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Primary Report 1 of 15 Author: NELSON, SHAUN Rpt Date: Mar 6 2019 9:28PM Appvd: 183

*****RTT/NC - Suspect under the influence of intoxicants. No injuries to officers or suspect.*****

BWC Activated.

On 03/06/2019 at approximately 2128 hours, I responded with other officers to 1822 34th St for a domestic dispute. KARI NASON (V1) had called 911 to report her husband, KRISTIAN NASON (A1), had taken her phone because she wanted to call 911. Dispatch advised that there were firearms in the residence and that KRISTIAN NASON (A1) had a domestic violence order out of Montana in which he is the respondent.

When officers arrived, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) opened the door and told officers to come in. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was sitting at a table in the kitchen nearby. I contacted KARI NASON (V1) while Ofc Keller and Ofc Roorda contacted KRISTIAN NASON (A1). See their follow-ups for further.

KARI NASON (V1) was visibly intoxicated. Overall, she was calm and able to articulate to me what had occurred.

KARI NASON (V1) explained to me that earlier tonight, she had called KRISTIAN NASON (A1) a coward. This resulted in KRISTIAN NASON (A1) calling KARI NASON (V1) a variety of other names and started a verbal argument with her. At one point KRISTIAN NASON (A1) threatened to kick KARI NASON (V1) and her son out of the house. This was why KARI NASON (V1) had wanted to call 911.

I briefly spoke with KRISTIAN NASON (A1), who repeated several times he just wanted KARI NASON (V1) "the fuck out of his house". Both KARI NASON (V1) and KRISTIAN NASON (A1) were advised to find somewhere else to stay for the night. Both of them said they were not leaving the house. I then advised KARI NASON (V1) to sleep in a different room in the house if one was available. KARI NASON (V1) advised she would try and do that.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was very angry and highly intoxicated. He yelled at officers multiple times, but was breathing and speaking normally. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) requested officers call him sir because we were inside his home. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) repeated the statement "you are in my home" or something similar to that multiple times. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) clearly wanted to argue with officers and repeated multiple times that he knew his rights and the laws.

At this time, there was no crime so officers left the scene.

At approximately 2201 hours, KARI NASON (V1) called 911 again because KRISTIAN NASON (A1) had locked her out of the house (see Ofc Roorda's follow-up for further on this). I returned to the residence with Ofc Keller and Ofc Roorda. KARI NASON (V1) was not located outside.

When officers knocked on the door, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) answered very out of breath. KARI NASON (V1) was standing in the kitchen distraught. She then said something similar to "please help". She was crying and rubbing the palms of her hands. She then said something similar to "he just shoved me down". KARI NASON (V1) was crying and was repeating statements similar to "please help" and "he pushed me". This was a very different demeanor from the previous contact.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was also visibly angry. Due to him being out of breath, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was struggling to speak clearly about what had occurred. KRISTIAN NASON

(A1) explained that KARI NASON (V1) had threatened to call 911 again if KRISTIAN NASON (A1) did not give her her phone charger. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) denied assaulting KARI NASON (V1). He explained that KARI NASON (V1) was grabbing her stuff and leaving when officers arrived.

I then spoke to KARI NASON (V1). She explained to me that after officers had left after the first incident, she went outside to get a cigarette. While she was outside, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) came outside and asked her if he could have one too. She told him no he could not. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) then went inside the house and locked all the doors. This was when KARI NASON (V1) first called 911.

KARI NASON (V1) was able to make her way into the house using the garage code. When KARI NASON (V1) got inside, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) met her at the bottom of the stairs that leads to the main part of the house. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) blocked her from getting up the stairs and said something similar to "you're not going inside". KARI NASON (V1) told him that she just wanted her stuff and then she would leave. KARI NASON (V1) then stepped to the side of KRISTIAN NASON (A1) and put her hands up, because she did not want to touch him. She did this because she believed KRISTIAN NASON (A1) would claim she assaulted him if she tried to move him out of the way.

When she got upstairs, KARI NASON (V1) went to the bedroom to grab her phone charger. While she did this, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) followed her around, yelling for her to "get the fuck out" of his house. Once KARI NASON (V1) had all of her belongings she needed, she started walking towards the front door. As she got close to the door, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) yelled "get the fuck out" again and shoved KARI NASON (V1) to the ground. KARI NASON (V1)'s palms hit the tile floor in front of the door. There were no marks at this time, but KARI NASON (V1) believed that there would be a bruise because of how much it hurt. KARI NASON (V1) got up, leaving her stuff in front of the door and ran to the kitchen.

KARI NASON (V1) advised that the assault occurred only a few seconds before officers knocked on the door.

I then contacted KRISTIAN NASON (A1) again. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) denied knowing that KARI NASON (V1) was outside and going out to get a cigarette from her. He said he locked all the doors of the house, but then heard the garage door open. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) went to check who was in the garage. When he saw KARI NASON (V1) there, he asked her what she was doing. She said something similar to "I'm getting my stuff" and shoved past him up the stairs. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) said that KARI NASON (V1) should be arrested for shoving him.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) then followed KARI NASON (V1) into the bedroom where she was grabbing her phone charger. KARI NASON (V1) first grabbed the wrong phone charger and KRISTIAN NASON (A1) told her this was the wrong one. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) then followed KARI NASON (V1) as she started to walk out. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) admitted to telling her to get out of the house. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) denied shoving KARI NASON (V1).

The following information was gathered from my observations of KARI NASON (V1) and KRISTIAN NASON (A1) as well as my conversations with them:

- KRISTIAN NASON (A1) really did not want KARI NASON (V1) in the house anymore.
- Based on how angry KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was, it is clear that he has some anger management issues.
- When officers entered the house the second time, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was out of breath. Since he was not out of breath during the first incident, during which he was very angry and yelling a lot, he was likely out of breath from doing something physical, such as shoving KARI NASON (V1).
- KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was behind KARI NASON (V1) when she approached the door.
- KARI NASON (V1)'s demeanor was different during the second contact. When officers first contacted KARI NASON (V1), she was upset, but calm and not crying. During the

second contact, KARI NASON (V1) appeared distraught and desperate for help. When officers first entered the apartment during the second incident, KARI NASON (V1) could only repeat "please help" and "he shoved me". She was crying and was rubbing her hand as if it was hurting.

-According to both KARI NASON (V1) and KRISTIAN NASON (A1), KARI NASON (V1) had been in front of the door very shortly before officers knocked. It is unlikely that KARI NASON (V1) came up with her entire account of the events in that short amount of time. KARI NASON (V1) did not appear to be "making it up" as she told officers.

-KRISTIAN NASON (A1) has previous history of domestic violence.

-KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was argumentative with officers during both incidents.

-KARI NASON (V1)'s bags were in the area in front of the door in a disorderly fashion as if she had just left them there.

Based on the totality of the circumstances, I found probable cause to arrest KRISTIAN NASON (A1) for violation of RCW 9A.36.041 Assault 4th Degree DV.

I told KRISTIAN NASON (A1) that he was under arrest and that he needed to face away from me and place his hands behind his back. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) asked "for what" and repeated this several times. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) started yelling. Based on this and his clear disagreement that he should be arrested, I did not believe he was going to comply with my commands. I took a hold of his left arm and Ofc Keller took a hold of his right arm to gain control of him. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was again told to put his hands behind his back. He continued to refuse to follow my lawful commands.

I attempted to force KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s hand behind his back to secure him into handcuffs. When I did this, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) tensed his arms up, preventing me from moving his arm. I transitioned to a "key-lock" hold. Ofc Keller did so as well. Since KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was not going to comply willingly and was physically resisting being arrested, it was necessary to take him to the ground to gain better control of him.

Ofc Keller and I attempted to do a two-officer takedown. I attempted to step on his foot to complete the technique, however, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was moving around too much and would not allow me to do so. Because of this, I suggested to Ofc Keller that we take him down dynamically by saying that I would "go low".

I let go of KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s arm and transitioned to taking a hold of KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s legs. As I did this, I could feel KRISTIAN NASON (A1) moving his arm and hips in a way that led me to believe he was going to attempt to strike me. Because of this, I believed it was necessary to take KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to the ground in rapid fashion in order to quickly control his movements and prevent him from striking me.

Once on the ground, Ofc Keller and Ofc Roorda took a hold of his arms. I placed my shin on his thigh to keep control of his lower half. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was instructed to roll over and place his hands behind his back. He refused to do so.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) then began claiming he was struggling to breathe. He started yelling about a variety of medical issues that he has and that we needed to get off of him. He was told multiple times that he needed to roll over onto his stomach before we would release control of him.

Since KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was advised multiple times that he was under arrest, refused to willingly comply with officers instructions, and physically resisted officers attempts to place him into custody, I found probable cause for his arrest for violation of RCW 9A.76.040 Resisting Arrest.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was eventually rolled onto his side and Ofc Keller placed him into handcuffs. Due to KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s claims of struggling to breathe,

medics were requested to respond to the scene.

Medics checked out KRISTIAN NASON (A1) and cleared him.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) requested to wear his boots so he didn't have to walk in the snow. The laces on the boots were very long. Officers attempted to tuck them into the boots, but there was still a lot of the laces sticking out.

While walking out the front door, I unintentionally stepped on one of the laces. This caused KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to stumble forward. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) recovered slightly, but then fell in the opposite direction that he had initially stumbled. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) then claimed that I intentionally stepped on his laces so that he would trip.

Upon the search incident to arrest, I found a large amount of money and a check in his pocket. This went with his property to the jail. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) also requested his medication go with him. I then transported KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to the Whatcom County Jail for booking.

Some of KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s necessary medication was not in his property. The jail required a fit-for-jail be completed because of this. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was transported to the hospital. After the fit-for-jail was completed, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was transported back to the Whatcom County Jail and was booked without incident.

I completed a Probable Cause Statement. It has been scanned into this report.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was issued citation #CB104934 for the above charges.

See follow-up reports.

Nothing further.

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Follow-Up	Report 6 of 15	Author: KELLER, SCOTT	Rpt Date: Mar 6 2019 10:01PM	Appvd: 183
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RTT/NC
Suspect Intoxicated

BWC Activated

On the listed date and at about 2128 Hrs I overheard units going to 1822 34th St in the City of Bellingham, WA for a report of a Physical Domestic. Over the radio I heard that there were firearms locked up in the residence and a subject had an unsecured firearm in her purse at the residence. I responded to the location as a third officer. Upon arriving, Officer Roorda advised she had been at the residence previously, that the subjects were going through a divorce and there were allegations of past assaults.

Upon arrival Officers contacted the residents. The male subject later identified as KRISTIAN NASON (A1), opened the door and let us inside. Officer Nelson began to speak with the female reporting party, KARI NASON (V1), and I began to stand by and speak with KRISTIAN NASON (A1) with Officer Roorda. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) began to explain the following in summary: The subjects had an argument over her biological son, that she has called him various names and now is angry that he refuses to acknowledge that KARI NASON'S (V1) biological son is his now (This child was asleep in the residence). KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was very aggravated, speaking loudly and was visibly intoxicated. It was difficult to get KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to answer questions. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) claimed that KARI NASON (V1) had filed a false report about him and he had never grabbed the phone from her. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) advised he was sick of having the police in his home for the allegations made by KARI NASON (V1) and that he was not leaving his residence again. Officers attempted to get one of the subjects to leave voluntarily but neither subject would leave the residence. Officer Nelson had spoken with KARI NASON (V1) and it appeared no crime had been committed. The subjects were advised to stay away from each other and appeared to agree to stay in different parts of the residence. (See BWC for exact comments)

Officers then cleared the scene.

At about 2201 Hrs KARI NASON (V1) called 911 back stating KRISTIAN NASON (A1) had harassed her, followed her outside and demanded a cigarette. Officer Roorda handled the call and eventually responded to the residence. Officer Nelson and I went back to assist. As we arrived Officer Roorda stated that she had called KARI NASON (V1) and that KRISTIAN NASON (A1) had locked her outside of the residence. The weather was currently cold with snow on the ground.

We got to the residence and did not see KARI NASON (V1) outside. We then walked up the stairs to the residence and as we got to the door, it opened. As we walked inside KARI NASON (V1) made a comment like KRISTIAN NASON (A1) had just thrown her down. I observed that KARI NASON (V1) was in the general kitchen area of the residence and appeared to be holding or looking at her hand. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was out of breath and breathing heavily.

I began to ask KRISTIAN NASON (A1) what had occurred. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) told me the following in summary: KARI NASON (V1) had come upstairs and began to threaten him that she was going to call the cops if he did not give her, her phone charger. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) appeared to be upset that KARI NASON (V1) had come upstairs. I asked KRISTIAN NASON (A1) how KARI NASON (V1) had gotten locked out. He stated he had locked the door because no one was inside of the house anymore, and that she had used the garage code to get back inside. He stated that KARI NASON (V1) had

then gotten her stuff, was in the process of leaving and we arrived. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) denied any sort of physical violence and denied pushing her. I continued to engage KRISTIAN NASON (A1) in conversation to keep him preoccupied and de-escalate his behavior. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) continued to state he wanted KARI NASON (V1) out of his home and would occasionally use profanity.

At times officers conferred about the situation and Officer Nelson eventually went and spoke with KARI NASON (V1) directly. I continued to engage KRISTIAN NASON (A1) in conversation. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) admitted to having something to drink tonight, and claimed KARI NASON (V1) was an alcoholic. During the first incident I became aware that KRISTIAN NASON (A1) had a current protection order. I asked KRISTIAN NASON (A1) about this. He claimed his ex-fiancee had lied about him, that these lies were proven and that he had taken a plea deal so he would not have to spend thousands of dollars in court costs. Officer Nelson came back and spoke with KRISTIAN NASON (A1). Eventually I asked him if he had touched KARI NASON (V1). He said no and that she had bumped into him, when she came up the stairs. I asked about what had occurred upstairs. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) advised something like she had walked out from the hallway and as soon as he opened the door, because she had her belongings, she was back in the kitchen area. I asked him why he was out of breath. He claimed it was because the subjects were arguing and that he had some sort of medical issue that limited his breathing abilities. (See BWC for exact statements)

After some time Officer Nelson came over and asked KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to turn around, place his hands behinds his back, and stated that he was under arrest. At this point I moved in and grabbed KRISTIAN NASON (A1) right arm to bring it behind his back because he did not immediately comply. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) had not yet been searched for weapons, he had physically assaulted his wife, was argumentative with officers at times, was around 6'0" tall, appeared to be in good physical condition and according to the first incident there were firearms in the residence (Unknown where they were at this time). As soon as I grabbed KRISTIAN NASON'S (A1) arm I felt his muscles tense up and resist my efforts to control his movements. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) tensed his muscles, forcefully keeping his arm in front of his body, and began to tense his muscles keeping his arm in front of him against my efforts. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) continued to argue with officers and demanded to know why he was under arrest. Officers attempted to verbally calm KRISTIAN NASON (A1) down but he continued to yell and resist.

At some point I moved my other hand in and began to attempt a "Key Lock" hold on KRISTIAN NASON (A1) in order to better restrain him. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) continued to tense his muscles and actively fight my efforts in controlling him. I could feel KRISTIAN NASON (A1) muscles tensing and at times he moved his body in attempts to free himself. Again Officers advised KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to relax, and calm down. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) would not de-escalate and one point he began to move backwards to defeat our restraints, and stated something like is that it. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) appeared now to be a threat to officers with his resistance, had assaulted his wife and now was actively resisting our efforts to lawfully take him into custody. At this point it did not seem the "Key Lock" was going to work and KRISTIAN NASON (A1) needed to be taken to the ground for our safety, his safety, and in order to be controlled / taken into custody.

Officer Nelson transitioned to grabbing KRISTIAN NASON (A1) legs and I continued to hold onto his arm and upper body area. The four of us fell to the ground. On the ground I held onto his right arm, pinning it on the ground above his head. I also laid on his chest so he could not use his upper body strength to get up or fight officers. While on the ground KRISTIAN NASON (A1) continued to yell and at some point advised of a medical issue in one of his arms. I loosened up my hold on his arm slightly. At some point KRISTIAN NASON (A1) advised he couldn't breathe. I removed some of my weight and eventually all of my weight from his upper body. He continued to complain about his arm and we repositioned our holds in order to

accommodate this. I attempted to have KRISTIAN NASON (A1) roll onto his stomach in order for us to handcuff him. I asked him if it was better for his arm to go up or down in order to accommodate this. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) did not respond and continued to yell. He then advised he couldn't breathe. At this point I advised dispatch to send aid code to the location due to his complaint. I was able to bring his arm down by his side, and we rolled him over onto his stomach. I was able to bring his hand behind his back as the other officer brought the other behind his back and I handcuffed him. We continued to reposition KRISTIAN NASON (A1) and sat him on his butt. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) continued to make complaints of breathing and his trachea. While waiting for medics he continued to state we were arresting him in his own home and make other statements about the arrest.

During this time I read KRISTIAN NASON (A1) his Miranda rights from my departmentally issued Miranda card. I asked KRISTIAN NASON (A1) if he understood his rights and would speak with me. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) did not answer these questions.

Eventually Bellingham Fire arrived on scene and began to treat KRISTIAN NASON (A1). While doing this KRISTIAN NASON (A1) complained the handcuffs were tight and close to his medical device in his arm. At some point we attempted to stand him up and get him seated in a chair so he could be treated better. During this KRISTIAN NASON (A1) began to have difficulty breathing and came back down to the ground. At this time I checked his handcuffs, at one point readjusting them and loosening them. Due to KRISTIAN NASON'S (A1) continued complaints about his medical device I eventually placed him into two pair of handcuffs. Bellingham Fire checked KRISTIAN NASON (A1) and stated he appeared to be medically fine. I did not view any injuries on KRISTIAN NASON (A1). KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was then escorted out of the residence. During this whole time KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was not cooperative. At the doorway to the home, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) appeared to slip (snowy deck) / trip on his shoes laces (Possibly an officer stepped on them), falling to the ground. We assisted KRISTIAN NASON (A1) back up and escorted him to a patrol vehicle. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was searched incident to arrest and secured inside of a patrol vehicle.

Officer Nelson transported KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to the Whatcom County Jail for booking. KRISTIAN NASON'S (A1) medication was gathered from his residence and brought to the jail. I responded to the jail to assist Officer Nelson, due to KRISTIAN NASON'S (A1) behavior. At the jail, staff advised that KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was missing important medication and could not be booked in without it. I contacted Officer Roorda who called KARI NASON (V1). KARI NASON (V1) did not see the medication at their residence and advised it may be located in Blaine, WA at his trailer. Jail staff spoke with KRISTIAN NASON (A1) about getting this medication. He advised it was either in his house or his trailer in Blaine, WA. He provided a friend's name that possibly could get his medication. I called the friend, but received no answer. I left a message for the friend. The jail advised due to KRISTIAN NASON'S (A1) medical history he needed the medication prior to being booked. They advised I needed to get a fit-for-jail and receive his medication from the hospital.

The jail placed KRISTIAN NASON (A1) in belly restraints and I transported him to ST JOSEPH HOSPITAL (R1). At the hospital KRISTIAN NASON (A1) continued being verbal and threatened to sue the police department. ST JOSEPH HOSPITAL (R1) eventually cleared KRISTIAN NASON (A1) and provided me with prescriptions for his needed medication. Officer Nelson had arrived on scene at this point, and took custody of KRISTIAN NASON (A1).

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On 3/6/19 at about 2305 Hrs., I responded to 1822 34th St., as an on shift supervisor for a Response to Threat/Non Compliant application. Shortly before I responded, Officer Roorda had requested a "code 2" response.

When I arrived on scene I observed steps leading up to the second story part of the house. When I responded to the top of the steps, I observed that the door to the residence was open. I looked inside and observed that a male subject, later identified as KRISTIAN NASON (A1), was sitting on the floor with his hands behind his back. I noticed that he was handcuffed and Officers were assisting him by holding him up in the seated position. Officer T. Reed, told me that he had requested Medics due to KRISTIAN NASON (A1) having medical problems. He was stating that he had something like arterial venous and was having a hard time breathing. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) continued to yell at Officers as he sat on the floor.

While medics were responding I attempted to talk with KRISTIAN NASON (A1) and asked him what had happened tonight and he told me, "Why should I talk to you after all of this". It was explained to him that I was a supervisor and was trying to find out what had happened. He then told me that my Officers had arrested him on conjecture and false witness testimony. I then asked him what had happened here, meaning, what had happened to him getting into a struggle with Officers. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was upset, because Officers told him that he was under arrest, but didn't tell him why. I explained to KRISTIAN NASON (A1) that he was under arrest for Assault 4 and he demanded to know the definition. He then demanded to know the facts of why he was being arrested and stated that we couldn't arrest him without explaining the facts. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) appeared to still be irate as he continued to yell at me and Officers. I asked him if he was hurt anywhere and he began telling us about a medical condition that he has where his throat can swell up. Officers attempted to stand KRISTIAN NASON (A1) up to get him to a chair so that he would be more comfortable. As they began helping him up, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) began yelling at Officers, complaining that the cuffs were tight. He then began breathing heaving and coughing and started to fall forward. Medics were on scene and began attending to KRISTIAN NASON (A1). I requested that Officers place a second pair of handcuffs on KRISTIAN NASON (A1), due to his size and his complaint about the handcuffs.

While Medics were attending to KRISTIAN NASON (A1), he continued to yell at them as well, saying that they were incompetent and that they were going to kill him. After Medics were done attending to KRISTIAN NASON (A1), they advised that he was clear to be transported to Jail.

Officer S. Nelson transported KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to the Whatcom County Jail, for Assault 4th Degree and for Resisting Arrest. Officer Roorda had KARI NASON (V1) fill out a statement. CSI Whipple took photograph's of KARI NASON (V1)'s hand

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On 03/06/2019 at approximately 2308 hours I responded to a "Code 2" request for assistance at 1822 34th St. where Officers were on scene investigating a Domestic Violence incident.

Upon arrival I located Officers Keller, Nelson and Roorda inside the residence with KRISTIAN NASON (A1) handcuffed in a semi-prone position. He was rolled on to his left side, as he was complaining of difficulty breathing, and later maneuvered to a seated position on the floor. I made a request for a medical response. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) indicated that he had undergone a kidney transplant and had issues with an artery in his arm. He indicated that he had previously had a medical procedure involving his trachea and that it was "narrowed" which was causing his difficulty breathing. Several times during this period KRISTIAN NASON (A1) actively struggled against the Officers restraining him and was yelling, which led me to believe that his breathing was not severely affected.

Medics from the Bellingham Fire Department responded and attempted to assess KRISTIAN NASON (A1). He continued to yell at them and indicated that they were "uneducated." He used several different terms to describe the issue with his arm, and complained repeatedly about the handcuffs. Officer Keller adjusted and gauged the handcuffs, while I provided light for him. The only physical contact that I had with KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was to maneuver his leg away from the kitchen counter while he was still prone.

I stood by until KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was cleared by medics and assisted in retrieving a Domestic Violence Lethality Assessment Screen and Statement forms for KARI NASON (V1). I took photographs of KARI NASON (V1) using my Department issued Nikon D7000 digital camera, with specific attention to her right hand near the base of her thumb. She indicated pain to the area due to having been pushed down on to the tile entry way.

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On 3/7/19 at 1915hrs, I was in contact with KARI NASON (V1) at the station regarding further photographs of an injury to her hand. KARI NASON (V1) showed me on the palm of her right hand, bruising which had developed further since the incident occurred. She said that at the time of the incident her hand was only showing redness in this area, but it had developed into a bruise.

I took photographs of this injury using my Nikon D7100, and later added these to this report. See photographs 6 thru 13.

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BWC Activated.
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On 03/06/19 at approximately 2134 hours, officers responded to 1822 34 St for a physical domestic. KARI NASON (V1) called 911 stating that her husband, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) grabbed her and took her phone away so she couldn't call. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) also called 911 regarding the dispute. Dispatch also advised there were guns in the residence that were not involved.

I recognized the address as I had responded her recently for another domestic dispute between KRISTIAN NASON (A1) and KARI NASON (V1) where they were alleging past assaults.

Upon arrival, Officer Nelson went to speak with KARI NASON (V1) in the kitchen. I attempted to speak with KRISTIAN NASON (A1) and asked that we go down the hall so I could speak with him separately. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) refused saying he was in his home and would speak to me right there. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) kept repeating that we were in his home only because he invited us in, and demanded we acknowledge that we were in his home and call him sir. He was very confrontational and animated.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) calmed down briefly and explained that he and KARI NASON (V1) got into an argument over her 14 year old son, because she feels he should be KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s responsibility, even though it's not his son. He said KARI NASON (V1) is claiming he assaulted her but she doesn't have any bruises and he didn't do anything. He also denied preventing her from calling 911. He stated he's sick of the police coming into his home and sick of accusations. He then began saying we can't make him leave his home as he has rights and it was his home before he married KARI NASON (V1). I explained that I'm not making him leave his home and no one has asked him to do that.

I spoke with Officer Nelson who advised that no crime had occurred. Both KARI NASON (V1) and KRISTIAN NASON (A1) were highly intoxicated and both refused to leave the residence. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) agreed to stay upstairs for the night and KARI NASON (V1) agreed to stay downstairs.

Officers left the residence.

At approximately 2201 hours, KARI NASON (V1) called back saying that she had gone outside to smoke a cigarette and KRISTIAN NASON (A1) followed her out harassing her and demanding a cigarette. I contacted KARI NASON (V1) via phone. She said she was now sitting outside, because KRISTIAN NASON (A1) had locked her out and she had no way to get back in to the residence.

Officers responded back to the residence. We could not locate KARI NASON (V1) outside. We walked up the stairs to the residence and KRISTIAN NASON (A1) opened the door as we were approaching. KARI NASON (V1) was standing in the kitchen holding her hand crying, asking us to come in saying KRISTIAN NASON (A1) pushed her down.

Officers Nelson and Keller spoke with KRISTIAN NASON (A1) while I spoke to KARI NASON (V1). KARI NASON (V1) explained that she went outside to smoke and KRISTIAN NASON (A1) followed her out and locked the door when he went back in. She later remembered the garage code and let herself back in. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) met her at the bottom of the stairs and blocked her path from going upstairs. KARI NASON (V1) explained that she just wanted to get her phone charger and computer and walked

passed him up the stairs.

Once upstairs, she got her stuff and was near the front door when KRISTIAN NASON (A1) used two hands to push her down. She caught herself with her hands on the tile portion of the floor. She complained of pain in the base of her palm. According to KARI NASON (V1), officers arrived moments after the altercation took place. While I was speaking with her, she was crying and very emotional which was different from our first contact with her and my conversation with her on the phone.

I consulted with Officers Keller and Nelson and explained what she had told me. Officer Nelson then also went and spoke with KARI NASON (V1). I then spoke with KRISTIAN NASON (A1) who was with Officer Keller. I overheard KRISTIAN NASON (A1) demand that we make KARI NASON (V1) leave "his house" and said he wasn't asking us, he was telling us.

He went on to explain that he's tired of accusations from her, which has been going on since they got married. He stated that KARI NASON (V1) is an alcoholic and is not seeking help for her drinking problem. When Officer Nelson came back to ask KRISTIAN NASON (A1) some clarifying questions, he said that he walked the perimeter of the house inside to check and lock all of the doors, and locked the door not realizing KARI NASON (V1) was outside. He denied going outside and contacting her. He said he contacted KARI NASON (V1) downstairs when he heard the garage door open and she pushed passed him to come upstairs even though she wasn't supposed to.

She then went to try to take his charger and he told her no. KARI NASON (V1) had her purse and laptop by the front door when she heard officers coming up the stairs. She then set her stuff down and walked away from the door which is when we arrived.

Officer Nelson determined there was probable cause to arrest KRISTIAN NASON (A1) for Assault 4th Degree DV.

Officer Nelson told KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to turn around and put his hands behind his back as he was under arrest. He did not immediately comply. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) had not yet been searched for weapons, but we were previously advised there were guns in the residence. He had been confrontational with officers and had also assaulted his wife. Officers Nelson and Keller each grabbed an arm. I could see KRISTIAN NASON (A1) tense up and pull his arms into his body, resisting officers efforts to place his hands behind his back. He was also yelling at officers. Due to the confined space, KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s size, and him actively resisting and pulling away from officers officers, they were unable to place his hands behind his back. We requested other officers respond "code 2."

I heard Officer Keller and Nelson advise they were going to attempt to take him to the ground. I assisted with grabbing KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s upper body and the four of us fell to the floor. I controlled KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s left arm by placing my right knee on his bicep and pinning his wrist down using my hands. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) continued yelling asking what he was being arrested for. He was told for DV Assault 4th Degree. He still continued to yell and ask what he was being arrested for.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) continued yelling, saying he couldn't breath and that I was cutting off an "arterial vein" in his left arm, and said he had some other issue that I was going to cause to rupture. I adjusted my positioning and was only holding his arm down with my hands. Officer Keller also adjusted his positioning to ensure KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s breathing wasn't an issue. Medics were requested due to his breathing complaints. Officer Keller began explaining that we wanted to roll him onto his stomach and asked if it would be better for his arm to go up or down. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) refused to answer and began yelling about having us sued if we

ruptured the vein in his arm and again started asking what he was being arrested for.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) began panting and yelling that he couldn't breathe. We rolled him onto his stomach and I guided his left arm above his head and placed it behind his back. He was placed in handcuffs and rolled onto his side in the "rescue position." He started yelling about his trachea and that he can't take a deep breath. He said he couldn't catch his breath in that position, so we assisted him with sitting him up on his butt. Due to KRISTIAN NASON (A1) intermittently continuing to yell at us, it appeared he was breathing without much issue.

KRISTIAN NASON (A1) began telling us his arrest was politically motivated and he was going to "have your badge." He also said we were picking on him because he was a male.

Medics arrived on scene and evaluated him. They determined he was medically fine. At one point, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) complained about the cuffs interfering with his medical device. We attempted to help him stand and move him into a chair where he'd be more comfortable. When we stood him up, he said he couldn't breathe again and went back on the floor. Officer Keller checked and adjusted his cuffs. After he continued complaining about the cuffs, Officer Keller placed another set of cuffs on him.

After medics were done evaluating him, Officers Keller and Nelson began walking him outside. I heard KRISTIAN NASON (A1) fall on the deck that had snow and ice on it. I did not see what led up to the fall.

I completed the DV Risk Assessment with KARI NASON (V1). She did screen in, but did not want to talk to an advocate. I provided her with a pamphlet and encouraged her to call the number in the packet. KARI NASON (V1) also completed statement forms which were submitted for scanning.

Nothing further.

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On today's date, I responded to 1822 34th St to assist with this investigation. Officers on scene had called for a code 2 response. Shortly after, Officers requested a supervisor. Corporal Wilson responded as the on scene supervisor. I also responded to assist.

I arrived after Aid arrived to tend to KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s complaints of injury. I activated my BWC after I had been in the residence for a few minutes. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) had been yelling and complaining. Based on my experience with people who have sustained obvious injuries and are in pain as a result of those injuries, it did not appear KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was being genuine with his complaints of pain. See BWC footage for details of KRISTIAN NASON (A1)'s behavior.

Bellingham Fire Department personnel advised they had no reason to take KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to the ED for further treatment. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was escorted to a patrol vehicle. While Officers were escorting KRISTIAN NASON (A1) out of the residence, he stumbled at the front door and fell to the ground in what appeared to be an over-exaggerated manner. KRISTIAN NASON (A1) stated someone stepped on his shoelace. Officer Nelson advised he did step on his shoelace, however, KRISTIAN NASON (A1) fell in the opposite direction from where he should have fallen had the step on the shoelace caused him to actually fall.

I stood behind KRISTIAN NASON (A1) outside near the street waiting for a patrol vehicle to arrive to transport KRISTIAN NASON (A1) to jail. As I stood behind him, I caught the smell of the odor of intoxicants in the air.

After KRISTIAN NASON (A1) was transported, I discussed with Corporal Wilson his review of the incident. See Corporal Wilson's report for details of his contact with KRISTIAN NASON (A1).