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April 23, 2021

Via OPRA Machine: opra+request-21588-535e10e8@requests.opramachine.com

Re: Open Public Records Act (OPRA) Request
OCPO Case# 21000839 – Connor White

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find the Complaint Warrant, Affidavit and Preliminary Law Enforcement Incident Report pursuant to your request made under the New Jersey Open Public Records Act (OPRA). Personal identifying information has been redacted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, et seq. Additionally, criminal history record information has been redacted pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:59-1.2.

Please be advised that there are no responsive documents pursuant to your request for Global Subject Activity Reports, Arrest Reports, Indictments, Plea Forms, Criminal Information Forms and Sentencing Information.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 732-929-2027, x3135.

Yours very truly,

Dina R. Khajezadeh

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Assistant Prosecutor

DRK/dp

Enclosures

COMPLAINT - WARRANT

COMPLAINT NUMBER			
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BRICK TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL COURT 401 CHAMBERS BRIDGE BRICK NJ 08723-0000 732-262-1226 COUNTY OF: OCEAN			
# of CHARGES 4	CO-DEFTS	POLICE CASE #: 21671-21	
COMPLAINANT NAME: DET D. MITCHELL 119 HOOPER AVE TOMS RIVER NJ 08754		DEFENDANT INFORMATION SEX: M EYE COLOR: BROWN DOB: 05/22/1998 DRIVER'S LIC. #: [REDACTED] DL STATE: NJ SOCIAL SECURITY #: [REDACTED] SBI #: 437517H TELEPHONE #: () LIVSCAN PCN #: 150603007068	
By certification or on oath, the complainant says that to the best of his/her knowledge, information and belief the named defendant on or about 03/29/2021 in BRICK TWP , OCEAN County, NJ did: WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THIS COURT, DID THREATEN TO COMMIT A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AGAINST THE VICTIM, MATTHEW FIRNENO, WITH THE PURPOSE TO TERRORIZE THE VICTIM WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THIS COURT, DID THREATEN TO COMMIT A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AGAINST THE VICTIM, NICOLE FIRNENO, WITH THE PURPOSE TO TERRORIZE THE VICTIM WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THIS COURT, DID THREATEN TO COMMIT A CRIME OF VIOLENCE AGAINST THE VICTIM, ANTHONY FIRNENO, WITH THE PURPOSE TO TERRORIZE THE VICTIM WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THIS COURT, DID HARM MATTHEW FIRNENO BY AN UNLAWFUL ACT WITH THE PURPOSE TO RETALIATE FOR OR ON ACCOUNT OF THE SERVICE OF MATTHEW in violation of:			
Original Charge	1) 2C:12-3A	2) 2C:12-3A	3) 2C:12-3A
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CERTIFICATION: I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment. Signed: DET D. MITCHELL Date: 04/01/2021			
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PROBABLE CAUSE DETERMINATION AND ISSUANCE OF WARRANT			
☐ Probable cause IS NOT found for the issuance of this complaint.			
Signature of Court Administrator or Deputy Court Administrator		Signature of Judge	
Date		Date	
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Original Charge

4) **2C:28-5B**

Amended Charge

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FTA Bail Information				Date Bail Set:				Amount Bail Set: \$ _____				by: _____				☐ Bail Recog. Attached			
Released on Bail (✓)		R.O.R.		Committed Default		Committed w/o Bail		Place Committed:				Date Referred to				County Prosecutor: _____			
Date of First Appearance:				☐ Advised of Rights by _____				Defendant Desires Counsel:				☐ Yes ☐ No							
Prosecuting Attorney Information						Defense Counsel Information													
Name:						Name:													
State		County		Municipal		Other		None		Retained		Public Def		Assigned		Waived		Other	
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Waiver Indt/Jury																			
Plea/Date of Plea		Plea:		Date:		Plea:		Date:		Plea:		Date:							
Adjudication (* see code)		Finding Code:		Date:		Finding Code:		Date:		Finding Code:		Date:							
Jail Term				Jail time credit		Susp. Imp				Jail time credit		Susp. Imp				Jail time credit		Susp. Imp	
Probation Term						Susp. Imp						Susp. Imp						Susp. Imp	
Cond. Discharge Term																			
Community Service																			
D/L Suspension Term																			
Fines/Costs		Fines:		Costs:		Fines:		Costs:		Fines:		Costs:							
VCCB/SNSF		VCCB:		SNSF:		VCCB:		SNSF:		VCCB:		SNSF:							
DEDR/Lab Fee		DEDR:		LAB:		DEDR:		LAB:		DEDR:		LAB:							
CD Fee/Drug Ed Fnd		CD:		DAEF:		CD:		DAEF:		CD:		DAEF:							
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DEDR/Lab Fee		DEDR:		LAB:		DEDR:		LAB:		DEDR:		LAB:	
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732-262-1226 COUNTY OF: **OCEAN**

of CHARGES
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CO-DEFTS

POLICE CASE #:
21671-21COMPLAINANT **DET D. MITCHELL**
NAME: **119 HOOPER AVE****TOMS RIVER****NJ 08754***THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY*

VS.

CONNOR F WHITE

ADDRESS :

22 HARDING DR**BRICK TOWNSHIP****NJ 08724-0000**

DEFENDANT INFORMATION

SEX: **M** EYE COLOR: **BROWN**DOB: **05/22/1998**

DRIVER'S LIC. #:

DL STATE: **NJ**

SOCIAL SECURITY #:

SBI #: **437517H**

TELEPHONE #:

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LIVESCAN PCN #: **150603007068**

To any Law Enforcement Official of New Jersey, You are commanded to transport this defendant to the Warden of this county who is required to keep the defendant in custody until a release or detention decision is made.

Offense

Aux Offense

Drug Code

Degree

Offense Description

1.	2C:12-3A		3	TERRORISTIC THR
2.	2C:12-3A		3	TERRORISTIC THR
3.	2C:12-3A		3	TERRORISTIC THR
4.	2C:28-5B		2	WITNESS TAMPERI

Commitment Reason: **Criminal Justice Reform**

You will be notified of your **Central First Appearance/CJP** date to be held at the Superior Court
at the following address: **OCEAN SUPERIOR COURT**
120 HOOPER AVE

in the county of **OCEAN****TOMS RIVER****NJ 08753-0000**Date of Arrest: **04/01/2021**Phone: **732-504-0700****DONNA MORRA JUDICIAL OFFICER****04/01/2021**

Signature and Title of Judicial Officer Issuing Warrant

Date

COMMITMENT

Affidavit of Probable Cause

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LIVESCAN PCN #: **150603007068**

Purpose: This Affidavit/Certification is to more fully describe the facts of the alleged offense so that a judge or authorized judicial officer may determine probable cause.

1. Description of relevant facts and circumstances which support probable cause that (1) the offense(s) was committed and (2) the defendant is the one who committed it:
SEE APPENDIX A

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2. I am aware of the facts above because: (Included, but not limited to: your observations, statements of eyewitnesses, defendant's admission, etc.)

STATEMENTS OF WITNESSES, TEXT MESSAGES

3. If victim was injured, provide the extent of the injury:

Certification:

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Signed: DET D. MITCHELL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Date: 04/01/2021

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Preliminary Law Enforcement Incident Report

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COMPLAINANT DET D. MITCHELL NAME: 119 HOOPER AVE TOMS RIVER NJ 08754					

Purpose: The Preliminary Law Enforcement Incident Report (PLEIR) is intended to document basic information known to the officer at the time of its preparation. It is recognized that additional relevant information will emerge as an investigation continues. The PLEIR shall be in addition to, not in lieu of, any regular police arrest, incident, or investigation reports. Note that the PLEIR is specific to each defendant charged in an investigation.

- Another law enforcement officer(s) personally observed the offense, List the officer(s) and their badge#
MATTHEW FIRNENO
- The charge was based on the observations/statements made by an eyewitness(es).
 - The witness statement(s) were recorded via:
 - *Stationhouse interview room camera
 - *Audio recording only
- The defendant was known to the victim as:
 - Acquaintance
- The defendant attempted to threaten or intimidate victim(s) in the case, THREATENED VICTIM
- The case involves a consent search.
- The investigation involved the seizure of one or more cellphones, computers or similar electronic devices.
List the type of device(s) and total number of each recovered: MULTIPLE DEVICES

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Signed: **DET D. MITCHELL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** Date: **04/01/2021**

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APPENDIX A - AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

I. Firneno further related that he spoke with Chieffo multiple times on the phone in the past in reference to Chieffo possibly becoming a confidential informant. Firneno said that it is not uncommon for him to give his department issued cell phone numbers to individuals

K. A search of Firneno's department issued cell phone yielded fifteen (15) phone calls from a private phone number, three (3) phone calls from telephone facility [REDACTED] and the above referenced text messages from telephone facility [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

L. Further investigation yielded the address of Anthony Chieffo as [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and the address of Alexander Santos to be [REDACTED].

N. Detectives of the Brick Township Police Department Street Crimes Unit subsequently responded to [REDACTED] to surveille said residence.

O. Surveilling detectives observed a Nissan Altima bearing New Jersey registration number [REDACTED] leave the abovementioned address with two (2) occupants inside the vehicle. A DMV lookup of the abovementioned New Jersey registration number yielded the registered owner as Alexander Santos. Detectives followed said

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vehicle to the Lowe's parking lot located at 520 NJ-70, Brick Township, New Jersey.

- P.** Detective Sergeant John Carroll and Detective Anthony Carrington of this office responded to the Lowe's parking lot and conducted a motor vehicle stop on Santos's vehicle.
- Q.** The driver of the vehicle was identified as Alexander Santos and the passenger was identified as Anthony Chieffo. Chieffo and Santos were placed under arrest on the charges of Witness Retaliation in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:28-5B and three (3) counts of Terroristic Threats in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:12-3A.
- R.** Santos advised that he would grant consent to have his vehicle searched. Subsequently, Santos was read the Brick Township Police Department Consent to Search form by Detective Anthony Carrington, which he acknowledged he understood and signed same, granting consent to have his vehicle searched.
- S.** A cell phone belonging to Chieffo was recovered from the passenger seat by Detective Anthony Carrington. Santos's cell phone was also recovered from the driver seat by Detective Anthony Carrington. Chieffo and Santos were transported to Brick Township Police Department to be interviewed by this Affiant and Detective Joseph K. Mitchell.
- T.** Santos was read the Miranda Rights Waiver form by this Affiant and advised of his charges. Santos stated that he understood his rights, which he waived and signed said Miranda Rights Waiver form, indicating he wished to speak with detectives.
- U.** In short, Santos related that he was not involved in the threats made against Firreno. Santos further related that he was not with Chieffo at the time that threats against Firreno were made.
- V.** Santos was read the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office Consent to Search Digital Evidence for with the Waiver of Right to be Present portion, which he acknowledged and signed same, granting consent to have his phone forensically extracted. Santos's cell phone was turned over to the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit for a full forensic analysis.
- W.** Chieffo was advised of his Miranda Rights and the charges against him. Chieffo then advised that he did not wish to speak with us, and would like his attorney present, at which point the interview was terminated.
- X.** Chieffo and Santos were lodged in the Ocean County Jail on the aforementioned charges pending Court.
- Y.** On March 30, 2021, Fernando Santos responded to the Brick Township Police Department and spoke with Detective Sergeant Lawrence Petrola and Detective Brian Farnkopf in reference to his son, Alexander Santos being arrested. In short, Santos told Sergeant Petrola and Detective Farnkopf that his son was home at the time

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that the threats against Firreno were made. Fernando Santos advised that he would like to speak with detectives in reference to his son's arrest.

Z. On April 1, 2021, at approximately 0900 hours, this Affiant and Detective Joseph K. Mitchell responded to Brick Township Police Department to speak with Fernando Santos. In short, Fernando Santos related the follow:

AA. His son, Alexander Santos could not have been with Anthony Chieffo at the time the threats against Firreno were made. Fernando Santos related that Alexander Santos was in his bed sleeping. Fernando Santos went to use the bathroom and checked on his son between the time of 0000 hours and 0030 hours on March 29, 2021. Fernando Santos further advised that Alexander Santos was in his bed sleeping, when Fernando Santos spoke with him before leaving for work at approximate 0445 hours on March 29, 2021.

BB. Fernando Santos further related that he spoke with his son, Alexander Santos, on the night he was arrested, and Alexander Santos related that he was not present, and that someone by the name of Connor White was with Chieffo on the night the threats were made.

CC. Fernando Santos advised that he spoke with Connor White via telephone, at which point White advised that he was the second voice on the phone with Chieffo and that Alexander Santos was not present.

DD. On April 1, 2021, Chief Trial Attorney Michael Weatherstone approved a consensual intercept between Fernando Santos, using telephone facility [REDACTED], and Connor White, using telephone facility [REDACTED]. Three (3) attempts to contact White were made and met with negative results.

EE. On April 1, 2021, at approximately 1315 hours, this Affiant and Detective Joseph K. Mitchell met with Amanda Martinetti at Brick Township Police Department to conduct an interview with Martinetti.

FF. In short, Martinetti related that she spoke to a female by the name of Carli Curtis, who is Connor White's girlfriend. Martinetti advised that Curtis said that Connor White was the one on the phone with Anthony Chieffo when the threats against the Detective were made and that Alexander Santos was not involved. Martinetti further related that White met with a lawyer and would most likely be turning himself in. Martinetti provided detectives with Carli Curtis's contact information.

GG. On April 1, 2021, Alexander Santos's mother, Michelle Czajkowski, met this Affiant and Detective Joseph K. Mitchell at the Brick Township Police Department to be interviewed. In short, Czajkowski related the following:

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- HH.** Czajkowski spoke with Connor White via telephone. White advised that Santos was not present the night the phone call was made and that it was only he and Chieffo. White further advised Czajkowski that he did not say anything bad, and that it was just high school banter.
- II.** This Affiant advised Czajkowski that we would like to conduct a consensual intercept between her and Connor White. Chief Trial Attorney Michael Weatherstone approved said consensual on April 1, 2021, at 1342 hours. Two (2) attempts to contact White were made and met with negative results.
- JJ.** On April 1, 2021, this Affiant and Detective Joseph K. Mitchell responded to [REDACTED], in an attempt to make contact with Carli Curtis. Contact was made with Curtis's aunt, who advised that she was at work at Thompson Healthcare, in Brick, New Jersey.
- KK.** This Affiant and Detective Joseph K. Mitchell subsequently responded to [REDACTED], to attempt to make contact with Carli Curtis. Upon arrival, Curtis was outside the business on the sidewalk. Curtis was advised that we would like to speak with her in reference to the investigation. She subsequently agreed to be transported to Brick Township Police Department to provide a statement.
- LL.** Upon arrival at Brick Police Headquarters, this Affiant and Detective Joseph K. Mitchell conducted an interview with Curtis. In short, Curtis related the following:
- MM.** Connor White and Curtis are currently in a dating relationship. Connor White is friends with Alexander Santos, and lives with Anthony Chieffo at [REDACTED]. Curtis further related that she received texts and phone calls from family members and friends in reference to the press release regarding Chieffo's and Santos's arrest.
- NN.** Curtis advised that she spoke to her boyfriend, Connor White, about the press release and incident involving Chieffo and Santos. White advised Curtis that Santos was not present when threats were made. White further advised that he was present with Chieffo during the phone call. White told Curtis that he did not say anything bad and did not make any types of threats.
- OO.** This Affiant explained to Curtis that we would like to search her cell phone for digital evidence. This Affiant read Curtis the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office Consent to Search Digital Evidence form with the Waiver of Right to be Present portion which she acknowledged she understood and subsequently signed same. Curtis's cell phone was turned over to the Ocean County Prosecutor's High Tech Crime Unit to be forensically extracted.

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- PP.** On April 1, 2021, this Affiant received a phone call from Fernando Santos in reference to this investigation. Santos advised that he spoke with Chieffo from the jail. Chieffo apologized to Santos for his son being pulled into this and assured him that Alexander Santos was not involved.
- QQ.** On April 1, 2021, this Affiant, Detective Joseph Mitchell, and members of the Brick Township Police Department responded to ■■■■■■■■■■ in an attempt to make contact with Connor White. Upon making contact with White, White advised that he was represented by an attorney and did not wish to make a statement. White was subsequently placed under arrest, handcuffed to the rear, and transported to the Brick Township Police Department for processing.
- RR.** A search of Curtis's cell phone yielded the following:
- SS.** Curtis and White engaged in a text message conversation beginning on March 31, 2021, in relation to the incident involving Santos and Chieffo. White advises that he took the day off of work because of something that happened with "Chief/Alex."
- TT.** On March 31, 2021, at approximately 1849 hours, White text messages, "I think I'm going to have to come forward or I let me best friend take the blame for something he didn't do, I'm just devastated, I take for granted". At approximately 1936 hours, White text messages Curtis, "...if I end up with a mug shot and stuff, I know you'll be devastated..."
- UU.** On April 1, 2021, at approximately 0900 hours, White text messages Curtis, "Mhmm I just feel so guilty I can't let tos get in trouble for what he didn't don". At approximately 0901 hours, White text messages Curtis, "I know but idk what to do I don't see how I can go to jail for what I said..."
- VV.** At approximately 1329 hours, Curtis advises White that she believes a detective is calling her. To which White states at 1334 hours "Just answer the questions truthfully is all I can say".
- WW.** The facts of this investigation were related to Chief Trial Attorney Michael Weatherstone who approved charges of Witness Retaliation in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:28-5B and three (3) counts of Terroristic Threats in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C12-3A against Connor F. White.

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