

An appeal to Judge Kym Worthy on behalf of the Squires Family

**To the Honorable Kym Worthy
Judge, Wayne County Circuit Court
Frank Murphy Hall of Justice, Rm. 502**

Dear Judge Worthy:

As concerned members of the community in the city of Detroit, we are appealing to you regarding the recent conviction of **Cornell Emmanuel Squires** on September 26, 2000. We believe that a tragic miscarriage of justice has taken place which will destroy the life of this young man, who just turned 19 years old, if you do not take action to overturn the jury verdict in the case.

On October 23, 1998, this young man watched as his father **Cornell Edward Squires** was beaten, kicked and called a "n-----" by **Police Officer Robert Feld**, who threatened to kill him. He watched as his grandfather **Eugene Squires** collapsed and nearly died on the spot from a massive heart attack when he intervened to stop the beating. This young man thereafter did lose his grandfather, with whom he was very close, to the effects of that heart attack, on August 17, 1999.

When the senior Squires sought to show his son that justice could be won against this racist police officer, the extended Squires family, including the children of Squires' cousin **Barbara Crumbey** and her brother **Derrick Vincent**, were subjected to vicious retaliation on the part of Robert Feld and other officers from the 4th Precinct.

The frame-up of 18-year-old Marlon Crumbey was overturned by an appeals court after **Judge Timothy Kenny** said on the record that the officers involved were either lying or testifying about different cases. Charges against the senior Squires were dismissed by **Judge John Perry** after numerous delays by the city, when Officer Feld failed to show up for the trial.

Officers **William Melendez** and **David LeValley**, who accused Cornell Emmanuel Squires of "assault with intent to rob—armed" and "attempted carjacking", worked with Officer Feld on the 4th precinct narcotics squad. Whatever the legal issues were in this case, we feel that the jury needed to know why these officers may have had a motivation to lie. They could not render a fair verdict without that information. But most importantly, we believe that even the officers' testimony did not establish the elements of the capital offense of "assault with intent to rob—armed" and that therefore there are sufficient legal grounds to overturn this verdict.

Justice for Cornell Emmanuel Squires

STOP 'RAMPARTS' FRAME-UPS IN 4th PRECINCT

The trial of Cornell Emmanuel Squires, 18 years old, begins Tuesday, March 21 at 8:30 A.M. in front of Judge Kym Worthy, Room 502 at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice. The Detroit Coalition Against Police Brutality is encouraging supporters to come to the trial.

Emmanuel, as he is called, is facing life in prison. He has no police record. He is employed and going to college. He is the son of Cornell Squires, a police brutality activist who says that charges of "assault with intent to rob (armed)" and "attempted carjacking" brought against his son are a frame-up similar to those carried out by Los Angeles police in the Ramparts precinct.

Frame-up charges against Marlon Crumbey, an 18-year-old cousin of Squires, were recently dropped by an appeals court after a judge ruled that the officers in that case were either testifying about different arrests or had committed perjury.

On October 31 last year, plainclothes narcotics officers William Melendez and David LeValley from the 4th Precinct accosted Emmanuel near his home on Electric Street. Cornell Squires spoke with a 4th precinct sergeant at the scene, who said his son was being arrested for "disorderly conduct." After holding Emmanuel in filthy conditions for 3 ½ days, longer than the 72 hours allowed, the police instead brought the felony charges. At Emmanuel's preliminary exam, the officers gave contradictory accounts of the events.

At the time of Emmanuel's arrest, Melendez and LeValley were working on the narcotics squad with Police Officer Robert Feld. The senior Squires has accused Feld of beating him and using the "n" word on October 23, 1998. That beating, witnessed by Emmanuel and Squires' cousin Derrick Vincent, eventually caused the death of Squires' father Eugene, after he sustained a heart attack when he intervened to stop Feld.

After Squires filed a complaint with the internal affairs department, Feld accosted and beat Derrick Vincent twice, once on February 15, 1999 and again on October 1, 1999. Both beatings took place at his sister Barbara Crumbey's home, where Marlon Crumbey was falsely arrested April 8. Feld has been accused in a series of other assaults as well, including one shooting, one "driving while Black" assault where he choked the motorist, and several home invasions by narcotics officers where beatings and thefts took place. Recently it has been reported that he beat another man and a young woman in two separate cases.

Come to Emmanuel's Trial

**Tues. March 21 8:30 A.M. Judge KYM WORTHY Rm.502
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