

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CHARLESTON

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
FOR THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
C/A NO.: 2025-CP-10-03124

Alexis Berg,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Patrick Bryant, John Osborne, Eric Bowman,
Pommer Group LLC, Assignment Desk Works
LLC and GLT2, LLC,

Defendants.

AFFIDAVIT OF PATRICK BRYANT

Patrick Bryant,

Third Party Plaintiff,

vs.

Nancy Ruth Mace, and Melissa Britton,

Third Party Defendants.

I, PATRICK BRYANT, hereby declare under penalty of perjury the following:

1. I am over the age of 18 and fully competent to testify as to the matters contained in this Affidavit.
2. I submit this Affidavit in support of Defendants (Eric Bowman and Patrick Bryant's) Order to Show Cause and Motion for Civil Contempt holding Third Party Defendant Nancy Ruth Mace in civil contempt for repeated violations of this Court's November 26, 2025 Gag Order.

3. I was made aware of the Gag Order by my attorneys and have complied with your Honor's directives since entry and extension of the Gag Order.

4. Due to Mace's continued pattern of posting inflammatory and defamatory comments on social media about me, Eric Bowman and John Osborne including calling us "rapists" "criminals" "predators" and "pedophiles," I was skeptical that Mace would comply with the Gag Order and therefore, I routinely checked her official Congressional X account, Instagram account, and Facebook profile.

5. To no one's surprise, Mace violated the Gag Order the same day it was entered and several times since November 26, 2025.

6. Since November 26, 2025, Mace has repeatedly made and amplified public statements about this case, about parties to this case, and about persons connected to this case, and has published related video and email content.

7. I personally observed and preserved the following posts on Mace's various social media accounts, whether made by Mace or her representatives, as follows:

- On November 26, 2025, at 6:43 p.m. Mace, from her verified X account **@RepNancyMace**, publicly responded to a post reporting that "Eric Bowman has been granted bond on his domestic violence and harassment charges, 60k each" by stating: "*Not nearly enough. Very concerned for the safety of his victims. Keeping them in my prayers tonight.*" The post names Eric Bowman, labels unnamed persons "his victims," and comments on alleged criminal conduct that is the subject of this matter. A true and authentic copy of Mace's X post is attached as **Exhibit 1**.
- On November 28, 2025, at approximately 11:00 a.m., from the same verified **@RepNancyMace** account, Mace posted: "IMPEACH ALL CORRUPT JUDGES" and, in the same thread: "Especially including those in South Carolina SPECIFICALLY." It may be reasonably inferred that Mace is criticizing the same judges she criticized only days earlier when naming Mr. Bowman. A true and authentic copy of Mace's X post is attached as **Exhibit 2**.
- On December 27, 2025 at 10:00 p.m., Mace posted a video on Instagram from **@repnancymace** in which she referred to Eric Bowman by his full name, called him

a “wife beater,” and associated his name with “pedophiles,” implying criminal conduct that has not been alleged in this litigation. A true and authentic screenshot of Mace’s post and a transcript of the Instagram video are attached as **Exhibits 3 and 4**.

- On December 1, 2025, Mace’s Congressional office sent a mass email newsletter titled “Rep. Nancy Mace says 2 more women accuse her ex-fiancé of abuse.” The newsletter states, among other things, that: *“[t]wo additional women have come forward to report alleged abuse by Patrick Bryant, bringing renewed urgency to ongoing investigations and the need for potential victims to seek help. The allegations against Bryant include purported child sexual exploitation material, multiple rape accusations, and hidden cameras used to film women without their knowledge or consent. Patrick Bryant and his attorneys continue to harass his victims for doing what’s right,”* followed by, *“I WILL NOT be silenced. I will fight for you;”* and urges anyone who believes they may have been victimized by Patrick Bryant or who has information relevant to “ongoing investigations” to contact Ms. Mace’s federal office, which will provide contact information for law enforcement investigators, including SLED, connect victims with resources, and “protect” those who come forward. A true and authentic copy of this newsletter is attached as **Exhibit 5**.
- After the December 30 hearing in which the Court extended the Gag Order, Mace, from her verified @RepNancyMace account, again amplified the same video in which she refers to Eric Bowman as a “wife beater” and links him to “p*dophiles” by publishing a new, pinned X post that states, “When your state Attorney General drops nearly every case and or charge against p*dos, that’s when you know your state is a p*dophile paradise,” while tweeting her December 27, 2025 video post. This post was published on December 31, 2025, at approximately 4:29 p.m. This new tweet, which is pinned at the top of her profile and has been viewed more than 20,000 times, republished and further disseminated the same video content. A true and authentic copy of this pinned post is attached as **Exhibit 6**.
- On January 16, 2026, Mace, from her @RepNancyMace X account, posted a picture of Eric Bowman’s attorney, Robert Merting calling him a “pee-wee herman looking character” and threatening him for simply defending his client. In the same post, Mace named Eric Bowman and called him a “violent offender” while simultaneously referring to his “victims.” A true and authentic copy of this post is attached as **Exhibit 7**.

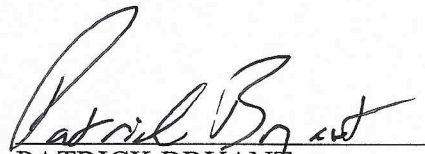
8. In addition to Mace’s social media posts, Berg supplemented her discovery production and enclosed (1) her communications with Nancy Mace and (2) a “Victim” Impact Statement written by Nancy Mace (and presumably given to Berg). The letter speaks for itself.

Mace states that she will not comply with the Gag Order and she will not listen to or follow directives set by Your Honor. A true and authentic copy of this Mace's Letter is attached as **Exhibit 8.**

9. Concerning the text messages produced, on November 15, 2025, Mace further defamed Bryant to Berg by calling him a "serial rapist." A true and authentic copy of the text messages is attached as **Exhibit 9.** Additionally, in those same text messages, Mace stated "I swear to god if they try to gag me I will willingly go to jail for using my first amendment."

10. After entry of the Gag Order, on November 28, 2025, Mace sent Berg a text message confirming her refusal to comply with the Gag Order. Mace stated "I believe the Supreme Court gave this case to a retired judge because if I'm governor, there are no consequences. Because he is retired. No need to get reelected by the people, no need to get reelected by the legislature, and no need to be appointed by the governor in the future. We may want to consider having the judge removed." Mace further states to Berg that "[t]he judges up until this point have been ruling in favor of the victims this guy comes along with no incentive to be fair and is now ruling in favor of the predators and against the victims. The outcome is rigged." Finally, Mace states "I am also I think going to demand Judge Hocker be removed from any case I am in and going to request judge rode." **Exhibit 10.**

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.


PATRICK BRYANT

SWORN to and Subscribed before me
this 20th day of January, 2026.

Signature Courtney Crosby

Name: Courtney Crosby

Notary Public for (County/State): Charleston / SC



EXHIBIT 9

FITSNNEWS

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Bryant case. Both cor... you believe...
Sat, Nov 15
x.com

Wanted to be sure you saw this. More women coming forward. Can't speak to it right now. But you can imagine it's horrific.

<https://x.com/repnancymace/status/1989663463577116782?s=46&t=gAj340QjdotY4M7EU2UdPg>

7:50 AM

Damn!!!!

If they ever need someone to talk to I'm here.

9:26 AM

I also said I believe Bryant is serial rapist said it on X this am

9:27 AM

He's not going to be happy about that lol

9:27 AM

This is so crazy what he and his attorneys are trying to do to silence his victims

I swear to god if they try to gag me I will willingly go to jail for using my first amendment

His attorneys are probably fuming right now
I hope

Fuck all rapists and pedos

+ Message



EXHIBIT 10

FITSNNEWS

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Fri, Nov 28

10:08 AM



I believe the Supreme Court gave this case to a retired judge because if I'm governor, there are no consequences. Because he is retired.

No need to get reelected by the people, no need to get reelected by the legislature, and no need to be appointed by the governor in the future

We may want to consider having the judge removed

10:35 AM

I am going to have edits for my letter but wanted you to see where I'm going

The judges up until this point have been ruling in favor of the victims
This guy comes along
With no incentive to be fair
And is now ruling in favor of the predators and against the victims

Edited 10:42 AM

The outcome is rigged

10:48 AM

Would love an in camera review of his phone tbh

11:06 AM

it's going to be in my motion for sanctions and dismissal of TRO



Message



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it's going to be in my motion for sanctions and dismissal of TF

Fri, Nov 28

I am also I think goign to demand Judge Hocker be removed from any case I am in

and goign to request judge rode

Edited 11:08 AM

Sooo crazy

11:08 AM

Thu, Nov 27

Lmk how that goes

I have concerns

About attorneys harassment

11:09 AM

Outgoing voice call · 11:09 AM

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You should see my motion. So, bryant and his attorneys stated in the third party complaint bryant took his phone from me after he says I hacked it (i didn't)

11 days later the TRO motion says I stole his phone and have it in my possession two years later

And the judge rules in his favor after blatant rule 11 violation

+ Message



EXHIBIT 1

FITSNNEWS



Rep. Nancy Mace  
@RepNancyMace

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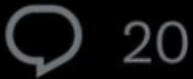
Not nearly enough. Very concerned for the safety of his victims. Keeping them in my prayers tonight. 🙏🙏🙏



Michael Allison @mallisontv · 1d

BREAKING: Eric Bowman has been granted bond on his domestic violence and harassment charges, 60k each.

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EXHIBIT 2

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← **Post** Reply

Rep. Nancy Mace @RepNancyMace

Especially including those in South Carolina - SPECIFICALLY

Rep. Nancy Mace @RepNancyMace · 1h

IMPEACH ALL CORRUPT JUDGES

11:00 AM · Nov 28, 2025 · **9,232** Views



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EXHIBIT 3

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Rep. Nancy Mace  
@RepNancyMace

X.com

South Carolina has a serious problem, and we can't keep looking the other way.

When 92.5% of pedophile cases in a single county are let go, and statewide data is withheld, predators are allowed to walk free. Unacceptable.

Victims deserve protection, transparency, and justice, and we will keep fighting until they get it.



@REPNANCYMACE

2025-12-27 @RepNancyMace Post
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with pedophiles running wild throughout

EXHIBIT 4

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(0:00 - 2:40)

You know, South Carolina has a pedophile problem. I mean, that much is very clear. When you have an attorney general who lets off 92.5 percent of pedophile cases and charges in just one county and refuses to give you statewide information, you know there's a there's a problem here with pedophiles running wild throughout South Carolina.

So number one, I want to thank the South County U.S. Attorney Brian Sterling, U.S. Attorney Limehouse, who was here this morning, the investigators who worked through the investigation. This is tough stuff, what they have to review and look at, but what the feds have done to come in and apprehend him, the judge did today without not letting him out without without bond, that he's going to be behind bars. Those are all good things for South Carolina, so I want to acknowledge the hard work that went into this.

And I'm grateful too today that this case isn't in the hands of a solicitor, local solicitor or attorney general right now. I'm grateful that the feds have stepped in and done the right thing and that the process is working, but the other thing I want to acknowledge today is why isn't every alleged pedophile treated like this? Why aren't they all behind bars? Why is it because this is a high profile case with a high profile local individual, the case is getting so much attention? There are hundreds if not thousands of other cases, other charges of alleged pedophiles who've been let out, who are running throughout South Carolina because we're a haven for pedophiles and they're not and they're not in jail and they're not being prosecuted. There are no trials.

My first time seeing him since I went to a hearing where he put Eric Bowman behind bars without bond for beating his wife as a wife beater, but I'm deeply concerned for any child who may have been in the vicinity or in his home or near him or with him alone. So I'm encouraging them to reach out to office at mace.house.gov and ensure that you're getting everything that you need, that you have a victim's rights advocate. One of the things I learned going through the system was the lack of rights that are respected even though they're law for potential victims of abuse.

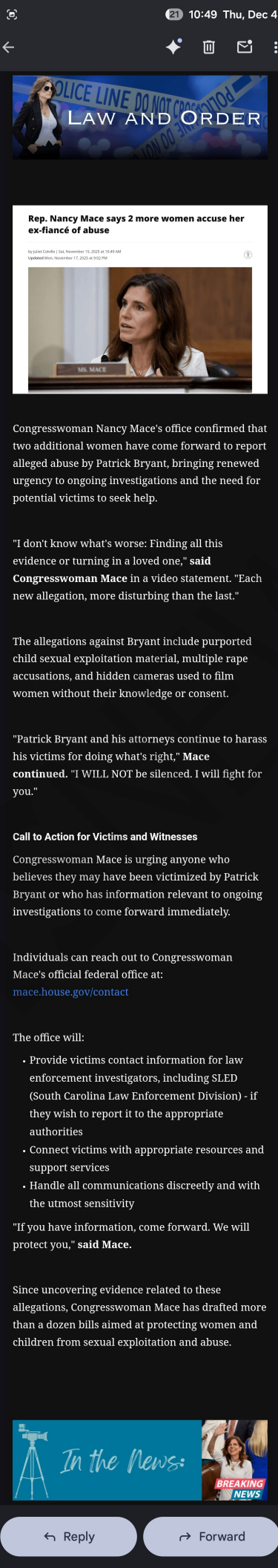
And so I want to make sure that they know what their rights are, that they are being attended to and that their rights are being protected. But I want the letter of the law to be applied to everybody who breaks it and that's why this case is important to pay attention to. And what I've done with the pedophile cases in Dorchester County, I have asked the Attorney General for the statewide data on all the pedophiles he's let out of jail and he won't provide the information because he's embarrassed by it, he's ashamed.

He let off 92.5 percent of pedophiles in Dorchester County. They walked free. Those charges were gone.

They were erased. I believe that child rapists should be, should receive the death penalty in South Carolina.

EXHIBIT 5

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Rep. Nancy Mace says 2 more women accuse her ex-fiancé of abuse

By Julie Carille | Sat, November 15, 2023 at 10:49 AM
Updated on November 17, 2023 at 10:20 AM



Congresswoman Nancy Mace's office confirmed that two additional women have come forward to report alleged abuse by Patrick Bryant, bringing renewed urgency to ongoing investigations and the need for potential victims to seek help.

"I don't know what's worse: Finding all this evidence or turning in a loved one," said **Congresswoman Mace** in a video statement. "Each new allegation, more disturbing than the last."

The allegations against Bryant include purported child sexual exploitation material, multiple rape accusations, and hidden cameras used to film women without their knowledge or consent.

"Patrick Bryant and his attorneys continue to harass his victims for doing what's right," **Mace continued**. "I WILL NOT be silenced. I will fight for you."

Call to Action for Victims and Witnesses

Congresswoman Mace is urging anyone who believes they may have been victimized by Patrick Bryant or who has information relevant to ongoing investigations to come forward immediately.

Individuals can reach out to Congresswoman Mace's official federal office at:
mace.house.gov/contact

The office will:

- Provide victims contact information for law enforcement investigators, including SLED (South Carolina Law Enforcement Division) - if they wish to report it to the appropriate authorities
- Connect victims with appropriate resources and support services
- Handle all communications discreetly and with the utmost sensitivity

"If you have information, come forward. We will protect you," **said Mace**.

Since uncovering evidence related to these allegations, Congresswoman Mace has drafted more than a dozen bills aimed at protecting women and children from sexual exploitation and abuse.



EXHIBIT 6

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2025-12-31 @RepNancyMace Post
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Rep. Nancy Mace @RepNancyMace

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When your state Attorney General drops nearly every case and/or charge against p*dos, that's when you know your state is a p*dophile paradise.



Rep. Nancy ... @RepNancy... · Dec 27, 2025

South Carolina has a serious problem, and we can't keep looking the other way.

When 92.5% of pedophile cases in a single county are let go, and statewide data is withheld, predators are ...

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TPHowell @HowellTp67329 · 1h

No matter what you say @RepNancyMace it's hollow because you have spent most of your time



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EXHIBIT 7

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Rep. Nancy Mace   @RepNa... · 9m 

Imagine hiring a lawyer to try to jail a sitting U.S. Congresswoman for drafting legislation to protect the victims of your abuse. That's exactly what violent offender Eric Bowman has done.

His attorney, Robert Merting (shown here), is attempting to have me arrested and jailed for doing my job: advocating for victims and drafting legislation to protect them.

If Merting and his client believe they can silence me, they are mistaken.

You cannot jail a lawmaker for drafting legislation, or for explaining why their legislation matters, or for drawing on personal experiences and the experiences of others to explain why their legislation matters.

I will continue legislating to protect every man, woman and child from abuse in South Carolina, and beyond. And no legal theatrics from an abuser's defense team will change that.

To this pee-wee-herman looking character, Mr. Merting: Keep trying.

Last week, I filed another bill, drawn from my personal experiences and the experiences of Eric Bowman's victims. It's called the Preventing Prosecutors from Protecting Predators Act. I've already spoken with Judiciary Chairman Jim Jordan about moving it forward.

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Our justice system is broken. Victims are failed every day by judges, magistrates, and prosecutors who let predators walk free. Fixing it isn't optional, it's our moral duty. I will not stop.



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EXHIBIT 8

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NANCY MACE
1ST DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA

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Rep. Mace Victim's Impact Statement

Your Honor,

Mr. Bryant seeks to use this Court to accomplish what he could not accomplish through intimidation and harassment: my silence. And it will not work.

REDACTED - INFLAMMATORY AND FALSE STATEMENTS

Mr. Bryant now seeks a gag order through this TRO to silence me, and other victims. I respectfully inform this Honorable Court: I will not be gagged.

The First Amendment protects my right to tell my story as a survivor. As a Member of Congress, I have an ethical and moral obligation to protect my constituents. I have a duty to warn women and girls of potential danger, to assist victims through my office, and to encourage those with information to come forward. **REDACTED - INFLAM**

[REDACTED]

When I delivered my floor speech in February, I brought handcuffs with me and said: "If anyone would like to arrest me for standing up for women, here are my wrists." *I meant it then, and I mean it now.*

Let me be unequivocally clear: Your Honor, *you will have to throw my ass in jail before I am silenced.* I am 100% guilty of standing up for myself against a rapist and predator. I am 100% guilty of standing up for

other victims. I am 100% guilty of advocating for justice despite every effort to silence me by Mr. Bryant, by his business partners, and now, by this Court.

I offered my wrists on the House floor to anyone who would arrest me for standing up for women. That offer stands today. Jail me if you must, but you will not gag me. I would rather sit in a cold dark cell than abandon the women and girls who are counting on me to fight for them.

You cannot silence what God created. God placed this burden in my path. A purpose. A calling. A responsibility. I did not ask to uncover these horrors. But as a woman of faith, I draw strength from the teachings of Jesus Christ. Christ confronted injustice wherever He found it. I will not stand by silently while abuse is hidden, excused, and ignored.

You cannot silence the truth. None of what I have stated is conjecture. These are facts, witnessed, documented, sometimes with metadata, and turned over to law enforcement. SLED has confirmed an open and ongoing investigation into Mr. Bryant. The truth has a way of rising, no matter how deeply one may try to bury it.

You cannot silence me from helping other victims come forward. I will continue to encourage potential victims and potential witnesses to provide information to my office and/or law enforcement directly. I will be the loudest voice of all for those forced to stay silent.

REDACTED - INFLAMMATORY AND FALSE STATEMENTS

And therefore your Honor, I yield to no man who seeks to silence the truth.

Respectfully submitted,



Rep. Nancy Mace
United States House of Representatives
First Congressional District of South Carolina