

**COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION REPORT**



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AGENCY CASE NUMBER: 16S-08694, SCSO # 16-08229
CRIME: OIS SCPD
REQUESTED BY: ADA TARA GEORGE
INSPECTOR ASSIGNED: KATRINA ROGERS
DATE OF REPORT: 10/19/2016

DEFENDANT(S): Sean [REDACTED] ARLT (Deceased 10/16/16)
DOB: 06/25/1984
CDL: D2129951
ADDRESS: [REDACTED] Plateau Avenue (rear unit) Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Synopsis: I interviewed [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (mother of Sean).

Persons Involved

Name	Address	Phone
Arlt, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Plateau Avenue, Santa Cruz	
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Plateau Avenue, Santa Cruz	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Chace Street, Santa Cruz	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Chace Street, Santa Cruz	
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]		[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]		

Narrative: On 10/16/16 at approximately 0650 hours, I was contacted by Chief Inspector Mike Roe. Roe advised me that there had been an officer involved shooting and requested that I respond to the Santa Cruz Police Department to assist with the investigation. Upon my arrival at approximately 0815 hours, I briefed with Inspector Murray. Inspector Murray requested that Inspector Delfin and I interview [REDACTED] Arlt and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (parents of Sean Arlt), and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (residents of [REDACTED] Chace Street).

After interviewing [REDACTED] Arlt I interviewed [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. This interview was audio and video recorded. The following is a summary of my interview with [REDACTED]. For complete details please

refer to the audio and/or video recordings.

█████ stated that a week before this incident she and ██████ began seeing signs of increased psychotic behavior similar to what they had seen last summer. I told ██████ that ██████ had told us about the psychotic behavior beginning in July of 2015. ██████ stated that they could see similar things in comparison to July of 2015 and that Sean's behavior escalated, or spiraled down, and they could see that Sean "wasn't connected to reality."

I then asked ██████ to tell me about the incident that occurred on Monday October 10, 2016. ██████ stated that when she got home around 1300 hours on Monday Sean was in an agitated state. ██████ further described that as meaning that Sean was "kind of pacing, going in and out." ██████ stated that Sean was present and that he was talking with ██████ Sean said hello to ██████ and ██████ told Sean where she had been that morning.

█████ stated that she and ██████ had been to their therapist, Tom Western that morning and told Western that "it's starting." ██████ then stated that she had no idea that it would escalate that fast. ██████ stated that she was laying on her bed around 1600 hours and she suddenly heard crying and moaning. ██████ went outside to Sean's room and found Sean with the door to his bedroom wide open and Sean sitting in the middle of his floor. ██████ observed that Sean had "smashed his acoustic guitar all over and there was just stuff all over." ██████ stated that Sean "was crying and talking to himself or some inner voice."

█████ entered the room and sat down on a chair next to Sean. ██████ did not speak to Sean. Sean "went on and on about he's a rockstar, and that means that he has these superpowers and he could hurt people but he doesn't want to hurt people so maybe it's better if they kill him first." ██████ stated that Sean would then cry and then go on about being "this rockstar."

█████ stated that Sean then looked up at ██████ and stated, "You're my mother and you need to not be here. You need to get out of here now or I'm going to hurt you." ██████ stated that she left and she asked her neighbor ██████ to come sit with Sean while she called the police and called ██████ Artt.

█████ told ██████ that Sean was in a big psychotic episode and that Sean had told ██████ that he was going to have to hurt ██████ if she didn't leave. ██████ agreed to come over and help ██████

█████ stated that when she and ██████ returned ██████ called out to Sean and asked him if it was okay if he sat outside his door with him. ██████ stated that at first they couldn't see Sean because he had climbed in his bed and covered himself up and huddled down. When Sean heard ██████ voice he peaked his head out and said, "Oh Neal, sorry about all this." ██████ asked Sean at that point if he could come in and sit with him. Sean stated that would be okay.

Sean then started talking about the rockstar thing again saying that he didn't want to hurt people and that maybe he should die but then maybe he shouldn't die. ██████ stated then it seemed that Sean was "hearing some other ideas or maybe he was speaking his thought or somebody was saying something." ██████ explained that she wasn't outside with Sean but that she was inside and she could hear Sean saying., "No, no, no that's not right. You're not going to hurt my brother. Oh

maybe my brother's in with you." [REDACTED] stated that it sounded like Sean was hearing voices.

[REDACTED] stated that she called 911 and also Dr. Luther's office. Dr. Luther's office told [REDACTED] that she had done the right thing by calling 911. [REDACTED] stated that she thought the police coming would set Sean off even more.

[REDACTED] stated that the officers arrived and one officer went out to Sean's area to talk with him staying outside of his door. The officer told Sean, "Sean it looks like you're having a hard time." Sean replied, "No, I don't need you I don't need your help." [REDACTED] stated that the other officer came and told Sean that they were worried about him. [REDACTED] stated that Sean didn't want any part of the officers "but was somewhat calm." Sean told the officers, "I don't need you, I don't need you."

The officers then came into the residence and talked with [REDACTED] telling her that they didn't feel there was anything more they could do because they felt it would agitate Sean further. The officers asked [REDACTED] how she felt. [REDACTED] stated that she had contacted [REDACTED] and that she would have [REDACTED] stay with Sean until [REDACTED] arrived. [REDACTED] told the officers that she and [REDACTED] would try to get Sean to behavioral health or the emergency room. [REDACTED] stated that the officers didn't want to wrestle Sean down and [REDACTED] agreed she didn't want to traumatize Sean more so the officers left.

[REDACTED] stated that somehow Sean came into the house and [REDACTED] came into the house with him. Sean sat down on the kitchen floor and at this point [REDACTED] had arrived. [REDACTED] described Sean as being agitated but not violent. [REDACTED] stated that Sean kept going on about being a rockstar saying, "he doesn't want to hurt people. 'Rock stars have all this power, they have a lot of power'. And then he would say, 'No, no, no, no that makes me sound crazy I'm not crazy.'"

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] just stayed with Sean and were calm with him. [REDACTED] stated that she looked into the kitchen and Sean stated, "No! You don't look at me. Don't look at me, don't look at me, don't look at me." [REDACTED] stated that she left and [REDACTED] followed her and that then Sean turned on [REDACTED] saying, "Yeah, and you need to leave to. That's right, you need to leave too." So [REDACTED] left.

[REDACTED] began talking to Sean and told Sean that they needed to get him some help. [REDACTED] did some deep breathing exercises with Sean which helped Sean to calm down for a period of time before Sean would start up again with a voice telling him things. [REDACTED] tried to talk to Sean and Sean would not allow [REDACTED] to talk with him saying, "She can't look at me she can't look at me."

Finally [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were able to convince Sean to go to Telecare. [REDACTED] did so by reminding Sean about last summer and how it was helpful for Sean to have gone to Telecare. [REDACTED] commented to Sean that he hadn't slept in four or five days and that they needed to get him some help at least for sleep. Sean agreed to go and stood up and grabbed his sweatshirt. Sean then said, "No, no, no. That's not a good idea. Those places are bad. They're scary. That's not a good idea." Sean went back and forth and eventually got in the car with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

At this point I asked [REDACTED] a few questions about what she had told me. I told [REDACTED] that I had peeked at Sean's room this morning and noted that there was a smashed guitar on the floor of

Sean's room. I asked [REDACTED] if she felt that was still there from Monday. [REDACTED] guessed maybe it was but stated that Sean had done all of his laundry on Thursday and cleaned up the guitar. [REDACTED] stated that on Thursday the entire hardwood floor was clean. I asked [REDACTED] if Sean had more than one guitar and she stated she didn't think so. [REDACTED] stated that she saw the broken guitar this morning as well and thought that Sean must have saved the pieces somewhere.

I asked [REDACTED] about her comment that Sean had not slept for four or five days. I asked [REDACTED] if that was something that Sean had told her. [REDACTED] stated that it was a combination of observations of seeing Sean not sleeping during the middle of the night and also Sean telling [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that he was not sleeping. [REDACTED] stated that she would see his light on and see Sean pacing around the property.

[REDACTED] commented that the day Sean was released from Telecare that week and walked home Sean tried sleeping at various places in the house throughout the day. Sean would lay down on one couch for 10 or 15 minutes and then get up and go to another couch and then another. Or Sean would go outside to his room and then come back inside the house and sit in various places.

[REDACTED] stated that at one point on Wednesday Sean walked into the house and sat in a chair and said, "Well do you want to chat?" [REDACTED] replied, "Sure." [REDACTED] explained that this was after Sean had been wrestled down by several officers and taken to Telecare. [REDACTED] stated that she didn't want to press the topic with Sean but was curious if he remembered the incident. Sean told [REDACTED] "You don't look good Mom, are you ok?" [REDACTED] replied that she was really concerned about Sean. Sean replied, "Nope! I'm okay, look I'm okay!"

[REDACTED] talked with Sean about last summer's episode and his friend [REDACTED] telling Sean that he was in a manic episode. [REDACTED] told Sean that she felt that was what was going on for him now. Sean replied, "So what's your definition of manic?" [REDACTED] stated that Sean became instantly surly telling [REDACTED] that she was trying to label him and was name calling. [REDACTED] stated, "So he was just instantly agitated, and paranoid and upset."

[REDACTED] explained to Sean that people who are manic didn't sleep, had racing thoughts, pressured speech and were very agitated. Sean replied that the only symptom he had was that he was agitated because he was irritable because he was in a pain and he hurt. [REDACTED] told Sean that she imagined that he must be sore and offered [REDACTED] some ibuprofen. Sean said that would be great. When [REDACTED] returned with the bottle of ibuprofen Sean became instantly paranoid and "looked at the bottle of ibuprofen like it was a time bomb." Sean then stated, "No, no, no, no, no. Never mind, never mind. I know what you're doing."

I circled back and asked [REDACTED] to tell me what happened when she and [REDACTED] got Sean to Telecare on Monday evening. [REDACTED] stated that after walking into the reception area at Telecare Sean began banging on the walls and the receptionist began looking uneasy. Sean then stormed out of the reception area outside and quickly up Soquel Avenue. [REDACTED] hurried after Sean and tried convincing him not to bolt. [REDACTED] talked with the receptionist and asked, "Is there anyone who can help us?" [REDACTED] stated that receptionist replied, "No you need to take him to the ER. We can't handle it at all right now in the state he's in."

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█████ stated that she walked outside and asked Sean if he would be willing to go to the ER. Sean stated that he would. █████ and █████ drove Sean to the ER. █████ guessed that Sean agreed to go to the ER so that he didn't have to go back into Telecare.

█████ stated that when they got to the ER Sean went in and then he went out. Sean went in again and complained that there were too many people there and went outside again. Sean sat on the bench outside. The receptionist, a nurse and a security guard all came and talked to Sean. █████ stated that everyone was very kind. █████ described Sean as not being violent but being paranoid and agitated and not wanting to go inside the ER. █████ stated that everyone said they would like to help Sean. Sean replied that █████ and █████ were trying to do something to him. █████ estimated that this went on for about two hours with Sean walking away through the parking lot and coming back. At one point Sean got into an argument with █████ accusing █████ of different things.

During the argument █████ walked over to the security guard standing by the ER entrance and asked him what he thought they should do. The security guard informed █████ that he couldn't do anything but that she could call 911 again. █████ stated that she called 911 and the Sheriff's Office responded. By the time the Sheriff's deputies arrived Sean was calmly talking with █████. One of the deputies talked to █████ explained the entire story to them. The deputy replied that he didn't know if they could force Sean to go into the hospital because it was a very fine line because Sean was talking calmly to █████ now.

█████ explained to the deputy that Sean had calmed down now but that earlier he was threatening to hurt █████. The deputy asked █████ if she felt unsafe and █████ replied, "Yeah. I feel unsafe." The deputy talked with his partner and Sean left the area and █████ couldn't find out where he had gone. █████ stated that the deputies didn't want to force Sean into the ER.

█████ stated, "So we just had to let go of that." █████ explained that now Sean was wondering around at 2230 hours at night in a psychotic state and that there was nothing they could do. █████ and █████ couldn't find Sean so they eventually went home and went to bed.

█████ was trying to figure out which days things happened and became confused as to what days things had occurred. █████ finally settled on the time line that Monday was the night of the psychotic episode where the police came to their house and then █████ and █████ tried taking Sean to Telecare. Tuesday night was the night Sean was at the █████ residence and was taken on a 5150 hold. Wednesday was the day that Sean walked home from Telecare. And Thursday Sean had an appointment with Dr. Luther.

█████ stated that she woke up around 0200 or 0300 hours on Tuesday morning and saw that

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Sean was home. [REDACTED] stated that Tuesday was somewhat similar to Monday. Sean would be talking somewhat normal but would have strange eye and hand movements. [REDACTED] demonstrated Sean putting his arms out stiff at his sides with his hands bowed outward. [REDACTED] stated that Sean "was not completely out of his mind saying he was a rock star and that his father's trying to kill him or kill me."

Inspector Delfin asked [REDACTED] if Sean's speech was rapid. [REDACTED] replied that it was rapid but also pressured. [REDACTED] stated that she could feel the pressure going on in Sean's head. [REDACTED] stated that Sean was either hearing voices or expressing his own thoughts out loud. Sean was also paranoid. Sean would look out the window and think things were out there. [REDACTED] gave the example of Sean saying, "I just want to make sure that all of us are safe. That's my job to make sure that we're all safe."

[REDACTED] stated that on Tuesday Sean was "not all that bad." [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were trying to figure out how they were going to get Sean help.

[REDACTED] recalled that she and [REDACTED] were watching the Giants game with her mother Tuesday night. Sean had eaten some dinner that night. As they were watching the game Sean would periodically come into the room pacing and look at the game and then leave again. [REDACTED] stated that there wasn't any ranting that evening so they were feeling relatively calm. [REDACTED] stated at the bottom of the ninth inning [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was knocking on their door "really fast."

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that Sean had come in their front door and was at their house. [REDACTED] stated that they didn't see that coming as they had just seen Sean like an hour before as he "did his wandering thing." [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that Sean was struggling and that he was going to call 911. [REDACTED] called 911 and then [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] drove over to [REDACTED] residence.

[REDACTED] stated that when they arrived at the [REDACTED] residence they walked into the [REDACTED] driveway. Sean walked up to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] had brought Sean a sweatshirt and some shoes as [REDACTED] had told her that he was wearing a t-shirt and had just socks on his feet. Sean grabbed the sweatshirt from [REDACTED] and tried putting it on. [REDACTED] could not figure out why Sean was unable to put on the sweatshirt until she realized that Sean had the two pens in his hands.

[REDACTED] stated that while she was standing in the driveway with Sean and [REDACTED] the police drove by and went around the corner to Chace Street. [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] to go talk to the police while she stood by with Sean. [REDACTED] began walking over to the officer's location when Sean began running after [REDACTED] [REDACTED] remembered questioning why Sean was running toward the police. [REDACTED] explained that Sean is paranoid of the police. [REDACTED] stated that she was "somewhat baffled" at Sean running toward the police but it was more that Sean was running after his Dad.

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Sean then got in front of [REDACTED]. The police began asking Sean to give them the pens. Sean handed one pen to [REDACTED] and told him, "This is the key to heaven." Sean would not give up the other pen which resulted in the officers wrestling and tasing Sean. I asked [REDACTED] if she saw the entire episode of the officers struggling with Sean. [REDACTED] stated that she did. [REDACTED] then stated that it was very traumatic for her to watch and so she watched it through the [REDACTED] hedge. [REDACTED] then stated that she "basically saw the whole thing."

[REDACTED] stated that finally one officer arrived and said something to Sean that she had been wondering why none of the other officers had told Sean during the entire tussle. The officer said, "Sean you're not under arrest, you're not in trouble. We just want to help you. We know this is a mental health crisis." [REDACTED] stated that she doesn't know if that got through to Sean but she was happy that someone had finally said that to him.

[REDACTED] stated that by the time they had Sean wrapped up there were 8 police cars and a fire truck and an ambulance. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] went to the ER and registered Sean. [REDACTED] talked to some of the nurses to see how Sean was doing. [REDACTED] was told that Sean had been given some Geodon and was doing much better and wasn't as agitated. [REDACTED] was told that after the other medical tests cleared Sean would be transported by ambulance to Telecare. [REDACTED] told the nurses that they had already been through this before with Telecare and told the nurse that it was her understanding that Telecare could release Sean whenever they wanted. The nurse confirmed that was correct.

[REDACTED] asked the nurse if there was something they could do to get Telecare to keep Sean a day or two and if Sean would be seen by a psychiatrist. [REDACTED] stated that the psychiatric nurse at Telecare does their standard evaluation. [REDACTED] then stated, "So Sean wakes up there having slept the night, and got a meal and winds up there, and he knows he's in a locked facility and he wants out and he just snows them. And he says 'I have a psychiatrist, I lost my medication and I'm okay.'" And then Telecare releases Sean.

[REDACTED] stated that she and [REDACTED] were out taking care of other business they needed to take care of thinking that they had at least 24 hours before Sean would be released. [REDACTED] estimated that Sean must have arrived at Telecare around 0100 or 0200 hours on Wednesday morning and Sean was back at their house, having walked home from Telecare, at 1300 hours. [REDACTED] stated that her mother had called her to let her know that Sean was back at the home.

Inspector Delfin asked [REDACTED] about Sean's hands being bloody on Tuesday night. [REDACTED] stated that it looked like Sean had fallen on asphalt. [REDACTED] remarked that Sean had been going to the [REDACTED] house since he was a child. [REDACTED] stated that Sean had always gone in the back door of the [REDACTED] residence and it didn't make sense that Sean "flew" in the front door that night.

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█████ also remarked that it appeared Sean “flew” over the █████ fence because one of the pickets was broken. █████ stated that she thought that just all of a sudden Sean must have had a lot of stuff going on in his head and thought he was running for his life. █████ stated that Sean had told the █████ that Sean’s father was sexually abusing him and trying to kill him. █████ remarked that the episode Tuesday night happened unexpectedly as she hadn’t felt that Sean’s behavior was escalating that night.

I asked █████ is she had witnessed a previous psychotic episode by which to compare the escalation that night. █████ stated that her therapist had told her that when people are having extended psychotic/manic episodes things ebb and flow. █████ explained that when Sean’s behavior would settle down they would take it in stride not thinking that they didn’t need to get him treatment but also not thinking that he was going to runaway from the house and do things in the community.

I went back over some of the data points that I had learned from my interview with █████ Artl. I asked █████ to correct me if I had things written down incorrectly. I told █████ that Sean had some mental health issues in high school. █████ stated that Sean was depressed. I confirmed that Sean saw Dr. Girvetz at this time and she stated that was correct. I confirmed with █████ that Sean didn’t receive any type of diagnosis until July of last year and that was from Dr. Catherine Borchert. █████ stated that she asked Borchert what she was diagnosing Sean with and learned that it was Bipolar Disorder with Psychotic Features. █████ stated that Borchert told her that she wanted to prescribe Sean and anti-psychotic medication and a bipolar medication.

█████ related that she went with Sean to his appointments at Dr. Borchert’s office. Dr. Borchert told Sean that these disorders were totally treatable and that she wanted to help Sean. Sean told Dr. Borchert she could not create a safe enough space for Sean, that she needed to work on her own issues, and that he didn’t agree with her diagnosis. Dr. Borchert provided Sean with a list of other psychiatrists at that point.

I told █████ that I had learned that there was a sit down with Dr. Girvetz and █████ replied, “We went probably three times after that with Sean and Jeff and I went a couple of times with the two of us. Like we can’t live with this person unless they’re going to get treatment. And can we come in with you and the agreement that we made last summer when he came out of Telecare.”

█████ talked about the written agreement she and █████ had with Sean about Sean only being able to live at home if he was seeing a psychiatrist and following their treatment plan. I asked █████ about alcohol and marijuana. █████ confirmed that was part of the agreement as well. I asked █████ if there were any substances Sean would self-medicate with. █████ stated that there weren’t. █████ stated that she thought Sean took different drugs during different times but there

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has never been major drug use with Sean. [REDACTED] recalled Sean telling her that alcohol and marijuana were Sean's medicine.

[REDACTED] recalled a conversation she had with Sean at the time he went into Telecare last summer. [REDACTED] stated that Sean came home after Telecare agitated saying that he needed to sleep and that he hadn't been sleeping. [REDACTED] described Sean as being agitated "but not psychotic in the sense of voices, of rock star and people are trying to kill him."

[REDACTED] stated that Sean definitely acted like someone who was high. [REDACTED] stated the hospital found traces of Aderal in during Sean's toxicology test during the summer visit to the ER.

I confirmed with [REDACTED] that after Sean left Dr. Borchert he landed with Dr. Luther. [REDACTED] told me that was incorrect. [REDACTED] stated that of the three doctor's on Borchert's referral list she recommended Dr. Gary Gibbs because he integrated western medicine with breathing exercises. Sean made an appointment with Dr. Gibbs and then one or two days before the appointment Sean bought a plane ticket and flew to Texas. [REDACTED] stated that Sean didn't want to go see another psychiatrist who was going to tell him the same thing so "he split." [REDACTED] stated that she and [REDACTED] went to that appointment with Gibbs.

Gibbs told [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that he would recommend the same medications that Dr. Borchert had recommended for Sean. [REDACTED] stated that in the meantime Sean was in Texas driving his son's mother [REDACTED] and her family crazy and that they all thought Sean was on drugs. [REDACTED] stated that she was on the phone everyday with [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that she didn't think she could leave Sean alone with their son [REDACTED] told her she was correct and that she couldn't.

[REDACTED] stated that when Sean returned she and [REDACTED] told Sean that he could no longer live with them because he was not abiding by the agreement. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] offered Sean some money to go find another place to live. [REDACTED] stated that Sean just lived at different places sleeping on couches. Sean did get a new girl friend, later learned to be Jordana Adler, and that the girlfriend could no longer tolerate Sean's behavior so Sean came back to Santa Cruz to live with a friend who also couldn't tolerate Sean's behavior. Sean ultimately came back to live at [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] house at the beginning of March.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] told Sean that he could live with them if he abided by the terms of the agreement and began seeing a psychiatrist. [REDACTED] stated that it was at this time that Sean began seeing Gibbs. Gibbs gave Sean some ayurvedic powder to calm Sean down. Gibbs told Sean that he couldn't work with Sean because Sean's girl friend had unknowingly started seeing Gibbs and Gibbs "basically didn't want to work with Sean."

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Dr. Jon Girvetz then gave [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] a list of three other psychiatrists. Sean called the psychiatrists on the list and got through to Dr. Luther. [REDACTED] stated that Sean first saw Dr. Luther at the end of April. Sean saw Dr. Luther again and Dr. Luther prescribed Sean Wellbutrin. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] did not feel that it was the correct medication for Sean but Sean did not want [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] talking with Dr. Luther. [REDACTED] stated that Sean was stable for about 3 months.

[REDACTED] stated that during this time Sean had a new relationship and he also enrolled in an online law school. [REDACTED] guessed that different things must have lined up to cause him to decline mentally again.

I asked [REDACTED] about a comment she made about not feeling safe when she and [REDACTED] asked Sean to move out of the house a few months prior. [REDACTED] stated that Sean wasn't threatening her or [REDACTED] but that Sean was being very disruptive. [REDACTED] gave the example of Sean pounding on her bedroom door in the middle of the night telling them that they needed to call Adler as he was worried about her. [REDACTED] stated that Sean wasn't breaking things and he wasn't threatening them but he would wake them up at all hours and he was belligerent with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] when they would suggest that Sean needed help.

[REDACTED] then stated, "We just couldn't do it anymore because, because it had been unsafe when he was in the psychotic place and we went through all of that and the psychiatrist, but then he didn't go and then he went off to Texas." [REDACTED] stated that she and [REDACTED] had tried to get Sean to go back to Dr. Borchert but Sean declared that he didn't need help and that she and [REDACTED] were the ones who needed help.

[REDACTED] mentioned that the relationship with the Adler had unraveled within the last month.

I asked [REDACTED] why both she and [REDACTED] felt that Wellbutrin was not the correct medication for Sean. [REDACTED] provided more details about Sean's first visit to Dr. Borchert. [REDACTED] stated that prior to Sean's appointment she had written a couple of page letter to Borchert about Sean and slipped it in Borchert's mail slot. [REDACTED] stated that she knows that Borchert didn't read the letter because it was laying on the floor by the mail slot when she and Sean went in for the appointment. [REDACTED] stated that Sean was angry when he went to see Borchert because [REDACTED] had told him he couldn't live at home unless he went and saw a psychiatrist.

[REDACTED] stated that she dropped Sean off and did some shopping during Sean's 50 minute appointment. [REDACTED] returned and Borchert requested to meet with her for 10 minutes. During the joint conversation Borchert told [REDACTED] that she believed that Sean was suffering from a mood disorder and had been for about 15 years. [REDACTED] agreed with Borchert's diagnosis based on Borchert's personal assessment of Sean and her subsequent follow up with [REDACTED] stated

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that is why she felt Wellbutrin was not the correct medication for Sean and that actually Wellbutrin could make things worse if people are manic.

█████ stated that when Sean returned from Telecare on Wednesday she told Sean that he needed to make an appointment with Luther. Sean told █████ that Telecare had already made him an appointment. █████ insisted that Sean call Luther and confirm that he had an appointment. Sean asked █████ if █████ wanted him to put the call on speaker phone. █████ requested that Sean do so. █████ heard Sean leave a message for Luther. Luther's office later called back to confirm Sean's appointment for Thursday at 11am. █████ stated that in the meantime █████ dropped off some information to Luther's office about Sean.

I asked █████ if she took Sean to that appointment. █████ stated that she did take Sean to the appointment and she tried to talk with Luther. Luther told █████ that he wasn't working with █████ and that he couldn't talk with her. I asked █████ about █████ comment that █████ had overheard an interaction between Luther and Sean. █████ stated that she was at the office when she heard a door open and someone say the word "serious". █████ stated it was "This is serious" or "Well it's serious." █████ could then hear Sean say something but couldn't hear what he was saying. Sean then walked out and stormed out of the office.

Inspector Delfin asked █████ about her earlier statement of Sean running toward the officers. █████ stated, "He doesn't like officers but that's why it struck me that he was running toward where the police cars had turned." Inspector Delfin asked what it was about officers that Sean didn't like. █████ stated that Sean didn't like to be locked up. █████ explained that Sean had been arrested once in college. █████ also stated that Sean wasn't a fan of authority in any shape or form.

I asked █████ about Sean banging on her bedroom door and saying they needed to take him seriously. █████ stated either Wednesday night/Thursday morning at 0330 hours Sean began banging on her bedroom door. █████ opened the door and Sean said, "Mom, you have to stop it. You have to stop it now." Sean began walking away and then turned back and said, "And I'm serious." █████ recalled that it was Wednesday night because Sean had "thrashed" his room and he was sore from the incident with the police and █████ offered to let Sean sleep in the guest room across the hallway.

█████ told me about Friday night when her friend, who was getting married, came over to her house to talk about her bridal bouquet. █████ recalled Sean coming into the house and talking with Cynthia asking her if she was excited about getting married. Sean then asked Cynthia if he could give her a hug which she agreed to. Sean then congratulated Cynthia and then turned around and left. █████ commented that Sean would on occasion be aware and make socially

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appropriate comments as he did in this moment.

However [REDACTED] pointed out that as she escorted Cynthia out the front door Sean came back into the house. Sean stood at the front of the house looking outside "with his weird hands." [REDACTED] asked Sean if he was okay. [REDACTED] replied, "It's okay now, now it's safe." [REDACTED] commented that Sean was "back into the paranoia deal again." [REDACTED] was unsure if Sean felt that Cynthia and her friend were unsafe or if there was something else.

[REDACTED] explained that sometimes Sean just stares out the front window looking. [REDACTED] stated that last night, Saturday night, Sean thought there was a whole army outside. I asked [REDACTED] to tell me about that. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] had asked Sean if he could take him to the ER as Sean had not been sleeping and was really agitated. [REDACTED] explained that Sean had been pacing both inside and outside the residence. Upon hearing [REDACTED] request Sean went outside and stood between the main house and his apartment and said, "No! No! They'll just give me a shot and kill me." [REDACTED] stated that Sean then looked at she and [REDACTED] "like I don't' trust you guys either." and then Sean looked out and stated, "There's an entire army out there. Just so you know that." [REDACTED] stated that Sean then made a comment to her and [REDACTED] that made her think that Sean felt that he was in command of the army and not that the army was out to get Sean.

[REDACTED] stated that her feeling about the situation was that Sean was threatening them that there was a whole army out there, the army was under Sean's control, and that it was safe at this moment for [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] but that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] "better watch out." [REDACTED] stated that Sean was unhappy that she and [REDACTED] kept trying to prompt Sean to go to the ER or Telecare.

[REDACTED] stated earlier in the evening Sean had eaten dinner with [REDACTED] and her mother and that was encouraging. Sean had been calm albeit moving all the time. [REDACTED] stated that she began to get worried about Sean around 2030 hours when she went to lock up the chickens. [REDACTED] could hear Sean in his room arguing with someone about a "path" although there was no one else in Sean's room. Sean then came out of his apartment door and began pacing toward the gate.

[REDACTED] then told [REDACTED] that Sean's behavior was escalating. They discussed calling 911 and talked about there just being a wrestling scene again resulting in the police taking Sean to the ER again and then Sean going to Telecare again and Sean then walking back home after Telecare releases Sean again. [REDACTED] stated, "We were so fried by then we didn't know what to do."

I asked [REDACTED] what happened next. [REDACTED] stated that Sean wanted to go buy beer and asked she and [REDACTED] to go buy beer with him. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] discouraged Sean against going out to buy beer. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] told Sean that he needed sleep and that he should go to the ER so they could help him with that. Sean then told [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that if he didn't buy beer [REDACTED]

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was going to die.” Sean then made some other statements that [REDACTED] could not recall.

[REDACTED] went into her bedroom around 2200 hours. [REDACTED] stated that she was so exhausted she could barely stand up. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] came in the bedroom after she had dozed off. [REDACTED] asked [REDACTED] what was going on. [REDACTED] replied that it was the same and that Sean wanted beer. [REDACTED] told Sean again that he wanted to take Sean to the ER and then told Sean that he and [REDACTED] were going to get some sleep. [REDACTED] stated that she fell asleep. [REDACTED] later told her about Sean coming to the door with bottles of beer.

I asked [REDACTED] if she had heard any of the glass breaking that evening. [REDACTED] stated that she didn't hear anything that night.

[REDACTED] shared with me a conversation about breakfast on Saturday morning. [REDACTED] had asked Sean if he wanted any eggs. Sean replied, “Yes that would be great.” [REDACTED] made Sean two eggs over easy and toast. [REDACTED] held out the plate to Sean. Sean came over and looked at the plate “like it was a bomb” and then stated, “No, no, no. That's ok. I'm not eating with you.” [REDACTED] told Sean that he didn't need to eat with them and he could take his plate outside encouraging Sean to eat as he had stated he was starving. Sean replied, “I was exaggerating.” and then disappeared. [REDACTED] stated that she and [REDACTED] sat down and ate eggs and [REDACTED] commented to [REDACTED] “We're running a mental hospital.” [REDACTED] then stated, “No one will keep him. No one can help us. And we're here trying to keep safe. Trying to keep our son safe. Trying to keep us safe.”

[REDACTED] stated that Friday she and [REDACTED] had constructed a plan with Tom Western to write what they had to say to Sean in a simple fashion and give it to some other folks. [REDACTED] stated no one else except some people at the apartment complex last summer had seen Sean in this complete psychotic state. But this week [REDACTED] had seen it and the [REDACTED] had seen it and they had all known Sean for many years and care about Sean. The plan that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had was to write things up for Sean and then try to get Sean back in to see Dr. Borchert. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] planned on bringing in [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] in a mini intervention type model. The objective was to have Sean go back to Dr. Borchert and take her prescribed medication for three months. The reasoning was that they all cared about Sean, Sean was really struggling, and that this was “an unsafe situation for everyone.” [REDACTED] stated that was her and [REDACTED] plan for today except now they were doing this.

I asked [REDACTED] if there was anything else we should talk about. [REDACTED] stated that she wasn't impressed with how the police handled things at the [REDACTED] the first time. [REDACTED] stated that she understood that the officers needed to get the pen away because it could be used as a weapon. However [REDACTED] stated that she didn't feel that the first two police officers on scene acted in a

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skillful manner. [REDACTED] recalled them being the same two officers who came on Monday when she called 911. [REDACTED] stated that she has a tremendous amount of respect for police officers. However she felt that these officers were not able to de-escalate anything. [REDACTED] stated that the officers were telling Sean to put down the pen and give them the pen. [REDACTED] stated that she heard that the officer this morning were using the same directive to put down the weapon. [REDACTED] stated that while the outcome could have been the same she didn't feel that the language was very skillful especially when it is a mentally ill person. [REDACTED] was concerned about the use of the word weapon and the tone of speech.

[REDACTED] recalled a time last summer when Sean was "very riled" up because Sean felt that she and [REDACTED] had stolen his medication. Sean called 911 and [REDACTED] felt that the officer who handled that call had done so very well. [REDACTED] stated that she even wrote that officer a card thanking him. [REDACTED] provided some back story of the event stating that Sean had received some Lorazepam from a doctor at the walk-in clinic because he told them he had trouble sleeping and had anxiety. Sean did this in response to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] insistence that Sean see a psychiatrist and follow their treatment plan. Sean reasoned that he had seen a doctor and was taking the prescribed medication.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] agreed that Sean could take the Lorazepam if it helped him sleep but told Sean they were taking control of his medication. [REDACTED] explained that it was because Sean had suicidal ideation and had once attempted to commit suicide. Sean agreed that it was a good idea that his parents keep the medication and would then go to his parents when he felt he needed a Lorazepam. On this particular night Sean became more agitated [REDACTED] believes because it was getting closer to the date when Sean was supposed to see a psychiatrist. Sean came pounding on [REDACTED] door asking for his Lorazepam. [REDACTED] gave him the prescribed dose. About a half an hour later Sean pounded on the door again requesting his medication.

[REDACTED] told Sean she wasn't giving him any more medication right now and that he could have some more in six hours. Sean went ballistic and began yelling that [REDACTED] couldn't do that and that it was his medication and his right to take his medication. Sean began accusing [REDACTED] of stealing his medication and threatened to call the police. Sean waited outside for the police to arrive.

[REDACTED] stated that the two officers were calm. [REDACTED] reasoned, "And he was pretty agitated. I know he didn't have a weapon and he wasn't completely psychotic." [REDACTED] explained how the officers talked with Sean and validated his concerns about [REDACTED] having his medication. [REDACTED] stated that the officer negotiated with Sean about waiting until tomorrow to see if his psychiatrist would give him new medication. The officer had Sean shake on their agreement. [REDACTED] commented on how skillful the interaction had been.

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█ then stated, "But yelling at people who are unstable. I don't know. I just didn't feel like it was handled that well. And of course I don't feel like what happened needed to happen tonight."

I told █ that █ had shared with me that he wondered whether the same officers had responded this morning as Tuesday night. I explained to █ that I understood they wanted that answer and as soon as someone could tell them they would be told.

█ replied, "We lost our son." █ then went on to explain that they didn't get █ voice message that she left at 0400 hours until 0500 hours. And then they received a text from █ stating that Sean had been tased or shot in the leg. █ stated that she and █ were trying to wrap their minds around that concept when they learned an hour and a half later that Sean was dead.

█ questioned, "Why, why would anybody fire a weapon at this person. I know he had a rake. And that you know maybe he moved toward somebody. But it's like this is not skilled. In my opinion this is not skilled" █ stated, "So Yes, it's hard. It's hard because he's dead. And I don't think he needed to die. I mean maybe we didn't do the right things either, I don't know. We did what we could do."

█ wanted to make sure we understood that even though Sean had started seeing Dr. Girvetz when he was in high school that he hadn't been in this psychotic state for that entire time.



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