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<p>Case Name:</p>		<p>Case Docket Number: FD-16-00031</p>
<p>Your Attorney: Pro Se</p>		<p>Opposing Attorney:</p>
<p>Name: Franklin D. Shaffer</p>		<p>Name: Allegheny County Solicitor Luke C. Kelly</p>
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I certify that I have read the information concerning the Judicial Conduct Board's function, jurisdiction, and procedures included in the accompanying brochure. I further swear (or affirm) that the above information is true and accurate. The statements in this complaint are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).



Date: September 13, 2024

Your Signature:

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CONFIDENTIAL REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION OF THE MAGISTRATE OF BETHEL PARK RONALD ARNONI

Dear Honorable Judges, Attorneys, and Citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania serving on the Judicial Conduct Review Board of PA:

My name is Franklin D. Shaffer. I was born in Morgantown, WV, on June 28, 1961.

I'm an engineer. I am not an attorney. I have no formal legal training. The following sections describe my relevant background as a federal employee and as a civil rights activist in Pittsburgh for 30 years.

MY RELEVANT BACKGROUND AS A FEDERAL EMPLOYEE

I was a federal employee with the US Department of Energy for thirty-two years. I was stationed at the Pittsburgh site of the US Department of Energy's National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL). I have a website about my background, my federal service with the US Department of Energy, and as a civil rights activist in Pittsburgh for 30 years: <http://FDShaffer.net> If you are reading from a printed document and cannot follow web links in this report, my website and the http links in this document are easily found by a simple web search.

I owned a house at 2786 Tischler Road, Bethel Park, 15102. The Magistrate Court of Ronald Arnoni is located at 2414 Lytle Road in Bethel Park, which is ¼ mile from my house.





My family 2007 – 2015



My Zero Energy Design (ZED) solar house
at 2786 Tischler Road, Bethel Park.

MY RELEVANT FEDERAL SERVICE ON THE LEAD TEAM RESPONDING TO THE DEEPWATER HORIZON OIL LEAK CRISIS

I was on the lead team responding to the Deepwater Horizon oil leak crisis: *The Plume Team of the Flow Rate Technical Group of the National Incident Command*. Coast Guard Admiral Thad W. Allen was the National Incident Commander of the Unified Command for the Deepwater Horizon oil leak crisis. Below is a photo of the Plume Team on June 13, 2010, at the NOAA Command Center for the Deepwater Horizon oil crisis in Seattle, and an award I received from the Director of the US Geological Survey for “*Exemplary Service to the Nation*”



The Plume Team of the National Incident Command at the NOAA Command Center in Seattle on June 13, 2010. Dr. McNutt is in the middle. I am on the far right.



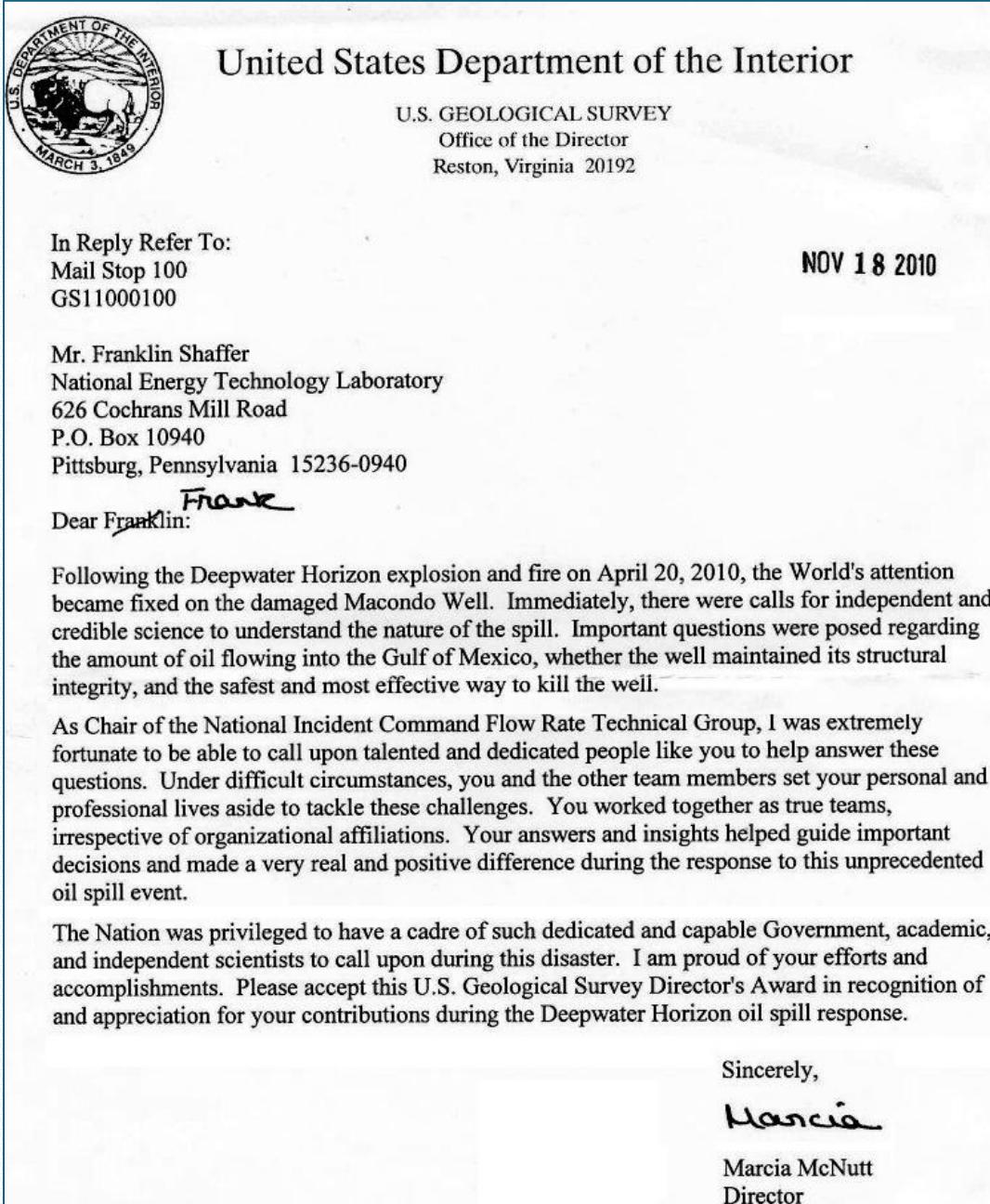
An award from USGS Director McNutt for my “*Exemplary Service to the Nation*”

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Our team was led by Dr. Marcia McNutt. At that time, she was the first woman to serve as the Director of the US Geological Survey since it was founded in 1879. The USGS maps and studies the landscape of the United States, our natural resources, and *the natural hazards that threaten it*. The USGS also makes maps of extraterrestrial planets and moons based on data from U.S. space probes.

Dr. McNutt is now the first woman to serve as the President of the National Academy of Sciences (NAS). The NAS was founded by Abraham Lincoln in 1863 to serve as pro bono "Advisors to the Nation" on all scientific matters. The NAS holds a congressional charter under Title 36, Chapter 1503, of the United States Code. Below is a letter I received from Marcia:



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The Deepwater Horizon oil leak, which was caused by British Petroleum, was the most dangerous environmental threat to our country since we declared independence from the British in 1776.

I played an important role in stopping the damage being done to 1000 miles of US shoreline of five Gulf states. I then, with Dr. McNutt, co-authored the definitive peer reviewed journal paper reporting how much crude oil was discharged into the Gulf of Mexico by British Petroleum: *Review of the Flow Rate Estimates of the Deepwater Horizon*. We published our paper in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. It, along with my other peer reviewed journal publications with UC Berkeley, are the basis for the \$20.8 billion fine. It is the largest single fine of a single entity in US history. Those funds went to the fifty million people of five Gulf states to recover and rebuild.

Below is a list of my peer reviewed journal publications that led to the \$20.8 billion fine with my colleagues of the following organizations:

1. Office of the Director, US Geological Survey, Reston, VA, USA
2. Department of Applied Ocean Physics and Engineering, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, MA, USA
3. Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of California at Berkeley, USA
4. Center for Natural Resources Development and Protection, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Newark, NJ, USA
5. Bedford Institute of Oceanography, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Dartmouth, CANADA
6. US Geological Survey, Menlo Park, CA, USA
7. Department of Mechanical Engineering, Clemson University, Clemson, SC, USA
8. National Risk Management Research Laboratory, Office of Research & Development, US Environmental Protection Agency, Cincinnati, USA
9. Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory, Columbia University, Palisades, NY, USA
10. Chemical Sciences Division, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Earth System Research Laboratory, Boulder, CO, USA
11. Shell International Exploration and Production, Shell Technology Center Americas, Houston, TX, USA
12. Department of Civil Engineering, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, USA
13. Southwest Research Institute, San Antonio, Texas, USA
14. Chemical and Biological Engineering Department, Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Colorado, USA
15. US Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL), Pittsburgh, PA 15236, USA

Review of flow rate estimates of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, Marcia K. McNutt, Rich Camilli, Timothy J. Crone, George D. Guthrie, Paul A. Hsieh, Thomas B. Ryerson, Omer Savas, and Frank Shaffer, Proceedings of the National Academies of Science, Special Feature Perspective, 109 (50) 20260-20267, December 11, 2012

Determining the discharge rate from a submerged oil leak jet using ROV video, Frank Shaffer, Ömer Savaş, Kenneth Lee, and Giorgio de Vera, University of California at Berkeley, Mechanical Engineering Department, Journal of Flow Measurement and Instrumentation, 43, 34–46, 2015

Estimate of Maximum Oil Leak Rate from the BP Deepwater Horizon by the National Energy Technology Laboratory, Frank Shaffer, Nathan Weiland, Mehrdad Shahnam, Madhava Syamlal, Geo Richards, Plume Modeling Team, Deepwater Horizon Release Estimate of Rate by PIV. Report to the Flow Rate Technical Group, November 29, 2011



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Visualization of submerged turbulent jets using particle tracking velocimetry, Franklin Shaffer, Eric Ibarra and Ömer Savaş, University of California at Berkeley, Mechanical Engineering Department, Journal of Visualization, Feb 15, 2021

On the near field interfaces of homogeneous and immiscible round turbulent jets, Eric Ibarra, Franklin Shaffer, and Ömer Savaş, University of California at Berkeley, Mechanical Engineering Department, Journal of Fluid Mechanics, Volume 889, February, 2020

Dynamic morphology of gas hydrate on a methane bubble in water: Observations and new insights for hydrate film models, Robert P. Warzinski, Ronald Lynn, Igor Haljasmaa, Ira Leifer, Frank Shaffer, Brian J. Anderson, Jonathan S. Levine, Geophysical Research Letters, <https://doi.org/10.1002/2014GL061665>, September 20, 2014

Hydrates in the Ocean beneath, around, and above Production Equipment, Karl Anderson, Gaurav Bhatnagar, Daniel Crosby, Greg Hatton, Philip Manfield, Adam Kuzmicki, Nevil Fenwick, Juan Pontaza, Moye Wicks, Scott Socolofsky, Cole Brady, Steve Svedeman, Amadeu K. Sum, Carolyn Koh, Jonathan Levine, Robert P. Warzinski, and Franklin Shaffer, Energy & Fuels, 26, 7, pages 4167-4176, June 19, 2012

Underwater oil jet: Hydrodynamics and droplet size distribution, Lin Zhao, Franklin Shaffer, Brian Robinson, Thomas King, Christopher Ambrose, Zhong Pan, Feng Gao, Richard S. Miller, Robyn N. Conmy, Michel C. Boufadel, Chemical Engineering Journal, Vol 299, Pages 292-303, 1 Sep 2016

The \$20.8 billion fine was ordered on October 5, 2015, by the Honorable US District Court Judge Carl J. Barbier for the Eastern District of Louisiana. I was immediately attacked in retaliation. The reason that I am being attacked and the other members of the Plume Team are not being attacked, is that I'm also a civil rights activist. I was active in Pittsburgh for 30 years.



MY BACKGROUND AS A CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST IN PITTSBURGH

I am also a civil rights activist. I was active in Pittsburgh for thirty years. I worked for social justice and civil rights in Pittsburgh and at the USDOE National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL). A summary of my civil rights work is available on my website at this link: http://FDShaffer.net/my_civil_rights_work.html

The people who attacked me after the \$20.8 billion fine was ordered were all subjects of my peaceful protests and lawsuits (e.g., People Against Police Violence v. City of Pittsburgh, the Honorable US District Court Judge Joy Flowers Conti for the Western District of PA, presiding), while I was a board member of the Thomas Merton Center in Pittsburgh. The people who attacked and continue to attack me are:

Allegheny County Common Pleas Judge Hugh F. McGough	former Solicitor, Pittsburgh Citizens Police Review Board
Chief Counsel of the USDOE National Energy Technology Laboratory, Susan E. Malie	former City Solicitor of Pittsburgh
Magistrate of Bethel Park Ronald Arnoni	former Mayor of Brentwood, PA
Allegheny County Solicitor Luke C. Kelly	Plaintiff attorney in FD-16-00031 in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas

Before I proceed, let me make it clear that I and my family have always supported law enforcement and police officers. I am from a small town, Keyser, in West Virginia. My family worked closely with Congressman Harley O. Staggers Sr (former Chair of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce) and Attorney Congressman Harley O. Staggers Jr. Harley O. Staggers Sr once served as the Sheriff of Mineral County WV. Keyser is the county seat of Mineral County.

Attorney Congressman Harley O. Staggers Jr was a member of the House Judiciary Committee from 1983 to 1993. My father, Reverend Dr. Dallas B. Shaffer, was his campaign manager and senior advisor on how the House Judiciary Committee should interact with the Supreme Court.

My father helped write the early versions of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) is a United States federal law (Title IV of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act, H.R. 3355). The VAWA Act provided \$1.6 billion (\$3.5 billion in 2025 dollars) in funding for law enforcement throughout the United States for the investigation and the prosecution of violent crimes against women. It imposed automatic and



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mandatory restitution on those convicted, and allowed civil redress when prosecutors chose not to prosecute cases. The Violence Against Women Act is still in effect today.

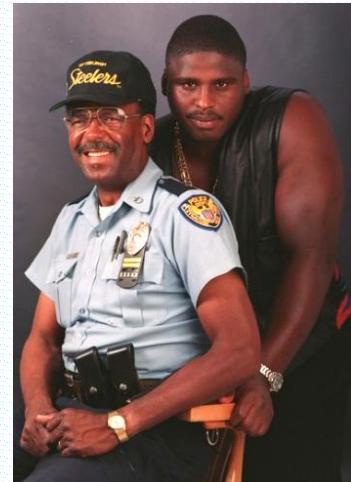
MY BACKGROUND WITH THE MAGISTRATE OF BETHEL PARK RONALD ARNONI

One of the reasons I got involved with the Thomas Merton Center in Pittsburgh in 1999 was that I, and the people of Pittsburgh, were informed by the news media of the murder of an innocent African-American businessman Jonny Gammage. Jonny Gammage was born in Syracuse, N.Y. on July 20, 1964. He graduated in 1987 from the State University of New York at Buffalo. Gammage was the business partner and adviser for his cousin, NFL Steelers player Ray Seals. Gammage was helping Seals manage his entrepreneurial and philanthropic ventures. Seal's father was Syracuse police officer Tommy Seals.

On Thursday, October 12, 1995, at 2AM, Jonny Gammage was driving a new Jaguar XJ6 owned by his cousin, Pittsburgh Steelers player Ray Seals, through Brentwood, a suburb of Pittsburgh. Two Brentwood police officers working for the Council member and Mayor of Brentwood Ronald Arnoni were involved in the murder of Jonny Gammage – with impunity. None were not held accountable, by mistrial or acquittal by an all-white jury.

Although no one was held accountable for the murder of Jonny Gammage, the case was a factor in the US Department of Justice Office of Civil Rights forcing the City of Pittsburgh to sign the first Consent Decree order against a city in the United States. The Consent Decree was signed by the City Solicitor of Pittsburgh Jacqueline Morrow and the Assistant City Solicitor of Pittsburgh *Susan E. Malie*. If you are interested in some relevant background, here are some examples:

- The DOJ Investigative Findings Letter signed by Deval L. Patrick Assistant Attorney General DOJ Office of Civil Rights and sent to City Solicitor of Pittsburgh Jacqueline Morrow and the Assistant City Solicitor of Pittsburgh *Susan E. Malie*: <https://www.justice.gov/crt/city-pittsburgh-investigative-findings-letter> The DOJ investigative findings were that the Pittsburgh Bureau of Police engaged in a “pattern or practice” of violating individuals' federal civil rights, including
 1. Use of Excessive Force, False Arrests, Improper Searches and Seizures
 2. Failure to Investigate Complaints Properly
 3. Failure to Discipline Officers Adequately
 4. Failure to Supervise Officers



Steelers player Ray Seals with his father, Syracuse police officer Tommy Seals

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- Press release by the ACLU reporting a letter sent by the ACLU, the Thomas Merton Center and other groups titled “*Groups Call on Justice Dept. to Maintain Court-Ordered Police Reforms in Pittsburgh*” to the DOJ Assistant Attorney General Bill Lann. At that time, I was a board member of the Thomas Merton Center, and as such, a member of the Plaintiff team suing Morrow and Malie: <https://www.aclu.org/press-releases/groups-call-justice-dept-maintain-court-ordered-police-reforms-pittsburgh>
- The Stipulated Order, Civil No. 97-0354, in The United States District Court for The Western District Of Pennsylvania. The plaintiff was United States of America. The defendants were the City of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Bureau of Police, and the Pittsburgh Department of Public Safety. They were represented by Jacqueline R. Morrow, City Solicitor of Pittsburgh and Susan E. Malie, Assistant City Solicitor of Pittsburgh, City of Pittsburgh Department of Law <https://www.justice.gov/crt/united-states-district-court-western-district-pennsylvania>



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**ON THE RECKLESS RELEASE OF STATE SECRETS ABOUT THE PROLIFERATION,
PROPOSED USE, AND ACTUAL USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS
BY MAGISTRATE RONALD ARNONI**

Another reason that I got involved with the Thomas Merton Center in 1999 is that I'd watched Pakistan and India nearly get into a nuclear war. As an engineer with the US Department of Energy, I was privy to state secret level information about the proliferation, proposed use, and actual use of nuclear weapons. The USDOE develops and manages the United States' nuclear weapons stockpile.

On May 11 and May 13 of 1998, India detonated five nuclear weapons. It was only the second time India had detonated a nuclear weapon.

The first detonation by India was fifty years ago, on May 18, 1974, a festival day celebrating the birth of Gautama Buddha. The detonation was code-named as "Smiling Buddha."

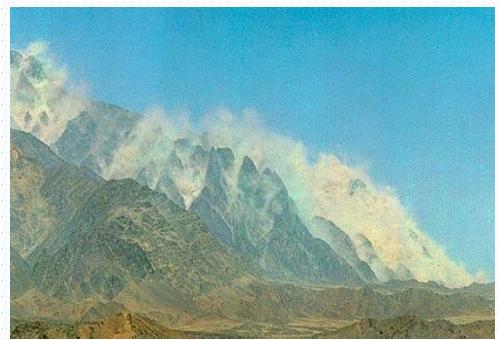
In 1998, India detonated five nuclear weapons. India code-named the detonations as "Operation Pokhran-II Shakti" and the nuclear weapons were designated as Shakti-I through Shakti-V. The first was a high-yield fusion weapon and the remaining four were fission weapons.

On May 28, 1998, seventeen days after India's Operation Pokhran-II Shakti, Pakistan answered by blowing up mountains in the Chagai Hills and the Ras Koh Hills of Pakistan with five nuclear weapons. Pakistan named this "Operation Chagai-I." On May 30, 1998, Pakistan detonated another nuclear weapon for observation by the Prime Minister of Pakistan Muhammed Nawaz Sharif, A.Q. Khan, and nuclear scientists **from the United States**. A.Q. Khan, **secret help from the USDOE Los Alamos National Laboratory**, led the development of Pakistan's nuclear weapons program.

[Click here or on the image to
watch a video about Smiling Buddha](#)



[Click here or on the image to
watch a video of Operation Chagai-I](#)



The Atomic Vapor Laser Isotope Separation (AVLIS) Process used by Pakistan to develop their own nuclear weapons stockpile was secretly provided by the United States. I am an eyewitness to this. If you would like to know more about this, my report on the proliferation into Pakistan, verified with official US Department of Energy documents, is available on my website at this link: http://fdshaffer.net/proliferation_into_pakistan.html

I had silently kept this secret safe for 28 years. This state-secret level information was recklessly released into the public domain when common pleas Judge Hugh F. McGough and Allegheny County Solicitor Luke C. Kelly stole my RV under color of law, and then when, on January 18, 2019, Magistrate Ronald Arnoni had a police SWAT team raid my house without cause and throw me out. I had hard drives with labels stating "Property of US Government"

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both in my house and in my RV. That night I fled into Amish country Ohio to escape and try to hide.

MY BACKGROUND IN ORGANIZING PEACEFUL PROTESTS AND LAWSUITS AGAINST MAGISTRATE RONALD ARNONI

Regarding the murder of Jonny Gammage: Brentwood Police Officers pulled Gammage over just within the Pittsburgh city limits along State Route 51. They began following Gammage, who was driving his cousin's new Jaguar XJ6 through Brentwood on Saw Mill Run Boulevard (Route 51).

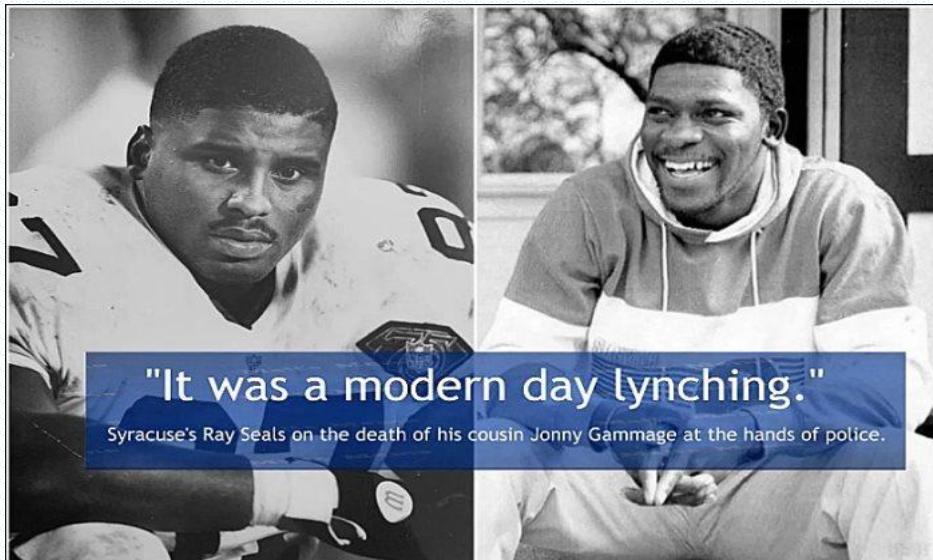
Gammage was not violating any traffic regulations. He was committing no crimes. He was not intoxicated. He had no weapons. He was simply "DWB" in a Jaguar luxury car through Arnoni's Brentwood.



The murder of George Floyd by "positional asphyxiation"

Baldwin Township Officers and Brentwood Police Officers working for Arnoni murdered Jonny Gammage in the same way George Floyd was murdered 25 years later – by *positional asphyxiation* – in other words, suffocation by prolonged compression of his chest and neck. But in 1995 there were no cell phones with cameras to record the murder of Jonny Gammage.

The official autopsy and an additional autopsy by Dr. Cyril Wecht found that Gammage died of positional asphyxiation.



The murder of Jonny Gammage was a factor leading to the first Consent Decree between a US city and the US Department of Justice. The DOJ had to threaten in US District Court to take over the Pittsburgh Police Department to force the City of Pittsburgh to agree to the Consent Decree. The Consent Decree was signed by the City Solicitor of Pittsburgh Jacqueline Morrow and the Assistant City Solicitor of Pittsburgh Susan E. Malie. <https://www.justice.gov/crt/united-states-district-court-western-district-pennsylvania>



THE ATTACKS ON ME BY MAGISTRATE RONALD ARNONI

ATTACK 1 BY ARNONI: THE FIRST RAID ON MY HOUSE BY OFFICERS WORKING FOR RONALD ARNONI. On January 8, 2016, two months after the \$20.8 billion fine was ordered on October 5, 2015, Magistrate Ronald Arnoni had three Bethel Park Police Officers enter my home at 2786 Tischler Road, Bethel Park, PA, 15102. They didn't knock on my front door. When I encountered them, they were standing in my living room.

Arnoni's Police Officers ordered me out of my home and ordered me not to return. Magistrate Arnoni and his officers then opened Docket FD-16-00031 in Allegheny County Court records. They then began filling FD-16-00031 with defamatory, inflammatory lies about me, including the despicable lie that I assaulted my wife and her autistic daughter. I was not arrested or charged with anything because I'd done nothing wrong.

I do not assault anyone -- let alone helpless little autistic girls. Instead, I got her a puppy. I got her a "cool" ZED house to help her make friends. I got her into one of the best school systems in Pennsylvania. This is the little girl that those despicable cowards created false records about, giving the false impression that I assaulted:



A month later, on February 8, 2016, Magistrate Arnoni promoted all three of the Officers who threw me out of my home and fabricated false records about me -- to Sergeants. The photo below is from the February issue of The Almanac (<https://www.thealmanac.net>) which provides news coverage for the south of Pittsburgh. I added the text boxes.



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Magistrate Ronald Arnoni, on Feb 8, 2016, promoting the three police officers a month after he had them steal my home from me and fabricate false charges against me

Officer Ed Kach. Tried to get in my home alone with me. Spat in my face. Tried to steal \$7500 from me under threat of arrest

Officer Michael Dunn. Fabricated false charges that I assaulted a little girl with autism using a "weapon" that he had to hide from public view



ATTACK 2 BY ARNONI: DESECRATION OF MY FATHER'S FUNERAL On February 24, 2016, one hundred and forty-two (142) days after the \$20.8 billion dollar fine, [my father's funeral was desecrated in the Episcopal Church where he was a Priest](#). The plaintiff, Dr. Nancy J. Shaffer, in FD-16-00031 and her attorney, had an insulting letter delivered to me at the beginning of my father's funeral. The letter attempted to extort \$240,000 from me.

My father was dying in January and February of 2016. I could not spend time with him because I had to stay in Pittsburgh to defend myself against the fabricated false charges by Magistrate Ronald Arnoni.

My father, Reverend Dr. Dallas B. Shaffer, did not accept money for his services. He was a hospital chaplain. He was an honorable US Army veteran who served on foreign soil. Notice the 13 tri-fold flag of an honorable US Army veteran by his casket. To learn more about the desecration of my father's funeral and to watch an example of the tri-fold flag ceremony at the funeral of an honorable US Army veteran, [click here or on the images below](#):



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On February 22, 2014, as per his wishes, my father drew his last breath with two federal employees by his sides. My brother was holding his left hand. I was holding his right hand.



Dr. Douglas N. Shaffer, MD
US FDA Associate Director,
Office of Global Policy & Strategy



Reverend Dr. Dallas B. Shaffer.
His last breath, February 22, 2016.



Senior Research Engineer
US Department of Energy

ATTACK 3 BY ARNONI: ARNONI'S POLICE OFFICER KACH TRYING TO ENTER MY HOME ALONE, THREATENING TO ARREST ME ON FALSE CHARGES:

On November 21, 2016, Sergeant Kach returned to my home, alone! This was a violation of the “buddy system” policy for Bethel Park and all police officers in the United States. Officer Kach tried to enter my home. I was alone, so instead of letting Officer Kach enter my home where no one could see what he was doing, I walked outside into the sunshine of my driveway where neighbors could see us.

Officer Kach then got his face about inches from mine and started screaming at me and blowing his spittle into my face. Under threat of arrest, Officer Kach ordered me to pay for \$7500 in damages to a neighbor’s car. I refused because I had nothing to do with the damage to my neighbor’s car. I also refused because Officer Kach is not a Judge or Magistrate and thus has no authority to order me to pay anything to anyone. Below are copies of my emails with my attorney, Allison Gaffen, about the visits by Bethel Park Police Officers:



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Frank Shaffer <fdshaffer@gmail.com>

attorney

6 messages

Frank Shaffer <fdshaffer@gmail.com>
To: Allison Gaffen <agaffen@gaffenlaw.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 11:11 AM

Hi Allison,

I need to have an attorney to represent me on general matters. The reason I'm thinking about this now is that someone hit a car that was parked in the street across from my house. The person who owns the car called the police and blamed me. But I didn't hit the car and I don't know anything about it.

The police stopped by my house this morning. The officer said he had new evidence that I hit the car with my white Cadillac. I told him I didn't. Then he said he was going to arrest me for lying to him. The thing is, I sold my white Cadillac three months ago!

After he threatened to arrest me, I told him I wouldn't talk with him without my attorney present. But I don't have an attorney.

Would you like to represent me on mundane matters like this? If not, is there someone you would recommend?
Thanks,
Frank

Allison Gaffen <agaffen@gaffenlaw.com>
To: Frank Shaffer <fdshaffer@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 12:20 PM

Hi Frank,

Yes, I do handle representation for police investigations and I would be happy to represent you for this matter. My hourly rate is the same as for divorce matters.

Do you know when the car was hit? What is the neighbor's name who called the police? Is this morning the first time the police contacted you about this?

Please don't make any further statements to the police without me being present. If the police try to contact you, tell them you don't want to talk to them, that you have a lawyer, and give them my contact information.

Thanks,
Allison
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Frank Shaffer <fdshaffer@gmail.com>
To: Allison Gaffen <agaffen@gaffenlaw.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 12:33 PM

Thank you Allison, for being willing to represent me in other matters. I need to have an attorney I know and trust for general matters.

This was the second time the police have visited me about this. I told them I didn't do it and don't know anything about it. Apparently the damages were \$7500.

I will take your advice. If the police try to question me again I will tell them I will answer questions, but only if my attorney is present.

Can they arrest me if I refuse to answer their questions?

Best regards,
Frank

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Allison Gaffen <agaffen@gaffenlaw.com>
Reply-To: agaffen@gaffenlaw.com
To: Frank Shaffer <fdshaffer@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 1:35 PM

Hi Frank,

You're welcome.

Can you send me a summary of both visits the police made to you, including the questions they asked and your responses? (It doesn't have to be exact, but any details you can provide will be helpful.) When was the first visit they made to your house? Who was/were the officer(s) that questioned you?

Do you have any paperwork from the sale of your car?

For now, I want to gather as much information as possible before we would even consider having you answer any more questions. You have the right to remain silent and not to answer any questions from the police. You can't get in trouble for refusing to answer their questions and the police can't arrest you for failing to answer questions. If the police's questions are answered, they must be answered truthfully, but again, there's no obligation to answer any of their questions. Police can also lie as an investigative technique, so it is possible that not everything they have told you has been truthful.

Thanks,

Allison

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Allison D. Gaffen

Attorney at Law

Frank Shaffer <fdshaffer@gmail.com>
To: Allison Gaffen <agaffen@gaffenlaw.com>

Wed, Dec 7, 2016 at 12:12 PM

Hi Allison,

Thanks for asking.

I called the police department and got the officer's email address. I sent him a polite email. He replied and apologized.

It just shook me up, that an officer would lie to me and threaten to arrest me. I guess they are allowed to do that.

I'm not sure I would ever talk to the police again without my attorney present.

Frank

Because Officer Kach spat his body fluids into my face, I had to have my attorney ask him if he had been tested for HIV and other diseases that can be transmitted via body fluids.

ATTACK 4 BY ARNONI: On January 18, 2019, Magistrate Ronald Arnoni had a police SWAT team surround and raid my house at 2786 Tischler Road in Bethel Park, PA -- again without cause. The search warrant signed by Arnoni said they needed to check my gas furnace to make sure I was warm. I lived in a solar heated house. They searched my entire house and evicted me into a freezing January night. That night I fled into Amish country Ohio to escape and try to hide. Police Officers working for Arnoni then trashed my house and left the front door wide



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open. Hard drives in my house with state secrets about the proliferation, proposed use, and actual use – disappeared into the night.

FD-16-000031 is nothing but a color-of-law attack on me in retaliation for causing the \$20.8 billion fine and for my civil rights work in Pittsburgh. It is nothing but false, defamatory, inflammatory lies about me. After eight years and seven months, FD-16-000031 is still open and lies are still being added to it. Here's a link to Allegheny County Court Records where you can see their despicable lies about me:

<https://dcr.allegenycounty.us/Civil/LoginSearch.aspx>



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ATTACK 5 BY ARNONI: THE ILLEGAL RETALIATION AGAINST ME BY MAGISTRATE RONALD ARNONI AND COMMON PLEAS JUDGE HUGH F. MCGOUGH FOR FILING AN EEO COMPLAINT AGAINST NETL CHIEF COUNSEL SUSAN E. MALIE

ON JUNE 11, 2021, I notified the US Department of Energy's Office of Civil Rights that I would be filing an EEO Complaint Against NETL Chief Counsel Susan E. Malie for retaliating against me for my work as a civil rights activist in Pittsburgh when she was the City Solicitor of Pittsburgh.

As a board member of the Thomas Merton Center in Pittsburgh, I had organized peaceful protests and filed lawsuits (e.g., People Against Police Violence v. City of Pittsburgh, US District Court for Western PA, the Honorable US District Court Judge Joy Flowers Conti presiding) against Susan E. Malie as Assistant City Solicitor and later City Solicitor of Pittsburgh.

I cc'd my June 11, 2021 email to NETL Chief Counsel Susan E. Malie and blind copied to my EEO Counselor Orlando Sepulveda from the DOE National Nuclear Security Administration.

ON JUNE 16, 2021, I officially filed my EEO Complaint against NETL Chief Counsel Susan E. Malie for, in 2018, fabricating false charges against me and having my life violently endangered at the NETL while I was a federal employee, ultimately forcing me to flee federal service in July of 2018 to protect my life.

ON JUNE 18, 2021, two days after I filed my EEO Complaint against Malie, the Magistrate of Bethel Park, Ronald Arnoni, summoned me to stand trial in his Court and began charging me \$600/day, ostensibly because he didn't like the way the lawn was being groomed at my house at 2786 Tischler Road in Bethel Park – a house that he and McGough had already stolen from me under color of law and forbid me from returning to.

ON JUNE 28, 2021, Allegheny County common pleas Judge Hugh F. McGough gave power-of attorney over me to a hostile opposing attorney, Mark B. Morrow.

Below is a copy of the email I sent to the DOE Office of Civil Rights on June 16, 2021. My EEO Complaint was later determined to be timely and proceeded, because the clock starts ticking on the 45-day limit not when the violation happens, but when the victim becomes aware of the violation.



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Frank Shaffer <fdshaffer@gmail.com>

Office of Civil Rights: Complaint

16 messages

Dupree, Desiree <desiree.dupree@hq.doe.gov>
To: "fdshaffer@gmail.com" <fdshaffer@gmail.com>

Wed, Jun 16, 2021 at 1:14 PM

Mr. Shaffer,

Our office is in receipt of the email you forwarded regarding your complaint sent to the Chief Counsel of the NETL. The Office of Civil Rights and Diversity processes EEO complaints for federal employees. Pursuant to 29 CFR § 1614.105, you must contact an EEO counselor within 45 days of the date of the matter alleged to be discriminatory or, in the case of personnel action, within 45 days of the effective date of the action. Based on the documentation submitted, it appears your claims would likely not be timely. However, if you would like to engage in the complaint process, you can find the necessary forms at <https://www.energy.gov/diversity/downloads/eeo-intake-form>.

Respectfully,

Desiree DuPree, Esq.

Attorney-Advisor, Civil Rights Division

Office of Civil Rights and Diversity

U.S. Department of Energy

[1000 Independence Avenue, SW](#)

[Washington, D.C. 20585](#)

Tel: 240-306-8628

Below are copies of the Non-Traffic Citations charging me \$600/day and the Summary Trial Notice on by Magistrate Arnoni. These were issued on June 18, 2021, two days after I filed an EEO Complaint against NETL Chief Counsel, Susan E. Malie:

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 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA NON-TRAFFIC CITATION SUMMONS			CITATION NO. R2995783-0
1. Magisterial District Number 050220	2. Docket Number NT207-2021	3. Social Security Number	
4. Address Magisterial District Office 34144 LYLE RD STE 200	5. Driver's Number	6. State PA	
7. Defendant Name FRANKLIN D SHAFFER	8. Mode Mail	9. Last	10. State PA
11. Defendant's Address (Street City State Zip Code) 2786 TISCHER RD BETHEL PARK PA 15102	12. Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)	13. Resident Status (R) Resident (N) Non-Resident (U) Unknown	14. Case Instituted by (O) On-View Arrest (C) Citation/Summons
15. Race/Ethnicity (W) White (A) Asian (H) Hispanic (U) Unknown (B) Black (N) Native American (F) Female	16. Sex (M) Male (F) Female	17. Date Notified 18. Time 11:00 AM	19. Date Notified 18. Time 11:00 AM
20. Nature of Offense OVERGROWTH OF VEGETATION	21. Pa. Code	22. CRIMES CODE TITLE 18	23. CRIMES CODE TITLE 18
24. SECTION 33	25. SUB SEC. 2.1	26. FINE \$300/DA	27. SUB SEC. 33
28. COSTS \$	29. MILITARY SERVICE <input type="checkbox"/>	30. LAB SERVICES REQUESTED <input type="checkbox"/>	31. MILITARY SERVICE <input type="checkbox"/>
32. TOTAL DUE \$	33. CITY/CDR/SP/CDR BETHEL PARK	34. CITY/CDR/SP BETHEL PARK	35. CODE 0
36. ZONE	37. COUNTY Allegheny	38. COUNTY Allegheny	39. COUNTY CODE
40. Defendant's Signature - Acknowledges Receipt of Citation X	41. Date 3/6/2025	42. Heard <input type="checkbox"/> Plea <input type="checkbox"/> Plea on info received	43. Date 3/6/2025
44. Station Address D. R. R.	45. Offense Code	46. Property Record No.	47. Systems Code
48. Initial Report <input type="checkbox"/>	49. Arrestion LCE <input type="checkbox"/>	50. Incident No.	
51. Victim's Name	52. Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)	53. Sex	54. Race/Ethnicity
55. Confidential Information Section	56. Confidential Information Section	57. Confidential Information Section	58. Confidential Information Section

 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA NON-TRAFFIC CITATION SUMMONS			CITATION NO. R2995862-2
1. Magisterial District Number 050220	2. Docket Number NT208-2021	3. Social Security Number	
4. Address Magisterial District Office 34144 LYLE RD STE 200	5. Driver's Number	6. State PA	
7. Defendant Name FRANKLIN D SHAFFER	8. Mode Mail	9. Last	10. State PA
11. Defendant's Address (Street City State Zip Code) 2786 TISCHER RD BETHEL PARK PA 15102	12. Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)	13. Resident Status (R) Resident (N) Non-Resident (U) Unknown	14. Case Instituted by (O) On-View Arrest (C) Citation/Summons
15. Race/Ethnicity (W) White (A) Asian (H) Hispanic (U) Unknown (B) Black (N) Native American (F) Female	16. Sex (M) Male (F) Female	17. Date Notified 18. Time 11:00 AM	19. Date Notified 18. Time 11:00 AM
20. Nature of Offense LITTER & DEBRIS	21. Pa. Code	22. CRIMES CODE TITLE 18	23. CRIMES CODE TITLE 18
24. SECTION 33	25. SUB SEC. 2.1	26. FINE \$300/DA	27. SUB SEC. 33
28. COSTS \$	29. MILITARY SERVICE <input type="checkbox"/>	30. LAB SERVICES REQUESTED <input type="checkbox"/>	31. MILITARY SERVICE <input type="checkbox"/>
32. TOTAL DUE \$	33. CITY/CDR/SP/CDR BETHEL PARK	34. CITY/CDR/SP BETHEL PARK	35. CODE 0
36. ZONE	37. COUNTY Allegheny	38. COUNTY Allegheny	39. COUNTY CODE
40. Defendant's Signature - Acknowledges Receipt of Citation X	41. Date 3/6/2025	42. Heard <input type="checkbox"/> Plea <input type="checkbox"/> Plea on info received	43. Date 3/6/2025
44. Station Address	45. Offense Code	46. Property Record No.	47. Systems Code
48. Initial Report <input type="checkbox"/>	49. Arrestion LCE <input type="checkbox"/>	50. Incident No.	
51. Victim's Name	52. Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)	53. Sex	54. Race/Ethnicity
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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY



Summary Trial Notice

Mag. Dist. No: MDJ-05-2-20
MDJ Name: Honorable Ronald A. Arnoni
Address: Hiras Professional Building
2414 Lytle Road Suite 200
Bethel Park, PA 15102
Telephone: 412-835-1661

Franklin D. Shaffer
1857 Stanhope Drive #A
Newark, OH 43055

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
v.
Franklin D. Shaffer

Docket No: MJ-05220-NT-0000208-2021
Case Filed: 6/21/2021
Comp/Cit #: R 2995862-2

Your Role: Defendant

Charge(s)

LO § 33 §§ 1 (Lead) Accumulation Of Litter And Debris
A Summary Trial has been scheduled for the above captioned case to be held on/at:

Date: **Tuesday, September 21, 2021**

Place: Magisterial District Court 05-2-20, Bethel Park
Hiras Professional Building
2414 Lytle Road Suite 200
Bethel Park, PA 15102
412-835-1661

Time: **10:30 AM**

This court has received your plea of NOT GUILTY to the above summary violation(s). The sum of \$0.00 has been accepted as collateral for your appearance at trial.

You have the right to be represented by an attorney. You have the right to have any witnesses present. It is your responsibility to notify your attorney and/or witnesses of this trial date/time.

Failure to appear for your trial shall constitute consent to trial in your absence and if you are found guilty, the collateral deposited shall be forfeited and applied toward the fines, costs, and restitution. You shall have the right to appeal within 30 days for a trial de novo.

If you have any questions, please call the above office immediately.
Should you fail to appear for your summary trial, a warrant may be issued for your arrest.

September 07, 2021

Date

Magisterial District Judge Ronald A. Arnoni



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Below is a copy of the Order by common pleas Judge Hugh F. McGough on June 28, 2021, giving power-of-attorney over me to a hostile opposing attorney, Mark B. Morrow. Morrow was chosen by Allegheny County Solicitor Luke C. Kelly:

2021 JUN 28 AM 10:20

FILED

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA		DEPT. COURT RECORDS CIVIL / FAMILY DIVISION ALLEGHENY COUNTY PA
NANCY SHAFFER)	
Plaintiff,)	No. FD 16-00031-(04
v.)	
FRANKLIN SHAFFER,)	
Defendant		

ORDER OF COURT

AND NOW, to-wit, this 28th day of June, 2021, it is hereby **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED** and **DECREED** that upon consideration of the Court of Plaintiff's Motion for Special Relief, Mark B. Morrow is hereby appointed Power of Attorney for Franklin D. Shaffer and in order to secure a duplicate Title on Franklin D. Shaffer's behalf and to then transfer Title from Franklin D. Shaffer to Russell Turack and with respect to the 1997 Ford F-350 with Vin Number 3FCMF53G4VJA22935 titled in Franklin D. Shaffer's name.

Russell Turack is hereby authorized to remove the 1997 Ford F-350 from the driveway at 2786 Tischler Road, Bethel Park, PA 15102 forthwith. All potential liability with respect to the removal shall be on Russell Turack or his designee.

Counsel previously awarded in the amount of \$1,000 are deferred to Equitable Distribution. Further, counsel fees shall be measured and imposed on Defendant for the work related to this motion at Equitable Distribution.

UNCONTESTED

No response to the averments numbered 1 through 19 in Plaintiff's Petition for Special Relief dated 6-16-21 was received from Defendant, who delayed services of Pro Se Department for help ~~in~~ preparing, filing a response.

BY THE COURT:


Honorable Hugh Fitzpatrick McGough
Court of Common Pleas
Room 5069, Family Law Center
440 Ross Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219



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The retaliation by NETL Chief Counsel Susan E. Malie (former City Solicitor of Pittsburgh), Magistrate Ronald Arnoni (of Jonny Gammage infamy), and common pleas Judge Hugh F. McGough (former Solicitor for the Pittsburgh Citizens' Police Review Board) was illegal under 42 U.S. Code § 12203 – “Prohibition against retaliation and coercion”, The Whistleblower Protection Act of 1989, 5 U.S.C. 2302(b)(8)-(9) and other laws protecting those filing EEO Complaints and whistleblowers.

Docket FD-16-00031 is purportedly a divorce case in the equitable distribution phase. It was opened on January 8, 2016 by Ronald Arnoni. My wife and I were about the same age. We had no children. We made about the same annual income. According to Allegheny County Solicitor Luke C. Kelly, who is representing my ex-wife Dr. Nancy J. Shaffer, we had about the same amount of retirement savings. I do not believe him.

In any case, we only needed to sell our house and divide the profits in selling our house. That should have taken at most a year. After more than nine years, FD-16-000031 is still open with no end in sight.

ATTACK 6 BY ARNONI: If you would like to know how vicious, violent, ubiquitous and unrelenting the attacks on me were, below is a copy of my FOIA request to the Office of the General Counsel of the USDOE Sandia National Laboratory. Sandia is one of our nuclear weapons labs.



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11/19/24, 9:50 AM

Gmail - FOIA 24-00346-NG Final Response



Frank Shaffer <fdshaffer@gmail.com>

FOIA 24-00346-NG Final Response

Frank Shaffer <fdshaffer@gmail.com>

Wed, Sep 4, 2024 at 8:43 AM

To: Alexander.Morris@hq.doe.gov

Cc: "Bowman, Angelia (CONTR)" <angelia.bowman@nnsa.doe.gov>, "Cooke, Corrina (CONTR)" <Corrina.Cooke@nnsa.doe.gov>, "Germaine, Natalie (Natalia) (CONTR)" <natalie.germaine@nnsa.doe.gov>, "Sepulveda, Orlando" <orlando.sepulveda@hq.doe.gov>

Dear DOE FOIA Officer Morris,

It seems that NNSA figured out that DOE HQ should handle my FOIA request for the job description of NNSA "EEO Counselor" Orlando Sepulveda. I've cc'd Mre. Sepulveda to give him the opportunity to provide his job description so we can all avoid the headaches of this ordeal.

In 2010, I was on the lead team responding to the most dangerous environmental threat our country has faced, the Deepwater Horizon oil leak. I played an important role in stopping the damage being done to one thousand miles of US shoreline, then in causing British Petroleum to be fined \$20.8 billion dollars. It is the largest single fine of a single entity in the history of our great country. Those funds went to the 50 million people of five Gulf states to recover and rebuild.

For 27 years and 3 months, I safely kept the secret that we gave nuclear weapons technologies to the President of Pakistan Muhammed Mian Nawaz Sharif and A.Q. Khan, the infamous proliferator of nuclear weapons technologies. At that time (1993 - 1998), Muhammed Nawaz Sharif was on the payroll of Osama bin Laden.

On a related matter, as soon as Trump took office in 2017, I was attacked at the USDOE NETL by senior federal employees of the Trump Admin. The attacks were led by Dr. Grace Bochenek, a former Secretary of Energy under Trump. Dr. Bochenek was formerly the Director of the US Army Chemical and Biological Combat Capabilities Development Command. The attacks were in retaliation for causing the \$20.8 billion fine and in the commission of espionage with my US Patent 8,391,552, and in retaliation for my civil rights work in Pittsburgh.

On January 18, 2019, my home near the NETL Pittsburgh site was raided by a SWAT team without cause. The search warrant said they needed to check my gas furnace (I lived in a solar heated house). That night I fled into Amish country Ohio to escape. On April 7, 2019, I'd been under attack by Trump criminals for 16 months. I was alone and suffering from PTSD.

To escape the attacks and to protect the state secrets about nuclear weapons the USDOE had trusted me with, I tried to end my life. I failed.



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Instructions from your PROVIDER(S)

PHYSICIAN ORDER(S)/REFERRAL(S):

Reason for admission: Suicide Attempt

Principal diagnosis: Major depressive disorder, recurrent, severe without psychotic features

Secondary diagnosis: Anxiety disorder unspecified

Discharge to: Home

Condition at Discharge: No imminent danger:self, No imminent danger:others, No suicidal ideation, No homicidal ideation

Activity Order: As Tolerated

One of those state secrets is that we secretly gave nuclear weapons technologies (AVLIS process) to Pakistan.

On June 14, 2010, around 6:30 PM I was alone with Sec Chu in his office in the Forrestal Building. Around 7PM Sec of Interior Salazar and USGS Director Dr. Marcia McNutt arrived. We then had a conference call with the Directors of our National Labs. Each Director reported their lab's ideas for stopping the DWH oil leak. The turn came for the Director of Los Alamos Michael Anastasio to speak. He started talking about detonating a small thermonuclear device 5000 feet deep in the Gulf of Mexico. Sec Chu looked at me, rolled his eyes and stopped Anastasio from talking.

Please kindly inform me on how to proceed with my FOIA request for the job description of NNSA EEO Counselor Sepulveda.

Thank you,

Frank

FDShaffer@Gmail.com

412-320-0510

<http://FDShaffer.net>



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**VIOLATION OF MY FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS
BY MAGISTRATE OF BETHEL PARK RONALD ARNONI**

Magistrate Arnoni retaliated against me for exercising my constitutionally protected First Amendment rights to:

- Freedom of speech: protests by the Thomas Merton Center
- Freedom of the press: the Thomas Merton Center website
- Freedom to peacefully assemble: the countless protests that were organized through the Thomas Merton Center website that I created
- Freedom to petition the government for a redress of grievances – without retaliation by the government

**VIOLATION OF MY FOURTH AMENDMENT RIGHTS
BY MAGISTRATE OF BETHEL PARK RONALD ARNONI AND COMMON PLEAS
JUDGE HUGH F. MCGOUGH**

1. Theft of my federal job
2. Theft of my house
3. Theft of my federal retirement savings
4. Theft of my intellectual property, namely, US Patent 8,391,552, by disguising it as a non-patented “open source” technology



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REQUESTED REMEDY:

1. Prosecution of Magistrate Ronald Arnoni to the fullest extent of the law
2. Upon a guilty plea, conviction by a bench Judge or by a jury of his peers, application of the maximum penalties, including maximum time in a federal prison and restitution to his victims

Thank you, respectfully I am,



Franklin D. Shaffer

