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PRESS RELEASE

Federal Suit Filed Against Nacogdoches County Sheriff For Excessive Force After Deputy Sucker Punches Sitting Disabled Witness In Face

(Nacogdoches Texas, October 7th, 2021) A Nacogdoches Texas law firm, Paul Anderson, PLLC, has filed a federal lawsuit (here [9:21-cv-00251](#)) in the Eastern District of Texas, Lufkin Division, against the County of Nacogdoches, Texas for punching a disabled witness in the face while he was sitting in a chair being voluntarily interviewed.

Anderson's client, Cory Roland, voluntarily came to the Nacogdoches County Sheriff's Office to meet with three investigators about alleged text messages on his cell phone. "Cory Roland was sitting in a chair scrolling through his cell phone searching for a text message, when Nacogdoches County Sheriff's Deputy Salomon Landeros apparently didn't think my client was scrolling fast enough. When Landeros attempted to grab my client's phone. Landeros punched my client in the face and took the phone." The two other deputies present intervened and restrained Landeros, stopping his assault. The phone was later returned, and no search warrant was produced.

"Unfortunately, Landeros' sucker punch aggravated and furthered exacerbated a brain injury Mr. Roland had sustained ten months earlier after being hit in the head with a rifle butt. What Deputy Landeros did was straight up assault and Texas law recognizes that if you bump a person with a brain injury and cause more injury, even if that same bump would otherwise not have left a mark on me, you are liable for every bit of damage you cause."

Criminal charges were filed by Nacogdoches County against Landeros, Anderson said, but the criminal charges were suddenly dropped by a local Justice of the Peace. The Judge's Dismissal with Prejudice can be seen [here](#).

Texas recognizes the eggshell skull doctrine in personal injury lawsuits. The eggshell skull doctrine protects those in cases where the injuries are worse or amplified because of a pre-existing condition. The doctrine makes it so that the negligent party is legally responsible for all resulting consequences and prevents the negligent party from using the victim's pre-existing health condition to avoid liability for the injuries caused by an assault.

Cory Roland had not been charged with any crime. The County of Nacogdoches, Texas and the other Defendants have not yet answered the lawsuit.

Paul Anderson is the principal attorney in a Nacogdoches, Texas civil rights law firm specializing in public corruption, fraud and law enforcement abuse. If you have information on this case or any matter involving official oppression, malicious prosecution, abuse of process, corruption, or public fraud, call 936.305.5600 or submit a confidential consultation request via the firm's website: <http://paulandersonlaw.com/page-6.html>.

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