

To, whom it may concern.

My name is Latisha Baker and I am an Intensive Care Unit Registered Nurse. In September 2011, my fiancée was taken into custody at the Erie County Holding Center. He is currently an inmate at the Holding Center while awaiting trial. This journey with Antoine Garner (my fiancée) has been a nightmare. I have been filing multiple complaints with the Professional Standards Office located on West Seneca st. Since Antoine has been there, he has been harassed by certain deputies. Each inmate is allowed to have their "whites" (T-shirts, socks, shorts) sent home with their family members. I, personally purchased new white clothing for Antoine & I wash his clothing. Someone has been poking holes through his T-shirts with a pen. So, I specifically write "no holes" on his slip & give it to the deputy who passes out the clothing. However, by the time it reaches him, there are holes poked through his shirts. (Please refer to receipt that I enclosed in this envelope). Another issue that we faced was the disappearance of Antoine's legal mail. This mail was extremely important because it had all of the evidence from his current trial. So, I immediately asked Professional Standards- Detective Gilios to investigate this matter. The detectives was told by the deputies that this matter was resolved & Antoine received his legal mail, which was a blatant lie. Antoine has never received the letter & evidence that his lawyer, Atty. Kevin Spittler (716) 849-7102

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Normally they ask you to stand still while the K-9 sniffs you.) So, I asked Peterson if this is something that they do with all visitors. Peterson replied "This is something that we are doing today. We do this with everyone." So, I faced the wall & cooperated fully. And I was allowed to proceed to my visit. Upon leaving the visiting area, I spoke with 2 other visitors regarding the K-9 unit. 1 female told me that she was not searched. The other told me that she was sniffed-but not made to face the wall. I relayed this information to Peterson, who was extremely defensive & rude. He said "If you don't like it, you can speak with my supervisor." So, I agreed. I don't know what Peterson told his supervisor, but he came to the visitation lobby very defensive. I explained how Peterson had told me that the K-9 units sniff everyone, which I discovered wasn't true. So, I asked the Supervisor how this normally works. The supervisor explained that the K-9 unit chooses visitors to search/sniff "intermittently." I told the Supervisor that this situation could have been avoided if Peterson had explained this to me from the beginning. The Supervisor became very upset & got loud with me. He replied, "quite frankly he doesn't have to tell you anything about our Security Protocol!!" So, I explained that he should tell his deputies that they don't have to explain their Security protocol. But, if they are going to volunteer information, it should be accurate & correct.

he would not ban me. So, Peterson & his supervisor (who are friends) were overruled by the Chief. I appreciated Chief Rodriguez forming his own investigation & agreeing with me. However, I do believe that Deputy Peterson need to be removed from the Holding Center completely. He is rude, dishonest, and ignorant. Unfortunately he allows his personal issues with certain inmate effect how he treats their visitors. This is unprofessional & I will not tolerate being lied on by anyone. I am a Registered Professional Nurse and I hold a Professional license in the State of New York. I would not risk my license, by "going crazy" in the lobby of the Holding Center. I had my 6-month old daughter with me & I always carry myself in a respectable manner. I work at Kenmare Mercy Hospital ICU & I am used to handling high anxiety & hostile situations without yelling, screaming or being rude & obnoxious. So, I am thoroughly offended by his lies. I filed a civilian's grievance form on the following week, after the incident on Feb. 14, 2012. Thank you for your time & patience.

Sabrina M. Beltran

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

ERIE COUNTY HOLDING CENTER

BUFFALO, NEW YORK

PRISONER'S PROPERTY RECEIPT

CELL NO.: C-167 DATE: 2/22 20 12

NAME: Garner Antoine

CASH ON DEPOSIT \$ 0

ARTICLES:

4 T's (with holes in shirts)

3 socks

2 Boxer

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Permission to open my mail is hereby granted.

INMATE

SEARCHED: _____ DEPUTY

APPROVED: [Signature] DEPUTY