## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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THOMAS WEBSTER, Defendant MARK MARVIN, Petitioner

Case: 1:21-mj-00244 1: 21-cr-208 (APM)
Hon. G. Michael Harver THIS BE FILED

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### PETITION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

This is a Someone petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus to determine the legality of the criminal charges against the defendants who where charged with crimes in connection with a mostly peaceful assembly in Washington D.C. on January 6. 2021 intended "to peacefully assemble, and to petition the Government for redress of grievances." (U.S. Const. Amend. I)

Petitioner MARK MARVIN, has standing as "someone" (28 U.S.C.A. 2242, Darr v. Birford, 339 U.S. 200, 203, 70 S.Ct. 587, 590) And further, Petitioner has standing in that this prosecution is intended, through "equal protection" to *a piori* deny him access to Washington, D.C., and he further says:

- This matter concerns the alleged appearance of THOMAS WEBSTER in Washington
   O.C., on January 6, 2021 in furtherance of his Constitutionally secured right to peacefully assemble and petition the government for redress of grievances.
- 2, The government complaint alleges that defendant was in Washington D.C. unlawfully and that he, in the process of petitioning the government did so unlawfully by being too loud and being in wrong places, etc, all without merit.
- 3, The government unlawfully relies on evidence in the form of "national news coverage (p. 1) ... open source media (p. 7) ...and further open source video" (p. 8) posted on You Tube (presumably and not denied, as national news coverage). These photos are subject to radical misinterpretation and should be suppressed, under standing government policy.
- 4, Thomas Webster is reportedly a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, and as an officer, retired from the New York City Police Force where he has taken oaths to protect and defend the United States from enemies foreign and domestic, as have his accusers from the government, not being illegal.
- 5, Thomas Webster is accused of "being armed" with and carrying a flagpole with a U.S.M.C. flag, and having an interaction with a secret person identified as N.R. allegedly one of the Capitol Police, who would allegedly kill an unarmed visitor named Ashley Babbit, who was



visiting the Capitol to petition the government during internet posted "open" hours.

## 6, In the Criminal Complaint (Feb. 19, 2021)

a, The complaint states: "WEBSTER is seen approaching N.R., who is barricaded behind a metal gate". Actually it is not a barricade, the gate is simply a light fence for crowd control, to direct persons who are visiting the Capitol to "assemble peaceably to petition the government ... for redress of grievances" (U.S. Const. Amend I)

The complaint alleges that there were "Capitol Police Barricades." Actually the "barricades were light weight "safety fence". (See: Weather Channel, "Weather Goes Viral" Episode 65, about 15 minutes into show a flimsy identical fence is used on the beach, and is called "safety fence" not functional as a "barricade")

- b, The individual is carrying "a large metal flagpole, with a red U.S. Marine Corps flag attached to it." Actually the flagpole is not very large. It is maybe 5/8 th. of an inch thick, is easily handled and looks like it weighs 3-5 ounces, not very big or heavy, certainly not a weapon grade flagpole. (Complaint p. 2)
- c, The individual is said to be "arming himself with the metal flagpole." Actually he is holding it with a loose grip, apparently one or two fingers, loosely holding it. That is hardly how to hold a weapon grade flagpole. (Complaint p. 3) Both photos on p. 3 show a very light non-weapon type flagpole, often used by free speech enthusiasts.
- d, The individual "raises the metal flagpole above his head and forcefully swings downward, striking the metal barricade". Actually it looks like he is scratching his back (?) (top photo). There is a white rod or something in the lower photo which does not have a USMC flag attached to it. (Complaint p. 4)
- e. The photo on page 5, top photo shows a person holding a rather rickety paper(?) tube that seems to be pealing apart, hardly a weapon grade flagpole. The lower photo shows what appears to be a "light sword" from a space movie. (Complaint p. 5)
- f, "WEBSTER proceeds to break through the metal barricade and begins charging toward N.R. with clenched fists." The fists are not clenched, but the fingers are a little rounded. Those hands are not in fists. What happened to the flagpole? OH there it is. The officer has it, or a reasonable facsimile. The "assault lasts approximately ten seconds." (Complaint p. 6)
- g, "WEBSTER can be seen pinning N.R. to the ground and straddling him while he tries to forcibly remove N.R's face shield and gas mask." It is apparent that the individual is attempting to help N.R. to his feet. Also note officer 3855 is attempting to poke the person in the eye. The person also has the right eye closed to try to avoid brutally losing his eye while trying to help 3855 to his feet. (Complaint p. 7)
- h, Apparently N.R. is choking and "the individual ... attempted to rip off N.R.'s helmet, and that

he was being choked by his chin strap and was unable to breathe during this portion of the 'assault.' " (which lasted only a part of ten seconds). It is apparent that this was not an assault, but a Marine, and officer rescuing a fellow officer during a choking incident. (Complaint p. 8)

- i, Actually, this individual was lawfully visiting the U.S. Capitol, in public areas, during open visiting hours at the Capitol, and exercising freedom of speech, unlike the violent mobs on the left coast, who the Justice Department tolerated when they seceded from the Union and set up a private country, and destroyed government buildings.
- 7, The Criminal Complaint alleges that Webster "attempted to rip off N.R.'s helmet, and that he (N.R.) was being choked by his chin strap and was unable to breathe...." (Complaint p. 8) It is irrational that Mr. Webster, a fellow police officer (retired) would be accused of assault when he apparently saved the life of Office N.R., as any responsible police officer would have done.
- 8, The anonymous complaint alleges that "WEBSTER then attempts to attack N.R. by lunging toward him with the (flimsy lightweight) metal flagpole. WEBSTER strikes N.R. with the (flimsy) flagpole numerous times." (Complaint p. 5) "N.R. is eventually able to wrest the (flimsy) weapon away from WEBSTER's clutch before N.R. falls to the ground. N.R. quickly stands back up and begins retreating further behind the metal (flimsy safety fence) barricade." Apparently the flimsy flagpole was given to N.R. by Mr. Webster, as consolation for N.R.'s pride being hurt after falling down when he was choking from his mask being improperly worn. Pictures on p. 6, show Mr. Webster not having a flag pole, and pictures on p. 7, show N.R. having a metal-like pole, but no U.S.M.C. flag. The picture (p. 7, bottom) shows Officer 3855 attempting to poke Mr. Webster in the eye (maybe accidentally) while Mr. Webster attempts to save the officer's life from choking on his mask.
- 9, At no time did the defendant attempt to hide his identity while he was allegedly peacefully protesting, and using his skills to save the officer's life. The officer did hide his face and anonymously is named N.R. apparently in cognizance of guilt.
- 10, The (Minuta) indictment alleges that "The Oath Keepers are a large but loosely organized collection of individuals (recruited) from military and police who have sworn an oath to defend the Constitution." ("associated with militias") (complaint paragraph 16)(like the Capitol Police and the F.B.I., etc.) "The Oath Keepers are led by Person One." (Minuta Indt\* 1, at 16, p. 5) "PERSON ONE named PERSON TEN to be the leader of his group's operations in Washington, D.C., on January 6, 2021 (Minuta Indt. 3, No. 13) What happened to the "loosely organized collection" (?), hardly an organization likely to have a "leader" or overthrow the government. The government's "Guilt by Association" scheme is illogical and self-

contradictory, as is its nutty "conspiracy theory".

11, Of those who died during the "mostly peaceful" protest, two were elderly, one on drugs, a Capitol police officer whose cause of death was kept secret, but revealed to be from natural causes, and an Air Force female veteran visitor who was shot, probably by police while defenseless. The protestors did not have weapons (flimsy flagpoles are not weapons unless used to poke people in the eye). Is it a wonder that the mostly peaceful protesters exercising their right to seek redress feared danger at the hands of the police during regular visiting hours? They did not even set up their own country or secede from the Union.

12, Compare this situation to the Left Coast where Antifa mobs have destroyed cities, seceded from the union, and the Justice Department did nothing to protect residents and defend the Constitution or enforce peace and civility, or the integrity of the Union from revolutionaries.

13, The government's chilling complaint charging individuals with crimes associated with being irregular\* citizens petitioning the government and visiting the Capitol serves to *a priori* deny petitioner access to the Capitol City of Washington, D.C. and serves as an illegal custody scheme.

14. Complaint and Indictments are facially predicated on bad faith, and tainted evidence.

WHEREFORE, this Court should release defendant from custody and bail, and dismiss the (ham sandwich) Indictments as the Government has failed to make out a *prima facie*, probable cause case for criminal indictments, and grant such other and further relief as is just and proper, and otherwise secure the Bill of Rights for defendant and petitioner.

Affirmed as true on information and belief,

Mark Marvin

April 25, 2021

\*See: U.S. v. Minuta, Criminal 21-cr-28-APM, Magistrate No. 21-mj-cr-260, 21-mj-284

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### **MEMORANDUM OF LAW**

THIS INDICTMENT AND THE UNDERLYING PROSECUTION VIOLATE DUE PROCESS AND CANNOT BE USED TO DENY FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS.

Preliminary hearing and the grand jury both determine whether there is probable cause with regard to the suspect. (Coleman v. Alabama, 1957, 339 U.S. 1) "Its historic office has been to provide a shield against arbitrary or oppressive action, by ensuring that serious criminal accusations will be brought only upon the considered judgment of a representative body of citizens acting under oath and under judicial instruction and guidance." (U.S. v. Mandujano, 1976, 425 U.S. 564, 571) Judicial supervision is properly exercised in such (First Amendment) cases to prevent the wrong before it occurs." (United States v. Calandra, 1974, 414 U.S. 338,

iust operate within the limits of the First Amendment and may not harass the exercise of speech and press rights. (Branzburg v. Hayes, 1972, 408 U.S. 665, 707-08) "(G)rand jury investigations if instituted or conducted other than in good faith, would pose wholly different issues for resolution under the First Amendment."

"The Department of Justice does not consider the press 'an investigative arm of the government'." (Branzburg, Id. p. 707, fn. 41)

This indictment is defective and deprives this Court of subject matter jurisdiction over the case. (United States v. Cotton, 2002, 535 U.S. 625)

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## MOTION TO PROCEDE AS A POOR PERSON

MARK MARVIN, Petitioner hereby moves this Court for an order allowing him to proceed as a poor person in that he lives on social security, (about \$1,200 per month) has a savings account of about \$14,000 entirely from Social Security, owns no tangible assets and lives with his mother (age 102) and is other wise unable to pay the costs of this action.

Affirmed as true,

Mark Marvin

April 25, 2021