

Activist arrested for filming police goes to trial

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A mistrial was almost declared in the trial for the supporter of the Peaceful Streets Project.

Antonio Buehler, a man known for his involvement with the Peaceful Streets Project, went on trial Thursday.

Buehler was speaking about testimony in front of a witness who's yet to take the stand.



He is charged with disregarding the order of a police officer.

The activist has pleaded not guilty to the charge of disregarding the order of a police officer on New Year's Day in 2012.

The state has rested and the jury is now hearing from defense witnesses.

Four different videos exist from the early morning hours of January 1, 2012.

A jury of six, an even split of men and women, are able to see surveillance video, dash camera video and another recording from a bystander.

It started with a DWI stop at a 7-11 convenience store in the 900 block of North Lamar, where Buehler and a friend were getting gas on January 1, 2012 at about 1:30 in the morning.

As a woman's field sobriety was taking place, her passenger started yelling out the car window.

According to APD officer testimony, she was ignoring requests to wait until after her friend's field sobriety test was over before making a phone call.

Buehler and a friend started recording the incident when they saw her being pulled out of her friend's car.

APD officers testify they asked Buehler to put his hands behind his back, defense witnesses claim they never heard this during the incident.

The video shows Buehler's arms out to his side before officers take him down to the ground and he complies after they started to tase him.

The state rested at about 2:30 Thursday afternoon and the jury is still hearing testimony from defense witnesses.

Court is in recess until Friday morning.

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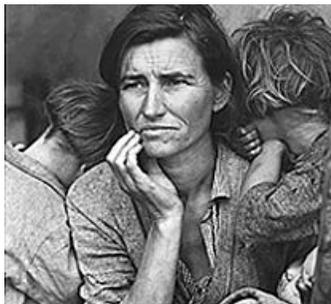
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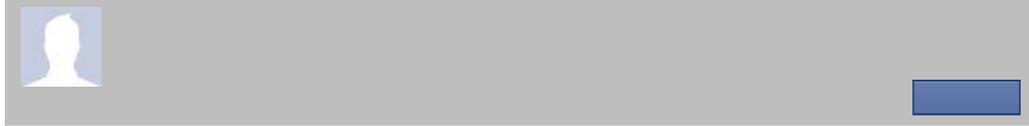
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