

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	Hon. Katharine S. Hayden
	:	
v.	:	Criminal No. 19-
	:	
EUDY RAMOS	:	18 U.S.C. § 242

INFORMATION

The defendant having waived in open court prosecution by indictment, the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey charges:

(Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law)

1. At all times relevant to this Information:
 - a. Defendant EUDY RAMOS (“RAMOS”) was a police officer employed by the Paterson Police Department (“PPD”) in Paterson, New Jersey.
 - b. Daniel Pent (“Pent”) and Jonathan Bustios (“Bustios”) were police officers employed by the PPD.
2. RAMOS and other PPD officers routinely used unreasonable and excessive force in their encounters with individuals, while on official duty—for example:
 - a. RAMOS and other PPD officers regularly delivered a “running tax” to individuals they arrested. If an individual ran from them, RAMOS and others would “tax” the individual by striking the individual multiple times, causing bodily injury.
 - b. On or about January 20, 2015, RAMOS and Pent received a call regarding loud music coming from a vehicle on Doremus Avenue in

Paterson. RAMOS and Pent approached the individual in a vehicle on Doremus Avenue in Paterson. RAMOS and Pent removed the individual from the vehicle and began punching and kicking him. The individual suffered bodily injury, including eye injuries, as a result of RAMOS's and Pent's excessive force.

c. On or about September 7, 2016, RAMOS placed a handcuffed individual in the backseat of his police car, without a seatbelt, to transport the individual to PPD headquarters. RAMOS then depressed the brakes on his police car and forced the individual to slam his head against the divider in the backseat of the police car, a tactic known as "brake-checking." After the individual slammed his head on divider, RAMOS jokingly said, "what happened, man? You gotta put your seatbelt on." RAMOS recorded a video of this incident.


d. On or about March 2, 2017, RAMOS and Bustios were dispatched to a call regarding stolen property. The stolen property was located in a vehicle in a parking garage. The individual who had stolen the property ("Individual 1") was sitting in the vehicle. The individual whose property had been stolen ("Individual 2") was angry and told RAMOS and Bustios that he wanted to take a swing at Individual 1. RAMOS and Bustios allowed him to do so. While RAMOS and Bustios watched, Individual 2 punched Individual 1, who fell to the ground and hit his head, causing bodily injury. Bustios filmed the encounter.

3. From in or about 2015 to in or about April 2018, in Passaic County, in the District of New Jersey, and elsewhere, defendant

EUDY RAMOS,

while acting under color of law, punched, violently struck, and caused physical harm to individuals, willfully depriving the individuals of the right, secured and protected by the Constitution and laws of the United States, to be free from the use of unreasonable force by a law enforcement officer, resulting in bodily injury to the individuals.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 242 and 2.


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