

Statement recorded immediately after release from PD 6/17/07

1. As I attempted to exit Venue nightclub (after using the bathroom) bouncers rudely
2. grabbed my arm in an aggressive manner and forcefully made me vacate the premises
3. (although it was evident that I was willingly exiting). Once outside, I saw Travis, my
4. fiancé, convulsing on the ground to my right, surrounded by several bouncers. He was
5. clearly unconscious and at this point I feared for his life. Once he regained consciousness
6. I tried to take pictures of the scene and turned to the bouncer that was attacking Travis
7. (Travis at no point engaged in an altercation with the bouncers). As I approached the
8. bouncer, in an emotionally filled instant I did confront the bouncer, as an attempt to
9. defend Travis. I only attempted to confront this bouncer because I noticed that he had
10. began to charge at Travis once again and in fear of Travis' life, I attempted to distract/deter
11. him from his actions. After this, without warning or asking me to put my hands behind my
12. back the officers (Brian, shield #57 and Rigano, shield #27) pounced on me, causing my
13. shoes to fly off. The Officer restraining me on the ground (who I did not see due to my
14. compromising position) then proceeded to drag my face in the dirt and pulled me up by
15. my hair, once I was already in a submissive position. I was put in the RMP with no shoes
16. on and the officers did not attempt to retrieve my shoes. They manhandled me in an
17. inhumane manner the entire time I was in custody. While taking my pedigree information
18. the officers were very unprofessional. As officer (whose name began with Kry) stated
19. "Are you mad that we took down your skinny little boyfriend?" and officer Rigano
20. (who had no name tag on the entire time, as she noticed I was taking note) used the
21. N-word several times in my presence as well as Travis presence. These two officers
22. continued to make derogatory statements the entire time I was there. Once I received

23. the paperwork from the judge I also noticed that they had falsely recorded a statement  
24. which I did not make stating that I admitted to resisting arrest, which I did not. At no point  
25. while Travis and I were in custody did the officers address our injuries or ask if we needed  
26. medical assistance, although it was evident that Travis had a concussion and my face was  
27. bleeding profusely. While in the cell, I had even heard Travis state “Something is wrong  
28. with my head, I need to see a doctor” and pleas were continuously ignored. Once out of  
29. custody we received medical attention from Saratoga Hospital, and due to an infection I  
30. had received after going to Saratoga Hospital, I had to be admitted a second time to  
31. Wilton medical, where I was prescribed antibiotics.

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