

SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CRIMINAL DIVISION

UNITED STATES
vs

SCOTT R CHARNEY

Jan. 20, 2017

On Tuesday, January 17, 2017, a Witness reported to the Metropolitan Police Department that IT had obtained audio and video recordings from an action planning meeting that IT had attended on December 18, 2016, which was hosted by the Defendants, Luke Kuhn, Colin Dunn and an individual known to the Witness as Scott Green (the names of all three individuals provided by the Witness), all of whom are affiliated with the DC Antifascist Coalition/Disrupt J-20 Movement.

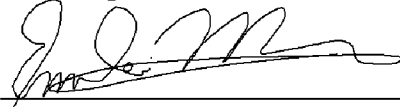
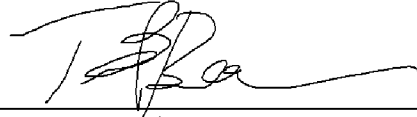
The meeting, which was videotaped, took place at the Comet Ping Pong restaurant located at 5037 Connecticut Avenue Northwest, Washington, D.C. According to the Witness, the purpose of the meeting was to discuss different action plans to disrupt - or prevent from occurring - the "Deploraball Ball", an event associated with the Inauguration of President-Elect Donald Trump, scheduled to take place on January 19, 2017, at the National Press Club located at 529 14th Street Northwest, Washington, D.C.

The Witness reported to MPD that the First plan the Defendants discussed/planned was to activate the building's sprinkler system and then deploy Butyric acid near the air ducts and/or deploy bottles of Butyric acid on the floor in order to cause the ball attendees to evacuate the building as a result of the smell of the Butyric acid. Your affiant has learned that Butyric acid can cause severe vomiting, respiratory problems, skin irritation, and temporary loss of vision, among other affects. Defendant Kuhn stated that he would build a device that would be used to disperse the Butyric acid.

The Second plan was to set off the building's fire alarms and deploy the Butyric acid inside the heating and air conditioning ventilation system in order to render the floor/building unusable and have the event/party goers evacuated from the building. The man who the Witness knew to be Defendant Green stated that he would spray the Butyric acid "all over." The Defendants planned on transporting the Butyric acid into the National Press Club by buying tickets to the event and smuggling the Butyric acid in a purse or container. All three defendants discussed the best method of dispersing the Butyric acid throughout the building.

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The defendants discussed doing a reconnaissance of the National Press Club to determine where to release the Butyric acid.

The three Defendants also discussed plans to have a small group armed with water guns waiting outside to spray the event/party goers once they were outside, and subsequently planning to escape before the arrival of the police. The Witness also provided the Defendants' names, telephone numbers and an email address for the three Defendants.

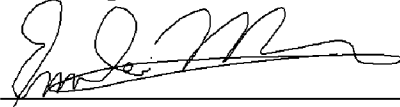

On January 17, 2017, MPD Investigators learned from an organizer of the "Deploraball" that on December 19, 2016, defendant Colin Dunn purchased two tickets to the "Deploraball" at the National Press Club. The MPD investigators also learned that on December 21, 2016, defendant Green sent an email to defendants Kuhl and Dunn, as well as a few other individuals, stating that he (Defendant Green) had participated in a reconnaissance of the National Press Club facility, that the reconnaissance of the National Press Club had gone well, and that Defendant Green believed they would be able to accomplish their objective "with no negative consequences for our side, nor any collateral damage." Defendant Green went on to further discuss that more people would be needed inside the building to carry out their plan. The email stated that the group would meet in person to continue to discuss their plans. MPD Investigators have a copy of the email.

On Tuesday, January 17, 2017, a representative of the DC Antifascist Coalition / Disrupt J-20 Movement released a media statement stating that they were aware that their coalition members were recorded by an infiltrator and that they provided the infiltrator with false/made up information.

On Tuesday, January 17, 2017, members of the Metropolitan Police Department's Criminal Intelligence Branch (CIB) reviewed the audio and video recordings of the Comet Ping Pong meeting provided by the Witness. The Witness then provided a photograph and phone number for Scott Green.

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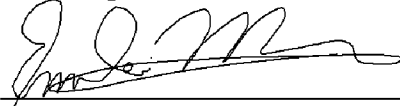
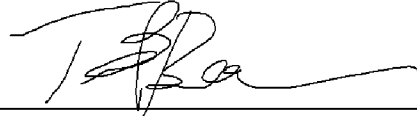
Members of the Metropolitan Police Department's Criminal Intelligence Branch (CIB) obtained phone records using the number provided by the Witness. The phone number was matched to a Scott Ryan Charney.

On Thursday, January 19, 2017, members of the Criminal Intelligence Branch were in the area of 14th and Newton Street NW, with a photograph of the Defendant Scott Green.

At 1559 hours, members of the Criminal Intelligence Branch used the photograph provided by the Witness to stop Defendant Scott Ryan Charney at 14th and Newton St, NW, who matched the photograph provided by the Witness. The Defendant identified himself as Scott Ryan Charney and provided a Texas driver license. The Defendant was placed under arrest and transported to Criminal Intelligence Branch for processing where he was advised of his rights.

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