



**BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
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September 9, 2011

KEPR TV  
ATTN: WHITNEY WARD

Re: BCSO Case 11-13091 Coercion  
EMAIL: [whitneyw@kepr.tv.com](mailto:whitneyw@kepr.tv.com)

Dear Sir or Madam:

Attached is/are a copy(s) of the document(s) you requested.

OR

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Attached to this letter you will find the public disclosure redaction log that will state the reason(s) for the redactions.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at (509) 735-6555 ext. 3284.

Sincerely,

STEVE KEANE  
SHERIFF

*Linda Finley*  
Public Records Officer



I N C I D E N T D A T A	Agency Name <b>Benton County Sheriff Office</b>	<b>INCIDENT / INVESTIGATION REPORT</b>	OCA <b>11-13091</b>
	ORI <b>WA0030000</b>		Date / Time Reported <b>TH Sep 1, 2011 15:46</b>
	#1	Crime Incident <b>COERCION BY USE OF THREAT</b>	UCR: <b>13C</b> Local Statute: <b>9A.36.070(3)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Att <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Com
#2	Crime Incident	UCR: Local Statute: <input type="checkbox"/> Att <input type="checkbox"/> Com	At Found <b>TH Sep 1, 2011 15:46</b>
#3	Crime Incident	UCR: Local Statute: <input type="checkbox"/> Att <input type="checkbox"/> Com	
Loc of Inc <b>█ Horne Dr, Benton City, WA 99320 4</b>		Premise Type <b>School-Elementary/Second</b>	Offense Tract

MO	How Attacked or Committed	Weapon / Tools	Forcible Entry <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
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V I C T I M	# Victims <b>1</b> Type <b>Individual</b> Injury <b>None</b> Residency Status <b>Resident</b>						
	Victim/Business Name (Last, First, Middle) <b>V1 █</b>	Victim of Crime # <b>1</b>	Age / DOB <b>18</b>	Race <b>W</b>	Sex <b>M</b>		
	Home Address		Home Phone				
	Employer Name/Address		Business Phone				
	VYR	Make	Model	Style	Color	Lic/Lis	VIN
	CODES: V- Victim (Denote V2, V3) O = Owner (if other than victim) R = Reporting Person (if other than victim) I = Other Involved						

O T H E R S	Code <b>RP1</b> Name (Last, First, Middle) <b>Oliver, Jennifer Dawn</b>	Victim of Crime #	Age / DOB <b>36</b>	Race <b>W</b>	Sex <b>F</b>	
	Home Address <b>█ Grace Avenue, Benton City, WA 99320</b>		Home Phone <b>(509) 588-█</b>			
	Employer Name/Address <b>Kiona-Benton City High School / 1205 STATE ROUTE 225, BENTON CITY, WA 99320</b>		Business Phone <b>(509) 588-2000</b>			
I N V O L V E D	Code	Name (Last, First, Middle)	Victim of Crime #	Age / DOB	Race	Sex
	Home Address		Home Phone			
	Employer Name/Address		Business Phone			

P R O P E R T Y	<b>Status Codes</b> L = Lost S = Stolen R = Recovered D = Damaged Z = Seized B = Burned C = Counterfeit / Forged F = Found U = Unknown (Check "OJ" column if recovered for other jurisdiction)								
	Victim #	UCR	Status - Date	Value	OJ	QTY	Property Description	Make/Model	Serial Number
Number of Vehicles Stolen <b>0</b>			Number Vehicles Recovered <b>0</b>						

ID	Officer <b>(608071) BENITEZ, JEAN-PAUL</b>	Officer Signature	Supervisor Signature <b>(614370) MCCARY, DANNY L</b>
Complainant Signature		Case Status: <b>Referred To Prosecutor September 7, 2011</b>	Case Disposition:

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Status Codes L = Lost S = Stolen R = Recovered D = Damaged Z = Seized B = Burned C = Counterfeit / Forged F = Found U = Unknown

	Status	Quantity	Type Measure	Suspected Drug Type
D R U G S				

O F F E N D E R	Offender(s) Suspected of Using <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol <input type="checkbox"/> Computer	Offender 1 SUI Age: <b>52</b> Race: <b>W</b> Sex: <b>M</b>	Offender 2 Age:      Race:      Sex:	Offender 3 Age:      Race:      Sex:	Primary Offender Resident Status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resident <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Resident <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
	Offender 4 Age:      Race:      Sex:	Offender 5 Age:      Race:      Sex:	Offender 6 Age:      Race:      Sex:		

Name (L, F M) <b>Barrett, Wayne Paul</b>		Home Address <b>Grace Av, Benton City, WA 99320</b>		Home Phone <b>(509) 588- [REDACTED]</b>	
SUI AKA		Business Address <b>Kiona-Benton City School Dist / 1107 GRACE AVENUE,</b>		Business Phone <b>(509) 588-2000</b>	
Occupation <b>High Sch Princi</b>		DOB. / Age [REDACTED] / <b>52</b>		Race Sex <b>W M</b>	
Hgt <b>5'09</b>		Wgt <b>195</b>		Build 	
Hair Color <b>Brown</b>		Eye Color <b>Blue</b>		Glasses 	
Scars, Marks, Tattoos, or other distinguishing features (i.e. limp, foreign accent, voice characteristics) 					
Hat		Shirt/Blouse		Coat/Suit	
Jacket		Tie/Scarf		Pants/Dress/Skirt	
Was Suspect Armed?		Type of Weapon		Direction of Travel	
Mode of Travel		VYR		Make	
Model		Style/Doors		Color	
Lic/Lis		Vin			
Suspect Hate / Bias Motivated: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			Type:		

W I T N E S S	Name (Last, First, Middle)		D.O.B.	Age	Race	Sex
	Home Address		Home Phone	Employer		Phone

**Assisting Officers**  
(664450) KLIPPERT, BRADLEY A

CASE:11-13091  
COERCION  
DETECTIVE SCOTT RUNGE  
09-05-2011

On 09/02/2011 at approximately 1000hrs, Detective Sergeant D. McCary assigned Detective Washburn and me a case regarding an incident that occurred at Ki-Be High School (1107 Grace Ave Benton City, WA 99320). Sergeant McCary requested that I take lead on the investigation and handed us a preliminary report from Deputy Benitez.

I looked over the report and it indicated that there was an incident between Ki-Be Principal Wayne Paul Barrett (D.O.B. [REDACTED]) and student [REDACTED] (D.O.B. [REDACTED]).

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### Officer's Narrative (continued)

On 09/01/2011, Deputy Benitez contacted a teacher from the school, Jennifer D. Oliver (D.O.B. [REDACTED]), who told Deputy Benitez that Principal Barrett was threatening [REDACTED] with a knife for wearing a rosary. Oliver did not witness the event and only learned of the situation from another student. At this point in the investigation School Resource Officer Deputy Klippert arrived on scene and Deputy Benitez informed Deputy Klippert of the situation.

On 09/01/2011 at 1720hrs, Deputy Benitez and Deputy Klippert contacted Principal Barrett reference the situation. Barrett was made aware of the circumstances and felt as though the reporting party, Jennifer Oliver, was doing anything she could to have him removed from his position.

Principal Barrett told the Deputies that the allegations were unfounded and exaggerated. He said that he told a particular student to remove a rosary that he had been wearing due to recent game members using them for affiliation and identification. Barrett said that this student was told to remove the rosary repeatedly through the day and that at one point he may have had his pocketknife in his hand when he told the student to again remove the item. Barrett stated that in no way did he threaten anybody with the knife.

After reading the initial report Detective Washburn and I went to Ki-Be High School to meet with Deputy Klippert. Upon our arrival we were directed to a conference room in the back. Upon our entry into the room we were introduced to Superintendent Rom Castilleja and Middle School Principal Vance Wing. Deputy Klippert along with the Superintendent and Middle School Principal were interviewing [REDACTED] (D.O.B. [REDACTED]), a student involved in the situation.

Deputy Klippert explained that they just spoke to [REDACTED] about the situation and that he witnessed the ordeal but never saw Principal Barrett with a knife. I then asked [REDACTED] if he would mind retelling the events so that I could hear. I asked [REDACTED] if he would allow me to record the conversation but he refused to be recorded regarding the matter.

[REDACTED] explained that on the first day of school (08/31/2011) at approximately 0845hrs, he was sitting in the front of the school. He stated that also in the group beside himself was [REDACTED] (D.O.B. [REDACTED]), [REDACTED] (D.O.B. [REDACTED]), [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] o. [REDACTED] stated that they were sitting in the front when Principal Barrett walked up to their group. [REDACTED] recalled that Principal Barrett told [REDACTED] to remove a religious bracelet that he was wearing and then told [REDACTED] to hide his rosary. [REDACTED] stated at no point did a knife come out. He said that both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] complied with Principal Barrett's request. We thanked [REDACTED] and allowed him to return to class.

I then spoke with the group and we discussed how there were two different accounts of the situation. I then requested that [REDACTED] to be the next one to be interviewed about the incident. Deputy Klippert stated that he was interviewed once before but that he had told the student that we would probably want to discuss the situation with him further. I thanked him for the information.

[REDACTED] was then brought into the conference room where Detective Washburn and I introduced ourselves. We told [REDACTED] that we were just recently brought into the investigation and asked him to recount the situation for us again if he could. [REDACTED] said he could and he stated that on Wednesday August 31st, 2011 at 0845hrs he was standing with some friends talking over by a light pole that is in front of the school but approximately 20 yards from the front sign. He stated that while he was talking with his friends Principal Barrett saw him wearing his rosary and unfolded a knife and threatened to cut it off.

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█ was able to explain the knife as being an approximately 3" blade folding knife. He stated that the blade was shiny silver and approximately 1" in width. He stated that the blade portion had a flat black. █ stated that Principal held the knife with his right hand and had originally pulled the knife from his right pocket.

█ stated that he laughed first but then put the rosary in his shirt. I asked █ why he had laughed and he stated that he thought Principal Barrett was joking at first but then quickly put the rosary away because he was afraid that he would cut it off. █ stated that he had heard of Principal Barrett cutting other kids items off like belts and what not and did not want that to happen to his rosary.

I asked █ why █ would have a different description of the story. He stated that he didn't know and began to recite who he was next to when the event occurred and where █ was positioned as to being by the sign.

We allowed █ to leave after the initial statement and began calling other students to try and figure out the discrepancy in the story. After several interviews it became apparent that the students were referring to two different situations.

█ was called back into explain. I asked █ why he didn't explain that there was more than one incident with Principal Barrett and he stated that he was confused by the question. █ then stated that he was originally by █ and his group of friends when Principal Barrett came up to him the first time and asked him to hide his rosary. He stated that after he did that he walked over to the other group of kids and pulled the rosary out again. He then stated that when Principal Barrett saw it again he threatened to cut it off while he had the knife in his hand.

During a different interview █ was next to █ when the event occurred. █ confirmed that Principal Barrett did pull out a pocketknife while confronting █ about the rosary. █ also confirmed the threat of cutting off the rosary if he didn't take it off. █ also stated that Barrett walked away after █ put the rosary under his shirt.

After gathering several accounts from witnesses that confirmed the event Detective Washburn and I gathered the information and returned to the office to brief the administration.

On 09/06/2011, I spoke to District Court Prosecutor Amy Harris about the matter. After reviewing the case and the situation she felt that elements did not match for the crime of Coercion. After her explanation of the crime I could see where the events didn't completely match the elements.

I told Prosecutor Harris that I would complete the report and forward it to her for review.

Case closed. Please forward to Prosecutor Amy Harris for review.

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## Officer's Supplement

Officer (608071) BENITEZ, JEAN-PAUL

Date / Time Reported TH Sep 1, 2011 15:46

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S/BARRETT, WAYNE PAUL [REDACTED]  
COERCION

CC: PA 09/7/2011 C216

PRINCIPAL: BARRETT, WILLIAM PULLED KNIFE ON STUDENT YESTERDAY RP IS TEACHER AT LOCN 509-546-1157 RP WAS TOLD TODAY THAT M GRABBED HM STUDENT BY HIS ROSARY AND PULLED OUT A POCKET KNIFE THREATENING TO CUT IT OFF CONT BY PHONE \*\* Event Priority changed from 2 to 3 at: 09/01/11 15:46:13 \*\* >>>> by: SAMANTHA (SAM) R. MEAD on terminal: disp3 \*\* Case number BCSO1113091 has been assigned for BCSO:BCSO \*\* >>>> by: ARIKA SCHIENBEIN on terminal: disp4 SUSP 1>>BARRETT, WAYNE PAUL [REDACTED] SUSP 2>>OLIVER, JENNIFER DAWN [REDACTED] CONTACT MADE WITH R/P AND THEN WITH PRINCIPAL. ALLEGATIONS AT THIS TIME SEEM UNFOUNDED. INFORMATIONAL REPORT WITH FOLLOW UP TO BE CONDUCTED BY DEPUTY KLIPPERT FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION. INB IBR \*\* Event Type changed from WEAPONS to INFO at: 09/01/11 17:41:51 \*\* >>>> by: ARIKA V. SCHIENBEIN on terminal: disp4

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## Additional Officer Supplements

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Officer (608071) BENITEZ, JEAN-PAUL

Supplement Type: SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

Date/Time 9/1/2011 18:33

// Supplement to 11-13091//

On 090111 at approximately 1640 hrs I arrived at the Kiona Benton School District Office to contact the reporting party in an allegation of a weapons complaint on the High School grounds. I contacted the reporting party, KI-BE High School teacher, Jennifer D Oliver (dob [REDACTED]) Jennifer was accompanied by the local school board representative along with another co-worker. Jennifer advised that she was approached by one of her students, who advised that his cousin (another student) was allegedly threatened with a knife by the Principal at the high school. Jennifer advised that she spoke to the student, [REDACTED] who advised that the Principal had told him to remove a rosary that he had on his person and that he had a knife in his hand.

Jennifer advised that the Principal, Wayne Barrett, has a history of harassing the students and that she has previously reported his aggressive demeanor to the Superintendent. She advised that the Superintendent has never done anything about the complaints. I asked Jennifer if this type of allegation with a knife had ever occurred before. She advised no, but believed that this allegation could not go unnoticed. She advised that just spoke to the Superintendent who advised that he would be investigating the matter. Jennifer advised she also contacted us to make the report.

I asked Jennifer if anyone witnessed the incident besides Roel, at which she advised no. Jennifer advised that another student did see the Principal with a knife in the school cutting some zip ties by some lockers. She advised that this student stated that Principal Barrett had told him something along the lines of "don't say anything... since I could get in trouble" in regards to the knife. The school board representative with Jennifer advised that he checked the state RCW's and that no one was allowed to have a knife on campus, including the principal.

By this point, SRO Deputy Klippert arrived on scene. He was briefed on the situation. I advised Deputy Klippert that while I was en route to the scene, I made arrangements to meet with Principal Barrett at the Park and Ride on 1st and Kennedy in Benton City. Prior to clearing the scene, a statement form was left fwith Jennifer to fill out. At approximately 1720 hrs, Deputy Klippert and I contacted Wayne Barrett at 1st and Kennedy. I advised Barrett of the allegations made against him. Barrett advised he was aware of the allegations via a phone call from the superintendent. Barrett advised that he was familiar with the reporting party (who I did not inform him of) and that the reporting party has been trying to find anything to get him removed from his position for quite some time.

Barrett stated that the allegations are absolutely unfounded and exaggerated. Barrett stated that he had told a particular student to remove a rosary that he had been wearing, due to recent gang members using them for affiliation and identification with their respective gangs. Barrett advised that this student was told to remove the rosary repeatedly throughout the day and that at one point he (Barrett) may have had his pocket knife in his hand when he told the student to again remove the item. Barrett then displayed a small utility swiss army type pocket knife. He advised that he had used the knife to cut some zip ties earlier in the day and admitted to telling a student in a joking manner "don't say anything, I could get in trouble." Barrett advised that he in no way threatened anybody with the pocket knife and that this allegation was absolutely another attempt by the reporting party to cause problems with him and the administration.

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Prior to leaving, Deputy Klippert confiscated the pocket knife tool for evidence. A statement form was also left with Barrett to be filled out.

Follow up to be conducted via SRO Deputy Brad Klippert.

JP Benitez C54

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Officer (664450) KLIPPERT, BRADLEY A

Supplement Type: SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

Date/Time 9/2/2011 12:23

At approximately 1640 hours, Thursday, 01 September 2011, I contacted BCSO Deputy Benitez C54 and the Reporting Party Oliver at 1107 Grace Avenue, Benton City, WA/ the Kiona-Benton City School District, District Office, concerning an alleged threats, involving the Ki-Be High School Principal and a Ki-Be High School student. At that time Oliver related that her understanding was that Ki-Be High School Principal Barrett had some how threatened Ki-Be High School student [REDACTED] with a knife at Ki-Be High School and that another Ki-Be High School student by the first name of [REDACTED] had been a witness to the incident.

Deputy Benitez and I then contacted Principal Barrett who was waiting for us at the 1st Street and Kennedy Road Park and ride.

At that time Barrett answered questions posed to him by Deputy Benitez, (who was initially assigned this case). Barrett also hand me a knife that he had in his pocket, which I took into my custody, (see Deputy Benitez's statements on Supplementary Report 1). Barrett, Benitez and I then each went our separate ways, at that time.

SGT Kevin McCary and Deputy Benitez asked if I would please continue the Follow-up investigation on this case the next morning, which I whole heartedly agreed to do.

The next morning, Friday, 02 September 2011, my Benton County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) Supervisor LT White contacted me by telephone to inform me that, due to the fact that I am the Kiona-Benton City High School School Resource Officer, and work with Principal Barrett on a daily basis, Detectives would be sent to ensure and maintain the public's confidence of a fair, impartial and unbiased investigation. Shortly there after BCSO Detectives Washburn C46 and Runge C52 arrived at Ki-Be High School and took over the investigation. I then transferred custody of the pocket knife Barrett had handed me to Detective Runge, and assisted Detectives Washburn and Runge as requested.

After their investigation, Detectives Runge and Washburn contacted the Benton County Prosecutor's Office. After speaking to a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney at the Benton County Prosecutor's Office, Detective Runge told me he had taken pictures of Barrett's pocket knife, handed the pocket knife back to me and told me I could return Barrett's pocket knife back to him.

B. Klippert C43

# BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE STATEMENT FORM

NAME Oliver Jennifer Dawn DOB [REDACTED]  
Last First Middle

ADDRESS 1107 Grace Ave Benton City PHONE 546- [REDACTED]

5'5" 155 lbs Brown Blue  
Ht Wt Hair Eyes

On Sept 1st, 2011 [REDACTED] approached me and stated that a friend of his told him that his friend has a knife pulled on him by Mr. Wayne Barrett. I asked the student what happened and he said that Mr. Barrett threatened to cut off [REDACTED] Rosary with a knife. I asked him do you mean scissors, he said "no a knife."

After school I pulled [REDACTED] into my classroom to hear his side of the story and he stated that in the hallway Mr. Barrett threatened to cut off his Rosary w/ his pickaxe knife. I asked if it was scissors and he said no a knife. I asked if this bothered him and he looked @ his friend for comfort and ~~the~~ shrugged his shoulders.

The boys [REDACTED] went on to say that Mr. Barrett pokes his fingers into their ribs that causes pain ~~to~~ and asks if they are being good. I asked if it was a friendly gesture or more they stated that it made them feel uncomfortable.

I called Steve [redacted] that advised me to call CPS, the Sheriff's Dept and talk to her our sup. which I did, all 3 agencies have my statement :-

THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IS GIVEN TO THE BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, WITHOUT ANY THREATS OR PROMISES AND IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

SIGNED [Signature]  
 DATE 9-2-11

PAGE  OF

RCW 42.56.240(1)(2)(3); 42.56.050; 42.56.230(2)(6)  
 13.50.050; 13.50.100(2)(4)(a) and/or (b)

CASE# 11-13091

**RECEIVED**  
 SEP 02 2011  
 BENTON COUNTY  
 CLERK'S DEPT

# MISDEMEANOR / DIST CT

## Benton County Sheriff's Office Prosecution Referral Form

Complete a separate form for each co-defendant on whom charges are being referred.

Check the applicable sections:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> URGENT                          | <input type="checkbox"/> FOLLOWUP         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CRIMINAL HISTORY (III) / ILEADS | <input type="checkbox"/> PER YOUR REQUEST |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PHOTOS ATTACHED ON PHOTO DRIVE  | <input type="checkbox"/> _____            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> _____                           | <input type="checkbox"/> _____            |

BCSO Case # 11-13091	Referral Date: 9/7/11	Deputy: Runge
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Suspect's Name/DOB:

Barrett, Wayne Paul



Offense(s):

Coercion

Co-Defendants:

YES

NO

RCW 42.56.240 (1) (2) (3); 42.56.050; 42.56.230 (2) (6)  
13.50.050; 13.50.100 (2) (4) (a) and/or (b)

NAME OF RECORDS STAFF: S. OLSON C216

DATE:

9/7/11