



CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

Docket Number:	Date Filed: <u>6/18/08</u>	OTN/LiveScan Number	Complaint/Incident Number 67PJ08004856
Defendant Name	First: <u>CLAUDE</u>	Middle: <u>JAMES</u>	Last: <u>SIMPKINS</u>

AFFIDAVIT of PROBABLE CAUSE

Your affiant is a sworn member of the Westtown-East Goshen Police Department of Chester County and was so employed on June 18, 2008 working from 1600 hours to 0000 hours.

Your affiant was dispatched to 1502 West Chester Pike to speak with [REDACTED] in reference to an assault that occurred at 1518 Manley Road (Westtown Mews). [REDACTED] stated her 17 year old son [REDACTED] was assaulted by the defendant (Claude Simpkins).

Your affiant then spoke to [REDACTED] who stated he was seated in the front passenger seat of his friend's vehicle which was parked in the parking lot of the Westtown Mews Apartments in Westtown Township, Chester County. [REDACTED] stated the defendant came to the car window and asked if he was [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated he was [REDACTED]. The defendant then grabbed [REDACTED] by the neck and began choking him. [REDACTED] stated he was unable to breathe. [REDACTED] stated he was able to free himself but the defendant then punched him in the mouth and began choking him again. [REDACTED] stated the second time the defendant began choking him he could not breathe to the point he began slobbering from his mouth.

This officer then spoke to the defendant who stated he has called this department on several occasions complaining about [REDACTED] and his neighbors who have been selling drugs and causing damage to his property. The defendant did admit to being in a physical confrontation but stated he was only acting in self defense.

This officer did observe marks on the right side of the victim's neck. This officer also observed a cut on the right hand of the defendant along with blood on the right palm of the defendant.

Based on the above statements and facts' this officer requests the defendant (Claude Simpkins) be asked to answer to the above charges set forth in this complaint.

I, SERGEANT GUY ROSATO (14), BEING DULY SWORN ACCORDING TO THE LAW, DEPOSE AND SAY THAT THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE FORGOING AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF.

Sworn to me and subscribed before me this 18 day of June, 2008
6/18/08 Date _____, Magisterial District Judge

My commission expires first Monday of January, 2012

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