

# MECKLENBURG COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INCIDENT REPORT

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<b>13. Injury to Inmate:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			<b>14. If Yes, Attending Medical Personnel:</b>		<b>15. Date / Time / Location:</b> 07/19/2022 / 0935 / Loading Dock			
<b>16. Narrative:</b> At approximatley 0900 hrs, LB&B was receiving a delivery. The delivery truck was a 26' box truck which took up a lot of space. I was standing outside in front of the truck to guide the incoming traffic around the front of the truck. The delivery truck took about 30 minutes. While the delivery driver was closing the back of the truck, a white Porsche SUV, pulled around the right side of the box truck and attempted to go behind the truck. It was then when I heard a loud scraping sound. The driver got out of the SUV and started yelling at the delivery driver. By the time I made it to the back of the truck, they were both nose to nose. I stepped in between to separate them. They both continued to yell at one another. I told the driver that she needed to leave but she refused at first. The situation was out of control, so I called for assistance. Sergeants Brown, Whitmore and Deputy J. Ward arrived. At this time, both parties exited the loading dock area and I explained the incident to Sergeants Brown and Whitmore. End of report. <i>LG</i>								
<b>Supervisory Action Taken:</b>								
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<b>18. Reporting Officer:</b> L. Goodman <i>L. Goodman</i>				<b>19. Code Number:</b>		<b>20. Number of Pages:</b> Page 1 of 1		
<b>21. Sergeant / Code# / Date:</b> <i>Sgt. Brown X1369 7-20-2022</i>				<b>22. Captain / Code # / Date:</b> <i>Capt. R. Goddard X1361 7-20-22</i>				
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<b>16. Narrative:</b> On 7/19/22 at approximately 0930 hrs., Strategic Officer Goodman radioed from the Dock for immediate assistance. When I arrived and spoke to Officer Goodman with Strategic, he stated that a staff member and a delivery person got into a heated argument. He also informed me that a staff member scraped her vehicle against a delivery truck when she drove around. Sgt. Brown and I walked down to the basement parking to find out which staff member that Officer Goodman was referring to. Sgt. Brown and I spoke with Judge Best, who was at this time getting on the elevator stated that she was running late and that she didn't have time to talk. Judge Best stated that deliveries should've been done sooner, and she was supposed to be in Court virtually. I later spoke with Judge Carla Archie about the information that was relayed to me by Judge Best, Officer Goodman with Strategic and Billy with LB&B. I also spoke with Chief Beebe, Major Carter, and Captain Goodwin about the details known to me at the time. I am currently waiting on incident reports from all entities that were involved (Strategic and LB&B). More details are being compiled for accuracy. End of report.				
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<b>18. Reporting Officer:</b> Sgt. J.M. Whitmore		<b>19. Code Number:</b> x1353		<b>20. Number of Pages:</b> Page 1 of 1
<b>21. Sergeant / Code# / Date:</b>		<b>22. Captain / Code # / Date:</b> Capt Beebe x1361 7-25-22		
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<b>16. Narrative:</b> On July 19, 2022, at approximately 0950 hrs, I spoke with William "Billy" Lafferty with LB&B asking him what happened on the dock. According to Billy with LB&B, he stated that a black female (Judge Best) was yelling and swearing at the delivery driver and that he did not recognize the lady (Judge Best.) Billy also said that the driver of the delivery truck tried to take a picture of Judge Best's vehicle but Judge Best blocked her by slapping at her phone. Billy also stated that Judge Best grabbed the delivery driver by the shoulders/arms area and shook her. Judge Best then told the driver to leave. Later that day, I advised Billy that I will need an incident report about what he saw and heard during the incident. I later followed up on the incident report from Billy with LB&B. Billy stated that he had a lot going on that day and said he will have the incident report ready in the morning. On July 20, 2022, Billy said that he will complete the incident when he gets a chance. Billy later came to me on July 20, 2022 and stated that he really doesn't want to get involved and would like a formal request for the incident report via email if he had to. I emailed Billy a formal request with Captain Goodwin included in the email requesting an incident report to be written. Billy replied at 1530 hrs, saying that he will fulfill the request by the next morning. On July 21, 2022, I followed up with Billy to check the status on the requested incident report. Billy advised me that he did not want to get involved and was not going to write a statement. Billy stated that he spoke with his attorney and was advised by that attorney that he (Billy) has a right not to give a statement. I told Billy that I understood his feelings and that I will report his position to Captain Goodwin. End of report.				
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## Whitmore, James

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**From:** William Lafferty <wlafferty@lbbassociates.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 20, 2022 3:30 PM  
**To:** Whitmore, James  
**Cc:** Goodwin, Richard; Tim R. Thomas; Ashley Neal  
**Subject:** [External]RE: 7/19/22 Dock incident

**CAUTION:** This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Sgt. Whitmore Good afternoon,

I should be able to fulfill this request by tomorrow morning do you have any particular questions?

Thank You

Billy Lafferty  
Chief Engineer  
Charlotte Mecklenburg Court Complex  
O-980-314-5936  
C-704-942-8014  
[WLafferty@Lbbassociates.com](mailto:WLafferty@Lbbassociates.com)

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**From:** Whitmore, James [mailto:James.Whitmore@mecklenburgcountync.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 20, 2022 3:20 PM  
**To:** William Lafferty <wlafferty@lbbassociates.com>  
**Cc:** Goodwin, Richard <Richard.Goodwin@mecklenburgcountync.gov>  
**Subject:** 7/19/22 Dock incident

### **NOTICE: External Email**

Good afternoon, Billy. There was an altercation that took place on the loading dock you witness approximately 0930. Myself and Captain Goodwin is requesting a statement about what occurred in your presents. Thanks for assistance in this matter.

**Sgt. J. M. Whitmore x1353**  
**MCSO Court Division**  
**Dignitary Protection Unit**  
**[James.Whitmore@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov](mailto:James.Whitmore@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov)**  
**980-314-5920 (Office)**  
**704-351-5086 ( Work Cell)**

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<b>16. Narrative:</b> On 7-19-2022 at approximately 1230 hrs, I spoke with Meagan Gunter employed with Wobo Logistics. The reason of the phone call was to follow up with Ms. Gunter in reference to an incident that took place earlier in the day in the dock area around 0920 hrs. The incident involved a minor collision of two vehicles in the loading dock area. One of the vehicles being a Porsche SUV belonging to Judge Kimberly Best and the other being a box truck belonging to Meagan Gunter. When I spoke with Ms. Gunter via telephone, she stated that she was not interested in filing any charges on Judge Best dealing with the incident. End of report.				
<b>Supervisory Action Taken:</b> Captain R. Goodwin was notified of the situation and informed that Meagan Gunter was not interested in filing any charges on Judge Kimberly Best.				
<b>17. Other Reports:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Supplement <input type="checkbox"/> Arrest Report <input type="checkbox"/> Property Supplement <input type="checkbox"/> CMPD's Offense Report				
<b>18. Reporting Officer:</b> <i>Sgt. Brown #1689</i> Sgt. G.L. Brown Jr.    7-19-2022		<b>19. Code Number:</b> X4689		<b>20. Number of Pages:</b> Page 1 of 1
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<b>16. Narrative:</b> On 7/19/22 at approximately 1200 hrs., I spoke with Judge Best in reference to an accident that happen on the Dock of the Courthouse with a delivery driver. According to Judge Best, a delivery truck was blocking the entrance to the garage, Judge Best said she was behind Judge McCallum vehicle waiting in line. The Dock Officer (Officer Goodman) working the dock was singling for the vehicles to drive around the box truck slowly to enter the garage. Judge Best said that after Judge McCallum made it through, she attempted to drive her vehicle around the box truck and scraped the side of her vehicle. At that moment Judge Best said that she was only mad at herself after accessing the damage. Judge Best then said she got back into her vehicle and continued to the garage door when the delivery driver kept mouthing off at her. That's when she got out of her vehicle and started shouting back at the delivery driver. Judge Best said that the delivery driver got in her face first and they started arguing back and forth. Judge Best said the delivery driver tried to take a picture of her vehicle but she blocked her by slapping at her phone. Judge Best also said, the delivery driver tried to take pictures of her vehicle tag and she blocked her from taken pictures of her tag as well. Judge Best did say she force the delivery driver back after trying to take pictures of her tag. Judge Best then told the delivery driver to leave. Later the next day, Judge Best text me that she would like to file an incident report regarding the issue the other day if possible. I advise Judge Best once the incident report is complete, I'll pick it up personally. This morning around 1150 (July 25, 2022) I spoke with Judge Best about the incident report and she stated that she wasn't going to write any incident reports because of the things she read about the delivery driver. Judge Best said that she felt bad for her and wanted to make sure the delivery driver doesn't lose her trucking business behind this situation. Judge Best also said that she felt it was something going on behind this accident that she did not want to discuss so that's why she was not going to write an incident report now. End of Report <span style="color:red; font-size: 1.2em;">EAG X1361</span>							
In Summary: Continuation of Narrative							
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26. Other Person <input type="checkbox"/> Inmate <input type="checkbox"/> Victim <input type="checkbox"/> Witness <input type="checkbox"/> Suspect <input type="checkbox"/> Employee <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____				
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34. Employer / Address:				35. Telephone:
36. Height:	37. Weight:	38. Hair:	39. Eyes:	40. Injury / Describe:
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**56. Continuation of Narrative:** After reviewing the incident reports taken from Officer Goodman, Sgt. Brown and Sgt. Whitmore, on the delivery driver (Meagan Gunter) and Judge Kimberly Best.

- Officer Goodman Report: I decided to go back and speak with Officer Goodman to ensure of any other details that may have been left out that could have been address, one reason is because of the statement he wrote "The situation was out of control". When I asked Officer Goodman about the statement he wrote, Officer Goodman replied. "The situation was getting out of control when the delivery driver got up in the face of the lady that was driving the SUV and they were nose to nose. They were arguing back and forth and the lady driving the SUV pushed the delivery driver back from her and kept her from trying to take pictures of her vehicle. That's when I stepped in between to separate them. They both continued to yell at one another. That's when I asked the delivery driver to leave and called for assistance".
- Sergeant Brown Report: I asked Sgt. Brown if the delivery truck driver gave a statement of the incident that took place. Sgt. Brown said that when he asked about giving a statement and filing a report, the delivery truck driver said that she was not interested in filing or giving any reports on Judge Kimberly Best. Sgt. Brown said that she was more concerned if the US Marshall would get involved. I asked how so, Sgt. Brown said that she asked if the US Marshall would get involved with this incident. Sgt. Brown replied that he don't think so.
- The video footage of the incident has no visual of the incident and only displays the back of the box truck with no audio. The Courts Sergeant's/IT Service Operation has been unsuccessful with retrieving the video footage of the incident from the courthouse basement computer. End of Report.

*RRB  
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