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**Sent:** Tuesday, February 7, 2023 12:22 PM  
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**Cc:** Maldonado, Carlos <CMaldonado@cityofberkeley.info>; Futch, Kajahna <KFutch@cityofberkeley.info>  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Investigation by BPD // By: Victim | As to: Lance Goree // Re: 2/4/22 Battery Incident at YMCA (Berkeley) // BPD Report No. 22-5533

Mr. Slater,

I understand you are representing Mr. Victim in a civil lawsuit stemming from an incident in which he was arrested for misdemeanor battery a year ago.

I also understand your recent request for the Homicide Unit to conduct an investigation into that incident "to determine whether criminal charges should be brought against Mr. Goree for PC 242 felony assault / battery and any other criminal charges."

I reviewed your email, the investigation conducted by Officer Futch and the surveillance and other associated video of the incident. I agree there was sufficient probable cause to arrest your client for assaulting Mr. Goree. In my assessment, your client was the primary aggressor of this incident and escalated a verbal dispute into a physical altercation.

I am also aware there have been several reports of restraining order violations filed against your client since the February 2022 incident.

Further, I reviewed the body camera footage of your client when he contacted police in May 2022 to request an additional investigation and provide video evidence of the February 2022 incident. Your client told Officer Maldonado that he had video of the incident, yet declined to show him the video in entirety. Your client showed Officer Maldonado the portion of the video *after* he assaulted Mr. Goree, despite the officer's requests to see the entire video. Officer Maldonado gave your client a link to upload the full video, which he has not. I have emailed you the same link so that you can do so.

I know this is not the action/result you were looking for on behalf of your client. I recommend you obtain copies of all records and evidence related to these incidents for further detail.

Regards,

Sergeant Wilson