



**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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INCIDENT REPORT	
CASE NUMBER 1608272	SUPPLEMENT NUMBER
CASE TYPE INCIDENT	CAD EVENT NUMBER
REPORTING OFFICER 12193/SHF142 - BROWNLEE, J	REPORT DATE 10/10/2016

INCIDENT

LOCATION			OCCURRED	DATE	TIME	DAY
1555 SOQUEL DR , SANTA CRUZ, CA US			ON OR FROM	10/10/2016	19:25	MON
PREMISE NAME DOMINICAN HOSPITAL		JURISDICTION SCSO	TO	10/10/2016	19:25	MON
BEAT 6	SUB BEAT 6-3	SCCACT	REPORTED	10/10/2016	19:25	MON

NATURE OF INCIDENT

- ALCOHOL RELATED
 SENIOR CITIZEN
 HATE / BIAS
 ARSON
 CHILD ABUSE
 GANG RELATED
 OFFICER ASSAULT
 DRUG RELATED
 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
 JUVENILE

RELATED CASE NUMBERS

SYNOPSIS

An adult son was reported to be suffering from a mental health issue and refused to enter the ER. The subject was observed to be acting calm during the initial investigation and a brief contact. The subject was unable to be located for a further welfare check.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

<input type="checkbox"/> USE OF FORCE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCHOOL	<input type="checkbox"/> CABRILLO COLLEGE
<input type="checkbox"/> METH	<input type="checkbox"/> GRAFFITI	<input type="checkbox"/> BWC VIDEO
<input type="checkbox"/> CULTIVATE MARJ	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> WARRANT REQUEST

STATUS

CASE STATUS CLOSED	CASE STATUS DATE 10/20/2016	DISPOSITION OTH AGCY	DISPOSITION DATE 10/19/2016	APPROVAL 11641/SHF142 - CLEVELAND, BRI	APPROVAL DATE 10/24/2016
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OFFENSES

ENTRY NO 2	VIOLATION/STATUTE INCIDENT	OFFENSE DESCRIPTION INCIDENT									
ATTEMPTED N	LEVEL	DEGREE	COUNTS	NCIC CODE	BCS CODE	DISPOSITION	DISPOSITION DATE				
AGENCY CLASSIFICATION INCIDENT			LOCATION OF OFFENSE								
GOC	MODIFIER 1			MODIFIER 2			MODIFIER 3				
COURT				COURT DATE			JUDGE				
COMMENT											

OTHERS

ENTRY NO 1	INVOLVEMENT C	NAME: LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE ARLT, SEAN SMITH										
HOME ADDRESS PLATEAU AVE SANTA CRUZ CA						MAILING ADDRESS						
EMPLOYER				EMPLOYER ADDRESS				OCCUPATION				
HOME PHONE			CELL PHONE			OTHER PHONE			EMPLOYER PHONE			
DOB 06/25/1984	AGE 32	SEX M	RACE	ETH	HEIGHT 510	WEIGHT 170	HAIR	EYES	POB	RESIDENCY	CITIZEN	GANG IDENTIFICATION
DL NUMBER D2129951	DL ST	SSN	FBI ID	STATE ID	LOCAL	ID1	ID2					
COMMENT												

ENTRY NO 2	INVOLVEMENT RP	NAME: LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE ARLT, [REDACTED]										
HOME ADDRESS PLATEAU AVE SANTA CRUZ CA						MAILING ADDRESS						
EMPLOYER				EMPLOYER ADDRESS				OCCUPATION				
HOME PHONE			CELL PHONE			OTHER PHONE			EMPLOYER PHONE			
DOB [REDACTED]	AGE [REDACTED]	SEX M	RACE	ETH	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	POB	RESIDENCY	CITIZEN	GANG IDENTIFICATION
DL NUMBER	DL ST	SSN	FBI ID	STATE ID	LOCAL	ID1	ID2					
COMMENT												

ENTRY NO 3	INVOLVEMENT C	NAME: LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SMITH, [REDACTED]										
HOME ADDRESS PLATEAU AVE CA						MAILING ADDRESS						
EMPLOYER				EMPLOYER ADDRESS				OCCUPATION				
HOME PHONE			CELL PHONE			OTHER PHONE			EMPLOYER PHONE			
DOB [REDACTED]	AGE [REDACTED]	SEX	RACE	ETH	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	POB	RESIDENCY	CITIZEN	GANG IDENTIFICATION
DL NUMBER	DL ST	SSN	FBI ID	STATE ID	LOCAL	ID1	ID2					
COMMENT												

ENTRY NO 4	INVOLVEMENT C	NAME: LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE MOORE, CLAYTON										
HOME ADDRESS						MAILING ADDRESS						
EMPLOYER DOMINICAN HOSPITAL				EMPLOYER ADDRESS				OCCUPATION SECURITY GUARD				
HOME PHONE			CELL PHONE			OTHER PHONE			EMPLOYER PHONE (831) 462-7700			
DOB	AGE	SEX	RACE	ETH	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	POB	RESIDENCY	CITIZEN	GANG IDENTIFICATION
DL NUMBER	DL ST	SSN	FBI ID	STATE ID	LOCAL	ID1	ID2					
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NARRATIVE

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NARRATIVE: On 10/10/16, I was wearing full uniform, driving a marked patrol vehicle (514) and I was assigned to a swing shift patrol position in the Live Oak area. At approximately 1925 hours, I was dispatched to an incident near the entrance to the Dominican Hospital ER. Dispatch advised that the reporting party was [REDACTED] Arlt. [REDACTED] Arlt was reporting that his 32 year old son was having a psychotic break and was refusing to go into the ER. The subject was Sean Arlt (6/25/84). [REDACTED] Arlt reported to Dispatch that Sean had attempted suicide approximately 3 years earlier. Additionally, Dominican Hospital security and Sean Arlt's mother was on scene. Sean had reportedly made recent comments about dying but no specific threats to kill himself.

I arrived at the scene at approximately 1931 hours and parked my patrol vehicle in the plot outside of the ER entrance. I activated my department-issued digital recorder. As I approached the ER entrance on foot, I noticed a white male adult (approximately 60 years old) speaking with a white male adult (approximately 30 years old). The two males were standing in front of the ER building and to the right side. They were standing approximately 3-5 feet apart and appeared to be having a calm conversation. I could not hear what was being said between the two of them as I was still too far away (approximately 30-40 feet). I did not notice any body language that indicated any tension between the two parties.

I also noticed a white female adult (approximately 60 years old) standing directly to the left side of the entrance to the ER.

As I continued to approach on foot, a Dominican Hospital security guard, later identified as Clayton Moore, approached me. He gave me the following summary statement:

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT BY SECURITY OFFICER CLAYTON MOORE: Moore pointed toward the two males that were speaking together. Moore explained that the parents of the adult son wanted him to be admitted to the hospital for psychiatric issues. Moore had spoken with the male (Sean Arlt) and didn't feel that he was a danger to himself or others. Sean was refusing treatment and didn't wish to enter the hospital. Moore had spoken with Sean Arlt's parents and they felt Sean was a danger to himself or others. Moore said they couldn't provide solid reasons why they believed this. Moore had learned from Sean's parents that he had made general statements about killing himself.

Moore pointed toward the white female adult standing near the ER entrance and identified her to be Sean Arlt's mother. Moore indicated that the two males speaking to one another were Sean and [REDACTED] Arlt. Moore told me that the males had been screaming at each other prior to my arrival but that they were calm now.

As Clayton Moore spoke to me, I continued to observe Sean and [REDACTED] Arlt. I noticed that they had maintained a calm demeanor with one another, appeared to be continuing a peaceful conversation, and gave no indication of being engaged in a dispute. Additionally, my backup units (Deputy Skalland and Deputy Hutson) were still en route to the location.

For these reasons, I determined to not interrupt Sean and [REDACTED] conversation at that moment and I walked over to the woman standing by the ER entrance. I was still able to maintain a visual perspective of Sean and [REDACTED] Arlt. The female identified herself as [REDACTED] Smith. [REDACTED] pointed to Sean Arlt and said he was a danger to himself and others. [REDACTED] identified the man that Sean was standing with was Sean's father, [REDACTED] Arlt. *At this point, I noticed that Sean and [REDACTED] Arlt were walking toward [REDACTED] and me at a normal pace.*

As Sean approached, he looked at me and spoke in a calm voice saying, " May I smoke a cigarette please? That helps me calm down." I replied, " Of course." Sean asked for a lighter. [REDACTED] Smith pulled out a lighter and I assisted by handing the lighter to Sean, who thanked me. Sean and [REDACTED] Arlt then walked a short distance away, standing to the left side of the ER, as I continued to speak with [REDACTED] Smith. She gave me the following summary statement:

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT BY [REDACTED] SMITH: [REDACTED] lived with her husband, [REDACTED] Arlt, and their son, Sean Arlt, at [REDACTED] Plateau Avenue in Santa Cruz. [REDACTED] was concerned because [REDACTED] had been displaying psychotic symptoms for approximately 4 days. These behaviors included staring and strange hand movements, not listening when they were speaking to him, hearing things, seeing things, and talking to himself. [REDACTED] had only heard Sean talk to himself once that day. He said something similar to, " Yeah, yeah, okay, I'll be on time."

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I asked [REDACTED] if Sean had been violent at all during the day. [REDACTED] said Sean had broken apart a guitar in his room earlier that day. Sean had been yelling, "I'm a rock star," and, "I need to die because I'm going to harm people," as he did this. Sean said that he would hurt [REDACTED]. I asked [REDACTED] if Sean said how he would hurt her and she said, "No." Sean said he needed to die and that he shouldn't live. He had been agitated and speaking quickly at that time. Santa Cruz Police had responded.

As I spoke with [REDACTED] I continued to observe Sean as he stood to the left side of the ER with his father. Sean had been smoking a cigarette and had maintained a calm demeanor the entire time I saw him. At approximately this point in my conversation with [REDACTED] Sean began walking away from his father, northbound through the ER parking lot. I saw [REDACTED] follow Sean a short distance and then turn and walk back toward me. [REDACTED] asked what he should do. I told [REDACTED] that I was attempting to gain an understanding of their concerns for Sean. [REDACTED] Arlt appeared upset as he gave me the following summary statement:

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT BY [REDACTED] ARLT: [REDACTED] said, "He's talked about killing himself. He's talked about harming us. He's broken stuff in his room. [REDACTED] said they had taken him to the Behavior Health Clinic that evening and staff members had directed them to take Sean to the Dominican Hospital ER.

[REDACTED] told me that she felt Sean was a danger to himself and I asked her to describe in detail why she felt that. She said, "Because he's in a psychotic episode. He's talking to himself. He can sort of pull himself together at times like this." I explained to [REDACTED] that in the time that I had been observing him, Sean had appeared calm. [REDACTED] said Sean was delusional and hearing voices. I explained to [REDACTED] that just having delusions or hearing voices did not necessarily establish grounds for detaining a person. [REDACTED] said, "I know. It's kind of a fine line. But he has said that he thinks he should die."

[REDACTED] then told me that Sean had said that night that he was scared of himself and that he thought he might kill them. I asked [REDACTED] to explain the specific statements Sean had said. [REDACTED] said, "He said, 'I'm afraid I'll kill myself.' It's delusional talk, that he's hearing a voice and responding to it."

[REDACTED] then mentioned that Sean had not slept in three days. Sean had been diagnosed with bipolar disorder and mood disorder one year earlier but he didn't take his medications. Sean was currently taking medications, though not his bipolar-related meds. Sean had also been seeing a psychiatrist.

I told [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] that I would go speak with Sean. [REDACTED] asked that I recommend to Sean that he gets some sleep and arranges to meet with a psychologist. Deputy Skalland arrived on scene at this time and I advised her that Sean had walked away into the parking lot a few moments earlier. Deputy Skalland asked [REDACTED] if Sean used drugs. [REDACTED] said that Sean would consume alcohol and smoke marijuana.

I asked [REDACTED] if she could explain why she was afraid of Sean. [REDACTED] said, "Because I saw how out of control he is and that he broke up a lot of things, and that he can't sleep, so he's going to be pacing around. Our neighbors are afraid of him. He's not particularly a violent person." [REDACTED] said she hadn't slept the night before.

Deputy Skalland continued speaking with [REDACTED] and provided her with a referral to contact a County Mental Health liaison. Refer to Deputy Skalland's supplemental report for further information.

I then got into my patrol vehicle in attempt to locate Sean Arlt. I had not observed Sean displaying any unusual, erratic, violent or suicidal behavior as I had been watching him and speaking with the other parties. On the contrary, Sean had appeared relatively calm and reserved. However, based on the concerns and statements expressed by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] I hoped to meet with Sean to evaluate his current state of mind and appearance.

I searched the parking lot area and was unable to locate Sean or [REDACTED]. I then searched the Paul Sweet Road area (adjacent to the hospital property) and did not locate them. At approximately 1957 hours, I used my department-issued iPhone and contacted [REDACTED] Arlt. We spoke for approximately 2 minutes. [REDACTED] told me that Sean had left on foot and

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that he was capable of getting himself home. [REDACTED] explained that he was now walking back to the ER. [REDACTED] told me that Sean would likely take an "Uber" or walk home. I advised [REDACTED] that I would continue to search the area in attempt to contact him for a welfare check. I also advised [REDACTED] to contact law enforcement again if Sean returned home and began exhibiting behavior that caused [REDACTED] to believe that Sean may be a danger to himself or others.

Dispatch advised that there were no records of prior 5150 W&I detainment for Sean Arlt.

I searched Paul Sweet Road to Soquel Drive and then to the area of Soquel Drive and Frederick Street for Sean. I did not locate him. Dispatch directed me to another detail at approximately 2017 hours.

On 10/18/16, I contacted Dominican Hospital Security Guard Clayton Moore via phone to gather any further details regarding his contact with Sean Arlt on 10/10/16. He gave the following summary statement:

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT BY SECURITY OFFICER CLAYTON MOORE ON 10/18/16: On 10/10/16, Moore had been called to the ER by one of the registrars. Moore arrived in front of the ER where [REDACTED] Arlt and [REDACTED] Smith were attempting to have their adult son, Sean Arlt, enter the hospital for treatment. Moore contacted Arlt and described him as "mentally disturbed". Arlt asked Moore to invite him into the ER and Moore did so. Arlt entered the ER and was registered to receive treatment. Moore was then called to another detail. After completing the detail, Moore returned to the ER and saw that Sean and his father were outside of the ER in a heated argument. Sean was expressing that he felt like he was being treated like a child and that he didn't want his father to bully him into getting help. [REDACTED] kept stepping in front of Sean, effectively blocking Sean's pathway and this seemed to upset Sean. Sean was saying things similar to, "I'm a grown man," "I have the right to say 'No,'" "You're just my dad. You don't control me," "This is my life." The argument was becoming increasingly heated between Sean and [REDACTED] and Moore feared the incident may escalate into a physical fight. At that point the Sheriff's Office was called.

Sean's mother [REDACTED] mentioned that Sean was not taking his medications because he felt they labeled him. [REDACTED] told Moore that Sean had a similar episode approximately one year earlier but that it wasn't as bad as this incident. Moore spoke with both Sean and his father, [REDACTED] separately. He did not speak independently with Sean's mother, [REDACTED] Sean was in a manic stage but then calmed down once he heard law enforcement was en route to the scene.

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE: I uploaded the digitally recorded statements to the CSI database under the folder name: 1608272A_JNB1

CONCLUSIONS / RECOMMENDATIONS: This report is for informational purposes. Forward this report to the District Attorney's Office for review.

END OF REPORT