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# Sunshine Ordinance Task Force Complaint Summary

File No. 21086

Anonymous v. District Attorney Chesa Boudin and the Office of the District Attorney

Date filed with SOTF: 07/16/21

Contact information (Complainant information listed first):
Anonymous (arecordsrequestor@protonmail.com) (Complainant)
Chesa Boudin and Cristine DeBerry, Rachel Marshall, David Campos and Tera Anderson Office of the District Attorney (Respondents)

File No. 21086: Complaint filed by Anonymous against District Attorney Chesa Boudin and the Office of the District Attorney for allegedly violating Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Sections 67.21, 67.26, 67.27, 67.25, 67.24 and California Government Code 6254.5 by failing to respond to a public records request in a timely and/or complete manner.

# Administrative Summary if applicable:

June 14, 2021, request for the following:

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#### Request 1 - (comms with judges and Mayor's Office):

# Request 2 - (comms with Dion Lim and Radley Balko): Please provide the original request submitted to the Respondent.

Complaint Attached.

#### Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

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Google Forms <sfbdsupvrs@gmail.com>

Sent: -

Friday, July 16, 2021 7:27 PM

To:

SOTF, (BOS)

Subject:

New Response Complaint Form

This message is from outside the City email system. Do not open links or attachments from untrusted sources.

Your form has a new entry. Here are the results.

Complaint against which Department or Commission

Chesa Boudin

Name of individual contacted at Department or Commission

District Attorney's Office

**Alleged Violation** 

**Public Records** 

**Sunshine Ordinance** 

Section:

SFAC 67.21, 67.26, 67.27, 67.25, 67.24, Gov Code 6253(c), Gov Code 6254.5

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See email "67.21(d) petition & new SOTF Complaint vs Chesa Boudin and DA's Office 01"

Name

Anonymous

Email

arecordsrequestor@protonmail.com

If anonymous, please let us know how to contact you. Thank you.

arecordsrequestor@protonmail.com

Sent via Google Form Notifications

# Complainant/Petitioner's Document Submission

#### Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

From:

Anonymoose A <arecordsrequestor@protonmail.com>

Sent: To: Friday, July 16, 2021 7:24 PM

5.1.

Records, Supervisor (CAT); SOTF, (BOS)

Subject: Attachments: 67.21(d) petition & new SOTF Complaint vs Chesa Boudin and DA's Office 01 1 - Boudin-Judge communications - Immediate disclosure request =E2=80=A2

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correspondence.pdf; signature.asc

**Supervisor of Records:** This is a 67.21(d) to petition to determine in writing some or all records or parts thereof in the 2 attached requests are public and order them disclosed. In request #2 they have actively withheld certain records under apparently <u>all</u> of the cited exemptions and they are not more specific than that. There are also parts of records withheld in the second request in the numbered items.

**SOTF:** Please file a new complaint *Anonymous v Chesa Boudin and District Attorney's Office*. **Allegations:** SFAC 67.21, 67.26, 67.27, 67.25, 67.24, Gov Code 6253(c), Gov Code 6254.5

This complaint regards two requests both attached.

#### On the second request (comms with Dion Lim and Radley Balko):

For context Lim and Balko are both journalists who wrote about Boudin's actions in a particular alleged crime. What Boudin, Lim, or Balko did or did not do is not relevant to the Sunshine issues, except that any release of info from Boudin/his office to Lim or Balko (who are not City employees) would waive all purported exemptions in that information. Namely, the Respondents appear to have discussed information apparently about witnesses or victims in this case with at least Balko on at least pages 61-62 of the public records released.

This had an untimely response, but also had numerous additional problems. Remember the Respondents bear the burden to prove with specificity that an exemption applies.

- 1. **Gov Code 6254.5** For all information that was provided to some other member of the public who has *no* special position in the investigation (namely these two reporters and their employers), all privileges in that information were waived.
- 2. **SF Admin Code 67.26** the participant names of the texts/chats have been withheld. You have ruled that the From and To of text messages must be disclosed. SOTF 19098 Anonymous v SFPD. It is unclear who is speaking to Lim/Balko is it Boudin or his subordinate?
- 3. **SF Admin Code 67.21** a copy of a word document attachment communicated outside of the City was not provided. Instead screenshots of this document, which clearly contains hyperlinks impossible to provide via screenshot were provided. More importantly, because this Word file was itself communicated outside of the City, all privileges in the entirety of the file as previously transmitted are waived and I must receive the entirety of the original file, including all history and metadata in that Word file, whose name starts "Dion Lim Misrepresentatio..." on page 69.
- 4. **SF Admin Code 67.26** the DA's office also transmitted various hyperlinks in their chat messages that were not provided to me (ex. page 63, 65)
- 5. **SF Admin Code 67.27** Respondents withheld records on subrequest 3 based on 8 different justifications: "We are withholding records under the <u>exemptions stated above</u> that would otherwise be responsive to your third request." I do not believe all of these justifications apply and they appear to be just scattershot.
- 6. **SF Admin Code 67.24(a) and 67.26** The Respondents withheld records to subrequest 3 based on: "Also, preliminary drafts, notes, or interagency or intra-agency memoranda may be exempt from disclosure under Cal.

- Govt. Code § 6254(a)." This is not allowed. Only a very small subset of such info is exempt under local draft exemption Admin Code 67.24(a). Namely in order to be exempt they must be "preliminary draft or department memorandum" AND "not normally kept on file and would otherwise be disposed of" AND then, only "the recommendation of the author" of such a document may be withheld within that document.
- 7. **SF Admin Code 67.27** The Respondents also withheld records to subrequest 3 based on: "In addition, "official information," which is acquired in confidence by a public employee in the course of his or her duty and not open, or officially disclosed, is privileged against disclosure per Cal. Evid. Code 1040". This statement neither specifies which exemption is being used, and also over-states that is exempt. The Official Information privilege does not in fact exempt all "official information." Instead, there are two specific exemptions for subsets of official information: and they must choose which (or both) they are using: Evidence Code 1040(b)(1) and Evidence Code 1040(b)(2). Admin Code 67.27 requires you to choose specific exemptions. In (b)(1) they must prove what state or federal law prohibits disclosure. In (b)(2) they must prove that a balancing test in the interest of justice prevails for non-disclosure. But neither (b)(1) nor (b)(2) nor both combined simply exempt ALL information acquired in confidence by a public employee, as the City incorrectly believes. (Note that I am not disputing the applicability of the balancing test in (b)(2) due to the Mayor's COVID orders in this instance; though I reserve the right to elsewhere challenge the validity of. What I am saying is if that is what they want to use, they need to cite that test and prove with specificity that it applies to all information so exempted.)
- 8. **SF Admin Code 67.21 and 67.26 -** Each, individual, email needs to be provided as an exact copy. The To, From, Cc, Bcc need to be provided with non-private email addresses.
- 9. **SF Admin Code 67.21** and **67.26** At the end of the records appears to be some sort of formal letter transmitted to ABC7. I am owed an exact copy of that original file transmitted to ABC7 (and whatever mechanism was used to transmit that file). Any exemption for metadata (for example, any purported history that may otherwise by attorney work-product privileged if it was NOT in a file transmitted outside of the City) in the specific copy of the file sent to ABC7 is waived by transmission to ABC7.

#### On the first request (comms with judges and Mayor's Office):

The District Attorney's office has decided to go radio silent on my request and simply refuses to respond. At this moment there is no substantive response other than a lie that they would respond in 10 days (they did not).

Violations of Gov Code 6253(c), Admin Code 67.21(b), Admin Code 67.25(b) and/or Admin Code 67.25(d): In each case, Chesa Boudin and his Office violated Gov Code 6253(c) for failing to provide a determination of disclosable public records and reasons within 10 days and for unreasonably delaying provision of records to my requests. (The prior argument is based on a presumption that the Mayor's emergency COVID orders suspending certain timeliness requirements of the Ordinance are valid, but is not a concession that they are in fact valid, or continue to be in effect at any given time. In the alternative, Respondents violated Admin Code 67.21(b) and/or 67.25(b) for failing to provide records within 10 days.).

Violations of Admin Code 67.26 and 67.27: The failure or refusal of the Respondents to search and produce the records is equivalent to withholding all records in their entirety (Community Youth Athletic Center v. City of National City, "The effect of the City's inability or unwillingness to locate the records had the same effect as withholding requested information from the public."). This complete withholding is non-minimal and unjustified in writing. If and when the City eventually responds, these violations may continue as well.

Regards,

Anonymous
Twitter @journo anon

#### IMPORTANT:

1. If you are a public official: I intend that these communications all be disclosable public records, and I will not hold in confidence any of your messages, notwithstanding any notices to the contrary.

- 2. If you are NOT a public official: This communication is confidential and may contain unpublished information or confidential source information, protected by the California Shield Law, Evidence Code sec. 1070. I am a member of the electronic media and regularly publish information about the conduct of public officials.
- 3. I am not a lawyer. Nothing herein is legal, IT, or professional advice of any kind. The author disclaims all warranties, express or implied, including but not limited to all warranties of merchantability or fitness. In no event shall the author be liable for any special, direct, indirect, consequential, or any other damages whatsoever.
- 4. The digital signature (signature asc attachment), if any, in this email is not an indication of a binding agreement or offer; it merely authenticates the sender.

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# CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO Chesa Boudin District Attorney

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY



July 16, 2021

114094-50404735@requests.muckrock.com

Re: Your Public Record Act request received on June 14, 2021.

To Whom it May Concern:

This letter is in response to your Public Record Act request received by our office via email on June 14, 2021, making the following request:

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Under the Public Records Act and the Sunshine Ordinance, a "public record" is broadly defined to include "any writing containing information relating to the conduct of the public's business prepared, owned, used or retained by any state or local agency, regardless of the physical form or characteristics." Cal. Govt. Code §6252(e). If the department has no records responsive to the specific request, the department has no duty to create or recreate one.

Records that contain the work product of an attorney for the People of the State of California are protected from disclosure. Cal. Govt. Code § 6254(k); Cal. Code Civ. Proc. §2018.030. The attorney work-product doctrine functions as a privilege, protecting from disclosure "[a] writing that reflects an attorney's impressions, conclusions, opinions or legal research or theories." Cal. Code Civ. Proc. § 2018.030(a). The attorney work-product doctrine also extends beyond records prepared for litigation purposes.

The investigatory records of a law enforcement agency are exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Act. Cal. Govt. Code§ 6254(f). Case law specifically holds that a District Attorney's investigatory records cannot be subject to compelled disclosure, whether the investigation is opened or closed, under conflicting laws. Rivero v. Superior Court (1997) 54 Cal. App. 4th 1048, 1059-1060.

# CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

# OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Also, preliminary drafts, notes, or interagency or intra-agency memoranda may be exempt from disclosure under Cal. Govt. Code § 6254(a). In addition, "official information," which is acquired in confidence by a public employee in the course of his or her duty and not open, or officially disclosed, is privileged against disclosure per Cal. Evid. Code 1040 and Cal. Govt. Code § 6254(k).

Additionally, release of records regarding a juvenile would be a violation of Welfare and Institutions code 831. Additionally, the right to privacy protected by Cal. Govt. Code §§ 6250, 6254(c); Cal. Const., Art. I, §§ 1, 3(b); Admin. Code §67.1(g); Admin. Code Chapter 12M prevents these records from release.

The California Constitution includes an individual right to privacy. Both state and local law recognize as a general principle that the right to personal privacy sometimes precludes disclosure of public records or information contained in those records. Cal. Govt. Code §§ 6250, 6254(c); Cal. Const., Art. I, §§ 1, 3(b); Admin. Code §67.1(g); Admin. Code Chapter 12M. These authorities may protect private information or records from disclosure even absent a statutory or constitutional provision addressing the specific information or type of record in question.

Please see the attached responsive records to your first, second, and third request. Under the right to privacy statutes stated above, we have redacted personal cell phone numbers and emails from the records. We are withholding records under the exemptions stated above that would otherwise be responsive to your third request. We do not have any responsive records to your fourth request.

Sincerely, San Francisco District Attorney's Public Records

From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, May 21, 2021 4:30 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Cc:

Boudin, Chesa (DAT); Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV); Tuggle, Heather

Subject:

Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Rachel,

Perhaps you are mistaken— my previous email reads "family" meaning her son. He provided me a statement from his mother.

Here is also the portion of our previous email that was not addressed. Could you please respond with context surrounding the other suspects who are not minors and the circumstances pertaining to them. Again, not the minor.

It is our understanding that one suspect in this case is a minor. "California Welfare and Institutions Code" does not prohibit the DA's office from discussing the other parts of the case involving individuals who are over 18.

Many Thanks,

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area 415-517-8264 | abc7news.com

On May 21, 2021, at 4:00 PM, Marshall, Rachel (DAT) <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org> wrote:

Hi Dion,

Your information is inaccurate.

We have spoken to the victim repeatedly, including today, and she told us that she has never spoken to you directly. She has spoken with us and confirmed she would like her face blurred, which we learned has not been done on your social media accounts.

Thank you,

Rachel -

#### Rachel Marshall

Director of Communications & Policy Advisor Assistant District Attorney Office of San Francisco District Attorney Chesa Boudin Rachel.Marshall@sfgov.org San Francisco District Attorney 350 Rhode Island Street, North Building, Suite 400N

San Francisco, CA 94103 Desk: (628) 652-4193 Cell: (415) 416-4468

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Date: Friday, May 21, 2021 at 2:31 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, "Boudin, Chesa (DAT)"

<chesa@sfgov.org>

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Please be mindful of the victim's most up-to-date requests to ABC7 going forward.

Be Well,

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area 415-517-8264 | abc7news.com <image001.png>

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**Sent:** Friday, May 21, 2021 1:23 PM

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Cc: Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV) < Jeff.A.Mulligan@abc.com>; Tuggle, Heather < Heather.Tuggle@abc.com>

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Sent:

Thursday, May 20, 2021 12:53 PM

To:

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Subject:

Story Inquiry: Chinatown Today

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Hi Rachel,

Working on a piece for today's newscasts about the incident involving Fanly Chen over the weekend.

Community leaders and members of the media seemed to be under the impression Chesa would be appearing to speak to the Ms. Chen in person and to possibly empathize with her frustrations and pain. Chesa did not show up to the store today.

Can you please elaborate on why Chesa was not there and what he was attending to instead?

Note: we are not looking for comment on the suspect, as he is a minor—but solely on the circumstances surrounding Chesa's decision not to be in attendance.



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, May 3, 2021 12:51 PM

To:

Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Fwd: DION Lim: ABC7 Story Request

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F. Lim@abc.com>

Date: May 3, 2021 at 12:50:55 PM PDT

To: Rachel Marshall <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, chesa@sfglv.org

Subject: DION Lim: ABC7 Story Request

Hello Rachel,

I'm seeking comment from Chesa/your office for a story I'm working on today.

Sidney Hammond is one example of someone who committed offenses such as robbery and then released only to then commit an assault weeks later.

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Many Thanks,

From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, April 26, 2021 1:36 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Dion Lim: ABC7 News Information Request-- Dewayne Kemp

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Hi Rachel,

Checking in to learn more about Mr. Dewayne Kemp.

He was arrested and is currently in custody after an attack on two older Asian Americans along Broadway in San Francisco earlier this month.

It appears Kemp was sentenced to 5 years in federal prison but then was placed on probation. in June of 2020 his probation was terminated. Less than 10 months later he was arrested for this incident along Broadway which resulted in one victim to lose consciousness.

We have a hard deadline of 3pm.

Many Thanks,



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Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, April 23, 2021 4:06 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Re: Dion Lim: Inquiry into Carlos Claros

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Thanks Rachel-- have a great weekend.

Regards,

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Friday, April 23, 2021 3:07 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>; Boudin, Chesa (DAT) < chesa@sfgov.org>

Subject: Re: Dion Lim: Inquiry into Carlos Claros

Hi Dion,

Our office has charged Mr. Claros in this recent incident with six counts (four felonies and two misdemeanors), including attempted robbery with a gun.

We filed a motion for his detention, which was granted by a judge.

Mr. Claros is on felony probation from a 2018 incident.

Given that this is a pending case, we are limited in what else we can share at this time.

Thank you,

Rachel

From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, April 23, 2021 12:14 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Dion Lim: Inquiry into Carlos Claros

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## Hi Rachel,

We are looking for comment from Chesa on a 22-year old man named Carlos Claros. He was recently arrested for robbery, carrying a concealed firearm, possession of a firearm by a felon etc.

He appears to have quite a lengthy record including multiple strong-armed robberies including one where 3 minors were assaulted, drug possession and being in possession of a stolen car.

Can Chesa/someone at the DA's office explain the reasoning why Mr. Claros was on probation despite his extensive criminal history and Mr. Boudin's words to the victims in this recent incident?

Thank you for your help. We are turning this for our afternoon/evening newscasts and have a hard deadline of 3:15pm.



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Thursday, April 22, 2021 12:36 PM

To: Cc: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Quote Request

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Hi Rachel,

Looking for comment to the question below. Our deadline is a hard 2:30pm. Thanks in advance.

Chesa Boudin has reported overall crime to be down across the city. Despite this messaging, residents in his neighborhood are currently angered and frustrated over a recent string of crimes. This includes an incident involving a woman in her 60's who was attacked and robbed in broad daylight by men who ambushed her while on a walk several days ago.

This was only a few houses down from where Mr. Boudin lived and a few blocks from his current residence.

Knowing these crimes can happen anywhere and to anyone— and because this one happened so close to where Mr. Boudin lives and one of his loved ones could have been targeted— what would he like to see happen when the perpetrators are apprehended and what is he doing to combat the problem?



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, April 12, 2021 3:43 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Subject:

Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Very helpful-- I'll be sure to add this into my coverage.

Will let you know if we have any questions. Thanks, Rachel--

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 2:53 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F. Lim@abc.com>

Subject: Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Hi Dion,

Our office filed charges against Mr. Banks for the Twin Peaks burglary and he was released on his own recognizance. That case remains pending. In Mr. Banks's more recent case, our office has filed more than 10 felony charges against him and we sought his detention without bail. The court set bail of \$100,000 over our objection and Mr. Banks then posted bail. His preliminary hearing is set for April 15.

Thanks so much,

#### Rachel

#### Rachel Marshall

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F. Lim@abc.com>

Date: Monday, April 12, 2021 at 2:21 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Subject: Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Thanks very much. I'll be on the lookout.

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 2:16 PM

To: Lim, Dion.F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F. Lim@abc.com>

Subject: Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Hi Dion,

I will have an answer for you shortly.

Rachel

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F. Lim@abc.com>

Date: Monday, April 12, 2021 at 10:42 AM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Subject: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

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Hi Rachel,

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Can you shed some light as to why he was released after the Twin Peaks incident and his other priors?

Deadline is around 2:30 this afternoon.

Many Thanks,



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Sent:

Monday, April 12, 2021 2:21 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Subject:

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Many Thanks,



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, March 26, 2021 4:17 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Subject:

Re: Inquiry re: Young/Pasene prosecution status

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Thanks very much—hope to speak with you again soon.

# Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area 415-517-8264 | abc7news.com

On Mar 26, 2021, at 2:42 PM, Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org> wrote:

Hi Dion,

ADA Reinstedt referred your inquiry to me.

Our office is prosecuting Zion Young and Fagamalama Pasene for murder charges. The case was on for trial today but the court continued the trial to April 16.

Hope that helps.

Rachel

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, March 26, 2021 12:40 PM

To:

Reinstedt, Dane (DAT)

Subject:

Dion Lim: ABC7 News Kelvin Chew's Family

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Hello Dane,

This is Dion Lim, anchor/reporter at ABC7 News.

I've been talking with the Chew family and conducted an interview with them today. They recommended I reach out to you.

I'm looking for some details as to where the case stands now.

Can you please give me a call at the number below? I'm on deadline for this afternoon.

Much Appreciated,



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, March 5, 2021 5:41 PM

To:

Burris, Courtney (DAT)

Subject:

Re: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Request

Thank you for your reply.

I believe Ms. Martinez has been reaching out to the Da's office to obtain a restraining order against her assailant. Can you shed some light into why she was not able to get one-- and are you able to help her get one quickly?

Despite her perpetrator being in custody she is quite traumatized knowing he raped a woman and is afraid for her safety if he gets out.

I believe a restraining order would allow her to return to some sense of normalcy.

Many Thanks,

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From: Burris, Courtney (DAT) < courtney.burris@sfgov.org>

Sent: Friday, March 5, 2021 4:29 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com> Subject: RE: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Request

Hi Dion,

Yes, I am the assigned ADA. I took over the matter when he picked up the new case while out of custody, currently handling both. We are working with Ms. Martinez and she has made recent contact with our office.

Best regards,

Courtney Burris
Assistant District Attorney
Child Assault Sex Assault Unit
District Six Liason Team
San Francisco District Attorney's Office
350 Rhode Island St. Suite 400N, San Francisco California
(415) 553-1801

From: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F. Lim@abc.com>

**Sent:** Friday, March 5, 2021 12:59 PM

To: Burris, Courtney (DAT) <courtney.burris@sfgov.org>

Subject: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Request

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# Hi Courtney,

Looking for confirmation you are working with a woman named Miriam Martinez involved in a kidnapping and false imprisonment case from September of 2020.

Have you spoken with her or attempted contact recently? I believe the email for Ms. Martinez's Victims Services Advocate, Amanda Esquivel is no longer working.

Thanks,



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Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, March 5, 2021 12:59 PM

To:

Burris, Courtney (DAT)

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Thursday, March 4, 2021 11:33 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

ABC7 News Story Friday

This message is from outside the City email system. Do not open links or attachments from untrusted sources.

#### Hello:

Seeking comment from Chesa on a story set to air tomorrow pertaining to a man in custody named Allan Stewart.

Has Chesa been in contact with the victims of the September felony kidnapping and false imprisonment—and the assault and rape later in November?

Can Chesa elaborate more on the decision of allowing Stewart to wear an ankle monitor versus keeping him behind bars despite his extensive criminal history?

Thank you,

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 1, 2021 11:18 AM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT);Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

New York Times Article Quote

This message is from outside the City email system. Do not open links or attachments from untrusted sources.

Hi Rachel,

Looking for reaction from Chesa to the New York Times piece where he is quoted as stating Antoine Watson was "in some sort of temper tantrum".

Can he please elaborate on his definition of "temper tantrum"?

Does he find the actions of Mr. Watson (banging his hand on a nearby car) in line with the term "temper tantrum" and an appropriate reason for his actions in pushing and killing Mr. Ratanapakdee?

Our piece is airing tonight.

Thanks,

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area 415-517-8264 | abc7news.com



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, February 5, 2021 5:55 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Re: ABC7 Statement Request

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Note: we are going on the air in about 25 minutes.

Thanks Much,

Dion Lim ABC7 News Anchor/Reporter 415-517-8264

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THE BOOK: https://amzn.to/2WXPk8t
THE CHRONICLE: https://bit.ly/2Z3BioD

From: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Sent: Friday, February 5, 2021 5:42 PM

To: Rachel.Marshall@sfgov.org <Rachel.Marshall@sfgov.org>; chesa@sfgov.org <chesa@sfgov.org>

Subject: ABC7 Statement Request

Hello:

Looking to see if we can get a reaction to documents we have received showing the DA dropped Jerry Lyons' stolen vehicle arrest from October of 2020.

Thank you,

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, February 5, 2021 5:43 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

ABC7 Statement Request

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:21 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Subject:

Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Inquiry

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Hi Rachel,

Looking to see if I can get a response from Chesa on the mayor and Catherine Stefani asking SFPD to pull robbery, burglary, gang arrests to see how many cases include suspects who were deferred to other agencies or dropped.

Thanks Much,

Dion Lim ABC7 News Anchor/Reporter 415-517-8264

From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, January 4, 2021 2:14 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Subject:

Fw: MEDIA ADVISORY: SFPOA Calls for Independent Oversight Panel to Review DA Charging

Decisions & Conflicts of Interest

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Also: any response from the DA's office on this?

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MEDIA ADVISORY TODAY Monday, January 4, 2021

#### Contact:

Tom Saggau (408) 209-6813 tom@saggau-derollo.com

Dustin DeRollo (408) 499-6195 dustin@saggau-derollo.com

# SFPOA Calls for Independent Oversight Panel to Review DA Charging Decisions & Conflicts of Interest

Demand comes following two people killed by a repeat offender Chesa Boudin refused to charge for past crimes San Francisco, CA—Following the New Year's Eve double vehicle homicide of Hanako Abe and Elizabeth Platt by Troy McAlister, a violent repeat offender who was released after a plea bargain by the District Attorney, the San Francisco Police Officers Association is demanding the creation of an Independent Oversight Panel to review Chesa Boudin's criminal charging decisions.

Furthermore, based on preliminary information that Chesa Boudin, as a public defender, may have represented McAlister in a 2015-armed robbery case, the SFPOA is requesting that the District Attorney's Office go under a thorough independent review of potential conflicts of interests in criminal cases, including a full analysis of individuals and cases that are still active of former Office of the Public Defender employees who are now employed by Chesa Boudin. Additionally, the SFPOA requests that all records related to the court proceedings for the 2015 armed-robbery case be released publicly, including the plea deal.

"Two people were killed on New Year's Eve because Chesa Boudin refused to do his job, which is to hold criminals and victimizers accountable," said Tony Montoya, President of the San Francisco Police Officers' Association. "Now, rather than accept any responsibility for the deadly impacts of his failures, he's blamed no less than three other public agencies for his own mistake. It's arrogant, juvenile and pathetic."

In March of 2020, McAlister and Boudin's office came to a sentencing agreement for a 2015-armed robbery with a firearm that resulted in McAlister not serving another day in prison, he was released immediately on parole. Since that time, McAlister has been arrested multiple times by SFPD and potentially other law enforcement agencies operating in San Francisco. Chesa Boudin has failed to file criminal charges in each of these cases.

"From secret Grand Jury proceedings to sweetheart deals for career criminals being cut by Mr. Boudin behind closed doors, the public deserves transparency and accountability from their District Attorney," Montoya continued. "It's time for a public, independent review of the District Attorney's actions and for a full accounting of conflicts of interest in his office before anyone else gets killed by another career criminal."

#### What:

Interviews with SFPOA President Tony Montoya on calls for DA oversight

#### Who:

Tony Montoya, President, SFPOA
Tracy McCray, Vice President, SFPOA

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TODAY 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM; 3:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Please call to arrange an appointment time.

#### Where:

Via Zoom or call to arrange a COVID compliant interview.

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, January 4, 2021 1:10 PM

To: Cc: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) #KGOTV Assignment Desk

Subject:

Re: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

Rachel,

Thanks for your help facilitating last night's 11:30 Zoom interview.

Wanted to circle back and see if Chesa will be commenting on today's response from DCPD and SFPD's POA that they acted in accordance to protocol when dealing with Mr. McAlister.

Thanks,

Dion Lim ABC7 News Anchor/Reporter 415-517-8264

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Sunday, January 3, 2021 10:38 PM To: Walsh, Ed <Ed.Walsh@abc.com>

Cc: Stone, JR <JR.Stone@abc.com>; Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV) <Shari.M.Stuerenberg@abc.com>; Lim, Dion F.

(KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Subject: Re: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

Great, thanks!

#### Rachel Marshall

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From: "Walsh, Ed" <Ed.Walsh@abc.com> ::
Date: Sunday, January 3, 2021 at 10:37 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Cc: JR Stone Abc Stone <JR.Stone@abc.com>, "Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV)" <Shari.M.Stuerenberg@abc.com>, "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" <Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Subject: RE: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

If you could have him log in by around 11:20 p.m. or earlier that would be great, so we can make sure the connection is OK.

Thanks again



#### Ed Walsh • Assignment Editor

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent: Sunday, January 3, 2021 10:35 PM

To: Walsh, Ed

Cc: Stone, JR; Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV); Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Subject: Re: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

Just to clarify—the DA should log in right at 11:30?

#### Rachel Marshall

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From: "Walsh, Ed" <Ed.Walsh@abc.com> Date: Sunday, January 3, 2021 at 9:50 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Cc: JR Stone Abc Stone <JR.Stone@abc.com>, "Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV)" <Shari.M.Stuerenberg@abc.com>, "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" <Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Subject: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

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Thanks for doing this.

This is the Zoom link for the 11:30 p.m. live interview with Chesa Boudin.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84564768652?pwd=YnlrWIVITk5nOHhFTUh3SjBYdXJ1dz09

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Sunday, January 3, 2021 10:36 PM Marshall, Rachel (DAT);Walsh, Ed

To: Cc:

Stone, JR;Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV)

Subject:

Re: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

Hi Rachel,

It's best if he logs in a few minutes before hand so we can test his signal and adjust his shot if needed.

Please try for 11:25 if he can.

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

**Sent:** Sunday, January 3, 2021 10:34 PM **To:** Walsh, Ed <Ed.Walsh@abc.com>

Cc: Stone, JR <JR.Stone@abc.com>; Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV) <Shari.M.Stuerenberg@abc.com>; Lim, Dion F.

(KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Subject: Re: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

Just to clarify—the DA should log in right at 11:30?

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From: "Walsh, Ed" <Ed.Walsh@abc.com> Date: Sunday, January 3, 2021 at 9:50 PM To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Cc: JR Stone Abc Stone <JR.Stone@abc.com>, "Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV)"

<Shari.M.Stuerenberg@abc.com>, "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" <Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

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From:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent:

Friday, May 21, 2021 4:00 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV);Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Cc:

Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV); Tuggle, Heather

Subject:

'Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Dion,

Your information is inaccurate.

We have spoken to the victim repeatedly, including today, and she told us that she has never spoken to you directly. She has spoken with us and confirmed she would like her face blurred, which we learned has not been done on your social media accounts.

Thank you,

Rachel

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Date: Friday, May 21, 2021 at 2:31 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, "Boudin, Chesa (DAT)" <chesa@sfgov.org>

Cc: "Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV)" < Jeff.A.Mulligan@abc.com>, "Tuggle, Heather" < Heather.Tuggle@abc.com>

Subject: Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Rachel,

It is our understanding that one suspect in this case is a minor. "California Welfare and Institutions Code" does not prohibit the DA's office from discussing the other parts of the case involving individuals who are over 18.

The victim's family and I have been corresponding and they are aware of my prior Tweets and what they would like to be included or excluded in our story.

Please be mindful of the victim's most up-to-date requests to ABC7 going forward.

Be Well,

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Friday, May 21, 2021 1:23 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>; Boudin, Chesa (DAT) < chesa@sfgov.org>

Cc: Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV) < Jeff.A. Mulligan@abc.com>; Tuggle, Heather < Heather.Tuggle@abc.com>

Subject: Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Dion,

Pursuant to the California Welfare and Institutions Code, we are legally prohibited from discussing anything related to a juvenile case, and this should not be interpreted as confirming or denying anything about the case status or the claims you made. Additionally, my understanding is that you spoke with an ADA in our juvenile unit a while back regarding privacy concerns with this case and that you agreed to blur out the face of the victim in this case per the victim's request. We were advised that it has not been blurred on your social media accounts. Please be mindful of the victim's request in any update.

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F. Lim@abc.com>

Date: Friday, May 21, 2021 at 11:12 AM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, "Boudin, Chesa (DAT)" <chesa@sfgov.org>

Cc: "Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV)" < Jeff.A.Mulligan@abc.com>, "Tuggle, Heather" < Heather.Tuggle@abc.com>

Subject: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

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We realize the suspects involved include minors—but we are not asking for information on the suspects themselves, rather information on the status of the case.

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Was DNA evidence needed despite multiple cell phone videos provided by witnesses and surveillance from the store itself? There were also witnesses who gave statements to law enforcement after the incident happened.

Many Thanks,

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Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent:

Friday, May 21, 2021 1:24 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV);Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Cc:

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Subject:

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From:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent:

Monday, May 3, 2021 2:54 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Subject:

Re: DION Lim: ABC7 Story Request

Dion,

Our office is charging Mr. Hammond with multiple felonies and misdemeanors for the assault that occurred on April 30, 2021 and we will seek his detention at arraignment. He has a pending case for allegedly stealing eggs from a local market and then pushing a store employee on his way out. There were no injuries in connection with that case.

The DA's Office is continually seeking increased tools to promote public safety.

From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Monday, May 3, 2021 at 12:51 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, "chesa@sfglv.org" <chesa@sfglv.org>

Subject: DION Lim: ABC7 Story Request

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Hello Rachel,

I'm seeking comment from Chesa/your office for a story I'm working on today.

Sidney Hammond is one example of someone who committed offenses such as robbery and then released only to then commit an assault weeks later.

While I can not comment or confirm if this person has mental health issues— nor do I expect or want confirmation or comment on his health— what are some of the measures being put into the place to ensure those who are/might be in need of medical assistance (for something such as mental health) are treated versus let back out into the general public to re-offend?

Many Thanks,

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From: Sent: To: Subject:	Marshall, Rachel (DAT) Friday, April 23, 2021 3:07 PM Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV);Boudin, ( Re: Dion Lim: Inquiry into Carlo				
Hi Dion,		•			
Our office has chattempted robbe	arged Mr. Claros in this recent incidery with a gun.	dent with six counts (f	four felonies and two	misdemeanors), inclu	ıding
We filed a motio	n for his detention, which was gran	ited by a judge.			
Mr. Claros is on	elony probation from a 2018 incide	ent.			
Given that this is	a pending case, we are limited in v	vhat else we can shar	e at this time.		
Thank you,					
Rachel					
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From:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent:

Thursday, April 22, 2021 2:20 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Cc:

Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Re: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Quote Request

Hi Dion,

DA Boudin cares about everyone in San Francisco being and feeling safe, whether they live in his own community or any other. He has filed more than 5,000 new prosecutions since taking office and is focused on continuing to promote public safety.

#### Rachel

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 12:37 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Cc: "Boudin, Chesa (DAT)" <chesa@sfgov.org>

Subject: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Quote Request

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Hi Rachel,

Looking for comment to the question below. Our deadline is a hard 2:30pm. Thanks in advance.

Chesa Boudin has reported overall crime to be down across the city. Despite this messaging, residents in his neighborhood are currently angered and frustrated over a recent string of crimes. This includes an incident involving a woman in her 60's who was attacked and robbed in broad daylight by men who ambushed her while on a walk several days ago.

This was only a few houses down from where Mr. Boudin lived and a few blocks from his current residence.

Knowing these crimes can happen anywhere and to anyone— and because this one happened so close to where Mr. Boudin lives and one of his loved ones could have been targeted— what would he like to see happen when the perpetrators are apprehended and what is he doing to combat the problem?

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area



From:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent:

Monday, April 12, 2021 2:54 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Subject:

Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Hi Dion,

Our office filed charges against Mr. Banks for the Twin Peaks burglary and he was released on his own recognizance. That case remains pending. In Mr. Banks's more recent case, our office has filed more than 10 felony charges against him and we sought his detention without bail. The court set bail of \$100,000 over our objection and Mr. Banks then posted bail. His preliminary hearing is set for April 15.

Thanks so much,

Rachel

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Monday, April 12, 2021 at 2:21 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Subject: Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Thanks very much. I'll be on the lookout.

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 2:16 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F. Lim@abc.com>

Subject: Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Hi Dion,

I will have an answer for you shortly.

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Monday, April 12, 2021 at 10:42 AM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Subject: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

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Hi Rachel,

I'm looking for some information about an individual named Roman Banks. He appears to have been part of a car burglary near Twin Peaks in December then was part of a hot prowl burglary a couple months later involving Asian senior citizens and a weapon.

Can you shed some light as to why he was released after the Twin Peaks incident and his other priors?

Deadline is around 2:30 this afternoon.

Many Thanks,

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From:

Burris, Courtney (DAT)

Sent:

Friday, March 5, 2021 4:29 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Subject:

RE: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Request

Hi Dion,

Yes, I am the assigned ADA. I took over the matter when he picked up the new case while out of custody, currently handling both. We are working with Ms. Martinez and she has made recent contact with our office.

Best regards,

Courtney Burris
Assistant District Attorney
Child Assault Sex Assault Unit
District Six Liason Team
San Francisco District Attorney's Office
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(415) 553-1801

From: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent: Friday, March 5, 2021 12:59 PM

To: Burris, Courtney (DAT) <courtney.burris@sfgov.org>

Subject: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Request

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·Hi Courtney,

Looking for confirmation you are working with a woman named Miriam Martinez involved in a kidnapping and false imprisonment case from September of 2020.

Have you spoken with her or attempted contact recently? I believe the email for Ms. Martinez's Victims Services Advocate, Amanda Esquivel is no longer working.

Thanks,

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area







Radley

Mon, May 31, 1:03 PM

Hi Radley. Is now still a good time?

Sorry about that. Can you talk in a half hour?

Yep that's perfect

"If you'd like I'll just inform you - and perhaps you can forward this to your mom, that I have double sourcing that all charges in her case against the perpetrators have been dropped. The DA's office is citing lack of DNA guidance despite multiple cameras recording the incident and positive IDs on all suspects. They are all back on the streets."

To which I responded

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I will double check on who exactly was





















Done

I am going to send you the texts that the reporter sent to my son, and which prompted my 'quote'. I am copying them from the texts.

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Will keep you posted. I'll circle back with my sources this afternoon (\*This was Friday) and get back more details if there are any of note"

Then she goes on a bit later :

"I told my editorial team about what happened and they're very fired up and have me following up on this case after all. It looks like another source is not certain all of the suspects were apprehended but confirm the case was dropped entirely.

I am going to ask the DA's office what happened. I dont think they'll be forthcoming but I'd like to hold someone accountable for letting the case go with no consequence.

While your mother does not want to be on camera or be involved in any way- it would strengthen the case for community service or for the case to be revived if you or someone who knows her would speak.

Even if it were anonymously - or if I could paraphrase and convey your reaction without



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Even if it were anonymously - or if I could paraphrase and convey your reaction without revealing your name or identity in any way it would add impact to an otherwise one-dimensional piece. I'd like others to understand the ramifications of what is happening in our criminal justice system"

#### She goes on:

"OK so here is what I have learned from my sources which are high-level law-enforcement and within the DAs office.

This is the direct quote I'm allowed to use from the DA source 'I spoke with someone within the DAs office who has filed hundreds of cases and it is illogical not to file this case given the state of the evidence'

Law enforcement triple confirm the three suspects were apprehended. One was a minor. The woman who was the getaway driver apparently was able to get your mothers credit card. The getaway driver's mother was later caught making some kind of cash transfer using you mom's card onto an app.

Police issued a warrant for that mother's arrest but the DA refused it citing she was not part of the original investigation.

TheDA cited he needed 'video of the actual cash transfer' - despite there being a digital record of the fraud on the app and probably on your mom's bank statements/Cc statement.

The district attorney also asked the investigators for the black hoodie the suspect was wearing as evidence. Completely disregarding the fact there was surveillance and witness video"

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In order to have more ammunition to rebut the DAs office and hold them accountable - may I tell the DAs office that you and I have spoken that you are OK with my initial tweet as long as I continue to blur her face out in any additional coverage?

A high level source WITHIN the DA's office also sent this to me: 'I spoke with someone within the DA's office who has filed hundreds of cases and says it is illogical not to file this case given the state of evidence'. It's a quote he/she is allowing me to use."



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"Truly pathetic" Sources tell me charges were dropped in the case of this 75-year old woman who was dragged by her hair & assaulted in an attempted carjacking in the Richmond in March.

I wanted to know why & reached out to Rachel Marshall...

(1/4) https://t.co/orB73tb3UJ



**Dion Lim** 

twitter.com

Romeybooth@gmail.com

Safeway Carjacking Good Samaritan

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Hello, my name is Harry Mulholland and I've been told by Romey Booth that



























## Radley >

Hello, my name is Harry Mulholland and I've been told by Romey Booth that you've been trying to contact me about the attempted carjacking and assault at Safeway in the Richmond a few months ago. This is my personal email, and my phone number is <u>415-672-8140</u>. I'm happy to help out with the case.

Tue, Jun 1, 7:24 AM

Hi Radley. Just checking in.
Were you able to connect with
the victim? Is it okay if I share
your contact info with Rachel
Marshall, our communications
director?

Tue, Jun 1, 9:54 AM

Please do. I spoke with Mullholland. I haven't yet heard back from the victim. Emailed her yesterday.

One question: Mullholland says he thought the police



























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Correct. Not public information.

Law section legislature.ca.gov



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Radley >

legislature.ca.gov

Those two sections govern confidentiality of information. from juvenile cases, including police reports

Wed, Jun 2, 8:39 AM

Thanks. Still haven't heard from the victim. Does she know I'm trying to get in touch? Given that the DA's office can't officially comment, I'm not sure I can write this unless she's up for talking to me.

Right. I can call her later today.

I'm trying not to be too involved. She said she wanted to clear this up and asked me to pass on her email. I'll follow up on that to see if that's what she still wants.





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Radley >

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Mon, Jun 7, 5:52 PM

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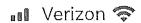












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Radley Balko >



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And finally, think best not to quote us but can try to steer you towards some juvenile advocacy folks if you want a quote on the importance of juvenile confidentiality

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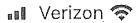




















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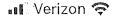


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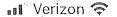
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  - Misleading: the conference was significantly longer than scheduled and had ended. Ms. Lim spent more time asking questions than any other reporter present.

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   this comment frequently, including to draw
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   made anti-Asian remarks and to have described the
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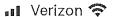
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- Ms. Lim nonetheless tweeted "Banks was released in the Twin Peaks burglary on his own recognizance & was arrested for 10 felony charges in the recent case. He's out on \$100K bail. Watching closely to see if charges get dropped & when the charges got filed."
  - o Does not mention DA's office filed 10 felony charges (only arrest)
  - o Does not mention DA objected to bail being set and had sought his detention

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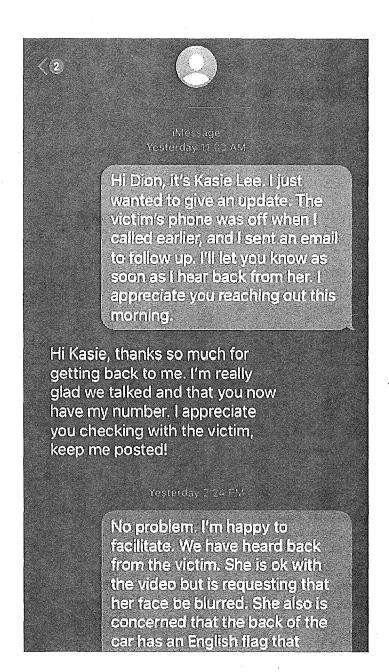
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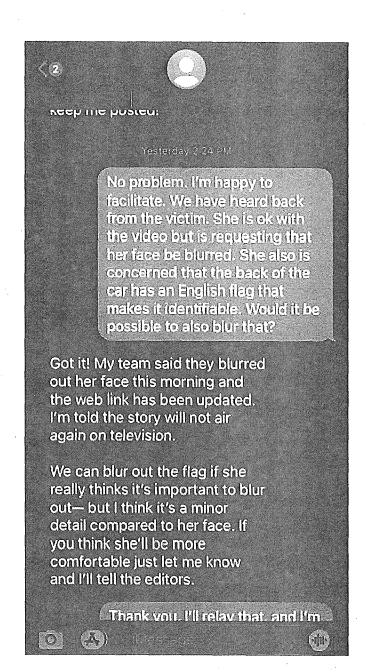


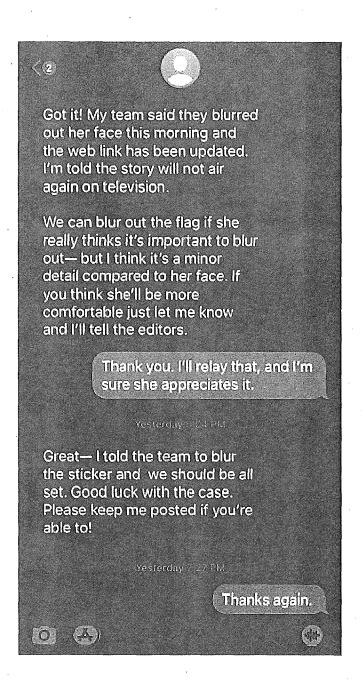


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- As an additional example, Ms. Lim covered a story on ABC TV on <u>February 5, 2021</u> about an Oakland case
  - She also never named the suspect (arrested in Alameda County) nor did she ever raise questions about any of his recent priors and his releases in Alameda County.
- As yet another example, when a recent <u>attack</u> happened in Oakland in May, Ms. Lim never once blamed or even mentioned the DA there.









Chesa Boudin District Attorney

Dear ABC7 News / KGO-TV,

I am writing in regard to an armed carjacking case that took place on Friday, June 18, 2021 in San Francisco. Our Victim Services Division, along with the Coalition of Community Safety and Justice, has been working closely with the victim since the incident. While working with the victim, we learned that ABC 7 reporter Dion Lim published private information and statements attributed to the victim on her social media accounts that the victim would like immediately removed.

As you can imagine, being a victim of an armed carjacking is an extremely traumatic experience. This is also an open, pending investigation, and the suspect has yet to be apprehended. Putting personal information about the victim along with his statements to the police into the public sphere potentially endangers the victim and his family and, indeed, the victim is fearful as a result of this.

The victim maintains that he did not know how Dion Lim received his telephone number but contacted him out of the blue. He agreed to an interview only to promote awareness and to remind his fellow neighbors to be vigilant. He did not consent to ABC 7 sharing personal details about him publicly or to have specific quotes attributed to him. He did not agree to have his story shared on any social media accounts. He thought the story would be shared on ABC 7's website only. He reached out to the Chinese interpreter who Dion Lim used to interview him and requested that the social media posts be removed; however, the interpreter later responded that the information shared is the same as that provided in the police report so ABC 7 and Dion Lim will not be removing anything. As you know, the police report has not been made public; we are also unclear of why ABC 7 and Dion Lim would have a copy of a police report in an open, pending investigation. The victim also advised us that Dion Lim told them that she read the police report.

The victim has requested the following:

- 1. In the article by Dion Lim posted on ABC 7's website, please remove the sentence about the victim returning to his Sunset home after dropping off his wife at work. Who the victim resides with is not newsworthy, and he does not wish for this information to be made public. He believes this places his family in danger.
- 2. On Dion Lim's Twitter account, please remove the tweet with the direct quote, "He doesn't want me sharing his name because the suspect asked him details about his family and who lives with him." The victim did not provide consent for this quote to be attributed to him, does not believe the quote does anything to promote public safety, and would like for it to be removed from all platforms.

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3. On Dion Lim's social media accounts in which the statement, "I had no choice, if I don't do anything maybe I will die, He will kill me," the victim strongly requests that they be taken down. He only wanted to send a message to the public that vigilance is important; however, he believes the quote itself is extremely provocative, and sharing it is completely against his wishes.

We hope that you can be sympathetic to the victim's valid concerns and respect the victim's above-stated wishes.

Best regards,

David Campos Chief of Staff

Office of the District Attorney

06/18/2021

Subject: California Public Records Act Request: Boudin-Judge communications - Immediate disclosure ...

Provide any communications (including any group conversations) of any form on personal or govt property between DA Boudin or any DA employee and any person who is a local, state, or federal judge at the time of the communication, Chief Scott, Mayor London Breed, Andy Lynch, Jeff Cretan, Sean Elsbernd, or Andrea Bruss. You may exclude any communication that is formally served on an adversarial party, publicly posted by a Court, or publicly posted on the Internet.

Search at least the following: email, chat, letters, text message, instant message, direct message. private message in all apps or social networks. Preserve all original records pending the final adjudication of all appeals - we may appeal all withholdings.

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06/18/2021

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## From: Muckrock Stafff

07/07/2021

Subject: RE: California Public Records Act Request: Boudin-Judge communications - Immediate disclos...

To Whom It May Concern:

I wanted to follow up on the following California Public Records Act request, copied below, and originally submitted on June 18, 2021. Please let me know when I can expect to receive a response.

Thanks for your help, and let me know if further clarification is needed.

#### Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

From: Anonymoose \$\forall Q \le arecordsrequestor@protonmail.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 21, 2021 4:53 PM

To: SFDA Public Records; Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT);

District Attorney, (DAT); Burke, Robyn (DAT); Records, Supervisor (CAT); FEITELBERG,

BRITTANY (CAT); dennis.herrera@sfcityatty.org; SOTF, (BOS)

Subject: Fw: 67.21(d) petition & new SOTF Complaint vs Chesa Boudin and DA's Office 01

Attachments: Exhibit 5 - Boudin\_Radley Balko article records - Immediate disclosure request •

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#### **SOTF & Supervisor of Records Herrera:**

This is a first amendment to, but not replacement of, the petition/complaint with all exhibits filed last Friday below, and an addition of the attached exhibits #4 and 5.

"When public employees break the law, my administration will hold them accountable. No one in San Francisco is above the law." - Respondent Boudin, July 8, 2021

Respondents now purport to retract from public disclosure certain information, including names, phone numbers, and email addresses of what are apparently witnesses, victims, or their associates in a case with at least one juvenile subject, that were previously disclosed to me in this request (and within the original unredacted exhibits). (If Respondents desire and have the authority to censor the official complaint file with the prior unredacted exhibits, that is a matter they will have to take up with SOTF and Supervisor of Records themselves.) Respondents added the following written justification when purporting to retract the info:

"In my previous disclosure I inadvertently attached an unredacted version of the responsive records that contained confidential contact information and names which should have been redacted. The California Constitution includes an individual right to privacy. Both state and local law recognize as a general principle that the right to personal privacy sometimes precludes disclosure of public records or information contained in those records. Cal. Govt. Code §§ 6250, 6254(c); Cal. Const., Art. I, §§ 1, 3(b); Admin. Code §67.1(g); Admin. Code Chapter 12M."

As context: the purported retractions appear to be part of a text message communication by **Kasie Lee**, Interim Chief of Victim Services Division and Assistant District Attorney, to journalist and non-City-employee **Radley Balko**. Balko appears to have then used this information to write an opinion column in the Washington Post defending Respondents and criticizing another reporter, Dion Lim, <a href="https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2021/06/14/bogus-backlash-against-progressive-prosecutors/">https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2021/06/14/bogus-backlash-against-progressive-prosecutors/</a> -- after communicating with the witnesses and/or victims apparently through the contact information provided by Respondents.

Therefore, in addition to the original allegations, I also allege the following violations:

- Additional violation of Gov Code 6254.5: This is now additional information selectively disclosed to one journalist and not the public. In fact, Respondents' Director of Communications Rachel Marshall states to Lim in these same records "Pursuant to the California Welfare and Institutions Code, we are legally prohibited from discussing anything related to a juvenile case..." (emphasis mine) What is especially troubling is that this selective disclosure was done by Respondents in favor of one supportive journalist, with whom they also shared their own critiques of Lim, even while arguing to Lim their inability to discuss the case with her due to juvenile casefile related exemptions. Lim asks for the "status" of the case and is rebuffed on the above citation, but then some info is indeed provided by Respondents to Balko.
- Additional violation of Admin Code 67.26: By disclosing the information to Balko, they must disclose it to the general public. Also, it is unclear how the *names* (as opposed to the private contact info) can be considered an

unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Of the names, at least one is known publicly — in fact it is stated in the column written by Balko after Respondents' disclosure to him. Generally the Gov Code 6254(c) exemption is applied to the personal contact info, not the name of a person. Even if SOTF decides not to order disclosed some of the information previously disclosed to Balko but now purportedly retracted in order to protect third-party privacy rights in spite of the Respondents' violations, it should nevertheless find Respondents violated the law due to the selective disclosure.

• Violation of Gov Code 6253(d): Respondents are required to identify the name and title of every person *responsible* for withholding the information, but did not do so. Who do we hold responsible here?

Regards,

Anonymous
Twitter @journo anon

#### **IMPORTANT:**

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#### From: twitter.com/journo anon

0.6/14/2021

Subject: California Public Records Act Request: Boudin/Radley Balko article records - Immediate disclo...

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To Whom It May Concern:

This is regarding https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2021/06/14/bogus-backlashagainst-progressive-prosecutors/ by Radley Balko

Pursuant to the SF Sunshine Ordinance and California Public Records Act, I hereby request the following records:

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Preserve all responsive records. All withholdings or violations may be appealed. Provide rolling responses – this means pursuant to SFAC 67.25(d) you must provide records no later than the end of business day those records are reviewed, without waiting for the other records to be ready.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 calendar days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

twitter.com/journo\_anon

## From: San Francisco District Attorney's office

06/15/2021

Subject: RE: California Public Records Act Request: Boudin/Radley Balko article records - Immediate di...



Thank you for your request. As a preliminary matter, the purpose of the immediate disclosure request is to expedite the City's response to a "simple, routine, or otherwise readily answerable request." Admin. Code 67.25(a). The Sunshine Ordinance specifies that for more extensive or demanding requests, the maximum deadlines for responding to a request apply. Id. Accordingly, a requester's mere designation of a request as an immediate disclosure request does not automatically make it so. Rather, Admin. Code 67.25(b) makes clear that the City can invoke an extension of 10 days provided the reasons for the extension are set forth and as long as the

requester is notified by the close of pusiness the day following the request.

Processing your request requires searching for, collecting, and examining a voluminous amount of possibly responsive and non-privileged records. We are invoking our extension and will respond within 10 days.

Best,

SFDA Public Records



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#### From: Muckrock Staff

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Subject: RE: California Public Records Act Request: Boudin/Radley Balko article records - Immediate di...

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07/16/2021

Subject: RE: California Public Records Act Request: Boudin/Radley Balko article records - Immediate di...



Thank you for your patience, we are working on responding to all requests as soon as possible but have limited staff. Attached please find the response and responsive records to this request.

Best,

SFDA Public Records

MuckRock Note: Per the agency's request, this original file was removed from the site.



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#### From: San Francisco District Attorney's office

07/16/2021

Subject: Re: California Public Records Act Request: Boudin/Radley Balko article records - Immediate dis...

Dear Anonymous,

In my previous disclosure I inadvertently attached an unredacted version of the responsive records that contained confidential contact information and names which should have been redacted. The California Constitution includes an individual right to privacy. Both state and local law recognize as a general principle that the right to personal privacy sometimes precludes disclosure of public records or information contained in those records. Cal. Govt. Code §§ 6250, 6254(c); Cal. Const., Art. I, §§ 1, 3(b); Admin. Code §67.1(g); Admin. Code Chapter 12M.

Please remove the posting and delete from your inbox these unredacted records and we will send you the corrected version as soon as possible.

Thank you,

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Best,

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Responsive Records Lim - Balko correspondence\_Redacted

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## From: twitter.com/journo anon

07/17/2021

Subject: RE: California Public Records Act Request: Boudin/Radley Balko article records - Immediate di...

Good evening District Attorney's Office:

- 1. The original records you provided are already exhibits submitted within my complaints to the SOTF and Supervisor of Records (the complaints were not related to this now purported retraction, but numerous other alleged violations). If you believe you have the authority to somehow redact formal complaint filings you will need to take that up with SOTF and SoR directly. While I had already cited Gov Code 6254.21 in the complaint that applies to even more info now that some info you voluntarily disclosed to non-City-employee journalist Balko has been purportedly retracted from me.
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examine all communications re: your office (or your DCAs) attempts to take down the info. The last time the City attempted to retract text messages released to me, they were the allegedly incriminating texts between Harlan Kelly and Walter Wong, so I am highly skeptical of the City's efforts to cover up releases (see: https://www.kqed.org/news/11863771/sf-corruption-saga-newly-released-messages-between-former-sfpuc-chief-and-city-contractor-suggest-cozy-relationship).

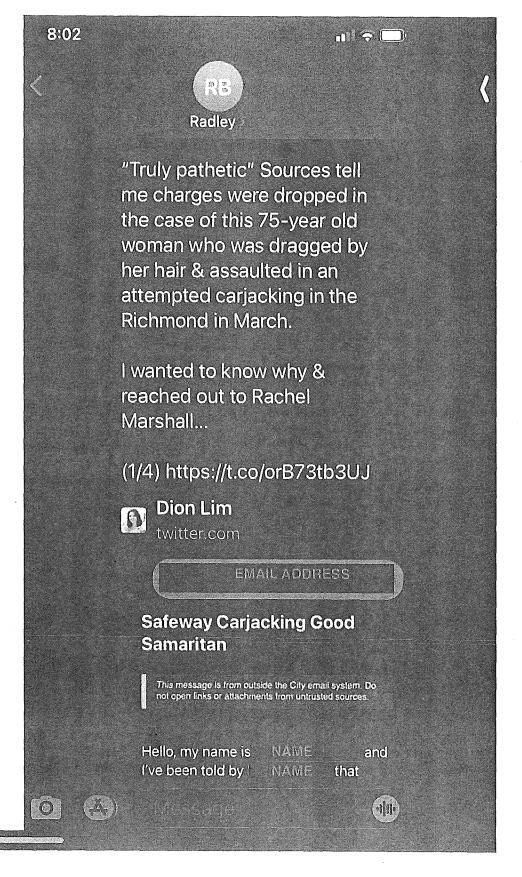
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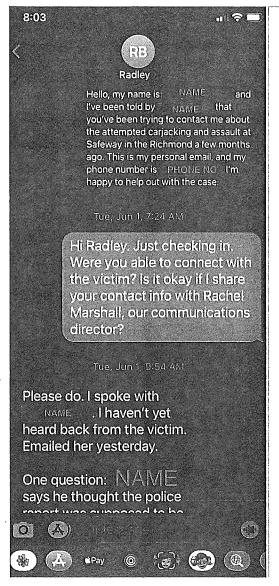
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# EXHIBIT 4 - Apparent retractions of information

New Redactions By Respondents

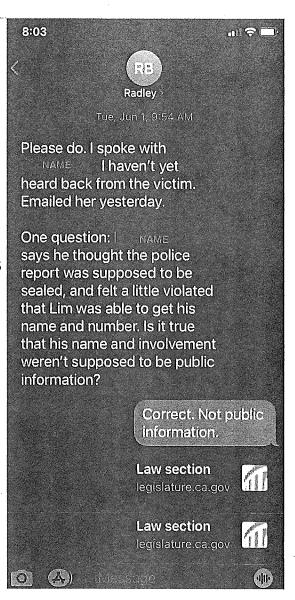
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New
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From:

Anonymoose

To:

Records, Supervisor (CAT); SOTF, (BOS)

Subject:

67.21(d) petition & new SOTF Complaint vs Chesa Boudin and DA"s Office 01

Date:

Friday, July 16, 2021 7:24:09 PM

Attachments:

<u>1 - Boudin-Judge communications - Immediate disclosure request =E2=80=A2 Mu=.pdf</u>

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, May 21, 2021 4:30 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Cc:

Boudin, Chesa (DAT); Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV); Tuggle, Heather

Subject:

Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Rachel,

Perhaps you are mistaken— my previous email reads "family" meaning her son. He provided me a statement from his mother.

Here is also the portion of our previous email that was not addressed. Could you please respond with context surrounding the other suspects who are not minors and the circumstances pertaining to them. Again, not the minor.

It is our understanding that one suspect in this case is a minor. "California Welfare and Institutions Code" does not prohibit the DA's office from discussing the other parts of the case involving individuals who are over 18.

Many Thanks,

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area 415-517-8264 | abc7news.com

On May 21, 2021, at 4:00 PM, Marshall, Rachel (DAT) <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org> wrote:

Hi Dion,

Your information is inaccurate.

We have spoken to the victim repeatedly, including today, and she told us that she has never spoken to you directly. She has spoken with us and confirmed she would like her face blurred, which we learned has not been done on your social media accounts.

Thank you,

Rachel

#### Rachel Marshall

Director of Communications & Policy Advisor Assistant District Attorney Office of San Francisco District Attorney Chesa Boudin Rachel.Marshall@sfgov.org San Francisco District Attorney 350 Rhode Island Street, North Building, Suite 400N San Francisco, CA 94103 Desk: (628) 652-4193 Cell: (415) 416-4468

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Date: Friday, May 21, 2021 at 2:31 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, "Boudin, Chesa (DAT)"

<chesa@sfgov.org>

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Please be mindful of the victim's most up-to-date requests to ABC7 going forward.

Be Well,

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area 415-517-8264 | abc7news.com <image001.png>

From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Friday, May 21, 2021 1:23 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>; Boudin, Chesa (DAT) < chesa@sfgov.org>

Cc: Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV) < Jeff.A.Mulligan@abc.com>; Tuggle, Heather < Heather.Tuggle@abc.com>

Subject: Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Dion,

Pursuant to the California Welfare and Institutions Code, we are legally prohibited from discussing anything related to a juvenile case, and this should not be interpreted as confirming or denying anything about the case status or the claims you made. Additionally, my understanding is that you spoke with an ADA in our juvenile unit a while back regarding privacy concerns with this case and that you agreed to blur out the face of the victim in this case per the victim's request. We were advised that it has not been blurred on your social media accounts. Please be mindful of the victim's request in any update.

Thank you.

#### Rachel Marshall

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Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area

415-517-8264 | abc7news.com <image002.png>

From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, May 21, 2021 2:31 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT);Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Cc:

Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV); Tuggle, Heather

Subject:

Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Rachel,

It is our understanding that one suspect in this case is a minor. "California Welfare and Institutions Code" does not prohibit the DA's office from discussing the other parts of the case involving individuals who are over 18.

The victim's family and I have been corresponding and they are aware of my prior Tweets and what they would like to be included or excluded in our story.

Please be mindful of the victim's most up-to-date requests to ABC7 going forward.

Be Well.

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Friday, May 21, 2021 1:23 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>; Boudin, Chesa (DAT) < chesa@sfgov.org>

Cc: Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV) < Jeff.A.Mulligan@abc.com>; Tuggle, Heather < Heather.Tuggle@abc.com>

Subject: Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Dion,

Pursuant to the California Welfare and Institutions Code, we are legally prohibited from discussing anything related to a juvenile case, and this should not be interpreted as confirming or denying anything about the case status or the claims you made. Additionally, my understanding is that you spoke with an ADA in our juvenile unit a while back regarding privacy concerns with this case and that you agreed to blur out the face of the victim in this case per the victim's request. We were advised that it has not been blurred on your social media accounts. Please be mindful of the victim's request in any update.

Thank you.

#### Rachel Marshall

Director of Communications & Policy Advisor

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Office of San Francisco District Attorney Chesa Boudin
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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Friday, May 21, 2021 at 11:12 AM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, "Boudin, Chesa (DAT)" <chesa@sfgov.org>

Cc: "Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV)" < Jeff.A.Mulligan@abc.com>, "Tuggle, Heather" < Heather.Tuggle@abc.com>

Subject: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

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Cell: (415) 416-4468

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Sent:

Thursday, May 20, 2021 12:53 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Story Inquiry: Chinatown Today

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Hi Rachel,

Working on a piece for today's newscasts about the incident involving Fanly Chen over the weekend.

Community leaders and members of the media seemed to be under the impression Chesa would be appearing to speak to the Ms. Chen in person and to possibly empathize with her frustrations and pain. Chesa did not show up to the store today.

Can you please elaborate on why Chesa was not there and what he was attending to instead?

Note: we are not looking for comment on the suspect, as he is a minor-- but solely on the circumstances surrounding Chesa's decision not to be in attendance.



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, May 3, 2021 12:51 PM

To:

Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Fwd: DION Lim: ABC7 Story Request

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F. Lim@abc.com>

Date: May 3, 2021 at 12:50:55 PM PDT

To: Rachel Marshall <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, chesa@sfglv.org

Subject: DION Lim: ABC7 Story Request

Hello Rachel,

I'm seeking comment from Chesa/your office for a story I'm working on today.

Sidney Hammond is one example of someone who committed offenses such as robbery and then released only to then commit an assault weeks later.

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, April 26, 2021 1:36 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT);Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Dion Lim: ABC7 News Information Request-- Dewayne Kemp

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Hi Rachel,

Checking in to learn more about Mr. Dewayne Kemp.

He was arrested and is currently in custody after an attack on two older Asian Americans along Broadway in San Francisco earlier this month.

It appears Kemp was sentenced to 5 years in federal prison but then was placed on probation. in June of 2020 his probation was terminated. Less than 10 months later he was arrested for this incident along Broadway which resulted in one victim to lose consciousness.

We have a hard deadline of 3pm.

Many Thanks,



From: Sent:	Lim, Dion F. (KGO- Friday, April 23, 20	-TV) <dion.f.lim@abo 21 4:06 PM</dion.f.lim@abo 	c.com>			
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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, April 23, 2021 12:14 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Dion Lim: Inquiry into Carlos Claros

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#### Hi Rachel,

We are looking for comment from Chesa on a 22-year old man named Carlos Claros. He was recently arrested for robbery, carrying a concealed firearm, possession of a firearm by a felon etc.

He appears to have quite a lengthy record including multiple strong-armed robberies including one where 3 minors were assaulted, drug possession and being in possession of a stolen car.

Can Chesa/someone at the DA's office explain the reasoning why Mr. Claros was on probation despite his extensive criminal history and Mr. Boudin's words to the victims in this recent incident?

Thank you for your help. We are turning this for our afternoon/evening newscasts and have a hard deadline of 3:15pm.



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Thursday, April 22, 2021 12:36 PM

To: Cc: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Quote Request

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Hi Rachel,

Looking for comment to the question below. Our deadline is a hard 2:30pm. Thanks in advance.

Chesa Boudin has reported overall crime to be down across the city. Despite this messaging, residents in his neighborhood are currently angered and frustrated over a recent string of crimes. This includes an incident involving a woman in her 60's who was attacked and robbed in broad daylight by men who ambushed her while on a walk several days ago.

This was only a few houses down from where Mr. Boudin lived and a few blocks from his current residence.

Knowing these crimes can happen anywhere and to anyone-- and because this one happened so close to where Mr. Boudin lives and one of his loved ones could have been targeted-- what would he like to see happen when the perpetrators are apprehended and what is he doing to combat the problem?



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, April 12, 2021 3:43 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Subject:

Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Very helpful—I'll be sure to add this into my coverage.

Will let you know if we have any questions. Thanks, Rachel-

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 2:53 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Subject: Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Hi Dion,

Our office filed charges against Mr. Banks for the Twin Peaks burglary and he was released on his own recognizance. That case remains pending. In Mr. Banks's more recent case, our office has filed more than 10 felony charges against him and we sought his detention without bail. The court set bail of \$100,000 over our objection and Mr. Banks then posted bail. His preliminary hearing is set for April 15.

Thanks so much,

Rachel

#### Rachel Marshall

Director of Communications & Policy Advisor Assistant District Attorney Office of San Francisco District Attorney Chesa Boudin Rachel.Marshall@sfgov.org San Francisco District Attorney 350 Rhode Island Street, North Building, Suite 400N San Francisco, CA 94103 Desk: (628) 652-4193

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Monday, April 12, 2021 at 2:21 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Subject: Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Thanks very much. I'll be on the lookout.

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 2:16 PM

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Subject: Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

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Subject: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, March 26, 2021 4:17 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Subject:

Re: Inquiry re: Young/Pasene prosecution status

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Thanks very much— hope to speak with you again soon.

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On Mar 26, 2021, at 2:42 PM, Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org> wrote:

Hi Dion,

ADA Reinstedt referred your inquiry to me.

Our office is prosecuting Zion Young and Fagamalama Pasene for murder charges. The case was on for trial today but the court continued the trial to April 16.

Hope that helps.

Rachel

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, March 26, 2021 12:40 PM

To:

Reinstedt, Dane (DAT)

Subject:

Dion Lim: ABC7 News Kelvin Chew's Family

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Hello Dane,

This is Dion Lim, anchor/reporter at ABC7 News.

I've been talking with the Chew family and conducted an interview with them today. They recommended I reach out to you.

I'm looking for some details as to where the case stands now.

Can you please give me a call at the number below? I'm on deadline for this afternoon.

Much Appreciated,



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, March 5, 2021 5:41 PM

To:

Burris, Courtney (DAT)

Subject:

Re: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Request

Thank you for your reply.

I believe Ms. Martinez has been reaching out to the Da's office to obtain a restraining order against her assailant. Can you shed some light into why she was not able to get one— and are you able to help her get one quickly?

Despite her perpetrator being in custody she is quite traumatized knowing he raped a woman and is afraid for her safety if he gets out.

I believe a restraining order would allow her to return to some sense of normalcy.

Many Thanks,

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From: Burris, Courtney (DAT) <courtney.burris@sfgov.org>

**Sent:** Friday, March 5, 2021 4:29 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com> Subject: RE: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Request

Hi Dion,

Yes, I am the assigned ADA. I took over the matter when he picked up the new case while out of custody, currently handling both. We are working with Ms. Martinez and she has made recent contact with our office.

Best regards,

Courtney Burris
Assistant District Attorney
Child Assault Sex Assault Unit
District Six Liason Team
San Francisco District Attorney's Office
350 Rhode Island St. Suite 400N, San Francisco California
(415) 553-1801

From: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

**Sent:** Friday, March 5, 2021 12:59 PM

To: Burris, Courtney (DAT) <courtney.burris@sfgov.org>

Subject: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Request

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#### Hi Courtney,

Looking for confirmation you are working with a woman named Miriam Martinez involved in a kidnapping and false imprisonment case from September of 2020.

Have you spoken with her or attempted contact recently? I believe the email for Ms. Martinez's Victims Services Advocate, Amanda Esquivel is no longer working.

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Sent:

Thursday, March 4, 2021 11:33 PM

To:

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Subject:

ABC7 News Story Friday

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#### Hello:

Seeking comment from Chesa on a story set to air tomorrow pertaining to a man in custody named Allan Stewart.

Has Chesa been in contact with the victims of the September felony kidnapping and false imprisonment-- and the assault and rape later in November?

Can Chesa elaborate more on the decision of allowing Stewart to wear an ankle monitor versus keeping him behind bars despite his extensive criminal history?

Thank you,



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 1, 2021 11:18 AM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT);Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

New York Times Article Quote

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Hi Rachel,

Looking for reaction from Chesa to the New York Times piece where he is quoted as stating Antoine Watson was "in some sort of temper tantrum".

Can he please elaborate on his definition of "temper tantrum"?

Does he find the actions of Mr. Watson (banging his hand on a nearby car) in line with the term "temper tantrum" and an appropriate reason for his actions in pushing and killing Mr. Ratanapakdee?

Our piece is airing tonight.

Thanks,



From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Friday, February 5, 2021 5:55 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Re: ABC7 Statement Request.

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Note: we are going on the air in about 25 minutes.

Thanks Much,

Dion Lim ABC7 News Anchor/Reporter 415-517-8264

IG: www.instagram.com/DionLimTV
THE BOOK: https://amzn.to/2WXPk8t
THE CHRONICLE: https://bit.ly/2Z3BioD

From: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Sent: Friday, February 5, 2021 5:42 PM

To: Rachel.Marshall@sfgov.org <Rachel.Marshall@sfgov.org>; chesa@sfgov.org <chesa@sfgov.org>

Subject: ABC7 Statement Request

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From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Thursday, January 28, 2021 12:21 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Subject:

Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Inquiry

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Hi Rachel,

Looking to see if I can get a response from Chesa on the mayor and Catherine Stefani asking SFPD to pull robbery, burglary, gang arrests to see how many cases include suspects who were deferred to other agencies or dropped.

Thanks Much,

Dion Lim ABC7 News Anchor/Reporter 415-517-8264

From:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Monday, January 4, 2021 2:14 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Subject:

Fw: MEDIA ADVISORY: SFPOA Calls for Independent Oversight Panel to Review DA Charging

Decisions & Conflicts of Interest

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Also: any response from the DA's office on this?

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MEDIA ADVISORY TODAY Monday, January 4, 2021

#### Contact:

Tom Saggau (408) 209-6813 tom@saggau-derollo.com

Dustin DeRollo (408) 499-6195 dustin@saggau-derollo.com

# SFPOA Calls for Independent Oversight Panel to Review DA Charging Decisions & Conflicts of Interest

Demand comes following two people killed by a repeat offender

Chesa Boudin refused to charge for past crimes

San Francisco, CA—Following the New Year's Eve double vehicle homicide of Hanako Abe and Elizabeth Platt by Troy McAlister, a violent repeat offender who was released after a plea bargain by the District Attorney, the San Francisco Police Officers Association is demanding the creation of an Independent Oversight Panel to review Chesa Boudin's criminal charging decisions.

Furthermore, based on preliminary information that Chesa Boudin, as a public defender, may have represented McAlister in a 2015-armed robbery case, the SFPOA is requesting that the District Attorney's Office go under a thorough independent review of potential conflicts of interests in criminal cases, including a full analysis of individuals and cases that are still active of former Office of the Public Defender employees who are now employed by Chesa Boudin. Additionally, the SFPOA requests that all records related to the court proceedings for the 2015 armed-robbery case be released publicly, including the plea deal.

"Two people were killed on New Year's Eve because Chesa Boudin refused to do his job, which is to hold criminals and victimizers accountable," said Tony Montoya, President of the San Francisco Police Officers' Association. "Now, rather than accept any responsibility for the deadly impacts of his failures, he's blamed no less than three other public agencies for his own mistake. It's arrogant, juvenile and pathetic."

In March of 2020, McAlister and Boudin's office came to a sentencing agreement for a 2015-armed robbery with a firearm that resulted in McAlister not serving another day in prison, he was released immediately on parole. Since that time, McAlister has been arrested multiple times by SFPD and potentially other law enforcement agencies operating in San Francisco. Chesa Boudin has failed to file criminal charges in each of these cases.

"From secret Grand Jury proceedings to sweetheart deals for career criminals being cut by Mr. Boudin behind closed doors, the public deserves transparency and accountability from their District Attorney," Montoya continued. "It's time for a public, independent review of the District Attorney's actions and for a full accounting of conflicts of interest in his office before anyone else gets killed by another career criminal."

#### What:

Interviews with SFPOA President Tony Montoya on calls for DA oversight

#### Who:

Tony Montoya, President, SFPOA
Tracy McCray, Vice President, SFPOA

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TODAY 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM; 3:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Please call to arrange an appointment time.

#### Where:

Via Zoom or call to arrange a COVID compliant interview.

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Sent:

Monday, January 4, 2021 1:10 PM

To:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Cc:

#KGOTV Assignment Desk

Subject:

Re: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

Rachel,

Thanks for your help facilitating last night's 11:30 Zoom interview.

Wanted to circle back and see if Chesa will be commenting on today's response from DCPD and SFPD's POA that they acted in accordance to protocol when dealing with Mr. McAlister.

Thanks,

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

**Sent:** Sunday, January 3, 2021 10:38 PM **To:** Walsh, Ed <Ed.Walsh@abc.com>

Cc: Stone, JR <JR.Stone@abc.com>; Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV) <Shari.M.Stuerenberg@abc.com>; Lim, Dion F.

(KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Subject: Re: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

Great, thanks!

#### Rachel Marshall

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To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Cc: JR Stone Abc Stone <JR.Stone@abc.com>, "Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV)" <Shari.M.Stuerenberg@abc.com>, "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" <Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Subject: RE: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

If you could have him log in by around 11:20 p.m. or earlier that would be great, so we can make sure the connection is OK.

Thanks again



#### Ed Walsh • Assignment Editor

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent: Sunday, January 3, 2021 10:35 PM

To: Walsh, Ed

Cc: Stone, JR; Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV); Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Subject: Re: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

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Cc: JR Stone Abc Stone <JR.Stone@abc.com>, "Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV)" <Shari.M.Stuerenberg@abc.com>, "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" <Dion.F.Lim@abc.com> Subject: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

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Thanks for doing this.

This is the Zoom link for the 11:30 p.m. live interview with Chesa Boudin.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84564768652?pwd=YnlrWIVITk5nOHhFTUh3SjBYdXJ1dz09

Meeting ID: 845 6476 8652

Password: 644908



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Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Sent:

Sunday, January 3, 2021 10:36 PM Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Walsh, Ed

To: Cc:

Stone, JR; Stuerenberg, Shari M. (KGO-TV)

Subject:

Re: 11:30 pm. live Zoom interview link

Hi Rachel,

It's best if he logs in a few minutes before hand so we can test his signal and adjust his shot if needed.

Please try for 11:25 if he can.

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From:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent:

Friday, May 21, 2021 4:00 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV);Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Cc:

Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV); Tuggle, Heather

Subject:

Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Dion,

Your information is inaccurate.

We have spoken to the victim repeatedly, including today, and she told us that she has never spoken to you directly. She has spoken with us and confirmed she would like her face blurred, which we learned has not been done on your social media accounts.

Thank you,

Rachel

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Friday, May 21, 2021 at 2:31 PM

**To:** "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, "Boudin, Chesa (DAT)" <chesa@sfgov.org> **Cc:** "Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV)" <Jeff.A.Mulligan@abc.com>, "Tuggle, Heather" <Heather.Tuggle@abc.com>

Subject: Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Rachel,

It is our understanding that one suspect in this case is a minor. "California Welfare and Institutions Code" does not prohibit the DA's office from discussing the other parts of the case involving individuals who are over 18.

The victim's family and I have been corresponding and they are aware of my prior Tweets and what they would like to be included or excluded in our story.

Please be mindful of the victim's most up-to-date requests to ABC7 going forward.

Be Well,

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Friday, May 21, 2021 1:23 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>; Boudin, Chesa (DAT) < chesa@sfgov.org>

Cc: Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV) < Jeff.A.Mulligan@abc.com>; Tuggle, Heather < Heather.Tuggle@abc.com>

Subject: Re: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

Hi Dion,

Pursuant to the California Welfare and Institutions Code, we are legally prohibited from discussing anything related to a juvenile case, and this should not be interpreted as confirming or denying anything about the case status or the claims you made. Additionally, my understanding is that you spoke with an ADA in our juvenile unit a while back regarding privacy concerns with this case and that you agreed to blur out the face of the victim in this case per the victim's request. We were advised that it has not been blurred on your social media accounts. Please be mindful of the victim's request in any update.

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Friday, May 21, 2021 at 11:12 AM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, "Boudin, Chesa (DAT)" <chesa@sfgov.org>

Cc: "Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV)" < Jeff.A. Mulligan@abc.com>, "Tuggle, Heather" < Heather. Tuggle@abc.com>

Subject: Dion Lim: Safeway Attempted Carjacking Incident Update

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Hi Rachel,

We are running an update to a story I covered a few months ago involving a 75-year old woman who was assaulted and targeted in an attempted carjacking at a Safeway store in the Richmond District.

We realize the suspects involved include minors—but we are not asking for information on the suspects themselves, rather information on the status of the case.

It has come to our attention your office dropped the case due to a lack of DNA evidence.

Was DNA evidence needed despite multiple cell phone videos provided by witnesses and surveillance from the store itself? There were also witnesses who gave statements to law enforcement after the incident happened.

Many Thanks,

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area



From:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent:

Friday, May 21, 2021 1:24 PM

To: Cc: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV);Boudin, Chesa (DAT) Mulligan, Jeff A. (KGO-TV);Tuggle, Heather

Subject:

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From:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent:

Monday, May 3, 2021 2:54 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Subject:

Re: DION Lim: ABC7 Story Request

Dion,

Our office is charging Mr. Hammond with multiple felonies and misdemeanors for the assault that occurred on April 30, 2021 and we will seek his detention at arraignment. He has a pending case for allegedly stealing eggs from a local market and then pushing a store employee on his way out. There were no injuries in connection with that case.

The DA's Office is continually seeking increased tools to promote public safety.

From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Monday, May 3, 2021 at 12:51 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" <rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>, "chesa@sfglv.org" <chesa@sfglv.org>

Subject: DION Lim: ABC7 Story Request

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Hello Rachel,

I'm seeking comment from Chesa/your office for a story I'm working on today.

Sidney Hammond is one example of someone who committed offenses such as robbery and then released only to then commit an assault weeks later.

While I can not comment or confirm if this person has mental health issues— nor do I expect or want confirmation or comment on his health— what are some of the measures being put into the place to ensure those who are/might be in need of medical assistance (for something such as mental health) are treated versus let back out into the general public to re-offend?

Many Thanks,

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From:	Marshall, Rachel (DAT)
Sent:	Friday, April 23, 2021 3:07 PM
To: Subject:	Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV);Boudin, Chesa (DAT)  Re: Dion Lim: Inquiry into Carlos Claros
Subject.	Re. Dion Lini. Inquiry into Carlos Claros
Hi Dion,	
Our office has charg	ed Mr. Claros in this recent incident with six counts (four felonies and two misdemeanors), including
attempted robbery	
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We filed a motion for	or his detention, which was granted by a judge.
Mr. Claros is on felo	ny probation from a 2018 incident.
Given that this is a p	pending case, we are limited in what else we can share at this time.
Thank you,	
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Rachel	
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From:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent:

Thursday, April 22, 2021 2:20 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Cc:

Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Subject:

Re: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Quote Request

Hi Dion,

DA Boudin cares about everyone in San Francisco being and feeling safe, whether they live in his own community or any other. He has filed more than 5,000 new prosecutions since taking office and is focused on continuing to promote public safety.

#### Rachel

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Date: Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 12:37 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Cc: "Boudin, Chesa (DAT)" <chesa@sfgov.org>

Subject: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Quote Request

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Hi Rachel,

Looking for comment to the question below. Our deadline is a hard 2:30pm. Thanks in advance.

Chesa Boudin has reported overall crime to be down across the city. Despite this messaging, residents in his neighborhood are currently angered and frustrated over a recent string of crimes. This includes an incident involving a woman in her 60's who was attacked and robbed in broad daylight by men who ambushed her while on a walk several days ago.

This was only a few houses down from where Mr. Boudin lived and a few blocks from his current residence.

Knowing these crimes can happen anywhere and to anyone— and because this one happened so close to where Mr. Boudin lives and one of his loved ones could have been targeted— what would he like to see happen when the perpetrators are apprehended and what is he doing to combat the problem?

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area



From:

Marshall, Rachel (DAT)

Sent:

Monday, April 12, 2021 2:54 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Subject:

Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Hi Dion,

Our office filed charges against Mr. Banks for the Twin Peaks burglary and he was released on his own recognizance. That case remains pending. In Mr. Banks's more recent case, our office has filed more than 10 felony charges against him and we sought his detention without bail. The court set bail of \$100,000 over our objection and Mr. Banks then posted bail. His preliminary hearing is set for April 15.

Thanks so much,

Rachel

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Monday, April 12, 2021 at 2:21 PM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Subject: Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Thanks very much. I'll be on the lookout.

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From: Marshall, Rachel (DAT) < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 2:16 PM

To: Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV) < Dion.F. Lim@abc.com>

Subject; Re: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

Hi Dion,

I will have an answer for you shortly.

Rachel

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Date: Monday, April 12, 2021 at 10:42 AM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Subject: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

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Hi Rachel,

I'm looking for some information about an individual named Roman Banks. He appears to have been part of a car burglary near Twin Peaks in December then was part of a hot prowl burglary a couple months later involving Asian senior citizens and a weapon.

Can you shed some light as to why he was released after the Twin Peaks incident and his other priors?

Deadline is around 2:30 this afternoon.

Many Thanks,

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From: "Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)" < Dion.F.Lim@abc.com>

Date: Monday, April 12, 2021 at 10:42 AM

To: "Marshall, Rachel (DAT)" < rachel.marshall@sfgov.org>

Subject: Inquiry Into Roman Banks

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Hi Rachel,

I'm looking for some information about an individual named Roman Banks. He appears to have been part of a car burglary near Twin Peaks in December then was part of a hot prowl burglary a couple months later involving Asian senior citizens and a weapon.

Can you shed some light as to why he was released after the Twin Peaks incident and his other priors?

Deadline is around 2:30 this afternoon.

Many Thanks,

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area



From:

Burris, Courtney (DAT)

Sent:

Friday, March 5, 2021 4:29 PM

To:

Lim, Dion F. (KGO-TV)

Subject:

RE: Dion Lim: ABC7 News Story Request

Hi Dion,

Yes, I am the assigned ADA. I took over the matter when he picked up the new case while out of custody, currently handling both. We are working with Ms. Martinez and she has made recent contact with our office.

Best regards,

Courtney Burris
Assistant District Attorney
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District Six Liason Team
San Francisco District Attorney's Office
350 Rhode Island St. Suite 400N, San Francisco California
(415) 553-1801

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#### Hi Courtney,

Looking for confirmation you are working with a woman named Miriam Martinez involved in a kidnapping and false imprisonment case from September of 2020.

Have you spoken with her or attempted contact recently? I believe the email for Ms. Martinez's Victims Services Advocate, Amanda Esquivel is no longer working.

Thanks,

Dion Lim | Anchor/Reporter | ABC7 KGO-TV Bay Area







Radley >

Mon, May 31, 1:03 PM

Hi Radley, Is now still a good time?

Sorry about that. Can you talk in a half hour?

Yep that's perfect

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I will double check on who exactly was























Done

I am going to send you the texts that the reporter sent to my son, and which prompted my 'quote'. I am copying them from the texts.

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Will keep you posted. I'll circle back with my sources this afternoon (\*This was Friday) and get back more details if there are any of note"

Then she goes on a bit later :

"I told my editorial team about what happened and they're very fired up and have me following up on this case after all. It looks like another source is not certain all of the suspects were apprehended but confirm the case was dropped entirely.

I am going to ask the DA's office what happened. I dont think they'll be forthcoming but I'd like to hold someone accountable for letting the case go with no consequence.

While your mother does not want to be on camera or be involved in any way- it would strengthen the case for community service or for the case to be revived if you or someone who knows her would speak.

Even if it were anonymously - or if I could paraphrase and convey your reaction without

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Even if it were anonymously - or if I could paraphrase and convey your reaction without revealing your name or identity in any way it would add impact to an otherwise one-dimensional piece. I'd like others to understand the ramifications of what is happening in our criminal justice system"

## She goes on:

"OK so here is what I have learned from my sources which are high-level law-enforcement and within the DAs office.

This is the direct quote I'm allowed to use from the DA source 'I spoke with someone within the DAs office who has filed hundreds of cases and it is illogical not to file this case given the state of the evidence'

Law enforcement triple confirm the three suspects were apprehended. One was a minor. The woman who was the getaway driver apparently was able to get your mothers credit card. The getaway driver's mother was later caught making some kind of cash transfer using you mom's card onto an app.

Police issued a warrant for that mother's arrest but the DA refused it citing she was not part of the original investigation.

TheDA cited he needed 'video of the actual cash transfer' - despite there being a digital record of the fraud on the app and probably on your mom's bank statements/Cc statement.

The district attorney also asked the investigators for the black hoodie the suspect was wearing as evidence. Completely disregarding the fact there was surveillance and witness video"

#### And more:

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"I just have one quick question. TheDAs office gave me a statement that they 'do not confirm or deny' the dropping of the charges - even though I know for a rock solid fact they were dropped. They are also trying to say I blurred your Mom's face in the story at her request - but did not delete the initial Tweet I made where your moms face is not blurred out.

In order to have more ammunition to rebut the DAs office and hold them accountable - may I tell the DAs office that you and I have spoken that you are OK with my initial tweet as long as I continue to blur her face out in any additional coverage?

A high level source WITHIN the DA's office also sent this to me: 'I spoke with someone within the DA's office who has filed hundreds of cases and says it is illogical not to file this case given the state of evidence'. It's a quote he/she is allowing me to use."





"Truly pathetic" Sources tell me charges were dropped in the case of this 75-year old woman who was dragged by her hair & assaulted in an attempted carjacking in the Richmond in March.

I wanted to know why & reached out to Rachel Marshall...

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**Dion Lim** twitter.com

Romeybooth@gmail.com

Safeway Carjacking Good Samaritan

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Hello, my name is Harry Mulholland and I've been told by Romey Booth that























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Radley >

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Hello, my name is Harry Mulholland and I've been told by Romey Booth that you've been trying to contact me about the attempted carjacking and assault at Safeway in the Richmond a few months ago. This is my personal email, and my phone number is <u>415-672-8140</u>. I'm happy to help out with the case.

Tue, Jun 1, 7:24 AM

Hi Radley. Just checking in.
Were you able to connect with
the victim? Is it okay if I share
your contact info with Rachel
Marshall, our communications
director?

Tue, Jun 1, 9:54 AM

Please do. I spoke with Mullholland. I haven't yet heard back from the victim. Emailed her yesterday.

One question: Mullholland says he thought the police





























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One question: Mullholland says he thought the police report was supposed to be sealed, and felt a little violated that Lim was able to get his name and number. Is it true that his name and involvement weren't supposed to be public information?

Correct. Not public information.

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Those two sections govern confidentiality of information from juvenile cases, including police reports

Wed, Jun 2, 8:39 AM

Thanks. Still haven't heard from the victim. Does she know I'm trying to get in touch? Given that the DA's office can't officially comment, I'm not sure I can write this unless she's up for talking to me.

Right. I can call her later today.

I'm trying not to be too involved. She said she wanted to clear this up and asked me to pass on her email. I'll follow up on that to see if that's what she still wants.





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It would just be for the limited information of verifying veracity of abc7 report

























I was told that's a pretty involved process, and that I'd be unlikely to be successful. But I'll give it a shot.

I can maybe write something based on my interview with the witness. Depends on what my editors say. But the victim would obviously be preferable. Just maybe check to see she got my email. Could also be that she's wary of talking to another journalist, which is understandable.



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Mon, Jun 7, 5:52 PM

Sorry I forgot about the time difference. Feel free to call at your convenience













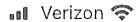












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Also to answer your question about whether any other suspects ever identified: police later requested a warrant for an adult they suspected was the driver of the car. But there was not enough evidence to prove that the suspect was actually the driver so SFDA could not sign off on the warrant.

And finally, think best not to quote us but can try to steer you towards some juvenile advocacy folks if you want a quote on the importance of juvenile confidentiality

Delivered

























11:25 AM







Radley Balko >

iMessage Wed, Jun 2, 7:07 AM

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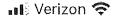
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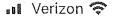
# Dion Lim Exposes a Victim & Reveals Juvenile Charges

- Dion Lim posted a <u>video of a carjacking</u>, despite the victim's request for privacy
  - Upon the victim's request (communicated to her through an ADA) she blurred the victim's image on the ABC website but left the original videos with the victim's image on her social media accounts
  - o When DA spokesperson Rachel Marshall raised this issue to Dion in an email, which Ms. Lim posted on Twitter, she doubled-down, insisting she knew what the victim wanted based on her correspondence with the victim's family and tried to suggest the DA hadn't talked to the victim recently (note that subsequent emails explained that DA's Office had talked to the victim that same day)
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### Part III: Unmitigated Bias Against DA Boudin

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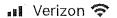


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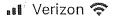




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- Ms. Lim's TV story claimed that the family of Vicha Ratanapakdee informed her that DA Boudin had canceled a vigil attendance because they did not want photos or videos taken.
  - o No fact-checking was done or opportunity provided to comment on this false accusation.
- In news coverage, Ms. Lim claimed, "Before another question could be asked, Marshall ended the conference."
  - Misleading: the conference was significantly longer than scheduled and had ended. Ms. Lim spent more time asking questions than any other reporter present.

# Dion Lim Makes the Inflammatory Suggestion that DA Boudin's Comments Resembled Those of an Atlanta Sheriff

- Despite taking DA Boudin's "temper tantrum"
   comments out of context, Ms. Lim continued to raise
   this comment frequently, including to draw
   comparisons to an Atlanta Sheriff alleged to have
   made anti-Asian remarks and to have described the
   Atlanta shooter as having a bad day
  - o New York Magazine reference: "The statement from the sheriff's spokesperson unfortunately echoes some recent comments from San Francisco district attorney Chesa Boudin. He was quoted in the New York Times in February regarding 84-year-old Vicha Ratanapakdee, a Thai man who was pushed and killed by a suspect and was caught on camera in a story I broke. The DA was quoted as saying that the suspect was having a "temper tantrum." I also reported his comments, then he backtracked saying he was just describing the suspect's mental state before the attack."
  - o Twitter reference





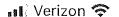
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### Dion Lim Selectively Chooses Facts in Coverage of Roman Banks

- On April 12, 2021, DA Spokesperson Rachel Marshall responded to Ms. Lim's inquiry re: charges filed against Roman Banks and why he was released, explaining in an email, "Our office filed charges against Mr. Banks for the Twin Peaks burglary and he was released on his own recognizance. That case remains pending. In Mr. Banks's more recent case, our office has filed more than 10 felony charges against him and we sought his detention without bail. The court set bail of \$100,000 over our objection and Mr. Banks then posted bail."
- Ms. Lim nonetheless <u>tweeted</u> "Banks was released in the Twin Peaks burglary on his own recognizance & was arrested for 10 felony charges in the recent case. He's out on \$100K bail. Watching closely to see if charges get dropped & when the charges got filed."
  - Does not mention DA's office filed 10 felony charges (only arrest)
  - o Does not mention DA objected to bail being set and had sought his detention

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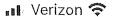
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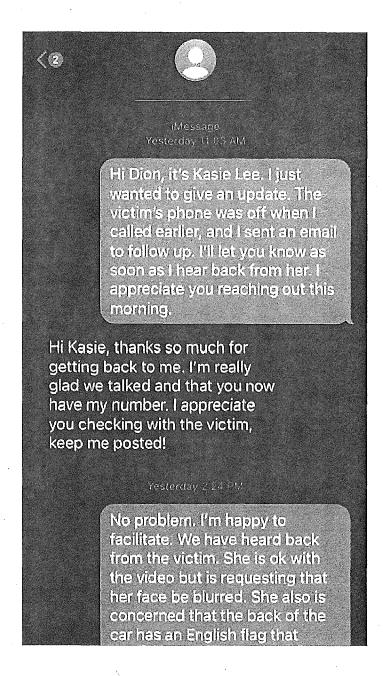
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         privileged information protected by
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- Ms. Lim does not mention uncharged/unfiled cases or releases of defendant in reference to DAs in other counties
  - o For example, in a February 5, 2021 ABC TV story, Ms. Lim's story implies DA Boudin was responsible for the tragic killing of Sheria Musyoka and asks the victim's wife who she blames, clearly edits out some airtime and then has her answer "I blame the DA" (obviously referencing DA Boudin)
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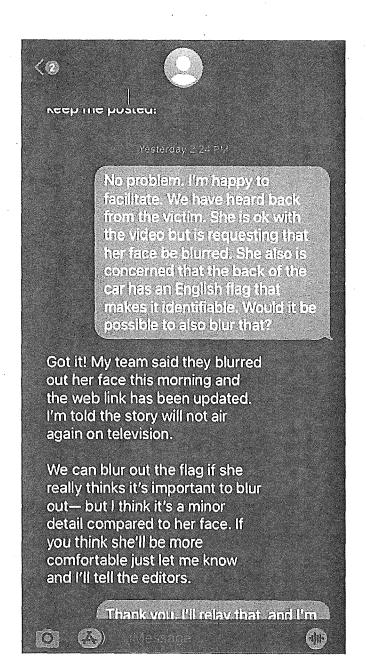


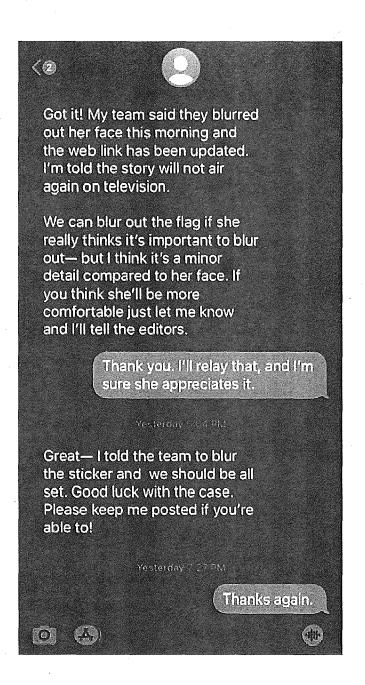


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  - Ms. Lim mentions that Mr. Bailey had numerous recent felony arrests and priors out of Oakland—not San Francisco—but nonetheless focuses her story on why he was not held in custody longer in *one* San Francisco case, and never raises any questions about why he had been released in any his recent cases in Oakland
- o As an additional example, Ms. Lim covered a story on ABC TV on February 5, 2021 about an Oakland case
  - She also never named the suspect (arrested in Alameda County) nor did she ever raise questions about any of his recent priors and his releases in Alameda County.
- As yet another example, when a recent <u>attack</u> happened in Oakland in May, Ms. Lim never once blamed or even mentioned the DA there.









Chesa Boudin District Attorney

Dear ABC7 News / KGO-TV,

I am writing in regard to an armed carjacking case that took place on Friday, June 18, 2021 in San Francisco. Our Victim Services Division, along with the Coalition of Community Safety and Justice, has been working closely with the victim since the incident. While working with the victim, we learned that ABC 7 reporter Dion Lim published private information and statements attributed to the victim on her social media accounts that the victim would like immediately removed.

As you can imagine, being a victim of an armed carjacking is an extremely traumatic experience. This is also an open, pending investigation, and the suspect has yet to be apprehended. Putting personal information about the victim along with his statements to the police into the public sphere potentially endangers the victim and his family and, indeed, the victim is fearful as a result of this.

The victim maintains that he did not know how Dion Lim received his telephone number but contacted him out of the blue. He agreed to an interview only to promote awareness and to remind his fellow neighbors to be vigilant. He did not consent to ABC 7 sharing personal details about him publicly or to have specific quotes attributed to him. He did not agree to have his story shared on any social media accounts. He thought the story would be shared on ABC 7's website only. He reached out to the Chinese interpreter who Dion Lim used to interview him and requested that the social media posts be removed; however, the interpreter later responded that the information shared is the same as that provided in the police report so ABC 7 and Dion Lim will not be removing anything. As you know, the police report has not been made public; we are also unclear of why ABC 7 and Dion Lim would have a copy of a police report in an open, pending investigation. The victim also advised us that Dion Lim told them that she read the police report.

The victim has requested the following:

- 1. In the article by Dion Lim posted on ABC 7's website, please remove the sentence about the victim returning to his Sunset home after dropping off his wife at work. Who the victim resides with is not newsworthy, and he does not wish for this information to be made public. He believes this places his family in danger.
- 2. On Dion Lim's Twitter account, please remove the tweet with the direct quote, "He doesn't want me sharing his name because the suspect asked him details about his family and who lives with him." The victim did not provide consent for this quote to be attributed to him, does not believe the quote does anything to promote public safety, and would like for it to be removed from all platforms.

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3. On Dion Lim's social media accounts in which the statement, "I had no choice, if I don't do anything maybe I will die, He will kill me," the victim strongly requests that they be taken down. He only wanted to send a message to the public that vigilance is important; however, he believes the quote itself is extremely provocative, and sharing it is completely against his wishes.

We hope that you can be sympathetic to the victim's valid concerns and respect the victim's above-stated wishes.

Best regards,

David Campos Chief of Staff

Office of the District Attorney

From:

Anonymoose

To:

SFDA Public Records; Marshall, Rachel (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT); District Attorney,

(DAT); Burke, Robyn (DAT); Records, Supervisor (CAT); FEITELBERG, BRITTANY (CAT);

dennis.herrera@sfcityatty.org; SOTF, (BOS)

Subject:

Fw: 67.21(d) petition & new SOTF Complaint vs Chesa Boudin and DA's Office 01

Date:

Wednesday, July 21, 2021 4:53:01 PM

Attachments:

Exhibit 5 - Boudin Radley Balko article records - Immediate disclosure request • MuckRock (1),pdf

Exhibit 4 - Apparent Retractions-f.pdf

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#### SOTF & Supervisor of Records Herrera:

This is a first amendment to, but not replacement of, the petition/complaint with all exhibits filed last Friday below, and an addition of the attached exhibits #4 and 5.

"When public employees break the law, my administration will hold them accountable. No one in San Francisco is above the law." - Respondent Boudin, July 8, 2021

Respondents now purport to retract from public disclosure certain information, including names, phone numbers, and email addresses of what are apparently witnesses, victims, or their associates in a case with at least one juvenile subject, that were previously disclosed to me in this request (and within the original unredacted exhibits). (If Respondents desire and have the authority to censor the official complaint file with the prior unredacted exhibits, that is a matter they will have to take up with SOTF and Supervisor of Records themselves.) Respondents added the following written justification when purporting to retract the info:

"In my previous disclosure I inadvertently attached an unredacted version of the responsive records that contained confidential contact information and names which should have been redacted. The California Constitution includes an individual right to privacy. Both state and local law recognize as a general principle that the right to personal privacy sometimes precludes disclosure of public records or information contained in those records. Cal. Govt. Code §§ 6250, 6254(c); Cal. Const., Art. I, §§ 1, 3(b); Admin. Code §67.1(g); Admin. Code Chapter 12M."

As context: the purported retractions appear to be part of a text message communication by **Kasie Lee**, Interim Chief of Victim Services Division and Assistant District Attorney, to journalist and non-City-employee **Radley Balko**. Balko appears to have then used this information to write an opinion column in the Washington Post defending Respondents and criticizing another reporter, Dion

Lim, <a href="https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2021/06/14/bogus-backlash-against-progressive-prosecutors/">https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2021/06/14/bogus-backlash-against-progressive-prosecutors/</a> -- after communicating with the witnesses and/or victims apparently through the contact information provided by Respondents.

Therefore, in addition to the original allegations, I also allege the following violations:

• Additional violation of Gov Code 6254.5: This is now additional information selectively disclosed to one journalist and not the public. In fact, Respondents' Director of Communications Rachel Marshall states to Lim in these same records "Pursuant to the California Welfare and Institutions Code, we are legally prohibited from discussing anything related to a juvenile case..." (emphasis mine) What is especially troubling is that this selective disclosure was done by Respondents in favor of one supportive journalist, with whom they also shared their own critiques of Lim, even

- while arguing to Lim their inability to discuss the case with her due to juvenile casefile related exemptions. Lim asks for the "status" of the case and is rebuffed on the above citation, but then some info is indeed provided by Respondents to Balko.
- Additional violation of Admin Code 67.26: By disclosing the information to Balko, they must disclose it to the general public. Also, it is unclear how the *names* (as opposed to the private contact info) can be considered an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Of the names, at least one is known publicly -- in fact it is stated in the column written by Balko after Respondents' disclosure to him. Generally the Gov Code 6254(c) exemption is applied to the personal contact info, not the name of a person. Even if SOTF decides not to order disclosed some of the information previously disclosed to Balko but now purportedly retracted in order to protect third-party privacy rights in spite of the Respondents' violations, it should nevertheless find Respondents violated the law due to the selective disclosure.
- Violation of Gov Code 6253(d): Respondents are required to identify the name and title of every person *responsible* for withholding the information, but did not do so. Who do we hold responsible here?

Regards,

Anonymous
Twitter @journo anon

#### IMPORTANT:

- 1. If you are a public official: I intend that these communications all be disclosable public records, and I will not hold in confidence any of your messages, notwithstanding any notices to the contrary.
- 2. If you are NOT a public official: This communication is confidential and may contain unpublished information or confidential source information, protected by the California Shield Law, Evidence Code sec. 1070. I am a member of the electronic media and regularly publish information about the conduct of public officials.
- 3. I am not a lawyer. Nothing herein is legal, IT, or professional advice of any kind. The author disclaims all warranties, express or implied, including but not limited to all warranties of merchantability or fitness. In no event shall the author be liable for any special, direct, indirect, consequential, or any other damages whatsoever.
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----- Original Message ----On Friday, July 16th, 2021 at 7:23 PM, Anonymoose <arecordsrequestor@protonmail.com> wrote:

Supervisor of Records: This is a 67.21(d) to petition to determine in writing some or all records or parts thereof in the 2 attached requests are public and order them disclosed. In request #2 they have actively withheld

certain records under apparently <u>all</u> of the cited exemptions and they are not more specific than that. There are also parts of records withheld in the second request in the numbered items.

**SOTF:** Please file a new complaint *Anonymous v Chesa Boudin and District Attorney's Office*. **Allegations:** SFAC 67.21, 67.26, 67.27, 67.25, 67.24, Gov Code 6253(c), Gov Code 6254.5

This complaint regards two requests both attached.

## On the second request (comms with Dion Lim and Radley Balko):

For context Lim and Balko are both journalists who wrote about Boudin's actions in a particular alleged crime. What Boudin, Lim, or Balko did or did not do is not relevant to the Sunshine issues, except that any release of info from Boudin/his office to Lim or Balko (who are not City employees) would waive all purported exemptions in that information. Namely, the Respondents appear to have discussed information apparently about witnesses or victims in this case with at least Balko on at least pages 61-62 of the public records released.

This had an untimely response, but also had numerous additional problems. Remember the Respondents bear the burden to prove with specificity that an exemption applies.

- 1. Gov Code 6254.5 For all information that was provided to some other member of the public who has *no* special position in the investigation (namely these two reporters and their employers), all privileges in that information were waived.
- 2. SF Admin Code 67.26 the participant names of the texts/chats have been withheld. You have ruled that the From and To of text messages must be disclosed. SOTF 19098 Anonymous v SFPD. It is unclear who is speaking to Lim/Balko is it Boudin or his subordinate?
- 3. **SF Admin Code 67.21** a copy of a word document attachment communicated outside of the City was not provided. Instead screenshots of this document, which clearly contains hyperlinks impossible to provide via screenshot were provided. More importantly, because this Word file was itself communicated outside of the City,

- all privileges in the entirety of the file as previously transmitted are waived and I must receive the entirety of the original file, including all history and metadata in that Word file, whose name starts "Dion Lim Misrepresentatio..." on page 69.
- 4. **SF Admin Code 67.26** the DA's office also transmitted various hyperlinks in their chat messages that were not provided to me (ex. page 63, 65)
- 5. **SF Admin Code 67.27** Respondents withheld records on subrequest 3 based on 8 different justifications: "We are withholding records under the exemptions stated above that would otherwise be responsive to your third request." I do not believe all of these justifications apply and they appear to be just scattershot.
- 6. SF Admin Code 67.24(a) and 67.26 The Respondents withheld records to subrequest 3 based on: "Also, preliminary drafts, notes, or interagency or intra-agency memoranda may be exempt from disclosure under Cal. Govt. Code § 6254(a)." This is not allowed. Only a very small subset of such info is exempt under local draft exemption Admin Code 67.24(a). Namely in order to be exempt they must be "preliminary draft or department memorandum" AND "not normally kept on file and would otherwise be disposed of" AND then, only "the recommendation of the author" of such a document may be withheld within that document.
- 7. SF Admin Code 67.27 The Respondents also withheld records to subrequest 3 based on: "In addition, "official information," which is acquired in confidence by a public employee in the course of his or her duty and not open, or officially disclosed, is privileged against disclosure per Cal. Evid. Code 1040". This statement neither specifies which exemption is being used, and also overstates that is exempt. The Official Information privilege does not in fact exempt all "official information." Instead, there are two specific exemptions for subsets of official information: and they must choose which (or both) they are using: Evidence Code 1040(b)(1) and Evidence Code 1040(b)(2). Admin Code 67.27 requires you to choose *specific* exemptions. In (b)(1) they must prove what state or federal law prohibits disclosure. In (b)(2) they must prove that a balancing test in the interest of justice prevails for

non-disclosure. But neither (b)(1) nor (b)(2) nor both combined simply exempt ALL information acquired in confidence by a public employee, as the City incorrectly believes. (Note that I am not disputing the *applicability* of the balancing test in (b)(2) due to the Mayor's COVID orders in this instance; though I reserve the right to elsewhere challenge the validity of. What I am saying is if that is what they want to use, they need to cite that test and prove with specificity that it applies to all information so exempted.)

- 8. **SF Admin Code 67.21 and 67.26** Each, individual, email needs to be provided as an exact copy. The To, From, Cc, Bcc need to be provided with non-private email addresses.
- 9. SF Admin Code 67.21 and 67.26 At the end of the records appears to be some sort of formal letter transmitted to ABC7. I am owed an exact copy of that original file transmitted to ABC7 (and whatever mechanism was used to transmit that file). Any exemption for metadata (for example, any purported history that may otherwise by attorney work-product privileged if it was NOT in a file transmitted outside of the City) in the specific copy of the file sent to ABC7 is waived by transmission to ABC7.

## On the first request (comms with judges and Mayor's Office):

The District Attorney's office has decided to go radio silent on my request and simply refuses to respond. At this moment there is no substantive response other than a lie that they would respond in 10 days (they did not).

Violations of Gov Code 6253(c), Admin Code 67.21(b), Admin Code 67.25(b) and/or Admin Code 67.25(d): In each case, Chesa Boudin and his Office violated Gov Code 6253(c) for failing to provide a determination of disclosable public records and reasons within 10 days and for unreasonably delaying provision of records to my requests. (The prior argument is based on a presumption that the Mayor's emergency COVID orders suspending certain timeliness requirements of the Ordinance are valid, but is not a concession that they are in fact valid, or continue to be in effect at any given time. In the alternative, Respondents violated Admin Code 67.21(b) and/or 67.25(b) for failing to provide records within 10 days.).

Violations of Admin Code 67.26 and 67.27: The failure or refusal of the Respondents to search and produce the records is equivalent to withholding all records in their entirety (Community Youth Athletic Center v. City of National City, `The effect of the City's inability or unwillingness to locate the records had the same effect as withholding requested information from the public."). This complete withholding is non-minimal and unjustified in writing. If and when the City eventually responds, these violations may continue as well.

Regards,

Anonymous
Twitter @journo anon

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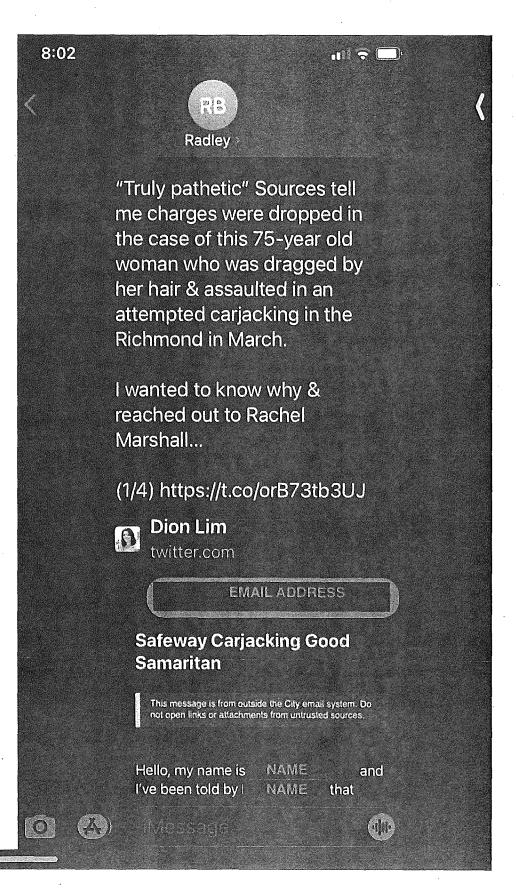
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- 2. If you are NOT a public official: This communication is confidential and may contain unpublished information or confidential source information, protected by the California Shield Law, Evidence Code sec. 1070. I am a member of the electronic media and regularly publish information about the conduct of public officials.
- 3. I am not a lawyer. Nothing herein is legal, IT, or professional advice of any kind. The author disclaims all warranties, express or implied, including but not limited to all warranties of merchantability or fitness. In no event shall the author be liable for any special, direct, indirect, consequential, or any other damages whatsoever.
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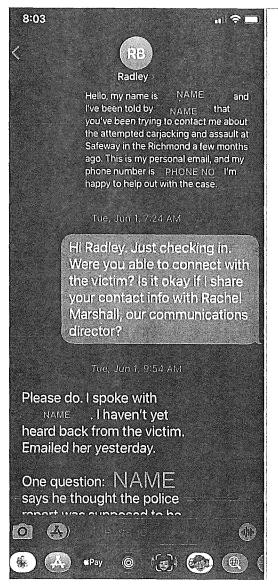
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EXHIBIT 4 - Apparent retractions of information

New Redactions By Respondents

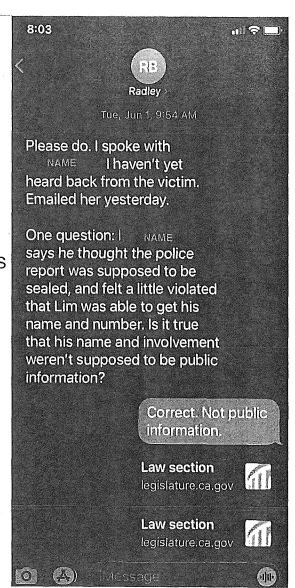
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#### Leger, Cheryl (BOS)

From:

SOTF, (BOS)

To:

Burke, Robyn (DAT); Campos, David (DAT); Boudin, Chesa (DAT)

Cc:

Anonymoose 🦮 🔍

Subject:

SOTF - Complaint Filed with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force - File No. 21086

Attachments:

SOTF - Complaint Procedure 2019-10-02 FINAL.pdf; 21086 Complaint.pdf

#### Good Afternoon:

Chesa Boudin and the Office of the District Attorney have been named as Respondents in the attached complaint filed with the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force. Please respond to the attached complaint/request within five business days.

The Respondent is required to submit a written response to the allegations including any and all supporting documents, recordings, electronic media, etc., to the Task Force within five (5) business days of receipt of this notice. This is your opportunity to provide a full explanation to allow the Task Force to be fully informed in considering your response prior its meeting.

Please include the following information in your response if applicable:

- 1. List all relevant records with descriptions that have been provided pursuant to the Complainant request.
- 2. Date the relevant records were provided to the Complainant.
- 3. Description of the method used, along with any relevant search terms used, to search for the relevant records.
- 4. Statement/declaration that all relevant documents have been provided, does not exist, or has been excluded.
- 5. Copy of the original request for records (if applicable).
- 6. Statement/declaration that all relevant documents have been provided, does not exist, or Acknowledgement of noncompliance with the Sunshine Ordinance or declaration of no-contest.

Please refer to the File Number when submitting any new information and/or supporting documents pertaining to this complaint.

The Complainant alleges:

Complaint Attached.

Cheryl Leger

Assistant Clerk, Board of Supervisors

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