

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
AT GREENEVILLE

KATERI LYNNE DAHL,
Plaintiff,

VS.

CHIEF KARL TURNER, in his individual
capacity only; OFFICER JOHN DOES 1-3,
in their individual capacities only;
and CITY OF JOHNSON CITY,
Defendants.

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CASE NO.
2:22-CV-00072-KAC-CRW

DEPOSITION OF
KEVIN PETERS
(Taken December 19, 2023)

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1 June 9th, and then forwarded by you later, not much later
2 in time, to Turner with your own comment. Do you see
3 that, sir?
4 A. I do.
5 Q. Okay. And it says Kirt attended federal grand jury today.
6 Is that Stillwagon?
7 A. That is.
8 Q. Okay. And it says, the only case taken through was a 2018
9 case that was originally given to Tom McCauley and was
10 passed to her, Demetrious Bolden. No cases on the list
11 that I provided were taken through. Did -- this E-mail
12 was sent at 3:09. Did you attempt to have any
13 communication with Kat Dahl after you received this E-
14 mail?
15 A. I believe there was another E-mail that I had sent before
16 this one to Ms. Dahl...
17 Q. Okay.
18 A. ...asking for an update.
19 Q. Do you recall when that was?
20 A. I believe it was actually the day before.
21 Q. Okay. And do you recall what you asked her for?
22 A. I told her the chief wanted an update on the cases that
23 had been taken through the grand jury, which ones had been
24 taken through.
25 Q. Now, so this -- if the grand jury was on June 9th, you had

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1 sent this E-mail on June 8th, the day before?

2 A. Yeah, I think I just got the wrong day because, like I
3 said, my understanding was the grand jury met the first
4 Tuesday or one of the Tuesdays, so Tuesday would have been
5 the 8th, and that's when I sent it because I thought that
6 was the day the grand jury met.

7 Q. Okay. And did the grand jury meet more than one day to
8 your knowledge?

9 A. I have no knowledge of that.

10 Q. Okay. When Legault says to you, Kirt attended federal
11 grand jury today, and that's on a Wednesday, what does
12 that indicate to you?

13 A. That the grand jury happened on Wednesday, not Tuesday.

14 Q. Okay. Did Kat ever explain to you on or after June 9th
15 why she didn't indict any of the five cases with check
16 marks?

17 A. I never talked to Kat again.

18 Q. Did you attend any further meetings with her?

19 A. No, I have not.

20 Q. Which is sort of the same question, but do you see what I
21 mean? Did you ever sit in on any meetings where she was
22 talking, but you were just listening?

23 A. No.

24 Q. Did you make any inquiry with anyone else from DOJ about
25 these five cases?

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1 sat up on these residences, but nothing ever came from it.

2 Q. When you say sat up, do you mean they were surveilling

3 them?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Okay. There's been discussion in previous testimony of a

6 pole camera. Are you familiar with that?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. And that was set up outside the garage?

9 A. Yes, that's correct.

10 Q. Okay. And that didn't require a warrant, did it?

11 A. No, it did not.

12 Q. Okay. To your knowledge, was the pole camera funded by a

13 DOJ grant?

14 A. Those pole cams were purchased before I became captain, so

15 I wasn't really involved in the purchase of them. So it

16 seems to me like maybe they were, but again, I have no

17 personal knowledge of it.

18 Q. What was involved with the pole camera? Did it just sit

19 there and record footage all day and night?

20 A. Correct, yes, it did.

21 Q. Did that require officer manpower to then go in and look

22 at all of that footage?

23 A. Yes, somebody would have to visually go in and look at

24 it.

25 Q. Okay. To your knowledge, did the pole camera ever yield

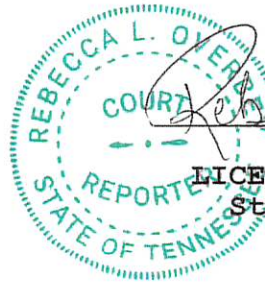
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EXHIBIT "F"

**EXHIBIT "6" TO
DAHL DEPO**

Peters, Kevin

From: Peters, Kevin
Sent: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 2:02 PM
To: 'Kat.dahl@usdoj.gov'
Subject: Federal Grand Jury Cases

Kat,

Chief Turner wanted me to reach out to you and to see what Johnson City cases have been or will be presented to the Federal Grand Jury. If none have been presented, could you provide a date when they will be presented.

Thanks,

Kevin

Captain Kevin Peters



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