

I am 45 years old immigrant working as a senior manager for a global technology company, I had never been arrested until few days before Christmas 2019, during a regular traffic speed stop the cop decided I look suspicious looking different than the majority living in Wilton CT with a foreigner accent and driving a sport car. I will not victimize myself and claim I was a victim of racial profiling yet I was when the police officer searched me stating he would be searching me for bombs which I have been deeply saddened by but I would like to focus my testimony on the bigger issue at hand which is police officer accountability filing criminal charges they cannot corroborate hoping for the less fortunate defendants to accept the plea bargain and not go to trial. My issue with the police officer who arrested me is lack of due diligence he should have given resulted in dereliction of duty filling baseless charges ruining my personal and professional life having my name and mug shot on the internet.

Without getting into every detail of the incident and as a quick overview of it, the police officer determined I look suspicious so he pulled me out of the car searching it which led him to find my prescription medicine that I left unhidden in the central console, I immediately told the officer the medication is my prescribed medicine and he could call my doctor immediately to learn more and answer his any questions he has about this medication BUT as a result of the cop's eagerness to be considered a hero napping bad people off the streets of the city of Wilton I am derailed in the long legal process between courts literary begging prosecutors to test the medication in the state lab and drop the charges based on the lab result corroborated by my valid prescription and doctor letter. Yet the prosecution team is also guilty trying to shield the police officers from being sued for false charges & dereliction of duty they are pushing to accept the rehabilitation program (which is something I will never accept being innocent of any wrongdoing) to avoid civil litigation against the city of Wilton which I have no intention to , I Only hope to end this baseless legal battle , leave this city and forget this part of my life all together.

While I am still fighting for the dismissal of my case I wish for future where the day police officers and state attorneys are held accountable for filing charges they cannot eventually defend leaving the defendants and prosecution team in a tug of war to work out a pre-trial plea deal which is something 99% of CT less fortunate defendants would accept to save time and money even if they are innocent.

Please take a look at the number of cases where the state attorneys eventually decided to drop the case before the trial after years of dragging the case in courts pushing , intimidating and coercing the innocents to accept plea deal. You will find countless number of " interfering with the police" cases that were dropped before the beginning of the jury trial because the charges are baseless and neither the police officers nor the prosecution team could defend. If we hold those people accountable (not the tax payers) then they will do the due diligence next time before bringing any case to the court!

Thank you for this opportunity to address our concerns and hopefully to have our voice heard through you.

Regards,
Minority in Wilton