



SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT of PUBLIC SAFETY

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1/21/2021

TOM CLEMENTS
1112 FLORENCE ST
COLUMBIA, SC 29201

Request #: 21010189

Re: State House Rally on January 6, 2021

DEAR TOM CLEMENTS,

Your request for the above-referenced record(s) has been received by the South Carolina Department of Public Safety (SCDPS) and is currently being processed. If we are unable to locate your requested record(s) based on the information submitted or if SCDPS is not the custodian of such record(s), you will be notified in writing.

Before producing any responsive record(s) in its possession, SCDPS will exempt and redact "[i]nformation of a personal nature where the public disclosure thereof would constitute unreasonable invasion of personal privacy" in accordance with S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-40 (a) (2). Also, FOIA allows a state agency to "collect reasonable fees not to exceed the actual cost of the search, retrieval, and redaction of records." The Department's FOIA Fee Schedule can be found at <https://scdps.sc.gov/foia/fees>.


Additionally, S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-20 (c) provides that "records which by law are required to be closed to the public are not considered to be made open to the public" under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Insofar as the Family Privacy Protection Act (FPPA) prohibits state agencies from disseminating certain information to the public, SCDPS will also exempt or redact any "personal identifying information" as defined by the FPPA from the record(s) it produces in response to your FOIA request.

Some video content may be released electronically, by email, through Evidence.com (noreply@evidence.com). The email will contain a link to download the available video(s) for your request and will only be available for up to 30 days.

Please note that using information obtained from public records for the purpose of commercial solicitation is prohibited by certain FOIA and FPPA provisions.

Please contact the SCDPS FOIA office at FOIA@scdps.gov or 803-896-7759 with any questions.

Sincerely,


Courtney S. Wiles
FOIA Manager



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January 26, 2021

Mr. Tom Clements
1112 Florence Street
Columbia, SC 29201

FOIA # 21010189

Re: State House Rally on January 6, 2021

Dear Mr. Clements:

Enclosed you will find a response to your request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) for "1. All video taken by Department of Public Safety on the north side of the South Carolina State House on Wednesday, January 6 between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., of the rally near the confederate soldier monument. Of special interest is video taken by cameras near to Gervais Street which would show the sidewalk area. 2. All still photos taken by the Department of Public Safety of the January 6 rally and individuals at the rally. 3. All report(s) of any kind written about the January 6 rally by any Department of Public Safety officials or uniformed officers who observed it."

The Department has exempted certain information from its response in accordance with the provisions of FOIA, specifically S.C. Code § 30-4-20(c). South Carolina Code § 30-4-20(c) declares that "information relating to security plans and devices proposed, adopted, installed or utilized by a public body...is required to be closed to the public and is not considered to be made open to the public under the provisions of [the Freedom of Information Act]."

Additionally, FOIA (S.C. Code § 30-4-10, et seq.) excludes from its definition of public records those records "which by law are required to be closed to the public...." Finally, S.C. Code § 23-1-240(G)(1) declares that "[d]ata recorded by a body-worn camera is not a public record subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act." Accordingly, the records to be produced by the Department do not include such footage.

Included is an Incident Report written by Bureau of Protective Services Officer, Lieutenant J.A. Griffin regarding Riley D. Crawford on January 6, 2021 during the State House rally. There are no additional non-exempt records responsive to your request.

Please contact me at (803) 896-7759 or courtneywiles@scdps.gov with any questions.

Sincerely,

Courtney S. Wiles
FOIA Manager

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SCDPS INCIDENT REPORT

BUREAU OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Report Date / Time 1/6/2021 4:25:06 PM	Report Number SCDPS1086000 (01)	Report Case/CAD Number / BLTC21CAD003461	Reporting Officer Rank / ID LT / 6219-0015	Reporting Officer Name JA GRIFFIN
Originating Agency ORI SC040BP00	Reported to Agency Date 1/6/2021 12:07:12 PM	Occur Date Range 01/06/2021 12:07:12 -	Jurisdiction	Status: Clearance:
Offense Description 90 SUBJECT WITH A GUN				

LOCATION(S)

County RICHLAND	Location Type INCIDENT LOCATION	Location Description State House Grounds							
Street Number 1100	Street GERVAIS	Apt/Lot/Bldg	City COLUMBIA	State SC	Zip Code 29201	Phone Number	Ext.		
County	Location Type	Location Description							
Street Number	Street	Apt/Lot/Bldg	City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number	Ext.		

Person: OTHER PERSON

First Name RILEY	Middle Name DEAN	Last Name CRAWFORD	Suffix	Race WHITE	Sex MALE	Height 6'04"	Weight 310	Hair	Eyes
MNI #	SSN	Date of Birth [REDACTED]	Age 38	ID Type DM	Drivers License or other ID [REDACTED]	State SC	OCA / Agency ID		
Place of Birth:									
Addresses									
• Permanent Address [REDACTED] CHESNEE, SC 29323 /									

Narrative: INITIAL

Narrative Date/Time 1/6/2021 4:31:40 PM	Narrative Synopsis		
Reporting Officer JA GRIFFIN	Officer Rank LT	Officer ID No 6219-0015	Officer Org/Unit BPS\BPS
Officer Signature	Officer Agency BUREAU OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES		

On the above date and time, In the State of South Carolina, in the county of Richland, in the City of Columbia the following took place. This R/O observed an individual walking on the west side of the State House heading to a rally taking place on the north side of the State House grounds. This R/O noticed what appeared to be a bulge in the subjects jacket. The individual was approached and was asked by the R/O if he could show what was under the jacket. The individual a

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Mr. Riley Crawford admitted that he was carrying a concealed weapon. He was then informed that this was not allowed and he would be given the chance to return the weapon to his car. Mr. Crawford complied and went without incident and was escorted to his vehicle located on Senate Street. He was then allowed to join the rally on the north side of the State House.

Officer: Approving Supervisor (Supplement 01)

Officer Name SH CROSBY	Officer Rank CAPTAIN	Officer ID No 6364-9879	Officer Agency BUREAU OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES
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Approval Date / Time 1/16/2021 3:05:13 PM	Officer Signature
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Sup #	Officer Name Rank / ID #	Involvement On Report / Reporting Role	Officer Agency Org/Unit
01	JA GRIFFIN LT 6219-0015	REPORTING OFFICER	BUREAU OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES BPS\BPS
01	SH CROSBY CAPTAIN 6364-9879	APPROVING SUPERVISOR	BUREAU OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES BPS\BPS

The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe that the above named Defendant, committed violation(s), of law, on the below date(s) and time(s), as listed in the narratives associated with this report:

Officer: Reporting Officer (Supplement01)

Officer Name JA GRIFFIN	Office Rank LT	Officer ID No 6219-0015
Officer Agency BUREAU OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES		
Officer Signature		