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Detroit, Michigan 48201

DETROIT BRANCH \_\_\_\_\_ 831-5525

COMPLAINT FORM

Date of Complaint August 25, 1965 Age 61

Type of Case Police Brutality

Name Mrs Lucy Hatcher Phone 871-8961

Address 700 Gladstone Street City, State Detroit, Michigan

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Incident August 24, 1965 Approximate Hour 6:00 P. M.

Arrest Record Of Complainant: \_\_\_\_\_

SUMMARY OF COMPLAINT:

About 6:00 P. M., Tuesday August 24, 1965, Michael Coruthers, Edward Rhones, and Randolph Boseman were walking down Second Avenue, coming from King Cole Super Market, located on Clairmount and Woodward Avenue. Michael Coruthers went to King Cole Super Market to get his change of schedule, so he would know what time to report for work the next day. As they were walking down Second Avenue, they saw four (4) boys breaking into a parked car. Two Plain Clothes Policemen saw the incident, and called to the boys to stop, they ran through the alley. One of them had gotten a radio from the car. In the process of

DISPOSITION:

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WITNESSES

ADDRESS

PHONE

" I have read the foregoing summary of complaint as typed by the interviewer. She (or he) has typed the information correctly according to the facts and information that I have given her (or him) pertaining to this incident".

Interviewed by Catherine Chapman

/ Mrs. Lucy Hatcher  
Signature of person making complaint



running, he dropped the radio and I picked it up. The pllice said they saw us when we broke into the car. The policemen put the three(3) of us into the police car, and began to beat me on the head, and calling us, "son of a bitches". He kept hitting me on the head with a stick. Each time he would hit me, my head would go into the window. There are two (2) visible scars, one on each side of my head. Then they took us to Receiving Hospital. About 9:00 P. M., Tuesday Night August 24, 1965, a policeman called my Grandmother ( Mrs. Lucy Hatcher) to come to Receiving Hospital to sign some papers. He said, I had been cut in the face while stealing a radio from a car. Mrs. Hatcher went to Receiving Hospital and saw that the police had beaten her Grandson. After leaving Receiving Hospital the police took Michael downtown, to the police station. About 9:30 A. M., Wednesday Morning , Mrs. Hatcher got a phone call saying that Michael trial will be held at 11:00 A. M., that day. Michael fine was Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00). I paid the Twenty-Five Dollars(\$25.00), and he was released. While the police was taking them to Receiving Hospital, they made Michael sign a paper of confession that he took the radio. Michael's Age 17. The policeman name is Holgard.