Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department



Alex Villanueva, Sheriff

Coronavirus test provider says it plans to sue L.A. County Sheriff Villanueva over China claims

Source: Los Angeles Times – January 24, 2022

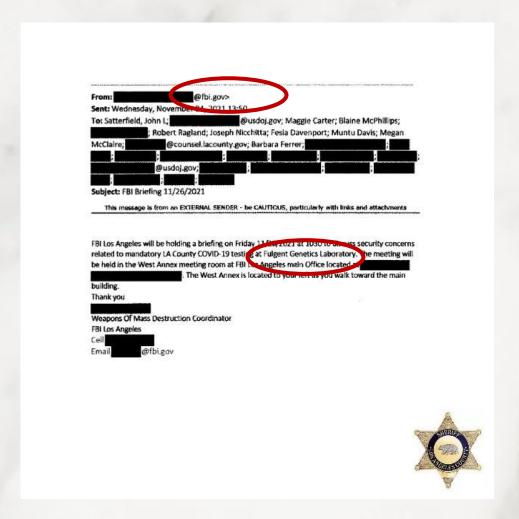
Villanueva "made these and other false claims about Fulgent even though the FBI neither accused Fulgent of wrongdoing nor alluded to any evidence that Fulgent provided or would provide private medical information to China," Fulgent attorneys said in the filing. They alleged that the FBI "never even mentioned Fulgent's name" during the meeting.

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Wednesday, November 24, 2021, 11:57 A.M.

INITIAL CALL FROM F.B.I



Wednesday, November 24, 2021, 1:50 P.M.

EMAIL FROM F.B.I

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February 15, 2022

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VIA E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

The Honorable Alex Villanueva Sheriff, Los Angeles County 211 West Temple Street, 8th Floor Los Angeles, California 90012

Re: January 31, 2022 Demand For Defense Counsel In the Matter of Fulgent Technologies v. Alex Villanueva

Dear Sheriff Villanueva:

I write in response to your January 31, 2022 letter requesting that Los Angeles County ("County") provide you a legal defense pursuant to Government Code section 995 in the matter Fulgent Technologies v. Alex Pillanneva (the "Action"). As explained below, the County will not provide for your defense in the Action. First, your actions were not within the scope of your employment. Second, the facts indicate you acted with actual malice, including your taking actions to undermine the County's vaccination policy, which is contrary to public policy and jeopardizes the health and safety of the County workforce.

A. Background

The County is committed to stopping the spread of the novel COVID-19 coronavirus, which has claimed the lives of thousands of County residents since March 2020. By the end of February 2021, the federal Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") issued Emergency Use Authorizations for the Pfizer-BioNTcch, Moderna, and Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) COVID-19 vaccines. The County Department of Public Health ("DPH") and other public health leaders agree that these vaccines are the most effective way to reduce the risk of contracting or spreading the virus and are extremely effective at preventing serious illness and death. Unvaccinated County employees are at a greater risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19 within the workplace, at County facilities,

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Monday, January 24, 2022, 9:34 P.M.

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<u>July 7, 2020- Supervisor Hilda Solis-</u> "Two young men were killed by sheriff's deputies in the last two years in my district: a young man named Paul Rea, who was 18 years old, and a 21-year-old, Anthony Vargas. Not only are these families hurting, but we heard disturbing accounts of sheriff's deputies harassing and intimidating both families while they mourned their deaths."

May 4, 2021- Supervisor Hilda Solis- "We can't stand for law enforcement misconduct. Nobody should. Nobody should stand for harassment and intimidation of innocent families. I will, however, continue to remain in good standing and help support these families."

May 4, 2021- **Supervisor Holly Mitchell** – "Again, we have met with too many members of our community who've not only had to deal with the grief of losing a family member, but have described horrifying incidents of blatant harassment from the very law enforcement organization that took the life of their loved one."

May 4, 2021- Supervisor Sheila Kuehl- "And although no death deserves more respect than any other, there is something particularly aberrant about the lack of respect that these families have described because it is tied to an abuse of power by people who are sworn to protect not harass their communities. And yet, we see deputies driving by slowly, threateningly, parking in front of houses, taunting family members with rude comments and laughing at them, driving by memorial sites where families are honoring their loved ones, damaging items at those memorial sites..Deputies targeting family members, as the story you told shows, for arrest.

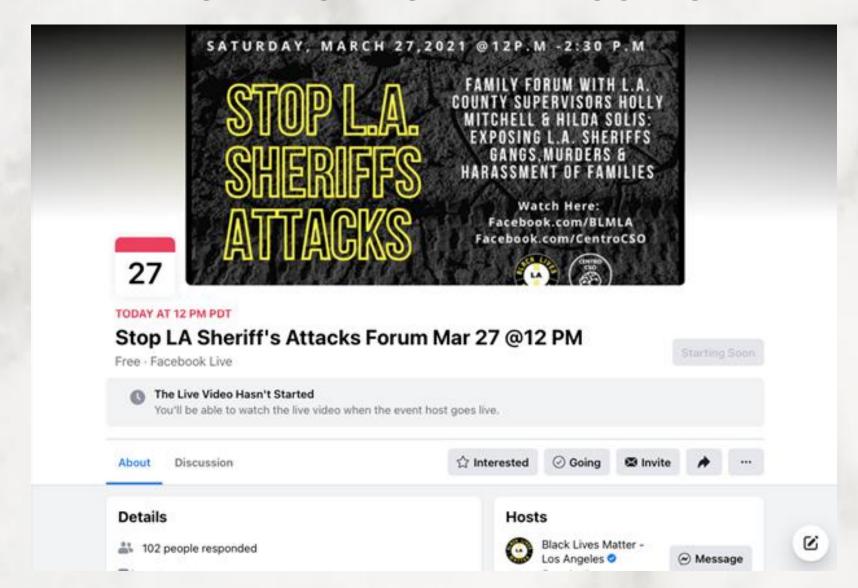
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June 22, 2021-Supervisor Hilda Solis- "And just last, I know I am concerned also about the harassment of individuals that may have lost a family member because of the Sheriffs' use of force, and their continued harassment of families. We have heard that time and time again. And again, it is just so disturbing that I don't know of any other places where this really exists here in the state of California."

June 22, 2021 -Inspector General Max Huntsman — "I think it is made worse here by the fact that we have a sheriff's department as opposed to a city police force that has more accountability to the electorate through the political process, as we see over at L.A.P.D., not a perfect process, but there's more control. And the harassment after the fact, as we've reported on, the biggest problem i think is that the sheriff's department has refused to put in place effective policies to make sure they monitor and control this behavior."

July 27, 2021- Supervisor Hilda Solis- "It is pretty evident we need to continue to stand by our families who are trying to heal after their loved ones were taken away by law enforcement. And it really pains me that we even have to have a motion for this. But given the traumatic stories we've heard today and in the past years, it is evident to me that we need to continue to support these families who consistently get harassed and intimidated, unfortunately, by some L.A. County Sheriff Deputies."

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING ITEMS - July 27, 2021 Agenda Item # 14

AGENDA ITEM #	14 / BOARD OF SUPERVISORS			
	Revised Taking Action: Further Protections for Surviving Families from Law Enforcement Harassment and Retaliation			

Sponsored by Supervisor Hilda Solis, Co-authored by Supervisor Holly Mitchell

Approved 4-1, with Supervisor Kathryn Barger abstaining

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1. NAME OF CLAIMANT:

Leah Garcia

NAME AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE PERSON TO WHOM NOTICE OF ACTION ON THIS CLAIM IS TO BE SENT:

Leah Garcia

c/o Arnoldo Casillas, Esq. CASILLAS & ASSOCIATES 3777 Long Beach, Blvd., Third Floor Long Beach, CA 90807

3. DATE AND LOCATION WHERE INJURY SUSTAINED:

September 19, 20

East Los Angeles, at or near the intersection of Atlantic Avenue and Verona.

4. A GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE INJURY INCURRED:

The present claim is for the intentional infliction of emotional distress inflicted by LASD deputy Hector Saavedra Soto upon the present claimant.

Hector Saavedra Soto shot and killed the present claimant's son, Paul Rea. Saavedra Soto was aware of the great impact that the death of Paul Rea has had on the present claimant based on her activities as an activist against police misconduct, as a regular mourner at the various memorials at the location of the shooting, and from information garnered from participating in litigation against him for killing Paul Rea. This included information that the present claimant has alleged in her lawsuit that Saavedra Soto and other deputies of the LASD's East Los Angeles Station regularly taunted, harassed and otherwise engaged in direct contact with the present claimant so as to cause them emotional harm. Despite knowing that the present claimant was very emotionally sensitive to taunting and harassment by deputies, Saavedra Soto deliberately taunted the present claimant on the above date so as to cause her emotional pain and suffering, great fear, and great psychological trauma.

On the above date, Saavedra Soto encountered the present claimant and her daughter at a food truck gathering in East Los Angeles. Saavedra Soto recognized the present claimant as the mother of Paul Rea. After recognizing her, Saavedra Soto walked directly toward her and her daughter with a plate of tacos in his hands, made eye contact with her to confirm that she recognized him as the deputy that shot and killed her son, Paul Rea, and taunted her by approaching her and asking her if she wanted some tacos and then snickering as he walked away.

This despicably disrespectable and intentional conduct traumatized the present claimant profoundly. She was shocked by his conduct and deeply terrified by the taunting.

5. TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR INJURIES:

The amount claimed exceeds the limit provided in section 910(f) of the Government Code. This claim will be an unlimited civil case.

01/28/2022

CIVIL HARASSMENT CLAIM BY LEAH GARCIA AND JAYLENE REA Friday, January 28, 2022

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