

Good Morning:

Welcome to the supporters of Kyle Howell and the supporters of Vincent Loguidice. I acknowledge that this has been an emotional case for people on both sides of the aisle and I appreciate that, throughout the trial, all who were present conducted themselves properly and in accordance with the rules of the court. I would also like to thank the attorneys involved for their professionalism throughout the pendency of this case.

This is a Criminal Court and not a court of public opinion and thus the verdict must be based on the evidence and exhibits heard and viewed in this Court on 11/17 through 11/24/2015 and not influenced by any rallies in support of or against any individual or groups.

Intimidation or an attempt at intimidation has no place in a court of law and thus will have no effect on the verdict in this matter.

The standard of proof in a criminal case is proof beyond a reasonable doubt not the lesser standard as indicated in the press release seeking justice for Kyle Howell.

The main evidence received in this case was the testimony of Kyle Howell, the videotape of the incident, the testimony of P.O. Basil Gomez and the defendant, Vincent Loguidice. There were various other items also received in evidence and viewed and heard by this Court. People have said that the videotape shows everything and that there is no need for a trial- Well the danger of viewing this videotape alone does not give a clear picture of the events of the evening of April 25, 2014 on Covert Street in New Cassell. Rather it only depicts part of the actions of the defendant which when viewed alone are disturbing. But the question in this case is what was happening in that motor vehicle- that cannot be seen from the perspective of that video camera. On that issue we have the testimony of the three witnesses. It should be noted that Mr. Howell, during a press conference held shortly after this incident, lied to all and said that when he



reached across the car he was merely trying to grab his paycheck which was in danger of flying out the window. Kyle Howell has testified that in attempt to prevent himself from getting arrested for a marijuana charge and facing a violation of probation and possible jail, he threw himself across the console of the car to grab the bag of a marijuana from the glove box. He stated that he knew that what he was doing could cause the police to perceive it in a dangerous way; that the police might think that he was posing a risk to them and they might think he was reaching for a weapon. Yet he continued to do what he was doing. It can come as no surprise then to Mr. Howell, that the defendant did think all those things as he ran back to the passenger side after seeing Kyle Howell lunge across the car. Despite repeated request from the defendant, Kyle Howell never opened his hands to show the officer that he had nothing of danger. While there is no doubt that Kyle Howell suffered an injury-The People have failed to prove their case beyond a reasonable doubt and that the actions of the defendant were not justified.

Accordingly, after an exhaustive review of all the evidence and review of the transcripts of the testimony of the witnesses, my verdict is as follows:

As to Count 1 - not guilty;

Count 2 was previously dismissed by this Court; and

As to Count 3 - not guilty.

