed. FUTCH thinks that DEPUTY GATEWOOD placed the handcuffs on the subject's left arm. FUTCH heard OFFICER GREENE holler for the subject to stop trying to bite him while they were outside the gazebo on the ground.

FUTCH also heard the subject say, "I'm not trying to bite you." CPL. SUMNER got up

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and ran to where she had tossed the plastic container. FUTCH said the subject was searched on the ground, and then the subject was brought to his feet and searched for weapons. FUTCH conducted a search and found folded cash money in the subject's right, front pocket, along with suspected marijuana in a plastic cellophane wrap. FUTCH removed these items from the subject's right, front pocket and tossed the items on the wood floor of the gazebo. FUTCH and OFFICER GREENE took the subject to SGT. HANCOCK'S vehicle to be transported. The subject complained about the cuffs being too tight while they were searching the subject and then walking him to HANCOCK'S vehicle.

FUTCH and OFFICER GREENE loosened the cuffs on the subject when they were near OFFICER HANCOCK'S vehicle. The subject was later placed in HANCOCK'S vehicle, but he was later removed and placed in CPL. SUMNER'S vehicle for transport to the jail. FUTCH was aware that EMS had been called to the scene due to the subject complaining about his wrist being hurt. EMS arrived at the scene and the subject was transported to the Sheriff's office. EMS followed the officers to the jail.

FUTCH helped with the evidence at the scene, and OFFICER GREENE processed the evidence and OFFICER HANCOCK was also at the scene while they were processing the evidence. FUTCH, GREENE and HANCOCK left the scene at the same time. FUTCH picked up the scales that were on the bench that the subject was sitting on. FUTCH is unsure of who picked up the marijuana that he threw on the gazebo floor. FUTCH also saw another large bag of marijuana in the gazebo, under the bench across from where the subject was sitting. FUTCH, HANCOCK and GREENE went to the jail.

Upon arrival at the jail, FUTCH went in the sally port area and stood in the booking area.

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FUTCH did not remember hearing the subject give his name, but it was possible that one of the body recorders recorded the subject giving the name. EMS was at the booking area and checked the subject for medical issues and EMS said that there were no visible injuries. SGT. HANCOCK called LT. GRIFFIN, but the subject stated that he would be fine if they would just get a Tylenol from the jail, he would be okay. FUTCH left the jail area at this time. FUTCH stated the subject just physically resisted. The subject did not punch anyone, but he did kick FUTCH and DEPUTY GATEWOOD.

FUTCH did not use any weapons, taser or asp baton or his mace during the altercation with the subject. FUTCH did not see who was using the taser, but did hear one being deployed. FUTCH did not complete any supplemental reports in regard to his actions. FUTCH had to wait for the initial report to be completed before he could complete his. FUTCH indicated he had never had any contact with this individual prior to seeing him in the gazebo area. FUTCH said that his body cam was working and his vehicle camera was also working. FUTCH indicated that he reviewed the video due to a complaint being made at the police department that an officer had thrown a punch during the altercation with the subject.

FUTCH indicated as being the Sergeant over the shift, he is required to review videos of actions of officers if a complaint is being made during a call. During the review of the video, FUTCH saw OFFICER GREENE throwing a punch during the altercation with the subject. OFFICER GREENE told OFFICER FUTCH and HANCOCK that he did throw a punch because the subject tried to bite him. FUTCH doesn't recall if GREENE told him where he struck the subject with the punch. GREENE also indicated that he made a knee strike to the subject's side. FUTCH did not see the video that contained the knee strike. FUTCH is not sure if he has had a use of force complaint against him during his

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tenure with Adel Police Department. FUTCH has never been charged with a criminal offense while being a police officer. FUTCH was asked to draw a diagram of the area (See attached). SAC PRO asked FUTCH if he sustained any injuries during the altercation, and he said he had scratches on both arms. SAC PRO photographed the injuries (See attached). FUTCH could provide no further information at this time.

The interview concluded at 7:00 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Interview J. Futch [\(Attachments\)](#)  
PHOTOGRAPH Futch Injuries [\(Attachments\)](#)  
CRIME SCENE SKETCH Futch Sketch of scene [\(Attachments\)](#)

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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 6:45 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the Adel Police Department (APD) speaking with OFFICER JASON BRASHER, in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. BRASHER essentially stated the following;

Prior to the interview, S/A NIPPER read BRASHER the following statement;

"This investigation is to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated during the use of force incident. This is not an administrative or disciplinary inquiry. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. Your cooperation in this investigation is voluntary".

BRASHER agreed to understanding and agreed to speak to S/A NIPPER in relation to the use of force incident. BRASHER essentially stated the following;

He has worked for the Adel Police Department (APD) for approximately one year. Prior to APD, he worked for The Georgia Department of Motor Carrier Compliance Division for approximately seven years.

On Monday, June 15, 2020, he worked night shift from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. His supervisor was SGT. FUTCH. CPL. KATLYN SUMNER also worked the split shift of 2:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. The prior day shift was SGT. HANCOCK and OFFICER GREENE.

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He was briefed by HANCOCK in the parking lot of the APD. GREENE, SUMNER, FUTCH and himself were present. They were given minimal information. Essentially HANCOCK received information from the FBI related to a wanted individual. The individual would be located on South MLK and Sixth Street. He believes the individual went by the nickname "MOJO." FUTCH asked for a picture. No picture was available. SUMNER asked if the FBI was coming. The FBI would not be present during the arrest. SUMNER mentioned calling the Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO). CCSO agreed to assist.

CCSO approached from Sixth Street. APD approached from MLK Street shortly after the briefing. They were looking for a shed and located a gazebo. There was a black male wearing a black hat. He could not hear a name provided during the briefing, but the FBI wanted a black male wearing a hat.

All officers and deputy's arrived in their department issued patrol vehicles and department issued uniforms clearly marked as law enforcement. He does not know if there was any verbal identification as law enforcement provided by any officer.

He made contact and spoke with a JAMES CALVIN SMITH. SMITH was sitting next to two unknown others (known to law enforcement as RONNIE and RANDALL WALTON). There was one individual wearing red (known to law enforcement as BOBBY KAISER). There was one individual in a hat (later identified to law enforcement as GARY THOMAS JR). CCSO deputies stood beside a motorcycle and spoke to KAISER. CCSO deputies present were SGT. GODWIN, DEPUTY'S BREWER, GATES and GATEWOOD. APD OFFICERS present were HANCOCK, FUTCH, GREENE,

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SUMNER and himself.

SMITH told officers that THOMAS could be on his phone. HANCOCK turned around and engaged SMITH and told him not to get involved. SMITH stood up upset, then sat back down.

He does not know exactly why GREENE instructed THOMAS to place his hands behind his back. He stated "maybe over a false name and his phone". He described the situation as "it was madness."

THOMAS was given verbal instructions to place his phone down. SMITH then started yelling behind him. THOMAS was not compliant. THOMAS was wrestling with GREENE and HANCOCK. HANCOCK delivered a drive stun to THOMAS while going out of the gazebo. Officers were trying to get THOMAS' hands behind his back. HANCOCK issued another drive stun to THOMAS' back. Officers body cameras and dash cams were running at this time.

He has reviewed his dash cam and body camera. He has seen part of FUTCH'S video to include THOMAS on the ground. DEPUTY GATEWOOD got THOMAS' legs to stop THOMAS from kicking FUTCH. BRASHER did not witness THOMAS kicking FUTCH. BRASHER was later told by FUTCH that THOMAS was kicking him. THOMAS was given verbal commands to place his hands behind his back. BRASHER was watching others who had walked off from the gazebo and then come back. Others began to gather at this time. SMITH and KAISER had left.

He does not know exactly what had happened on the ground other than "they were

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fighting" to get handcuffs on THOMAS. HANCOCK, FUTCH, GREENE, SUMNER, and GATEWOOD were engaged trying to arrest THOMAS.

He is aware of two videos on social media. One twenty minute Facebook video by "NakimaDanielle". Also a one second video of "JaleyshiaEverett". EVERETT'S video appears to be an unknown officer punching someone.

He did not witness any strikes from his position during the incident. He did not have any interaction with THOMAS. He did not have any verbal or physical interaction with THOMAS. THOMAS complained that his wrist was hurting after the incident. He recalls a container with a white substance suspected to be cocaine come from THOMAS' person. The container fell out of THOMAS' pocket. It may have been captured on GREENE'S dashcam.

THOMAS stood up mentioning his wrist. THOMAS then screamed and went to the ground as if his knees buckled. He does not know exactly what statements THOMAS made at this time. THOMAS was placed in a patrol vehicle while waiting on EMS. EMS was called due to THOMAS complaining about his wrist. THOMAS' father arrived at the scene upset. EMS then arrived and left to meet THOMAS at the jail due to the crowd gathering.

SUMNER transported THOMAS to the jail. While at the CCSO jail, DEPUTY TRENT EXUM took the cuffs off of THOMAS. He has no information to provide on any discussion related to THOMAS going to the hospital. He has not talked to HANCOCK, FUTCH, SUMNER or GREENE since the incident occurred. FUTCH watched BRASHER'S body camera footage on Monday evening. They did not speak of the



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incident.

At shift change earlier this date, at approximately 7:00 a.m., GREENE stated to him that he had struck THOMAS on the arm and the face. GREENE explained that THOMAS' hands were reaching for his waist band to potentially grab a weapon. THOMAS also tried to bite him, exact details unknown. Those present during this conversation were HANCOCK, FUTCH, GREENE and himself.

BRASHER provided S/A NIPPER with a sketch of the scene and a detailed description of the use of force incident (See attached). No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 7:45 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Officer J Brasher interview

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OTHER Brasher sketch

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**ID DATA:**

**BRASHER, JASON** (OFFICER)

DOB: 1980

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: OFFICER

EMPLOYER:

ADEL POLICE DEPT.

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/21/2020

tt: 6/25/2020



**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 8:00 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) attempting to interview GARY THOMAS, JR. in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. THOMAS advised agents that he would not speak with agents without his attorney present. THOMAS was provided with a contact card for SAC PRO. CCSO JAILER RANDY RAY was also present during this attempted interview. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 8:05 p.m.

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**ID DATA:**

**THOMAS, GARY JR (MR)**

DOB: 1979

SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

**PRO, MARK (AGENT)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

GBI/REGION 4

351 THOMAS FRIER SR. DRIVE

DOUGLAS, GA 31535

BUSINESS:(912)389-4103

**RAY, RANDY (CORPORAL)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: JAILER

EMPLOYER:

COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

CELLULAR (Redacted)

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/21/2020

tt: 6/25/2020



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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 8:18 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Cook County Sheriff's office in reference to interviewing SERGEANT CLAYTON GODWIN with the Cook County Sheriff's office Prior to interviewing GODWIN, SAC PRO advised him that this investigation was to determine whether or not any criminal laws had been violated during the use of force incident. It is not an administrative or disciplinary inquiry. He was not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. His cooperation in the investigation is voluntary. GODWIN stated that he understood that and that he knew that he was not being forced to be interviewed in regard to the use of force incident. The interview was audio recorded (See attached). For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. GODWIN essentially stated the following;

GODWIN has been employed with the Cook County Sheriff's office for approximately twelve years. He is the Sergeant over a shift and he is the shift supervisor. On Monday, June 15, 2020, GODWIN was working the 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shift. GODWIN came in for duty on the 15th around 6:00 p.m. to debrief with his deputies and give the outgoing shift some information. While at the Sheriff's office, GODWIN received a telephone call from CORPORAL KATLYN SUMNER with the Adel Police Department. SUMNER informed GODWIN that the FBI had contacted the Adel Police Department with a location for CHARLES DUNWOODY. DUNWOODY was wanted for trafficking charges and he was supposed to be in the area of 6th Street and MLK near a wooden gazebo.

GODWIN only knew the subject by name and knew that he had a past with law

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enforcement and was known to run from the police. All of the deputies assigned to GODWIN'S shift were at the Sheriff's department when GODWIN received the call from SUMNER. The deputies on GODWIN'S shift were DEPUTY JOEY GATEWOOD, CORPORAL WILLIAM GATES, and DEPUTY KYLE BREWER.

After receiving the call from SUMNER, he and the other deputies left en route to West 6th Street and South MLK. GODWIN stated it took them approximately two to five minutes and they were arriving on scene. As they were arriving on the scene, they came into the scene from the 6th Street area. As they were arriving, city officers were arriving on MLK. GODWIN exited his vehicle and made contact with an individual he knew to be BOBBY KAISER. GODWIN stated that KAISER was on the northwest corner of the gazebo when he made contact with him. KAISER was wearing a red shirt and black shorts. GODWIN also noticed three other individuals in the gazebo. GODWIN knew one to be RONNIE WALTON and two other black males that GODWIN did not recognize.

GODWIN stated that CPL. SUMNER advised the suspect DUNWOODY would be wearing dark in color clothing and a dark hat. GODWIN said there was an individual fitting that description sitting on a bench on the southeast side of the gazebo. GODWIN and KAISER were standing near the gazebo. GODWIN spoke to KAISER and asked if he knew who the subject was the officers were talking with. KAISER said he did not know him and GODWIN asked if it was DUNWOODY and KAISER said no.

GODWIN left KAISER and went to the edge of the gazebo and heard the Adel officers trying to identify the subject. They asked the subject to place his hands behind his back and the subject started resisting. GODWIN and the deputies stood by and controlled the other individuals while the officers were struggling with the subject.

GODWIN heard a taser being deployed and then saw the subject and the officers go to the ground, and the subject was actively resisting the officers. GODWIN went from the back of the gazebo to the front of the gazebo, and while there, he saw OFFICER GREENE strike the subject two times in the neck and face area. GODWIN might have heard a taser once more, but wasn't sure.

The officers were giving commands for the individual to stop resisting and the subject kept struggling with the officers. GODWIN heard OFFICER FUTCH say that he was kicked by the subject. GODWIN said the subject was face down in the ground in front of the gazebo. GODWIN told the subject to stop resisting also, but the subject did not stop. GODWIN tried to de-escalate the situation. GODWIN stated the struggle lasted for approximately six to ten minutes. GODWIN did not see who handcuffed the subject. GODWIN said the subject was later identified as GARY THOMAS, JR. GODWIN did not recognize the subject during the altercation. Once cuffed, the subject started hollering that his wrists were hurting. The officers escorted the subject to a patrol vehicle to be transported. EMS was also called and arrived on the scene but did not treat the subject at the scene. They transported the subject to the jail and EMS followed.

GODWIN stayed at the scene and did not go to the jail. GODWIN spoke to RODNEY MERRITT, the father of GARY THOMAS, JR. while at the scene. MERRITT came up and started calling the police officers crooked cops. GODWIN spoke to MERRITT and told him THOMAS, JR. was being taken to the Sheriff's office. GODWIN also told MERRITT that he was arrested for drug charges and a possible probation warrant. MERRITT wanted to speak with the Sheriff and GODWIN called the Sheriff and informed the Sheriff that MERRITT wanted to speak with him.

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GODWIN could not see all that happened, but he knows that there was a struggle. GODWIN was in full uniform with his badge, vest and in his marked patrol vehicle. All of the deputies present were in full uniforms and were driving marked Sheriff's department vehicles. GODWIN only spoke to THOMAS, JR. to give him commands to stop resisting and to put his hands behind his back. GODWIN could provide no further information at this time.

The interview concluded at 9:00 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Godwin Interview

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**ID DATA:**

**GODWIN, CLAYTON** (SERGEANT)  
SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE  
COUNTRY: UNITED STATES  
OCCUPATION: SERGEANT  
EMPLOYER:  
COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
CELLULAR (Redacted)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/16/2020

tt: 6/19/2020

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 8:25 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) speaking with DEPUTY JOSEPH GATEWOOD in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. GATEWOOD essentially stated the following;

It should be noted that S/A NIPPER read the following statement prior to the interview;

"This investigation is to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated during the use of force incident. This is not an administrative or disciplinary inquiry. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. Your cooperation in this investigation is voluntary".

GATEWOOD agreed to understanding and agreed to speak to S/A NIPPER related to the use of force investigation.

GATEWOOD has worked as a deputy at the CCSO since on or around February of 2016. He was working night shift on Monday, June 15, 2020. He was working with SGT. GODWIN, DEPUTY'S GATES and BREWER.

Prior to the incident while at the CCSO, SGT. GODWIN received a phone call from either SGT. HANCOCK or FUTCH with the Adel Police Department (APD). APD had received information from the FBI that a black male wearing a dark ball cap, exact



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name unknown was located in a brown shack near Sixth and MLK Street in Adel.

CCSO approached from Sixth Street. APD approached from MLK. All officers and deputy's arrived in their department issued vehicles and department issued uniforms clearly marked as law enforcement.

APD were the first to arrive on scene. HANCOCK and OFFICER GREENE approached the gazebo. HANCOCK and GREENE were talking with a black male wearing a dark in color baseball hat. This individual was later identified by law enforcement as GARY THOMAS, JR. THOMAS was on one side of the gazebo. Three other black males were on the other bench side. These individuals are known to law enforcement as RONNIE WALTON, RANDALL WALTON and CALVIN SMITH. There was a black male wearing all red known by SGT. GODWIN. This individual is known to law enforcement as BOB KAISER.

APD Officers on scene were SGT. HANCOCK, SGT. FUTCH, OFFICER GREENE, OFFICER BRASHER and CPL. SUMNER. CCSO Deputies on scene were SGT. GODWIN, DEPUTY'S GATEWOOD, GATES and BREWER.

While on scene he was standing closer to the gazebo near the WALTON'S and SMITH. He was talking to them. HANCOCK and GREENE instructed THOMAS to place his phone down. THOMAS did not comply. He was watching KAISER at this point while KAISER was walking around. GREENE instructed THOMAS to place his hands behind his back. He does not know exactly why but assumes that it was due to THOMAS disregarding commands while trying to identify THOMAS. THOMAS did provide a name and date of birth, exact details unknown.

THOMAS did not comply with verbal instructions to stand up and place his hands behind his back. THOMAS leaned back defiantly and stated he was trying to call someone. THOMAS did not comply with verbal requests to place his phone down. THOMAS leaned back defiantly away from officers. THOMAS was trying to call someone. HANCOCK explained to THOMAS to place the phone down. HANCOCK explained he did not want unknown others coming to the current location.

HANCOCK and GREENE then went hands on with THOMAS. FUTCH also assisted in the arrest. THOMAS was given verbal commands to place his hands behind his back and to stop resisting. THOMAS was physically resisting. THOMAS was fighting and moving around. HANCOCK delivered a drive stun to THOMAS' chest area.

GATEWOOD is unsure if verbal commands were given prior to the taser being issued. THOMAS went to the ground outside of the gazebo. HANCOCK, FUTCH, SUMNER and GREENE and now himself were trying to arrest THOMAS. THOMAS was face down. THOMAS' hands were reaching towards his waist band area. THOMAS was kicking FUTCH while resisting. Based off training, experience and knowledge, when subject's hands go to their waist band area, it's known to be an area for possible weapons or illegal substances.

He witnessed THOMAS kick FUTCH. He later saw physical marks on FUTCH'S right arm. There was red irritation on FUTCH'S right arm from the kicks. FUTCH told him that he was kicked by THOMAS. THOMAS was tased approximately two times on the gazebo by HANCOCK. He thought that he heard the taser but did not actually witness the taser administered. Either HANCOCK or FUTCH delivered knee strikes to

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THOMAS due to THOMAS resisting and reaching for his waist band. He recalls officers saying "he's going for his waist. He's going for his waist." He then crossed THOMAS' legs, pushed THOMAS' legs towards THOMAS' body to neutralize THOMAS' legs from kicking FUTCH.

SUMNER got a cuff on THOMAS. FUTCH then got the second cuff on THOMAS. He then let go of THOMAS' legs after the cuffs were secured. THOMAS stated that his cuffs and wrists were hurt. THOMAS made a mention of money, exact details unknown and that "I hope this is recorded." THOMAS made allegations that he was struck and kicked, but did not say specifically who had struck or kicked him.

THOMAS was walked to HANCOCK'S patrol vehicle. GREENE then adjusted THOMAS' cuffs. THOMAS was placed in the back of the patrol vehicle with the window down. THOMAS' father arrived on scene at a high rate of speed with an aggressive posture. THOMAS' father arrived with two females believed to be THOMAS' sisters.

EMS was called. At the time EMS arrived, they were instructed to meet at the CCSO due to officer safety from the growing crowd. He did not go back to the CCSO with EMS or the APD.

He did not strike THOMAS. He believes he only witnessed a knee strike delivered to THOMAS. He is aware of a video on social media which is one second long appearing to show GREENE striking THOMAS with a closed fist. There is also a longer video on social media posted by a female. He has not directly spoken to HANCOCK, FUTCH, SUMNER, GREENE or OFFICER BRASHER about the incident. He is not equipped with a body camera at the CCSO. No further information was obtained.

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This interview concluded at 9:00 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Dep Joseph Gatewood interview

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**ID DATA:**

**GATEWOOD, JOSEPH (DEPUTY)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: DEPUTY

EMPLOYER:

COOK COUNTY S.O.

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/25/2020



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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 9:10 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Cook County Sheriff's Office in regard to interviewing CORPORAL PAUL WILLIAM GATES, III, in reference to this ongoing use of force investigation. Prior to the interview, SAC PRO informed GATES that this investigation is to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated during the use of force incident. It is not an administrative or disciplinary inquiry. He was not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. His cooperation in this investigation is freely voluntary. GATES indicated that he understood and that he was willing to talk with SAC PRO in regard to the use of force investigation. The interview with GATES was recorded. For a detailed account, refer to the recording. (See attached). GATES essentially stated the following;

GATES has been employed with the Cook County Sheriff's office for approximately three and a half years. On Monday, June 15, 2020, GATES was working a split shift from 2:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. GATES indicated that LT. EXUM was his first shift supervisor and SERGEANT CLAYTON GODWIN was his supervisor for the second half of his split shift.

GATES was at the officer briefing that was being conducted by SGT. GODWIN. GODWIN was notified that the FBI had information that a subject was in the city and there were warrants on the individual. SGT. GODWIN received the call and DEPUTY JOEL GATEWOOD and DEPUTY KYLE BREWER were all there when the call was received. They were told that the subject would be at West 6th and South MLK. It would be a black male wearing a black shirt and a dark ball cap. GATES and the other

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deputies left the Sheriff's office at approximately 7:00 p.m. en route to the location. As they arrived on the scene, the city officers were arriving also. All of the deputy's vehicles were on the 6th Street side. GATES came around a house and set up on the west side of 6th Street. There were approximately five males in the gazebo. One of the males wearing a red shirt and red hat came out of the gazebo and spoke to GODWIN and GATES. The city officers were talking with the other black males in the gazebo. GODWIN and GATES along with the black male in the red shirt looked inside a shed that was near the gazebo. They were looking in the shed for other individuals and the individual that they had the BOLO on. They were also securing the area.

SGT. GODWIN told the black male who they were looking for. GATES and GODWIN went to the back of the gazebo and stood by it while the city officers were talking to the black male that was sitting on the southeast corner of the gazebo. GATES heard the officer say, "Stand up and put your hands behind your back." GATES also heard on the radio that dispatch came over and said there was no return on the name that was provided to dispatch by the city officers. Shortly after this is when the city officer asked the subject to give them his hands.

The subject began to resist and pulled his hands back from the officer. The subject asked the officer what he had done. The individual in the red shirt and a second black male with a dark shirt told the city officers that he was not the subject that they were looking for. GATES moved from his position to the opening of the gazebo at this time.

The city officers were still struggling with the subject and one of the officers used a taser to drive stun the subject on the leg. The officers and the subject went to the floor of the gazebo. OFFICER FUTCH was holding the subject's legs, because the subject was

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kicking.

GATES saw the officers and the subject when they went to the ground in front of the gazebo. DEPUTY GATEWOOD was at the south end and was assisting OFFICER FUTCH with holding the subject's legs. The officers were giving commands for the subject to stop and quit resisting. One of the officers said that "he is reaching for his waist." GATES' attention was then taken away when the large black male stood up and started yelling. He clenched his fists, but walked away from the gazebo. GATES then saw one officer punch with a closed fist on the subject. He could not tell which officer. He later saw a Facebook video and recognized who the officer was that threw the punch. GATES identified the officer as OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE.

SGT. GODWIN positioned himself near the head of the subject and gave verbal commands for the subject to stop resisting and let the officers cuff him. The subject was cuffed shortly after and they stood the subject up. GATES then walked to the road where the vehicles were and started crowd control. The subject refused to get in the patrol vehicle and GATES saw them try and attempt to adjust the cuffs on the subject. He then walked back to the gazebo area. GATES saw a clear Tupperware container with a red top with small baggies containing what appeared to be a white powdery substance. GATES also saw a handful size plastic bag that contained what appeared to be a green, leafy substance that he suspected to be marijuana.

GATES also recalled one of the officers searching the subject after he was cuffed and was standing. GATES saw an officer pull a small, plastic baggy containing a thumb size amount of what he thought was suspected marijuana from the suspect's right pocket. The officer threw it on the gazebo floor after finding it. GATES then went to the area

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where they placed the subject in the patrol car. GATES saw the subject's father pull up in a black Dodge truck.

SGT. GODWIN explained what was going on to the father and that the subject, later identified as THOMAS, JR., was being taken to the jail. The city officers transported THOMAS, JR. to the jail. GATES and the other deputies left the scene. GATES was in full uniform during the incident with THOMAS, JR. GATES did pull his taser out at one point, but didn't use it. GATES stated when the large black male stood up and clenched his fists, he removed his taser from his holster, but when the black male left the gazebo area, he placed his taser back in his holster. GATES was wearing his full Cook County Deputy uniform and driving a Cook County marked vehicle. GATES could provide no further information.

The interview concluded at 9:49 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Gates Interview

[\(Attachments\)](#)

**ID DATA:**

**GATES, PAUL WILLIAM** (DEPUTY)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: DEPUTY

EMPLOYER:

COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

BUSINESS:(229)896-5038

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/16/2020

tt: 6/19/2020





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On Tuesday, June 16, 2020, at approximately 9:15 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the Cook County Sheriff's office speaking with DEPUTY JUSTIN BREWER in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. BREWER essentially stated the following;

Prior to the interview, S/A NIPPER read the following statement;

"This investigation is to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated during the use of force incident. This is not an administrative or disciplinary inquiry. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. Your cooperation in this investigation is voluntary".

BREWER agreed to understanding and agreed to speak to S/A NIPPER in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation.

He has worked at the Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) for approximately two years. Prior to the CCSO, he worked for the Tifton Police Department.

On Monday, June 15, 2020, he was working night shift with SGT. GODWIN, DEPUTY'S GATWOOD and GATES. At approximately 7:00 p.m., SGT. GODWIN received a telephone call from The Adel Police Department (APD). The APD was advised that the FBI was looking for a black male wearing a black hat in the area of Sixth Street and MLK Street in Adel.

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Upon his arrival, APD officers were already on scene. APD Officers present were SGT. HANCOCK, SGT. FUTCH, CPL. SUMNER, OFFICERS GREENE and BRASHER. CCSO Deputy's on scene were SGT. GODWIN, GATES, GATEWOOD and himself. All officers and deputy's arrived in their department issued vehicles clearly marked as law enforcement. All officers and deputy's arrived on scene wearing their department issued uniforms clearly marked as law enforcement.

At the location was a wooden gazebo occupied by four to five black males (known to law enforcement as GARY THOMAS, JR. RONNIE and RANDY WALTON and CALVIN SMITH). SMITH was wearing all black and was described as large. An individual was wearing a red shirt (known to law enforcement as BOB KAISER).

HANCOCK and GREENE were on the gazebo speaking with THOMAS. THOMAS was wearing a black hat and fit the description of the wanted individual that they were looking for. THOMAS' hat was actually a dark blue hat. Officers were looking for FNU DUNWOODY. This individual is known as CHARLES DUNWOODY. BREWER found this information out after the incident occurred.

HANCOCK and GREENE asked THOMAS for his identification, name and date of birth. THOMAS was not cooperative or compliant. THOMAS was cussing, exact details unknown. THOMAS was on his phone. THOMAS was given verbal instructions to place his phone down. THOMAS did not comply. GREENE then instructed THOMAS to stand up. THOMAS did stand up. A large group started to form. He and GATES were watching the crowd.

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HANCOCK, FUTCH and GREENE went hands on with THOMAS. THOMAS was resisting and trying to run. THOMAS snatched away from the officers leading them off of the gazebo. He later heard that THOMAS had arrest warrants.

SMITH became upset and started to cuss. He, GATES and GODWIN tried to calm SMITH down. Everyone that was on the gazebo had left at this point.

BREWER did not witness the majority of the physical altercation. He was mainly watching the crowd. He did see a taser. He heard a drive stun administered approximately twice. He recalls hearing several verbal instructions given to THOMAS, "Give me your hands." He heard SUMNER say, "He's reaching for his waist band." This saying implies that the subject may be attempting to reach for something, a concealed weapon or drugs based off his knowledge and experience.

THOMAS was off the gazebo and on the ground. BREWER was on the other side of the gazebo at this time. OFFICERS HANCOCK, GREENE, FUTCH, SUMNER and DEPUTY GATEWOOD were now hands on with THOMAS trying to place him in handcuffs. GATEWOOD secured THOMAS' legs after he saw THOMAS kick FUTCH. BREWER did not witness THOMAS kick FUTCH. GATEWOOD told him that he witnessed THOMAS kick FUTCH. GATEWOOD then secured THOMAS' legs, crossed them and applied pressure to prevent THOMAS from continuing to kick FUTCH.

BREWER did not witness THOMAS being struck. He heard later that GREENE had punched THOMAS in the upper body area. He was told this by GODWIN. GODWIN witnessed GREENE strike THOMAS. GODWIN then told GREENE during the incident, "Let me speak to him." He has not spoken to anyone else about the use of force since

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the altercation.

He does not know who cuffed THOMAS. After the incident, THOMAS mentioned that his wrists hurt and cuffs were too tight. HANCOCK loosened THOMAS' cuffs. THOMAS said that someone had punched him. THOMAS did not provide a name. EMS arrived on the scene. EMS then left to check THOMAS at the CCSO due to the crowd gathering.

BREWER did not have any direct contact with the subject at any point. He is aware of one recording on Facebook approximately twenty minutes long posted by the account "NakimaDanielle". He was not equipped with any body camera. He is aware of another one second video which appears to be an unknown officer closed fist striking THOMAS. He believes that drugs, suspected to be cocaine, were located during the altercation. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded 9:45 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Deputy Justin Brewer interview

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**ID DATA:**

**BREWER, JUSTIN** (DEPUTY)  
SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE  
COUNTRY: UNITED STATES  
OCCUPATION: DEPUTY  
EMPLOYER:  
COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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REGION 4  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/25/2020



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REGION 4  
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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 12:47 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Cook County Sheriff's office in reference to making contact with CAPTAIN JESSE BROWNING. BROWNING provided SAC PRO with the arrest and booking report for GARY THOMAS, JR. (See attached).

The document essentially revealed the following: GARY THOMAS' Arrest Booking form reflected the name WILLIAM THOMLINSON with the date of birth [REDACTED] 1979". The form was completed by SGT SHAWN HANCOCK with the Adel Police Department. THOMAS was booked in and photographed at approximately 7:50 PM on Monday, June 15, 2020.

This investigative act concluded at 12:50 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

ARREST-BOOKING REPORT G Thomas AB

[\(Attachments\)](#)

**ID DATA:**

**BROWNING, JESSE (CAPTAIN)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: OFFICER

EMPLOYER:

COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/30/2020



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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at approximately 12:56 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Cook County Sheriff's office in the jail area in reference to making contact with RANDY RAY in reference to the ongoing investigation. The interview with Ray was recorded. For a detailed account, refer to the recording. (See attached). RAY essentially stated the following;

RAY has worked for the Cook County Sheriff's office in the jail for approximately two years. On Monday, June 15, 2020, RAY was working a 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shift inside the jail. RAY'S duties for the shift was running central. A part of the duties of running central is to log people into the jail and answer phone calls to the jail and answering inmate calls.

At approximately 7:30, Adel officers brought a black male subject into the booking area. RAY noted that the officers were OFFICER FUTCH, OFFICER HANCOCK, OFFICER SUMNER, and Cook County Sheriff's office LT. TRENT EXUM had also come into the booking area and was present while the black male was being booked into the jail. RAY also saw two EMS workers in the booking area during the time the black male was being booked in. RAY checked the black male's temperature and EMS checked the black male's wrist for pain that he was complaining of. RAY said that he let the police department know that he was still in their custody due to no warrants being taken on the subject at the time the subject was brought into the booking area. RAY heard a conversation between the black male and the police officers and it sounded heated. He did not hear the exact words that were being said by the officers and the black male, but he knew that the conversation sounded heated.

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After the conversation, it was determined that the black male was not going to be transported to the hospital by EMS. PAUL CLEMENTS, another jailer working in the jail, booked the black male into the jail. OFFICER KATLYN SUMNER said that the subject was possibly a DUNWOODY subject. RAY checked the system to find a picture of DUNWOODY to help identify the person, but was met with negative results.

OFFICER SUMNER said that the black male fit the description that they had been given and SUMNER said he gave a name, but it wasn't coming back. RAY was in central and not present in booking while the black male was being processed. RAY was told that the subject had thrown drugs during the arrest. RAY indicated that Cook County jail SERGEANT SHARON CHILDS was in charge of the shift that night and was working and went down to booking and recognized the subject to be GARY THOMAS. RAY was told this when CHILD'S came back to central and talked with him.

After booking, THOMAS was placed into Cell A152.

RAY was present with SAC PRO and S/A NIPPER when they attempted to interview THOMAS on June 16, 2020. THOMAS requested that his attorney be present before any questioning.

RAY could not provide any further information at this time, and the interview concluded at 1:14 p.m.

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AUDIO Ray Interview

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**ID DATA:**

**RAY, RANDY** (CORPORAL)  
SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE  
COUNTRY: UNITED STATES  
OCCUPATION: JAILER  
EMPLOYER:  
COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
CELLULAR (Redacted)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/17/2020

tt: 6/19/2020

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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 1:23 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Cook County Sheriff's office in reference to interviewing LT. TRENT EXUM in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. The interview was audio recorded (See attached). For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. EXUM essentially stated the following;

EXUM has been with the Cook County Sheriff's office for approximately twenty one years. He is Lieutenant over the road patrol. On Monday, June 15, 2020, EXUM worked a 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. shift. The officers assigned under EXUM on that day were DEPUTY LEAH H. MORRIS, DEPUTY MICHAEL NICOLLEI, and CORPORAL WILLIAM GATES. EXUM indicated that GATES worked a split shift on that date from 2:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. CAPTAIN BROWNING and EXUM were at the Sheriff's office at approximately 7:30 p.m. and as they were leaving the jail, EXUM noticed three vehicles come into the parking lot. The vehicles were occupied by KATRINA THOMAS, REGINA THOMAS, and RODNEY MERRITT.

EXUM knew that these individuals were family members of GARY THOMAS, JR. EXUM saw the individuals and approached them as they exited their vehicles. MERRITT told EXUM that the city and THOMAS had been wrestling. EXUM told him that he didn't know what was going on, but he would go into the jail and check on GARY THOMAS, JR.. At this time, EXUM went into the jail and walked to the sally port area and then into the booking area. While there, EXUM saw OFFICER HANCOCK, OFFICER FUTCH, OFFICER BRASHER, OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE and OFFICER SUMNER, who was at the back of the jail, as he went into the sally port area. EXUM

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asked all of the officers if they were okay and they all indicated that they were and EXUM then saw GARY THOMAS sitting in a chair and went to THOMAS and asked if he was okay.

THOMAS was handcuffed in a chair and EXUM retrieved handcuff keys from OFFICER BRASHER and took the cuffs off of THOMAS. EMS checked THOMAS and EXUM noticed that THOMAS' arm had cuff indentations on it and was a little puffy. THOMAS said that he didn't think it was broken. EXUM told JAILER CLEMENTS to get with SGT. CHILDS and have her check on THOMAS. EXUM talked with THOMAS briefly and told him to let the jailers do what they needed to do. EXUM said that THOMAS was cooperative.

EXUM then went out to talk with MERRITT and the other family members. On the way out, BRASHER talked with him and said that there were a lot of people out at the scene and a lot of the people that were at the scene didn't like FUTCH and HANCOCK. BRASHER said he thought that the situation could have went differently. EXUM then talked with RODNEY MERRITT and GREG PAIGE, City Councilman, who had arrived outside with MERRITT and his family. MERRITT asked how THOMAS looked and EXUM told him THOMAS' arm was a little sore and that he had a little scrape on his forehead. EXUM told MERRITT and PAIGE that the officers were looking for a subject for the FBI and MERRITT started complaining and EXUM told MERRITT to complain to PAIGE and that they couldn't see THOMAS that night, but he could meet with the Sheriff the next day and the Sheriff would talk with them about being able to see THOMAS.

At this time, EXUM left the jail. EXUM stood by his vehicle and watched the city officers talk to MERRITT and his family. EXUM could not hear the conversation. EXUM watched

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the city officers leave and then spoke briefly with MERRITT again to check on him to see how they were doing. MERRITT said that he was good. EXUM then left the Sheriff's office. SAC PRO asked EXUM if he heard any of the officers while he was in the booking area ask about the identification of THOMAS. EXUM did not hear any conversations of the police officers. He only heard OFFICER GREENE say that he got tased three times. EXUM did not identify THOMAS, to the police officers. He assumed that they knew who he was. EXUM could provide no further information.

The interview concluded at 1:51 p.m.

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AUDIO Exum Interview

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**ID DATA:**

**EXUM, TRENT** (LIEUTENANT)  
SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE  
COUNTRY: UNITED STATES  
OCCUPATION: LIEUTENANT  
EMPLOYER:  
COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
BUSINESS:(229)896-5038

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/17/2020

tt: 6/19/2020

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On Friday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 1:50 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the address of [REDACTED] in Adel, Ga., speaking with NAKIMA HENDLEY in reference to the ongoing investigation. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. NAKIMA essentially stated the following;

Her mother is SHARON PAIGE. Her mother lives at [REDACTED] in Adel. On Monday, June 15, 2020, she was sitting on her mother's porch when they saw several Adel Police Department (APD) patrol vehicles pass by. She described this as being a bad neighborhood with frequent drug busts. They see police cars often. They walked down to the location of the APD vehicles. She saw APD officers on GARY THOMAS JR aka "JG". THOMAS said, "I haven't did anything." She is unaware of the other witnesses that may have been present during this incident.

Officers then picked THOMAS up. Officers tasered THOMAS, kicked THOMAS and punched THOMAS while THOMAS' hands were zip tied behind his back. She took a video and posted it on Facebook.

She saw both APD and Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) vehicles. She recalls a gazebo, exact address unknown (known to law enforcement as [REDACTED] in Adel). RANDALL WALTON was present. BOB KAISER and RANDALL'S brother "JUICY" (known to law enforcement as RONNIE WALTON) may have been present.

MARCUS IRVING also filmed the incident. IRVING filmed a one second video of

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THOMAS being punched. IRVING thought he was recording longer than he was. She recalls hearing one long taser. She does not know if any verbal instructions were given to THOMAS by the officers. THOMAS was zip tied behind his back when he was picked up off of the bench on the gazebo at the beginning of the incident. She described this as an excessive use of force. THOMAS was kicked and punched by unknown officers. Only one officer kicked THOMAS. Two officers were punching THOMAS. One officer kned THOMAS. A female officer was involved in holding THOMAS down, but she does not believe that the female officer struck THOMAS. The two smallest officers did the most force.

She heard that officers were looking for "KUJO" but that "KUJO" was not there. She heard that THOMAS fit the description for "KUJO" at the time of the incident. She heard that THOMAS then gave a false name to law enforcement due to having a warrant. In her opinion, the officers knew who THOMAS was at the time. In her opinion, the officers knew that THOMAS was not KUJO. The officers walked up slowly because "they know these guys are always getting busted". She believes the neighbor MARY JEAN across the road and MOLLY LNU may have witnessed the incident.

HENDLEY provided S/A NIPPER with the video that she recorded (See attached). Nothing of evidentiary value was noted. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 2:10 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Nakima Hendley interview

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VIDEO N Hendley Facebook video

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INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**ID DATA:**

**HENDLEY, NAKIMA (MS)**

DOB: 1991

SEX/RACE: FEMALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

ADEL, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNEMPLOYED

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

CELLULAR (Redacted)

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/26/2020

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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 2:30 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Cook County 911 Center located at 3295 County Farm Road in Adel, Ga., in regard to this ongoing investigation. SAC PRO made contact with 911 Director LAMAR RAY, in regard to obtaining the CAD Reports for Monday June 15, 2020, starting at approximately 7:00 p.m. RAY provided SAC PRO with a CD containing the CAD report (see attached) and audio recordings of 911 calls. The disk is maintained in the rear of the case file.

The CAD from June 15, 2020 essentially revealed the following: Adel Police Department (APD) Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Officers were "on scene" at 6th Street and MLK Street in Adel, Cook County, Georgia reference CHARLES DUNWOODY AKA KUJO at approximately 7:07 PM. The name WILLIAM TOMLINSON and date of birth [REDACTED]-1979" were queried at approximately 7:09 PM. EMS was requested reference "hands hurting" at approximately 7:20 PM.

It should be noted that upon review of the disk no audio files would play. SA NIPPER contacted RAY via telephone and requested an additional copy of all APD and CCSO radio traffic to include all 911 calls related to the use of force incident.

This investigative act concluded on Friday, July 31, 2020 at 9:30 AM.

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911 DISPATCH LOGS CAD report

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OTHER defective disk containing 911 calls maintained at the rear of the case file



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**ID DATA:**

**RAY, LAMAR (MR)**  
SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE  
COUNTRY: UNITED STATES  
OCCUPATION: CLERK  
EMPLOYER:  
COOK COUNTY 911  
3295 COUNTY FARM ROAD  
ADEL, GA  
BUSINESS:(229)896-4464

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/25/2020

tt: 6/30/2020

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On Friday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 2:30 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the Adel Police Department (APD). S/A NIPPER obtained one disc containing the following: Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) booking video from Monday June 15, 2020, and CCSO jail calls made by GARY THOMAS JR. The disk was provided by CCSO INVESTIGATOR DEVIN MORRIS. MORRIS previously provided this disk to S/A ALEX JULIAN. S/A JULIAN provided the disk to S/A NIPPER. The disk will be maintained in the rear of the case file. The disk essentially revealed the following;

THOMAS made calls from the CCSO jail from June 15, 2020 through June 18, 2020 (see attached).

\*On 06-15-20 at approximately 9:04 PM, THOMAS spoke to his mother at [REDACTED]. THOMAS told his mother that HANCOCK (known to law enforcement as ADP SGT SHAWN HANCOCK) hit him in the back of the head twice and that the "little short one" (known to law enforcement as APD OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE) kicked him. THOMAS stated "I was trying to call you mama...I'm not under arrest I can have my phone...they snatched me up and hit me with the taser two three times...somebody had some drugs up under the patio where I fell at...they putting that all on me...I never did give them a name"

\*On 06-15-20 at approximately 9:10 PM, THOMAS spoke to his mother. His mother stated, "if they got you down on the ground in handcuffs ain't no sense them hitting and beating on you". THOMAS stated "then he asked me...talking about I gave him a wrong name...I said no I'm telling you I'm not CHARLES WILLIAMSON...or CHARLES

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DUNWOODY...he told me I told him I was CHARLES WILLIAMSON or something”

\*On 06-16-20 at approximately 3:15 PM, THOMAS spoke with an unidentified female at [REDACTED]. THOMAS stated “I seen that lady, whoever that girl was, she the one that put that stuff by my money...yea I seen her reaching up under where I was laying at...I guess you could see something up under there...I still don’t know what it was...y’ all already done lied on me with the drugs”. THOMAS stated “yea they didn’t want me to ride with EMS...they wanted me to ride with them...so I refused it...GREENE and HANCOCK were trying to get me back in the car with them...so I said no...no y’ all just give me a Tylenol or something” The unidentified female stated “you got a witness saying an officer holding your feet, an officer holding your hands and the other officer was punching you...that’s when the other one tasered you with your hands behind your back”. THOMAS stated, “yea my hands behind my back...just kept five six times in my head...I blacked out he was punching me so hard...”.

\*On 06-16-20 at approximately 3:30 PM, THOMAS spoke with an unidentified male at [REDACTED]. The unidentified male stated “because at the end of the day...they gone see excessive force just like the public and everybody else is seeing...because at the time they had you down on the ground...you were handcuffed and they constantly beating you and tasering you...that is excessive use of force”. THOMAS stated, “HANCOCK know me or something...he really wasn’t studying nobody else but me”. THOMAS stated “pull that tape...I wouldn’t give them a name...I used the phone...then he gets down to the county jail and gets a paper says I gave him that name”

THOMAS made several allegations that the drugs that he was charged with were not found on his person, were not his and that they were planted on him.

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On 06-15-2020, THOMAS told his sister, "I didn't resist arrest... even if I did... once y' all cuff me and get me on the ground what's the point of beating me and kicking me"

The CCSO booking video essentially revealed the following:

It should be noted that no audio is available. Video surveillance footage is available from the CCSO booking unit, Sally Port area and Outside Control area.

\*On 06-15-2020 at approximately 7:28 PM, ADP Officers BRASHER and SUMNER entered the booking area with THOMAS along with one CCSO jailer. THOMAS is handcuffed behind his back. THOMAS took a seat. EMS personnel begin to examine THOMAS. SGT HANCOCK and OFFICER GREENE then arrived. HANCOCK had a dark in color baseball cap in his hands. DEPUTY TRENT EXUM then entered and removed THOMAS' handcuffs.

\*THOMAS' wrists are then re-examined by EMS. SGT FUTCH then arrived. HANCOCK stood behind the booking desk and completed paperwork. FUTCH and GREENE leaned on the counter. No officers were standing over THOMAS during the examination after being uncuffed. FUTCH was then examined by EMS. FUTCH showed EMS his forearm areas. BRASHER and SUMNER then re-entered booking and stood at the counter. EXUM re-appeared next to THOMAS. EXUM was the closest officer to THOMAS.

\*Two jailers then appear to have a conversation with EMS. HANCOCK then turned to THOMAS and held up a notepad in THOMAS' direction. THOMAS and HANCOCK

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appear to have a conversation. THOMAS' left hand and arm are not visible on the video, but THOMAS right hand and arm are used frequently raised, waved and pointed during his conversation. FUTCH and THOMAS appear to have a conversation.

\*HANCOCK then has a conversation with EMS. THOMAS then appeared to have a conversation with an individual off camera, possibly HANCOCK. HANCOCK then appeared to sign an EMS document. APD Officers and EMS exited booking at approximately 7:48 PM. THOMAS was then dressed out into a CCSO jail uniform. THOMAS appeared to favor his left wrist. THOMAS was then booked and fingerprinted.

\*THOMAS then made phone calls from booking. THOMAS held the phone with his left hand starting at approximately 8:53 PM. THOMAS switched the phone to right hand at approximately 9:17 PM. THOMAS then fully extended his left arm and hand while pointing at the jailer. THOMAS then utilized his fully extended left arm and hand to receive and hold a piece of paper from the jailer. THOMAS then switched back to holding the phone with his left hand. THOMAS' call ended at approximately 9:20 PM. THOMAS exited the booking area at this time.

No further information was obtained. This investigative act concluded on Friday, July 31, 2020 at approximately 8:30 AM.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Gary Thomas jail calls

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**ID DATA:**

**MORRIS, DEVIN** (DEPUTY)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: DEPUTY

EMPLOYER:

COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

**JULIAN, ALEX** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

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351 THOMAS FRIER SR. DRIVE

DOUGLAS, GA 31535

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/22/2020

tt: 6/29/2020



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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 3:40 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the law office of WILLIAM FOLSOM in Valdosta, Ga., speaking with OFFICER JAMES TAYLOR GREENE in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account refer to the attached recording.

Prior to the interview, S/A NIPPER read GREENE the following statement;

"This investigation is to determine whether any criminal laws have been violated during the use of force incident. This is not an administrative or disciplinary inquiry. You are not being compelled to give any statement or answer any questions. Your cooperation in this investigation is voluntary".

GREENE agreed to understanding and agreed to provide a statement related to the ongoing use of force investigation. It should be noted that Attorney WILLIAM FOLSOM was present during the interview.

GREENE has worked at the Adel Police Department (APD) for approximately two years. He was hired in March of 2018. Prior to APD he worked at the Lowndes County Sheriff's Office jail for approximately one year. He completed police academy around June of 2018. He is P.O.S.T. certified with the state of Georgia.

On Monday, June 15, 2020, he worked day shift from approximately 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. The supervisor on day shift was SGT. SHAWN HANCOCK. CPL. KATLYN

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SUMNER was also present from 2:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. working split shift. There was no morning briefing on Monday due to a barricaded subject being at the Super 8 motel. He also assisted with this incident. Prior to coming on duty, he slept approximately five hours, exact amount unknown. He did not consume any drugs or alcohol the night prior.

He prepared his report based off of his body and dash camera footage. At approximately 7:00 p.m., around shift change, HANCOCK requested that all APD officers meet at the APD for a briefing. APD officers present at the briefing were HANCOCK, FUTCH, SUMNER, BRASHER and himself.

HANCOCK had received a call from LT. CHRIS GRIFFIN with APD. According to GRIFFIN, the FBI had provided information that a wanted subject would be near a shack on South MLK with a group of other unknown black males. The subject would be wearing a black hat. The subject would be the only individual wearing a hat. The subject was wanted for felony drug trafficking charges and had active arrest warrants. The subject was also known to flee from law enforcement.

He is familiar with the area in question. This area is known to him as a high crime drug area based off his experience with the APD. He assumed off of his prior drug experiences that weapons were also likely to be involved. His body camera was going dead on the way to the location. He then briefly charged his body camera on the way to the location. The Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) was called to assist due to having a K-9 in case the subject ran.

While on the way to the scene, he and other officers were provided with the name CHARLES DUNWOODY as the wanted subject. They were not provided any



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photograph or date of birth for DUNWOODY. He does not know DUNWOODY.

He approached the location on S MLK Street in his patrol vehicle. He parked his vehicle facing the wooden gazebo to better record the incident. He turned his body camera on following the short charge.

Those present were APD OFFICERS HANCOCK, FUTCH, SUMNER, BRASHER and himself. CCSO Deputies present were SGT. GODWIN, GATES, GATEWOOD and BREWER. CCSO approached on Sixth Street. APD approached on MLK.

All officers arrived in department issued vehicles and uniforms clearly marked as law enforcement. HANCOCK was the first officer on scene. He does not know if anyone with APD identified themselves as law enforcement upon arrival.

They located the known "shack" and pulled into the yard. He was familiar with the location and neighborhood which he described as a high crime area known for drug sales. He and other officers had just recently executed a search warrant at a nearby location where marijuana and cocaine were seized.

He smelled a strong odor of marijuana upon exiting his patrol vehicle. He described the visibility as "still daylight". The gazebo was occupied by approximately five unknown black males. Three of the subjects were seated on the opposite bench. One subject was described to be a heavy-set black male (known to law enforcement as CALVIN SMITH). SMITH was seated beside two other black males (known to law enforcement as RONNIE and RANDALL WALTON). Neither WALTON nor SMITH was wearing a hat.

One unknown black male dressed in a red shirt and a red hat stood up from the gazebo and began walking around the yard. This individual was known to law enforcement as BOB KAISER. He instructed KAISER to sit back down. KAISER told him "you know me". He told KAISER "I don't know you". KAISER then walked off speaking to GODWIN.

There was another black male sitting on the east side of the gazebo wearing a dark blue Atlanta Braves hat, which from afar could appear to be black. This individual was later identified to law enforcement as GARY THOMAS, JR. THOMAS wore a black shirt and blue jeans. THOMAS fit the description of the wanted individual based off the information they were provided.

He asked THOMAS his name and was provided with the name "MICKEY". He asked for "CHARLES" or "KUJO" and was told by the group that they did not know CHARLES or KUJO. THOMAS then provided the name of WILLIAM TOMLINSON and a date of birth to HANCOCK. HANCOCK ran the information provided by THOMAS through dispatch.

HANCOCK initially spoke to THOMAS. HANCOCK explained APD'S purpose for being there and who they were looking for to THOMAS. HANCOCK explained to THOMAS that he matched the description of DUNWOODY. HANCOCK requested that SUMNER and BRASHER assist in identifying the others present by collecting names and dates of birth.

THOMAS then picked up his phone and started to call someone. HANCOCK made more than one request for THOMAS to place his phone down. THOMAS initially complied but then continued to use his phone. SUMNER also gave THOMAS a verbal

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instruction not to call anyone. THOMAS did not comply with officer's requests. THOMAS was then instructed to place his phone down on the railing of the gazebo. THOMAS turned away as if ignoring HANCOCK. THOMAS appeared to be texting.

Based on his training and prior experience, APD officers do not allow subjects to be on their phones while they are either being detained or under arrest, due to officer safety precautions. Officers do not want additional outside subjects to interject themselves into investigations. Additional outside subjects may be armed or outnumber officers. Officers are unable to determine additional outside subject's intentions. Phone usage could also potentially hinder an investigation or be used as a weapon. This is a common occurrence by APD officers on his shift to not allow subjects to use the phone during an investigation.

THOMAS began to act nervous which raised his suspicions as to what THOMAS intentions were. THOMAS was "fidgety and looking around". He described THOMAS' actions as "pre-flight indicators" based off his training and experience. He believed that THOMAS was preparing to fight based off of THOMAS knowing that he was surrounded.

Dispatch then advised "no return" on the name and date of birth provided by THOMAS prior to the use of force. Based off the "no return" and THOMAS' nervous behavior he believed that THOMAS had provided a false name and date of birth. Based off his training and experience, "no return" from dispatch normally means a false name or date of birth have been provided.

THOMAS was asked to turn his phone off. THOMAS continued to text ignoring

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HANCOCK'S instructions which further impeded their investigation and officer safety precautions. HANCOCK told THOMAS that he would be placed in handcuffs if he did not place his phone down. He does not know if HANCOCK explained the officer safety concerns to THOMAS.

Another subject sitting on the other side of the gazebo (known to law enforcement as CALVIN SMITH) spoke up. SMITH essentially stated that THOMAS could be on his phone if he wished. SMITH had an agitated loud tone of voice. HANCOCK turned his attention to SMITH. THOMAS then picked his phone up again. He then instructed THOMAS to place his phone down or he would be handcuffed. THOMAS' phone then rang. He took THOMAS' phone from him and placed the phone back on the railing.

FUTCH approached and attempted to speak with THOMAS. THOMAS continued to argue about his phone and his name not being CHARLES DUNWOODY. THOMAS stated, "why can't I be on my phone...my names not KUJO or CHARLES DUNWOODY". THOMAS' phone rang. THOMAS then quickly grabbed his phone and appeared to answer a call. THOMAS picked his phone up from the railing more than once after being instructed not to.

He took THOMAS phone once again. He instructed THOMAS to place his hands behind his back as he grabbed THOMAS' left arm. He made the decision to detain THOMAS for officer safety reasons. He was concerned over THOMAS' "no return", noncompliance with his phone and preflight indicators. He has previously detained other subjects in cuffs for "no return" responses from dispatch.

THOMAS turned left, immediately tensed up and began to pull his left arm away. He

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described THOMAS as actively resisting. THOMAS grabbed onto the railing with his right arm. HANCOCK tried to grab THOMAS' right arm. THOMAS then stood up as he continued to resist by pulling away from officers. He continued to give THOMAS verbal commands to place his hands behind his back. HANCOCK also gave verbal commands, exact unknown.

THOMAS used his right arm to push HANCOCK back. THOMAS continued to resist. HANCOCK drew his taser. THOMAS then sat back down on the bench and grabbed onto the railing. He and HANCOCK continued to give THOMAS verbal commands to place his hands behind his back. HANCOCK delivered a drive stun to THOMAS' upper left shoulder area lasting less than five seconds.

THOMAS continued to fight and pull away from officers. THOMAS fell towards the exit of the gazebo. He gave THOMAS verbal commands to place his hands behind his back. FUTCH assisted him in attempting to place THOMAS into handcuffs. THOMAS screamed "oh shit...oh shit". He had THOMAS' left arm. FUTCH had THOMAS' waist or legs. He does not know who had THOMAS' right arm.

THOMAS was now half on half off the gazebo. THOMAS' upper torso was on the ground. THOMAS' bottom torso is elevated on the gazebo. SUMNER was now on THOMAS' right side.

He witnessed THOMAS begin to reach for his waistband. THOMAS continued to resist and did not comply with verbal commands. He then heard HANCOCK administer another drive stun to THOMAS, exact location unknown. THOMAS began to scream as he fought back towards his waist band area.

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He began to yell to other officers that THOMAS was reaching for his waist. He could not tell what THOMAS was grabbing for. He was fearful that THOMAS was reaching for a weapon based off his prior training and experience. THOMAS was still actively resisting arrest. He was now in fear for his safety and the safety of the other officers. He did not know THOMAS' intentions. THOMAS had not been searched or patted down for weapons at this point. He did not know if THOMAS was armed with a weapon.

He lost complete control of THOMAS left arm. He then delivered one closed fist strike to the back of THOMAS' left arm to gain control or compliance of THOMAS' left arm. He struck THOMAS with his right hand. He struck THOMAS' left triceps area. THOMAS continued to resist. THOMAS continued to reach toward his waist band area. He then delivered one knee strike to THOMAS' left side area to gain control. He struck THOMAS with his right knee.

THOMAS then rolled over on his side and reached further down into his waist band area. THOMAS continued to resist. HANCOCK administered another drive stun to THOMAS' back area. He was inadvertently tasered by HANCOCK. He was still fearful of THOMAS obtaining a weapon. He then delivered an elbow strike to THOMAS' right jaw area due to concerns over THOMAS reaching for a weapon. He does not know if he used his left or right elbow. THOMAS then grabbed a hold of his left arm with a tight grip and would not let go. He utilized strikes to weaken THOMAS. He described THOMAS as "very very strong". FUTCH, SUMNER and himself are struggling to arrest THOMAS.

THOMAS continued to roll about. FUTCH continued to yell for THOMAS to stop reaching for his waist area. He then delivered a closed fist strike to THOMAS' right jaw area due to concerns over THOMAS reaching for a weapon. He instructed THOMAS to

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let go of his arm. THOMAS' left hand was controlling his arm. THOMAS continued to reach into his waist band with his right hand. FUTCH and SUMNER were attempting to place THOMAS in handcuffs. THOMAS was not in handcuffs when he delivered strikes to THOMAS.

He continued to give THOMAS verbal commands to place his hands behind his back. CCSO DEPUTY GATEWOOD assisted by controlling THOMAS' legs. THOMAS lost control of his arm. THOMAS sat up. He believed that THOMAS tried to bite his left arm. He pulled his arm away from THOMAS. THOMAS sat up again. THOMAS' mouth once again brushed against his arm. THOMAS then laid his head on the ground. He then placed his hand on THOMAS head to keep THOMAS from trying to bite. He told THOMAS not to bite him. THOMAS did not bite him.

THOMAS was then handcuffed by SUMNER, FUTCH and GATEWOOD. He and FUTCH attempted to calm THOMAS down. He and FUTCH searched THOMAS' waist area for weapons. FUTCH told him that THOMAS had kicked him multiple times during the incident. FUTCH'S arm was scratched up. THOMAS was stood up. He noted money and cigarettes on THOMAS' person. FUTCH discovered a small amount of a green leafy substance in THOMAS' front right pocket. No weapons were discovered.

THOMAS yelled "you're hurting me...the cuffs are too tight...you're tightening the cuffs". All forced stopped once THOMAS was handcuffed. No strikes occurred while THOMAS was in handcuffs. THOMAS fell and then stood back up.

THOMAS was escorted to HANCOCK'S patrol vehicle. THOMAS complained of wrist pain and that his cuffs were too tight. He inspected THOMAS' cuffs. He advised FUTCH

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that THOMAS' cuffs were not on properly and that he would adjust them. THOMAS was told to calm down so that the cuffs could be adjusted. He told THOMAS "don't buck". THOMAS replied, "I'm not bucking". He told THOMAS "you've been bucking this entire time". He adjusted the cuffs for fit and doubled locked. He could fit two fingers in the cuffs. THOMAS then began to twist his wrists. THOMAS was instructed to stop twisting his wrists while in cuffs.

THOMAS was still acting out by being loud and yelling at the crowd. THOMAS was instructed to sit down in the patrol vehicle. THOMAS would not comply. THOMAS eventually sat down before standing back up. HANCOCK then explained to THOMAS that additional force would be used to place him into the patrol vehicle if THOMAS did not comply. HANCOCK told THOMAS that he would be tasered again. THOMAS sat down in the patrol vehicle. EMS was called for THOMAS' wrist pain.

An additional amount of marijuana was discovered on the gazebo. SUMNER discovered a clear plastic container with a red lid. The container contained a white rock like substance believed to be cocaine. Upon review of his dash camera footage, he noted that upon arrival to the location, THOMAS is witnessed with the same plastic container in his right hand. THOMAS placed the container into his right pocket. SUMNER told him that during the struggle she witnessed THOMAS grab the container from his waist area. THOMAS threw the container towards the gazebo while continuing to resist and reach for his waist.

He inventoried THOMAS' cash. THOMAS had approximately \$444 on his person. A silver scale was also discovered. EMS arrived on scene to check THOMAS. EMS was requested to meet THOMAS at the CCSO jail due to a large crowd beginning to form.



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He estimated approximately fifty people arrived. THOMAS' father arrived upset. A city council member also arrived.

He then followed units to the CCSO jail. THOMAS was transported to the jail by SUMNER. His body camera battery died during the incident. His dash camera footage was operational during the entire use of force incident. EMS checked and cleared THOMAS at the jail. FUCHS' body camera was still recording at the jail. CCSO DEPUTY TRENT EXUM and JAILER FNU CLEMENTS were present in booking. He does not know if THOMAS requested to go to the hospital.

During the use of force, he had the following weapons available: taser, asp baton and firearm. He did not use his taser, baton or firearm during the use of force. He did not draw his firearm at any point.

After leaving the jail HANCOCK spoke with THOMAS' family. HANCOCK took out the following criminal arrest warrants on THOMAS: Battery against law enforcement officer, False Name to law enforcement, Obstruction, Possession of Cocaine and a separate unknown warrant was served.

He did not know THOMAS prior to this incident. He has never had any prior interactions with THOMAS to the best of his knowledge.

He has watched two videos on Facebook of the incident. One is a longer video capturing the majority of the incident. The second video is a one second loop of his fourth and final strike to THOMAS' jaw area. He knows that this was the final strike because it was the only strike where he "reared back".

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GREENE provided a sketch of the scene and a detailed description of the use of force incident (See attached).

S/A NIPPER photographed GREENE'S arms for injuries. SA NIPPER noted two small skin abrasions (See attached).

He did not have anything to add. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at approximately 5:40 PM.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Officer James Greene interview

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OTHER Greene sketch

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PHOTOGRAPH Greene photos

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**ID DATA:**

**GREENE, JAMES TAYLOR** (Previously Submitted)

**FOLSOM, WILLIAM** (MR)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: ATTORNEY/LAWYER

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

BUSINESS:(229)269-3895

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/25/2020



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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 3:54 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Cook County jail in Adel, Cook County, Ga., in reference to this ongoing investigation. SAC PRO made contact with PAUL ANDREW CLEMENTS, who is a jailer at the Cook County Sheriff's office. This interview was audio recorded (See attached). For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. CLEMENTS essentially stated the following;

CLEMENTS has been employed with the Cook County Sheriff's office for approximately two months. Prior to working for Cook County, CLEMENTS worked at the Turner County Jail as a jailer for approximately one year. On Monday, June 15, 2020, CLEMENTS was working the 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shift. SGT. CHILDS was the supervisor over CLEMENTS on Monday, June 15.

CPL. RANDY RAY was also working with CLEMENTS on the 15th. CLEMENTS' duties for the night were to work the booking area of the jail and taking care of the inmates, lockdown, and cell checks. At approximately 7:20 p.m., CLEMENTS noted that Adel Police Department OFFICERS HANCOCK, FUTCH, GREENE, and SUMNER arrived at the jail with a black male.

Cook County Sheriff's office LT. TRENT EXUM and EMS were also present at the time. The APD officers came in first and were talking to the black male and sat the black male in a chair near the sally port area in the booking area. This black male was later identified as GARY THOMAS, JR. The officers were talking about the charges and told THOMAS that he gave them the false name of WILLIAM TOMLINSON. The subject said

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that that was wrong and OFFICERS FUTCH, GREENE, and HANCOCK asked each other if they had any injuries while they were standing in front of THOMAS.

GREENE and FUTCH stated they had scratches on their arms. When they stated this, THOMAS, JR. stated those injuries were there own doing and they got them when they were trying to arrest him. SGT. HANCOCK wrote down on the booking form what the charges were. HANCOCK told THOMAS that he was being charged with felony assault on a police officer and two battery charges for each officer in addition to giving a false name and date of birth along with the charge of V.G.C.S.A. because he had cocaine on his person when he was arrested.

LT. EXUM was in the booking room when this occurred. THOMAS explained that his wrists were hurting. THOMAS was given three to four Tylenol and some water by Jailer CLEMENTS. EMS was there and looked at THOMAS' wrists. EMS offered to take THOMAS to the hospital, but he refused and asked for something for the pain. CLEMENTS gave THOMAS the Tylenol after THOMAS was booked into the jail.

When EMS left, most of the officers left. LT. EXUM and CPL. SUMNER also left, then HANCOCK, GREENE and FUTCH stayed in the area with THOMAS and asked THOMAS if he wanted to go to the hospital and THOMAS refused again.

FUTCH, HANCOCK and GREENE told THOMAS they would be back later to tell him about the charges. After they left, CLEMENTS stated that while THOMAS was talking to HANCOCK he could not hear all of the conversations. HANCOCK had the name WILLIAM TOMLINSON on the booking sheet. CLEMENTS searched the computer with negative results. Later in the conversation, THOMAS told CLEMENTS that his name

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was GARY THOMAS. CLEMENTS searched this name with negative results in the system. CLEMENTS knew it was possible that the system did not save it from past backups that had been done on the system. CLEMENTS said that when the officers were telling THOMAS about the charges is when THOMAS told them he was GARY THOMAS.

CLEMENTS also said that THOMAS complained about the booking form saying that he was homeless. CLEMENTS changed out THOMAS and placed him in jail clothes. THOMAS also refused to get undressed and tried to pull his boxers from CLEMENTS. CLEMENTS also fingerprinted THOMAS. CLEMENTS did not notice THOMAS' arm was swollen. CLEMENTS then allowed THOMAS to use the phone after OFFICER GREENE was contacted and GREENE said it was okay for THOMAS to use the phone.

THOMAS called his friend and then called his father. SGT. CHILDS called in and gave the Sheriff's number and told CLEMENTS to give THOMAS the number for the Sheriff. CLEMENTS then placed THOMAS in a cell. CLEMENTS felt that HANCOCK and THOMAS were not happy with each other during their conversations in the booking room. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 4:32 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Interview Clements

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**ID DATA:**

**CLEMENTS, PAUL ANDREW (MR)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: JAILER

EMPLOYER:

COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

BUSINESS:(229)896-7471

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/20/2020

tt: 6/24/2020

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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 4:00 p.m., GBI ASAC JASON SEACRIST was located at the Cook County Magistrate Court, 1000 County Farm Road, Adel, Cook County, Georgia, in reference to the present investigation.

ASAC SEACRIST spoke with Cook County Magistrate JUDGE RONNIE FENDER, who provided copies of the arrest warrants obtained by the Adel Police Department for GARY THOMAS on June 17, 2020 (see attached). The arrest warrants were for two counts of Felony Obstruction, one count of Misdemeanor Obstruction, two counts of Misdemeanor Giving False information, one count of Felony Possession of Cocaine, and two counts of Misdemeanor Battery.

Magistrate JUDGE STEVEN CHAMMOUN provided copies of the arrest warrants taken by the Adel Police Department for CHARLES DUNWOODY on March 6, 2020 (see attached). The arrest warrants were for one count of Felony Possession of Marijuana, Felony Possession of Marijuana With Intent to Distribute, Felony Possession of Tools for the Commission of a Crime, Felony Theft by Receiving Stolen Property, two counts of Felony Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, and Felony Possession of a Schedule 1 Controlled Substance.

This action concluded at approximately 4:20 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

ARREST WARRANT GARY THOMAS

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ARREST WARRANT CHARLES DUNWOODY

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**ID DATA:**

**FENDER, RONNIE** (JUDGE)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: JUDGE

EMPLOYER:

COOK COUNTY MAGISTRATE'S OFFICE

**CHAMMOUN, STEVEN** (JUDGE)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: JUDGE

EMPLOYER:

COOK COUNTY MAGISTRATE'S OFFICE

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE JASON SEACRIST: 6/18/2020

tt: 6/18/2020

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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 4:00 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the Adel Police Department (APD) speaking with CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. CASTLEBERRY provided S/A NIPPER with the following documents; APD Use of Force (UOF) policy, APD Taser Policy, SGT. SHAWN HANCOCK Taser Report and Intelligence for the address of [REDACTED] Adel, Cook County, Ga. (see attached)

The APD UOF policy essentially reflected the following: Officers are allowed to use force when met with active or passive resistance interfering with the officer's proper performance of lawful duties. Force used should be the last or only reasonable method of overcoming the resistance. Force used should be the minimum necessary to accomplish the officer's lawful objective. The force used should be the minimum potential for injury to the officer, subject, third party or property. Appropriate aid will be rendered following the UOF. The UOF will be reported.

The APD Taser policy essentially reflected the following: Officers are allowed to utilize the department issued taser when met with the subject is displaying active, aggressive or aggravated aggressive resistance to an officer conducting legal law enforcement activities.

HANCOCKS' Taser Report essentially revealed the following: On Monday, June 15, 2020 HANCOCK'S taser was "armed" at approximately 7:03 PM. Approximately four one second "arc" events were noted. An approximate three second "arc" was noted at

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approximately 7:03 PM. Approximately five one second "arc" events were noted at 7:04 PM. HANCOCK'S taser event reflected "safe" at 7:04 PM.

The address of [REDACTED] Adel, Cook County, Georgia is registered to BOBBY KAISER. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 4:15 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

OTHER APD docs: UOF Policy, Taser policy,  
Hancock Taser data & [REDACTED]

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**ID DATA:**

**CASTLEBERRY, CHAD** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/30/2020  
tt: 7/2/2020



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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 5:00 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the Adel Police Dept. (APD) speaking with CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY. CASTLEBERRY provided S/A NIPPER with completed incident and supplemental reports related to the use of force incident involving GARY THOMAS on Monday, June 15, 2020 (See attached). The incident reports were completed by SGT. SHAWN HANCOCK, CPL. KATELYN SUMNER, SGT. JOEL FUTCH, OFFICER JASON BRASHER and OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE. It should be noted all officers were interviewed. Nothing of additional evidentiary value was noted from the reports. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 5:15 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

INCIDENT REPORT APD incident reports

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**CASTLEBERRY, CHAD** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/22/2020

tt: 7/27/2020



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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 5:16 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Cook County Sheriff's Office in Adel, Cook County, Ga., in reference to meeting with RANDY MERRITT in reference to this ongoing investigation. SAC PRO met with MERRITT in order to update him on the case status. It should be noted that MERRITT is the father of GARY THOMAS, JR. Contact with MERRITT was terminated at approximately 5:22 p.m.

**ID DATA:**

**MERRITT, RANDY (MR)**

DOB: 1965

SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

ADEL, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

CELLULAR (Redacted)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/20/2020

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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 5:30 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Cook County Sheriff's Office in reference to making contact with CHIEF DEPUTY BRENT EXUM. While at the Sheriff's office, EXUM provided SAC PRO with copies of Cook County Deputy Supplemental Reports that were prepared for their actions on Monday, June 15, 2020. These supplemental reports were prepared by SGT. CLAYTON GODWIN, CPL. WILLIAM GATES, DEPUTY JOEL GATEWOOD, and DEPUTY KYLE BREWER (See attached). EXUM could provide no further information at this time.

This investigative act concluded at 5:35 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

INCIDENT REPORT Cook SO reports

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**ID DATA:**

**EXUM, BRENT** (DEPUTY CHIEF)  
SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE  
COUNTRY: UNITED STATES  
OCCUPATION: DEPUTY  
EMPLOYER:  
COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
BUSINESS:(229)896-5038

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/20/2020

tt: 6/24/2020

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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 6:10 p.m., SAC MARK PRO was located at the Adel Police Department (APD) in Adel, Ga., for the purpose of making contact with APD CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY.

CASTLEBERRY provided SAC PRO with recordings of the vehicle in dash cameras and body cam video of OFFICER KATLYN SUMNER, JOEL FUTCH, JAMES GREENE, and JASON BRASHER. All of these officers were at the incident that occurred on Monday, June 15, 2020, at the intersections of Sixth Street and MLK Drive in Adel, Ga. The review and findings of the footage was previously documented under summary 769239. The videos were contained on discs and are maintained in the rear of the case file.

CASTLEBERRY also provided one Critical Incident Review (CIR) form completed by SGT. JOEL FUTCH (See attached). FUTCH completed the CIR in reference to the use of force incident which occurred on Monday, June 15, 2020 involving GARY THOMAS JR. THOMAS complained of hand numbness. FUTCH reported cuts on his arm. Type of force was listed as "open hand". FUTCH'S summary of the incident essentially revealed the following: On June 15, 2020 FUTCH assisted APD SGT SHAWN HANCOCK and other officer's attempt to arrest a wanted felon for the FBI. Officers went to a location in the area of MLK St. and W Sixth St based of an informant's information of where the wanted subject would be located. A subject, later identified as GARY THOMAS JR, resisted HANCOCK and OFFICER GREENE'S attempt to detain him. FUTCH attempted to assist HANCOCK and GREENE get handcuffs on THOMAS. THOMAS was actively resisting officers by kicking and swinging his arms around. FUTCH

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grabbed THOMAS' legs. THOMAS kicked FUTCH in the chest. FUTCH held THOMAS' legs to prevent THOMAS from either fleeing or causing further harm. THOMAS continued fighting officers. FUTCH then pulled both of THOMAS' arms from underneath THOMAS. THOMAS was placed in handcuffs without further incident. THOMAS was checked by EMS at the CCSO jail for the complaint of hand numbness. EMS advised THOMAS was "ok". FUTCH treated his own injury. FUTCH'S body camera was on throughout the incident.

LT. CHRIS GRIFFIN provided the following documents (see attached):

- APD arrest warrants for GARY THOMAS JR related to the incident that occurred on Monday, June 15, 2020 (previously reviewed and documented under summary 768350)
- One violation of probation arrest warrant for GARY THOMAS JR. THOMAS was on misdemeanor probation for Possession of Marijuana. The warrant was dated March 12, 2019.
- APD case file for CHARLES DUNWOODY. DUNWOODY was wanted on felony drug and weapons charges. The arrest warrants were dated March 6, 2020.

No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 6:15 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- OTHER APD Critical incident report [\(Attachments\)](#)
- OTHER APD AWS ref Gary Thomas Jr [\(Attachments\)](#)
- OTHER Gary Thomas Jr VOP AW [\(Attachments\)](#)
- OTHER APD case file ref Charles Dunwoody ti include AWS [\(Attachments\)](#)

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**ID DATA:**

**CASTLEBERRY, CHAD** (Previously Submitted)

**GRIFFIN, CHRIS** (LIEUTENANT)

DOB: 1972

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: LIEUTENANT

EMPLOYER:

ADEL POLICE DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/20/2020

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On Tuesday, June 17, 2020, at approximately 8:00 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) speaking with GARY THOMAS, JR. and his attorney, PIERRE IFILL in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording.

S/A NIPPER presented THOMAS with a GBI Waiver of Rights form. S/A NIPPER read and explained the form. THOMAS agreed to understanding and signed the form. THOMAS agreed to speak to agents related to the ongoing use of force investigation. It should be noted that THOMAS was incarcerated at the CCSO on criminal charges taken by the Adel Police Department (APD) following the use of force investigation.

THOMAS essentially stated the following;

On Monday, June 15, 2020 Adel Police Department (APD) officers arrived looking for "CHARLES" (known to law enforcement as CHARLES DUNWOODY). SGT. HANCOCK approached him. He told HANCOCK (known to law enforcement as SGT SHAWN HANCOCK) that he is not CHARLES WILSON or CHARLES DUNWOODY.

OFFICER GREENE also interacted with him. He took out his phone to call his mother. He was given instructions to place his phone down by HANCOCK. He advised HANCOCK that he was calling his mother. He stated "I always call my mom when that happens". He continued to make the call while on speaker phone.

GREENE instructed him to place the phone down. He told GREENE that he did place the phone down. GREENE instructed him to end his call by hanging up. He did not end the call by hanging up but instead took the phone off of speaker phone. GREENE instructed him to place his hands behind his back. THOMAS stated "I said huh...put my hands behind my back...what did I do". GREENE asked THOMAS if he was resisting. He told GREENE that he was not resisting. He asked GREENE "all I'm doing is asking what am I doing...why what am I doing".

THOMAS stated "so I went to put my phone down while at the same time GREENE had this hand and snatched this hand...he was like put your hands behind your back...at first I wasn't putting my hands behind my back...because I was asking why...why are y' all arresting me cause I have my phone...why can I not have my phone...I said I didn't do anything...so SGT HANCOCK... that's when he hit me with the taser...and as I fell back...I fell on this arm...all I can remember is one of the officers was twisting this wrist...I can't remember if it was GREENE or HANCOCK...everything just happened so fast...I can't remember if GREENE or HANCOCK actually twisted my hand...so as they twisted my hand...I'm steady yelling...the officers...one of them grabbing my feet...after awhile I just blanked out for a minute...I had like two three...I felt like two three punches...I blanked out...I'm just steady hollering...screaming why...why is y' all doing this to me...that's all I'm saying...in the whole video...why are y' all doing this...so they snatched me up...cause I went ahead...I put my hands behind my back...I wasn't resisting...at first I was asking questions of why...but once they had me on the ground...my feet...I'm asking why are y' all doing this to me...so they picked me up...they got the handcuffs on...still had them on...he squeezed them...tighter and tighter...I'm just yelling for the public...please...please someone y' all record this...record this to see what they are

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doing to my hand...so I ask SGT may I speak with the SGT...he said I am the SGT like that...I said wow...he asked me to sit in the car...I said sir I promise I can not feel my arm...my whole arm is numb...if you don't sit in the car I'll make you...I said please...I said I'm not resisting...I'm not bucking...all I asking you to do...because GREENE was actually squeezing the cuffs on my wrist...after they were on there cuffed couldn't get no tighter...he was steady squeezing it...my whole arm was numb...so they wanted me to sit down...I got my hands behind my back...they wanted me to sit down in the car...with my hands to the back seat...which I couldn't I was in pain...I said please...I don't mind getting in the car...all I'm asking would you please loosen these cuffs up some...which he never did...SGT HANCOCK ran around on the other side of the car...so now I'm scared...so I sit down...but I'm outside the car...I'm like asking y' all please...please just help me with these cuffs...SGT pulled me inside the car and shut the door on me...and rolled up the window...so the car was off...I'm in there sweating...I'm crying...I'm begging...I see my neighbors and my father...everyone rolls up...I see him and my sister I can't hear what's going on...all the windows was up...after two to three he ran my sister off...maybe a minute later that's when my stepfather pulled up...then they let the window down...I was explaining they just beat me pop...I said ask them to show you the camera...please ask them to show you the camera".

DEPUTY GODWIN with the CCSO was present. He asked GODWIN to have the Sheriff meet him at the CCSO jail. HANCOCK spoke with THOMAS' family. He described HANCOCK as "not being professional". THOMAS stated "I didn't resist...when they first pulled up they never said someone was under arrest...their exact words were we're looking for a Mr. CHARLES DUNWOODY...we just got a call saying Mr. CHARLES DUNWOODY is up here...a major drug trafficker...so I'm explaining to them I'm not CHARLES...I'm not CHARLES DUNWOODY y' all looking for...so thats when SGT

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HANCOCK came over to me and said what's your name...I said I'm not CHARLES DUNWOODY sir...and I was grabbing my phone...that's when they started put ya damn phone down...also when we got...once we got to the county jail...I never hit them sir...if you watch their body camera...". IFILL stopped THOMAS at this point.

On Monday, June 15, 2020, he had gotten off work at approximately 3:00 PM. He was working at the Chaparral Boat plant in Nashville, Ga. He works with MISSY MANNING. MANNING drove him to Adel after work. He arrived in Adel around 5:30 PM. He was dropped off at the location where the use of force occurred, exact address unknown, (known to law enforcement as [REDACTED] in Adel, Ga.) MANNING went to the hair store. This property is owned by BOB KAISER. He has known KAISER for several years. He and KAISER are friends.

There were four to five other individuals gathered at this location. S/A NIPPER requested the names of the individuals present during the use of force. IFILL would not allow THOMAS to provide the names of witnesses who were with THOMAS prior to and during the use of force. IFILL would not allow THOMAS to answer if KAISER was present.

The un-named witnesses were wearing either blue jeans or blue shorts. THOMAS stated "I think one or two of us may have had baseball caps...hats". THOMAS wore a black t-shirt, blue jeans and an Atlanta Braves dark navy blue hat. One of the un-named witness wore a denim blue hat. One of the un-named witness wore a red hat. One of the un-named witness had dreads. One of the un-named witness had an afro.

THOMAS provided the following potential neighbors that recorded or witnessed the

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incident: NAKIMA DANIELLE, MARY JEAN MOBLEY, DUCK ADKINS, MOLLY JEAN CORBITT. DANIELLE came close and videoed the incident. Others may have more videos.

THOMAS had been at the location approximately twenty minutes prior to law enforcements arrival. He was not drinking or smoking marijuana. IFILL would not allow THOMAS to explain what was occurring at the gazebo prior to law enforcement's arrival. He was seated on the gazebo. He was seated in the middle of the bench. The gazebo had bench seating on both sides. MLK Street was near the gazebo. IFILL would not allow THOMAS to provide his exact location.

IFILL would not allow THOMAS to provide a sketch of the scene with a detailed description of the use of force sequence of events.

Officers arrived in patrol vehicles. Blue lights were not initiated upon arrival. He believes that approximately six patrol vehicles arrived. Officers were in uniforms. He first spoke with HANCOCK. He has previously been pulled over by HANCOCK. He has never been arrested by HANCOCK. HANCOCK initially spoke to KAISER. HANCOCK told KAISER they were looking for CHARLES DUNWOODY. KAISER told HANCOCK "HANCOCK you know CHARLES...you know he's not up here". THOMAS does not know DUNWOODY. DUNWOODY was not present when law enforcement arrived.

SA NIPPER asked if HANCOCK or any other officer identified themselves as law enforcement.

ATTORNEY IFFIL then ended the interview.

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S/A NIPPER photographed THOMAS (See attached). No defects to THOMAS were noted.

No further information was obtained

This interview concluded at 8:30 PM.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Gary Thomas interview

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WAIVER OF RIGHTS Thomas signed waiver

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PHOTOGRAPH Thomas photos

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**ID DATA:**

**THOMAS, GARY JR (MR)**

DOB: 1979

SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

**IFILL, PIERRE (MR)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

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EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

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**PRO, MARK (AGENT)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

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SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

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On Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at approximately 10:00 PM, SA J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Coffee County, Georgia. SA NIPPER reviewed discs previously provided by SAC MARK PRO. SAC PRO had previously obtained the disks from Adel Police Department (APD) CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY. SAC PRO documented the collection of the disks under summary 769400. The disks contained APD video footage for the following officers: HANCOCK, GREENE, SUMNER, FUTCH and BRASHER. The disks essentially revealed the following:

GREENE Body Camera footage:

On 06-15-20 at approximately 7:08 PM, GREENE exited his patrol vehicle on scene. GREENE gave verbal instructions to an individual (known to law enforcement as BOB KAISER) to "sit down...now". KAISER. KAISER was dressed in a red shirt and red hat. GREENE approached an individual seated on the wooden gazebo (known to law enforcement as GARY THOMAS JR). THOMAS was wearing a dark blue Atlanta Braves baseball cap, black shirt and blue jean pants. GREENE asked THOMAS "what's your name". THOMAS replied "MIKEY". Three other individuals were seated under the gazebo on the opposite bench (known to law enforcement as RONNIE WALTON, RANDALL WALTON and CALVIN SMITH). GREENE asked the group "Where's CHARLES at...CHARLES DUNWOODY". No one in the group claimed to know DUNWOODY. One in the group stated "Ain't no KUJO out here".

At approximately one minute into the video, HANCOCK approached THOMAS by stepping up onto the gazebo. HANCOCK asked THOMAS "you got your ID with you".



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THOMAS replied, "no sir". HANCOCK asked THOMAS his name. THOMAS replied "WILLIAM...THOMASTON...THOMAS". HANCOCK repeated "TOMLINSON". THOMAS shook his head in the affirmative. BRASHER, SUMNER, GATEWOOD and GODWIN approach the gazebo. THOMAS provided the birthday [REDACTED]-79".

At approximately two minutes into the video, HANCOCK ran the information provided by THOMAS through dispatch. SUMNER and BRASHER stepped up onto the gazebo and gathered the names of SMITH and the WALTONS. HANCOCK explained to THOMAS that someone had called them in reference to a drug trafficker. At approximately three minutes into the video HANCOCK instructed THOMAS "don't call anybody". THOMAS responded, "oh I'm just..." SUMNER instructed THOMAS to "hang up the phone". HANCOCK stated, "I asked you to stop". THOMAS replied, "sir I didn't do nothing wrong". FUTCH and GATES are now present at the scene. "Low Battery" appeared on the video.

At approximately three minutes and five seconds into the video, dispatch stated "we're not getting a return". SUMNER tapped HANCOCK on the back. GREENE steps up onto the gazebo. GREENE was now standing in front of THOMAS. HANCOCK instructed THOMAS to turn his phone off and place the phone on the rail. HANCOCK once again stated "like I said I don't want nobody coming up here". THOMAS appeared to ignore HANCOCK'S instructions and continued to use his phone. HANCOCK now moved closer and stated, "partner what ain't you hearing...what ain't you hearing". HANCOCK took THOMAS' phone from him and placed the phone on the rail. HANCOCK told THOMAS "I'm about to put you in handcuffs".

At approximately three minutes and thirty seconds into the video, SMITH essentially

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stated that THOMAS could have his phone. HANCOCK turned around to address SMITH. THOMAS then began to agree with SMITH. THOMAS stated, "I didn't do nothing wrong sir" and picked back up his phone. GREENE then told THOMAS "put your phone down or you are going to go in handcuffs". A bottle of Hennessey liquor and cups are beside THOMAS on the bench. THOMAS placed his phone back on the rail. THOMAS continued to argue "I didn't do nothing wrong for y' all to take my phone". THOMAS' phone began to ring. GREENE moved THOMAS' phone farther down the rail.

At approximately four minutes into the video, THOMAS then picked up his phone a second time. FUTCH approached THOMAS from the side of the gazebo. GREENE approached THOMAS and told him "turn around and put your hands behind your back". GREENE grabbed THOMAS' right hand with his left hand. GREENE then transitioned his left hand to THOMAS' left hand. HANCOCK approached to assist GREENE. HANCOCK grabbed THOMAS' right hand. THOMAS stood up from the bench and stated, "okay I'm fixing to turn around". GREENE instructed THOMAS "put your hands behind your back". THOMAS sat back down on the bench facing GREENE and HANCOCK. THOMAS grabbed onto the railing with his right hand. THOMAS repeated "sir please I didn't do nothing wrong". HANCOCK appeared to deliver two separate drive stuns to THOMAS' chest area with his taser. THOMAS was not handcuffed or compliant at the time that the taser was utilized.

At approximately four minutes and twenty seconds THOMAS went to the ground. THOMAS was half on and half off the gazebo. THOMAS' head and upper torso were on the ground. THOMAS' lower half and legs were still elevated on the gazebo. GREENE gave THOMAS verbal commands to place his hands behind his back. THOMAS

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replied, "I didn't do nothing wrong". GREENE stated, "he's reaching...he's reaching". It should be noted that THOMAS' left hand is near his front waistband area. THOMAS rolled to his stomach. Both of THOMAS' hands appeared to be underneath THOMAS' body towards his waistband area. THOMAS rolled back over. SUMNER told THOMAS "stop...stop...put your hands behind your back". SUMNER was on the ground with THOMAS. SUMNER picked up a plastic container with a red lid and tossed it away from THOMAS.

FUTCH was on the ground with THOMAS' legs. HANCOCK appeared to deliver another drive stun to THOMAS' back area. THOMAS was not in handcuffs or compliant at the time that the taser was utilized. GREENE appeared to deliver an elbow strike to THOMAS' facial area with his left elbow. THOMAS was not in cuffs or compliant at the time that the strike was utilized. THOMAS stated, "he punching me".

At approximately four minutes and fifty seconds THOMAS grabbed GREENE'S left wrist and held on. THOMAS then stated, "they kicking me". GREENE stated, "put your hands behind your back now...let go of me". GREENE told THOMAS "if you bite me". THOMAS responded, "I didn't bite you". GREENE used both his hands to push THOMAS' head down. The video ended. This video lasted approximately five minutes and seven seconds.

GREENE In Car Camera footage:

GREENE arrived on scene at approximately 7:08 PM. Upon arrival, KAISER stood up from the bench of the gazebo. THOMAS is seated under the gazebo with his back turned toward GREENE. THOMAS placed an item into his right front pocket. THOMAS

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appeared to struggle to quickly get the item into his pocket as GREENE approached. The item appeared to be red in color. The item is visible at approximately one minute and thirty-five seconds into the video. HANCOCK approached THOMAS and began to write down his information on a notepad.

At approximately four minutes and thirty seconds FUTCH approached the gazebo and told THOMAS "this ain't how this works". FUTCH then reached over the rail from outside of the gazebo and attempted to assist GREENE and HANCOCK control THOMAS. THOMAS was given multiple verbal instructions to place his hands behind his back. HANCOCK administered two drive stuns to THOMAS. THOMAS was not in handcuffs or compliant at the time that the taser was utilized. FUTCH pulled THOMAS to the ground by grabbing THOMAS' leg. KAISER walked away from the gazebo.

At approximately five minutes and sixteen seconds into the video, GREENE stated, "he's reaching...he's reaching". GREENE appeared to deliver one strike to an unknown area on THOMAS using his right hand approximately five minutes and twenty-one seconds. GREENE appeared to deliver one knee strike to an unknown area on THOMAS using his right knee at approximately five minutes and twenty-three seconds. THOMAS was not in cuffs or compliant at the time that the strikes were utilized.

SUMNER tossed an object partly red in color from THOMAS' area at approximately five minutes and twenty-five seconds into the video. SMITH walked off the gazebo. GODWIN and GATEWOOD approached the pile. THOMAS, GREENE, SUMNER and FUTCH are on the ground. HANCOCK walked around the pile with his taser. The WALTONS exited the gazebo. GREENE appeared to deliver a strike to an unknown area on THOMAS using his right hand approximately five minutes and thirty-eight

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seconds. THOMAS was not in cuffs or compliant at the time that the strike was utilized.

At approximately six minutes and ten seconds, THOMAS appeared to be cuffed by GREENE, FUTCH, SUMNER and GATEWOOD. No strikes were delivered to THOMAS after being cuffed. THOMAS was not tasered after being cuffed. Officers continued to say, "watch his waist...he's reaching...stop reaching...don't reach for nothing man...what do you have in your waistband". THOMAS complained that officers were hurting his hand and wrist. THOMAS was instructed by officer multiple times to "stop moving". THOMAS complained that the cuffs were on too tight and that they were hurting his circulation. Officers advised THOMAS to calm down and that the cuffs would be adjusted.

THOMAS asked an unknown individual "y' all got this on tape cuz". THOMAS began to scream and fall to his knees. THOMAS was once again instructed to calm down if he wanted his cuffs adjusted. FUTCH instructed that THOMAS would be tasered if he resisted again while the cuffs were being adjusted. THOMAS' cuffs were adjusted by GREENE and FUTCH. THOMAS was instructed to sit down inside the patrol vehicle. THOMAS continued to complain about his hand and his cuffs. HANCOCK instructed THOMAS to sit inside the patrol vehicle while they awaited EMS. THOMAS sat down.

GREENE and SUMNER inventoried THOMAS' cash from his pocket. \$444 cash was collected. Officers collected a plastic container with a red top, containing an unknown white substance believed to be cocaine, digital scales and bag containing a leafy green substance believed to be marijuana. THOMAS' family arrived at the scene. Officers decided to have EMS meet them at the jail to examine THOMAS due to the growing crowd and scene security concerns. This video lasted approximately twenty-four

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minutes.

GREENE'S In Car footage continued:

HANCOCK and FUTCH exited the CCSO jail. HANCOCK and FUTCH had a conversation with unidentified individuals at approximately 7:55 PM. HANCOCK explained what brought officers to the initial location. HANCOCK explained how and why he came to have an interaction with THOMAS. HANCOCK explained that THOMAS matched the description of a wanted individual. HANCOCK explained the officer safety concerns related to THOMAS' phone use. HANCOCK told the unknown individuals that THOMAS was not kicked or beaten. An unknown male advised that the incident was captured on Facebook. HANCOCK advised that he had no knowledge of any strikes or kicks. FUTCH advised that he had no knowledge of any kicks or strikes due to having THOMAS legs and being kicked by THOMAS. FUTCH explained that THOMAS did not comply with officers when told to place his hands behind his back. FUTCH explained that THOMAS fought officers and "threw cocaine". HANCOCK explained that THOMAS was tasered. An unknown individual provided the name of GARY THOMAS. HANCOCK explained that THOMAS provided a false name to officers. The additional video lasted approximately nine minutes.

HANCOCK In Car footage:

The use of force was not captured on video. THOMAS was placed in the backseat of HANCOCK'S patrol vehicle at approximately five minutes and twenty-seven seconds into the video. The back-seat window was rolled down approximately fifteen seconds later. The back-seat window was rolled up at approximately seven minutes and fifty-four

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seconds. THOMAS was speaking to the public from the backseat at the time. Once THOMAS asked for air HANCOCK cracked the window halfway. THOMAS began to talk to the public once again. At approximately ten minutes and twenty-three seconds THOMAS rapidly moved from one side of the backseat to the other side while attempting to continue talking to the public. THOMAS advised HANCOCK he was hot and needed air. HANCOCK rolled the window back down all the way. THOMAS was removed from HANCOCK'S vehicle at approximately thirteen minutes. This video lasted approximately seventeen minutes.

HANCOCK had no Body Camera footage to provide.

SUMNER Body Camera footage:

SUMNER arrived on scene at approximately 7:08 PM. SUMNER spoke with RONNIE and RANDALL WALTON. At approximately four minutes and thirteen seconds into the video SUMNER goes hands on with HANCOCK, FUTCH and GREENE to assist with THOMAS. THOMAS' hands were in his waist band area. At approximately four minutes and twenty-two seconds SUMNER pulled THOMAS' right hand from underneath THOMAS' person. An object red in color is observed being dropped by THOMAS. THOMAS' hands continued to reach for his waist area. GATEWOOD secured THOMAS' feet.

SUMNER placed the first handcuff on THOMAS at approximately four minutes and fifty-five seconds. No strikes were witnessed on this video. SUMNER explained that she threw a container during the encounter. SUMNER retrieved the container. At approximately sixteen minutes and nineteen seconds SUMNER requested that EMS

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meet them at the jail to examine THOMAS due to the crowd. THOMAS was taken from HANCOCK'S vehicle and placed in SUMNER'S vehicle. SUMNER transported THOMAS to the jail. Nothing of evidentiary value was noted during the transport.

At approximately thirty minutes into the video SUMNER is in booking with GREENE, FUTCH, HANCOCK, BRASHER, THOMAS, EMS and DEPUTY TRENT EXUM. SUMNER explained to HANCOCK that she witnessed THOMAS with the container in his hands during the struggle. According to SUMNER, THOMAS tossed the container under the gazebo. SUMNER grabbed the container and threw it away from THOMAS. While in booking THOMAS gave HANCOCK the name GARY THOMASON. THOMAS denied providing the name of "WILLIAM" to HANCOCK at the scene. SUMNER advised that she heard THOMAS provide the name of WILLIAM. HANCOCK and FUTCH discussed scratches on FUTCH'S arm which occurred during the incident. THOMAS denied causing the scratches. THOMAS denied having a container of cocaine in his possession during the incident. The video lasted approximately thirty-nine minutes.

SUMNER In Car Footage:

At approximately five minutes and twenty-two seconds into the video GREENE appeared to deliver a knee strike to THOMAS, exact location unknown. THOMAS was not in handcuffs at the time that the strike was utilized. A witness (known to law enforcement as MARCUS IRVIN) appeared to video the incident from the street. THOMAS is captured on SUMNER'S rear seat camera during transport. The video lasted approximately forty minutes.



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FUTCH'S In Car Camera footage:

Nothing of evidentiary value was noted. No strikes to THOMAS were witnessed on this video. This video lasted approximately forty-nine minutes. The video began at approximately 7:13 PM.

FUTCH Body Camera footage:

The video begins at approximately 7:12 PM. FUTCH appeared to already be on the ground with THOMAS. HANCOCK appeared to taser THOMAS on his buttocks/leg area. THOMAS was not in handcuffs at the time that the taser was utilized. At approximately twenty-two seconds THOMAS left hand appeared to have a hold on GREENE'S left wrist. GREENE appeared to then strike THOMAS in the face with his right hand. GREENE instructed THOMAS to "let go of my hand". THOMAS was not in handcuffs or compliant at the time that the strike was utilized.

The first cuff was secured on THOMAS at approximately thirty-five seconds. The second cuff was secured at approximately fifty seconds. No strikes were delivered to THOMAS once handcuffed. FUTCH told THOMAS that THOMAS had kicked him in the face during the struggle. FUTCH held control of THOMAS and the handcuffs while GREENE searched THOMAS' left side. GREENE held THOMAS while FUTCH searched THOMAS' right side. While searching THOMAS' right front pocket, FUTCH removed a small amount of suspected marijuana and \$444.00 in cash from THOMAS' right front pocket. The suspected marijuana was placed on the gazebo and later collected as evidence. GREENE and FUTCH walked THOMAS to HANCOCK'S patrol vehicle. THOMAS was leaned against the vehicle. THOMAS was not forcibly pushed or

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slammed against the vehicle. THOMAS complained that the cuffs were hurting his wrists. GREENE and FUTCH adjusted THOMAS' cuffs for correct fit.

At approximately eight minutes HANCOCK instructed THOMAS to stop yelling out the window or the window would be rolled up. THOMAS continued to talk out the window while FUTCH explained THOMAS' situation to an unknown female who had walked directly into the scene. FUTCH instructed THOMAS to stop talking out the window or that the window would be rolled up. THOMAS continued to speak. FUTCH rolled THOMAS' window up.

FUTCH and GATEWOOD discussed been scratched on their arms during the incident. FUTCH collected a bag of marijuana and digital scales from the gazebo. The marijuana was recovered from the opposite bench of where THOMAS was seated. The scales were collected from the area where THOMAS was seated. FUTCH checked HANCOCK'S vehicle and confirmed that the air conditioner was on for THOMAS.

An unknown male pulled his vehicle directly behind HANCOCK'S vehicle and parked in the roadway of MLK Street. The male exited his vehicle. The male was instructed to move his vehicle. Officers made the decision to transport THOMAS to the jail for EMS examination due to the lack of scene security.

At approximately twenty-two minutes FUTCH was in booking with HANCOCK, GREENE, BRASHER, THOMAS, EMS and DEPUTY TRENT EXUM. EXUM removed THOMAS' handcuffs. THOMAS is examined by EMS. FUTCH explained that his arm was scratched and that he was kicked in the face approximately twice. GREENE advised that he was inadvertently tasered during the struggle. THOMAS told EMS, "I

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wasn't fighting...all I did was wouldn't put my hand behind my back...when they tried to grab my cell phone". THOMAS stated, "I wasn't asking for a hospital trip". THOMAS requested a Tylenol. THOMAS claimed that he was asked by officers if he was CHARLES WILLIAM DUNWOODY. This video lasted approximately forty-one minutes.

BRASHER Body Camera footage:

BRASHER approached the gazebo and spoke with CALVIN SMITH at approximately 7:10 PM. At approximately two minutes and forty-five seconds into the incident SMITH told officers that THOMAS could use his phone. At approximately three minutes and twenty seconds GREENE and HANCOCK went hands on with THOMAS. SMITH became upset. SMITH stood up and loudly voiced his disapproval.

THOMAS was tasered by HANCOCK at approximately three minutes and thirty-five seconds. THOMAS was not in handcuffs or compliant at the time that the taser was utilized. GREENE stated, "he's reaching...he's reaching". GREENE then appeared to deliver one strike to THOMAS, exact location unknown, using his right closed fist. GREENE then appeared to deliver one knee strike to THOMAS, exact location unknown. THOMAS was not in handcuffs during either strike. THOMAS was handcuffed at approximately four minutes and twenty seconds. No strikes were delivered after THOMAS was in handcuffs.

After the incident GATEWOOD explained that THOMAS had kicked him in his arm during the incident. An unidentified female arrived and walked directly into the scene. An unidentified male then arrived, parked directly behind HANCOCK'S vehicle in the middle of MLK Street and exited his vehicle. GODWIN explained that THOMAS had

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resisted arrest, was taken to the ground and was now awaiting EMS for his wrist complaint. The male pointed at an unknown officer and stated, "that's a fuck mother fucker right there man...that's a corrupt son of a bitch right there y' all". THOMAS was examined by EMS at the jail. This video lasted approximately thirty minutes.

BRASHER In Car footage:

Nothing of evidentiary value was noted. No strikes to THOMAS were witnessed on this video. This video lasted approximately thirty-five minutes.

This investigative act concluded on Monday, August 3, 2020 at approximately 9:30 AM.

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/18/2020

jn: 8/3/2020



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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 9:00 a.m., GBI ASAC JASON SEACRIST was located at the Adel Police Department (APD), 204 E. 3rd Street, Adel, Cook County, Georgia, for the purpose of meeting with APD CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY.

CHIEF CASTLEBERRY provided ASAC SEACRIST with the taser re-certification for OFFICER SHAWN HANCOCK (see attached). ASAC SEACRIST reviewed the documents and noted the following:

Georgia P.O.S.T. training record for OFFICER HANCOCK indicated he was originally qualified on the taser on December 8, 2015. OFFICER HANCOCK was re-certified on February 11, 2016; December 13, 2017; November 8, 2018; and October 1, 2019. Documents were also provided that included the taser annual re-certification that was conducted on October 1, 2019, as well as the training roster with OFFICER HANCOCK'S signature on October 1, 2019.

This action concluded at approximately 9:40 a.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

OTHER DOCUMENTS

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**ID DATA:**

**CASTLEBERRY, CHAD** (CHIEF)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: OFFICER

EMPLOYER:

ADEL POLICE DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE JASON SEACRIST: 6/18/2020

tt: 6/19/2020

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 9:05 a.m. S/A J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Adel, Cook County, Ga., in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. S/A NIPPER contacted DEBRA RICHARDS by telephone in an attempt to set up a face to face interview. It should be noted that DEBRA RICHARDS had called into the Adel Police Dept. and provided her name and contact information as potentially having knowledge of the use of force incident that occurred on Monday, June 15, 2020. RICHARDS essentially stated the following;

She did not witness the use of force incident. She was not present during the altercation. She saw a video on Facebook of the altercation her friend NAKIMA DANIELLE had posted. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 9:10 a.m.

**ID DATA:**

**RICHARDS, DEBRA (MS)**  
SEX/RACE: FEMALE/WHITE  
COUNTRY: UNITED STATES  
OCCUPATION: UNEMPLOYED  
EMPLOYER:  
UNKNOWN  
CELLULAR (Redacted)

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020  
tt: 6/25/2020



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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 9:45 a.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was conducting a neighborhood canvass in the area of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] in Adel, Ga. S/A NIPPER spoke with DONALD ADKINS at the address of [REDACTED]. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. ADKINS essentially stated the following;

On Monday, June 15, 2020, exact time unknown, he was inside his home. He recalled hearing a loud commotion outside. He thought that it was a fight. He was unable to see what occurred on the ground. He walked outside of his mobile home. He lives across the street from the gazebo (known to law enforcement as [REDACTED]). He did not see what occurred with officers or GARY THOMAS, JR. on the ground. He did not see THOMAS until THOMAS stood up and was "thrown" against the police car. He recalls hearing THOMAS say that his wrist and hands were hurt due to the cuffs. THOMAS' back was turned to him at the patrol vehicle.

He knows THOMAS from the neighborhood. THOMAS said that his arm was bleeding. He did not actually see THOMAS' arm bleeding. THOMAS' pants were hanging down past his waist. He later saw a Facebook video where unknown officers are punching THOMAS. He believes that it was the female officer striking THOMAS. He did not actually witness THOMAS being struck at any point or the altercation leading up to the use of force. No further information was obtained.

During ADKINS' interview, another neighbor SHARON PAIGE arrived. She essentially stated the following: On Monday, June 15, 2020, exact time unknown she heard



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screaming. She came outside of her home. She saw police vehicles. THOMAS was on the police vehicle with his back turned. THOMAS was saying that the cuffs were too tight. She is the mother of NAKIMA DANIELLE. She has no phone number or address to provide for NAKIMA. S/A NIPPER provided his contact information and requested that NAKIMA contact SA NIPPER. NAKIMA had posted a Facebook video of the incident. She did not actually see what led up to the use of force investigation. She did not witness THOMAS being struck by any officers. She knows THOMAS from the neighborhood. She is unaware of any other witnesses. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 10:10 a.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Donald Adkins and Sharon Paige  
interview

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**ID DATA:**

**ADKINS, DONALD (MR)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

ADEL, COOK COUNTY, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

**PAIGE, SHARON (MS)**

SEX/RACE: FEMALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

ADEL, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/25/2020

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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 10:03 a.m., SAC MARK PRO and ASAC JASON SEACRIST were located at the Cook County Sheriff's office in reference to interviewing LEON SCRUGGS in regard to this on going investigation. This interview was audio recorded (See attached). For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. SCRUGGS essentially stated the following;

SCRUGGS told SAC PRO and ASAC SEACRIST that he was not present during the altercation that occurred on Monday, June 15, 2020, where GARY THOMAS, JR. was arrested by Adel Police Department officers and Cook County Sheriff's office deputies.

SCRUGGS did indicate that he was the voice of the community and wanted to speak with the GBI in reference to the incident that occurred. SCRUGGS also indicated that he did not have any first hand knowledge of the incident. The only information that he had was information that he obtained from different people in the community.

He was only there to represent the community and stated that he felt that this situation was bad and that it could have been handled in a different way. SCRUGGS indicated he was a friend of the family of GARY THOMAS, JR., and that he knew JR. as "J.G." This was THOMAS' nickname. SCRUGGS also stated that he had information that NAKIMA HENLEY was one of the individuals who had possibly videoed the incident. HENLEY told him that she knew that it was bad and that he was beat really bad. SCRUGGS had no more information regarding the arrest of GARY THOMAS, JR.

The interview concluded at 10:12 a.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Interview Scruggs

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**ID DATA:**

**SCRUGGS, LEON** (MR)

DOB: 1985

SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNEMPLOYED

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

CELLULAR (Redacted)

**SEACRIST, JASON** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

GBI REGION 4

351 THOMAS FRIER SR. DRIVE

DOUGLAS, GA 31535

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE MARK A PRO: 6/20/2020

tt: 6/24/2020

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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 10:10 a.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was conducting a neighborhood canvass in the area of [REDACTED]. S/A NIPPER spoke with MARY MOBLEY. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. MOBLEY essentially stated the following;

She lives at the address of [REDACTED] adjacent to the gazebo (known to law enforcement as [REDACTED]). She was not outside when law enforcement arrived. Patrol vehicles were already on scene when she was woken up by her neighbor DONALD ADKINS. She walked outside and saw a commotion at the gazebo across the street. There were five or six officers tussling with an individual. The individual fell on the ground. He was hollering that he was being punched. She does not know who struck the subject or how many times he was struck. She does not know the subject (known to law enforcement as GARY THOMAS, JR). The subject was saying, "Y'all are hurting me. These things are on too tight." She does not know anything that the officer said. She does not know if or when handcuffs were placed on the subject. She does not know of any other witnesses. She did not witness the subject being struck by any officers.

S/A NIPPER attempted to make contact at the following locations;

\*514 South MLK Street was vacant

\*512 South MLK Street; SA NIPPER left a business card requesting a call back

\*506 South MLK Street was noted as Bethany Missionary Church. No one was present

\*306 Seventh Street was vacant

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\*603 Seventh Street was vacant

\*605 Seventh Street was vacant

\*607 Seventh Street was vacant

\*609 Seventh Street was vacant

\*604 Seventh Street was vacant

\*606 Seventh Street, S/A NIPPER left a business card requesting a call back

██████████, S/A NIPPER left a business card attempting to contact  
JALESHIA EVERETT

SA NIPPER photographed the scene of ██████████ in Adel, Cook County,  
Georgia from the public roadway (see attached). Nothing of evidentiary value was noted.

No further information was obtained. This investigative act concluded at 10:40 a.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Mary Mobley interview

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PHOTOGRAPH ██████████  
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**ID DATA:**

**MOBLEY, MARY** (MS)

SEX/RACE: FEMALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: ██████████

ADEL, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

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SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/26/2020



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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 10:45 a.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the address of [REDACTED] in Adel, Cook County, Ga. S/A NIPPER spoke with BOB KAISER. KAISER. KAISER was present during the use of force incident which occurred on Monday, June 15, 2020. It should be noted that the address [REDACTED]. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording.

KAISER declined to speak to S/A NIPPER in relation to the ongoing use of force investigation. SA NIPPER provided KAISER with a business card and requested an interview if KAISER changed his mind. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 11:00 a.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Bob Kaiser interview

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**ID DATA:**

**KAISER, BOBBY (MR)**  
SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK  
ADDRESS: [REDACTED]  
ADEL, GA  
COUNTRY: UNITED STATES  
OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN  
EMPLOYER:  
UNKNOWN



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SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/26/2020



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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 11:05 a.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the Grady EMS Cook County facility, 212 N. Parrish Street, Adel, Cook County Ga., speaking with the following individuals; Paramedic JASON WEST, Paramedic IAN CAMPBELL, Operations Manager JOE COWART, and Attorney SAMANTHA JOHNSON was present on speaker phone. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. WEST and CAMPBELL essentially provided the following information;

On Monday, June 15, 2020, at approximately 7:20 p.m., they were dispatched to a location Sixth Street and South MLK in Adel, Cook County, Ga. They were responding to a request by law enforcement for an individual with wrist and arm pain. Upon their arrival, they pulled behind a patrol vehicle on South MLK. The subject later identified as GARY THOMAS, JR. was inside a patrol vehicle. They recalled a crowd gathering of approximately fifty individuals. They were then instructed by Adel Police Department (APD) officers to meet them at the Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) jail to examine THOMAS due to the area becoming potentially unsafe with the crowd.

They then traveled to the CCSO jail. They met APD officers there. GARY THOMAS was present and was still in handcuffs. They described the environment as tense with officers going back and forth with THOMAS, exact details unknown. A deputy (known to law enforcement as TRENT EXUM) took the handcuffs off of THOMAS. They performed a medical check on THOMAS. THOMAS complained of pain in his left wrist area.

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They did not note any visible defects on THOMAS. They did not note any visible broken or deformed areas on THOMAS' wrists. THOMAS had a pulse in both wrists. An APD officer (known to law enforcement as SGT. SHAWN HANCOCK) signed THOMAS' refusal for transport to the hospital.

THOMAS refused to provide his address and personal information to paramedics during the examination. They notified their immediate supervisor JOE COWART of the situation. They did not have any contact with THOMAS while on the initial scene.

Upon arrival to the CCSO jail, they examined THOMAS while still in cuffs. Based off their assessment, THOMAS was not bothered when they moved his fingers or wrist. They did not note any swelling or deformities. There was nothing visibly wrong with THOMAS that they could detect needing immediate further treatment. They recall six to seven unknown APD officers and approximately four CCSO deputies being present at the initial scene. They recall seeing SGT. HANCOCK, SGT. FUTCH, CPL. SUMNER and OFFICER GREENE. They also recalled DEPUTY GATEWOOD and GATES being present.

SUMNER is the officer that told them to meet them at the jail versus examining THOMAS on scene. SUMNER stated "We need to get out of here." They recall another tall, slim unknown jailer being present during the examination. Also a black female jailer talked to them about a potential transport for THOMAS to the hospital. APD officers were told they would have to make a decision on the transport of THOMAS. EMS do not make non life threatening transports for inmates. Inmates must be transported by the arresting agency. This is EMS policy.

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Unknown individuals in the crowd were videoing with their cell phones upon their arrival to the initial scene. They could hear THOMAS yelling from the back of a patrol vehicle. They are unaware of any statements made by officers at the scene. They are unaware of any statements made by the crowd.

Once at the jail, officers and THOMAS were bickering back and forth. They were not paying any attention to their conversation. HANCOCK was trying to get THOMAS' address. THOMAS had provided a different name to HANCOCK from what was provided to EMS. They just recall a back and forth about information that was given to officers from THOMAS. HANCOCK showed THOMAS his note pad showing that he wrote the name GARY WILLIAMS. They did not witness any yelling by the officers. They did not witness any use of force while at the jail or on the initial scene. APD officers were standing on the opposite side of a desk between them and THOMAS while in booking.

While in cuffs they assessed THOMAS. They felt his left arm for defects or any broken bones. They moved his fingers and wrists with no issues. They noted that THOMAS' cuffs were not tight at all and were visibly loose. They did not note any abrasions, scratches or bleeding to THOMAS' wrist area. THOMAS initially stated that he could not move his fingers, but during their interactions with him they watched THOMAS move his fingers during their interactions.

THOMAS' cuffs were then taken off. There was not any swelling or bleeding. Both hands and wrists looked uniform. They saw no visible injury or anything that stood out to them. THOMAS never requested to go to the hospital. THOMAS said that he did not think that he needed to go by ambulance. They did not see visible injury, but explained to

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THOMAS that any further treatment to include an x-ray would have to be done at the hospital. They explained that in custody transport would not be done by them. They did not witness THOMAS request to go to the hospital. The black female jailer and APD officers had a discussion about who would transport THOMAS.

HANCOCK signed the release of liability of EMS to leave the scene without transport of THOMAS. This is common practice for law enforcement to sign the release of liability for non life threatening situations. There is actually a box on their form to actually check for law enforcement to sign the release of liability.

They do not recall any specific statements made by THOMAS other than "Y'all were rough" exact details unknown. They recall no specific statements made by law enforcement. There was no injuries reported by law enforcement other than FUTCH having scratches on his arm. They offered FUTCH hand sanitizer, but FUTCH had his own.

There was no visible injury to THOMAS that they saw. They are also aware of a video on Facebook approximately twenty minutes long posted by NAKIMA DANIELLE. The video appeared to depict a female standing across the street during the incident and behind the gazebo. They have also seen a video of a one second loop which appears to depict an officer punching someone. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 11:45 a.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO EMT Jason West and Ian Campbell  
interview

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**ID DATA:**

**WEST, JASON** (MR)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: EMT

EMPLOYER:

GRADY EMS

**CAMPBELL, IAN** (MR)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: EMT

EMPLOYER:

GRADY EMS

**COWART, JOE** (MR)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: MANAGER

EMPLOYER:

GRADY EMS/COOK COUNTY

**JOHNSON, SAMANTHA** (ATTORNEY)

SEX/RACE: FEMALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: ATTORNEY/LAWYER

EMPLOYER:

SELF

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/26/2020



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**04-0206-34-20**

On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 12:25 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the Cook County Sheriff's Office with SAC MARK PRO and ASAC JASON SEACRIST in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. Agents spoke via telephone with FBI SA BRETT MCDANIEL with the Valdosta field office. MCDANIEL essentially stated the following;

On the evening of Monday, June 15, 2020, at approximately 6:45 PM, MCDANIEL received a text message from a confidential informant (CI). The text message was a little confusing. He called his CI. The CI essentially stated that "KOJI" (known to law enforcement as CHARLES DUNWOODY) was currently located in the area of South MLK and West Sixth Street in Adel, Georgia. DUNWOODY was standing with four to five other unknown black males to include BOBBY KAISER. DUNWOODY would be the only individual wearing a black hat. KAISER may be wearing red clothing. DUNWOODY would be the only individual wearing a black hat and the only one wearing a hat period. The CI had just went by the location and the information was fresh. The CI was not great with directions nor had an exact address. It described the house as having a gray tin roof and a brown tan outbuilding. The CI is known to provide relevant information on other Federal investigations.

MCDANIEL relayed this information to LT. CHRIS GRIFFIN with the Adel Police Department. MCDANIEL requested that someone go by and make contact with DUNWOODY. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 12:30 p.m.

**ID DATA:**

**MCDANIEL, BRETT** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

FBI

VALDOSTA,

**PRO, MARK** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

GBI/REGION 4

351 THOMAS FRIER SR. DRIVE

DOUGLAS, GA 31535

BUSINESS:(912)389-4103

**SEACRIST, JASON** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

GBI REGION 4

351 THOMAS FRIER SR. DRIVE

DOUGLAS, GA 31535

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/26/2020





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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 2:30 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the Wendy's Restaurant in Adel, Cook County, Ga., speaking with RANDALL WALTON. WALTON essentially stated the following;

He was present on Monday, June 15, 2020 during the use of force incident. He recalls that law enforcement arrived asking for a certain person. Officers initially went to GARY THOMAS and started asking THOMAS questions. THOMAS was told to put his phone down. THOMAS was calling his mother. HANCOCK (known to law enforcement as Adel Police Department (APD) SGT SHAWN HANCOCK) told THOMAS to stand up. THOMAS stood up. Another short officer, (known to law enforcement as APD TAYLOR GREENE) started going into THOMAS' pockets. THOMAS was not resisting. THOMAS put his hands behind his back for officers as instructed. HANCOCK then tasered THOMAS for no known reason. THOMAS was taken to the ground and tasered again. GREENE then began to knee and punch THOMAS while THOMAS was on the ground. THOMAS' handcuffs were too tight. They then stood THOMAS up.

This use of force incident occurred at an unknown location on South MLK and Sixth Street in Adel, Ga., exact address unknown. He does not know who the property belonged to. It should be noted this address [REDACTED] BOB KAISER. The only individuals that he knows that were present were GARY THOMAS and RONNIE WALTON. RONNIE is his brother. There were two other unknown individuals there (known to law enforcement as CALVIN SMITH and BOB KAISER).

He was wearing army pants with a grey shirt. He did not have a hat. He has an afro and

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had a pick in his hair. One of the individuals was wearing all black with a bald head and had no hat (known to law enforcement as CALVIN SMITH). Another individual was wearing a red shirt with possibly yellow or light blue hat (known to law enforcement as BOB KAISER). His brother RONNIE had on black pants and has dreads. RONNIE was not wearing a hat. THOMAS had on a dark blue hat, blue jeans and a red shirt.

There was a liquor bottle of Hennessy at the gazebo. There was two unknown individuals smoking marijuana. He was there approximately fifteen to twenty minutes prior to the use of force incident. The incident occurred approximately 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

APD officers and Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) deputy's arrived on scene. There were approximately twelve officers total. He knows HANCOCK. HANCOCK asked for CHARLES DUNWOODY and "KUJO". HANCOCK went straight to GARY THOMAS. THOMAS is known as "J.G." JUNIOR GARY. Officers said they had gotten a call that "KUJO" was there with a blue hat and that "KUJO" was wanted on federal charges.

THOMAS initially provided his name as GARY THOMAS. WALTON later changed his statement to say that he is not a hundred percent sure that THOMAS provided officers with the correct name. According to WALTON, THOMAS could have given a name to law enforcement different than GARY THOMAS.

They started searching THOMAS. THOMAS was not resisting. Then THOMAS' hands were placed behind his back. THOMAS was tasered twice. THOMAS was compliant. One hand was cuffed throughout the use of force incident. GREENE roughed THOMAS up. Another officer performed a leg sweep on THOMAS. THOMAS was struck

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approximately four times by GREENE. GREENE delivered two knee strikes and two punches. The two punches from GREENE were delivered to THOMAS' shoulder area. He does not know of any verbal commands given by officers to THOMAS. There was approximately five officers holding THOMAS down. THOMAS' cuffs were on too tight. Approximately two to three minutes later, THOMAS' cuffs were adjusted at the car.

WALTON did not hear THOMAS provide the name GARY THOMAS to law enforcement. He just thought or assumed that THOMAS gave his correct name.

WALTON provided a sketch of the scene with a description of the use of force (See attached). No further information was obtained at this time.

This interview concluded at 3:00 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Randall Walton interview

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OTHER Randall Walton sketch

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**ID DATA:**

**WALTON, RANDALL LAMAR (MR)**

DOB: 1977

SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

VALDOSTA, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

CELLULAR (Redacted)

**PRO, MARK (AGENT)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

GBI/REGION 4

351 THOMAS FRIER SR. DRIVE

DOUGLAS, GA 31535

BUSINESS:(912)389-4103

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/26/2020



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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 3:15 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the address of [REDACTED], Ga., speaking with MOLLY WILLIAMS in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. WILLIAMS essentially stated the following;

On Monday, June 15, 2020, at approximately 5:00 p.m. she heard several car doors close. She went to her window. She just heard a crowd hollering. She did not witness the use of force incident that occurred. She was inside cooking at the time. She does not know who was arrested. She heard that it was "J.G." who she referred to as GARY THOMAS, JR. She does not know any others that were outside at this time. She wears glasses. She never left her porch. She is approximately a half a block away from where the incident occurred. She did not see anything. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 3:20 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Molly Williams interview

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INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**ID DATA:**

**WILLIAMS, MOLLY** (MS)

SEX/RACE: FEMALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

ADEL, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

**PRO, MARK** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

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SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/26/2020



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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 3:30 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the address of [REDACTED], speaking with JALEYSHIA EVERETT in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. EVERETT essentially stated the following;

Upon her arrival to the location where the incident occurred (known to law enforcement as [REDACTED] there were three to four officers twisting GARY THOMAS, a/k/a "J.G'S" arm. THOMAS was in handcuffs. THOMAS was yelling, "Y'all breaking my wrists. I'm not resisting." She did not witness any strikes to THOMAS. She recalls RANDALL WALTON, a/k/a "SHORT" and his brother, "JUICY" (known to law enforcement as RONNIE WALTON) were present. She did not actually witness the use of force incident occur. She and unknown others heard a commotion and walked from [REDACTED], approximately one block to where the incident occurred. THOMAS was already in police custody upon their arrival.

She posted a video to Facebook. She did not record the video. The video was recorded by a truck driver, FNU LNU. She would not provide the individual's name of who recorded the one second video that she posted which appeared to show an officer striking THOMAS with other officers on top of THOMAS. EVERETT called the individual who recorded the video by phone. She asked the individual if he would allow her to provide his name and contact information to law enforcement for an interview. The individual declined. No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 3:45 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Jayleshia Everett interview

[\(Attachments\)](#)

**ID DATA:**

**EVERETT, JALEYSHIA** (MS)

SEX/RACE: FEMALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

ADEL, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

**PRO, MARK** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

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BUSINESS:(912)389-4103

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/26/2020





**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

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On Thursday, June 18, 2020, at approximately 5:20 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the address of [REDACTED] Valdosta, Lowndes County, Ga., speaking with RONNIE WALTON, a/k/a "JUICY." The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. WALTON essentially stated the following;

He was present for the use of force incident that occurred on Monday, June 15, 2020, exact address unknown (known to law enforcement as [REDACTED] in Adel, Cook County, Ga. He recalls Adel Police Department (APD) officers arriving on scene and asking for an individual by the name of "KUJO" in a blue ball cap.

APD officers asked GARY THOMAS' name. "HANCOCK" (known to law enforcement as APD SGT SHAWN HANCOCK) told THOMAS not to move. He knows HANCOCK from prior law enforcement interactions. HANCOCK gave THOMAS instructions to place his phone down. THOMAS complied and placed his phone down. THOMAS was instructed to stand up. THOMAS asked why he was being arrested. A short officer with black hair (known to law enforcement as TAYLOR GREENE) then tased and tried to tackle THOMAS. THOMAS was tasered a second time.

THOMAS fell down near the edge of the gazebo. GREENE then kned THOMAS in the side and punched THOMAS in his head. THOMAS had his hands up around his head area. THOMAS' palms were red. They searched THOMAS at the car. THOMAS' father arrived.

This occurred at MLK and Sixth Street at the property owned by BOBBY KAISER. KAISER was present and then left. It occurred between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. He was there approximately thirty minutes prior to the altercation. His brother RANDALL WALTON, BOBBY KAISER and GARY THOMAS were there. There was another unknown black male described to be large and with the nickname "LEMON HEAD" (known to law enforcement as CALVIN SMITH). They were there eating ribs and rice and drinking Coca-Cola. There was no liquor being drank by anyone. There was no marijuana being smoked by anyone. Marijuana was found at this location, but did not belong to him.

He was wearing a black shirt with no hat. He has dreads. His brother RANDALL was wearing fatigue camouflage pants with no hat. RANDALL has an afro. KAISER was wearing a red shirt and a red hat. "LEMON HEAD" was not wearing a hat. THOMAS was wearing a dark blue navy Atlanta Braves hat and a blue shirt. APD officers were looking for "KUJO" exact name unknown. Officers gave another name, exact name unknown (known to law enforcement as CHARLES DUNWOODY). Officers were looking for another individual wearing a blue ball cap wanted by "the Federales" (known to mean federal agents). Officers went straight to THOMAS first. THOMAS was the only one wearing a blue hat. Officers asked THOMAS his name. THOMAS provided the name GARY THOMAS. HANCOCK and GREENE were talking to THOMAS.

THOMAS was instructed to put his phone up. THOMAS argued with them over his phone. GREENE then grabbed THOMAS and pulled his hand behind his back. There were verbal commands being given to THOMAS. THOMAS said, "You hurt me. What did I do?" THOMAS was not placed in handcuffs when THOMAS put his hands behind

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his back. THOMAS was tasered twice while standing up and then once while down on the ground. There were approximately five unknown officers on THOMAS.

THOMAS fell to the ground. THOMAS was kneed in the side approximately four times continuously. THOMAS yelled, "Y'all are hurting me." Officers were saying "Don't resist. Be still." An unknown officer punched THOMAS three times in the side of his head. There were two officers near the front of THOMAS. There was one officer on each side of THOMAS and one officer at THOMAS' feet.

THOMAS was punched while he was in handcuffs on the ground. THOMAS was stood up and said his arm was hurt. HANCOCK put THOMAS in the patrol vehicle. HANCOCK did not adjust the cuffs. The cuffs remained the same. The patrol vehicle's window was down. THOMAS complained of the heat and the cuffs. THOMAS told his father that police had beaten him. The window of the patrol vehicle was then rolled up and no air was on. City Commissioner GREGORY PAIGE then arrived and started asking questions.

When asked if THOMAS was fully cooperative with officers, WALTON stated "He was...he was trying to get himself out of jam from being hurt".

WALTON provided a sketch of the scene and a detailed description of the use of force (See attached). No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 6:00 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Ronnie Walton interview

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OTHER Ronnie Walton sketch

[\(Attachments\)](#)

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**ID DATA:**

**WALTON, RONNIE (MR)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

VALDOSTA, LOWNDES COUNTY, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNEMPLOYED

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

**PRO, MARK (AGENT)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

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tt: 6/26/2020



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On Thursday, June 18, 2020 at approximately 7:00 PM, SA J.K. NIPPER was located at the Adel Police Department (APD) speaking with CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY. CASTLEBERRY provided SA NIPPER with one flash-drive containing SGT SHAWN HANCOCK'S taser footage from June 15, 2020 involving GARY THOMAS JR. The flash-drive is maintained in the rear of the case file.

The video essentially revealed the following:

It should be noted that the date and time reflected on the video was 06-15-2020 at approximately 11:00 PM. The actual use of force time of incident is known by law enforcement to be between 7:00 and 8:00 PM.

THOMAS appears to be seated on the wooden gazebo bench. THOMAS stated "please sir I didn't do anything wrong". At approximately the five second time stamp, HANCOCK appeared to administer one drive stun to THOMAS, exact location unknown. THOMAS was not in handcuffs. THOMAS yelled. THOMAS appeared to be wearing a black t-shirt and blue jeans. THOMAS is instructed by an unknown officer "put your hands behind your back". Unknown officer's hands are struggling with THOMAS. At approximately the five second time stamp, a second drive stun appeared to bring THOMAS down to the ground. THOMAS was half way on and half off of the gazebo. THOMAS was not in handcuffs. THOMAS was instructed to place his hands behind his back. At approximately the fifteen second time stamp, a third drive stun was administered to THOMAS' leg. THOMAS was not in handcuffs. An officer is heard "he's reaching". Verbal commands to "put your hands behind your back now" was heard. At

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approximately the twenty-six second time stamp, a fourth drive stun was administered, exact location unknown. THOMAS was not in handcuffs. Officers are seen wrestling with THOMAS. No strikes to THOMAS are visible on the video.

The video lasted approximately forty-five seconds. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded on Friday, July 31, 2020 at approximately 9:00 AM.

**ID DATA:**

**CASTLEBERRY, CHAD** (CHIEF)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: OFFICER

EMPLOYER:

ADEL POLICE DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/19/2020

jn: 7/31/2020



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On Friday, June 19, 2020, at approximately 12:10 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER and SAC MARK PRO were located at the address of [REDACTED], Ga., speaking with CALVIN SMITH. The audio of the interview was recorded (See attached). The following is a summary of the interview. For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. SMITH essentially stated the following;

He was present during the use of force incident that occurred on Monday, June 15, 2020 at an unknown address (known to law enforcement as [REDACTED] in Adel, Ga.) He was seated at a gazebo when the Adel Police Department (APD). arrived. The owner, exact name unknown stated that this is private property (this individual is known as BOB KAISER.)

Officers were looking for CHARLES DUNWOODY. The first individual that they approached was GARY THOMAS. THOMAS was approached by two officers. THOMAS provided his name and information. Officers then began "bugging" THOMAS about his phone. THOMAS was calling his mother. THOMAS was given verbal instructions to get off of his phone. Officers took THOMAS' phone. THOMAS was told that he was under arrest and to place his hands behind his back. THOMAS and officers began "tussling". An officer took THOMAS' legs. One officer took THOMAS' arm. Another officer took THOMAS' other arm. Another officer tased THOMAS.

He then voiced his displeasure with how THOMAS was being treated to the officers. He was upset. He stated, "The man was not bucking." He described the force used as being excessive. He told the officers that he was upset that they were using excessive

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force and no other officer was stopping them. He walked off and left the scene prior to any "punching" or other stuff.

THOMAS was not aggressive and "under control" by officers during the use of force. He recalls hearing THOMAS say, "Your hurting me." THOMAS was hollering. He later saw a video which appeared to be a "little officer" (known to law enforcement as TAYLOR GREENE) punching THOMAS. On the video you could not see THOMAS due to so many officers on him. None of the other officers did anything to stop the excessive force.

This incident occurred on South MLK and Sixth Street at approximately 7:00 p.m. He had been there approximately one hour prior to the incident. BOB KAISER was present. He was there with KAISER, THOMAS and possibly six to seven others total, exact names unknown. There was no alcohol being drank. There was marijuana being smoked.

APD officers and Cook County Sheriff Department (CCSO) deputies arrived. APD arrived first. CCSO appeared to be there to assist. He does not know any of the officers. The officers initially asked for CHARLES DUNWOODY. Officers were looking for a blue baseball cap. THOMAS was the only one wearing a blue baseball cap. DUNWOODY is believed to be from New York. DUNWOODY is a larger black male. DUNWOODY was not at this location prior to law enforcement's arrival. KAISER allowed law enforcement to search his shed. KAISER was told by law enforcement they were looking for CHARLES DUNWOODY. KAISER later told him after the incident that was who officers were there looking for. APD officers asked, "Where's Charles Dunwoody?" Officers said they had received a call, exact reason unknown. Officers



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possibly had warrants on DUNWOODY.

All law enforcement arrived in their department issued vehicles and uniforms, clearly marked as law enforcement. Two officers immediately approached THOMAS. One officer confronted THOMAS about his phone. Another officer then grabbed THOMAS by his legs. There were two officers on the gazebo. There were others officers in the yard.

Officers asked THOMAS for his name and date of birth. He does not know what information THOMAS provided to officers. There was other individuals beside him on the gazebo. THOMAS was told to put his phone down. THOMAS still had his phone in his hand. THOMAS was told that he was under arrest. THOMAS stated, "What did I do?" THOMAS was never given an opportunity to put his hands behind his back. THOMAS was tased, exact number of times unknown. He saw the taser in use on THOMAS while THOMAS was laying on the ground. He does not recall any verbal instructions being given to THOMAS by officers.

He does not know why four officers were involved in THOMAS' arrest. THOMAS was not in cuffs at any point when he was being tased. THOMAS was laying on the ground inside the gazebo. Officers were holding THOMAS' hands.

He left the scene at this point. He later saw a video where THOMAS was on the ground along with four to five officers on a one second loop. A small officer punched THOMAS. He was not wearing a hat during this incident. KAISER was wearing a red shirt, possibly a hat, exact color unknown. THOMAS had on a blue hat, exact others unknown. THOMAS may have been the only one wearing a hat, that may be why officers focused on THOMAS. He does not know if officers asked THOMAS if he was CHARLES

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DUNWOODY. He is unsure if THOMAS told law enforcement his name to be GARY THOMAS. SMITH provided S/A NIPPER with a sketch of the scene and a detailed description of the use of force (see attached). No further information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 12:10 p.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Calvin Smith interview

[\(Attachments\)](#)

OTHER C Smith sketch

[\(Attachments\)](#)

**ID DATA:**

**SMITH, CALVIN JAMES** (MR)

DOB: 1968

SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

TIFTON, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: UNKNOWN

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

CELLULAR (Redacted)

**PRO, MARK** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

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REGION 4  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/26/2020



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REGION 4  
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**04-0206-34-20**

On Tuesday, June 23, 2020, at approximately 9:00 a.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Coffee County, Ga., in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. S/A NIPPER spoke via e-mail with NICK REONAS, Georgia P.O.S.T. Certification Auditor. REONAS essentially stated the following (See attached);

OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE possesses a Georgia Basic Law Enforcement certification. GREENE'S certification is active and in good standing. GREENE has completed the required training for each counter year since completing the basic course. GREENE has arrest powers in the State of Georgia. GREENE'S P.O.S.T. records show that he has completed the required training for each required calendar year. There have been no prior, pending or active P.O.S.T. investigations or complaints against GREENE. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 9:15 a.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

OTHER POST records ref Officer Greene

[\(Attachments\)](#)

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REGION 4  
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**ID DATA:**

**REONAS, NICK (MR)**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: CLERK

ELECTRONIC ADDRESS: NREONAS@GAPOST.ORG

EMPLOYER:

P.O.S.T.

BUSINESS:(404)461-3616

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/29/2020



**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
REGION 4  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**04-0206-34-20**

On Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at approximately 12:00 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located at the Adel Police Department (APD) speaking with CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY in reference to the ongoing use of force investigation. S/A NIPPER reviewed APD personnel files for the following officers; SGT. SHAWN HANCOCK, SGT. JOEL FUTCH, CPL. KATLYN SUMNER, OFFICER JASON BRASHER and OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE. The records essentially reveal the following;

SGT. SHAWN HANCOCK received a letter of accommodation on August 19, 2018, from CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY. It should be noted that OFFICER KATLYN SUMNER was mentioned in the same letter of accommodation. HANCOCK and SUMNER arrested a subject who had provided a false name and date of birth to officers. The subject came back to be a wanted fugitive from justice. The subject was wanted for murder out of Indiana. LT. KRIS SEYMORE, the field supervisor for the Elkhart County Homicide Unit from Indiana also wrote a letter of accommodation for HANCOCK and SUMNER from the same arrest.

On August 24, 2019, HANCOCK received a citizen's complaint. HANCOCK was traveling at approximately 65 mph in a 30 mph without lights and sirens. Upon review of the complaint, HANCOCK was responding to an officer requesting assistance related to a fleeing felon. HANCOCK was given a verbal counseling session.

On February 12, 2018, HANCOCK was given a letter of accommodation by CHIEF CHAD CASTLEBERRY for apprehending a subject with several felony warrants. The subject was armed and combative at the time of arrest.

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On October 9, 2019, HANCOCK received a citizen complaint for excessive force. Upon review of the body camera footage, HANCOCK was found not to have used excessive force, but did use inappropriate language throughout the incident. HANCOCK received a counseling session on his use of language.

On January 6, 2020, an Internal Affairs investigation was opened in reference to HANCOCK. Following an arrest by HANCOCK, the subject alleged in a written witness statement that HANCOCK had stolen approximately \$35,000 in cash from him during a traffic stop. Upon review of the body camera footage and dash cam footage, HANCOCK was cleared of all wrong doing. No criminal charges were taken against the subject.

It should be noted that HANCOCK has been awarded Officer of the Year, Training Officer of the Year, and Chief's Award for Excellence over the past few years.

CPL. KATLYN SUMNER also received a letter of accommodation from CHIEF CASTLEBERY and LT. CHRIS SEYMORE related to the August 19, 2018 apprehension of a wanted murder suspect from Indiana.

On January 7, 2019, a citizen's complaint was filed related to SUMNER using profanity while speaking to another officer. This profanity was over heard by a citizen. SUMNER received a letter of counsel.

On February 25, 2019, SUMNER received a verbal reprimand by SGT. JOSH WEEKS related to an incident involving DEVANE THOMAS. THOMAS did not file a citizen's

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complaint. CHIEF CASTLEBERRY asked SUMNER what the verbal reprimand was for. According to SUMNER, it was for missing court on a subpoena.

Upon review of SGT. JOEL FUTCH'S personnel file. Nothing of evidentiary value was noted.

Upon review of OFFICER JASON BRASHER'S personnel file, nothing of evidentiary value was noted.

Upon review of OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE'S personnel file, nothing of evidentiary value was noted.

This investigative act concluded at 1:00 p.m.

**ID DATA:**

**CASTLEBERRY, CHAD** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/23/2020

tt: 6/29/2020





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**04-0206-34-20**

On Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at approximately 9:00 AM, SA J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Coffee County, Georgia. SA NIPPER spoke via email with GBI Intel ANALYST JENNIFER WOODWARD. WOODWARD provided intelligence on the following individuals (see attached):

The documents essentially revealed the following:

Subject:

\*GARY THOMAS, JR

THOMAS is a convicted felon for a prior drug offense. THOMAS was convicted of misdemeanor Willful Obstruction of a Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) on or around 02-11-2009. On Monday, June 15, 2020 THOMAS was arrested by the Adel Police Department for the following charges: misdemeanor Violation of Probation warrant, misdemeanor Obstruction of LEO, misdemeanor False Name to LEO, misdemeanor Battery x2, felony Obstruction of LEO x2, felony Possession of Cocaine.

Officer Subjects:

\*SGT SHAWN HANCOCK

\*SGT JOEL FUTCH

\*CPL KATLYN SUMNER

\*OFFICER TAYLOR GREENE

\*DEPUTY JOSEPH GATEWOOD

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Criminal History reports were reviewed. Nothing of evidentiary value was noted.

Witnesses:

\*BOBBY KAISER

\*RONNIE WALTON

\*RANDALL WALTON

\*CALVIN SMITH

KAISER and SMITH are known by law enforcement to be convicted felons. This information was verified through the Georgia Department of Community Supervision.

Person of interest:

\*CHARLES DUNWOODY:

DUNWOODY has active felony arrest warrants out of the state of Oklahoma for drug trafficking charges. DUNWOODY'S alias was listed as "KOGEE". DUNWOODY also had felony arrest warrants out of Adel, Cook County, Georgia for drug and weapons charges as a convicted felon. DUNWOODY'S NCIC had the following note "USE CAUTION SUBJECT MAY POSSESS A FIREARM".

No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at approximately 10:00 AM.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

INTELLIGENCE Gary Thomas Jr

[\(Attachments\)](#)

INTELLIGENCE Hancock, Futch, Sumner,  
Greene & Gatewood

[\(Attachments\)](#)

INTELLIGENCE Dunwoody, Kaiser, Ronnie  
Walton, Randall Walton & Smith

[\(Attachments\)](#)

**ID DATA:**

**WOODWARD, JENNIFER** (ANALYST)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: ANALYST

EMPLOYER:

GBI

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 6/25/2020

jn: 6/25/2020



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INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**04-0206-34-20**

On Thursday, July 9, 2020, at approximately 10:50 AM, S/A ALEX JULIAN was located in Cook County, Ga., for the purpose of interviewing MARCUS IRVIN via telephone regarding the present investigation.

This interview was audio recorded (See attached). For a detailed account, refer to the attached recording. IRVIN essentially stated the following;

IRVIN confirmed that he was present during the use of force pertinent to this investigation. He was standing on the other side of the street looking at the gazebo. He observed the officers approach the gazebo and began to talking to a person in it. He identified this person as GARY, who he said is a friend of his. The policemen went into the shed and began speaking with GARY, who began protesting, saying "For what? For what?" He believed they were asking for GARY'S phone and that he did not want to give it to them. GARY repeatedly said that he did not do anything. IRVIN saw an officer snatch the phone out of GARY'S hand and stand him up. He observed an officer pull out a taser and then heard the taser fire and believes that GARY was shot with the taser at this time. The officer's repeatedly stated "Stop resisting." They then put GARY on the ground. IRVIN observed the officer's throw four or five punches at GARY and use their knees while GARY was on the ground.

IRVIN stated he had attempted to video tape the incident using SnapChat, however, made a mistake while video taping and was only able to record one second in which an officer was punching GARY while on the ground.

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IRVIN has not talked to GARY since the incident. Immediately after the incident took place, he talked to a couple of the people who were located under the gazebo. They stated the officers approached GARY because he was wearing a blue hat and that the officer's kept asking for his phone. IRVIN stated that GARY knows CHARLES DUNWOODY, who he believes is the person that officer's were actually looking for and that GARY was confused as to why they thought he was CHARLES DUNWOODY. No other information was obtained.

This interview concluded at 11:00 a.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO Irvin Interview

[\(Attachments\)](#)

**ID DATA:**

**IRVIN, MARCUS** (MR)

DOB: 1982

SEX/RACE: MALE/BLACK

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

ADEL, GA

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: TRUCK DRIVER

EMPLOYER:

UNKNOWN

CELLULAR (Redacted)

SPECIAL AGENT ALEX JULIAN: 7/10/2020

tt: 7/10/2020

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On Thursday, July 9, 2020 at approximately 1:00 PM, SA J.K. NIPPER and ASAC JASON SEACRIST were located at the Berrien County Courthouse speaking with Alapaha Judicial Circuit DISTRICT ATTORNEY DICK PERRYMAN and ADA REBECCA DITTO. SAC MARK was present via telephone. SA NIPPER, ASAC SEACRIST and SAC PRO briefed PERRYMAN and DITTO on the findings of the investigation. PERRYMAN and DITTO reviewed all available Adel Police Department video footage of the incident. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at approximately 2:00 PM.

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INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**ID DATA:**

**PERRYMAN, DICK** (DISTRICT ATTORNEY)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: DISTRICT ATTORNEY

EMPLOYER:

ALAPAHA JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

**DITTO, REBECCA** (ASSISTANT DA)

SEX/RACE: FEMALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ASSISTANT

EMPLOYER:

ALAPAHA JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

**PRO, MARK** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

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**SEACRIST, JASON** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

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SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 7/9/2020

jn: 8/3/2020





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**04-0206-34-20**

On Friday, July 10, 2020, at approximately 6:00 p.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Coffee County in reference to the ongoing investigation. S/A NIPPER spoke via e-mail with SAMANTHA JOHNSON, Attorney for Grady Memorial Hospital. JOHNSON provided the EMS report related to GARY THOMAS, JR.'S contact on June 15, 2020 (see attached). The report essentially reveals the following;

Paramedics IAN CAMPBELL and RALPH WEST made contact with GARY THOMAS, JR. on June 15, 2020, at approximately 7:28 p.m. at the Cook County Sheriff's Office. THOMAS provided the date of birth of [REDACTED] 1979. THOMAS complained of left wrist pain due to the cuffs being too tight. Law enforcement removed THOMAS' cuffs for examination. Patient was uncooperative with personal demographic information. Patient was given an assessment with no significant findings. Law enforcement signaled refusal to transport and EMS went back in service.

The Refusal to Transport form was signed by SHAWN HANCOCK with the Adel Police Department and the option box for "law enforcement" was checked. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 6:10 PM.

**ATTACHMENTS**

MEDICAL RECORDS EMS report ref Gary Thomas

[\(Attachments\)](#)

**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
REGION 4  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**ID DATA:**

**JOHNSON, SAMANTHA** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 7/20/2020

tt: 7/23/2020



**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
REGION 4  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**04-0206-34-20**

On Monday, August 3, 2020 at approximately 12:45 PM, SA J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Coffee County, Georgia. SA NIPPER spoke with Cook County 911 DIRECTOR LAMAR RAY. RAY provided 911 calls and radio traffic related to the use of force on Monday, June 15, 2020 (see attached). The audio files essentially revealed the following:

On Monday, June 15, 2020 at approximately 7:03 PM, Adel Police Department (APD) and the Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) radio traffic revealed that officers were heading to the area of South MLK Street and 6th Street in reference to a wanted individual by the name CHARLES DUNWOODY aka "CUJO" at a "brown shack".

At approximately 7:06 PM, APD SGT HANCOCK ran the name WILLIAM TOMLINSON and the date of birth [REDACTED]-1979".

Approximately one minute and twenty seconds later, dispatch responded "we're not getting a return".

At approximately 7:09 PM, dispatch repeated the prior traffic of no return on WILLIAM TOMLINSON, [REDACTED]-1979.

At approximately 7:16 PM, APD CPL SUMNER advised that the subject (known to law enforcement as GARY THOMAS JR) complained of wrist pain. EMS was notified. EMS arrived on scene approximately four minutes later. Officers then decided to have THOMAS evaluated at the CCSO jail.

**04-0206-34-20**

At approximately 7:39 PM, BOBBY KAISER called dispatch requesting to speak to CCSO SGT GODWIN.

No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at approximately 4:45 PM.

**ATTACHMENTS**

AUDIO 911 traffic and calls

[\(Attachments\)](#)

**ID DATA:**

RAY, LAMAR (MR)  
SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE  
COUNTRY: UNITED STATES  
OCCUPATION: CLERK  
EMPLOYER:  
COOK COUNTY 911  
3295 COUNTY FARM ROAD  
ADEL, GA  
BUSINESS:(229)896-4464

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 8/3/2020

jn: 8/3/2020



**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
REGION 4  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**04-0206-34-20**

On Monday, August 10, 2020, at approximately 10:00 a.m., S/A J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Clinch County, Georgia. S/A NIPPER spoke with Georgia P.O.S.T. AUDITOR NICK REONAS via e-mail. REONAS provided the following P.O.S.T. records for Adel Police Dept. SERGEANT SHAWN HANCOCK, SGT. JOEL FUTCH, CPL. KATLYN SUMNER, and Cook County Sheriff's office DEPUTY JOSEPH GATEWOOD (see attached).

According to REONAS, HANCOCK, FUTCH and GATEWOOD possess law enforcement certifications which are active and in good standing. HANCOCK, FUTCH, SUMNER and GATEWOOD have completed the required training for each calendar year since completing the basic course and have have arrest powers.

Records reveal that SUMNER is currently on POST probation. S/A NIPPER was instructed to contact JILL PERRY with Georgia P.O.S.T. reference to P.O.S.T. Case #0053921212 for further information. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at 10:15 a.m.

**ATTACHMENTS**

OTHER POST records ref Hancock, Futch,  
Sumner and Gatewood

[\(Attachments\)](#)

**ID DATA:**

**REONAS, NICK** (Previously Submitted)

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REGION 4  
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SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 8/10/2020

tt: 8/10/2020



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REGION 4  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**04-0206-34-20**

On Monday, August 10, 2020 at approximately 12:00 PM, SA J.K. NIPPER was located inside of Clinch County, Georgia. SA NIPPER spoke with Georgia POST AUDITOR JILL PERRY via email. SA NIPPER requested documents related to KATLYN SUMNER'S POST Case #0053921212. PERRY directed SA NIPPER to SA TAYLOR LUCIANO. PERRY had recently provided the requested documents to SA LUCIANO on a separate use of force investigation.

SA NIPPER spoke with SA LUCIANO. LUCIANO provided POST records related to POST Case #0053921212 reference SUMNER (see attached). The documents essentially revealed the following: SUMNER was a dispatcher in 2012. In December of 2012, SUMNER was arrested for Public Intoxication. SUMNER was placed on twenty-four months probation. According to LUCIANO, SUMNER never paid POST the fee to begin her probation sentence. No further information was obtained.

This investigative act concluded at approximately 12:15 PM.

**ATTACHMENTS**

OTHER K Sumner POST probation docs

[\(Attachments\)](#)

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**ID DATA:**

**PERRY, JILL** (MRS)

SEX/RACE: FEMALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AIDE

EMPLOYER:

GEORGIA POST

**LUCIANNI, TAYLOR** (AGENT)

SEX/RACE: FEMALE/WHITE

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

OCCUPATION: AGENT

EMPLOYER:

GBI

SPECIAL AGENT JASON NIPPER: 8/10/2020

jn: 8/12/2020

