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# **Expert Witness Report and Opinion**

Client Name: Kevin Perelman

Report by Diop Kamau

#### Introduction

I am a police practices expert. On September 26, 2014 a complaint was reported through my website regarding alleged "gang stalking," unwanted contact by the police and unwarranted surveillance by client Kevin Perelman. Mr. Perelman reported that he was being harassed by the police in public places without probable cause.

#### Victim's Statement of the Incident:

I have been targeted by the police probably since 10 years old. Last week I was told by a judge who is trying to keep me quiet about the situation I had better see a psychiatrist my entire life and I have no civil rights. I have a clean record and I am being targeted and attacked by the masses all day and night headed up by the police in a mass smear campaign, I have video of police harassments etc. One officer threatened to kill.

## **Factual Background**

On 2014-04-11 client Kevin Perelman contacted PoliceAbuse.com and reported a complaint of harassment by the Los Angeles Police Department and other law enforcement agencies. Mr. Perelman reported that at the behest of his family the police and other individuals were following him and harassing him without legal justification.

We started an investigation into Mr. Perelman's case in May of 2014. The week of June 26, 2014 we sent a private investigator to Los Angeles to observe Mr. Perelman as he went about his daily activities to determine if any unlawful contact occurred with the local police. Shortly after visiting a Starbucks restaurant Mr. Pearlman was contacted by 2 Los Angeles police officials and ordered to leave the restaurant. Perelman had not committed any offense and he was behaving lawfully when the contact was initiated.

We attempted to communicate with the police officer to determine if there were other factors such as trespassing violations or other issues prompting the contact with Mr. Perelman. The police officers refused to discuss the contact with our staff.

We are continuing to investigate Mr. Perelman's allegations to determine if there is any connection between the activities of the police and his family.

### Analysis

Mr. Perelman has been a client since 2014. We have put more than 300 hours into his claim of international gang stalking. This particular case leaves room for a considerable speculation as to the extent of the stalking reported.

The client described most of the methods as "passive aggressive." Such conduct is inherently difficult to measure as it requires knowing what another person is thinking. We have not determined if what we observed is coordinated through gang stalking or other unlawful methods. That being said, over the course of our investigation there were more than a few incidents that raised legitimate red flags about the conduct of the police and others identified in Mr. Perelman's complaint.

The following report is a comprehensive account of our investigators experience while tailing Mr. Perelman.

## **2014 Private Investigator Report**

Greg Miller, staff member with Policeabuse.com, was assigned to investigate allegations of police and governmental misconduct.

Client Kevin Perelman reported the following:

- Police were targeted him with unlawful contact
- Repeatedly charged him with trespassing violations when he visited local restaurants
- client reports being surveilled

# Private Miller Investigator Field Notes:

On or about June 25, 2014, I was initially dispatched to the client's home town of Woodland Hills, CA, approximately 45 minutes northwest of the Los Angeles, CA. I made contact with the client at his place of residence located at 21620 Burbank St. apt 18.

Based on the first interview I felt that the client's complaint was rather complex. It also involved his family. His complaint stemmed back to his childhood involving family member he suspected of collaboration with the police.

According to Mr. Perelman his family felt he needed mental health treatment because of various behavior issues the family alleged including several conflicts over Mr. Perelman's allegation of stalking. The client also reported that the family did not approve of his efforts to detect and expose the harassment he believed was taking place against him.

Mr. Perelman also spoke about his partnership in a business involving use of internet technologies. As a result, the client feels as if he is a targeted man and there is an international campaign to "Stop Kevin Perelman".

The client believes people are being recruited to harass him through "passive aggressive methods" such as whistling, twirling key chains, wearing particular type or color clothing. Other methods the client experienced are similar to gang stalking. Comprehensive and well-coordinated movements such as three different people, wearing same or similar color clothing.

#### Field Observations of the client

I began my observations by parking outside his apartment on a public street that dead ends. Shortly into my observation, I saw a black SUV parked just outside his apartment occupied by one white male in his 40's. The male subject sat inside his vehicle facing the client's apartment. I took several photos until the driver spotted me. The subject then quickly drove away.

I followed the subject for several miles until the vehicle turned eastbound on the 101 freeway and sped away in heavy traffic. I returned to the client's location and informed him of the situation.

[The client's vehicle had a sign posted on both the driver's and passenger's side door. The large orange in color signs read "Kevin Perelman Target" and "perelmantarget.com". The client wears shirts containing the same information. His shirts have a large image on the back shaped like a target.]

The next day, I tailed the client to various local businesses in a separate vehicle. We visited several restaurants, a pet supply store, coffee shops, and a Starbucks.

While at the Starbucks, I observed the client order a coffee, take a newspaper, and seat himself in a reclining chair. A few moments later, three uniformed police officers approached the client and instructed him to go outside. I recorded the incident with my video camera.

Without any reason, one of the three police officers informed Mr. Perelman that he was never to return to this Starbucks or any other Starbucks in this country.

I approached the officers while filming the encounter. I requested that the police officers tell me what law Mr. Perelman violated by sitting quietly in a Starbucks. I asked the officers to explain in what way the client trespassed or violated any other California law. One of the officers stated they could not disclose any information to protect the privacy of the client. The client was present with me at this time. After this incident I returned to Tallahassee, FL to report my findings to Diop Kamau.

On or about September 24, 2014, I returned to the client's location in order to gather additional evidence to support the client's claim of international gang stalking. I initially met with Mr. Perelman at the LAX airport in Los Angeles, CA. The client rented a newer model sedan for the purpose of blending in to the environment. We traveled to Las Vegas, NV and made several stops to investigate if the client was being followed or targeted in any way.

As we traveled to Las Vegas, we stopped at a fuel station in the Apple Valley area to get fuel. I stepped out of the vehicle and positioned myself inside the store, posing as a stranger to the client. Upon the client's entry inside the store, I observed the client select snacks and proceed to pay for the items at the checkout counter.

The clerk attending to the client was a black male in his mid 20's. When the transaction was completed, the clerk stated to the client, "have a good one". Me. Perelman informed me that he has noticed many people say either "have a good day" or "have a good one". He went on to say it is not normal to say "have a good one". Therefore, the client's conclusion is, whenever someone says, "have a good one", the person stating it has a deliberate intention to harass him.

We proceeded to Las Vegas without stopping. We arrived at approximately 0100 hrs. When checking into our hotel, The D Place, once again I stayed separated from the client. I observed the interaction with hotel staff from a distance. The client met with a white female clerk at the check in desk. I observed the client pay for his room. I heard the clerk say, "have a good one" after their transaction was completed.

The next day we proceeded to several places in the Las Vegas Metro area. We arrived at a local Denny's restaurant. I went in separate from the client and observed the client from another table. It appears several of the staff took notice of the client, however, I was unable to accurately hear any exchanges between the client and the staff.

We also went to a Starbucks in the same neighborhood. I proceeded inside before the client and positioned myself near the point of sale. The client then entered and made a purchase of a coffee. I overheard the clerk say, "have a good one" upon completion of the sale. We departed Las Vegas in route to Tijuana, Mexico.

We stopped at a McDonalds that was located at the border in San Diego. We ordered drinks and sat down at a table in the center of the restaurant. Once we departed the store, we observed through the store's window four people dressed in similar fashion, all at once seat themselves at the same table we sat. The client made observation and took note that this often occurs in order to harass him.

We proceeded through the Mexico border checkpoint and were allowed entry. We went to the Azteca Hotel for the night. I was with the client as we checked in. There was a hotel guard who began to whistle as he neared the client. The guard assisted with our luggage to our rooms.

The next day, I conducted an extensive video recorded interview with the client about the status of the investigation and other issues related to his case (observe recorded video). After he concluded his synopsis we starting packing to leave the hotel. As we were waiting for our car in valet parking, parking attendant nearby began to whistle. The client informed me this attendant was intending to harass him.

We returned to the US and stopped at a coffee shop in San Diego, however, the shop was out of business. We proceeded to travel back to Woodland Hills, CA. On our way back we stopped at a McDonald that was south of LA. Upon entering the business, I observed a Mexican male whistle as the client walked by. The client also took note of the whistling.

We returned to the client's apartment. While at the apartment, I conducted a comprehensive counter measure sweep (bug sweep). I first used the infrared

countermeasure. I began my examination of the lower level commencing at the main point of entry. I then proceeded into the guest bathroom that was located near the point of entry, examined the living room area, into his office and kitchen. Then, I preceded to the second level, starting with the studio, bathroom in the studio, the client's bedroom, and the bedrooms master bath. I used a systematic search method, starting high and proceeding low. Once the probe indicated a reading, I honed in on the object and inspected the object for any hidden devices.

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#### **Materials Reviewed**

In preparing my report, I reviewed the following materials which are commonly examined in my area of expertise and rendering professional/expert opinions on police practices.

- Witness Statements
- Photographs/video of the location
- Field Interviews
- Evidence including audio and video

In the course of investigating the allegations by Mr. Perelman I have conducted several interviews. I have also used a licensed private investigator to visit the crime scene. We also traveled to the District of Columbia with the client to monitor his activities. The investigator also attempted to make contact with Starbucks employees to determine if they would provide relevant information.

I have reviewed almost 60 hours of videotapes and audio recordings obtained from Perelman.

## **Opinions and Conclusions**

My opinions based on my review of the evidence and information available to me are as follows:

- 1. Our investigation supports one of Mr. Perelman key allegations and concerns that he is being wrongfully targeted by police contact while behaving lawfully
- 2. Extensive surveillance of Mr. Perelman demonstrates that there was activity consistent with Mr. Perelman allegations about repeated comments made to him by complete strangers when he travels. We also observed possible surveillance activity at Mr. Perelman's residence documented by a private investigator. We cannot say if the activity we observed is harmful or malicious at this stage in the investigation.
- 3. We do not have sufficient information to prove a nexus between the police and a coordinated effort involving his family

### **Qualifications**

To summarize, I am a former member of the Hawthorne Police Department, in the State of California, where I was at various times, a police officer, field supervisor, detective and sergeant. I was specially trained as an undercover investigator by the Los Angeles County Sheriff office. As a member of the Hawthorne Police Department, I have performed all the duties of a law enforcement officer. I engaged in the traffic stop of motorists, investigations, arrests, handcuffing, and the transporting and processing of individuals in custody. I hold an advanced certificate in Peace Officer Standards and Training. I am a qualified instructor in Police Control Restraint Techniques. I have been qualified as an expert in police practices in both federal court and California state courts, especially with regard to the use of force, report writing and officer misconduct. Prior to becoming a police officer, I had worked as a deputy in Ventura County, California. I spent a combined period of approximately nine years as a sheriff deputy and police officer.

I have testified before the California State Assembly and the United States Congress on police practices. My investigative work in the field of law enforcement has resulted in changes in the law in California with regard to false police reports. As a result of my investigations the law in CA. was changed increasing the penalties for filing false police reports from a misdemeanor to a felony in 1992. Many police agencies have made policy changes as a direct result of my hidden camera test with national and local media. Others use our videotapes or portions of our training material for in-service training. I have conducted training sessions for law enforcement organizations throughout the United States, including training and seminars for police chiefs. I have provided training for the following law enforcement agencies and educational institutions:

Partial list...

Florida Highway Patrol

Los Angeles Police Department

Department of Justice

United States Atty.'s office

Los Angeles County sheriffs

**Broward County sheriffs** 

Collier County sheriffs

Florida State University

Harvard Law School

Penn State University

Florida Department of Law Enforcement

I am the CEO of Policeabuse.com, a national organization that investigates and documents allegations of police misconduct throughout the United States. Policeabuse.com maintains

the only national video database for complaints of police misconduct allegations in the United States.

Our investigative website Policeabuse.com has 12000 registered subscribers. Our page is ranked at the top of Google's police misconduct search results. In the past 12 months we have investigated 2500 misconduct complaints and written 44 expert reports.

My organization has also conducted numerous undercover investigations documenting racial profiling and other misconduct by various law enforcement organizations throughout the United States. Our videos are used by several police departments and the DOJ for training.

I also have experience working with network television investigating police misconduct. In that capacity I have conducted more than 5000 hidden camera investigations. I am relying on my expertise and experience as an investigator for the statements made in this report. My experience contributes directly to my analysis of the police investigation and the use of Joe Simms as a confidential informant.

#### Education

I earned a bachelors degree from California Lutheran University and Masters Degree in criminal justice from Penn State University. I have served as an Adjunct Professor of Criminal Justice at Florida A&M University and Florida State University. I have been a licensed private investigator for 10 years and I have conducted numerous investigations in that capacity. I have more than 500 hidden camera joint media investigations of police misconduct. I have published editorials in the New York Times and Los Angeles Times. As an investigative journalist my stories have received acknowledgements; thus far four Emmy awards and four Edward R Murrow awards for investigative journalism.

## **Related Experience**

I have direct experience with regard to undercover investigations, the use of confidential informants, surreptitious recording and the use of hidden cameras. In 1983, I was assigned as to an undercover unit of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's office called the Red Team. The Red Team is an elite multijurisdictional undercover and surveillance investigative

unit within the Los Angeles County Sheriff investigations division. Police officers and detectives throughout Los Angeles County competed for assignment to the unit. The assignment was considered prestigious. Only the best investigators in Southern California were selected for assignment to the Red Team. I worked on the unit until I was promoted to the rank of sergeant in 1986.

As a detective in the unit, I conducted several hundred investigations including the use of hidden cameras and confidential informants. I also specialized in the surreptitious use of hidden cameras and wireless microphones.

The Red Team specialized in the investigation of crimes in progress such as armed robberies and other serious felonies. My work included regular interaction with the FBI and law enforcement agencies throughout Southern California. I was loaned out by my Police Department as an undercover investigator to other agencies because of my experience and success as an undercover detective. I participated in the recovery of more than \$500,000 in stolen property and several hundred arrests.

In 1986 just before my promotion to Sgt. I received a commendation from the FBI for solving a string of armed robberies at Bank of America locations in Southern California. I am qualified to speak on all matters related to police investigations, undercover assignments, the use of informants and general police practices. Ms. Bond has retained my services on behalf of her father.