Dog Incident Leads to Accusations of Police Brutality in New York, Lawyer David Perecman Comments

A 49-year old New York woman claimed police brutality against NYPD officers for an incident that occurred after they accused her of not picking up after her dog.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK — December 15, 2010 –Ann Stanczyk of Queens claimed that she was a <u>victim of police brutality in New York</u> City. Allegedly she was beaten by two members of the New York Police Department for not picking up after a dog that wasn't hers.

According to the 49-year old woman, she wound up in a confrontation that led to excessive use of force after two uniformed officers stopped her for not cleaning up after her dog. She told the officers that her dog had only urinated and requested that the two officers, who she would later accuse of <u>police brutality</u>, show her the dog feces they were referring to. They found dog feces nearby then ordered her to "pick it up".

According to the *New York Daily News*, Stanczyk says she was scared so she picked it up. She then said to the officers, "It's cold, not belong to my dog."

The police handcuffed and arrested her. She used her feet to try to prevent them from closing the patrol car door to secure her, and the officers beat her, hitting her in the eye, breast and stomach, she said. New York police brutality lawyers will, if retained, try to prove that an incident described as such be considered an excessive use of force by police and constitutes a case of police brutality in New York. Likewise, they may try to prove that there was no probable cause for the arrest.

Photos, taken a day after this incident of alleged police brutality in New York, show Stanczyk with a welt under one eye and a large bruise on her chest, plus injuries to her hands and knee.

Stanczyk filed a <u>police brutality complaint</u> with the New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board and plans to sue for excessive force by police.

"I just doing it to protect other people from police brutality," New York resident Stanczyk told the *New York Daily News*."

Court papers show that the NYPD claims Stanczyk started the fight by shouting at the two officers and locking her hands in front of her to avoid arrest. However, a New York

police brutality lawyer like David Perecman will need to prove that the force used was excessive and can not be justified.

"If you are beaten during an arrest without just cause or physically abused by police for unjust reasons, even showing attitude, it would be wise to consult with a lawyer to find out if it is a <u>case of police brutality</u>," said Perecman. "What makes cases of <u>NYC police brutality</u> even more appalling is that we trust police to keep us, the public, safe and secure."

The New York lawyers at The Perecman Firm provide representation to victims of police brutality throughout New York. An individual who is a victim of police brutality or excessive use of force by police should <u>contact a police brutality lawyer</u> immediately.

About David Perecman and The Perecman Firm, PLLC:

For the past 30 years, the New York police brutality lawyers, civil rights violation, false arrest, and police negligence lawyers at The Perecman Firm, PLLC have championed many types of cases. David Perecman, founded his Firm in 1983 after winning a \$600,000.00*** verdict in an unlawful detention case. He is a Board Director and the past Secretary and Treasurer of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association (NYSTLA) and a chair of its Labor Law Committee. Mr. Perecman's achievements have brought him recognition as an Honoree in the National Law Journal's Hall of Fame, in New York Magazine's "The Best Lawyers in America" and The New York Times Magazine "New York Super Lawyers, Metro Edition" for the years 2007-2011.

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