Phone calls between Adam Bereki and Dispatch Supervisor, DA's office, et al.

Recording Name: [E8 OCSD- OCDA DISPATCH WATCH COMMANDER COMPLAINT 080620]

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- 1 Recording: To repeat this -- to be transferred to sheriff's
- 2 dispatch press one now. To return to the main menu
- 3 press the star key.
- 4 Recording 2: Please hold, while I transfer your call.
- 5 Dispatch: This is dispatch.
- 6 Bereki: Hi, can I speak with the watch commander, please?
- 7 | Dispatch: Yes. Can I let him know who's calling?
- 8 Bereki: Sure. My name is Adam Bereki. He does not know who I
- 9 am.
- 10 Dispatch: Okay, what is this regarding?
- 11 Bereki: It's regarding a crime at the, um, Santa Ana
- 12 courthouse.
- 13 Dispatch: Okay, do you need our (ph) (inaudible 0:00:48) in
- 14 there, or --?
- 15 Bereki: Yeah, I need to speak with the watch commander because
- it's a very, like, um, political, sticky situation.
- 17 Dispatch: Okay, let me transfer you, uh, (inaudible 0:00:59)
- speak to a supervisor so that you can let them know
- 19 what's going on.
- 20 Bereki: Okay. Wh- -- who -- what supervisor are you talking
- 21 about?
- 22 Dispatch: I'm sorry?
- 23 Bereki: I -- I'm sorry, I --
- 24 Dispatch: You're cutting out a little bit.
- 25 Bereki: Yeah, you broke up, too. I didn't hear what you said



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              about --
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    Dispatch: Hello?
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    Bereki:
              Hello? Are you there?
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    Dispatch: Hello?
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    Bereki:
              Hello?
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    Dispatch: Yes.
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    Bereki:
              I'm --
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    Dispatch: I can hear you. There you are.
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              Okay. I -- I didn't hear what you said. You broke
    Bereki:
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              up, about what supervisor you were gonna transfer me
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              to.
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    Dispatch: So I can transfer you to dispatch supervisor.
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              -- we don't -- we don't just transfer people to the
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              watch commander.
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    Bereki:
              Okay, the dispatch supervisor is not a sworn officer
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              and that s- -- that person's not going to be able to
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              help me.
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    Dispatch: Okay. So what's your -- what do you need help with?
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    Bereki:
              Well, I'm asking to speak to the watch commander
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              because I need to speak with him or her about a
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              criminal situation that's going on in the, uh, Orange
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              County courthouse.
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    Dispatch: Okay. Um --
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    Bereki:
              And I need to find out because it's a very political
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              situation if your agency will even go and take a crime
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report. It's a major pattern of fraud that's being
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              perpetrated by judges.
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    Dispatch: Okay. Yeah, let me get you to the supervisor, 'cause
              that's who's gonna, um, he'll -- he'll make that call,
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              okay? Hold on one second. Okay, sir?
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    Bereki:
              Yes?
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    Dispatch: Okay, he ga- -- actually gave me a number for Crime
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              Stoppers to call them. He said they'll go straight to
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              the investigations for you le- -- let them know about
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              it.
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    Bereki:
              Straight to Crime Stoppers? What --
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    Dispatch: So the phone number --
              Wha- -- what is Crime Stoppers?
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    Bereki:
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    Dispatch: -- (inaudible - 0:03:34) --
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    Bereki:
              What is Crime Stoppers?
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    Dispatch: Hello? You're breaking in and out, sir. Are you
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              there?
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    Bereki:
              Yeah, I'm here. What is Crime Stoppers?
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    Dispatch: It's a line where you call and you let them know about
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              things like this that are large scale and they have it
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              sent directly to investigation.
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              Okay, what is their number, please?
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    Dispatch: It's 855 --
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    Bereki:
              Uh-huh.
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    Dispatch: -- 847 --
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Bereki: Uh-huh. 1 2 Dispatch: -- 6227. 3 Bereki: Okay. Thank you. 4 Dispatch: You're welcome. Bye-bye. 5 Bereki: Bye. 6 Crime Stoppers: Orange County Crime Stoppers. How can I help 7 you? 8 Bereki: Hi, are you a police officer? 9 Crime Stoppers: No, I am not. Were you looking for the police 10 department? 11 Um, well, I was transferred from sheriff's dispatch to Bereki: 12 you, and I'm not sure if you're part of the sheriff's 13 department or wh- -- what you guys do. 14 Crime Stoppers: No, you're calling Crime -- this is Crime 15 Stoppers. 16 Bereki: Okay. The sheriff's department gave me your number. 17 Um, what -- what do you guys do there? 18 Crime Stoppers: Uh, we take information on tips, like for 19 crimes that have already been committed, or felony 20 crimes, you know, something that's on the news. 2.1 can also take information on (ph) fugitives, drug 22 reports. Um, what's going on in your case? 23 Bereki: Okay, so there is a, um, a major fraud that's being

perpetrated on the people of California through the,

uh, judicial system and it's, uh -- I need to make a -

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- a fraud and theft report about that.
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    Crime Stoppers: Okay, were the victim?
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    Bereki:
              Yes. One of potentially many.
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    Crime Stoppers: Okay. Give me one second. I (inaudible -
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              0:05:30) sheet. I can see -- okay, I only have the
               (inaudible - 0:05:36) department, or (inaudible -
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              0:05:38) sheriff's communications (ph). I don't know
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              why they transferred you if you were a victim.
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              they could have taken that information.
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    Bereki:
              Okay.
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    Crime Stoppers: But you can try -- yeah, you can (inaudible -
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              0:05:46) --
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              I'll call them -- I'll call them back, um, because I
    Bereki:
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              didn't know what Crime Stoppers is. So are you guys
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              actually just an agency that takes information and
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              then refers it to a -- a police department? Or how do
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              you work?
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    Crime Stoppers: Yeah, it'll get -- yeah, we'll take the report
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              and it'll get (inaudible - 0:06:03) to law enforcement
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               (inaudible - 0:06:04) the crime is being committed.
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              But we don't take (inaudible - 0:06:06) information.
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              That would have to be (inaudible - 0:06:08) law
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              enforcement (inaudible - 0:06:09) a report to be made.
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    Bereki:
              Okay.
                     I see.
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    Crime Stoppers: And then it gets -- they have to remain
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              anonymous.
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    Bereki:
              Okay, and do -- do you guys actually have, uh, people
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              that investigate? Or you refer it strictly to the
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              police agency where it occurred?
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    Crime Stoppers: It goes straight in (ph) to the police
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              department.
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    Bereki:
              Okay. Great. Thank you so much. I appreciate your
 8
              help.
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    Crime Stoppers: You're welcome.
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    Bereki:
              Bye-bye.
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    Recording: Thank you for calling the Orange County Sheriff's
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              Department. If you're calling about a fire, medical
              emergency, or (inaudible - 0:06:49) --
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    Recording 2: We did not recognize that selection.
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    Recording: To continue in English, press one. Please have
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              paper and a pen ready to listen to the entire menu and
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              selections. To be transferred to sheriff's dispatch
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              press one now. To retur- --
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    Recording 2: Please hold, while I transfer your call.
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    Dispatch 2: Orange County Sheriff's Department.
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              Hello, can I speak with the dispatch supervisor,
    Bereki:
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              please?
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    Dispatch 2: Uh, yes, hold on.
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    Bereki:
              Thank you.
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    Supervisor: Dispatch supervisor, this is Aaron.
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Bereki: You said Aaron or Eric?
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    Supervisor: Aaron.
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              Aaron, how a- -- how are you? My name is Adam Bereki.
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    Supervisor:
                 What's going on?
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    Bereki:
              Um, so I just called dispatch and the dispatcher that
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              I spoke with, um, I had asked to speak to the watch
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              commander because I -- I wanted to report a -- a major
              crime that's being perpetrated in -- in California
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              courthouses.
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    Supervisor:
                 Mm-hmm.
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    Bereki:
              And she told me that she talked to you and that I
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              should call Crime Stoppers to report it.
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              immediately after I got off the phone with her I
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              called Crime Stoppers and they said they do not take
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              crime reports --
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    Supervisor: Right.
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    Bereki:
              -- from victims. And they said, "Call the sheriff's
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              department back."
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    Supervisor: (Inaudible - 0:08:32) said (ph) --
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              So -- so I underst- --
    Bereki:
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    Supervisor: Yeah, they don't take crime reports, they take, uh,
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              crime tips, so like what's -- what's occurring?
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    Bereki:
              Yeah, well I don't -- I don't have a tip, I ha- -- I
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              need to make a crime report. I'm the victim of a
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crime.

Supervisor: Oh okay. So, um, then it was probably my
misunderstanding, but I also was on the other line, so
I was trying to triage it. What else you -- what's,
uh -- what's going on?

Bereki: So -- so here's the deal. I -- I'm a retired cop, so

I -- I know a little bit about what's going on, but

there's a -- a -- a policy --

Supervisor: (Inaudible - 0:08:58).

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Bereki:

-- that's going on by the State of California where, um, judges are basically arbitrarily fining people to such a degree that it forces them into bankruptcy. And I got fined a million dollars by this judge that's acting completely without constitutional or statutory authority. And it's been a pattern and practice that has happened to I don't know how many people. I know of several, uh, so far, and it's totally illegal and, um, and fraudulent, and they're taking money from people, obviously with -- in my case, a million bucks, and they're not -- they're, like I said, totally disregarding the constitution or statutory law, and they do -- as a result, they don't have authority to make that arbitrary order. So, um, I have gone through to the, um, Commission on Judicial Performance and the best I can tell, um, they do not have criminal law enforcement investigating powers. So the only



other agency that would do that would either be Santa 1 Ana PD, where the crime occurred, or the sheriff's 2 3 department, which is in charge of the court buildings. 4 So that's why I'm calling you. Supervisor: Okay. 5 6 Bereki: And so it's -- it's a --7 Supervisor: Uh ---- it's a very sticky situation in law. 8 Bereki: I get that. 9 I get that it has political issues tied to it. But at 10 the end of the day if a public official does not have 11 authority to take money and property for someone 12 that's theft in my book. Um, and I don't --Supervisor: Have -- have you already, um, discussed it with the 13 14 DA's office as well? 15 Bereki: Um, I have tried to, uh, get in touch with someone there and no one will call back. I don't know if 16 17 that's because of the, um, the COVID issue and no 18 one's there or what, but I cannot seem to get through. 19 Supervisor: Okay. I mean because, yeah, usually anything 20 related to court, I mean it usually gets referred to the DA's office. So that's why I wanted to know if 2.1 22 you'd already talked to them or not. 23 Bereki: Yeah, and -- and I'm not -- I'm not sure if the --24 well, the DA definitely does have criminal law 25 enforcement investigation capabilities, um, but I'm



not sure if they ever start crime reports there, if it 1 2 usually has to go through the agency first. 3 No, well they'll do it -- like say for instance Supervisor: 4 with issues with, uh, lawyers, uh, typically is what 5 we'll get, or, uh -- I'll get a phone call regarding it. And I know that, uh, you know, when they have 6 7 issues such as that, uh, we d- -- it gets referred over to the DA's office. So that's why I'm assuming 8 9 it's probably gonna be one and the same if it's 10 regarding the judges as well. Um, hold on a second 11 here. What court was it? 12 Bereki: Uh, the, uh, uh, Central Justice Center, in Santa Ana. 13 Supervisor: Okay. I have a number for the district attorney's office at Central Court. I don't know if it was the 14 15 same number you're calling. 16 Bereki: Okay. Go ahead. 17 Supervisor: Um, it's 714-834-3600. 18 Bereki: Okay. Is that a direct line to anybody, or that's 19 just the standard line that you have? 20 Supervisor: No, I mean I think so, um, I'm not exact- --2.1 unfortunately I haven't really called it, so I mean 22 I'm just looking at my directory that I have right 23 here. 24 Bereki: Okay. 25 Supervisor: But, I mean even if they're not the ones, uh, that



do it or stuff like that I mean they would definitely 1 2 be better able to assist you as far as telling you 3 where they go. I mean I can tell you that I don't have a patrol deputy that goes out and takes -- or 4 5 that's ever taken a report like that. So I -- I think that it goes to a different authority, different 6 7 power, different agency. But I'm with you, I have 8 actually no idea who it is. So, um, I would start 9 there. 10 Okay, I will do that, um, and see if I can get through Bereki: 11 to anybody on here. But at the end of the day, um, 12 thank you for -- for understanding. I mean I -- I get it. It's a sticky situation. But it's a -- if it's a 13 14 crime it doesn't matter who it's done by, I get that, 15 the political issue and all that by it, so --16 Supervisor: Yeah. 17 Bereki: -- I mean if -- if -- if a -- a police officer commits 18 a crime, or a judge commits a crime, it's the same as 19 if you and I do it. So --20 Supervisor: Correct. -- um, I -- I get that there are, you know, like I 2.1 Bereki: 22 said, political things to deal with, um, but it 23 doesn't make it any less of a crime. So --24 Supervisor: No, I get it, and I'm just thinking --25 Bereki: -- um --



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Supervisor: -- all I'm saying is that I think it's a different
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              officiating agency. That would -- that would fall
              under the care and control of that as well is -- is
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              my, uh, thinking process --
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    Bereki:
              Uh --
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    Supervisor: -- uh, when it comes to, uh, a judge's --
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    Bereki:
              Yeah.
    Supervisor: -- (inaudible - 0:13:54) things of that nature.
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              Okay, and I resonate with that. I -- I appreciate
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              your help. So I will -- I will try again to call them
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              and -- and if I can't seem to get a hold of anybody
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              again over the next couple of days I guess I will just
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              call you back, um, because --
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    Supervisor: Yeah.
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    Bereki:
              -- yeah, there -- it's -- it's at the point where
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              there's liens being attached to property and damages
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              are occurring, so -- um, irreparable damage.
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              it -- it -- it's not like an emergency where
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              there's an in-progress crime, but it kind of is like
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              that. It -- it's ongoing. So, um, before all of my
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              money and property is taken, um, without lawful
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              authority I'm trying to take action. So, um --
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    Supervisor:
                Mm-hmm.
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    Bereki: -- I can say that I did due diligence. Go ahead.
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    Supervisor: Yeah, just give me one second. I -- I just decided
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to google it. So, uh, (inaudible - 0:14:45).
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              or -- some commission.
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              Yeah, the Commission on Judicial --
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                 (Inaudible - 0:14:53) --
    Supervisor:
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    Bereki:
              -- Commission on Judicial Performance.
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    Supervisor:
                 Yeah.
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    Bereki:
              And from what I can tell they're a administrative
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              agency and they only investigate violations of
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              judicial canons, not -- they don't have criminal law
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              enforcement investigative authority.
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    Supervisor: Okay. Well it -- I mean -- or did they -- does
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              your -- (inaudible - 0:15:15) thinking that's all I
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               (inaudible - 0:15:17), but I could be wrong (ph).
              Yeah, no, I -- I have and -- and, um, I actually made
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    Bereki:
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              a complaint with them and they say it's errors in law
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              and we're not gonna investigate it. So that's clearly
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    Supervisor: Yeah, okay.
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    Bereki:
              -- not -- yeah. And their --
                 I gotcha (ph).
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    Supervisor:
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              -- their website has a, um, a list of things that they
    Bereki:
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              investigate and most of them are judicial canons, like
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              the judge falling asleep, or the judge accepting a
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              bribe or that type of stuff. Um --
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    Supervisor: Okay.
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Bereki: -- so --
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    Supervisor: But I mean and that's a (inaudible - 0:15:43) you -
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              - what you were describing as far as why they're doing
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              this stuff?
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    Bereki:
              No, it's -- it's --
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    Supervisor: (Inaudible - 0:15:46) the bribery -- the bribery
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              aspect?
              It's -- it's not bribery, it's that they're following
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    Bereki:
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              a policy that is not lawful. So, like --
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    Supervisor: Oh, got it (ph).
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              -- just to give you a quick example, like there's a --
    Bereki:
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              there's -- we have the excessive fines clause, right?
              You can't be excessively fined. Well --
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    Supervisor: Right.
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    Bereki:
              -- there's four criteria that the judges have to
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              follow and they're not following any of them. One of
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              them is you have to see if the person is able to pay
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              it. Another one is that the -- the fine has to be
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              proportional to the offense. Um, all of that type of
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              stuff. And they're not doing it. And it's been a
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              policy of this state for probably -- well, I know at
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              least for around -- since 2001, but I know it's
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              actually gone way beyond that. And so what's
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              happening is that people are being fined, you know,
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              upwards of 915, 930, almost a million dollars, and
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then they complain and say, "Wait a minute. You can't 1 2 do this under law," and the judge basically throws 3 their case out and they end up having to go to bankruptcy, they lose their home, they lose all of 4 5 their property, everything. And there's no lawful 6 authority for it whatsoever. I mean zero. 7 Supervisor: Wow (ph). Have you, um -- it's just out of 8 curiosity, have you also talked to a lawyer regarding 9 it? 10 Bereki: Yes. And most of them are also part of it because they're bringing these cases. And the state bar has 11 12 also been part of promulgating the quote-unquote "law" that's doing it. So there isn't really someone that 13 14 can -- yeah, it -- it's mind blowing. 15 Supervisor: Okay. Um, then, yeah, I guess my last-ditch 16 effort, as far as maybe as far as any kind of 17 direction is concerned is gonna be through the DA's 18 office and see what they have to say. 19 Bereki: Okay. I will try them again and -- and see where it 20 I appreciate your thought and -- and, um, thank goes. 2.1 you for spending time with me. 22 Supervisor: Yeah, no worries. 23 Bereki: Okay. 24 Supervisor: Have a good day. 25 Bereki: You too. Bye.

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    Supervisor: All right, then, bye.
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    Recording: You have reached the district attorney's office.
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              This call may be monitored for training purposes.
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              Please hold while your call is transferred.
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    RECEPTIONIST: Good morning, district attorney's office. How
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              can I help you?
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    Bereki:
              Hi there. Um, I'd like to speak with someone that,
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              uh, may be able to help me with the investigation of
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              reporting a crime by a public official.
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    RECEPTIONIST: Okay, and you've reported this through a police
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              department already? 'Cause that's where they start
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                   There's no one that can speak to you regarding
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              cases that are not filed with our office yet.
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    Bereki:
                     They, um, sent me to you.
              Okav.
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    RECEPTIONIST:
                  The police department?
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    Bereki:
              Yes, um, they -- I just got off the phone with the,
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              um, Orange County Sheriff's Dispatch because it's
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              occurring by a judge and, um, that's why I called
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              them, and they said call the DA's office.
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              speaking with you n- --
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    RECEPTIONIST: Okay, so it's regarding a judge?
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    Bereki:
              Yes.
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    RECEPTIONIST: Okay, so that we do not have jurisdiction over.
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    Bereki:
              Okay.
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    RECEPTIONIST: That is with the Commission on Judicial
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    Bereki:
              Okay, they --
    RECEPTIONIST: And I can give you that (inaudible - 0:18:47) --
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              -- they don't have, from what I understand, they do
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              not have criminal law enforcement, um, a- --
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              abilities. They are not crime investigators. So I
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              need to speak -- it's a crime that I'm trying to
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              report and -- and they don't take crime reports.
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    RECEPTIONIST: But the police department will not take a crime
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              report. It's happening in the judge -- I'm sorry, in
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              the, uh, courthouse, courtroom (ph) (inaudible -
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              0:19:12)?
              Yes. Yes. And it's --
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    Bereki:
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    RECEPTIONIST: Outside (ph)?
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    Bereki:
              -- it's -- it's happening in the courtroom and it's
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              actually a -- a major public policy violation that's
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              going on throughout the state. I'm only aware of it -
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    RECEPTIONIST: Okay, give me one moment, sir.
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    Bereki:
              Okay.
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    RECEPTIONIST: Give me one moment. One moment, sir. I'm going
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              to transfer you to an investigator.
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    Bereki:
              Thank you.
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    Finley:
              Supervisory investigator Finley (ph) can I help you?
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    Bereki:
              Hi, my name's Adam Bereki. How are you?
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Hi, Adam, how's it going? 1 Finley: 2 Bereki: Okay. Thank you. Um --3 Finley: Sure. -- just to start off, I'm a retired cop from 4 Bereki: 5 Huntington Beach, so I -- I -- I have a little bit of 6 law enforcement experience. 7 Finley: Okay. 8 Bereki: Um, but I have a -- a really strange --9 Finley: When'd you retire? 10 Bereki: Uh, 2008. 11 Finley: Okay. 12 Bereki: Um, so I -- I'm -- I have a very peculiar situation 13 and, um, so far it seems like I'm -- everybody's just 14 passing the buck on who handles this. Um, so wh- --15 what I'm calling about is that there is a state policy 16 that's been in effect since about 2001 where, um, 17 basically there is a limitless fine that's being 18 imposed if you perform work as a contractor in the 19 State of California. So, um, what happened to me was 20 that, um, I was, uh -- after I got out of law 2.1 enforcement I got into construction work. And I went 22 to the state and I got a license, I became a 23 qualifying individual for a construction license, and 24 I got the license in my company's name and I started 25 doing construction work. I -- I did some work for



this wealthy family and, um, uh, we had a -- a falling out on the job and basically they didn't pay me 100,000 bucks.

Finley: Yeah.

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So we went to court and, um, they said, "Well, we never contracted with your company that's licensed, we contracted with you. And because we contracted with you, you have to pay us back all of the money." Okay? So there -- there were no claims of -- of, you know, that any damages had occurred. They just said, "Under the licensing law you have to pay back all the money." So what the judge ended up doing was he said, "Okay, well how much money did they pay you to do all this work?" And they evidenced that they had paid \$848,000, and then there was another about \$83,000 that they did not pay. So that rounds out roughly to about \$930,000. So the judge imposed a fine of \$930,000 on me. And so I said, "Wait a minute, Judge. You have to take offsets for the benefits that were given to them, meaning you have to take into account all the materials and labor that I supplied, and the fact that I built them a house because if you don't you're going to be fining me, and that's subject to the excessive fines clause. And so, after I did that, he denied me a hearing. And so then I tried to



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challenge the jurisdiction of the court again meaning I tried to challenge the authority by filing more, um, uh, paperwork, motions, and he fined me. went to appeal, and all three appellate justices said the same thing, and they disregarded the law on the subject and -- and continued to impose the near million-dollar fine. Um, so after all of this I began studying the law on this subject and it's totally false what they're doing. So first off you can't even bring a penal action like this in a civil case. it would be, like, if let's say someone committed a robbery and a private person prosecuted the case, rather than the DA. That's what's going -- that's one level of what's going on here. So first, there's no authority to even do a case like that. Second off, if there is authority to do it then they have to, uh, go through the criteria of the excessive fines clause, which means they have to take into account the person's ability to pay. They have to take into account the, um, the, uh, gravity of the offense compared to what the fine is gonna be, and they have to compare it to other fines for like violations. if you can, um -- I'll give you the codes later if you wanna look it up, but, um, basically a criminal violation of unlicensed contracting, the maximum



criminal fine is 5,000 bucks. So it is insane that 1 they think that they can get away with fining someone 2 3 \$930,000 for the same offense. So, um, basically this is where I'm at and this is where I don't know -- I 4 5 know of several others, but the people that get these fines, they challenge the court on this and the court 6 7 does not listen to them and they end up filing bankruptcy and losing their home, and all of this 8 9 property is taken without authority under California 10 statutory or constitutional law. So it's an arbitrary 11 -- basically an arbitrary judgment that the judge is 12 just making up, um, without any lawful authority. And 13 so it nees to stop. And, um, there's -- there is 14 literally nothing else that I can do. I've gone to the California supreme court and they have -- it's 15 16 discretionary if they wanna take your case. 17 didn't wanna take my case. I went to the U.S. 18 Supreme Court. It's discretionary if they wanna take 19 your case. They didn't wanna take my case. But what 20 is interesting is that literally on -- I think it was 2.1 June 22nd, the U.S. Supreme Court came down with a 22 ruling in a different case that supports all of the 23 contentions in law that I'm sharing with you right 24 now. Um, and I have absolutely no remedy in the State 25 of California because this is California's public



policy. So I mean ultimately what I'm saying is that it -- it's fraud and theft, and I would even go so far as to say robbery because it's -- it's property being taken under color of law by force. Um, and that's not lawful. So that's where I'm at.

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Okay, well, um -- I'm sorry that you're having to deal with that but, um -- and I wish that I could help you, but the district attorney's office -- you -- you were a cop, so you understand that we don't take criminal -- we don't conduct criminal investigations. The only thing -- uh, the only criminal investigations we do are officer-involved shootings to determine the legality of those shootings. But we don't -- we're not the, um, the arm that you would go to that would do that. The -- the court process is, as you know, because you've exhausted it, is that the state and federal courts, uh, to see if, you know, there was any, uh, any, uh, merit for an appeal. And I'm sorry that you were denied those. I don't know what to say to that, but, um -- and the other one is, um, if there was misconduct by the judge, um, that you could go to Commissioner Jud- -- Judicial Performance, Ju- --Judicial Performance and you could file a formal complaint with them and then they would review the case and the process which he -- how he reached his



decisions and whatnot to make sure that, um, there's 1 2 no, um, unethical or criminal conduct on his part. So 3 those are the -- those are the avenues. Um, it sounds 4 like you've exhausted, um, a couple of them already. 5 But the Commission of Judicial Performance is the 6 other one. 7 Bereki: Okay, that -- I have gone to the Commission as well and they do not have criminal law enforcement 8 9 authority. So they cannot investigate crimes. They 10 investigate, um, violations of --11 Finley: Well you're -- you're --12 Bereki: -- judicial canons. -- saying -- saying it's a crime. They're not --13 Finley: 14 they're not going to view it like that. It -- they're 15 -- they're gonna view it -- if you're saying that 16 there's misconduct then they can still -- they could 17 unseat him based on misconduct. So it's kind of like 18 that. Um, did you file a report with them? 19 Bereki: I did. And -- and -- and so, uh, here's how it went. 20 I fi- -- I sent them all of the case documents and I 2.1 filed a report and I alleged the misconduct that 22 happened. I got a letter about a week later, saying 23 we've -- we've received your complaint and, um, we 24 will determine if there's been, uh, a crime committed. 25 And so I sent them a letter back and said, "Um, wait a



minute. How are you gonna determine if a crime's been committed if you haven't even interviewed me about the And I said, "You know, I've been in this business for 20 years now, and the first thing you do when someone makes a complaint is you call them and you interview them about the situation." Well, I never got interviewed. So about three weeks later they call -- or, they sent another letter and said, um, "We revi- -- we've received your letter and we're still, um, making a determination." So then, um, the Supreme Court, the U.S. Supreme Court came down with its ruling, and I sent them some more documents about that, and about a week after that they said, "We've closed the investigation and this is errors in law and we are -- we don't investigate that." Finley: Okay. Um, well, the district attorney's office, we don't have any mecha- -- mechanism for investigating that, nor do we do that. Bereki: Okay. Um, (inaudible - 0:31:14) --Finley: Bereki: So -- so do you --I would recommend that you get an attorney who knows Finley: this type of law to then guide you through it. I'm assuming you probably already have got an attorney. Yeah, I understand. Yes, it's all --

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              So no, we can't -- we can't help you on that.
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    Bereki:
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               'Cause you're -- you've gone through the avenues that,
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              um, you need to go through and they've, um, obviously
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              found no -- I'm not -- and I'm not saying one way or
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              another whether -- I don't know the case or whatever,
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              but they're saying that there's no merit in your
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              argument. So I understand what you're saying, you
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              know, all those -- the excessive fine and -- and
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              unconstitutional and all those type of things but
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              that's something to be argued in court and with your
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              attorney. I -- I -- we can't -- we don't do that at
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              the district attorney's office. I'm sorry.
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    Bereki:
              Oh, thank you for your time, though.
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              appreciate it and I -- I exhausted this avenue.
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              how -- how about the sheriff's department? They do
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              take crime reports, um --
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    Finley:
              The -- the sheriff's department would -- they would
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              direct you to do the same, I'm sure.
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              them if you want but I'm not recommending that.
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              wouldn't even know what to do with that.
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              see it as a civil violation that, again, you would --
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              the avenues you've taken are correct. Um, I just --
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    Bereki:
              But, so --
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    Finlev:
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-- yeah, so here's -- here's my position is that i- --1 Bereki: 2 there's a crime that's being committed and they're 3 taking my money and property without lawful authority. I (inaudible - 0:32:43). 4 Finley: 5 Bereki: So there has to be some -- th- -- the only mechanism 6 of law enforcement, like you're saying, that -- that -7 - that could investigate it is the sheriff's 8 department, and, um -- well, i- -- or Santa Ana PD. 9 Um, and --10 Yeah, the city, or -- as you know, the city, which, Finley: 11 whatever it occurred in, so, um -- but I -- they're 12 not going to see it as a criminal violation. 13 going to see it as something that has to be, um -- the 14 -- the avenues that you've taken to really look at 15 court process and that type (ph) of thing (inaudible -16 0:33:20) civil court (ph). 17 Bereki: Right. So -- so can you help me understand maybe why they wouldn't look at it as a criminal violation? 18 19 mean I -- I -- if somebody'd come to me, honestly, as 20 a cop and said this, I would have definitely had to 2.1 scratch my head and really think about it. But at the 22 end of the day it -- it seems so clear to me that if -23 - you know, if a cop just makes up a law when they're 24 driving around and they say, "I don't like that you 25 have a pink shirt on," and they arrest you --



I under- -- I understand what you're saying. 1 Finley: 2 Bereki: -- that's a problem, you know? But if a judge does it it's like everybody says, "Hands off." Um --3 4 Well you can call -- I would call San- -- I would go a Finley: 5 little bit over a desk officer's head if you're gonna call and make (inaudible - 0:33:59) it's not a crime 6 7 report. Um, I would probably ask, talk to watch 8 commander because he's gonna have to really try to 9 sift his way through your thought process on that and 10 -- and your reasoning. So a desk officer is gonna be 11 immediately default to, um, you know, basically -- so 12 13 Bereki: Yeah, so I'll just give you some more info on that. Ι 14 have called Santa Ana, I spoke to their watch commander and the chief's adjutant, who's a sergeant, 15 16 called me back. I, um, made -- attempted to make a 17 crime report with both of them. They refused to take 18 a crime report. So then I asked for their oath of 19 office. Neither of them have taken, or have 20 subscribed an oath, so they're not even in office. So 2.1 then I filed a, uh, internal affairs complaint, and 22 the sergeant for internal affairs called me yesterday 23 and she refused to take a complaint and couldn't 24 remember if she had even subscribed an oath of office. 25 So I actually think that -- I -- I've made a public



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              records com- -- request to Santa Ana. It's due on
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              Friday. But there's not even a sworn officer over
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              there to take -- that can take the crime report. And
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              the -- I mean it's crazy.
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    Finley:
              Okay, well I wish I could help you. I really am
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              sorry. I think you're just gonna have to consult an
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              attorney who, um, can work his way through it.
              Yeah, they're worthless.
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    Bereki:
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              I wish I could -- I wish I could help you.
    Finley:
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    Bereki:
              Okay, buddy. I appreciate your help, though.
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    Finley:
              Sorry.
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    Bereki:
              Thank you for your time.
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    Finley:
              All right, take care, man.
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    Bereki:
              Okay. You too, bye.
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    Finley:
              Okay, bye.
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    Bereki:
              (Inaudible - 0:35:34).
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    Recording: Thank you for calling the Orange County Sheriff's
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              Department. If you're -- please have paper and a pen
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              ready.
                      To be transferred to sheriff's dispatch --
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              please hold while I transfer your call.
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    Dispatch: Orange County Sheriff's Department.
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              Hi, can I speak to Dispatch Supervisor Aaron, please?
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    Dispatch: Sure, can I ask who's calling?
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    Bereki:
              My name's Adam. We just were on the phone together.
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    Dispatch: Okay, hold on second, Adam. Adam, he's on the other
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line. So I'm just gonna put you on hold 'til he's free, okay?

3 Bereki: Thank you so much.

4 Dispatch: You're welcome.

5 Aaron: Dispatch supervisor. This is Aaron.

Bereki: Aaron, this is Adam calling you back. You were just helping me with the DA info and all that.

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Bereki: Um, so I called the DA's office and they begrudgingly, um, sent me to, uh, the -- the, um, investigating supervisor. His name is Finley.

Aaron: Yeah.

Bereki:

And he said they do not do any type of criminal investigation with the exception of handling officer-involved shootings. And so, um, he said, uh, "Contact the Commission on Judicial Performance," and I told him that they don't have criminal law enforcement authority, and it says so on their website. And he said, "Well, I -- I don't know what to do. I don't know how to help you because we don't do what you're asking us to do." And he said, "If you try to call any of the agencies that are in the -- the city where the crime occurred they're gonna not know how to handle it either." Um, and that's the issue that I have. So that's why, um, I was trying to speak to the

watch commander to see if maybe we could, um, you 1 know, hash it out. But I have a major problem because 2 they're trying to take a million bucks from me and 3 4 without lawful authority. And that's a crime. 5 Aaron: Right. -- something has to be done about it. Um --6 Bereki: 7 Aaron: Yeah, I mean I -- the -- the -- it's a general rule, I 8 mean I know court issues end up, uh, being settled in 9 So like I'm wondering if you're gonna end up 10 having to sue the guy. But, um, anyway, yeah, if -- I 11 mean if you like I can transfer you over to, uh, the 12 department commander. I hate to say I have to keep 13 transferring you around and you end up with the same 14 result, so, um, but I mean I mean -- I can transfer 15 you over there, but, uh, yeah, it's up to you. 16 Bereki: Yeah. I -- I'd like that. At least to talk with him 17 or her and, um, get their take. I mean if they're 18 gonna decide that they're not gonna do anything, well 19 then that's the end of the road. So --20 Aaron: Okay. -- um, I'd just like to explore that. 2.1 Bereki: 22 appreciate your help and time. Thank you. 23 Sure, man. Hold on one second. Aaron: 24 Bereki: Okay. 25 Aldav: Department commander. Lieutenant Alday.



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    Bereki:
              Hi, I'm sorry, what was your name?
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    Alday:
              Lieutenant Alday.
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              Alday? My name's Adam Bereki. How are you?
    Bereki:
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    Alday:
              Doing okay.
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    Bereki:
              I have a, um, a bit of a, like, very curious
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              situation. Do you have some time to talk?
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              It depends what this is (ph). How -- how can I help
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              you?
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    Bereki:
              Well, I'm trying to make a crime report against a
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              judge who is acting without lawful authority. And,
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              um, I know that that is a very sensitive matter and it
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              doesn't seem like, um, uh -- well, police departments
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              seem to have any interest in, uh, taking action
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              against a judge that would -- that would, uh -- is
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              committing a crime. So --
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    Alday:
              What crime?
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    Bereki:
              Uh, either theft or robbery, depending upon how you
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              look at it, and fraud.
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              Okay. Uh --
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    Bereki:
              And it is -- it -- it's not just something that's --
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              Okay, is this in --
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              -- while he's doing his duty? Or is this on his own
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Bereki:

1	Alday:	'Cause if he's doing it, uh, commission of his duties
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5		would go to our personnel, internal affairs, and they
6		would go head head up the investigation.
7	Bereki:	Um, that doesn't handle that would be an
8		administrative investigation, not a
9	Alday:	Well but no, it it will initiate the criminal if
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11		starts at that that level. And, like I said, I was
12		speaking just on, uh, our department. If it rises to
13		a level of criminal then we would initiate a criminal
14		investigation. If it if it didn't then it would
15		just stay as internal. But it would go to our
16		internal affairs division.
17	Bereki:	Okay, so there is the only internal affairs
18		division that I'm aware of for the courts is the
19		Commission on Judicial Performance and they don't have
20		criminal law enforcement investigative authority.
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22	Alday:	Have you spoke to the presiding judge?
23	Bereki:	Um, the presiding judge is part of it.
24	Alday:	Is part of your investigation?
25	Bereki:	Yes.



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    Alday:
              Have you spoke to the attorney general, then?
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    Bereki:
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              Attorney general's office.
    Alday:
              -- the attorney general does not, uh, get involved.
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              tried to make a complaint with them and they do not
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              handle citizen complaints against, um, uh, uh, public
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    Alday:
              Well you're saying it's a criminal offense, not a
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              Yeah, they don't do it.
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              I -- I just literally got off the phone with the DA's
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              office as well --
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    Alday:
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    Bereki:
              -- the supervisor over there, his name is Finley (ph).
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    Alday:
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    Bereki:
              He -- he's the investigating supervisor. And he said,
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              uh, that the DA's office does not do -- also does not
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              officer-involved shootings. And so, to his knowledge
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              there is no other criminal law enforcement agency in
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              agency in the city or county where the crime occurred.
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    Alday:
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her employment, or their employment (ph). 1 2 Bereki: W- -- well, let -- let me, um, maybe put it in a 3 different perspective. 4 Alday: Uh-huh. 5 Bereki: Let's say that one of your officers went out and 6 decided to make up their own crime, like, they saw 7 someone wearing a pink shirt. And they said, "I don't 8 like that you're wearing a pink shirt. I've made up 9 this law. You're -- you're going to jail." And so 10 they go over and arrest the person and bring them to 11 jail and book 'em. Um, that's -- essentially that may 12 be something committed in the course and scope of that officer's duty, but the officer has no authority to 13 14 take that action. So it's technically not in the 15 course and scope of duty, it's --16 It -- well, it -- it, uh, it is because you're acting Alday: 17 as a peace officer, so that would be absolutely within 18 the -- I just speak to (ph) the scenario you just gave 19 me, absolutely it would go -- go to our internal 20 affairs and they would, uh, investigate that. 2.1 Bereki: Okay. So the internal affairs mechanism for the, uh, 22 the court system is the Commission on Judicial 23 Performance --24 Alday: Mm-hmm (ph). 25 -- and they have refused to take a report. Bereki:



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Well then, uh, what is it that I can help you with,
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              then? 'Cause it sounds like you've already exhausted
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              al- -- a- -- all your avenues.
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    Bereki:
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              attempting to take, or they have taken, almost a
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              million dollars of my money and property without
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              either constitutional or statutory authority. So that
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              judge --
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              -- is not in office when they're doing that.
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              they're not acting within the law they're not in
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              office. And so I'm saying that there's a crime that's
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              been committed. Now I could say I think at the
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              extreme, robbery, because it's being taken under force
              under color of authority. And in -- at least in
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              federal law that's a crime, 18 USC 241 and 242.
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    Alday:
              Then why won't you contact them, (inaudible - 0:46:13)
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    Bereki:
              Because it's not a federal judge. And the FBI has --
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              I called them --
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    Alday:
              (Inaudible - 0:46:19) here's --
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    Bereki:
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              -- my dilemma --
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    Bereki:
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    Alday:
              -- from my standpoint.
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1 Bereki: Okay. 2 Alday: Um, we're not gonna investigate something like that 3 because it's not done (inaudible - 0:46:26) our 4 jurisdiction. It's -- like I said, during the course 5 of their employment, so it's gonna be a -- something that we would refer to their employer to be able to 6 7 look into. Um, we would take the report, but we're 8 not gonna do anything other than forward it to, again, 9 some sort of core agency that's gonna look into it. 10 That's --11 Bereki: Okay, well --12 Alday: -- (inaudible - 0:46:47) what we're gonna do. 13 -- if -- if you're open to taking the report I would Bereki: 14 like to do that because no one else is even doing 15 anything about it. It's just, "Go call this agency, 16 call that agency." And -- and as you said, I -- I 17 have the supporting evidence because I've reached out 18 to all of these agencies and they're all denying me a 19 remedy. And that's a problem because I don't care who 20 you are, I mean if I committed a crime when I was a 2.1 police officer that's a crime, like I don't -- I'm not 22 above the law. 23 Alday: Mm-hmm. 24 Bereki: And -- and neither are these people. And so the --25 the other issue that I -- I don't think I've shared



with you thus far is that this is something that's been going on in this state for -- since at least 2001. And -- and people have been forced into bankruptcy and they lose their houses, and ultimately millions of dollars. And th- -- the people have no -- no -- the people are crying out for help and no one's helping, in other words --

Alday: Mm-hmm.

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9 Bereki: -- you know?

Alday: Mm-hmm.

Bereki:

It's kind of like -- I hate to use this metaphor, but it's like being choked out like George Floyd and saying, "Hey, you're choking me, and stop, and -- and I need some help, because this isn't being done under law," and no one's -- everybody says, "Oh, well it's not a crime. It's -- it's this. It's that. We're not taking a report. We're not interested." And that's a major problem. Um, and so I'm trying to find somebody who can help me, um, from people that are abusing their authority and acting -- acting without any authority to take something from me and other people without authority. That's -- that's what I'm -- that's what I'm asking for. Um -- and I -- I don't feel that's unreasonable. I -- I -- I'm asking just for an investigation to be done and I can support with



evidence everything that I'm sharing with you. I mean 1 2 I -- I've been a -- both a criminal and civil 3 investigator for about 20 years now, um, you know, i-4 -- i- -- I -- I know what I'm talking about. 5 Alday: I think even if we do take a report I think you're 6 still back into square one because like, again, it's 7 not us, the investigative agency, that's gonna look 8 into something like that. It's gonna be us who's 9 gonna forward just that, um, information that we 10 document on a -- a report, but forward it to any 11 particular agency, whether that's, again, the state 12 level or federal level. But it's not gonna be 13 something that we're gonna, uh, actively investigate 14 (inaudible - 0:49:09).15 Bereki: That's -- that's -- that's okay. At this point I 16 would -- I would like to have a -- a report taken so 17 that it is now in the system and that something has --18 whether you -- whatever you decide to do with it is --19 is your agency's responsibility. But I -- I do feel 20 that you guys have a duty to at least take a crime 2.1 report, and then however you choose to investigate it 22 is up to you. So is that something that we can fairly 23 agree on? 24 Alday: Our -- our depart- -- again, our department, if you, 25 uh, need something documented we will, uh, work with



you and we'll definitely document it. It's two forms of (ph) (inaudible - 0:49:46) it being documented: the fact that you called us, the actual call gets documented just by that alone because you called us. The second is if you see -- if you did feel the need for it to be documented, uh, on a, um, one of our forms at will, and we give you a case number (inaudible - 0:50:03) the extent of that. Again, that'll make it to, um, depending on where it's supposed to go it'll make it to (inaudible - 0:50:09) and they'll look at it. And if there's nothing we can do then there's nothing we can do. We close it. If it's something that we can forward to, uh, another investi- -- uh, investigative, uh, agency, then we do But that's the extent of what we can do. Bereki: Okay, so will you actually take a crime report or are you gonna take an information report? Alday: It -- no, it's exactly that, an information report. Bereki: Okay. Um, well, I -- I -- I sus- -- I -- I -- you're, uh, a police officer and so I've made the report to you. I know that, uh, information reports go about as far as the wastebasket. So, um --And -- you know, so that's what I'm saying, that's Alday: exactly -- it's gonna be evaluated. You know, someone has to close it. The minute someone takes out a, uh,

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a report, and that case number is printed, and that 1 2 needs to be closed. So someone's gonna look at that 3 information report and, uh -- because the officer feels that that -- at the time he won't -- he would be 4 5 -- he wasn't able to do a face sheet. So the investigator will look at it and either agree or 6 7 disagree. Agrees that, yeah, we don't have any --8 anything, any jurisdiction or anything to put as far 9 as a -- a face sheet. So may close it or may forward 10 it. Or he sees that none of the elements do apply and 11 he may change it to a face sheet. 12 Bereki: Okay, so -- but -- but your -- so can I just rely upon 13 your word, then, that --14 No. No, I -- I can't because, again, I'm not there Aldav: 15 and I'm not gonna be the person that, uh, speaks to 16 you and, um, evaluates it and -- and so on and so 17 forth. So --18 Bereki: Okay. 19 Alday: -- we don't do -- we don't do anything like that, even 20 in our own, uh, (inaudible - 0:51:44) pursue (ph) an 2.1 investigation to be able to do anything over the 22 phone. 23 Bereki: Okay, so -- so then if I'm understanding correctly 24 you're saying that the -- the best case scenario is 25 for me to, uh, make a complaint, even if it's a



information report, and then that officer will get all 1 2 of the information, or that deputy will get all the -the information. And then make a determination if a 3 crime has been committed. And if not, it'll be an 4 5 information report, and it'll just get forwarded to 6 potentially some investigator who will make the final 7 call, is that correct? Whoever made that (ph). Yeah, if it's just -- just a 8 Alday: hypothetical (ph), just based on our, um, how we do 9 10 it, do business, like I said, uh, I think, based on 11 what you're telling me, it's very complex and very, uh 12 -- there are a lot of, uh, uh, playing (ph) parts to 13 it and it surprises me that you haven't been able to 14 find an agency that will be a- -- able to assist you 15 at the, uh, either state or federal level. But, uh, 16 again, if you just need, uh, some sort of 17 documentation, yeah, we'll be glad to document it, and 18 it's gonna be on that, our information report. 19 Bereki: Okay. 20 Someone will, uh, look at it, someone will evaluate Alday: 2.1 it, someone's gonna have to close that out. 22 Okay. And -- and how would we go about doing that? Bereki: 23 Is that something that you think I should come to the 24 ag--- to the --25 Alday: (Inaudible - 0:52:52) --



1 Bereki: -- department, or --? 2 Alday: Do you live in our jurisdiction? 3 Um, I -- I live in Costa Mesa. So I'm not far. Bereki: 4 So that's not our jurisdiction. That is the first, Alday: 5 uh, dilemma that you have. 6 Bereki: Well, the crime occurred at the courthouse in Santa 7 Ana, which I believe is your jurisdiction. 8 Alday: Santa Ana is not. 9 The courthouse, though. Bereki: 10 The courthouse, well, uh, county, um -- so that's the Alday: 11 dilemma that you have there too. Um, yes, if the 12 crime occurs there, you know, then yeah, we would investigate it. So I mean if you wanna go to the 13 14 courthouse and do so I mean that's up to you. Uh, but 15 that's the dilemma that -- that we have down there 16 too. 17 Bereki: Okay. Well the -- the courthouse is your 18 jurisdiction, right? 19 Alday: Mm-hmm. 20 Bereki: Okay. Okay. Um, so then, um, that's what -- is there 2.1 someone there that you know of, um, at the Central 22 Justice Center that I should speak to? 23 (Inaudible - 0:53:51), 'cause there'll be -- no, not Alday: 24 specifically. There'll be our staff there, but not



specifically, no.

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Okay. Um, do you think it would be more prudent if I 1 Bereki: 2 called to make an appointment with them or just show 3 up there and --4 Alday: You're gonna have someone there. I mean, no matter 5 what. 6 Bereki: Okay. 7 Uh, like I -- again, that's -- the dilemma is having Alday: them understand the -- the fact that you've already, 8 9 uh, according to you, uh, have already tried it from 10 another venue and haven't been able to get any type of 11 resolution. That's the dilemma. Because, like, 12 again, based on what you told me it -- it's just hard 13 for us to imagine that we're gonna do anything with 14 this. Uh, again, because every agency, everyone --15 uh, and again, my -- my first person to have would 16 consider it would be the presiding judge, but you say 17 that you already tried that avenue. So there's gotta 18 be someone that oversees the presiding judge 19 (inaudible - 0:54:41). 20 Bereki: Which is -- which is the Commission on Judicial 2.1 Performance, but -- but as my --22 Alday: Yeah. 23 Bereki: -- my research has revealed and -- and already making 24 a complaint with them, they don't have any law 25 enforcement authority. So they're not sworn officers,



they don't take crime reports, they -- the -- from what I gather, the -- if you look at their, um, their website, the type of things that they investigate are -- are violations of judicial canons, things like, "The judge fell asleep," or, "The judge didn't give me enough time for a hearing," or --

Alday: Uh-huh.

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Bereki: -- uh, you know, the judge was, uh, fraternizing outside of the courtroom with the opposing party.

Alday: Mm-hmm.

Bereki:

Um, you know, that type of stuff. It's -- it's not where the judge is blatantly acting without constitutional authority and -- and taking money and property. And the other issue, obviously, is that th--- this isn't just confined to my case, this is a statewide policy of committing criminal activity. And that many people, um -- I can show you the court cases -- have -- have tried to, uh, you know, take action and nobody is getting any sort of resolution whatsoever. And -- I mean this is -- this is bad, like it cannot go on like this. Um, so somebody has to do something, and I -- I'm -- I'm sorry to put you in a position to have to try to weed out a -- this sticky situation, but, um, you know, I have to share with you, I have called Santa Ana before I called you,

1 and --2 Alday: Mm-hmm. 3 -- um, they won't even take a report. Not even an Bereki: 4 information report. So, um, yeah --5 Alday: That might be the dilemma when you get to the -- the 6 courthouse because, again, they're -- that's where 7 they work, that's what they do and they might not even wanna touch that, for the same reason. 8 9 Bereki: Okay, so is it possible for you to call down there to 10 them and let them know that I'm coming and that, uh, 11 the instruction is to take at least an information 12 report? 13 Alday: No. No, I'm -- I just gave you a hypothetical based 14 on the limited information that you gave me. Again, 15 you would have to just, uh, take what you have and let 16 them he- -- hear your out and then go from there. 17 I can't make any type of quarantee. 18 Okay, so -- so what you're saying now, if I understand Bereki: 19 correctly, is that you can't guarantee that they'll 20 even take an information report? 2.1 Alday: It's, uh -- again, uh, on past practices, if the, um -22 - that's what you feel that you have nothing else, uh, 23 you just need documentation, one, the call is already 24 being documented by you calling us. So it's already 25 gonna be documented. Um, second, if you want



something beyond that just, uh, uh, a case then, yeah, 1 2 we'll -- we'll go ahead and take, uh, uh, limited information and, uh, um, give you a case number. But 3 it's limited because, like I said, it's gonna be 4 5 forwarded to -- hopefully someone to look at it and say, "Yeah, we can't do anything with this, I'm 6 7 closing their case, " or, "Yeah, there's maybe something we can do and, uh, push it on to the 8 9 appropriate agency." 10 Bereki: Okay. So, again, just -- just so I'm clear, so I 11 don't go wasting your time or mine, um, you're saying 12 to go to the courthouse and, uh, speak with an officer 13 there, tell them that I need to report what I believe 14 to be criminal activity and just start with square one 15 from there, and then they will determine if they're 16 even gonna take an information report or a crime 17 report and that's that, and -- and that's all --18 that's what you can do. 19 Alday: Yeah, yeah, yep. And, again, like I said, it's a --20 it's a very, uh, um, tricky situation 'cause don't, 2.1 uh, judges have, uh, some sort of immunity and (inaudible - 0:58:13) --22 23 Bereki: They do not have criminal immunity. They have civil 24 immunity but only within the, uh -- if they're acting 25 within the course and scope of their duty.



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    Alday:
               (Inaudible - 0:58:23).
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    Bereki:
              If they're not they have no civil immunity, and they
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              never, under any circumstances, have criminal
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              immunity.
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    Alday:
              Mm-hmm.
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    Bereki:
              So --
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              Now -- yeah, I would just, uh, uh, suggest that you,
    Alday:
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              uh, uh, do that, just so that, uh, again, request a --
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              a (ph) report and the- -- at -- at worst, uh, a
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              information report.
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              Okay. Uh, at the jail, or -- at the jail -- at the,
    Bereki:
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              um, the court, how does the -- the chain of hierarchy
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              work? Is there like a -- a s- --
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              You can speak to the -- the supervisor, um, which is a
    Alday:
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              sergeant.
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    Bereki:
              Okay.
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              Uh, when you check in, speak to the sergeant and then,
    Alday:
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              uh, then once the, uh, um, he, uh -- (inaudible -
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              0:59:02) and he -- he'll assign a deputy to take the
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              report for you.
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    Bereki:
              Okay. And, um, yeah, perfect. And what was your name
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              again? I'm so sorry, I (inaudible - 0:59:11) --
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              Lieutenant Alday, A-L-D-A-Y.
    Alday:
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    Bereki:
              Alday. Thank you so much for your time, sir. I -- I
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              really appreciate --
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    Alday:
               (Inaudible - 0:59:17).
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    Bereki:
               Thank you.
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               Like -- like I said, it s- -- it sounds like a very,
    Alday:
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               uh, big, uphill situation that you have. And like I
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               said, there's no guarantees and, um, and that --
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               that's the only thing I can think of that our -- our
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               department would be -- would be able to do.
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    Bereki:
               Okay. I appreciate your time so much. Thank you.
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    Alday:
               No problem.
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    Bereki:
              Okay.
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    Alday:
               Bye.
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    Bereki:
              Bye-bye.
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    Alday:
              Bye.
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