1	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2	DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT
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3	RICHARD E. BURGESS,
	Plaintiff,   CIVIL CASE NO.
4	3:11-CV-01129 (CSH)
	v.
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	TOWN OF WALLINGFORD; CHIEF
6	DOUGLAS L. DORTENZIO, in his
	Official and Individual
7	Capacities; SERGEANT MICHAEL   January 8, 2013
	COLAVOLPE, in his Official and
8	Individual Capacities; OFFICER
	GABRIEL GARCIA, in his
9	Individual Capacity; OFFICER
	DEVIN FLOOD, in his Individual
10	Capacity; and MARK VANAMAN,
	Defendants.
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13	DEPOSITION OF GABRIEL GARCIA
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15	Taken on behalf of the Plaintiff in the
	above-entitled cause, before Kristine A.
16	Paradis, LSR 338, a Court Reporter and Notary
	Public within and for the State of
17	Connecticut, on Tuesday, January 8, 2013, at
	3:06 p.m., at the Hamden Government Center,
18	2750 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut,
	pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil
19	Procedure.
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	BY: KRISTAN M. MACCINI, ESQ.
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12	Also Present:
13	Richard Burgess
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1	STIPULATIONS
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3	It is stipulated and agreed by counsel for
4	the parties that all objections are reserved until
5	the time of trial, except those objections as are
6	directed to the form of the question.
7	It is stipulated and agreed between counsel
8	for the parties that the proof of the authority of
9	the Notary Public, before whom this deposition is
10	taken, is waived.
11	It is further stipulated that any defects
12	in the Notice are waived.
13	It is further stipulated that the
14	deposition may be signed before any Notary Public.
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1		(Deposition commenced: 3:06 p.m.)
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3		GABRIEL GARCIA, Deponent, of Hamden
4		Police Department, 2900 Dixwell Avenue,
5		Hamden, Connecticut 06518, being first
6		duly sworn by the Notary Public, was
7		examined and testified, on his oath, as
8		follows:
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10		DIRECT EXAMINATION
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12	BY MS. BA	IRD:
13	Q	Good afternoon, Officer Garcia. How are
14	you?	
15	А	Good afternoon. Okay.
16	Q	What is your full name?
17	А	Gabriel Garcia. My middle name also?
18	Q	Sure.
19	А	Gabriel Yoruba Garcia.
20	Q	Okay. Have you ever been deposed
21	before?	
22	А	I have been.
23	Q	How many times?
24	А	Once.
25	0	I'll just briefly go over some of the

- 1 ground rules. And if anything I ask is not clear,
- 2 indicate and I'll try to clarify it.
- If your attorney objects, wait a second
- 4 and leave us to discuss it and then we'll go on
- from there. If you need a break, just tell me;
- 6 okay?
- 7 A Sure.
- 8 Q Okay. You are a member of the Hamden
- 9 Police Department currently?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And how long have you been on the Hamden
- 12 Police force?
- 13 A As of June 2010.
- 14 Q And prior to working with the Hamden
- Police force you were with Wallingford, right?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q How long were you with Wallingford?
- 18 A September 2005.
- 19 Q Did you work for any police departments
- 20 prior to Wallingford?
- 21 A No.
- Q When did you graduate high school?
- 23 A 1998.
- 24 Q And what did you do between graduating
- 25 high school and joining the Wallingford Police

- 1 Department?
- 2 A I graduated from college, Western
- 3 Connecticut State University. I entered the
- 4 military, the Army, the Connecticut Army National
- 5 Guard.
- 6 Q And are you an officer with the Hamden
- 7 Police Department now?
- 8 A Yes, I am.
- 9 Q Since leaving the Wallingford Police
- 10 Department, have you kept in contact with any of
- 11 the police officers there?
- 12 A Some.
- 13 Q Have you kept in contact with Sergeant
- 14 Colavolpe?
- 15 A No.
- 16 Q Have you kept in contact with Officer
- 17 Gonzalez?
- 18 A Once -- I think we talked once or twice.
- 19 Q Have you kept in contact with Officer
- 20 Fraenza?
- 21 A No.
- 22 Q How about with Officer Devin Flood, have
- you kept in contact with him?
- 24 A No.
- 25 Q Any contact with Lieutenant Martino?

- 1 A No.
- 2 Q And the one time or so that you talked
- 3 to Officer Gonzalez, did you discuss Mr. Burgess's
- 4 case at all?
- 5 A No.
- 6 Q I want to direct your attention then
- 7 back to May 16, 2010. Do you recall being
- 8 dispatched to the Yale Billiards Hall?
- 9 A I don't recall being dispatched --
- 10 Q Okay.
- 11 A -- but --
- 12 Q Do you recall going to the Yale
- 13 Billiards Hall?
- 14 A I do recall.
- 15 Q And like I did with some of the other
- 16 witnesses in this case, since it's been so long, I
- don't want it to be a guessing game. So, I'm
- 18 going to give you what's already been marked as
- 19 Plaintiff's Exhibit B from the July 27, 2012
- 20 deposition. There you go.
- 21 And if I could direct your attention in
- 22 that Exhibit B to page 4, the fourth page in. Do
- you see where it lists a name, Officer Garcia, on
- 24 that page?
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 Q And after the name it has "2-5 North
- 2 Colony and Cherry." What does that mean?
- 3 A That was the area I was assigned that
- 4 evening or that day.
- 5 Q And --
- 6 A That shift.
- 7 Q So, is it area 2-5 --
- 8 A Yes.
- 10 A I believe so.
- 11 Q Did that area include the Yale Billiards
- 12 Hall?
- 13 A No.
- 14 Q And for what reason, if you know, were
- 15 you heading towards the Yale Billiards Hall at
- 16 that time?
- 17 A If I was going, I was dispatched there.
- 18 Q Okay. And what information did you have
- when you were dispatched there?
- 20 A From what I recall is it was some kind
- of disturbance. There was a male with a firearm.
- 22 Q How long did it take you to get to the
- 23 Yale Billiards Hall from the time you were
- 24 dispatched?
- 25 A I'm not sure.

- 1 Q And when you got to the Yale Billiards
- 2 Hall, were any other police officers there?
- 3 A I'm not sure.
- 4 Q Did you go with any police officers to
- 5 the Yale Billiards Hall?
- 6 A There were other units that responded to
- 7 the call, yes.
- 8 Q And do you recall seeing any officers at
- 9 Yale Billiards?
- 10 A Yes, I do.
- 11 Q Who do you recall seeing?
- 12 A I'm not sure everybody who was there.
- 13 I'm not sure of all officers that responded there.
- I know there were other officers there.
- 15 Q What did you do when you first got
- 16 there?
- 17 A I don't recall.
- 18 Q If I could direct your attention to
- 19 page 6 of Exhibit B that you have in front of you.
- 20 It's the sixth page in from the front.
- 21 About halfway down in the page it has a
- 22 name, Officer Garcia, indicating 2-5. What was
- your intention in giving that statement "2-5"?
- A Here (indicating)?
- 25 Q I'll count down. The seventh statement

- down where it says, "Officer Garcia."
- 2 A Okay. I'm not sure.
- 3 Q Is that to provide --
- 4 A Maybe to --
- 5 Q -- your location?
- 6 A Maybe to call back -- dispatch
- 7 responded, so maybe to communicate to dispatch.
- 8 Q And what does 2-5 communicate?
- 9 A That's communicating my zone and my
- 10 area. That's what I'm referred to that evening.
- 11 Q Okay. So, that was --
- 12 A It's my --
- 13 Q -- your call signal?
- 14 A Correct. Correct.
- 15 Q Okay. And then in the two lines down
- 16 from there it has, "Officer Garcia," and then it
- 17 says, "Check out 207, 271, 537, 207, 271, 537."
- 18 What do those numbers mean?
- 19 A No clue. I'm not sure.
- 20 Q Do they reference a location?
- 21 A Don't believe so. I don't know what it
- means.
- work with the Hamden Police Department currently?
- 25 A I don't believe so.

- 1 Q Did you speak to anyone when you got to
- 2 the Yale Billiards Hall?
- 3 A I don't remember.
- 4 Q Do you remember speaking to a Mark
- 5 Vanaman?
- A I don't remember.
- 7 Q Okay. Do you remember who the
- 8 complainant was when you got to Yale Billiards
- 9 Hall?
- 10 A No.
- 11 Q Who was the arresting officer at the
- 12 scene?
- 13 A I don't know. I don't remember who it
- 14 was.
- 15 Q Had you already obtained work with the
- 16 Hamden Police Department as of May 16, 2010?
- 17 A It was at that time, yes, I believe so.
- 18 Q And when was it exactly when you left
- the Wallingford Police Department?
- 20 A It would have been the end of May that
- 21 year.
- 22 Q The end of May 2010?
- 23 A Correct.
- 24 Q And what reason did you leave
- Wallingford?

- 1 A There were several reasons, but Hamden
- 2 Police Department has more opportunity and better
- 3 benefits. It's more of a diverse town.
- 4 Q What do you mean? "Diverse" in what
- 5 way?
- 6 A Diverse in the population. You have
- 7 more -- you have different areas of Hamden. You
- 8 have a large minority population in Hamden; you
- 9 don't have a large -- very large minority
- 10 population in Wallingford.
- 11 Q And how did that impact your decision to
- 12 leave Wallingford?
- 13 A How do you mean?
- 14 Q Well, you -- I had asked you for what
- 15 reason you left Wallingford, and you listed that
- 16 Hamden was more diverse. So, I was asking how
- 17 that impacted it.
- 18 A The town is a more diverse town.
- 19 There's different types of crime that also occur
- 20 in Hamden. As a police officer, you know, if
- 21 you're looking and you're interested in doing
- 22 police work, you might want to go to a town that
- 23 has a little bit more variety of crimes to be
- 24 handled, to be solved, to be -- to help the
- 25 community there.

- 1 Q Was there any discussion at the scene on
- 2 May 16, 2010 about you being the arresting police
- 3 officer?
- 4 MS. MACCINI: Objection to form.
- 5 You can answer if you understood the
- 6 question.
- 7 THE WITNESS: I don't recall.
- 8 BY MS. BAIRD:
- 9 Q Okay. If I were to tell you that
- 10 Officer Flood had testified that he was assigned
- 11 to be the arresting officer because you were
- 12 getting ready to leave the department, does that
- 13 sound familiar?
- MS. MACCINI: Objection to form.
- THE WITNESS: I don't recall.
- 16 BY MS. BAIRD:
- 17 Q Okay. What do you recall about what
- 18 happened after Sergeant Colavolpe arrived?
- 19 A I -- to tell you the truth, I don't know
- 20 the sequence of events. I know police officers
- 21 arrived. There was a call, a disturbance, a male
- 22 with a firearm. Police officers responded; there
- 23 was an arrest made.
- I don't -- the details of what occurred
- 25 there, the interviews, interactions with people,

- the officers who were there, I don't really
- 2 remember that well. I couldn't tell you.
- I know that the arrestee -- I recall him
- 4 having pamphlets on him related to firearm laws,
- 5 seemed very cocky. He was compliant, but his
- 6 demeanor was cocky. And, I mean, that's what I
- 7 remember.
- 8 Q While you were working for the
- 9 Wallingford Police Department, how many calls did
- 10 you receive and respond to involving an individual
- 11 with a firearm?
- 12 A Not many. If -- I -- it wasn't many.
- 13 Q Has it been more with the Hamden Police
- 14 Department?
- 15 A Yes.
- Q When -- in your experience when you've
- 17 been called to respond to incidents involving
- 18 individuals with firearms, do you take them
- 19 seriously?
- 20 A You should take all calls you respond to
- 21 seriously.
- 22 Q In terms of officer safety?
- 23 A I mean, of course you're -- you know,
- 24 you're a little -- I would say a little more
- 25 cautious than I think normally would kind of set

- 1 something off, but you should normally be cautious
- when you respond to calls.
- 3 Q In responding to Yale Billiards on
- 4 May 16, 2010 to a call of a man with a gun, were
- 5 there any precautions that you took when you
- 6 arrived there?
- 7 A I don't recall.
- 8 Q So, there's nothing about that incident
- 9 with the man with the firearm when you were a
- 10 Wallingford Police Department officer that stands
- 11 out in your mind?
- MS. MACCINI: Objection to form.
- 13 BY MS. BAIRD:
- Q Can you answer?
- 15 A I don't understand what you're
- 16 looking --
- 17 Q Well, let me ask you this: When you got
- there and it was a call about a man with a gun and
- 19 you arrived, were there any dead people laying
- 20 around?
- 21 A No.
- 22 Q You would recall that, right?
- 23 A I recall people.
- 24 Q Are you saying that --
- 25 A Dead people laying around?

- 1 Q Okay. Were there?
- 2 A No, I didn't see any dead people laying
- 3 around.
- 4 Q Okay. Was there anybody injured or
- 5 bleeding when you arrived?
- 6 A Not that I noticed. Not that I recall.
- 7 Q Okay.
- 8 A No.
- 9 Q Is it possible that there could have
- 10 been injured people and you just don't recall
- 11 today?
- 12 A It's possible there could have been
- injured people inside. I don't know. There was
- 14 no medical call.
- 15 Q Uh-hum.
- 16 A So, as far as I'm concerned or recall, I
- 17 didn't see anybody injured. Is it possible? I
- mean, many things are possible. But as far as I
- 19 know, I saw, or anything that I came in contact
- 20 with, I didn't any see any person injured. Nobody
- 21 came to me and said they were injured.
- 22 Q Did you see any -- did you take any
- 23 precautions to get people out of harm's way when
- 24 you arrived?
- 25 A I don't recall.

- 1 Q Do you know if any people were in harm's
- 2 way?
- 3 A I don't recall.
- 4 Q Do you know if there were any children
- 5 there in harm's way?
- 6 A I don't recall if there was any children
- 7 there.
- 8 Q Well, if there were, you certainly would
- 9 have done something, right?
- 10 A Absolutely.
- 11 Q Yeah. You certainly would have helped
- 12 people get out of harm's away when you arrived
- 13 there, right?
- MS. MACCINI: Objection to form.
- Where are we? Are we outside or are we
- in the pool hall?
- MS. BAIRD: Anywhere. If he
- remembers anything.
- 19 BY MS. BAIRD:
- 20 Q I mean, would you --
- 21 A If I could determine that somebody was
- in harm's way, then, you know, appropriate action
- 23 would be taken is what I'm asking (sic) you.
- Q When you got there, did you try to
- 25 identify where the person with the gun was?

- 1 A I don't recall how -- what unfolded
- 2 after I arrived on scene; okay? You can continue
- 3 to ask me and I can continue to tell you.
- 4 I arrived on scene. I don't recall
- 5 who -- what officers responded, what officers I
- 6 interacted with there. I don't recall who I
- 7 interacted as far as witnesses or any other
- 8 persons there.
- 9 Q Uh-hum.
- 10 A What I recall was your client here was
- 11 eventually placed in handcuffs. He was compliant
- 12 to what we -- what -- I believe he was compliant;
- it appeared to me he was compliant. His demeanor
- was cocky; he had pamphlets on him. That's what I
- 15 recall.
- Now, I mean, you can ask me a million
- and one questions about other things -- if there
- 18 were people injured, if there were little kids
- 19 running around, if I felt that -- if it's possible
- they were in danger. You can continue to ask me.
- 21 I don't recall what was there and what exactly
- 22 occurred.
- 23 Q Did you place Mr. Burgess in handcuffs?
- 24 A I do not recall.
- 25 Q Well, you indicated that you remember he

- was placed in handcuffs.
- 2 A He was transported. He was arrested.
- 3 That's procedural; okay?
- 4 Q I could have it read back. You said
- 5 that -- you said that you remembered that
- 6 Mr. Burgess was placed in handcuffs. Do you
- 7 remember that or were you just saying you
- 8 remembered --
- 9 A Okay.
- 11 A Because it's a procedural thing. He's
- 12 arrested.
- 13 Q So, do you remember it or not?
- 14 A He was placed in handcuffs.
- Q Who placed him in handcuffs?
- 16 A I don't recall who placed him in
- 17 handcuffs.
- 18 Q Was it you?
- 19 A I don't recall.
- MS. MACCINI: Objection to form;
- asked and answered. He says he doesn't
- remember.
- BY MS. BAIRD:
- Q Do you recall him being transported?
- 25 A I don't know who transported him. I

- 3 A I don't . . .
- 4 Q After May 16, 2010 when the arrest was
- 5 made and he was transported, as you've testified,
- did you discuss the case with anybody?
- 7 A I don't recall.
- 8 Q Did you engage in any investigation with
- 9 regard to a complaint that Mr. Burgess made
- 10 against Officer Flood?
- 11 A I'm unaware of that.
- 12 Q Okay.
- 13 A I don't recall.
- 14 Q Let me show you a document. It's
- 15 Exhibit P. It's already been admitted as an
- 16 exhibit, Officer Garcia.
- 17 Did you receive a memo similar to
- 18 Exhibit P from Lieutenant Martino with regard to
- 19 an internal affairs investigation?
- 20 A I don't believe so.
- 21 Q Did you ever -- were you ever questioned
- 22 with regard to an internal affairs investigation
- 23 while you were with the Wallingford Police
- 24 Department?
- 25 A No. Un-uh. No, not that I recall

- 1 regarding this. And I don't know when this was
- 2 conducted, but I was no longer in the police
- department. Look at the date, 6/21/2010.
- 4 O Uh-hum.
- 5 A I was no longer in the police
- 6 department.
- 7 Q Okay. So, you don't remember getting
- 8 one in May while you were with the police
- 9 department?
- 10 A No.
- 11 Q Did anyone from Wallingford contact you
- 12 after you left the police department to ask you
- questions about Mr. Burgess's arrest?
- 14 A Not that I recall.
- 15 Q Do you have any memory of approaching
- Mr. Burgess prior to his arrest on May 16, 2010?
- 17 A No.
- 18 Q Do you have any recall when you were
- 19 approaching Mr. Burgess where his gun was?
- 20 A No.
- 21 Q So, in this incident where there was a
- 22 man with a gun and you were a police officer and
- there were civilians around, you do not remember
- 24 approaching Mr. Burgess where his gun was located?
- 25 A No.

1 MS. MACCINI: Objection to form. BY MS. BAIRD: 3 Okay. Did you go to the police academy? I did attend the police academy. 5 Okay. And what year did you attend it? Q 2005. 6 Α 7 Q And you graduated? Yes, I did. 8 Α 9 And then did you do field training with Q 10 Wallingford? Yes, I did. 11 Α Did they do a good job training you? 12 13 MS. MACCINI: Objection to form. THE WITNESS: It's open to 14 15 interpretation. 16 BY MS. BAIRD: 17 What -- what, if anything, were you taught about firearm -- let me ask you this: Did 18 you take any firearms classes while you were at 19 20 the training academy? 21 Α Correct. I did. And do you remember what those classes 22 consisted of? 23 Firearms safety.

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Okay.

1 A Using a firearm, qualifying with a firearm on the range. 3 While you were still -- what was your last day at Wallingford? 5 Α I'm not sure of the exact date. 6 Okay. This is a memo dated May 27, 7 2010. It's exhibit -- Plaintiff's Exhibit J. 8 Have you ever seen that memo before? 9 MS. MACCINI: Take your time and 10 read it. 11 (Pause.) MS. BAIRD: While he's doing that, 12 13 if I could have this marked as the next 14 exhibit. There you go. 15 16 (Plaintiff's Exhibit R: Marked for Identification.) 17 18 THE WITNESS: I don't recall if I 19 20 received this or not. 21 BY MS. BAIRD: Did you ever talk directly with Chief 22 23 Dortenzio while you were a police officer at 24 Wallingford?

A Not so much, but I did. Not frequently.

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- 1 It wasn't --
- 2 Q Okay. Do you recall talking to Chief
- 3 Dortenzio about this arrest of Mr. Burgess on
- 4 May 16, 2010?
- 5 A No.
- 6 Q Did you take any part in the booking
- 7 process after Mr. Burgess returned to or was taken
- 8 to the Wallingford Police Department?
- 9 A I don't recall.
- 10 Q Have you ever been in the Yale Billiards
- 11 Hall?
- 12 A I have been.
- 13 Q When did you go in?
- 14 A I've gone -- I've been there off duty
- with a friend who lived in Wallingford before.
- 16 I'm not sure of the date.
- 17 Q Do you know if it was before May 16,
- 18 2010?
- 19 A It would have been before then.
- 20 Q Did you go in on May 16, 2010 to the
- 21 hall as part of the response?
- 22 A I don't recall.
- 23 Q Did you know the billiards hall owner,
- 24 Robert Hilton?
- 25 A No.

- 1 Q When was the last time you were there?
- 2 A I don't recall.
- A I don't think I would have gone there
- 5 after leaving -- I don't go to Wallingford,
- 6 period. So, after I was -- I don't -- I was no
- 7 longer hired or after I transferred to Hamden, I
- 8 don't go to Wallingford. It's not a place I hang
- 9 out, so . . . I most likely would not have ever
- 10 been on that premise after, I guess, that date
- 11 on --
- 12 Q Is there a reason you don't hang out in
- 13 Wallingford?
- 14 A It's a little far from where I live so,
- 15 you know . . .
- 16 Q I'm handing you what's just been marked
- 17 Exhibit R.
- MS. MACCINI: Take your time and
- 19 review that.
- BY MS. BAIRD:
- 21 Q And after you've had time to read it,
- 22 I'll ask you if you've ever seen it before.
- 23 (Pause.)
- 24 A Okay.
- 25 Q Have you ever seen Exhibit R before?

- 1 A I don't recall if I've -- printed out
- 2 report? No, I don't recall if I've ever read this
- 3 report.
- 4 Q Did you provide any information to
- 5 Officer Flood while he was drafting this report?
- 6 A I don't recall.
- 7 Q Did you talk to Officer Flood after the
- 8 incident, after the response on May 16, 2010 with
- 9 regard to what happened?
- 10 A I don't recall.
- 11 Q Did Officer Flood ask you any questions
- 12 about what you had done at the scene on May 16,
- 13 2010?
- 14 A I don't recall.
- Okay. Let me hand you another report.
- 16 This is Plaintiff's Exhibit N. I'll ask you the
- same question whenever you're ready, about if
- 18 you've ever seen that before.
- 19 (Pause.)
- 20 A Okay.
- 21 Q Have you ever seen that report,
- 22 Exhibit N?
- 23 A No.
- Q Did you ever work on any cases with
- Detective Houlihan while you were with the

- 1 Wallingford Police Department?
- 2 A I don't recall.
- 3 Q Do you know who --
- 4 A I probably did.
- 5 Q -- Detective Houlihan is?
- 6 A Yes, I do.
- 7 Q And when you say you probably did, what
- 8 would cause a patrol officer to work with a
- 9 detective at Wallingford?
- 10 A Not sure. If there -- if they were
- 11 looking to locate maybe somebody with a warrant
- and they need extra manpower. From the patrol
- division, you normally would send cases over to
- 14 the detective bureau. So, cases that needed
- 15 further, in-depth investigations, you might send
- 16 the case over and they might come back and ask you
- 17 a couple questions: Hey, what happened here?
- 18 That sort of deal. Not actually working
- investigating cases hand-in-hand. Not so much.
- 20 Patrol wouldn't do that with the detective
- 21 division.
- 22 Q Okay. After May 16, 2010 at Yale
- 23 Billiards, did you ever see Mr. Burgess again?
- 24 A No, I don't believe so.
- 25 Q It --

- 1 A I didn't recognize him.
- Q Right. What was Mr. Burgess arrested
- 3 for on May 16, 2010?
- 4 A I don't know what it says there on the
- 5 report. What is it, disorderly conduct, breach of
- 6 peace?
- 7 Q What was said to Mr. Burgess at the
- 8 scene in terms of what he was being arrested for?
- 9 A I don't recall.
- 10 Q Do you know if Officer Flood is still
- with the Wallingford Police Department?
- 12 A I know he works in Cheshire Police
- 13 Department.
- 14 Q After May 16, 2010, were you present at
- any roll calls where the issue of whether openly
- 16 carrying a pistol in Connecticut was addressed?
- 17 A I don't recall. I don't believe so, no.
- 18 THE WITNESS: I need to make a
- 19 phone call, if you excuse me.
- MS. BAIRD: Uh-hum.
- MS. MACCINI: For the record --
- MS. BAIRD: It's a break, yeah.
- THE WITNESS: Yes.
- MS. MACCINI: For the record,
- 25 Officer Garcia needs to start his shift

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                at 4:00 o'clock. He needs to call his
                supervisor. Do you --
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                     MS. BAIRD: I probably have
                about --
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                     MS. MACCINI: Is it going to be
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                much longer?
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                     MS. BAIRD: -- maybe five more
                minutes. Why don't -- are you going to
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                go out there and I'll talk to my
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                client --
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                     MS. MACCINI: Sure, yeah.
                     MS. BAIRD: -- and see -- just
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                touch base.
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                      (Recess taken: 3:44 p.m. 3:47 p.m.)
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      BY MS. BAIRD:
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                Okay. Let's wrap this up then. I just
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      want to make sure that you've told me everything
      you remember about that night. I could ask you:
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      Is there anything you remember that you haven't
      told me, but I know that's probably too broad.
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      So, you'll have to bear with me. But that really
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      is the point I'm trying to get to, is there
      anything you remember that you haven't told me.
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- So, let's get this straight. Do you
- 2 remember traveling to the scene after you were
- 3 dispatched?
- A Do I remember going? Do I remember the
- 5 drive?
- 6 Q Yes.
- 7 A What route I took? No, I don't.
- 8 Q Okay.
- 9 A I have no clue.
- 10 Q In looking back now, can you remember
- being dispatched and going to the scene? Is there
- 12 anything about that that you recall?
- 13 A There's nothing that sticks out in my
- 14 mind.
- 15 Q Is there anything that you recall after
- 16 you -- between the time you arrived at the scene
- and the time when you indicate that Mr. Burgess
- was acting cocky?
- 19 A No, there's nothing.
- 20 Q Is there anything you recall between the
- 21 time you indicate Mr. Burgess was acting cocky and
- the time when you left the scene?
- 23 A There's nothing else that really sticks
- 24 out.
- 25 Q Is there anything you recall about where

1 Mr. Burgess's gun was when you approached him? Α No. 3 Okay. Is there anything you recall at any time about where Mr. Burgess's gun was while 5 you were on the scene? 6 Α No. 7 And do you recall any other incidents in 8 Wallingford where you responded to a report of a 9 person with a firearm? 10 Α Not in particular. 11 MS. BAIRD: Okay. That's it. 12 Thank you. All set. MS. MACCINI: All right. You're 13 14 free to go. 15 16 (Deposition concluded: 3:49 p.m.) 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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2	I, KRISTINE A. PARADIS, LSR 338, a Notary Public		
3	duly commissioned and qualified in and for the State		
4	of Connecticut, do hereby certify that pursuant to		
5	Agreement, there came before me on the 8th day of		
6	January, 2013, the following named person, to wit:		
7	GABRIEL GARCIA, who was by me duly sworn to testify		
8	to the truth and nothing but the truth; that he was		
9	thereupon carefully examined upon his oath and his		
10	examination reduced to writing under my supervision;		
11	that this deposition is a true record of the		
12	testimony given by the witness.		
13	I further certify that I am neither attorney non		
14	counsel for, nor related to, nor employed by any of		
15	the parties to the action in which this deposition is		
16	taken, and further, that I am not a relative or		
17	employee of any attorney or counsel employed by the		
18	parties hereto, or financially interested in this		
19	action.		
20	IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my		
21	hand this, 2013.		
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23	KRISTINE A. PARADIS, LSR #338		
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DEVIN FLOOD, in his Individual	
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