



COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

DIVISION OF CAPITOL POLICE

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TO: Colonel S. Pike
FROM: Officer Ashley Berryman
SUBJECT: Incident with Senator Chase

On Friday March 22, 2019 at approximately 1145 hours, I Officer Berryman, was assigned to the Pedestrian Plaza, where I encountered a white Lexus attempting to gain access to park inside the plaza for the day. She stated that she was Senator Chase, and that is on her front license plate and to let her park inside the Plaza.

I informed her that she was not allowed to park inside the Pedestrian Plaza without prior permission from Jay Braxton or Jennifer Welch. She stated she was a senator that works in the Pocahontas Building and needs to park inside here. I called inside the Pocahontas to Support Officer B. Hayden to try to verify if she had permission to park inside the Plaza, which Ms. Hayden said "no, only if their name is on the list or has to have permission form Jay or Jennifer". I reiterated to the Senator again that I cannot allow her to park inside the Pedestrian Plaza, and that I am following rules and protocol for parking in the Plaza. I suggested that she park in her assigned deck. She stated that she will not park in the deck because she is in fear of her life, and that there is no guard there and that she had been receiving threats. She also stated "aren't you suppose to protect me" and "you don't know equality of women's rights". She stated "I am not going to move unless you let the fucking barricades down to let me in". I told her again that I have no authority to let her park in the Plaza, and to please refrain from using profane language.

I politely asked her again to pull the car to the side so I can let the buses pass through, and she refused. I then called via the post phone 1st Sgt. Flick to make him aware of Senator Chase's irate, boisterous actions towards me. I attempted to call and verify with Jay Braxton or Jennifer Welch that she can park in a space, but both were out of office. When Senator Chase returned from going inside the Pocahontas Building she came to the booth and requested a supervisor. I informed her that I called for a supervisor to respond to rectify the issue. She then proceeds to say "Do you know who I am?", "I'm Senator Chase!", "Don't you see it on my license plate!?", "but I guess you don't care!" She also stated she is making a point and will call the press. She also stated that "Madame Clerk, Miss Piggy gets to park her fat ass up front". At approximately 1205 hours, Lieutenant Duncan arrived and spoke with the Senator.

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