



FORM 10-344B (2-83)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

SUPPLEMENTAL CRIMINAL INCIDENT RECORD

JUVENILE CASE

2 SYSTEM AREA Yosemite National Park		3 WHEN DID IT OCCUR 0 9 0 8 9 4			4 YEAR 9 4		CASE/INCIDENT NUMBER 3 3 8 4			
5 NATURE OF INCIDENT Weapons Violation		6 RECLASSIFICATION OF INCIDENT								

7 RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

ITEM

NARRATIVE: During the early morning hours on Thursday, September 8, 1994, off duty Bakersfield police officer, [redacted], DOB [redacted], heard noises in the front area of his housekeeping unit. [redacted] told me that he thought the noises were being made by a raccoon or bear. He picked up his duty .45 cal Colt semi automatic handgun from its case, and walked to the opening of the sleeping area where he observed a bear attempting to get food from an ice chest located at the entrance to the housekeeping unit. [redacted] states that he yelled at the bear, but the bear did not respond. The bear continued further into the housekeeping unit and appeared to be making a move toward [redacted]. [redacted], fearing for his safety fired two rounds toward the bear. After the shots were fired the bear immediately ran from the unit toward the river. [redacted] described the bear as "at least 600 lbs and light in color." He did not notice any tags. [redacted] states that his line of fire was parallel to the front of his housekeeping unit which would have placed travel direction toward the rear portion of the restroom unit located about 15 yards away. (See line C on diagram). [redacted] reported the incident to Yosemite Dispatcher at 0207 hours. He identified himself as an off duty police officer. All Yosemite Valley rangers were off duty. The dispatcher notified Ranger Cameron SHOLLY at his residence, but no other action was taken at that time. An initial interview and report was taken at 1100 hours on September 9, 1994. [redacted] further reported that he had notified his supervisor Lt. Melvin SCOTT. [redacted] immediate supervisor(Lt. Cleo BLACKBURN) was not immediately available.

SCENE DESCRIPTION: [redacted] is staying in the southern section of unit 354K which faces the Merced River. To the south east of [redacted]'s unit located about 20 feet away are units 355 and 356 which were occupied at the time of the incident. To the east of unit 354K is a restroom unit located about 15 yards away. See map of Housekeeping Camp which is not to scale and close up diagram of the incident scene. An ice chest with food was sitting in the opening between the wood slatted fence and cinder block wall on the east end of the unit. [redacted] reported that other ice chests were located on top of and under the table in the dining area.

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13 STATUS:  OPEN  SUSPENDED

CLOSED BY:  ARREST  EXCEPTION  UNFOUNDED

14 REPORTING OFFICER H.L. Baker	BADGE/ID 11168	DATE 9/9/94	15 INVESTIGATOR	BADGE/ID	DATE	16 SUPERVISOR James C. Tucker	BADGE/ID 19558	DATE 8-9-94
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*H.L. Baker*

*James C. Tucker*

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1 SYSTEM AREA Yosemite National Park		2 WHEN DID IT OCCUR?	3 MO. 09	4 DAY 08	5 YR. 94	6 YEAR	7 CASE/INCIDENT NUMBER 94 3384			
8 NATURE OF INCIDENT Weapons Violation		9 RECLASSIFICATION OF INCIDENT								

10 RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION
<p>ITEM</p> <p>EVIDENCE: [redacted] showed me a hole in the canvas tent curtain which he believes was caused by the weapon. The hole is located on the eastern most curtain, adjacent to the medial edge about 3 feet from the floor. It is unknown if the curtain was pulled closed or was open at the time of the incident. Further interview is needed to determine more detailed information.</p> <p>[redacted] also pointed out an oval shaped "scuff" mark on the cement that appeared to be caused by a bullet ricochet.</p> <p>In lining up the hole in the curtain and the scuff mark with curtain closed, the trajectory of the bullet would have been toward the eating area of the adjacent camping unit (See line A on diagram). If the curtain was open the trajectory would have been more to the south in line with the sleeping area of the adjacent unit (See line B on diagram). No actual measurements were taken during the initial interview/investigation from which this report is derived.</p> <p>WEAPON: Colt MK IV .45 calibre semiautomatic handgun. SN FGB3605. Issued to [redacted] by Bakersfield Police Department. At the time of the interview, [redacted] had placed his weapon in its case and put it in his car. The weapon was unloaded at that time.</p> <p>I advised [redacted] about Yosemite's exclusive jurisdiction and that his peace officer status did not make it legal for him to possess or discharge a weapon in federal territory. [redacted] then stated that he was "glad he had it [the gun]", because he felt the bear had posed a threat to him and his family. Since [redacted] did not seem to realize the seriousness of discharging his fire arm in a populated camping area I further emphasized the legal ramifications that could be imposed through the federal magistrate here in Yosemite. At that time [redacted] agreed to leave the weapon unloaded for the duration of his stay in Yosemite.</p> <p>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Bear Management Specialist, Kate McCurdy was notified of the incident.</p> <p>A supervisor in [redacted] office, Lt. DARBY, was talked to by Day Shift Supervisor Jim Tucker. DARBY advised that he would notify the Chief of Police, Steve BRUMMER.</p> <p>BAKERSFIELD PD: 1601 Truxton Ave., Bakersfield, CA 93301 (805) 326-3816</p> <p>Chief Ranger, Bob Andrew, and Valley District Ranger, Bob Johnson, have also been advised of the incident.</p>

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FORM 10-3449 (3-83)

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SUPPLEMENTAL CRIMINAL INCIDENT RECORD

JUVENILE CASE

SYSTEM AREA Yosemite National Park		SEARCHED DID IT OCCUR?	MO. 09	DAY 08	YR. 94	4 YEAR 94	CASE/INCIDENT NUMBER 3384
NATURE OF INCIDENT Weapons Violation		RECLASSIFICATION OF INCIDENT					

ITEM	RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION
	<p>POSSIBLE FEDERAL CHARGES PENDING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>36 CFR 2.2(a)(1) - Taking wildlife</li> <li>36 CFR 2.4(c) - Endangering persons/property with a weapon</li> <li>36 CFR 2.10(d) - Improper food storage</li> </ol> <p>COMPLAINANTS: [REDACTED], staying in unit 356 Housekeeping Camp. [REDACTED] 92026 [REDACTED]</p> <p>Contacted YCS personnel at Housekeeping Camp around 1030 hours, 9/8/94, to complain about gun shots coming from the adjacent camping unit in the early morning hours. States that he heard gunshots around 0130 hours. After the gun shots he heard something splashing across the river and people in the adjacent cabin (#354) laughing about how the gun scared the bear away.</p> <p>YCS Security reports that other Housekeeping occupants complained of the incident, but left before filing a report.</p>

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT:

On September 11, 1994 at approximately 1030 hours I returned to Housekeeping Camp #354 to follow up with [REDACTED] regarding the shooting incident that occurred on Thursday morning. The attached photos were taken of the area. A bullet hole in the curtain, and a scuff mark made by bullet ricochet are circled in green.

[REDACTED] gave the following report of events. He heard noises in the "porch area" of his camping unit. He grabbed his COLT .45 out of its case, looked out onto the porch and saw a blond bear hovering over an ice chest at the east entrance to the unit. As [REDACTED] observed the bear it made a move toward him. [REDACTED] took one step out of the sleeping area, and brought his gun (located in his right hand) up to shooting position. As he did so, he got tangled in the curtain. [REDACTED] fired through the curtain toward the bear two times. He was not certain if the scuff mark was caused by the first or second round.

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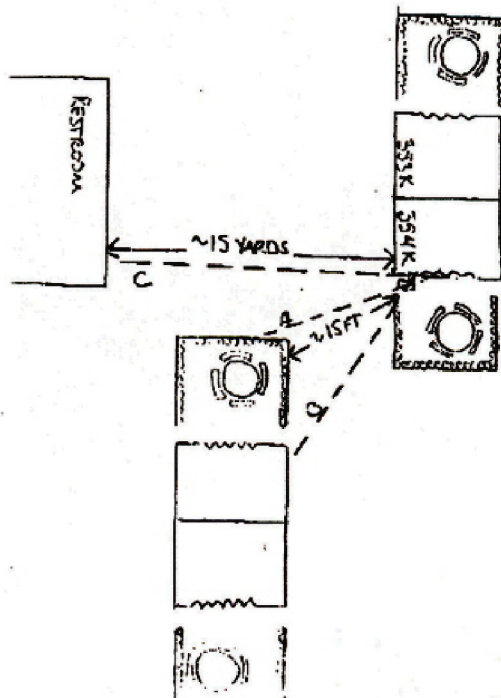


HOUSEKEEPING CAMP  
WEAPON VIOLATION SCENE DIAGRAM  
NOT TO SCALE

DATE: SEPT. 8, 1994 0130 HRS  
CASE # 94-3384

ROADWAY

PARKING AREA



LEGEND

- WIND SLATTED FENCE
- CINDER BLOCK WALL
- CANVAS CURTAIN
- ICE CHEST

*Handwritten signature*

Along a fence