



Kankakee County Sheriff's Office

Summary

Print Date/Time: 09/08/2020 12:47
 Login ID: bpayne
 Case Number: 2020-00048809

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 ORI Number: IL0460000

Case

Case Number: 2020-00048809	Incident Type: Domestic Trouble
Location: 14700 E STHY 17 Grant Park, IL 60940	Occurred From: 12/07/2019 22:00
Reporting Officer ID: 5863 - Payne	Occurred Thru: 12/07/2019 22:00
	Disposition:
	Disposition Date:
	Reported Date: 09/03/2020 14:42 Thursday

Offenses

No.	Group/ORI	Crime Code	Statute	Description	Counts
1	State	0486	720 ILCS 5/12-3.2(a)(1)	DOMESTIC BATTERY/BODILY HARM	1

Subjects

Type	No.	Name	Address	Phone	Race	Sex	DOB/Age
Suspect/Offender	1	Wojnarowski, Catherine Anne	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	White	Female	[REDACTED]
Victim	1	Smith, Eric G	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	White	Male	[REDACTED]

Arrests

Arrest No.	Name	Address	Date/Time	Type	Age
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Property

Date	Code	Type	Make	Model	Description	Tag No.	Item No.
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Vehicles

No.	Role	Vehicle Type	Year Make	Model	Color	License Plate	State
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Report Narrative

On 09/02/2020 I received an e-mail that had been sent to me from Lt. Horstmann. It had originally been sent to Deputy Chief Ken McCabe from an Eric Smith. I contacted Mr. Smith and we spoke over the phone for a few moments about a domestic battery he was the victim of. Mr. Smith did not know if he wanted the incident documented or not. He was going to think about it and reach back out.

On 09/03/2020 Mr. Smith came to Investigations at the Sheriff's Office. Mr. Smith consented to our conversation being audio and video recorded. The following is a brief synopsis of our conversation. See video for full detail.

Mr. Smith said that it was December 7th and he was at an event at the mall sponsored by Hoppy Pig. He was there with Catheine Wojnarowski whom he had been dating for about a month. He picked her up at her home and went to the event where she drank bourbon and he said she was completely drunk and he didn't have a drink. He thinks they left around 10 and drove toward his home in Valparaiso Indiana. Mr. Smith stated that at some point along their drive on Route 17, Ms. Wojnarowski dug her fingernails into his arm that he had resting on the center console. He stated that she drew blood when doing so. He stated that there was no argument beforehand and she didn't say anything while doing so or afterwards.

He stated that he then decided to take her home so he turned around and then he said she punched him in the mouth. He then turned on his phone to record the incident. He said that she then wanted out of the truck so he stopped and let her out and then she got back in. He said that as he was driving she tried to jump out of the truck at around 60 MPH. Mr. Smith said that he pulled over around 14700 E Route 17 and she pulled the keys off his ring and threw them. Another car stopped and helped him light up the area to find them.

Once he found them he continued to drive to her home. Once there she refused to get out of the truck. Mr. Smith said that she is still married but getting divorced and he said he was going to go get her husband and she ended up getting out. She then called multiple times after that.

He said after that date they continued to date until recently. She failed to return a cooler to him and he just had her served paperwork for it.

He went on to say that she had stolen a name plate from the gym and was going to give it to the Mayor.

He stated that Ms. Wojnarowski is the village administrator for Bradley and he does fear some retaliation. He said he feared she is going to get him in trouble.

Mr. Smith stated he would email me the pictures he had and the link for the videos.

Mr. Smith wasn't sure if he wanted to sign a complaint against her or not.

On 09/04/2020 I received an email from Mr. Smith stating he did in fact wish to sign a complaint. See scanned in emails.

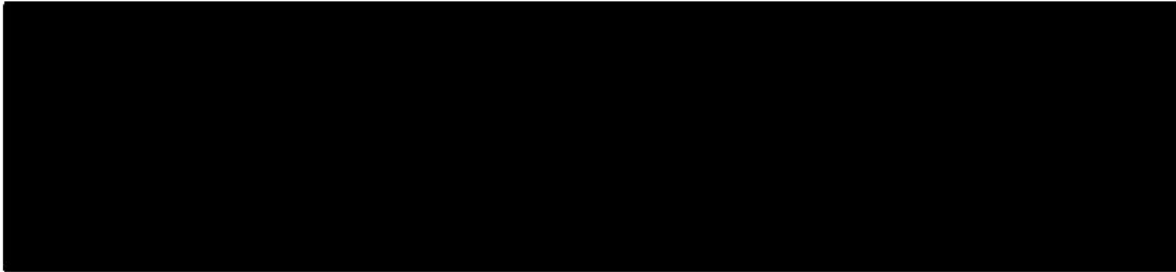
More Emails

Brooke Payne

From: Eric [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, September 4, 2020 2:10 AM
To: Brooke Payne
Subject: Re: Detective Brooke Payne

Brooke...

It's been a rather long day and now a sleepless night... I have tried to be sensible and remove myself from the situation... asked if I had a daughter and this happened to her... I would absolutely want the guy to be charged... being a man I feel almost shamed for reporting this on a woman... I keep coming back to the fact that you don't put your hands on people in a violent way, period, man or woman... I believe had I been the aggressor that night we would have never spoke again and I would have been in jail...so I would like to sign the complaint... hopefully she learns from this and never does it again. I spoke with jim Rowe and he said that my fear of her and or the village administration retaliating needs to be documented.



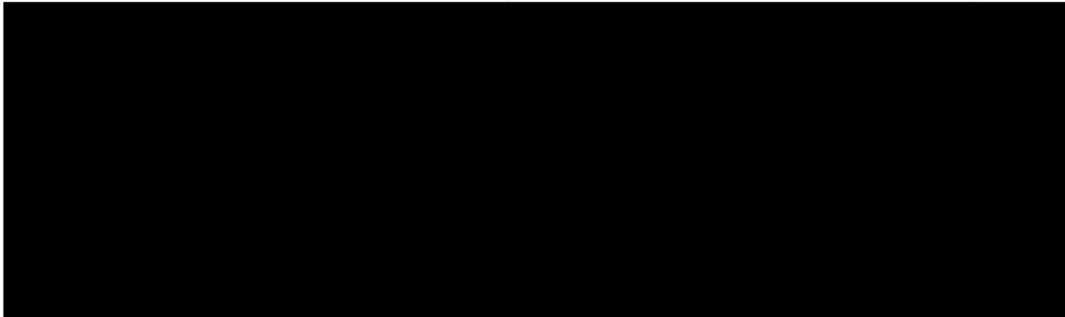
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On Sep 3, 2020, at 10:16 AM, Brooke Payne <bpayne@k3county.net> wrote:

Sounds good. Just come to the Sheriff's Department at 3000 S Justice Way, Kankakee, 60901 and park by the flagpoles on the north side. Enter there and follow the signs for investigations.

From: Eric [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2020 10:10 AM
To: Brooke Payne <bpayne@k3county.net>
Subject: Re: Detective Brooke Payne

I am getting a haircut at 11 out here in portage and then can be on my way



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On Sep 3, 2020, at 10:06 AM, Brooke Payne <bpayne@k3county.net> wrote:

Yes that will work. I have an 11 o'clock appointment but should be free the remainder of the day until I leave at 4:30. Did you have an eta?

From: Eric [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2020 9:46 AM
To: Brooke Payne <bpayne@k3county.net>
Subject: Re: Detective Brooke Payne

Hi Brooke... I believe I'm running to stacked nutrition today... would it be best if we could actually do a face to face?



On Sep 2, 2020, at 2:26 PM, Brooke Payne <bpayne@k3county.net> wrote:

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Brooke Payne

From: Eric [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, September 4, 2020 9:17 AM
To: Brooke Payne
Subject: Fwd: One last thing

This is what mr Rowe wanted me to tell you so you could add to the complaint...

Also with this being domestic will a TPO be issued on my behalf?

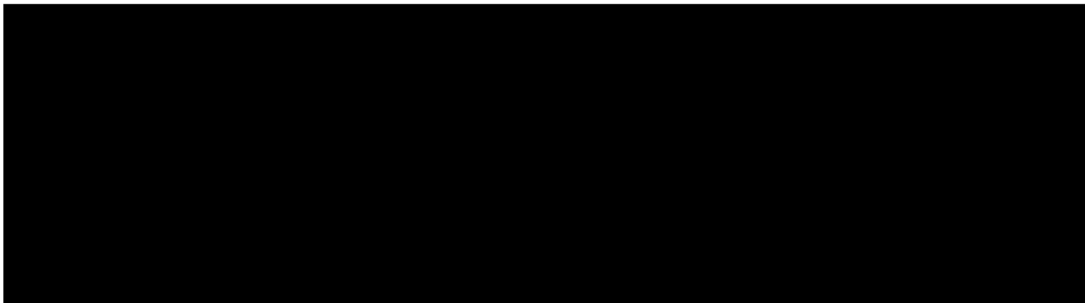


Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
Date: September 3, 2020 at 4:48:45 PM CDT
To: Jim Rowe <JROWE@k3county.net>
Subject: One last thing

Jim...

Sorry... I wanted to mention that mayor Watson and a Jamie Boyd who said he was the village attorney called me on Friday, they asked that I not file charges without informing them first... I believe I was misled as my research showed mr Boyd is the trustees attorney not the village of Bradley... I believe them to be up to something... I'm a 44 year old divorced dad, I take care of my son, work and care for my elderly grandfather... I am genuinely scared and intimidated by Mrs wojnarowski and mayor Watson... I hate to take anymore of your time as I know you do have more serious matters at hand but this is serious to me... I value my clean record, and good standing in my community, I feel it's all at risk because this woman put her hands on me and want to do the right thing... help!



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Email

Brooke Payne

From: Eric [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2020 2:08 PM
To: Brooke Payne
Subject: Re: Detective Brooke Payne

Hi Brooke... let's go ahead and document this... what would you need from me? I have the videos uploaded to YouTube, I have the picture of my arm as well as the text messages from her... do you use a Dropbox or something?

This transpired on the night of 12/7/19, around 10pm

The original incident of her digging her nails in my arm happened somewhere on IL 17 near the IL border... at that point I turned around and headed back west on 17, I was struck in the mouth at some point, I am unsure of exact location.... this is when I started recording... you will see in the video her attempt at exiting the vehicle while it was in motion... just a bit east of 14500e there is white brick building in which she grabbed my keys and threw them out the window...a passing motorist in a red truck stopped to see if I was ok, I explained the situation, he moved his truck so the lights shined on the grass and i was able to find my keys... it wasn't the ignition key as that was in and turned on, it was the house keys, and gym key fob. We continued on to her home.

Party information

Me:

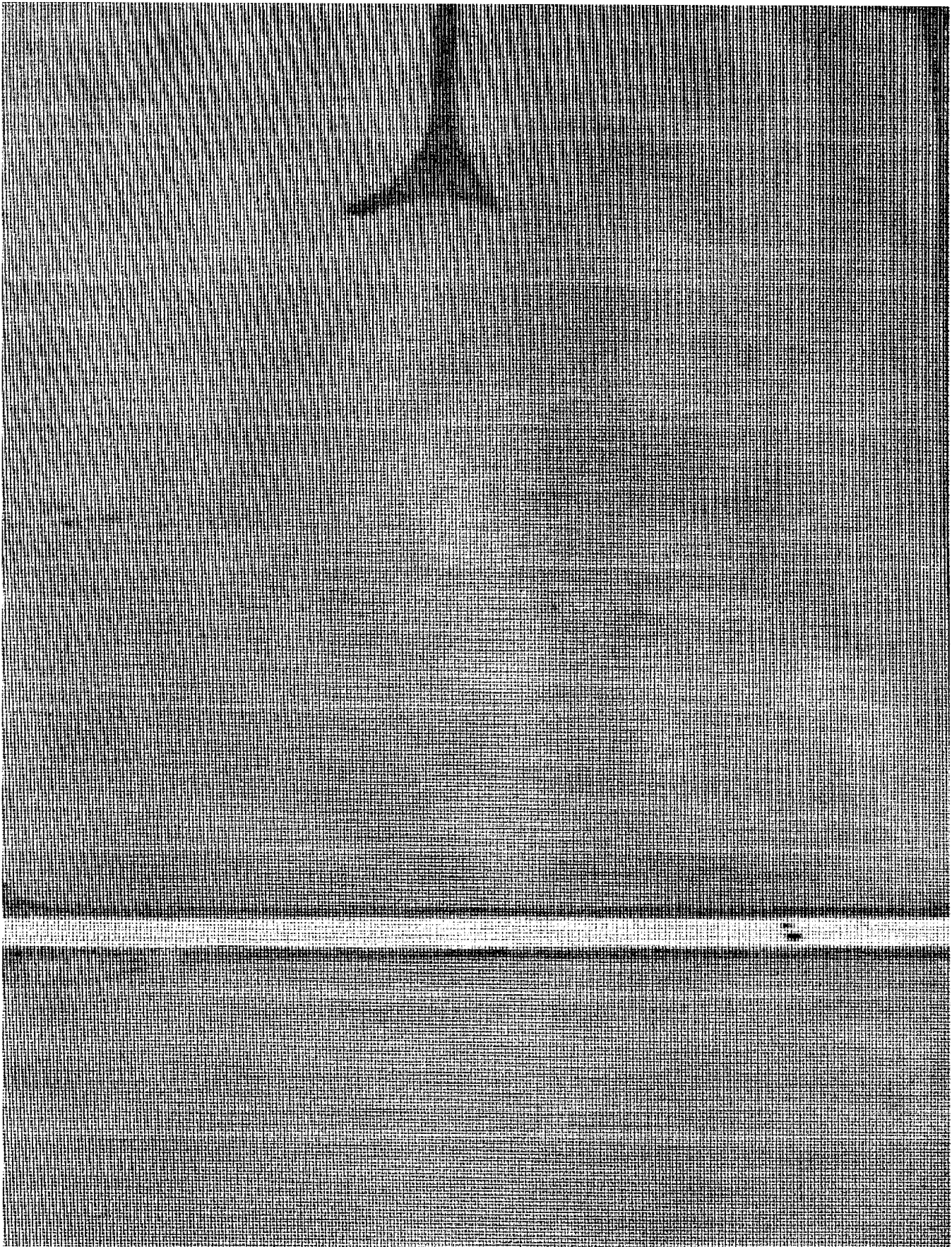


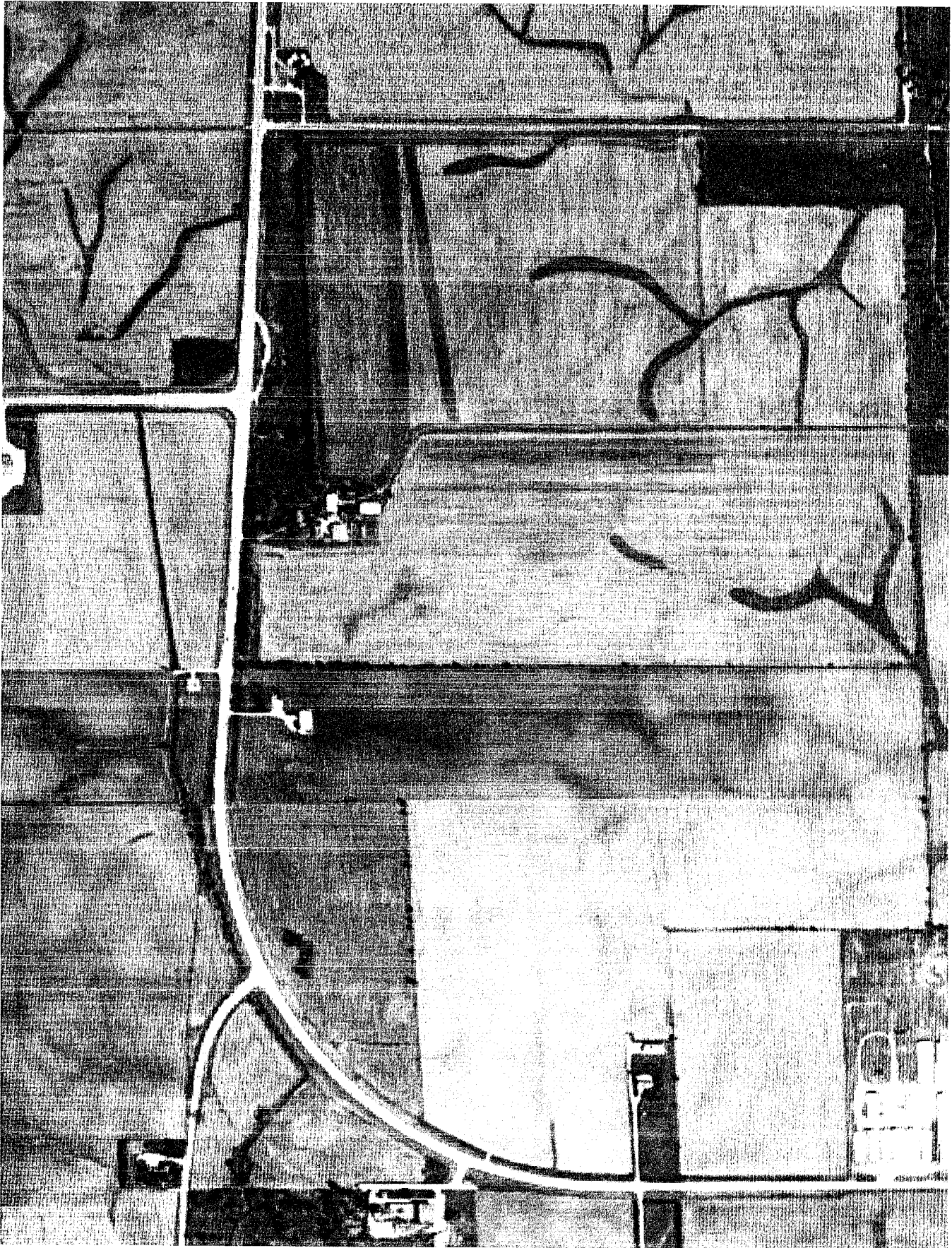
Her:

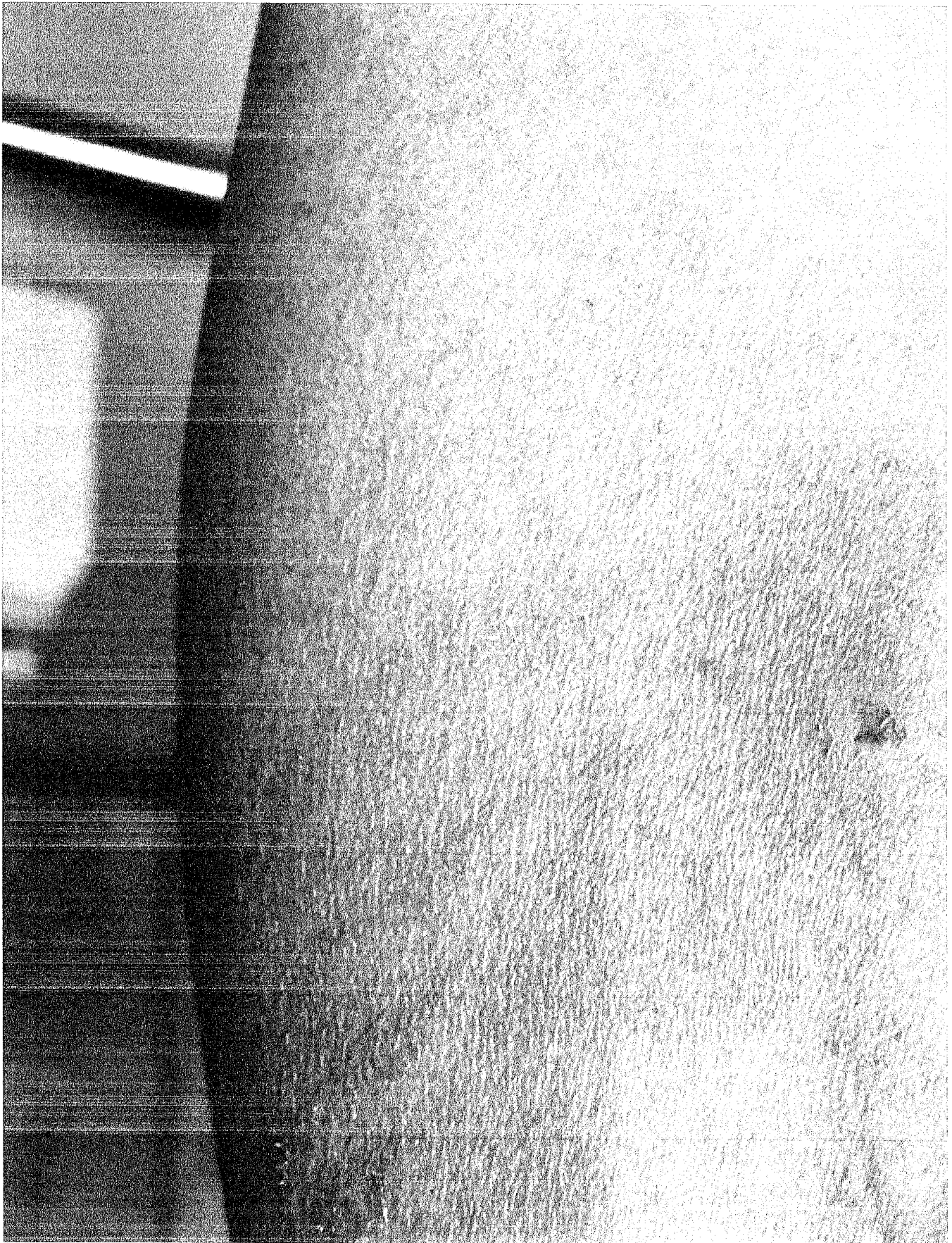
Catherine Wojnarowski



I used google maps and have some locations, which hopefully will give you a better idea of locations







3:35 ↗

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Catherine Wojnarow

You have hurt
April ever did

Call me I'm
Coming over

I'm st

I want to see you and hug y

<https://youtu.be/PCeuZaQr8Eo>

<https://youtu.be/bOv-VRFiWlQ>



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Video Links

These are the youtube links for the videos Eric emailed me.

<https://youtu.be/PCeuZaQr8Eo>

<https://youtu.be/bOv-VRFjWIQ>

2020-48809

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTY FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN THE COUNTY OF KANKAKEE AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS)

VERSUS)

Wojnarowski, Catherine A.
Name

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CASE NO.

[Redacted]

IL 60914

OFFENSE: DOMESTIC BATTERY (Bodily Harm)

DOB/Phy Desc

[Redacted] Eric G, COMPLAINANT, on oath says that
Wojnarowski, Catherine A., DEFENDANT, committed the offense of

DOMESTIC BATTERY in violation of Chapter 720 Act 5, Section 12-3.2 (a)(1) of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, in that said defendant, on the 7th day of December, 2019, in the County of Kankakee and State of Illinois, without legal justification, intentionally caused bodily harm to said complainant, a household or family member, in that said defendant did strike and beat said complainant about the:

arm and mouth
with his/her fingernails and fist.

[Redacted]
COMPLAINANT

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN TO before me this
_____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

Email that was attached to later photos

Wanted a current photo of arm... I believe the pic after the incident really minimized the damage... I now have a scar, you can see by my bicep tendon repair scar that it lines up perfectly 1 1

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