

DRUNKS AND THIEVES 2021 PART 3

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ST. LOUIS COUNTY AIRPORT WORKER THROWS DOWN GUN AND SHOVES

OFFICER AFTER ORDERED OUT OF CAR: Nobody is drunk or stealing, but this one is a good story. On August 22, 2018 at 1:45 in the afternoon Chesterfield Police Officer Bryan Branson noticed the license plates on a blue 2004 Chrysler Sebring were expired. Officer Branson then ran a computer check on the expired license plates and learned they were registered to a 1996 Jeep.



Officer Branson

Officer Branson attempted to stop the car on Chesterfield Airport Road but the driver refused to stop. He turned onto Spirit of St. Louis Drive and continued before finally stopping.

The driver, Erske Lee Cook, 21, worked at the St. Louis County Spirit Airport. He did not have his license or the vehicle registration or the insurance card to show Officer Branson.

As Officer Branson was getting Cook's information, Cook rolled up his window, locked the door and then refused to get out of the car.

Officer Branson called for an assist car. Before the second officer arrived Cook exited the car, but took a gun from his waist band and threw it on the floorboard of the car. He then shoved Officer Branson. He then put his hands up and started backing up. When Officer Branson reached to grab Cook's arm to handcuff him, Cook shoved him again.

Branson who was recording the incident on both his patrol car dash cam and his body cam, took out his taser and ordered Cook to get on the ground. Cook now complied and was handcuffed when the assisting officer arrived.

A co-worker of Cooks driving to work witnessed the event and went to the Chesterfield Police Department and gave a statement saying he clearly saw Cook shove Officer Branson.

Cook did not have much of a record prior to this incident but has gotten one since then.



Erske Lee Cook

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| 12/04/19 | Driving While Revoked, Unreg Veh, No Auto Ins | No Co Police Co-op |
| 09/24/19 | Driving While Revoked, No Auto Ins | No Co Police Co-op |
| 03/16/19 | Driving While Revoked | No Co Police Co-op |
| 08/22/18 | Assault LEO, Unreg Veh, No Auto Ins, No DL | Chesterfield PD |

OUTCOME: PLEAD GUILTY TO PEACE DISTURBANCE ON 1/22/19, GIVEN AN SIS WITH 2 YEARS PROBATION AND COURT COSTS. Cook no longer has any record of this arrest or conviction thanks to Judge Rick Brunk’s SIS “NO Permanent Record” probation sentence.

SLEEPING IN YOUR RUNNING CAR AT THE MASON AND CLAYTON ROADS STOP LIGHT IS A GOOD WAY TO MEET POLICE OFFICERS. On Sunday morning November 3, 2019 at 4:18 Town and Country Police Officer Eric Diaz was on patrol NB on Mason Road pulling up to the stoplight at the Clayton Road intersection. He noticed across the street on SB Mason Road at Clayton a white Ford Focus that was not moving.



Officer Eric Diaz, a former State Trooper

Officer Diaz pulled around the Ford and walked up to find the driver sound asleep behind the wheel of the running car. The driver was **Justin Verbyck**, 27, of St. Charles. Officer Diaz asked where he was coming from and Verbyck replied "St. Louis" but was not more specific after being asked three times. Officer Diaz immediately found Verbyck to appear to be very intoxicated. This is from his police report:

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| BREATH | ODOR OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE: <input type="checkbox"/> FAINT <input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRONG | | ODOR OF MARIJUANA OR CHEMICAL: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO | | |
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| PUPILS | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSTRICTED | <input type="checkbox"/> SLOW REACTION TO LIGHT | | <input type="checkbox"/> DILATED | |
| BALANCE AND WALKING | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWAYING | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING | <input type="checkbox"/> STUMBLING | <input type="checkbox"/> FALLING |
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He stated, "I'm coming from St. Louis, yes I was driving." The driver's speech was slurred, confused, stuttering and mumbled. I asked the driver to walk to the rear of his vehicle for further investigation. During the walk to the rear of his vehicle the driver's steps were uncertain, he was swaying and staggering.

Verbyck failed a number of field sobriety test, expect the reciting of the alphabet from "C to W." He had just failed a counting test and after agreeing to do the alphabet test changed his mind and refused to do it.

He did agree to take a field preliminary breath test. That showed his BAC level to be

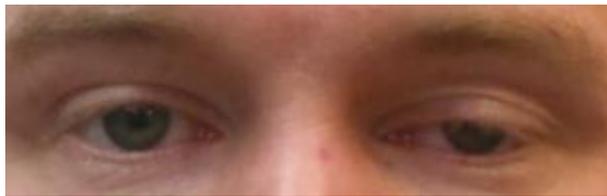
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| PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT) POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> REFUSED RESULT <u>.222</u> % |
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.222%. He was arrested for DWI. At the police station he declined to be interviewed but agreed to take an official breath test. That test showed his BAC level to be .165%. Verbyck was cited for not stopping at the while line of an intersection and DWI.

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| BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION BY WEIGHT .165 |
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Justin Verbryck



Verbryck's eyes

This isn't Verbryck's first DWI arrest or excessive BAC reading. Verbryck appealed not this arrest, but the BAC reading of an earlier arrest to the Court of Appeals over the regular testing of the BA instrument done by the Wentzville PD.

Verbryck was arrested after Wentzville Police were dispatched to a one car crash with Verbyck driving the badly damaged Audi wreck on the median of a major road.

On 22 May 2013 at 321 am, Officer Jason Smith of the Wentzville Police Department was dispatched to a one car accident on Perry Cate Boulevard in the city of Wentzville. He observed a silver Audi wrecked on the median of the boulevard. He contacted the driver, Petitioner. He observed that Petitioner's eyes were bloodshot, and Petitioner admitted to drinking a few beers earlier in the night. Smith administered sobriety tests. Petitioner performed poorly and then tested positive for alcohol on a PBT. Smith placed him under arrest.

OUTCOME OF TOWN AND COUNTRY CASE: The Failure to stop at White case resulted in a Guilty Plea on 07/23/20 and a \$191 fine.

Despite Verbryck having a prior DWI arrest involving a one-car crash he was given a 2-year “No-Fine, No-Points and No Permanent Record” SIS probation. Verbryck had hired a lawyer with an office in Town and Country. Apparently Judge Andrea Niehoff feels that a person whose BAC level is more than twice the legal limit and on his second DWI arrest is no threat to the public.

SISTERS FROM ST. LOUIS COME TO CHESTERFIELD WALMART TO STEAL. THEY HAD NO PRIOR ARREST SO THIS WAS THEIR FIRST: It was Sunday August 18, 2019 when two men with two women entered the Chesterfield Walmart Store. They had driven from St. Louis, passing a number of closer Walmart stores.

Store security (now called Asset Protection Agents) noticed that the four split-up which is a sign of possible thieves. The women filled carts and went to the self-checkout , where while scanning items, they forgot to scan \$446 items consisting of groceries, clothes and a \$325 microwave.

The Asset Protection Officers watched on video and from the floor as the women headed out. The Chesterfield Police Special Enforcement Unit officers had already been called. Officer Jason Bromwich arrived just as the store security employees were stopping the thieves.



Officer Jason Bromwich

The women, sisters, were identified as



Ronneisha Corley 22

Ronneisha Corley had no record prior to her Chesterfield arrest.



Sharonda Corley 24

Sharonda Corley has no prior or recent arrest record.

This was apparently the one of the sisters' early or only criminal attempts.

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| 19 3720 | 08/18/2019, 1821 08/18/2019, 1821 | 1XX THF BLVD | Walmart | CHESTERFIELD COMMONS | 6 | 4 | Larceny under \$750 Shoplifting |
| Arrested: Corley,Ronnieisha M B 21 F Corley,Sharonda L B 22 F | | | | | | | |
| Brief Narrative Description: 22 and 21 yo females failed to pay for items at self checkout lane and left store without paying. | | | | | | | |

OUTCOME: Th older sister, Sharonda came to court with a lawyer on 03/26/20 and got the usual special deal from prosecutor Tim Engelmeyer. If you hire and pay a lawyer

you get your criminal charge reduced to a non-criminal minor ordinance violation. Sharonda pled guilty to a Health Code violation she did not commit and was fined \$266.

Her younger sister Ronneisha never came to court and a FTA warrant was issued with a \$350 bond. However, the Chesterfield court clerk advised us the charge against Ronneisha was dismissed.

WOMAN SHOPLIFTER FROM WILDWOOD USED A CHILD SEAT AND EMPTY PURSE INSTEAD OF A SHOPPING CART: At about 11 am on Tuesday July 17, 2018 Michelle Coveyou, 32, of Wildwood was at the Dierbergs on Clarkson Road in Chesterfield stealing. She clearly was not shopping in a traditional way where you would use a shopping cart and stop to pay on your way outside.

A store loss prevention officer watched her load up the empty child seat she was carrying along with a large empty purse. Coveyou was stopped on her way out of the store. She offered no resistance and returned to the loss prevention office where Officer Pousson found her.

Coveyou claimed her husband Daniel Coveyou had lost his job and she was forced to steal food. However, her husband has owned his own house painting and repair company since 2013 and had not fired himself according to his LinkedIn page.

The other part of Coveyou's statement that was a lie was she was stealing food for the family. Here is the list of items she stole:

1. mini chocolate chips \$3.59

- 2. Elmers glue \$1.39
- 3. cupcake cookie n cream \$4.99
- 4. cupcake chocolate \$4.99
- 5. hard salami \$8.78
- 6. Carpenter figure \$12.99
- 7. D Fowler figure \$12.99
- 8. mascara \$7.99
- 9. Old Spice deodorant \$4.99
- 10. Old Spice deodorant \$4.99
- 11. seamless cup \$18.95
- 12. Chicken breast \$10.09
- 13. Sargento deli meat \$3.39
- 14. Sargento cheese \$3.39
- 15. mini chocolate chips \$3.59
- 16. Neutrogena skin 70 \$11.99
- 17. Clean and clear scrub \$5.99
- 18. mascara \$7.99
- 19. Elmers glue \$1.39
- 20. Dove deodorant \$8.99

I'm not sure who will be eating the Elmer's Glue, all the cosmetics plus three deodorants.



Michelle "Shelly" Coveyou has no other criminal record.

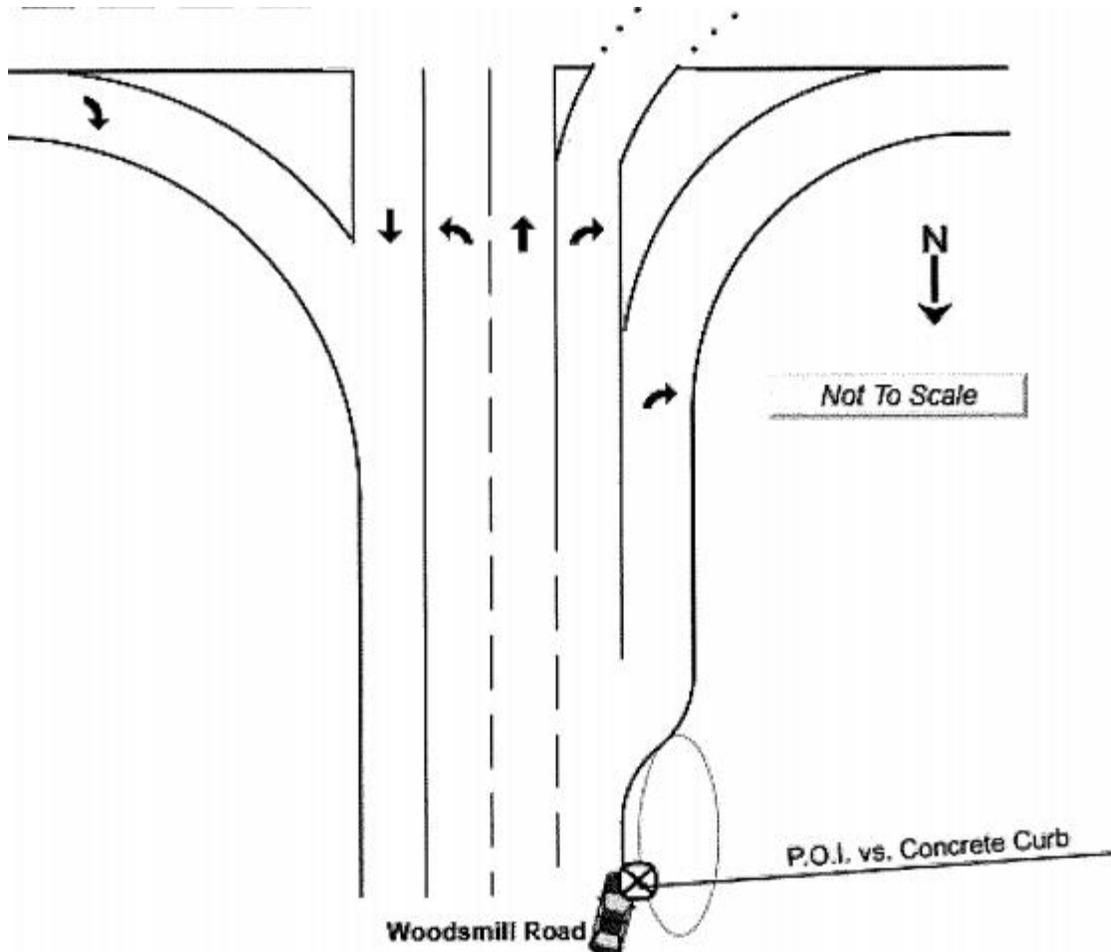
It was interesting that she drove to the Chesterfield Clarkson Road Dierbergs to steal when her house is located a few blocks from the Wildwood Dierbergs. It was in the police report that she was issued a Trespassing Notice to stay out of all Dierbergs stores.

OUTCOME: CHARGE AMENDED TO LITTERING, PLEAD GUILTY ON 10/26/18, PAID FINE OF \$327.50 AND COURT COSTS OF \$26.50.

VERY DRUNK DRIVER CRASHES INTO CURB, BLOWS OUT TIRE AND DAMAGES WHEEL ONLY TO CONTINUE DRIVING ON CLAYTON ROAD. On Friday night into Saturday morning on November 9, 2019 it was 1AM and Officers Dan Duddleston and Cpl. Jordan Fowle were standing outside of their patrol car talking on a parking lot at Clayton Road and Woods Mill Road.

Jake Robinson, a very drunk 26-year-old driver from Ballwin was kind enough to clearly identify himself as a drunk driver to both officers. As the officers chatted Dan Duddleston heard a crash coming from Woods Mill Road. Cpl. Fowle (now Sgt. Fowle) was facing toward Woods Mill Road and saw that an older model Chevrolet Impala had crashed into a high concrete curb at a parking lot entrance. The driver continued now at a very slow rate of speed to Clayton Road and then went west on Clayton Road.

The officers went after the car which was an easy chase since the car was going so slow. After hitting the curb the right front wheel was badly dented and the tire had blown out. The driver pulled over turning into the parking lot of a car wash. The car had expired license plates. A rule of thumb for future drunk drivers...don't drive drunk with expired license plates and avoid crashing into curbs and partially disabling your car.



Dan Duddleston



Jordan Fowle

Officer Duddleston contacted the driver, Jake Robinson, 26, an apartment dweller from Ballwin at the time and now a Chesterfield resident. It was very clear to Officer Duddleston that Robinson was drunk. Duddleston reported he smelled both the odor of booze and marijuana inside the car.

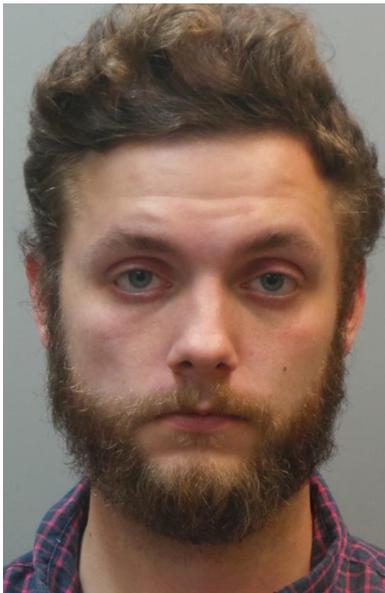
Robinson had a strong smell of liquor on his breath, his eyes were bloodshot and glassy, he could not stand still and his speech was slurred.

Robinson agreed to take field sobriety tests that he failed. He also agreed to take a field preliminary breath test. Here are those results:

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| PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT) POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> REFUSED RESULT <u>0.201</u> % |
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Two-and-a-half times over the legal will get you arrested. When asked how much he had to drink, Robinson didn't answer by "the drink" but said he had a "couple cups of whiskey." Marijuana was found in the car.

At the police station he refused to answer any other questions or take the official breath test.



Jake Robinson



Robinson's eyes

Robinson was issued citations for DWI, Improper Lane Use, Expired License Plates,

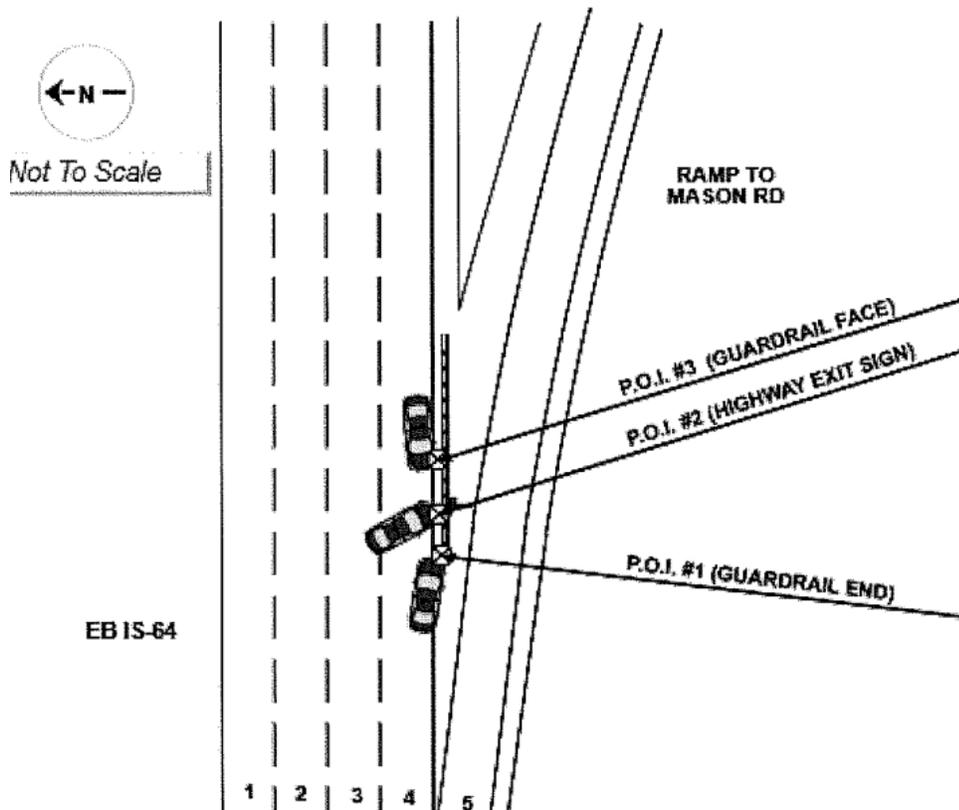
11/09/19 DWI, Poss of Marij, Exp Lic Plates, Imp Lane Use Town & Country PD
Disposition see below

11/27/17 Poss of Marijuana PG 08/28/18 2-yr SIS probation Ballwin PD

OUTCOME: On October 13, 2020 Robinson pled guilty to DWI and was placed on a “no permanent record, No-Points, No-Fine” 2-year SIS probation term. He pled guilty to Improper Lane Use and was fined \$191. The Possession of Marijuana charge was reduced to “Littering.” Robinson pled guilty to something he did not do and was fined \$266. The prosecutor Keith Cheung was aware that Robinson was 2 ½ times over the limit and then refused to take a second Breath Test, had been smoking marijuana and crashed disabling his car that was no-big deal if you hire a local lawyer. Robinson did just that. This was good for local defense attorneys but not so good for the safety of the public.

21-YEAR-OLD DRUNK DRIVING FEMALE TOTALS HER 2009 HONDA ACCORD BY DRIVING INTO GUARD RAIL AND HWY EXIT SIGN TWO WEEKS AFTER PLEDING GUILTY TO DUI IN BALLWIN AND THEN CAN'T BELIEVE THE POLICE OFFICER TOOK HER WEED. On Saturday night into Sunday morning December 8, 2019 at 1:46AM while Town and Country Police Officer Dustin York was driving on EB I-64 and at Mason Road he saw a Honda Accord facing the wrong way with extensive damage and a female driver behind the wheel.

The Honda had struck over 30 feet of guard rail and a highway exit sign.





Dustin York, The 2020 T&C Officer of the Year

Officer York contacted the driver, Mallory Finnegan, 21, of Lindy Blvd in Winchester, MO . She was the lone occupant of the demolished Honda. She could not find her proof of insurance or drivers' license. She stated she swerved to the right to miss something in the road that Officer York did not find. She did not claim any injuries.

Here is how Officer York first described Finnegan's condition:

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| SPEECH | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLURRED <input type="checkbox"/> CONFUSED <input type="checkbox"/> INCOHERENT <input type="checkbox"/> STUTTERING <input type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING |
| ATTITUDE | DESCRIBE: SCREAMING, CRYING, BELLIGERENT, UNCOOPERATIVE |

Finnegan refused to answer any questions including giving her name and address but had given Officer York permission to look in her purse to try and find her insurance information.

She also refused to submit to field sobriety tests to see if she was intoxicated. After refusing she began to walk away down I-64, forcing Officer York to grab her by the arm and place her under arrest for DWI.

After her arrest and before the wrecked car was towed off Officer York checked in interior of the car. He found her wallet on the floorboard and inside the wallet was a State of Missouri ID card. Finnegan's drivers' license had been suspended after an April 2019 DWI arrest by the Ballwin Police when a breath test showed Finnegan was drunk.

Officer York also checked her purse and inside the purse he found a plastic baggie of marijuana.

Finnegan was in the back of York's patrol car for 20-minutes as he finished paperwork at the scene and then drove her to the police station. Officer York later checked the patrol car's video/audio system and included the following in his report:

After reviewing the footage from the in-car video, it was revealed that Finnegan continued her screaming outbursts after being placed in the rear of my patrol vehicle. Finnegan stated that she wanted to go home and she would pay the officers money if we took her home. Finnegan continued the screaming and crying rant for approximately 20 minutes.

At police station Finnegan refused to take an official breath test or be interviewed.

Finnegan was cited for DWI, Driving While Suspended, Improper Lane Use, and Possession of Marijuana. Officer York reported the Finnegan did make the following statement to him before being release:

After explaining the charges to Finnegan, Finnegan stated, "You are such a dick Officer York. I can't believe you're taking my weed!"



Mallory Finnegan



Finnegan's eyes

12/08/19 DWI, Driving While Suspended, Imp Lane Use Town & Country PD
04/13/19 DUI PG on 11/26/19 2-yr SIS probation, Speeding Ballwin PD
\$249 fine
06/10/16 Possession of Marijuana St. Louis Co



2016 arrest mugshot

OUTCOME: Finnegan was in the one-car wreck with her DWI arrest in Town and Country two weeks after she pled guilty to DUI and Speeding in Ballwin. The Ballwin Municipal Court was in process of revoking her probation.

On January 8, 2021 Finnegan pled guilty to DWI in Town and Country. She was fined \$465 and placed on a 2-year SES probation term. She received a SIS probation term for Driving While Suspended. The Improper Lane Use was dropped. The marijuana charge was reduced to “Littering” and Finnegan was fined \$216 for something she never did.

WRONG WAY DRIVER ON I-64 GETS OFF INTERSTATE JUST IN TIME TO RUN RED LIGHT IN FRONT OF OFFICER YORK: On a Friday night into Saturday morning August 8, 2020 at about 1:30 AM Frontenac, Creve Coeur and Town and Country officers were advised by the dispatch center of reports of a black pickup truck being driven westbound in the eastbound lanes of I-64.

Town and Country Officer Dustin York arrived in the area of Ballas Road and I-64 just as a Creve Coeur officer radioed the pickup truck had exited at Ballas. Officer York saw the truck turning around at the entrance to the medical buildings at 777 N. Ballas and then go south on Ballas.

Officer York was behind the truck when the driver suddenly switched lanes from the left turn lane to go EB on I-64 to the straight lane on SB Ballas. The driver went south. There was one problem. The stop light was RED. Officer York stopped him at Missouri

Baptist Hospital, where the driver turned into the entrance driveway and promptly ran up on the curb.

The driver could not find his insurance info but did find his drivers' license that identified him as Brian Michael Fletcher, 24, of O'Fallon, Missouri.

When asked if he had anything to drink, Fletcher said, "One or two beers." Officer York was not buying that answer. From the police report, this is what Officer York observed and smelled:

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| SPEECH | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLURRED <input type="checkbox"/> CONFUSED <input type="checkbox"/> INCOHERENT <input type="checkbox"/> STUTTERING <input type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING |

He got Fletcher out of hi GMC pickup truck and field sobriety tests were given with Fletcher failing them. Fletcher refused to take a field Breath Test. He was then arrested for DWI and Disobeying a Red Light. Fletcher stated he was coming from the Downtown 360 Bar in St. Louis.

At the station Fletcher refused to take the official Breath Test.



Brian Fletcher



Fletcher's eyes

This is not Fletcher's first time being arrested for DWI or refusing to take a breath test. In 2017 he was arrested for DWI in St. Charles County and refused to take a breath test. His drivers' license was reinstated in July of 2018.

OUTCOME: On 12/17/20 the Red Light Violation was dropped when Fletcher pled guilty to DWI, fined \$466 and placed on a 2-year SES probation meaning the conviction stays on his record. Fletcher did not appeal his Breath Test refusal meaning his driving privilege was suspended for refusing the test and also on the conviction.

AN HONEST DRUNK DRIVER TELLS OFFICER SHE DOESN'T NEED TO TAKE TESTS, SHE KNOWS SHE HAS HAD TOO MUCH TO DRINK: Once again Officer Dustin York is working the overnight shift. It is Saturday night into Sunday morning 1:55am on July 26, 2020. Officer York was westbound on I-64 at Mason Road when he noticed a Hyundai sedan in front of him weaving into entrance ramp, exit ramp lanes and the highway lane to the left. The driver exited on NB Hwy 141 when Officer York made the traffic stop.

He contacted the driver (only person in car) Lauryn M. Gamache, 23, of St. Charles. It was clear she had been drinking and Officer York asked how much she had to drink. Instead of getting the usual "2 drinks" reply, he got something completely different. This is from his report:

beverage. I asked Gamache how much alcohol she had to drink. As I was speaking with Gamache I noticed her eyes were watery bloodshot and glassy. Gamache's speech was also slurred as she attempted to answer my questions. Gamache stated she wanted to be honest and stated that she had too much alcohol to drink to be driving. Gamache stated she did not want to lie, and she had too much to drink to be driving. I asked Gamache if she would like to perform some field sobriety tests to make sure she was ok to drive. Gamache stated she did not want to take the field sobriety tests and again stated she should not be driving.

She agreed to take a preliminary field breath test, that showed her BAC level to be .238% or three times over the legal limit.

Officer York's report showed that Gamache showed all signs of being drunk.

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| PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT) POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL? |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> REFUSED |
| RESULT <u> .238 </u> % |

| OFFICER'S OBSERVATION MADE PRIOR TO ARREST OR SUSPECT'S ADJUDICATED STATUS | | | |
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Gamache was arrested for DWI and Improper Lane Use (weaving). At the police station she agreed to take the official breath test. That test showed her alcohol level was going down, but only slightly. It was .207% or more than 2 ½ times over the legal limit.

Gamache agreed to be interviewed. Here is part of that Q&A:

| INTERVIEW -- RECORD PERSON'S RESPONSES | | | |
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| WHAT TIME IS IT NOW? NO IDEA | WHAT IS THE DATE? I HAVE NO IDEA | YOU TOOK MY PHONE | WHAT CITY (COUNTY) ARE YOU IN NOW? ST LOUIS |
| WHAT WERE YOU DOING DURING THE LAST THREE HOURS PRIOR TO CONTACT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT? I WAS AT EMBER, THE BAR. WENT TO MY FRIENDS HOUSE, THEN MY DUMBASS DROVE HOME | | | |
| WERE YOU OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE CRASH OR STOP? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO | | | |
| HAVE YOU BEEN DRINKING? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO | IF YES, WHAT WERE YOU DRINKING? MARGARITA | TIME STARTED 12, IDK, LATE | TIME STOPPED NO IDEA |
| HOW MUCH? 3 DRINKS, 4, I DON'T KNOW | WHERE? IN EMBER | ARE YOU UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO | |

Gamache had no prior traffic or criminal record. She played college soccer at Rocky Mountain College in Billings, Montana, where she held several offensive records. She was release to a sober person on 2 citations for Improper Lane Use and one for DWI.





Lauryn M. Gamache



Ganache's eyes

OUTCOME: On 12/29/20 Gamache got a Christmas present from Town and Country Prosecutor Keith Cheung. Despite being 2 ½ times over the legal limit Cheung erased her DWI, reducing it to Careless and Reckless Driving with a \$191 fine. One of her Improper Lane Use citations was magically turned into a Parking Ticket with the wave of Cheung's wand (pen). It carried a \$116 fine for something she did not do. The other Improper Lane Use citation was not changed. Gamache pled guilty and was fined \$191.

While I don't believe any reduced charges or sentences, nor should be given to anyone who refuses a breath test or is more than 2-times the legal limit, Of the three DWI arrests by Officer York and comparing Mallory Finnegan and Brian Fletcher to Lauryn Gamache's DWI arrests Gamache clearly was the only defendant to deserve a break.

HERION ADDICT SHOPLIFTING AT BEST BUY ASSAULTS THREE EMPLOYEES TRYING TO STOP HIM. Robert A. DeJarnette, 29, went to Best Buy on Thursday September 13, 2018 at about 9 PM to steal. At the time DeJarnette was living in Fairview Heights, Illinois. His more recent arrests show an address in Crystal City, MO.

On September 13 his mission was to steal easy to conceal electronics. He had a backpack with him to make it that much easier. It also made it that much easier for a Best Buy Loss Prevention Officer to see him stealing a cell phone and other electronics/

The Loss Prevention Officer called Chesterfield Police Special Enforcement Officer Dammrich directly. Dejarnette was done stealing and leaving the store before officers arrived.



Store employees tried to stop Dejarnette and two woman and a male employee were assaulted. One female employee attempted to stop Dejarnette at the doors by grabbing his backpack. Her hand got caught in the backpack straps. Dejarnette shoved her in the chest to escape. She had a pair of eyeglasses hanging on the center of her shirt. The shove by Dejarnette hit the glasses knocking them to the floor and breaking them.

Dejarnette ran to the rear of the building and was grabbed by another female Best Buy employee who Dejarnette kicked in the knees. He then charged the male employee but his luck ran out. The employee took him down and held him.

Police arrived and took Dejarnette into custody. Dejarnette denied stealing anything claiming the stolen items in his backpack that he was on video stealing in Best Buy, he bought from someone on the street earlier in the day. Also in his backpack was some Narcan an antidote to drug overdoses. Dejarnette admitted that he was a “recovering heroin addict.”

Also in his backpack were two syringes indicating he was not yet a “former heroin addict.”

Dejarnette was booked for Stealing, Poss of Narcotic Paraphernalia, and two counts of assault. There was also an outstanding warrant for his arrest from another police department. He was issued summonses on the Chesterfield charges and then held waiting his pick up on the warrant.



Dejarnette



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| 10/09/19 | Stealing, Trespassing warrants | Maplewood PD |
| 10/23/18 | Drug related Offense | Brentwood PD |
| 09/13/18 | Stealing, 2-cts Assault, Poss of Drug Para, Fugitive | Chesterfield PD |
| 05/23/18 | Stealing, Trespassing warrants | Arnold PD |
| 06/17/17 | Unlawful Use of a Weapon | St. Clair Co IL |
| 09/23/13 | DWI Guilty SIS Probation | MO Hwy Patrol |

OUTCOME: On July 16, 2019 Dejarnette pled guilty to all charges. For stealing he was fined \$350, for assault he was fined \$350, for Destruction of Property he was fined \$150 and for Possession of the Syringes he was fined \$175 for a total of \$1,025.