

I, LARRY S. ANRECH, DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, THAT IF CALLED AS A WITNESS WOULD COMPETENTLY TESTIFY AS FOLLOWS:

I WAS APPOINTED IN OCTOBER OF 1976 AS A RESERVE OFFICER CANDIDATE AND REMAINED SO UNTIL NOVEMBER OF 1979 WHEN I WAS APPOINTED AS A REGULAR FULL TIME SWORN POLICE OFFICER FOR THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO.

I WAS TERMINATED FOR MY SUPPOSED INVOLVEMENT WITH A KNOWN PROSTITUTE DONNA MARIE GENTILE, BETWEEN JUNE 1984 AND AUGUST 1984.

DURING MY INVESTIGATION I WAS AWARE OF THE FOLLOWING VIOLATIONS.

1. "VIOLATION OF MY CIVIL RIGHTS:" THE SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPT ILLEGALLY OBTAINED TAPED PHONE CONVERSATIONS BY <sup>BETWEEN</sup> CIRCUMVENTING DONNA GENTILE AND MYSELF BY FABRICATING THE FACT THAT I WAS EXTORTING INFORMATION FROM HER IN EXCHANGE FOR SEXUAL FAVORS, ENABLING THE DEPARTMENT TO FALL WITHIN THE CRITERIA NECESSARY FOR OBTAINING PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS.
2. "WITHOLDING OF EVIDENCE:" THE SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT WITHHELD INTERVIEWS WITH GENTILE AND OTHERS, REPORTS CONCERNING A POSSIBLE BURGLARY OF DONNA GENTILE'S APARTMENT AND VARIOUS OTHER INFORMATION THAT WAS USED IN THE DEPARTMENT'S DECISION FOR MY TERMINATION YET WAS UNKNOWN TO ME UNTIL IT WAS UNCOVERED AT MY HEARING. THE INFORMATION SHOULD HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN MY TERMINATION PACKAGE AND INDEED WOULD HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE DURING THE INVESTIGATIVE STAGES.
3. FAILURE TO PROPERLY INVESTIGATE: THE INTERNAL

AFFAIRS DIV. ON INTERVIEWED J. JNA COENTILE AND ASKED HER IF SHE WOULD TAKE A POLYGRAPH COENTILE STATED THAT SHE WOULD BUT WAS NEVER GIVEN ONE. I WOULD HAVE TAKEN ONE BUT WAS NEVER ASKED. OBVIOUSLY MY CREDIBILITY AND CERTAINLY COENTILES WAS NOT AN ISSUE.

ALSO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WAS GIVEN TO BE INVESTIGATED FOR THE PURPOSES OF CLEARING ME OF ANY WRONGDOING AND WAS NEVER DONE BY THE DEPARTMENT.

4. "ADVISED OF COVERUP". I WAS ADVISED BY A MEMBER OF THE CHIEFS OFFICE IN THE PRESENCE OF MY WIFE THAT THE REASON THAT THE DEPARTMENT WAS BELIEVING DONNA COENTILE OVER ME WAS "BECAUSE IT FIT THE SPECIFIC NEEDS OF THE DEPARTMENT AT THAT PARTICULAR TIME". I ASKED THE PERSON (GEORGE VARELA) A SECOND TIME TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTOOD EXACTLY WHAT WAS SAID AND HE REPEATED IT VERBATIM. SINCE THAT TIME AND PRIOR TO MY CIVIL SERVICE HEARING A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR WAS HIRED AND INTERVIEWED VARELA. VARELA THEN CHANGED HIS STORY AND STATED THAT HE NEVER MADE ANY SUCH STATEMENT AND IF SUBPOENED TO TESTIFY IN MY BEHALF HE WOULD DENY EVER MAKING SUCH STATEMENT.

THE REAL REASON I WAS TERMINATED WAS THE FACT THAT I DEVELOPED INFORMATION OF A SENSITIVE NATURE AGAINST A HIGHER UP ON THE DEPARTMENT (LT. CARL BLACK) AND RATHER THAN TAKE ACTION AGAINST ONE OF THE "BRASS" AND POSSIBLY SUFFER PUBLIC RIDICULE A "FOOT SOLDIER" WAS SACRIFICED.

5. FALSE IMPRISONMENT OF A RESERVE POLICE OFFICER:  
AFTER HAVING BEEN TERMINATED MY RESERVE

PARTNER STEVE TOMPKINS WAS CALLED OUT OF THE FIELD, TOLD TO RIDE INTO THE STATION WITH SGT. MICHAEL BLAKELY, ANOTHER TWO OFFICERS WERE INSTRUCTED TO DRIVE TOMPKINS CAR INTO THE STATION THEN KEEPING TOMPKINS IN AN OFFICE ~~AT~~ THE ORDER OF LT. BILL SKINNER UNTIL HE (SKINNER) COULD RESPOND FROM HOME. TOMPKINS WAS THEN QUESTIONED REGARDING HIS ASSOCIATION WITH ME AND WHETHER I HAD ASKED HIM TO RUN ANY INFORMATION ON THE COMPUTER.

6. INTIMIDATION OF SPOUSES AND OTHER WITNESSES. AFTER MY TERMINATION MY EX-WIFE WAS CONTACTED AND THREATENED BY THEN SGT. GLENN BREITENSTEIN WITH PROSECUTION IF SHE DID NOT COME FORWARD AGAINST ME IN MY CIVIL SERVICE HEARING.

AUBERT MASSEY TOLD ME THAT HE WAS INTIMIDATED WITH HIS JOB AND THAT HE DID NOT FEEL SAFE BEING SEEN WITH ME. HIS TESTIMONY CHANGED AT MY CIVIL SERVICE HEARING.

7. CHARACTER ASSASSINATION THE SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT ISSUED A MEMORANDUM AFTER I HAD BEEN SUSPENDED PENDING MY TERMINATION IT READ " TO ALL PERSONNEL <sup>JAN 15, 1984</sup> DIVISION: EASTERN SUBJECT OFFICER LARRY AURECH OFFICER LARRY AURECH I.D. #2900 HAS BEEN SUSPENDED FROM DUTY PENDING INVESTIGATION EFFECTIVE THIS DATE. UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE HE IS UNDER ORDERS NOT TO BE WITHIN OR ON THE GROUNDS OF ANY SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPT FACILITY UNLESS ESCORTED BY AN ON DUTY SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPT. SUPERVISOR NOR IS HE ALLOWED ENTRY TO SUCH FACILITIES BY ANYONE UNLESS SO ESCORTED. YOUR COOPERATION IS APPRECIATED. COPIES TO CENTRAL DIVISION NORTHERN DIVISION, SOUTHEAST, SOUTHERN, NORTHEASTERN, WESTERN, FRONT COUNTER, CRIME ANALYSIS, RECORDS TELETYPE

AND TRAFFIC. IT WAS SIGNED R. J. SEDEN  
LIEUTENANT. EASTERN DIVISION. THE REASON I  
WAS SUSPENDED WAS FOR RUNNING INFORMATION  
ON THE COMPUTER CONCERNING LT. SKINNER'S  
EX-WIFE WHO WAS SERVING PRISON TIME FOR A  
BURGLARY SERIES THAT LASTED BETTER THAN 2 YEARS  
UNSOLVED. ~~THE~~ SGT. SKINNER WAS ASSIGNED THAT  
DETAIL AND THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT HE WAS  
AWARE OR SHOULD HAVE BEEN AWARE OF HIS EX-  
WIFE'S INVOLVEMENT. IN ANOTHER INSTANCE  
LT. CONNIE VAN PUTTEN TOLD OFFICERS AT A POLICE  
LINEUP "LARRY AURECH HAS BEEN SUSPENDED  
PENDING AN INVESTIGATION, DON'T TRUST HIM HE'S  
SUFFERING FROM EMOTIONS, WATCH OUT "I DON'T  
CARE IF YOU'RE FRIENDS OR NOT. DON'T LISTEN TO HIM  
DON'T TALK TO HIM IF YOU DO IT MIGHT END UP IN  
FRONT OF AN APPEALS BOARD."

SGT. BILL NELSON AT WESTERN DIVISION TOLD HIS  
SQUAD AT A LINE UP THAT "WHEN AURECH WAS  
FIRED (AND I HAD NOT BEEN AT THAT TIME) HE WENT  
TO EASTERN DIVISION AND DAMAGED VEHICLES.

I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY  
THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO  
THE BEST OF MY UNDERSTANDING AND BELIEF.  
EXECUTED AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA ON  
OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup> 1985.

Larry A. Aurech

ADDENDUM TO ORIGINAL SWORN STATEMENT.  
AS AN END RESULT OF ALL THIS ON JUNE 20, 1985  
DONNA GENTILE WAS MURDERED AS TO THIS DAY  
IS STILL UNSOLVED. IT IS BEING INVESTIGATED  
BY THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT.

Larry S. Couch  
January 13<sup>th</sup> 1986



**JIM BATES**

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Washington, D.C. 20515**

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October 24, 1985

Mayor Roger Hedgecock  
City of San Diego  
202 C Street  
San Diego, CA 92101

Dear Roger:

I have been contacted by Doug Seymour, a former officer of the San Diego Police Department, and other current and former officers who have informed me of various abuses that are alleged to have taken place in the Department. The potential seriousness of these allegations is of great concern to me.

The allegations brought to my attention by Mr. Seymour concern a variety of individual personnel actions taken against police officers by higher command in contravention of both local and federal laws. Specifically, these allegations include obstruction of justice, command instigated violations of the Hatch Act, and infringements on equal opportunity regulations.

These allegations are given considerable strength by the evident willingness of an additional twenty-seven officers of the San Diego Police Department to voluntarily testify to actions they have witnessed.

I would appreciate your review of this situation and your recommendations for appropriate action on the part of both myself and federal agencies.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. I have attached a brief memorandum outlining the information that I have received. If I can be of any further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

JIM BATES  
Member of Congress

Attachment

cc: City Manager  
City Council Members  
—also Linda Nolan ltr..  
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