

David Wright

From: Alonso, Melissa <Melissa.Alonso@turner.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 10:24 AM
To: .DL KSDPIO
Subject: CNN request for statement
Attachments: Akindes, Adelana et al v City of Kenosha and Kenosha County - pacer 1 complaint.pdf

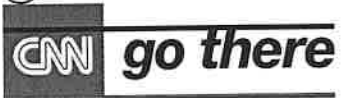
Hello,

I'm trying reach the person responsible for handling media requests for the county. I am looking for a statement regarding a lawsuit filed yesterday (CASE #: 2:20-cv-01353-JPS) which alleges Kenosha officials selectively enforced the curfew, targeting demonstrators protesting against police brutality.

Please let me know if someone can respond by 3pET today.

Thank you,

Melissa Alonso
CNN National News Editor
404-827-1511 desk
404-937-8894 cell
@MelAlonsoCNN



David Wright

From: Jennifer Fink <j.fink@newsweek.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 11:22 AM
To: .DL KSDPIO
Subject: Kenosha Protester Lawsuit

Sergeant Wright,

I'm a writer for *Newsweek* and I'm working on an article about a lawsuit four protesters filed accusing the city of Kenosha for having two sets of laws, one for protesters demonstrating against police brutality and those who are supportive of the police department. Do you have any comment on that claim?

The lawsuit also says 150 protesters demonstrating against police brutality were arrested for violating curfew, but none of the people acting as a militia or who were out supporting police were arrested for violating curfew. Is that correct?

Best,
Jenni Fink

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David Wright

From: Erin Donaghue <erin.donaghue@cbsinteractive.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 9:37 AM
To: David Wright
Cc: Eric Klinkhammer
Subject: Re: question from CBS News re: protest arrests

OK, thanks!

On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 10:33 AM David Wright <David.Wright@kenoshacounty.org> wrote:

External Email

Hello,

We have a total of 243 arrests that have been made from 8/23/20 to today 9/2/20. These arrests include the Fail to comply order for curfew among many other charges. I can not give you specific numbers on charges at this time. In regards to the lawsuit, your referring to our Corporation Counsels Office attorneys will be sending out a statement soon. I have sent your request to their office.

Sgt. David Wright #216

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Public Information Officer / Media Relations

Kenosha County Sheriff's Department

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From: Erin Donaghue <erin.donaghue@cbsinteractive.com>

Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 9:25 AM

To: David Wright <David.Wright@kenoshacounty.org>; Eric Klinkhammer <Eric.Klinkhammer@kenoshacounty.org>

Subject: question from CBS News re: protest arrests

Hi Sgt. Wright and Lt. Klinkhammer,

This is Erin Donaghue writing with CBS News in New York. I'm trying to get some more information about protest arrests in Kenosha because I'm looking into a civil rights lawsuit filed on behalf of four protesters (see link below.) The lawsuit alleges the Kenosha police department is selectively enforcing the curfew and arresting protesters but not pro-police demonstrators or militia members. I'm wondering if you can provide any response to this along with any updated numbers on protest arrests? Do you have any indication of the ideologies of those arrested?

Any help would be appreciated, thanks

Erin (cell:860.670.0530)

<https://www.wisn.com/article/civil-rights-lawsuit-claims-selective-curfew-enforcement-in-kenosha/33868026>

David Wright

From: Spencer, Suzanne <suzanne.spencer@fox.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 4:45 AM
To: .DL KSDPIO
Subject: ASAP: Request for comment on lawsuit
Attachments: Complaint.pdf

Hi Sgt. Wright,

I work for FOX 6 News. We are seeking a response from Kenosha County Sheriff's Office regarding the lawsuit filed against your agency as well as Kenosha PD as it relates to the handling of protests last week. We are seeking a response to include as part of our coverage ASAP.

Thank you,

Suzanne

Suzanne Spencer
FOX 6 Reporter/Anchor
414-748-2133

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From: Michelle Battellini
Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 10:35 AM
To: David Wright
Subject: FW: Online Form Submittal: Contact Us: Sheriff

From: noreply@civicplus.com [mailto:noreply@civicplus.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 30, 2020 11:24 AM
To: .DL Web Sheriff <dlWebSheriff@kenoshacounty.org>
Subject: Online Form Submittal: Contact Us: Sheriff

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Contact Us: Sheriff

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Name:* Safia Ali
Reply safia.ali@nbcuni.com
Email:
Subject:* NBC News Digital Request
Message:* Hi, My name is Safia Ali and I'm a journalist with NBC News. I was hoping to get some comment from the Sheriff's office on videos of officers driving past armed militia members and also handing out water bottles to militia members and offering appreciation. Were the officers/deputies aware of who these individuals were? Hoping someone could get back to me by today. Thank you. safia.ali@nbcuni.com

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Name:: Safia Ali

Reply Email:: safia.ali@nbcuni.com

Subject:: NBC News Digital Request

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David Wright

From: David Beth
Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 8:46 AM
To: T Flores
Subject: Re: armed citizen militia presence in downtown

I have not been told I did not. 😊

Sent from my iPhone

> On Aug 31, 2020, at 11:23 PM, Terry Flores <tflores@kenoshanews.com> wrote:

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> Did you pass? Terry.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: David Beth <David.Beth@kenoshacounty.org>

> Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 6:03 PM

> To: Terry Flores <tflores@kenoshanews.com>

> Subject: RE: armed citizen militia presence in downtown

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> Hi Terry

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> I just saw the bottom of your email as far as confirming this. I can try but I don't know who said this to him. I did forward it for review though. I have to go get a COVID test just in case I am picked to speak to the president.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: David Beth

> Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 5:57 PM

> To: Terry Flores <tflores@kenoshanews.com>

> Subject: RE: armed citizen militia presence in downtown

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> Hi Terry

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> Thanks and I will pass this along!

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Terry Flores [mailto:tflores@kenoshanews.com]

> Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 5:33 PM

> To: David Beth <David.Beth@kenoshacounty.org>

> Subject: Re: armed citizen militia presence in downtown

> Importance: High

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> Can you confirm whether that's the reason citizens are being told not to do a rally downtown tomorrow? Terry.

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> Terry Flores
> Reporter
> Kenosha News
> (262) 656-6278

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> From: Terry Flores
> Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 8:56 PM
> To: David Beth
> Subject: "Defund police" local reaction for Lee Enterprises story package

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> Sheriff Beth:

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> P.S. I've included this piece for reference

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> Terry Flores

> Reporter

> Kenosha News

> (262) 656-6278

David Wright

From: Troy Barnett
Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 6:15 PM
To: David Beth; Jason Sielski; Dan Ruth
Subject: Re: armed citizen militia presence in downtown

To the best of my knowledge no one has told Blue Lives Matter to not show up, however, there are two opposing groups that are also planning rallies in the park at noon tomorrow.

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From: David Beth <David.Beth@kenoshacounty.org>
Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 5:57:58 PM
To: Troy Barnett <Troy.Barnett@kenoshacounty.org>; Jason Sielski <Jason.Sielski@kenoshacounty.org>; Dan Ruth <Dan.Ruth@kenoshacounty.org>
Subject: FW: armed citizen militia presence in downtown

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Reporter
Kenosha News
(262) 656-6278

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Terry Flores
Reporter
Kenosha News
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David Wright

From: Charles E. Leipzig <cleipzig@kenosha.org>
Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 3:50 PM
To: Horace Staples
Subject: Fwd: Lee unorganized militia to Kenosha
Attachments: IMG_1434.PNG; IMG_1433.PNG

I am guessing you have this already?

Charles E Leipzig Jr.

Fire Chief
Kenosha Fire Department
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Kenosha, WI 53144
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Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 3:19:33 PM
Subject: Lee unorganized militia to Kenosha

I'm sure you already know but just in case.

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Dan Joyce

Executive Director
Kenosha Museum Campus
(Public, Dino, Civil War Museums)
5500 1st Avenue
Kenosha, WI 53140
262-945-7484

The NCCG is planning an armed march into the city of Kenosha, alongside other militia groups, in demand for Kyle's immediate release and freedom. The American people have seen and had enough of the violence and destruction running rampant in our cities and streets. We demand Constitutional law, order, and justice - immediately. Our government and law enforcement agencies have proven complacent and incompetent in ceasing the chaos within our cities, and for that, The American people will sit idly by no longer. We must and we will, take our country back through constitutional capacity.

A date for this march has yet to be determined, as we are still organizing and gathering assistance from militias, far and wide.

Thank you.

implementing a call to action from all American organized militia groups in a demand for the immediate release and dismissal of charges in regards to Kyle Rittenhouse, the Illinois teen arrested on first degree murder charges, for subsequent actions taken in the defense of his life and the lives and property of others around him.

On August 24th, Kyle Rittenhouse was helping protect a local gas station in Kenosha, Wisconsin, when he was chased and threatened by a violent and angry mob of rioters seeking to harm him, others around him, and local private property and businesses.

A curfew had been in effect since 8:00pm the night Kyle was forced to take defensive actions for his life. Witnesses have attested that a group of rioters had surrounded him and began to wrestle with him, attempting to steal the legal rifle he was holding, out of his hands. Kyle, in an attempt to get away, and in

David Wright

From: Mark Malecki
Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 11:36 AM
To: David Wright
Subject: FW: Wisconsin Open Records Act Request: Kyle Rittenhouse emails (Kenosha County Sheriff)

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Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 11:25 AM
To: Mark Malecki <Mark.Malecki@kenoshacounty.org>
Subject: Wisconsin Open Records Act Request: Kyle Rittenhouse emails (Kenosha County Sheriff)

Kenosha County Sheriff
ORA Office
1000 55th Street
Kenosha, WI 53140

August 31, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Wisconsin Open Records Act, I hereby request the following records:

Any and all bulletins, BOLOs after action reports, assessments, officer safety documents, or emails containing the phrases "Rittenhouse," "boogaloo," "militia," "Kenosha Guard," "friendlies," "call to arms," "hand signal," "Facebook event," "street gang," "domestic terrorism," "domestic terrorist," "extremism," "extremist," "Antifa," "three percenter," "III%," and "3%er."

Any and all emails sent to or from a member of your agency containing the following web links:
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- <https://www.infowars.com/wisconsin-militia-recruiting-citizens-to-patrol-kenosha-after-2nd-night-of-riots/>
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You may limit the search period to the 24th, 25th, 26th, or 27th of August 2020.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 business days.

Sincerely,

Matthew Petti

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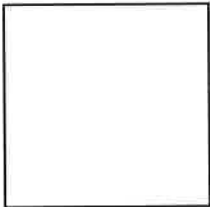
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From: Michelle Battellini
Sent: Saturday, August 29, 2020 8:51 PM
To: Troy Barnett
Subject: Death Threat

From: noreply@civicplus.com [mailto:noreply@civicplus.com]
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2020 9:12 PM
To: .DL Web Sheriff <dlWebSheriff@kenoshacounty.org>
Subject: Online Form Submittal: Contact Us: Sheriff

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Contact Us: Sheriff

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Name:* Karen G
Reply Email: czhu@dehengsv.com
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Message:* And we will torture you, kill your family first, then kill you!

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David Wright

From: Robert Greene <florvanc@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 29, 2020 4:04 PM
To: kpfcommission@kenosha.org;mayor@kenosha.org;Jim Kreuser
Cc: David Beth
Subject: Inquiry

Dear Samantha and Honourable Mayor Antaramian, Honourable County Executive Kreuser,

I am writing to you from Vancouver, BC Canada.

Please share this with your fellow common council members.

I like the rest of the world am watching in horror about the blatant act of unprofessionalism your County Sheriff David Beth has displayed on television.

He and his entire staff had one (1) job which is to inform, remove, and arrest (if necessary) anyone past curfew.

It is overwhelmingly clear that his team and the national guard were to tell EVERYONE they are violating curfew.

It's very evident and clear that they selectively informed individuals and this resulted in several deaths.

They are clearly liable in this.

Furthermore, no effort is being made to find the individual officers who "thanked the militia" for their service and gave water bottles to.

There should have been no one out during curfew not even people out to protect their business.

Why is that so difficult to understand?

I will be waiting to see what actions will be taken regarding how the police force and the national guard handling this overt act of unprofessionalism under the law.

Also, I would be more than happy to sit on any committee to re-construct a county/city security department that is more fair and able for such situations.

Candidly,

Robert Greene

David Wright

From: Troy Barnett
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2020 8:23 PM
To: Bill Beth
Subject: RE: Fledgling militia group put out call to arms in Kenosha and 5,000 people responded. Now it's banned from Facebook after fatal shootings during protests

I forwarded your email to the FBI (Mike Sheen).

From: Bill Beth
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2020 8:16 PM
To: Troy Barnett <Troy.Barnett@kenoshacounty.org>; Dan Ruth <Dan.Ruth@kenoshacounty.org>
Cc: Sheriff Administration <SheriffAdministration@kenoshacounty.org>; .DL Sheriff Captains <dlSheriffCaptains@kenoshacounty.org>; Dan Ruth <Dan.Ruth@kenoshacounty.org>
Subject: Fledgling militia group put out call to arms in Kenosha and 5,000 people responded. Now it's banned from Facebook after fatal shootings during protests

The link below is story about Kevin Matthewson. Is what is described some kind of federal crime for contributing to a riot? Add in the post he made pushing out the video of the shooting and those incendiary comments, seems like it should be something.

Can you check with our friends at the FBI? Doesn't have to be tonight.

Thank you, bill

I thought you would be interested in this story I found on MSN: Fledgling militia group put out call to arms in Kenosha and 5,000 people responded. Now it's banned from Facebook after fatal shootings during protests
<http://a.msn.com/01/en-us/BB18rQRE?ocid=se>

David Wright

Sent: Friday, August 28, 2020 3:31 PM
To: Aisha Jefferson
Subject: RE: INTERVIEW REQUEST: AFTERMATH OF BLAKE SHOOTING AND UNREST IN KENOSHA

Hello,

Sheriff Beth will not be doing any one on one interviews at this time. There will be another press conference on Monday 8/31 at the Kenosha Public Safety Building at 1 PM. Only credentialed media will be allowed into the press conference.

From: Aisha Jefferson <aishaimanjefferson@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2020 3:18 PM
To: .DL KSDPIO <KSDPIO@kenoshacounty.org>
Subject: INTERVIEW REQUEST: AFTERMATH OF BLAKE SHOOTING AND UNREST IN KENOSHA

Good Afternoon Sgt. Wright,

This is Aisha Jefferson and I'm a reporter with Business Insider. We spoke earlier this week. I'm working on a couple of stories about the aftermath of the Jacob Blake shooting and would like to know if you can answer a couple of questions for me.

One of my stories is regarding the racism that some residents, including Mayor Antaramian, say exists in Kenosha.

Is there an issue with racism and racial bias with the Kenosha County Sheriff's office and if so, how is it being addressed?

My other story is about law enforcement's response to the protests, looting and vandalism that has happened in Kenosha. Is there anything that the Sheriff's office could've done to handle it differently?

There were moments around 6:30 or 7 p.m. Tuesday near the courthouse where armed civilians got into heated exchanges with others that could've gone left. Is there a reason why no law enforcement agents were present?

I may be reached via email or at 404-392-4344.

Thank you.

Aisha

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Aisha I. Jefferson
Writer & Multimedia Journalist

David Wright

From: sheriffs@yahoogroups.com on behalf of David Beth david.beth@kenoshacounty.org [sheriffs] <sheriffs@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 4:26 PM
To: sheriffs@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [sheriffs] Relay a message to anyone here

Sheriff's

Thank you so much for all the help you are sending our way. I need for you to pass along a message to anyone you have sent though. Someone has created a national issue with what they told a militia member during the protest. A 17 year old carrying an assault rifle was walking down the street during the protest. A Bearcat with SHERIFF on the side of the hood stopped alongside of him and tossed him a water out the top of the Bearcat. He then said over the PA System something like "Thanks for being here, we really appreciate it". This 17 year old shortly after shot 3 people with 2 dying. We are getting killed for these comments. Please once again thank them for me but keep any such comments to themselves. This is not the philosophy of anyone in Kenosha but it is getting portrayed as it is coming from our own deputies.

Thanks

David G Beth

Sheriff of Kenosha County

Posted by: David Beth <David.Beth@kenoshacounty.org>

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David Wright

From: Coffey/Shanley <tshan4659@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 3:47 PM
To: David Beth
Subject: Militia in Kenosha
Attachments: img_6584.png

Sheriff:
Are Facebook posts like this being investigated?

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David Raymer

We got out this morning. Had to protect my building last night.

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Matt Petkovic

David Raymer I agree. We are armed up with extra clips and ammo. Got some friends coming over tonight with guns. We will be fine



2d Like



David Raymer

Matt Petkovic stay safe. Did you see my video last night? Fuckina

David Wright

From: Kathy Kemen
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 10:40 AM
To: David Wright
Subject: FW: Telemundo Network Media Request

From: Arias, Diego (Contractor-NBCUniversal) <Diego.Arias@nbcuni.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 10:38 AM
To: Kathy Kemen <Kathy.Kemen@kenoshacounty.org>
Cc: Quintero, Janneth (NBCUniversal) <Janneth.Quintero@nbcuni.com>; Galindo, Carlos (NBCUniversal) <Carlos.Galindo@nbcuni.com>; Verdugo1, Milton (NBCUniversal) <Milton.Verdugo1@nbcuni.com>
Subject: Telemundo Network Media Request

Good Morning,

My name is Diego Arias and I'm a News Reporter with Telemundo Network. I'm seeking comment regarding police interaction with the alleged shooter and armed civilians Tuesday night. As you may be aware, there are several videos circulating on social media and various news outlets where you can hear officers offer water to a group of armed civilians that claimed they were protecting private property.

On a press conference, Sheriff Beth said yesterday he said "hell no" when someone called asking him to "deputize citizens"; however these videos tell a different story.

We would like to include your side of the story. My deadline is 2 pm EST. I have reached out to PIO but if you could please direct this email to the right person I would highly appreciate it.

Thank you.

Diego.

David Wright

From: Racine County Eye <racinecountyeeye@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 12:23 PM
To: David Wright
Subject: Roll of the militia

What was the relationship between the military and police, and these militias? I am seeing some videos implying that there was some type of coordinated effort. Is that accurate?

Thank you,
Denise Lockwood
CEO of the Racine County Eye
Cell: (262) 504-9570



David Wright

From: Shane Barksdale <shanebarksdale0000@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 10:59 AM
To: David Beth
Subject: Protecting citizens

David, as I understand it, you refuse to intervene in the destruction of private property by masked criminals. Is this correct?

Will it be your intention to continue to jeopardize your constituents wellbeing to satisfy a political agenda?

Furthermore, a citizen's militia is being formed to protect property and life, will it be your intention to allow this to happen?

At which point do you think the good people will arm themselves to ensure liberty?

Step up and do your job or others will over you, through you and around the public office you have tainted.

I hope to see changes in the next few days.

Regards,

David Wright

From: Lois Beckett <lois.beckett@theguardian.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 10:32 AM
To: David Wright
Subject: Comment on Kenosha Guard - Kevin Mathewson?

Dear Sgt. Wright:

I wanted to check if the "militia" and "vigilante group" Sheriff Best referred to in his comments on the Kenosha shooting that had armed people patrolling the streets last night was the Kenosha Guard group, founded by former city alderman Kevin Mathewson. That group had a Facebook event calling armed people to the streets in Kenosha last night.

Mr. Mathewson told me he believed that the sheriff was referring to his group in his statement --I wanted to check if this is accurate.

Would also be helpful to clarify if there's any indication that the shooter from last night was part of the Kenosha Guard, or had come to the group in response to the Kenosha Guard event, or if this is still unclear.

Appreciate your time.

Lois

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David Wright

From: Shannon <scgeaslin@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 10:28 AM
To: Michael Graveley;district1@kenosha.org;district2@kenosha.org;district3@kenosha.org;Horace Staples;info@kenosha.org;Jeffrey Gentz;mayor@kenosha.org;Terry Rose;webcityattorney@kenosha.org;William Grady
Subject: Demanding justice for Jacob Blake & the victims of Kyle Rittenhouse

Hello,

I am reaching out to let you know that the actions taken against Jacob Blake by all of the Kenosha PD officers that were involved were completely unwarranted, absolutely disgusting, and show gross misconduct and negligence on behalf of the Kenosha PD.

There is truly nothing and no excuse that would be able to justify that type of violent reaction: SHOOTING AN INDIVIDUAL 7 TIMES AT POINT BLANK IN THEIR BACK.

Also, I want to reach out in regard to the murders and attempted murder committed by Kyle Rittenhouse (or Kyle Lewis) of Antioch, IL who, with the help of the Kenosha PD's lack of interference, killed two and injured a third during a protest in Kenosha on 8/25. Kyle walked past multiple police officers with an AR-15. THIS COULD'VE BEEN PREVENTED.

With whatever power or influence you hold, it is your responsibility to make sure these officers and Kyle Rittenhouse are held accountable for their actions. Accountability to me looks like - charging all of the officers involved with attempted murder, abuse of power, etc and firing them from the police force to make sure that no this disregard for human life and blatant racism does not happen again. No amount of department sanctioned trainings will correct behaviors like this. Kyle Rittenhouse should be arrested and charged immediately, and the members of the militia named "Kenosha Guard" should be reprimanded and the Facebook group should be deleted for enouraging violence and racist ideals.

Thanks for your time,
Shannon Geaslin
Milwaukee resident - previous resident of Kenosha

David Wright

From: Jimenez, Omar <Omar.Jimenez@cnn.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 10:15 AM
To: David Wright
Subject: Re: CNN - Kenosha Shooting

Okay sounds good, even the questions about the circumstances around who this person was? Rumors of someone defending property and/or makeshift militia.

-Omar

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From: David Wright <David.Wright@kenoshacounty.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 10:13:20 AM
To: Jimenez, Omar <Omar.Jimenez@cnn.com>
Subject: RE: CNN - Kenosha Shooting

This incident happened in the city of Kenosha. The City of Kenosha Police Detective Bureau is investigating this case. Any further inquiries should be directed to their department.

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From: Jimenez, Omar <Omar.Jimenez@cnn.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 2:31 AM
To: .DL KSDPIO <KSDPIO@kenoshacounty.org>
Subject: CNN - Kenosha Shooting

Hi Sergeant Wright – This is Omar Jimenez, I'm a correspondent with CNN. I'm reaching out to see if you all are able to confirm what the NY Times and others are reporting that one person has been killed and multiple others were shot in the aftermath of tonight? I'm seeing Sheriff Beth being quoted, but any information you had on tonight would be helpful. Our crew was working right around the corner and heard the gunshots as they happened. Thank you! Talk soon.

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Omar Jimenez
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David Wright

From: Burke, Minyvonne (NBCUniversal) <Minyvonne.Burke@nbcuni.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 8:45 AM
To: David Wright
Subject: Media inquiry - NBC News

Hi David,

I called and left you a voicemail but wanted to follow up via email. Do you have any additional information on the shooting at last night's protest – any arrests made, who the victims are? There are also reports that the shooters could be connected to a militia group, can you confirm this?

Thank you

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