

Documentation of the confrontation with Assistant Chief Curry on May 24, 2005

At approximately 16:20 on May 24, 2005 I went to Andrea Dockweiler's office to get a PO number for EMS supplies I was ordering from Alliance Medical. As I approached her office I met Assistant Chief Curry approaching from the opposite direction. I entered Andrea's office and found she was not there. I contemplated leaving her a note and decided I'd try and catch her before she leaves at 17:00. As I exited the office Chief Curry was at the door and asked me what I needed. I told her. She informed me that Andrea was in with the Chief discussing "financial stuff". I told her it was not a big deal and I'd come back. She said yes it is a big deal and to wait there. She walked down the hall and said in a loud voice "Andrea, Chuck Leake is standing out here in the hall and needs a PO number for EMS supplies!" At that she cupped her hand around her ear and raised her eyebrows. At that I felt she was implying I was eavesdropping on their discussions. She turned and as she walked toward me I again told her that it was not big deal and I wasn't wanting to interrupt her and the Chief. She said, "No, this is a priority and she was going to get me what I needed". At that she turned and walked toward the copier room. Andrea entered the room and immediately started to log the PO number. I apologized for interrupting and at that she told me not to worry about it. I told Andrea that Sharon had watched me walk into her office and that I was not eavesdropping on her and the Chief. She said she knew that and to not worry about it. She issued the PO and I thanked her.

I went immediately to the copier room and asked Sharon if I could talk with her. She turned and was apparently angry I was interrupting her and her project. She said, "is this business or personal", in an angry tone and her mannerism was obviously agitated and angry! I said, "It's personal please". At that she said, "Ok come on" and began walking toward my office.

As we entered my office I told her that I hadn't wanted to interrupt the Chief and Andrea and that I was not eavesdropping on them as she had implied. At that she raised her voice and yelled that she was not accusing me of anything and that she felt that my needs were more important than what they were doing. She then proceeded to say, "I am having a very fucking bad day! I've been down there fighting with the Chief! I have people spying on everything around here. Everyone at this end of the office is running behind my back and I can't trust anyone at this end of the hall. I know first hand that people have eavesdropped on private conversations in this building and then you all have talked about them at Bandannas and everywhere else you all go to lunch. I can't trust anyone down here from going behind my back to the Chief. I have found people sitting in our bathroom at listening to our conversations at that end of the hall. I saw your face when I said that and I knew you were pissed! I was telling them they needed to close the door so people couldn't listen in on them. I have all this shit to do and I don't need to have people spying on me." During this dialogue she walked in and out of my office door, into the hallway and pointing at the other assistant chief and chief of staff office. I told her that I was not down there eavesdropping on any conversation and that I wasn't going to standby and be accused of doing something I wasn't doing. I said, "I have plenty on my plate to keep me busy and I don't give damn what is going on at the other end of the hall. I am just doing

my job. I am also not going to pussy foot around when I feel I am being accused of doing something I didn't do". " I also told her that I had asked for this to be a personal talk so that it wasn't broadcast to everyone present. She said, " I know it isn't you! I just can't trust anyone at this end of the hall. I appreciate your coming directly to me when you have a problem with me. I wish everyone else at this end of the hall had balls enough to come directly to me, like you did, instead of behind my back to the Chief or talking about me among yourselves when you get together. We are ok and I am sorry I took it out on you, I am just being a bitch right now". At that she took my hand and shook it. I told her, " I can take you being a bitch but I won't take being accused of doing anything that I didn't do!" She said ok and at that walked back to the copier room.

Chief Scott, Jenkins and Olsen were all in their offices and I am quite sure was able to hear most of this conversation. It had occurred in my office doorway and back to Chief Brown's doorway.

At 16:30 I reported this to Chief of Staff Brown. I felt it appropriate that I do so since I had engaged in a confrontation with an assistant chief of another bureau. I am now submitting this as documentation of the incident.