

Description of Events Surrounding my Arrest in April 2001

In early 2001, while enrolled in graduate school at the University of Central Florida, I experienced significant personal and academic stress, exacerbated by an underlying mental health condition. This led to an incident where I assaulted a man and chased him into his home, resulting in charges of burglary with assault, although no theft occurred. I was also found in possession of a small amount of marijuana.

I was arrested, spent four days in jail, and was re-arrested after missing my initial court appearance. I was later found not guilty by reason of insanity. As part of the court's decision, I was ordered to undergo treatment at Lakeside Alternatives. I complied with this order and continued receiving mental health care from other facilities once Lakeside Alternatives closed. With ongoing treatment, including medication and therapy, I have fully recovered and maintained a stable condition.

I no longer partake in any substances, including marijuana, even though it is now legal in the United States. I have had no further legal issues in the past 23 years and I remain committed to a law-abiding life. I continue to manage my mental health responsibly.