



News Release

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On June 29, 2014, shortly before about 1:45AM, a large number of people attending a party became involved in a verbal and physical altercation inside a club in the 1200 block of Main St. Included in that group was Mr. Yaqub Talib B/M 31 yrs old. Witnesses reported that Mr. Yaqub Talib was intoxicated, had thrown bottles and engaged others in physical confrontations.

A large number of these people were ejected from the club and continued the disturbance outside and Dallas police officers were called to the location. Mr. Yaqub Talib was observed by officers to be the primary instigator in the disturbance. He told officers that he played ball in the NFL and several of those with Mr. Yaqub Talib told officers that he played for the Denver Broncos. Officers attempted to diffuse the situation and instructed everyone to leave but Mr. Yaqub Talib continued the aggressive behavior and officers found him to be a danger to himself and others. He was placed under arrest for public intoxication. Mr. Yaqub Talib presented his Texas driver's license as identification.

Supervisors at the scene notified the Communications Section that an NFL player from the Denver Broncos had been arrested but the Communications supervisor did not understand the spelling of the name and said she would google the Broncos' current roster for the spelling. A supervisor at communications confirmed the correct spelling of the Denver Broncos player as Aqib Talib from that roster and notified the command staff.

Subsequent internal Dallas police emails used both Aqib and Yaqub and listed him as a Denver Broncos football player. The tweet with the incorrect information was sent, not in keeping with normal protocol, and listed the wrong brother as having been arrested.

We regret that this incorrect information was sent and extend our apologies to Mr. Aqib Talib.

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