

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)
COUNTY OF ESSEX) SS:

I, Magdaline Blake, being duly sworn upon my oath, do
depose and say:

1. I am 17 years of age. I reside at 296 Bergen Street,
Newark, New Jersey. I am a Negro.

2. On or about July 15, 1967, I was at my sister's play-
room at the front, first floor of the building at 296 Bergen
Street. Shortly after 6 P.M. that night several National Guards-
men were all dressed in green uniforms, and wore green helmets,
and arrived in an Army truck. They all carried long guns.

3. There was no shooting in the immediate area before
the arrival of these troops. I did not hear any gunfire.

4. There were several persons standing around on their
porches and things and in their windows looking out. I did not
see or hear anyone throwing anything before these Guardsmen
came up to the scene. The street was as quiet as it usually
is.

5. There were about 20 Guardsmen in the Army truck. These
20 Guardsmen just got out of the truck and started shooting.
They were shooting in all directions. I was standing at the
window looking out when the truck drove up and the Guardsmen
began shooting all over. A barrage of bullets came through the
walls of the building at 296 Bergen, and the building shook
several times under the barrages. Miss Gloria Robertson's
apartment on the 3rd. floor of 296 Bergen was completely shot
up by bullets, some of which went clean through the walls and
into other apartments.

6. I saw Rebecca Brown that same day. She was coming
from the store. I was looking out the window at that time and

and said to Rebecca Brown, "Hi, Miss Rebecca", and she said to me, "Hi, Pudding" (which is what they call me). On the following day my Grandmother told me that Rebecca Brown had gotten shot the night before.

MAGDELINE BLAKE

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this day of Agusut,
1967.

NEWARK LEGAL SERVICES PROJECT
114 Branford Place
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I hereby authorize attorneys of the Newark Legal Services Project and the American Civil Liberties Union and those attorneys with whom they may be associated, to use my statement in connection with any legal action or legal investigation arising out of police conduct in the City of Newark during the period of the civil disturbances in Newark, New Jersey during the summer of 1967.

DATED: September 26, 1967

Maddeline D. No.