

IN THE GENERAL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

V.

CASE NO. GC15001649-50

MARTESE JOHNSON

REQUEST FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF *NOLLE PROSEQUI*


NOW COMES the Commonwealth, by counsel, to request the entry of an order of *nolle prosequi* as to two misdemeanor charges pending in this Court against the defendant. The alleged offenses include misdemeanor violations of Virginia Code Sections 18.2-460 and 18.2-388. The Commonwealth does not intend to prosecute either alleged offense.

In support hereof the Commonwealth states that the Virginia State Police conducted a thorough and independent criminal investigation into the events of March 18, 2015 that gave rise to the above-described charges against the defendant. Upon review of the evidence, the applicable principles of law, and the best interests of the community, the Commonwealth reached a conclusion that the interest of justice is not served by further prosecution of the defendant in relation to the events of March 18th. In making this determination the Commonwealth also reached a conclusion that the evidence does not warrant the prosecution of any other individual who participated in the events of March 18th.

In the Commonwealth's view, the interest of justice and the long term interest of the community are best served by taking these events as an opportunity to educate the public and

foster constructive dialogue between ordinary citizens, law enforcement officers, and public officials concerning police and citizen relationships in a diverse community.

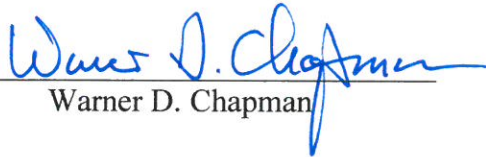
Respectfully requested,



Warner D. Chapman
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City of Charlottesville

CERTIFICATE:

I, Warner D. Chapman, hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Motion was transmitted electronically to Daniel Watkins, Counsel for the Defendant this 11th day of June, 2015.



Warner D. Chapman