

COMMONWEALTH OF  
PENNSYLVANIA  
COUNTY OF: BEAVER



POLICE CRIMINAL COMPLAINT  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
VS.

Magisterial District Number:

MDJ: Hon.

Address:

Telephone: ( )

DEFENDANT:

(NAME and ADDRESS):

GEORGE

(NMN)

DAVID

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Gen.

3412 GREEN GARDEN RD., ALIQUIPPA, PA 15001

NCIC Extradition Code Type

- ☐ 1-Felony Full ☐ 4-Felony No Ext. ☐ B-Misdemeanor Limited ☐ E-Misdemeanor Pending  
☐ 2-Felony Ltd. ☐ 5-Felony Pend. ☐ C-Misdemeanor Surrounding States ☐ Distance: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ 3-Felony Surrounding States ☒ A-Misdemeanor Full ☐ D-Misdemeanor No Extradition

DEFENDANT IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION

Docket Number	Date Filed / /	OTN/LiveScan Number	Complaint/Incident Number D04-1484209	SID	Request Lab Services? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
GENDER <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	DOB 05/11/1947	POB	Add'l DOB / /	Co-Defendant(s) <input type="checkbox"/>	
First Name		Middle Name		Last Name	
Gen.					
AKA					
RACE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black <input type="checkbox"/> Native American <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown					
ETHNICITY <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown					
HAIR COLOR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GRY (Gray) <input type="checkbox"/> RED (Red/Aubn.) <input type="checkbox"/> SDY (Sandy) <input type="checkbox"/> BLU (Blue) <input type="checkbox"/> PLE (Purple) <input type="checkbox"/> BRO (Brown) <input type="checkbox"/> BLK (Black) <input type="checkbox"/> ONG (Orange) <input type="checkbox"/> WHI (White) <input type="checkbox"/> XXX (Unk./Bald) <input type="checkbox"/> GRN (Green) <input type="checkbox"/> PNK (Pink) <input type="checkbox"/> BLN (Blonde / Strawberry)					
EYE COLOR <input type="checkbox"/> BLK (Black) <input type="checkbox"/> BLU (Blue) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BRO (Brown) <input type="checkbox"/> GRN (Green) <input type="checkbox"/> GRY (Gray) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HAZ (Hazel) <input type="checkbox"/> MAR (Maroon) <input type="checkbox"/> PNK (Pink) <input type="checkbox"/> MUL (Multicolored) <input type="checkbox"/> XXX (Unknown)					
Driver License	State PA	License Number 13138754	Expires: 05/12/2017	WEIGHT (lbs.)	
DNA	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	DNA Location			
FBI Number		MNU Number			
Defendant Fingerprinted	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO				5 10
Fingerprint Classification:					

DEFENDANT VEHICLE INFORMATION

Plate #	State	Hazmat <input type="checkbox"/>	Registration Sticker (MM/YY) /	Comm'l Veh. Ind. <input type="checkbox"/>	School Veh. <input type="checkbox"/>	Oth. NCIC Veh. Code	Reg. same as Def. <input type="checkbox"/>
VIN	Year	Make	Model	Style	Color		

Office of the attorney for the Commonwealth ☐ Approved ☐ Disapproved because:

(The attorney for the Commonwealth may require that the complaint, arrest warrant affidavit, or both be approved by the attorney for the Commonwealth prior to filing. See Pa.R.Crim.P. 507).

(Name of the attorney for the Commonwealth)

(Signature of the attorney for the Commonwealth)

(Date)

I, CPL. JOSEPH OLAYER & CPL. DANIEL MOSURA

(Name of the Affiant)

BADGE #10163 & BADGE #10104

(PSP/MPOETC -Assigned Affiant ID Number & Badge #

of PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE

(Identify Department or Agency Represented and Political Subdivision)

PAPSP0300

(Police Agency ORI Number)

do hereby state: (check appropriate box)

1. ☒ I accuse the above named defendant who lives at the address set forth above

☐ I accuse the defendant whose name is unknown to me but who is described as

☐ I accuse the defendant whose name and popular designation or nickname are unknown to me and whom I have therefore designated as John Doe or Jane Doe

with violating the penal laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at [404]

BEAVER COUNTY COURTHOUSE,

- BEAVER BOROUGH

(Subdivision Code)

(Place-Political Subdivision)

in BEAVER County

[04]

(County Code)

on or about 11/05/11 - 03/01/13



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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lead?	1	2706	(a)(1)	of the	Title 18 , PA Crimes Code	2	M1		04E
Offense #	Section	Subsection	PA Statute (Title)			Counts	Grade	NCIC Offense Code	UCR/NIBRS Code

PennDOT Data (if applicable)	Accident Number	<input type="checkbox"/> Interstate	<input type="checkbox"/> Safety Zone	<input type="checkbox"/> Work Zone
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Statute Description (include the name of statute or ordinance):  
**TERRORISTIC THREATS: (M1) PA CRIMES CODE 2706(a)(1)**

Acts of the accused associated with this Offense:  
In that the above named defendant did, on or about the above mentioned dates, times and locations, threaten to commit any crime of violence with intent to terrorize another or to cause evacuation of a building, place of assembly, or facility of public transportation, or otherwise to cause serious public inconvenience, or in reckless disregard of the risk of causing such terror or inconvenience. To Wit: The defendant threatened to commit crimes of violence against John Paul VRANESEVICH and Daniel FLEISHMAN.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Lead?	2	2701	(a)(1)	of the	Title 18 , PA Crimes Code	1	M2		04E
Offense #	Section	Subsection	PA Statute (Title)			Counts	Grade	NCIC Offense Code	UCR/NIBRS Code

PennDOT Data (if applicable)	Accident Number	<input type="checkbox"/> Interstate	<input type="checkbox"/> Safety Zone	<input type="checkbox"/> Work Zone
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Statute Description (include the name of statute or ordinance):  
**SIMPLE ASSAULT: (M2) PA CRIMES CODE 2701(a)(1)**

Acts of the accused associated with this Offense:  
In that the above named defendant did, on or about the above mentioned date, time and location, attempt to cause or intentionally, knowingly or recklessly cause bodily injury to another. To Wit: The defendant did attempt to cause bodily injury to the victim, John Paul VRANESEVICH, by pointing a loaded gun at him during a meeting at the Beaver County Courthouse.



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<input type="checkbox"/> Lead?	3	2701	(a)(3)	of the	Title 18 , PA Crimes Code	2	M2		04A
	Offense #	Section	Subsection		PA Statute (Title)	Counts	Grade	NCIC Offense Code	UCR/NIBRS Code

PennDOT Data (if applicable)	Accident Number	<input type="checkbox"/> Interstate	<input type="checkbox"/> Safety Zone	<input type="checkbox"/> Work Zone
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Statute Description (include the name of statute or ordinance):

**SIMPLE ASSAULT: (M2) PA CRIMES CODE 2701(a)(3)**

Acts of the accused associated with this Offense:

In that the above named defendant did, on or about the above mentioned dates, times and locations, attempt by physical menace to put another in fear of imminent serious bodily injury. To Wit: The defendant did threaten John Paul VRANESEVICH and pointed a loaded gun at him during at meeting at the Beaver County Courthouse and also threatened Daniel FLEISHMAN by screaming at him, in close proximity, that he would "cut his fucking hands off and eat them."

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<input type="checkbox"/> Lead?	4	2705		of the	Title 18 , PA Crimes Code	1	M2		04E
	Offense #	Section	Subsection		PA Statute (Title)	Counts	Grade	NCIC Offense Code	UCR/NIBRS Code

PennDOT Data (if applicable)	Accident Number	<input type="checkbox"/> Interstate	<input type="checkbox"/> Safety Zone	<input type="checkbox"/> Work Zone
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Statute Description (include the name of statute or ordinance):

**RECKLESSLY ENDANGERING ANOTHER PERSON: (M2) PA CRIMES CODE 2705**

Acts of the accused associated with this Offense:

In that the above named defendant did, on or about the above mentioned date, time and location, recklessly engage in conduct which places or may place another person in danger of death or serious bodily injury. To Wit: The defendant did point a loaded firearm at another person, John Paul VRANESEVICH, while engaging in an angry tirade during a meeting at the Beaver County Courthouse.



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<input type="checkbox"/> Lead?	5	5301	(1)	of the	Title 18 , PA Crimes Code	1	M2		260
	Offense #	Section	Subsection		PA Statute (Title)	Counts	Grade	NCIC Offense Code	UCR/NIBRS Code

PennDOT Data (if applicable)	Accident Number	<input type="checkbox"/> Interstate	<input type="checkbox"/> Safety Zone	<input type="checkbox"/> Work Zone
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Statute Description (include the name of statute or ordinance):

**OFFICIAL OPPRESSION: (M2) PA CRIMES CODE 5301(1)**

Acts of the accused associated with this Offense:

In that the above named defendant did, on or about the above mentioned date, time and location, while acting in an official capacity or taking advantage of such actual or purported capacity subject another to arrest, detention, search, seizure, mistreatment, dispossession, assessment, lien or other infringement of personal or property rights knowing his conduct was illegal. To Wit: The defendant did, while taking advantage of his official capacity as Sheriff of Beaver County, subject witnesses to mistreatment.

Inchoate Offense	<input type="checkbox"/> Attempt 18 901 A	<input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation 18 902 A	<input type="checkbox"/> Conspiracy 18 903
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<input type="checkbox"/> Lead?	6	5101		of the	Title 18 , PA Crimes Code	1	M2		260
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Statute Description (include the name of statute or ordinance):

**OBSTRUCTING ADMINISTRATION OF LAW OR OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTION: (M2) PA CRIMES CODE 5101**

Acts of the accused associated with this Offense:

In that the above named defendant did, on or about the above mentioned date, time and location, intentionally obstruct, impair or pervert the administration of law or other governmental function by force, violence, physical interference or obstacle, breach of official duty, or any other unlawful act. To Wit: The defendant encourage Thomas OCHS and/or Michael TIBOLET to withhold relevant information from law enforcement officers investigating crimes that the defendant is alleged to have committed.



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<input type="checkbox"/> Lead?	7	4952	(a)(1)	of the	Title 18 , PA Crimes Code	1	M2		04E
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Statute Description (include the name of statute or ordinance):

**INTIMIDATION OF WITNESSES OR VICTIMS: (M2) PA CRIMES CODE 4952(a)(1)**

Acts of the accused associated with this Offense:

In that the named defendant did, with the intent to or with the knowledge that his conduct will obstruct, impede, impair, prevent or interfere with the administration of criminal justice, he intimidates or attempts to intimidate any witness or victim to refrain from informing or reporting to any law enforcement officer, prosecuting official or judge concerning any information, document or thing relating to the commission of a crime. To Wit: The defendant did intimidate Thomas OCHS and/or Michael TIBOLET to refrain from truthfully reporting their observations to the Pennsylvania State Police, Office of Attorney General, and/or the 34<sup>th</sup> Statewide Investigating Grand Jury.

Inchoate Offense	<input type="checkbox"/> Attempt 18 901 A	<input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation 18 902 A	<input type="checkbox"/> Conspiracy 18 903
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<input type="checkbox"/> Lead?	8	4952	(a)(2)	of the	Title 18 , PA Crimes Code	1	M2		04E
	Offense #	Section	Subsection		PA Statute (Title)	Counts	Grade	NCIC Offense Code	UCR/NIBRS Code

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Statute Description (include the name of statute or ordinance):

**INTIMIDATION OF WITNESSES OR VICTIMS: (M2) PA CRIMES CODE 4952(a)(2)**

Acts of the accused associated with this Offense:

In that the above named defendant did, with the intent to or with the knowledge that his conduct will obstruct, impede, impair, prevent or interfere with the administration of criminal justice, he intimidates or attempts to intimidate any witness or victim to give any false or misleading information or testimony relating to the commission of any crime to any law enforcement officer, prosecuting official or judge. To Wit: The defendant did intimidate Thomas OCHS and/or Michael TIBOLET to provide false or misleading information to the Pennsylvania State Police, Office of Attorney General, and/or the 34<sup>th</sup> Statewide Investigating Grand Jury.



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2. I ask that a warrant of arrest or a summons be issued and that the defendant be required to answer the charges I have made.
3. I verify that the facts set forth in this complaint are true and correct to the best of my knowledge or information and belief. This verification is made subject to the penalties of Section 4904 of the Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.§4904) relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.
4. This complaint consists of the preceding page(s) numbered 1 through 8

The acts committed by the accused, as listed and hereafter, were against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and were contrary to the Act(s) of the Assembly, or in violation of the statutes cited.

**(Before a warrant of arrest can be issued, an affidavit of probable cause must be completed, sworn to before the issuing authority, and attached.)**

MARCH 18, 2013  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Affiant)

AND NOW, on this date, \_\_\_\_\_ I certify that the complaint has been properly completed and verified. An affidavit of probable cause must be completed before a warrant can be issued.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Magisterial District Court Number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Issuing Authority)

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### AFFIDAVIT of PROBABLE CAUSE

"SEE ATTACHED PRESENTMENT"

I, CPL. JOSEPH OLAYER #10163 & CPL. DANIEL MOSURA #10104, BEING DULY SWORN ACCORDING TO THE LAW, DEPOSE AND SAY THAT THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE FOREGOING AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION AND BELIEF.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Affiant)

Sworn to me and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, Date \_\_\_\_\_, Magisterial District Judge

My commission expires first Monday of January,



## **INTRODUCTION**

We, the members of the 34<sup>th</sup> Statewide Investigating Grand Jury, having received and reviewed evidence regarding violations of the Crimes Code occurring in Beaver County, Pennsylvania, pursuant to Notice of Submission of Investigation No. 33, do hereby make the following findings of fact and recommendation of charges.

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

The Grand Jury conducted an investigation into reported assaults and threats committed by George David, the elected Sheriff of Beaver County Pennsylvania. During the course of the eleven-month investigation, the Grand Jury heard evidence that George David assaulted or threatened at least two individuals between November 2011 and April 2012 and thereafter discouraged witnesses of an assault from reporting their observations truthfully.

Sheriff George David was first appointed to office by the Governor and served as Sheriff between 1996 and 1997. Thereafter, David became the Chief of Security for the Beaver County Jail. In 2008, David was elected as Sheriff of Beaver County and currently holds that office.

On Saturday, November 5, 2011, a volunteer for the re-election campaigns of several Beaver County officials, to include George David, reported to the democratic campaign headquarters to pick up campaign signs, brochures, sample ballots and other items to assist him with his campaign efforts. Upon arrival at campaign headquarters, the Volunteer approached George David to greet him and shake his hand. David looked at the Volunteer and was clearly irate. As the Volunteer reached his hand toward David, David said "you motherfucker, I heard you talk about me, shake my hand, I'll cut your fucking hands off and I'll eat them, I'll cut your hands off."

One witness, an elected row officer in Beaver County, recalled hearing David yell, "You have the nerve to try to shake my hand, and that's when I looked at the [Volunteer]. He's yelling, I'll cut it off and eat it before I shake your hand, I'll shove it down your throat. He was going ballistic." The Row Officer further recalled that the Volunteer looked shocked, terrified, and began stuttering.

David continued his tirade as others attempted to intervene to calm David. David remained irate and repeated similar threats to the Volunteer. David was within a foot of the Volunteer, who feared for his personal safety and scanned David's person to determine if he was carrying a firearm. Despite the best efforts of those witnesses attempting to intervene, David's rant continued until he was physically moved to a back room. David continued yelling from the back room. In the back room the threats continued. According to one eyewitness David stated, "My father always told me that when you see a snake, you cut the head off a snake."

The Volunteer is an employee of Beaver County. Following David's threats, the Volunteer wanted to report the incident to law enforcement and pursue criminal charges but chose not to as he feared retaliation and loss of employment. On June 19, 2012 an article appeared in the Beaver Countian, an online news outlet, describing the threats made to the Volunteer. Thereafter, county employees approached the Volunteer and warned him that "David is very vindictive and you're going to lose your job." During his testimony before the Grand Jury he described his fear both during the incident and to the present day, "[David's] a very powerful man. He walks with a very powerful circle of people and so he's capable of I think not only trying to take my job away from me but hurting me or my family, as well."

The Grand Jury finds a *prima facie* case that Sheriff George David committed terroristic threats and simple assault against the Volunteer.

On April 16, 2012, Sheriff David threatened and assaulted the owner and lead journalist with the *Beaver Countian*. Prior to the assault, the Journalist enjoyed a professional relationship with David and wrote several favorable articles about his office and individual deputies in David's employ. Because of the positive relationship he had with David, the Journalist learned of David's dislike of a reporter with the *Beaver County Times* and the Beaver County Prothonotary. According to the Journalist, David dislikes the *Times* Reporter because of unfavorable articles published about the Sheriff and his office. David dislikes the Prothonotary because he believes that she terminated his wife, once an employee of the Prothonotary's Office.

Leading up to the April 16<sup>th</sup> assault, the Journalist was investigating a controversy involving the procurement of uniforms for the Sheriff's deputies. Pursuant to the County Code, any purchase over \$18,500.00 is put out for bid. From at least 1998 through 2012, Central Services has put the purchase of uniforms for sheriff deputies out for bid because the uniform budget is typically \$35,000.00. That year, when Central Services notified the Sheriff of the company submitting the lowest bid, he objected and determined that uniforms for his deputies did not fall under Beaver County bid requirements. On April 16, 2012, the Journalist went to the Sheriff's office located in the Beaver County Courthouse and requested a uniform requisition form used by the deputies to request uniform items.

After requesting the form, a secretary informed the Journalist that Sheriff David wanted to see him in his office. The Sheriff was behind his desk along with two other deputies seated in his office. After providing the Journalist with the form, the office door was shut. David was clearly annoyed with the request and began getting louder. The meeting commenced at 4:00 in the afternoon and continued for approximately two hours. The Journalist spoke very little and

listened to the Sheriff rant extensively about courthouse staff, the Journalist, and the *Times* Reporter.

In particular, the Sheriff demanded that the Journalist not pursue the story regarding the uniform controversy. The Sheriff yelled, "I just got that mother futching [*Times* Reporter] off my Goddamn ass. I don't need you on my mother futching ass too."<sup>1</sup> After the Journalist and one of the deputies present reminded the Sheriff of past favorable reporting, the Sheriff responded, "I don't give a futch about them other articles. I don't need him getting on my ass with this." An eyewitness to the tirade also recalled this statement with particularity. David became irate and during the two hour tirade that followed he flailed his arms, gestured wildly, and continued yelling about a variety of topics.

At one point, David removed a black jack from a top drawer in his desk and shouted that he "would beat that [*Times* Reporter] worse than I used to beat the niggers in Aliquippa," and slammed the black jack on the desk. The Journalist became scared as David kept screaming, "That [*Times* Reporter], I put up with so much of his fucking shit, him writing shit about me all the fucking time. I've had enough. Now I got you coming after me. I'm fucking sick of it." As the Sheriff's anger increased, the Journalist did not feel that he could leave his office and was in continual fear for his safety.

The incident reached a crescendo when the Sheriff began saying, "If I knew I was going to die today, I would blow their fucking brains out. If I knew I was going to die," referencing the *Times* Reporter and Prothonotary. Eyewitnesses to the incident also recall this statement with particularity. The Sheriff repeated the phrase and started screaming it as loud as possible. During his repetition of this phrase, David removed his service revolver from its holster. With

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<sup>1</sup> The Grand Jury learned through the testimony of several witnesses that Sheriff George David attempts not to use profanity and in its place uses a word of his own creation, "futch." As his anger increases, the Sheriff typically drops the pretext and uses profanity.

the gun out, the Sheriff screamed to the Journalist, "You're on my fucking ass now. You start writing fucking shit like this I'll blow your fucking brains out too." Eyewitnesses to the incident recalled the Sheriff taking his gun out his holster and being shocked. The witnesses testified further that had they been the Journalist, they would have been extremely concerned and felt threatened.

Both deputies reacted when David removed his gun. One uncrossed his legs and leaned forward and the other covered his face with his hands and started shaking his head. The Journalist attempted to calm the Sheriff, which seemed to make him louder. David then re-holstered his weapon and appeared to calm immediately. One deputy told the Sheriff that he needed to get home and they all left the office. As one of the deputies escorted the Journalist out of the office, the Journalist remarked, "Wow, I didn't even write anything yet." The deputy shook his head in response.

The deputies interacted immediately following the incident, remarking, "Did you just see what I saw? . . . He pulled his fucking gun out." Moments later the deputies commented that the Sheriff really lost it.

The Journalist was terrified that the Sheriff would follow him out of the courthouse and began running aimlessly and calling for someone to pick him up. As soon as he got home, the Journalist called the Beaver County Detectives, and warned the Prothonotary and *Times* Reporter. The Police Chief of Beaver Borough advised the Journalist to meet him at the station along with the Prothonotary.

Beaver Borough police officers, including the Chief, testified before the Grand Jury and described the Journalist's demeanor in detail. The Journalist was visibly shaken, crying, and unable to form complete sentences. The Chief testified, "You could tell it wasn't fake where he

was upset. It wasn't a show. Put it that way . . . It was definitely credible and we passed that back to the trooper. In fairness to him being new to that area, I just wanted to give him - - the guy wasn't there for attention. Something did happen that triggered this."

Following the incident there was an effort by the Sheriff's office to conduct their own investigation of the allegations. In particular, the solicitor for the Sheriff's office asked a deputy whether the Sheriff's gun came out and then admonished the deputy that the deputies "better get on the same page." Both deputies denied that anything inappropriate happened during the meeting and authored internal reports indicating the same. One deputy explained that he did so out of a fear of losing his job. Once the investigation was assigned to the Pennsylvania State Police, both deputies told a similar tale to the investigating Troopers, that nothing untoward occurred during the meeting.

During a conversation with the Sheriff, one of the deputies repeated one of the threatening comments made by the Sheriff during his tirade. The Sheriff responded by saying, "You don't need to repeat that again." The deputy understood that it was an instruction from the Sheriff to lie. In the weeks and months following this incident, the Sheriff repeatedly reiterated to at least one deputy that "it never happened." This was understood as an effort on the Sheriff's part to ensure that he maintained the deputy's loyalty and prevented the truth from being disclosed.

The Grand Jury finds a *prima facie* case that George David committed Simple Assault, Recklessly Endangering Another Person, Terroristic Threats, Intimidation of Witnesses or Victims, Official Oppression, and Obstructing Administration of Law or Other Governmental Function.