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Civil Liberties Union lawsuit accuses San Antonio police

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — The Texas Civil Liberties Union filed a class action lawsuit Thursday against San Antonio Police Chief Charles Rodriguez, the city, and other officials, accusing them of widespread police brutality.

Texas ACLU legal director Jim Harrington said the suit supersedes an earlier lawsuit filed by a local attorney on behalf of Reyes Ruiz.

Ruiz, 19, claimed he was repeatedly sexually abused from 1981 to 1983 by Milton Barrera, a San Antonio policeman. The police department's internal affairs division investigated Ruiz's charges and recommended Barrera's dismissal. Rodriguez instead suspended Barrera for 10 days but allowed him to stay on the police force.

The ACLU suit names Ruiz as the plaintiff "and as representative of a class of similarly situated individuals."

Defendants include Chief Rodriguez, Barrera, City Manager Lou Fox, the city, the San Antonio Police Officers Association, Joseph Scuro Jr. — lawyer for the association, and John Leal — a police internal affairs officer.

Harrington said the suit is based on the ACLU belief that "what happened to Ruiz is indicative of a pattern of what happened in the police department."

He said the suit seeks an injunction

"to stop this conduct," and the formation of a five-member citizens advisory board that would participate in reviews of police disciplinary cases.

Harrington said the suit was expanded to a class action petition because his office had received complaints of police misconduct from about 20 people in San Antonio.

"The people of San Antonio are entitled to have this abuse stop," Harrington said.

The ACLU earlier asked the U.S. Justice Department to investigate the allegations, but the federal agency has not responded to the request.

"We know nothing about it (lawsuit) yet," Police spokesman Paul Buske said. "Our legal office has not been served."

The suit claims the defendants deprived Ruiz "and his class of rights, privileges and immunities to be free from conspiracy, assault, battery, excessive force, false arrest, equal protection and/or malicious prosecution...."

Ruiz's allegations reportedly have been under review by a Bexar County grand jury.

Ruiz, now stationed with the U.S. Navy in San Diego, has claimed he was Barrera's ward for two years. He says he lived with Barrera and the officer's wife and two daughters.

White Oil production halted pending tests

Associated Press

AUSTIN — State District Judge Harley Clark has set an Oct. 7 hearing on a request by "white oil" operators to stop the Railroad Commission from shutting down certain wells in the Panhandle Field.

The commission announced Wednesday that operators of 271 white oil wells had been instructed to halt production by next Tuesday.

Of that total, however, operators of 183 wells may be allowed to resume production if a second test of their wells shows that they can qualify as oil instead of gas wells, commission officials said.

Operators of 269 white oil wells were informed by mail that their wells qualified as oil wells in recent commission tests.

That designation is crucial because an oil well can be drilled on 10 acres, but a gas well requires 640 acres. Oil wells are also allowed to produce more gas than oil wells.

If a white oil operator owns only oil rights, which is the case in most

situations, the operator could not produce from a gas well.

An oil well produces one or more barrels of oil per 100,000 cubic feet of gas. Several companies have alleged that white oil operators use refrigeration, or LTX, units to chill vapors to liquid and count the water-white liquid as crude oil to meet that ratio.

The commission began testing LTX wells on the basis of a May 13 order that required hydrocarbon liquids to be liquid in the reservoir, liquid in the well bore and liquid at the surface.

Fourteen white oil operators or interest owners sued to overturn the commission order, and Clark ruled Sept. 13 that the order was null and void.

Lloyd Broussard, an Austin lawyer for white oil operators, said the operators had exercised that option, and also hoped to get Clark to sign a final judgment in the case.

Any appeal would have to be filed within 30 days of the signing of the judgment, Broussard said.

United Bank of Texas dissolving parent bank

Associated Press

AUSTIN — United Bank of Texas completed a first step toward dismantling its parent company this week in a move to cut costs and reverse operating losses, said bank chairman Ruben H. Johnson.

Johnson said Wednesday the holding company, United Texas Bancshares, is an extra expense that the sixth-largest bank in Austin cannot afford.

Plans to dissolve the holding company were disclosed in a tender offer Sept. 12 by United Texas Bancshares to buy back 26,400 shares of preferred stock from shareholders for \$2.8 million.

The document also said a committee of the United Bank board of directors is examining the business

dealings of Johnson with the bank and with Fifteenth Street Building Ltd.

At the request of Johnson, the bank board of directors appointed a committee to look into charges involving money Johnson received from building contractor George Zapalac.

The payment — which Johnson called a developer fee — was made known to bank officers and directors and to federal regulators, Johnson told the Austin American-Statesman early this week.

The arrangement was similar to other agreements in which, Johnson has testified, he was paid \$700,000 by Zapalac and another contractor, Charles Morton, for interior construction on the offices of other building tenants.

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What's up

Friday

MSC AGGIE CINEMA: presents "A Soldier's Story" at 7 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. in Rudder Theater. Admission is \$2. Midnight movie: "A Man Called Flintstone" at The Grove. Admission is \$1.50.

COLOMBIAN STUDENTS ASSOCIATION: will meet at 7 p.m. in 305AB Rudder.

COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN: presents Gerald D. Griffin, Director Johnson Space Center. "Design in Space: Challenge of the Future." 7:30 p.m. in 601 Rudder.

ETA KAPPA NU: will have a pledge smoker at 6 p.m. (pledges) and 7 p.m. (actives) in the Arbor Square pavilion.

ASSOCIATED BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS: presents "Shrimpfest '85" at 6 p.m. at Central Park. Tickets available on 2nd floor Langford Architecture Center. Members, \$6 non-members.

CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST: will meet at 7 p.m. 701 Rudder.

PHI THETA KAPPA ALUMNI: will meet for a get-together at 8 p.m. at the Briarwood Party Room.

TAMU CHESS CLUB: will meet 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Rudder for the continuation of the tournament.

MSC NOVA: will meet at 7 p.m. in 350A MSC to learn to "Illuminati." Open gaming at 7 p.m.

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY: will meet for Bible Study 6:15 p.m. at A&M Presbyterian Church.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT: THE BIG EVENT: Applications available through today in 221 Pavilion.

MISS TAMU SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT: Applications available through Oct. 18 in 216 MSC.

OFF CAMPUS AGGIES: will meet at 11:30 p.m. at Rudder Fountain to go to yell practice.

Saturday

DATA PROCESSING MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (DPMA): CDP Review will be 8:30 a.m. to noon in B Blocker. Registration through Saturday morning.

HOTARD HALL: will have a car wash benefiting the earthquake victims of Mexico City 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Ash and University (outside Hotard).

TAMU JAZZ BAND: will perform at 4:15 p.m. in MSC Student Lounge.

WILDLIFE BIOLOGY SOCIETY: will have a BBQ at 1 p.m. at Southwood Valley Park on Rio Grande.

MSC NOVA: will have open gaming at 7 p.m. in 350A and 352 MSC.

HAAS & SCHUMACHER HALLS: have a car wash 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Schumacher's parking lot off University. The cost is \$2, benefiting United Way.

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION: is sponsoring the Islamic study group for all interested persons at 4 p.m. in Rudder Tower. Check screen for room number.

Sunday

MSC AGGIE CINEMA: presents "Dodes Kaden" at 7:30 p.m. at Rudder Theater. Admission is \$2.50.

TAMU INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE CLUB: will have folk dancing lessons and demonstrations 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. upstairs in MSC.

Monday

TEXAS A&M MEN'S RUGBY CLUB: practices Tues. Thurs. at 5:30 p.m. at East Campus Field behind the pool field.

CENTURY SINGERS: will hold auditions 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday for a piano accompanist in 008MSC.

A&M BOXING CLUB & A&M WRESTLING CLUB: meet Monday and Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. in 260 G. Rollie White (wrestling room). Boxing instruction and practice, no experience necessary.

PSI CHI/PSYCHOLOGY CLUB: will meet at 7 p.m. in 205 Harrington Classroom Bldg. Dr. Shebilske will speak on career options with a bachelor's degree in psychology.

AGGIE G.O.P.: Registration to vote today through Friday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on 1st floor MSC.

INTRAMURAL RECREATIONAL SPORTS: Volleyball officials orientation meeting at 6 p.m. in 164 Read. Entries open for volleyball, pre-season volleyball tournament, pickleball singles, and Triathlon.

TEXAS STUDENT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION: will meet at 7 p.m. in 601 Rudder.

AGGIE ALLEMANDERS: will have square dance lessons at 7 p.m. in the Pavilion.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY: will meet at 7 p.m. in 108 Academic Bldg. for a discussion of the Social Work Certification Program.

TAMU JAZZ BAND: will rehearse at 7:30 p.m. in the Commons West piano room. Tenor and Baritone sax needed.

MSC NOVA: will meet at 7 p.m. in 308 Rudder.

Items for What's Up should be submitted to The Battalion, 216 Reed McDonald, no less than three days prior to desired publication date.

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