Case 4:18-cv-00268-FRZ Document 15 Filed 08/31/18 Page 1 of 13 FILED LODGED RECEIVED Wade Travis Webb, Pro Se 1 117 Logan Avenue 2 AUG 3 1 2018 Elizabethtown, KY 42701 3 (270) 304-8591 wtraviswebb@gmail.com 4 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 5 6 FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA 7 8 WADE TRAVIS WEBB 9 No. 18-CV-00268-TUC-FRZ Plaintiff, 10 11 PLAINTIFFS MOTION FOR VS. RELIEF FROM JUDGMENT 12 PIMA COUNTY; 13 FORMER SHERIFF CLARENCE DUPNIK; FORMER SHERIFF CHRIS NANOS; 14 SHERIFF MARK NAPIER; 15 **DETECTIVE JEFFREY CASTILLO;** COUNTY ATTORNEY BARBARA LAWALL, 16 17 Defendants. 18 19 20 PLAINTIFFS RELIEF FROM JUDGMENT PURSUANT TO F.R.C.P. 60(b)(6) 21 Plaintiff requests that the Court vacate the Order to dismiss this case as Plaintiff is 22 in compliance with the Order to amend the complaint. The circumstances that preceded 23 Plaintiff's case is rare and it is of the utmost importance that the rights of citizens of the 24 United States are not trampled upon at will by any person or any entity. Plaintiff cannot 25 be denied his fundamental right to hold the defendants accountable. 26 27

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## **UNDERLYING FACTS**

The criminal case brought against Plaintiff (Webb) is the issue at hand as Webb raised constitutional issues during the criminal case after being indicted by a grand jury on class 3 felony and subsequently prosecuted on a stalking charge. The criminal case was not dismissed by the Pima County Attorney's Office (PCAO) until after Webb's Motion to Remand to Grand Jury for Redetermination of Probable Cause. It took 84 days from the day Webb was arrested and 74 days from when he was indicted before the case was dismissed. The Pima County Sheriff's Department (PCSD) and the PCAO were aware that Webb was living in a hotel during this time as his home state was Kentucky. They were also aware that Webb was using a public defender and simple logic dictates that anyone that qualifies for a public defender does not have tremendous resources and incurring expenses for 84 days would be very expensive for a defendant in a criminal case.

## **ARGUMENT**

The Supreme Court of the United States has addressed the importance of the grand jury many times over the years as it serves a critical role to prohibit the government from prosecuting its own innocent citizens.

In *United States v. Sells Engineering, Inc.*, 463 U.S. 418, 423 (1983) the U.S. Supreme Court noted that "The grand jury has always occupied a high place as an instrument of justice in our system of criminal law – so much so that it is enshrined in the Constitution."

"Without thorough and effective investigation, the grand jury would be unable either to ferret out crimes deserving of prosecution, or to screen out charges not warranting prosecution." *US v. Sells* at 424.

A Grand Jury is "a primary security to the innocent against hasty, malicious, and oppressive persecution; it serves the invaluable function in our society of standing between the accuser and the accused...to determine whether a charge is founded upon

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 reason or was dictated by an intimidating power or by malice or ill will." Wood v. Georgia, 370 U.S. 375, 390 (1962)

"The importance of the grand jury cannot be underestimated: In the federal system and many States, a felony cannot be charged without the consent of community representatives, a vital protection from unwarranted prosecutions." *Rehburg v. Paulk*, 132 S.Ct. 1497, 1508 (2012) (footnote 3)

Plaintiff raised the violation of the due process clause of the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment in his motion to remand. The PCAO had the opportunity to challenge Webb's claims but did not file any opposition to his claims and dismissed the case in open court at a case management conference thereby vacating the scheduled hearing and not defending themselves against Webb's claims once again. Webb was never contacted by anyone in Pima County and was never offered restitution by anyone in Arizona even though the severity of Webb's claims are clearly acknowledged by the United States Supreme Court as fundamental rights of every United States citizen.

Webb, unfortunately, cannot bring criminal charges against anyone involved in his criminal case so his only recourse is a civil suit which the Court is denying him thereby unjustly allowing his violators a free pass by never defending themselves against Webb's claims which is clearly not the intent of the United States Supreme Court.

Webb's claims against defendants are brought via the section one of the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment which states "All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

Webb's claims against defendants are also brought via Title 42 U.S.C. § 1983 which states "Every person who, under color of any statute, ordinance, regulation, custom, or usage, of any State...subjects, or causes to be subjected, any citizen of the

United States...to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured by the Constitution and laws, shall be liable to the party injured in an action at law.

Title 42 U.S.C. § 1983 is intended to allow United States citizens that have violable evidence that they may have been unconstitutionally wronged, which Webb does, by government entities and employees and to hold them liable. A "person" in § 1983 is defined in Title 42 § 2000(e) - "includes one or more individuals, governments, governmental agencies," which is exactly who Webb has named as defendants and is exactly the same defendants that would be responsible under the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment.

Deputy County Attorney (DCA) Michelle Chamblee, in this case, has absolute immunity at a Grand Jury Hearing as do Grand Jury witnesses regarding testimony. Since they cannot be sued, unlike their private predecessors, they enjoy absolute immunity which gives them a free pass in today's system even absent probable cause. *Rehburg* at 1503-1504.

Similar are Grand Jury witnesses that may be detectives or lead investigators. A detective or lead investigator may want an indictment to the point of sacrificing a proper investigation. However, since a DCA is responsible for actually signing the indictment, hence a Grand Jury Hearing, with absolute immunity, then that will allow a free pass for the detective that may be the sole witness as in Detective Castillo's case. *Rehburg* at 1508.

The United States Supreme Court has acknowledged in *Rehburg* the advantages and inherent dangers of grand jury hearings as there is not a Judge present and any and all witnesses as well as the prosecutor enjoy immunity even absent probable cause.

The bottom line is it takes two to tango in order for Webb to be indicted on the felony stalking charge and while DCA Chamblee and DCA Wilson enjoy absolute immunity during the entirety of Webb's case, not just the grand jury hearing, Castillo only has immunity for his testimony not the investigation.

The system is inherently flawed, if not fatally, and dangerous to United States citizens as they have no means of defending themselves until they are actually indicted on a felony charge.

This is in direct contradiction to the Declaration of Independence which states "that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.—That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, —That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness."

In Webb's case it is a failure of layers of protection and takes a complete breakdown on every level. The defendants in this case each play a role as do their associated entities.

The Court states in Document 12 (pgs. 1-2) that "The Amended Complaint also fails to connect any direct actions by the Pima County Attorney, or any former and current Sheriffs, to any alleged constitutional violation. See id. Finally, the Complaint crucially omits any indication that an official Pima County policy or custom existed that caused a deprivation of Plaintiff's rights. See, e.g., Monell v.Dep't of Soc. Servs. of City of New York, 436 U.S. 658, 694 (1978) (holding that: "a local government may not be sued under § 1983 for an injury inflicted solely by its employees or agents. Instead, it is when execution of a government's policy or custom, whether made by its lawmakers or by those whose edicts or acts may fairly be said to represent official policy, inflicts the injury that the government as an entity is responsible under § 1983").

It would take Plaintiff having access to dozens, if not hundreds, of case files from each entity, Pima County, PCSD, and PCAO, along with policy manuals to isolate flawed

policies, customs, or practices that would lead to the claims made against each defendant and the entities.

However, in absence of a yearlong investigation or longer by Plaintiff a pattern is already in existence regarding a mentally unstable person already known to the PCSD, and subsequently Pima County and the PCAO, making claims resulting in two lawsuits that alleged constitutional rights violations by the PCSD while adhering to policies, practices, and customs instituted by Sheriff Dupnik.

According to the complaint of case # 4:14-CV-01592-TUC-DCB, in May of 2013 PCSD deputies responded to a 911 call made from William Warfe alleging that he heard a gunshot, people yelling and screaming, and a woman crying about "having to shoot him" from a nearby property. Warfe was already in a PCSD database and known as mentally unstable as Warfe had made numerous false reports via 911 calls to the PCSD starting in December 2012 from his residence in a mobile home park. In one incident Warfe was actually transported by the PCSD to a Pima County Crisis Response Center as he "heard voices in his head."

The PCSD proceeded to respond to the call even though Warfe had given the operator his correct name and he was already in the database as unreliable and mentally unstable. Then, on Warfe's guidance, multiple deputies were directed to the Larson residence where they ended up awaking the Larsons by banging on the door and screaming for the Larsons to come out of their residence around 10 PM. Robbin Larson answered the door where he was met by a deputy armed with an assault rifle pointed directly at him and telling him to come out with his hands up. Mr. Larson was only wearing undershorts. Mr. Larson complied and his wife Jill Larson was subjected to the same orders in which she complied. Ms. Larson was barefoot just like her husband and only wearing a tee shirt and underwear.

The Larsons were detained, handcuffed behind their back, and then placed face forward against a patrol cruiser for 45 minutes or more while two deputies entered and searched their home.

Warfe walked into the middle of the road and when a deputy questioned him about a lack of appearance of a violent encounter Warfe pointed to another residence and suggested that may be the location of the alleged shooting as he was unsure exactly what residence it was.

The PCSD deputies then took up positions behind two patrol cruisers while armed with assault rifles and handguns following the cruisers and did the same thing with the occupants of that residence, Eva Jackson, her daughter Amber, and Amber's fiancé Aaron Cole, as with Larsons including ordering them out of their residence at gunpoint as Warfe stood in the road watching.

The occupants of both residences were handcuffed and detained for an extended period of time and eventually released from custody.

The Larsons filed suit alleging constitutional rights violations on 2/10/2014 with Sheriff Dupnik and a supervising deputy, Jeffrey Reah, named as defendants. In April 2016 a jury ruled in favor of the Larsons and awarded the couple \$1,250,000.

The Jacksons filed suit alleging constitutional rights violations, case # 4:15-CV-00052-TUC-JAS, in February 2015 against multiple PCSD personnel and Dupnik and settled in late 2017.

In the Larson case Dupnik and Reah were defended by Stacey Roseberry of the Pima County Attorney's Office. Ms. Roseberry also defended Dupnik and the other defendants in the Jackson case.

In plaintiffs case Deputy Sharp, who was already aware of Webb's 911 welfare check call referencing suicide, noted in the incident report that on the incidence table on the call before he met with Ms. Shaw at her residence that in June 2013 deputies responded to the same address referencing suicidal threats.

Sharp was aware before requesting to meet with Plaintiff at a PCSD substation that Ms. Shaw was suicidal 9 months prior to Webb claiming she was suicidal. Webb was asked by Deputy Sharp within a very short period of time if he had any proof that Ms. Shaw was suicidal as Ms. Shaw claimed that she had not been suicidal or had

suicidal thoughts since June 2013 and any pictures Webb might have would have been from June 2013. Webb did show Sharp a picture of Ms. Shaw's left wrist bleeding which included a text message in which Ms. Shaw wrote "I like to watch blood drip down my wrists in the unlikely situation that someone might actually help me because I'm clearly not brave enough to accomplish the outcome I crave." The date of the picture with the text was from February 2014.

Ms. Shaw was not contacted by Deputy Sharp to inquire about what Webb showed him contradicting her claims but instead did not question Ms. Shaw's statement and arrested Webb.

Just as with Warfe in May of 2013, Ms. Shaw was already known to the PCSD to have been suicidal but her claims were not questioned just as Warfe's claims were not questioned which led to the Larsons and Jacksons being detained at gunpoint.

Just 10 months after the Warfe incident another PCSD deputy exhibited similar behavior regarding a known person that had been hospitalized with the PCSD even transporting the known person to a hospital/crisis center.

Sheriff Dupnik's policies, practices, and customs regarding mentally unstable persons known to PCSD deputies had not changed even though only 10 months prior a serious event occurred in which innocent people were put in handcuffs and detained at gunpoint.

In February of 2014, one month before Webb's encounter, a constitutional rights violation lawsuit was filed in which a known mentally unstable persons claims were not questioned by the PCSD in which a jury returned a verdict that a constitutional rights violation was committed.

Detective Castillo did question Ms. Shaw about the bloody wrist picture in which she claims it would be from June 2013 as she has not had been suicidal nor had any suicidal thoughts since then but the record clearly shows he never asked Ms. Shaw about the text message included with the bloody wrist picture shown to Deputy Sharp to determine if that was from 2013.

Castillo then proceeded to testify at a grand jury hearing without ever questioning Ms. Shaw about the evidence Webb showed and the record clearly shows, per the recorded interview with Ms. Shaw after the grand jury hearing which was 10 days after Webb was arrested, gave the jury incorrect facts, with some of the incorrect facts told to the jurors multiple times, which was directly contradicted, correctly, by Ms. Shaw regarding Ms. Shaw and Plaintiffs past relationship.

Had the jurors been informed of the correct facts regarding Ms. Shaw and Plaintiffs past relationship, the jurors may have returned a no bill and Webb would not have been indicted on class 3 felony of stalking Ms. Shaw.

Sheriff Dupnik's policies, practices, and customs are flawed to the point of a detective actually testifying at a grand jury hearing with incorrect facts and without questioning a known mentally unstable persons claims even after the Warfe incident.

DCA Kendrick Wilson and/or DCA Chamblee had to approve of the investigation of Castillo and determined it was sufficient enough to proceed to seek an indictment against Webb even though Castillo did not have a recorded interview with Ms. Shaw and Ms. Shaw had not been questioned about the evidence presented by Webb contradicting Ms. Shaw's claims.

DCA Chamblee presided over the grand jury hearing and determined Castillo's testimony was sufficient to allow the jurors to vote on a felony indictment.

The record clearly shows that Chamblee did not inform the jurors at all of the elements required to prove stalking and the record clearly shows that a juror asked a question to Chamblee that would require a determination based on incorrect facts testified to by Castillo that were in direct contradiction to the facts in the recorded interview with Ms. Shaw after the hearing. Had Chamblee corrected Castillo's testimony and/or informed the jurors of the elements required to prove stalking, the law Webb was accused of violating, the jurors may have returned a no bill and Webb would not have been indicted on a class 3 felony of stalking Ms. Shaw.

Pima County Attorney Barbara LaWall's policies, practices, and customs allowed two DCAs to approve a detectives investigation and decide to proceed with criminal charges and subsequently attempt to prosecute Webb with LaWall's name attached to every document starting with the indictment.

The PCAO was defending Dupnik in the Larson case in which he was served on 3/26/2014, one day after Webb's grand jury hearing, and Ms. Roseberry with the PCAO answered the complaint on 4/14/2014.

The PCAO was aware within days of Webb's indictment that the PCSD acted on information from a person already known to have made false claims and was recently hospitalized prior to the event to the point of the Larsons claiming their constitutional rights were violated.

DCA Wilson continued to pursue the criminal charge against Webb for over two months, with Castillo even continuing his investigation 49 days after he had told Ms. Shaw he was no longer involved with the case unless he was subpoenaed to testify, when the PCAO decided to dismiss the case for unknown reasons but it was after Webb made formal accusations of his constitutional rights being violated that also involved a person that was already known to the PCSD as well.

The Pima County government has a department called Finance and Risk Management that has ten divisions. Risk Management division has its own web page. (http://webcms.pima.gov/cms/One.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=10116)

The function of the Risk Management division is — "The Division of Risk Management works to identify areas of risk and potential liability and develop risk response strategies to mitigate loss and maximize opportunities. Our goal is to promote a culture of risk awareness by involving all County stakeholders in the day-to-day management of risks using a coordinated network of risk identification, careful evaluation and prudent resolution of actual and potential claims. An integral part of this goal is advancing the risk management process and embedding risk ownership into management activities at all levels of the County."

The description of services of the Risk Management division is – "The Risk Management Division provides advice on risk-related matters...and assists in the development of programs, policies and best practices to reduce the County's total cost of risk. We work with departments to identify various risks from people, assets, fiscal, and strategic operations; apply appropriate risk management strategies; and enhance awareness of risks."

Some of the objectives using the risk management process:

- 1. Risk Identification: To facilitate a comprehensive and timely incident reporting network and claims tracking system.
- 2. Risk Analysis: To investigate and analyze information which is obtained from risk identification systems, including actual and potential risks for trends or patterns.
- 3. Loss Control: To administer all claims and protect the best interests of Pima County Government and its insureds in all aspects of claims management, trial preparation and settlement negotiations;
- 4. Loss Prevention:
- a. To develop effective policies, guidelines and system revisions as needed to help reduce risk of employee injury and liability exposure;
- b. To develop policies and procedures to ensure compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements;
- c. To promote and provide ongoing education for all Pima County employees regarding the purpose and goals of the risk management program as well as effective strategies and techniques to reduce risk.

Pima County works hand in hand with all departments in their day-to-day operations including the PCAO and LaWall and the PCSD and Dupnik, Nanos, and Napier. Pima County assists in the development of programs, policies and best practices to reduce the County's total cost of risk. Pima County works with departments to identify various risks from people and strategic operations. Pima County investigates and analyzes information which is obtained from risk identification systems, including actual

and potential risks for trends or patterns. Pima County administers all claims and protects the best interests of the Pima County Government and its insureds in all aspects of claims management, trial preparation and settlement negotiations among the many others listed.

Pima County's policies, procedures, and customs promulgates a culture when handling liability claims of strictly avoidance of liability if it is in Pima County's best financial interests even if trends and patterns do exist concerning constitutional rights issues regarding the PCSD and PCAO at the cost of any citizens constitutional rights as Plaintiff's case, the Larson's case, and the Jackson's case illustrate in the smallest of sample sizes.

Although some facts may be more conclusory it is not the case with the vast majority of facts presented in Plaintiff's amended complaint. The allegations are clearly set forth throughout the complaint and Plaintiff does not agree that the claims are not legitimate or are generally couched in the terms of 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment.

Plaintiff has suffered tremendously as a result of the financial and emotional toll of the criminal case brought him. He had to start his life over again which he already did 5 years previously so he lost 5 years of his life that he cannot ever recover. Plaintiff has been in counseling since July of 2014 to the present day solely due to the criminal brought against him and its repercussions on his life. He was not in counseling before meeting with meeting with Sharp. A well-qualified counselor, on paper, has stated that Plaintiff was showing signs of post-traumatic stress trauma when he returned to Kentucky. Other counselors have also assisted him in managing what they believe is also signs of post-traumatic stress disorder and depression. Plaintiff has been homeless and slept in his car numerous times while struggling through the trying times. Plaintiff has never felt the need to sleep in his car before 3/15/14. His family called the police on him on two separate occasions because they were worried about how he handling his situation. His family attempted to have Plaintiff hospitalized but the hospital would not accept him as there was nothing they could to do to help alieve him of the situation he

was in. Plaintiff has struggled with employment and finances among many others which Webb has proof of. It is not Webb's job to police the government. It is the government's job to ensure it is protecting the constitutional rights of all citizens so there is no need to file civil lawsuits against the government in the first place. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August 2018. Wade Travis Webb, Pro Se 117 Logan Avenue Elizabethtown, KY 42701 (270) 304-8591 wtraviswebb@gmail.com