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CIRCUIT COURT OUTAGAMIE COUNTY STATE OF WISCONSIN

DA Case No.: 2025OU004286 STATE OF WISCONSIN

Assigned DA/ADA: Julie M. DuQuaine Plaintiff, Agency Case No.: T25010286

Court Case No.:

ATN: VS.

WALTER S. GOODMAN III

W1251 Hattie Lane CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

Oneida, WI 54155 DOB: 08/06/1978 Sex/Race: M/I Eve Color: Hazel Hair Color: Brown Height: 5 ft 11 in Weight: Ibs

Alias: Also Known As Walter Samuel

Goodman

Defendant. For Official Use

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, states that:

Count 1: CHRONIC NEGLECT OF A CHILD - CONSEQUENCE IS GREAT BODILY HARM -PTAC, AS A PARTY TO A CRIME

The above-named defendant between on or about August 1, 2021 and on or about August 21, 2025, in the Town of Oneida, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, as a party to a crime, being a person responsible for the welfare of a child, MJG, DOB 05/15/2011, through his action, for reasons other than poverty, did negligently fail to provide necessary care so as to seriously endanger the physical, mental, or emotional health of the child, and the child suffered great bodily harm as a consequence, and the actor is guilty of chronic neglect as he, to wit:, contrary to sec. 948.215(1) and (2)(b)1, 939.50(3)(d), 939.05, 973.046(1r), 973.047(1f) Wis. Stats., a Class D Felony, and upon conviction may be fined not more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), or imprisoned not more than twenty five (25) years, or both.

And furthermore, invoking the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 973.046(1r), if the court imposes a sentence or places a person on probation, the court shall impose a deoxyribonucleic acid analysis surcharge, calculated as follows: (a) For each conviction for a felony, \$250 (b) For each conviction for a misdemeanor, \$200.

And furthermore, invoking the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 973.047(1f), if the court imposes a sentence or places a person on probation, the court shall require the person to provide a biological specimen to the state crime laboratories for deoxyribonucleic acid analysis. The court shall inform the person that he may request expungement under s. 165.77 (4).

Count 2: CHRONIC NEGLECT OF A CHILD - CONSEQUENCE IS GREAT BODILY HARM -PTAC, AS A PARTY TO A CRIME

The above-named defendant between on or about August 1, 2021 and on or about August 21, 2025, in the Town of Oneida, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, as a party to a crime, being a person responsible for the welfare of a child, MJG, DOB 05/15/2011, through his action, for reasons other than poverty, did negligently fail to provide necessary food so as to seriously endanger the physical, mental, or emotional health of the child, and the child suffered great

bodily harm as a consequence, and the actor is guilty of chronic neglect as he, to wit:, contrary to sec. 948.215(1) and (2)(b)1, 939.50(3)(d), 939.05, 973.046(1r), 973.047(1f) Wis. Stats., a Class D Felony, and upon conviction may be fined not more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), or imprisoned not more than twenty five (25) years, or both.

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Count 3: CHRONIC NEGLECT OF A CHILD - CONSEQUENCE IS GREAT BODILY HARM - PTAC, AS A PARTY TO A CRIME

The above-named defendant between on or about August 1, 2021 and on or about August 21, 2025, in the Town of Oneida, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, as a party to a crime, being a person responsible for the welfare of a child, MJG, DOB 05/15/2011, through his failure to take action, for reasons other than poverty, did negligently **fail to provide necessary medical care** so as to seriously endanger the physical, mental, or emotional health of the child, and the child suffered great bodily harm as a consequence, and the actor is guilty of chronic neglect as he, to wit:, contrary to sec. 948.215(1) and (2)(b)1, 939.50(3)(d), 939.05, 973.046(1r), 973.047(1f) Wis. Stats., a Class D Felony, and upon conviction may be fined not more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), or imprisoned not more than twenty five (25) years, or both.

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Count 4: CHRONIC NEGLECT OF A CHILD - CONSEQUENCE IS EMOTIONAL DAMAGE - PTAC, AS A PARTY TO A CRIME

The above-named defendant between on or about August 1, 2021 and on or about August 21, 2025, in the Town of Oneida, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, as a party to a crime, being a person responsible for the welfare of a child, MJG, DOB 05/15/2011, through his action, for reasons other than poverty, did negligently **fail to provide education in compliance with s. 118.15** so as to seriously endanger the physical, mental, or emotional health of the child, and the child suffered emotional damage as a consequence, and the actor is guilty of chronic neglect as he, to wit:, contrary to sec. 948.215(1) and (2)(c), 939.50(3)(e), 939.05, 973.046(1r) Wis. Stats., a Class E Felony, and upon conviction may be fined not more than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000), or imprisoned not more than fifteen (15) years, or both.

And furthermore, invoking the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 973.046(1r), if the court imposes a sentence or places a person on probation, the court shall impose a deoxyribonucleic acid analysis surcharge, calculated as follows: (a) For each conviction for a felony, \$250 (b) For each conviction for a misdemeanor, \$200.

Count 5: CHRONIC NEGLECT OF A CHILD - CONSEQUENCE IS EMOTIONAL DAMAGE - PTAC, AS A PARTY TO A CRIME

The above-named defendant between on or about August 1, 2021 and on or about August 21, 2025, in the Town of Oneida, Outagamie County, Wisconsin, as a party to a crime, being a person responsible for the welfare of a child, MJG, DOB 05/15/2011, through his action, for reasons other than poverty, did negligently **fail to provide necessary clothing** so as to seriously endanger the physical, mental, or emotional health of the child, and the child suffered emotional damage as a consequence, and the actor is guilty of chronic neglect as he, to wit:, contrary to sec. 948.215(1) and (2)(c), 939.50(3)(e), 939.05, 973.046(1r), 973.047(1f) Wis. Stats., a Class E Felony, and upon conviction may be fined not more than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000), or imprisoned not more than fifteen (15) years, or both.

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PROBABLE CAUSE:

AND PRAYS SAID DEFENDANT BE DEALT WITH ACCORDING TO LAW; AND THAT THE BASIS FOR THE COMPLAINANT'S CHARGE OF SUCH OFFENSE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Complainant is a sworn law enforcement officer, and bases this Complaint on the investigation of Officers Woelfel, Leitzke, Smith, Ninham, King, Metoxen, Ness, and Muenster of the Oneida Police Department, of Sgts. Dahm and Wall of the Outagamie County Sherrif's Office, and Officer Heuvelmans of the Green Bay Police Department, who are all presumed truthful and reliable as sworn law enforcement officers, as well as the records from Children's Wisconsin, Dr. Sandeep Narang, MD, attending physician, which are presumed reliable as medical records.

Law enforcement began investigating chronic neglect when it was learned, that on August 21, 2025, that 14 year old MJG was gravely ill and weighed only 35 pounds.

Background:

On August 21, 2025, fourteen year-old MJG (DOB 05-15-2011) lived with her Father Walter (a/k/a Sam) Goodman, her step-mother Melissa (a/k/a Missy) Goodman, her adult step-sister (Melissa's daughter) Savanna Lefever, Savanna's partner Kalya Stemler, and her 15 year old step-brother/Melissa's son NM (DOB 12/18/2009), and two dogs Lilly and Sassy, in a trailer located W1251 Hattie Lane in the Town of Oneida, Outagamie County, Wisconsin.

MJG began living with her father Walter, Melissa, Savanna, and NM in the spring of 2020. Since moving in with her father in the Spring of 2020, MJG has not had any contact with her mother AF. Immediately prior moving in with Walter in 2020, MJG was staying, along with some of her siblings, with her maternal grandmother Joanne Close, at a neighboring residence located at W1241 Hattie Lane. MJG first met Melissa in April 2019, and at that point MJG had not seen Walter since she was very little.

After MJG moved in to the residence in the Spring of 2020, Savanna's partner Kayla Stemler moved in to the residence in August of 2021.

Prior to MJG moving in to the residence, Walter and Melissa shared one bedroom, Savanna had her own bedroom, and NM had his own bedroom. When MJG moved in she originally shared NM's room with him. The room had bunk beds at the time, with MJG sleeping on the top bunk and NM sleeping on the bottom bunk. Eventually NM moved out of the shared bedroom and began sleeping on the couch in the living room. When Kayla moved in in August of 2021, NM and MJG were no longer sharing a room. Once Kayla moved in, Kayla shared a room with Savanna.

As of August 2025, Walter had been diagnosed with cirrhosis of the liver and was on the transplant list. Melissa and Savanna were extremely obese, to the point of being nearly bedbound, and rarely left the residence, NM was in cancer remission, and Kayla was the only one who worked outside the home.

When both Walter and Melissa would both leave the house at the same time, including, but not limited to, when NM was having treatment at Children's Wisconsin in Milwaukee, Savanna and Kayla would be left responsible for MJG's care at the Hattie Lane residence.

As of August 2025, neither NM nor MJG had attended in person school since school originally went virtual due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Prior to Covid, when MJG lived with her mother and/or Grandma Joanne, MJG attended 3rd grade in person at Oneida; MJG then finished her 2019-2020 school year virtually in Oneida. While living with Walter, MJG attended 4th grade in Seymour virtually for the 2020-2021 school year and then was reportedly homeschooled from 2021-22 school year through the 2024-25 school year.

911 Call August 21, 2025

On August 21, 2025, at 5:28 PM Walter Goodman called 911 reporting, in part, the following (not verbatim or an official transcript):

WG: I have a 14 year old daughter that she don't barely eat so she looks really skinny, and um she also is autistic so if she don't want to eat she don't eat so the last four days, four five days she been sick, throwin' up and I've been giving her the Liquid IVs and all that kind of stuff. Today she's real lethargic, and ah, like was throwing her arm up, laying on her bed throwing her arm up and now she's just like laying there like she's comatose but she's --her eyes are open and she's moaning and she's throwing her arms around.

WG: Tell them that I'll...I have her sitting on my lap in the living room,. My porch is broke so I'll grab her and bring her out. She's not much...

WG: See and the problem is I have end stage liver disease.

- 911 Can they get into the house a different way if you are incapable of carrying her out?
- WG: No. I can carry her. she's only...she like I said she don't eat.
- 911: Ok
- WG: And you try to feed her any she's only like...
- 911: You said your daughter is 14?
- WG: Yes.
- 911: Is she conscious right now?
- WG: Ya she is.
- 911: And she is breathing?
- WG: Yes, but she's likeHer mom is ah diabetic so I don't know if she is. I haven't had her tested yet.
- 911: Ok. Do you think she is breathing normally?
- WG: No. She's breathing real on and off.
- 911: What do you mean she is breathing on and off? Does she stop breathing?
- WG: No. Her stomach goes down and then it goes rapid and then it kind of goes, you know what I mean?
- 911: Ok. Is she bleeding or vomiting any blood?
- WG: No.
- 911: Do you know if she has any pain?
- WG: I don't know she won't even talk. She's just laying there with her eyes open all creepy.
- 911: Is she verbal normally?
- WG: Ya. She's verbal normally.
- 911: Ok.... Do you have any pets outside?
- WG: Ya, I have two dogs.
- 911: Are they locked up?
- WG: Ya, they're in a kennel.
- 911: Can you keep me on the phone while you take her outside?
- WG: Yes, I can.
- 911: If you need to put the phone in your pocket. I just want to stay on the phone with you in case anything changes with her.
- WG: I'll put it in my pocket and I'll grab it once I get sitting down out there. Alright, hold on.
- 911: Ok
- WG: I put you on speaker phone.
- 911: Ok. That's fine.
- WG: All her clothes are like huge and hanging on her.
- 911: Ok. Are you home alone with her, Walter?
- WG: No... but my wife is handicapped. And older daughter is handicapped....
- WG: She's still making noises.
- 911: Are you outside?
- WG: I am going out right now.
- 911: How is she doing?
- WG: She's just moaning.
- 911: Alright is she conscious right now?

- WG: She's grinding her teeth.
- 911: OK.
- WG: I put a pull up on her.
- 911: Does she normally wear a pull up?
- WG: No. I changed her clothes because she was wet, ya know? She peed herself or whatever. And now she feels like she is peeing on me.
- WG: [MJG]
- WG: She tensed up when I said her name.
- 911: She did what?
- WG: She kind of like tensed up like (inaudible)
- 911: They are coming as fast as they can. She is breathing, correct?
- WG: Correct. My mouth is so dry.
- 911: How long has she been sick?
- WG: Like the last 5 days, 5, 6 days.
- 911: Ok
- WG: I thought it was just a cold 'cause she was puking, ya know. So I'm like okay....and she does a lot of self-harm too, so her legs look horrible.
- 911: How does she self-harm?
- WG: If she has a mosquito bite or something she picks until they're big open welts.
- 911: Ok.
- WG: Hits herself in the head.
- 911: Ok. When's the last time she ate?
- WG: Um. This morning.
- 911: Ok.
- WG: Then she threw it up.
- 911: When's the last time she ate where she could keep it down?
- WG: Um probably like 4 days ago, 4, 5 days ago. She did good. I thought today was the end of it cuz she didn't do anything until like, she didn't puke it up until like 3:00.
- WG: [MJG]
- 911: You said she is kind of underweight because she doesn't eat much.
- WG: Ya. She's underweight because she just just don't eat.
- 911: Ok.
- WG: Like bony type, like you try to get her to eat and she "eh" and she'll throw the food.
- 911: Ok.
- WG: Fucking shit so scary.
- 911: Are you okay?
- WG: Ya, I'm fine.
- WG: MJG. She's like tightening up in my arms.
- 911: Is that normal for her?
- WG: No, like kind of straightening, like stiff, like stiff as a board,
- 911: Ok.
- WG: And then she goes back to being normal, not normal, but ya know what I mean?
- 911: Is she awake right now?
- WG: Her eyes are the same way as I told you.
- 911: Ok.

- WG: Open but not. I shined the flashlight. Her pupils are moving but she's just not there.
- 911: Alright, they are almost there. Coming up highway right now. I don't know how far behind the ambulance is. An officer should be pulling up in a minute or two.
- WG: Ok. Fricken shaking like crazy.
- 911: She is shaking, or you are?
- WG: I am.
- 911: Ok. Are your wife and other daughter sick?
- WG: No. No one is sick in the house.
- 911: Ok.
- WG: My wife has kidney disease. And my oldest daughter, she's overweight bad, and she's got lung issues.
- 911: Ok. Let me know when you see the officer.
- WG: The officer is here. 911: Alright, I'll let you go.

First Responders August 21, 2025

Officer Smith was the first to arrive and observed Walter carrying MJG down the driveway. While on scene, Officer Smith observed that MJG appeared severely underweight and malnourished and that her collar bone, rib cage, hip, and cheek bones were very prominent, and that she looked to be the size of a 6-8 year old child. Walter told Officer Smith that he recently got custody of MJG and that she doesn't like to eat. Walter reported that she had last been to a doctor approximately a year and a half ago and that he stopped care due to the doctor being "weird." Walter confirmed that no medical services came to the house for MJG and indicated that he does try to get her to eat and gives her Ensure drinks, but she usually refuses to eat. While on scene, Walter told Officer Smith that when MJG lived with her mom she was abused and given sleeping pills. MJG was transported to St. Vincent hospital in Green Bay; Walter rode in the ambulance due to his vehicles having flat tires.

Officer Cletus Ninham arrived shortly after Officer Smith, at which time Officer Smith was assisting the first responders. Walter reported to officer Ninham that MJG has been sick the last six days and it was, "just throwing up," "normal kid stuff," and that she lost weight like crazy.

While on scene, Officer Ninham asked Walter where MJG's mother was, and Walter replied, "she's a whore." While Officer Ninham was speaking with Walter, Officer Ninham overheard a First Responder ask Officer Smith to add the following to their medical sheet: Sugar / Glucose level 24 and temperature of 100.6 degrees. When Walter heard the Sugar / Glucose level of 24 he said, "Holy shit."

Officer Ninham asked Walter if MJG was on any medications and he said, "No, she is not on any." Officer Ninham asked Walter, "She's been like this how long?" Walter responded, saying, "Probably, like the last hour. I thought. I thought, well, you know. Maybe that's what it was, is her sugar low, so I gave her a little bit of Wild Cherry Pepsi. And she swallowed it down." A First Responder asked Walter if MJG had a history of diabetes. Walter said, "her mom does. It runs in her mom's side." Walter continued, saying, "So I figured, you know, well, I'll try that, you know. See if that's what it was. Then she started doing like this with her eye." Walter further advised, "And she don't eat. She's autistic, like I said. It's horrible man. I, I can't."

Walter further indicated to Officer Ninham that he put a bucket in MJG's room because she was throwing up, and advised that he has a camera in MJG's room due to her history of self-harm.

St. Vincent Hospital / Green Bay Police Department

On 08/21/2025 at approximately 10:52 PM, Officer Heuvelmans of the Green Bay Police Department was dispatched to St. Vincent Hospital in Green Bay for a child neglect call.

Upon arrival he met with Margaret "Maggie" Berry, RN. Nurse Berry Stated that she was working as a nurse at the hospital and was in charge of the care of MJG, who had been transported by ambulance from W1251 Hattie Ln., and that MJG was being transported by helicopter from St Vincent's to Children's Hospital in Milwaukee, and that she was intubated. Nurse Berry reported to Officer Heuvelmans that MJG weighed 35 pounds. MJG also had a very large bruise on the right side of her forehead, had a blood sugar of 24, was also hypothermic, and had pressure sores, and that there was no medical records for the last 5 years for MJG.

Initial Investigation

On Friday, August 22nd, 2025, Investigator A. Woelfel was advised of a child neglect case. Outagamie County Child Protective Services worker, Brock Blum, Oneida Indian Child Welfare worker, Yesenia Hernandez, Detective Sergeant R. King and Inv. Wolefel, subsequently responded to Children's Wisconsin hospital in Milwaukee, where they spoke with Child Advocacy and Protection Nurse Practitioner, Emma Nitz, Child Advocacy and Protection Social Worker, MJG Hill, Child Advocacy and Protection Social Worker Sarah Goman, Physician Dr. Mallory McPhee and Attending Physician, Dr. Lauren Reiter. Medical staff informed them that MJG's diagnosis was severe malnourishment and advised there were concerns regarding organ failure. Dr. Reiter also advised the next 72 hours would be the most crucial for MJG's prognosis.

August 22, 2025 Contact with Walter at Children's Wisconsin

While at Children's Wisconsin, Brock, Yesenia, Sgt. King and Inv. Woelfel spoke Walter. Brock asked Walter to tell them about MJG, and Walter said MJG was 14 years old, and autistic with the mentality of 4-6 years old. Walter said MJG was always the healthy one because she was never sick. That he got sole custody of MJG on May 1st, 2020. MJG's mother went to jail, and a CPS worker approached him about taking MJG, and he said, "Well she's my daughter, yeah of course I'll take her." Walter said he was not aware of the issues MJG had, and said that he had found knives underneath her pillow due to being afraid of stuff that her mother did to her. Walter said MJG told him that her mother would give her sleeping pills. Walter said, the little girl "don't sleep." Walter said MJG would sleep for an hour and then stay awake for 1-3 weeks at a time. Walter said he had to put a camera in MJG's room because she self-harms. Walter said MJG picks at herself and described her legs as, "horrible," because of it.

Walter said MJG will not eat if she doesn't want to, but that he will give her Pediasure when she doesn't want to eat. Walter indicated that he and Melissa would take turns sleeping in order to watch MJG. Walter said in addition to the camera, which he indicated that he purchased off Amazon approximately 5 years prior, he also had an alarm on her bedroom door.

Walter said the camera beeps into his room, "when it moves and when it follows her." Walter said this was mostly because she was doing the self-harm, and Walter said he would address it through the cameras by saying, "[MJG] you're not supposed to be picking." Inv. Woelfel asked Walter if, when he said that MJG would self-harm, he meant she was picking, and Walter said yeah. Walter said when MJG would get mad at him, she would dig her nails into her leg until she bled. Brock asked Walter if he ever reached out for help or resources, and Walter said he tried with the CP Center.

Walter said he had not brought MJG to the doctor, "because she was healthy." Walter recalled the last time she went to the doctor was a few years prior at a Bellin clinic in Howard. Walter said he brought MJG to the doctor to help with her sleeping because he noticed when she wasn't sleeping, she wasn't gaining weight. Walter said when MJG would sleep, she would gain weight, and go up to 60 or 70 pounds, and when she was not sleeping, she would go down to 40 pounds.

Walter said 6 days prior to him calling the ambulance, MJG became sick. Walter said she complained of her stomach hurting, so he brought her a bucket and she would puke. Walter said by day three, MJG was fine. Walter said she stopped puking, and she was eating normal. Walter said the following day she said her stomach kind of hurt, so he gave her a watered down Pediasure, and for lunch he gave her a second watered down Pediasure, and a water with a Liquid IV, and described MJG as being fine. Walter said the day prior to the ambulance being called MJG was feeling fine and, "looking normal, acting fine," like nothing was wrong with her. Walter said MJG ate a whole square frozen pizza for lunch earlier in the day, and by 3:00 PM she was puking in a bucket, and after puking she laid down. Walter said he instructed MJG to lay on her side, in the event she puked again. Walter said he laid with his head back in his chair and woke up to hearing MJG moaning. Through the camera he could see her arm, "flopping," around. Walter said he zoomed in on her face, and said her name through the camera, but she was not answering him. Walter said he could see that she peed her pants, so he grabbed her pants. Walter said he noticed MJG's eyes rolling back through the camera, so he said, "oh shit," and called 911. Walter said prior to the ambulance arriving he was giving MJG sips of a Wild Cherry Pepsi. Walter said when he saw MJG's eyes rolling back, he remembered her mother was diabetic, so he thought giving her the Pepsi may help her.

Brock informed Walter, after a conversation with medical providers, that it seemed as if MJG hadn't been eating for a while, and was severely malnourished. Walter immediately said, "No, she's been eating, she eats every day, it's she don't sleep." Walter said MJG would eat anything, and her typical meals were two packages of Pop tarts for breakfast, and then said, "she typically don't eat in the morning, so he would give her a Pediasure the size of a soda can. Walter said for lunch she would eat a sandwich, either bologna or peanut butter and jelly, and some chips and a sliced apple. Walter said sometimes MJG would eat two or three sandwiches. Walter said MJG would normally eat dinner, and would eat whatever they prepared for dinner.

Walter said he would walk MJG to the bathroom because MJG could not be trusted due to the knives issue. Walter said he would walk her to the bathroom door, she would go in and shut the door, and he would stand outside in the hallway and wait for her.

Brock informed Walter that everyone else in the home was heavier, and Walter said MJG did not sleep, and if she was not sleeping, she would be burning up everything she did eat. Walter

said he has tried everything possible and described MJG as the healthy one who does not get sick. Walter said MJG would be constantly moving in her room, and that she plays with the puppies outside.

Walter said MJG's knees are bent because she curls up in a ball all the time and stays curled up. Walter described MJG walking like an old man, and that she stays curled up like a fetus. Walter said MJG has walked this way for the past few years.

Inv. Woelfel asked Walter what MJG would do with the knives for him to feel like he needed to have a camera in her room, due to the incident with her sleeping with a knife under her pillow. Walter said that was it, and that he took the knife away after that. Walter said he kept the cameras in her room because she would self-harm, by picking. Inv. Woelfel asked Walter if MJG threatened herself or anyone else with the knives, and he said no, but that she did say, a couple times, that she would be better off dead. However, she did not have a knife when she said that.

Inv. Woelfel asked Walter if he still had the cameras in her room, and if he could see in MJG's room right now, and Walter said yeah. Inv. Woelfel asked Walter if he could show her, so she could best understand the perspective. Walter showed Inv. Woelfel the camera view on his phone, and how he could zoom in. Walter again described how, before calling 911, he zoomed in and could see MJG foaming at the mouth, moaning, and flailing her arm.

Walter indicated that he was enrolled Oneida. Inv. Woelfel asked Walter if he utilized the Oneida Community Health Center. Walter indicated that he did not, and that did not like their doctors because it took too long to get in. He confirmed that MJG had never been seen there while he had custody of her.

August 22, 2025 contact with Kayla, Melissa, Savanna, Walter & NM at Hattie Lane On August 22, 2025 at approximately 11:00 AM Ofc. Leitzke, along with Ruth, a worker from Outagamie Child Protective Services (CPS) and Alebra, a worker from Oneida Indian Child Welfare (ICW), went to the W1251 Hattie Lane trailer. Kayla answered the door. Officer Lietzke identified himself, along with CPS and ICW, and asked if Melissa was home. Kayla initially advised that Melissa was not home, and that Kayla was the only one in the house, and that she last saw Melissa the prior day, August 21, 2025. Kayla advised that she would try to reach Melissa, and then closed the door. A short time later Kayla reopened the door, at which time she had Walter on FaceTime. Ruth from CPS asked Walter where Melissa was, and advised that she needed to speak with Melissa, at which time Sam indicated that she was probably waking up, and that she had kidney issues. Kayla said she would check Melissa's room to see if Melissa was in there. Sam advised that Melissa is bedridden and that he would contact her and see if she would be willing to speak via phone. Ruth advised that she needed to speak with Melissa in person. A short time later Kayla exited the trailer and said that Melissa was getting dressed.

While Kayla was outside, Ruth asked Kayla about her understanding of what had happened with MJG. Kayla advised that MJG had been sick for a week and was throwing up. Kayla went on to state that MJG has been losing weight rapidly, and since she's not sleeping, she doesn't gain any weight. Kayla advised that MJG would go three to four days without sleeping. Ruth asked if MJG is offered food and water, and Kayla advised MJG gets three meals a day. Ruth asked what MJG eats, and Kayla advised she would eat Pediasure, sandwiches, or leftovers

from whatever was prepared. Kayla advised that MJG threw it up. Kayla advised MJG was abused by her mom and gave her 6-8 sleeping pills regularly.

Walter, who was still on Facetime, advised that MJG has autism and will refuse to eat. Walter went on to state that he will give MJG Pediasure because she thinks it's milk. Walter advised he gives her breakfast, lunch and sometimes dinner, if she'll eat it. When Ruth questioned Walter that MJG's weight doesn't match three meals a day. Walter advised it was because MJG doesn't sleep, and she burns up all her energy. Ruth then asked Walter if he noticed MJG wasn't eating, and was losing weight, why didn't he call the doctor. Walter advised, "I didn't call the doctor. I didn't think anything of it". Walter went on to say that he has stage 4 liver disease, and that MJG's weight fluctuates. Walter advised MJG threw up earlier the prior day, August 21, 2025, then laid back down. Walter added he heard MJG moaning and groaning, so he went in the room and noticed she wasn't acting right. After Ruth questioned why he waited to call 911, Walter advised it was because her weight fluctuates so much. Walter advised that he has a scale that goes up to 800 lbs. Ruth questioned whether MJG could walk to the scale, and Walter advised that MJG was walking and talking fine yesterday, and then dropped. Walter advised at the beginning of last month (July), MJG weighed 70 lbs. He advised that her weight started declining because she wasn't sleeping, but added that she would gain the weight back, then loose it again. When Ruth advised Walter that MJG should have been seen by a doctor. Walter admitted that MJG should've been seen by a physician.

While Walter was talking to Ruth, Melissa came to the door. She appeared to have limited mobility and to be significantly obese. Melissa advised MJG threw up in the morning but that she thought it was because MJG ate too fast, or that MJG caught a "bug." Melissa advised MJG was going to lay down and when she got up, Walter checked on her and noticed she wasn't right.

Ruth advised that she needed to go into the house to see where MJG slept. Before going into the house, Walter advised Ruth that MJG's bed was on the floor due to MJG breaking the bed frame.

Ruth questioned Melissa about MJG's weight and Melissa advised that MJG would lose the weight, but that it was slowly, then added that she would gain the weight back. Melissa stated MJG came to them as a "petite girl." Melissa went on to mention that MJG was given the Pediasures and protein bars. Melissa indicated that she believed MJG caught "a little bug", since Kayla works with people. Melissa advised that MJG got very sick and that's when Walter thought about taking her in. Melissa stated, "Looking back now, we probably should've taken her in."

When Ruth questioned Melissa about MJG not acting like herself, Melissa advised they had talked about taking MJG in, but added that MJG likes to fib and say things are wrong with her. Melissa advised when MJG got sick, they decided they were going to watch and see what was going on, because she was acting normal except that she was losing weight. Melissa advised they were going to increase MJG's protein. Melissa advised it was after MJG threw up that Walter decided to call the ambulance. After Ruth advised that if a 70-pound child is losing weight, she should be taken in, Melissa stated, "Now, I know that." Melissa advised she didn't recall the last time MJG was weighed, but she weighed about 62 or 63 lbs. Melissa advised MJG has not been to a doctor because Walter didn't like the pediatrician that she had. Melissa advised MJG has been healthy except for the weight loss, and that they offered MJG food and

sometimes she would eat it, but if she didn't, she would be offered something else. When Ruth questioned Melissa again about MJG's pediatrician, Melissa advised Walter never thought she needed to go. Melissa then stated Walter was going to take MJG to the family doctor but never did.

Ruth from CPS and Alebra from ICW spoke to NM. NM stated that if Sam and Melissa need to sleep in, then Kayla may take over caring for MJG. NM further advised that there's enough food in the house.

Ruth also spoke with Savanna, who also appeared to be significantly obese. Savanna advised she was somewhat aware of what was happening, but was also working at the time and doesn't come out of her bedroom. Savanna advised that MJG's primary caregivers are Sam and Melissa. Savanna advised she worked in childcare for many years and added she knew it was her job to report any issues. Savanna added that she didn't have any concerns.

August 25, 2025 contact with Anthony R. Webster-Bodway

On August 25th, 2025, Officer Woelfel, along with representatives from CPS and ICW, spoke with Anthony (Tony) R. Webster-Bodway. While speaking with Anthony he indicated that he and Walter grew up together, so he has known Walter for a long time. They started hanging out in the beginning of summer, after Tony had bought some four wheelers, and Walter would come over and help him fix them. Tony said he estimated Walter brought MJG to Tony's house with him four times over the course of the summer. Tony indicated that he thought MJG was younger than 14 because she was super skinny. That he thought MJG was 8 or 9 years old. Tony said while he would be working on the four-wheeler, MJG would ask Tony why he was doing certain things, and Walter would get irritated, and tell her not to say anything. Tony indicated that he heard Walter make comments like, "If she misbehaves, I' m not going to feed her today." Tony said he told Walter that he can't do that, and Walter said, "Well I keep her locked up in her bedroom with a camera on her, and that's where she stays." Tony said he told Walter that he can't lock a kid in a bedroom, that was abuse. Tony indicated that at times when Walter brought MJG to his house, Walter would tell MJG to "Shut the F up," and "Sit there and don't say nothing."

Tony indicted that he would offer MJG things like water or a sandwich. Tony indicated that there was nothing notable about how MJG would eat. Tony said he confronted Walter a few times about how he treated MJG, and Walter would say that Tony didn't understand, that MJG drives him nuts and indicated that Walter said, "If I could leave her somewhere in the woods, I'd leave her," and that Walter said to MJG, "I wish I could kill you." Tony later said MJG would respond to Walter talking to her that way by being really timid. Tony also said Walter told him that he would catch MJG digging in the garbage, and Tony said, "Well, hello. You're taking food away from her. She has to eat."

2019-2020 School Year

Officer Edward Metoxen has been the Police School Liaison Officer at the Oneida Nation Elementary School since 2016. On Tuesday August 26th, 2025 he spoke with MJG's (f/k/a MJN) 2019-2020 school year, 3rd grade teacher, Keta B. Quiver Officer Metoxen asked Keta if she remembered MJG, and Keta confirmed she did. Keta recalled that she had MJG when school went virtual due to Covid during the 2019-2020 school year. Keta recalled MJG being friendly and talkative. Keta said MJG was more active than other kids, and frequently moved around. Keta said MJG did not have a problem eating and appeared to be healthy while she

was her student. Keta informed Officer Metoxen that she was not aware of MJG being autistic or on the spectrum. MJG was not enrolled in any special education programs at the school. Keta said MJG was at school almost every day and remembered MJG would send her messages after school went virtual, indicating that she missed her.

Officer Metoxen remembers MJG as being a healthy normal 3rd grade student, who interacted appropriately with her peers and staff.

August 29, 2025 Interview with Kayla

On August 29, 2025 Inv. Woelfel spoke to Kalya at the Oneida Police Department. Kayla indicated that she moved into the residence with Sam, Melissa, Savanna and NM in August, 2021. Kayla attended school for Early Childhood Education. She previously worked as an assistant teacher in the 3-year-old room at the Oneida Head Start, and that she began working for the Wisconsin Early Autism Project (WEAP) beginning in 2023. She has worked numerous roles at WEAP, and her current title was, "advanced technician." Kayla indicated that she works with kids on social skills, learning letters and numbers or whatever they needed to learn to prepare for school and described it as being individualized per child. Kayla said she began having medical problems which resulted in her doctor lowering the number of hours she was allowed to work. Kayla said she was currently only allowed to work 12 hours a week. Kayla said she currently only works with one client, who is three years old, and she works with that child at a clinic.

While discussing MJG, Kalya indicated that MJG's arms and legs have always been super skinny, and when she did weigh 60 or 65 pounds, it was all in her stomach, and described her as having a beer belly look. Kayla said MJG's weight would fluctuate, and she did not know why. Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla if MJG complained of stomach issues, and Kayla said MJG would have trouble going to the bathroom, that she would ask to go to the bathroom, sit for 20 minutes, and nothing would happen. Kayla was asked why MJG would have to ask to go to the bathroom, and Kayla indicated that it was because MJG would steal food from the garbage. Kayla said MJG gets three meals a day, but that she would try to steal sweeter foods, including Pop-tarts and candy. Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla whether MJG would be denied if she asked for more food, and Kayla indicated that MJG would be denied, because MJG would get enough food, and if MJG could, she would eat all the time. Kayla said, "They would always feed her what she needed, her minimum requirements."

Kayla said for breakfast it was cereal or pancakes, lunch it was sandwiches and for dinner it was whatever they made, normally casseroles. Kayla indicated that MJG spent a lot of time in her bedroom. Kayla said she knew MJG was getting her three meals because she would hear, "Here's your food," three times a day. Kayla talked about MJG stealing food, including Poptarts and a tortilla shell. She indicated that MJG would also get in trouble for "picking." Kayla said MJG picks her skin and hits herself when she gets mad. Kayla said MJG would pick her skin, end up with sores or scabs and she would pick at them. Kayla indicated that Sam and Melissa would yell from their room, or through the camera, for MJG to stop picking.

Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla about MJG being watched while going to the bathroom. Kayla indicated that MJG would go in the bathroom with the door closed and Sam would wait outside so he could hear if she self-harmed.

Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla if anyone has worked since she had moved in. Kayla said Sam used to work at Dominoes, but stopped due to his liver issues. Melissa never worked since she had lived in the home. Savanna used to work at the Oneida daycare prior to covid, and since, Savanna works from home doing administrative things including Mary Kay.

Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla how Sam and Melissa get money to live, and Kayla said as far as she knew they got Social Security. Kayla said when NM got sick, Melissa began getting social security to take care of NM. Kayla said she does not pay rent but helps around the house as her rent. Kayla said Sam and Melissa have FoodShare, and she has FoodShare. Kayla said they had two different fridges and freezers because everything was separate then. Kayla said her and Savanna's fridge was the white one in the kitchen, and their freezer was in their room. Kayla said Sam and Melissa have the silver fridge in the kitchen and the stand-up freezer in the kitchen. Kayla said NM and MJG get their food from Sam and Melissa's fridge and freezer, but that if NM wanted a snack from their fridge they would share.

Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla when the last time Melissa left the home, and she said June for a doctor appointment. Kayla said the last time Savanna left the home was in April for a doctor appointment. Kayla said they were both terrified since the porch was not sturdy. Kayla estimated the last time either of them left prior to that was an additional six months prior. Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla what Melissa or Savanna would do if they needed to speak with a doctor regarding a concern and she said they would message their doctor on MyChart first.

Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla if MJG was allowed to leave her room, and she indicated that MJG was allowed to leave the room with supervision, and it was mostly Walter that helped her, but NM would help too. Kayla said MJG needed to ask permission to leave her room and estimated she left her room maybe 3 or 4 times per day. Kayla said MJG would ask to leave her room through the camera. Kayla said MJG's door was closed most of the time.

Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla if she helped with MJG at all, and Kalay indicated that when Sam and Melissa were gone for doctor appointments for NM, she would help babysit MJG, but she was never a full-time caregiver of MJG. Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla how often she would babysit MJG, and Kayla indicated that during the time frame when NM had cancer, "it was quite often" because "they would go and have treatment for so many days and then come home for like four days, and then have to go back down. It was a lot." Kayla said during that time it was her and Savanna home with MJG.

Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla to tell her how MJG was when she babysat MJG, and Kayla said she was good. Kayla said Savanna was in charge of MJG's camera during babysitting, and indicted that she was aware of the lock on MJG's door, but denied using it. Kayla indicated that she never questioned why the lock was there. Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla if she ever witnessed the door being locked, and Kayla indicated that she did. That when she got home from work, and it was still not time for MJG to wake up and, it was locked. Kayla said they would unlock it when they were awake.

Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla if there was ever a time when she questioned how MJG was treated, and she said no. Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla if she always thought MJG was safe at home, and she said yes. Inv. Woelfel asked Kayla if MJG was happy, and she indicated yes, that she would smile a lot, she would play with her toys, and tell you about her toys, through the camera, while she was playing with them.

Interview with Walter at Oneida Police Department August 29, 2025

On August 29, 2025 Inv. Woelfel interviewed Walter at the Oneida Police Department. Walter reported that he knew MJG's mom, AF, in high school and that they reconnected in 2009, and started dating. They were in an on and off relationship when, in 2010, after not speaking for about a month, AF called him and told him she was pregnant and that he was the father. He questioned how AF knew he was the father, since AF "fucks all these guys," and AF told him it was because she knew the timeline. Walter said he told AF to let him know when she got closer. Walter moved to Tennessee, and then subsequently moved back sometime after MJG was born. AF would bring MJG over to his house, and he first met MJG when she was about 3-4 months old. Walter said he told AF she needed to get the paternity done so he was, "not sitting here wasting my time on someone else's kid." Walter said AF had given MJG her boyfriend's last name, and when he got custody of MJG he changed her last name to Goodman.

Walter reported that in addition to MJG, he had three other children who are all now adults, but that he only communicates with one of them, and has not seen any of them in years. The last time he saw them was during a court date when they got their names changed.

Walter reported that prior to that, there was a period of time when he was dating a girl named Dana (he didn't remember Dana's last name), when he had MJG regularly. He said he went to jail for child support, and while he was in jail Dana left him. After he got out of jail he started dating Melissa, who he reported he met on line in 2014, and married March 3, 2016. Sam didn't have contact with MJG from the time he dated Dana until AF contacted him asking if MJG could come over because she was in process of moving. Walter remembered that when MJG came to his house that day, they painted Easter eggs. (Walter reported that this visit with MJG was in March or April of 2020, but a photo depicting MJG at Walter's house coloring Easter Eggs was located, dated April 20, 2019). Walter reported that AF subsequently went to jail, after which CPS contacted him to see if he wanted MJG. Walter reported that he agreed to take MJG, but that he wanted to work slowly into that.

Search Warrant at Hattie Lane August 27, 2025

A search warrant was executed at the Hattie Lane residence on August 27, 2025. While searching the bedroom shared by Savanna and Kayla, inside of the closet Det. Sgt. King located a barrel bolt lock used to lock doors. Alongside of the bolt lock was two long screws approximately 3 inches in length. Earlier, Officer Metoxen saw screw holes in the door and door frame of MJG's bedroom door. After finding the bolt lock, Investigator Woelfel and Officer Metoxen held up the bolt lock to the holes on MJG's door, and observed that the four holes on the bolt lock matched the screw holes on the door.

Multiple digital devices were also located and seized.

Digital Evidence:

As part of this investigation, law enforcement reviewed the contents of multiple digital devices.

NM's iPhone 16 Plus:

Sgt. Wall reviewed NM's iPhone 16 Plus, and observed messages, including but not limited to, the following messages between NM and his mom, Melissa, pertinent to the care, treatment, neglect, and abuse of MJG, who was at times referred to in the messages as "dummy", or "stupid".

4/22/25 at 6:48:05 pm

Melissa: Ok well I just figured it'd be easier with dummy sleeping still.

5/16/25 at 5:29:57am

Melissa: Can you please make sure the door is locked and so isi stupids please.

5/16/25 at 5:30:45 am

Melissa: Ok but make sure dummy's doors lock and make sure the front door is to

when you key her in but don't forget to check dummy's door.

Given the context of the entire conversation, when Melissa says key "her" in, it appears that Melissa is referring to one of their dogs that NM had let out, and that when Melissa references 'stupid' and 'dummy' she is referring to MJG.

6/11/25 at 2:40:35 pm

Melissa: Im gonna need your help when I have to feed [MJG] later.

6/11/25 at 2:50:52 pm

Melissa: What time are you thinking your gonna go to bed? So I can plan to make

her food. I don't wanna feed her to early cuz she's saying her stomach

hurts right now.

6/11/25 at 3:50:43 pm

NM: is she supposed to pee?

NM: or just shit

Melissa: she can do both

Given the context of the entire it appears to be in reference to MJG, and whether is allowed to urinate or only defecate.

6/11/25 at approximately 6:21:29 pm

Melissa: NM promise me your gonna stay awake

Melissa: Please just till we can get dummy fed and the dogs fed and potties again

before bed

6/11/25 at approximately 6:34:31 pm

Melissa: I think Im gonna have you help me get dummy's food ready at 715-730 so

I can feed her then around 800-830 bing the dogs in and feed them then

take them out and put them to bed

Melissa: sound ok? And savanna will take [MJG] to the bathroom

6/11/25 at 6:38:17 pm

Melissa: but savanna said you'll have to lock her door please

Melissa: after she lefts her go

This conversation appears to relate to MJG having to be accompanied to the bathroom and then getting locked in her room.

3/31/2025 around 8:11:59 pm, NM asked Melissa what they (seemingly, Melissa and Walter) were fighting about, and the following exchange takes place:

Melissa: because last night I took her water away and then he took her to the

bathroom and let her drink it

Based on prior conversations, it appears they are talking about Walter taking MJG to the bathroom and letting her drink some water.

4/3/25 at 3:28:46 am

NM: did dad let her shit when he took her to the bathroom?

Melissa: no he hasn't taken her since earlier today

NM: I thought he took her earlier?

Melissa: He took her pee

Given the context of the conversation it appears this is referring to Walter taking MJG to the bathroom and whether he allowed her to defecate and/or urinate.

4/8/25 at 7:47:21 am

NM: Stupids crying

On 6/24/25 at 10:10:56 pm

NM: has stupid been laying right.

On 8/14/25 at 3:43:15 am the conversation shows NM asking what was going on, and hearing some yelling,

Melissa: oh idk I was yelling at stupid

Savanna's iPhone 16

Officer Wall reviewed one of Savanna's phones, and iPhone 16, and observed messages, including but not limited to, the following messages which Savanna participated in, pertinent to the care, treatment, abuse and neglect of MJG.

On 7/16/24 339 pm the follows exchange was observed regarding Savanna asking NM to let Sassy (the dog) outside and NM asking Savanna whether MJG (dummy) can do it. With Savanna responding by telling NM to make sure MJG doesn't stand in front of the door.

Savanna: Can you let her go potty please

Savanna: Sassy

NM: Cant dummy?

NM: Pls Savanna: Call her

Savanna: But make sure she doesn't stand in front of the door

Savanna: Have her let her in

07/16/24 10:01-10:02 pm

Savanna: Can you come shut my door.

Savanna: Please NM: Yea in a min

Savanna: Nevermind I can have stupid do it

On 7/18/24 9: 51 pm

Savanna: Call stupid to let Lilly in when she's ready please

Sgt. Wall believes Lilly to be one of the dogs.

7/26/24 7:13 pm

Savanna: Can you watch stupid for me if I send her to get the bread turkey and

cheese for me

This message appears to be referring to having NM monitor MJG as MJG gets the requested food and brings it to Savanna in bed.

7/27/24 at 2:10 pm

Savanna: Can you open [MJG]'s door for me please

8/15/24 2:57 pm

Savanna: Can you unlock stupids door for me too please

Referring to him unlocking MJG's bedroom door.

8/15/24 5:20 pm - 5:22 pm

Savanna: Can you do me a favor

Savanna: Nevermind

NM: why

Savanna: Cuz I called stupid

8/18/24 beginning at 113 pm,

NM: What did she even take

Savanna: Can you come help me for a second I'm sorry

Savanna: A protein bar from behind my door

NM: Oh

Savanna: Unwrapped it and everything and had it in her pants but idk how she even

did it

NM: And yea I can Savanna: So stupid NM: Lmao

Savanna: I'm sorry she was helping me but she had to be an idiot

NM: She's stupid Savanna: I know I hate her

8/27/24 beginning at 1:18 pm

Savanna: Can you come stand in here so stupid can fix my bed

Savanna: I need you to open stupids door please so she can fix my phone

charger its not parking

Savanna: working lol

11/14/24 starting at 257pm

Savanna: I need a plate, 2 string cheese, the thing of sliced turkey, the bell peppers

and the hummus

NM: from where

Savanna: It's all in my fridge

Savanna: Can you bring me 2 vitamin water zeros please Savanna: I think they're behind mom and dads couch

Savanna: I'm sorry for being a pain
NM: where are the bell peppers
Savanna: Not sure they're in a clear bag
Savanna: Send me a picture of the fridge
NM: I don't see any clear bags

Savanna: Send me a picture or ask mom if stupid can come help find them

The conversation continues with Savanna trying to explain to NM where the food is she wants him to bring to her.

9/8/24 338 pm

NM: idk dummy being dtupid like always

Kayla's iPhone 16

Sgt. Wall reviewed Kayla's iPhone 16, and observed messages, including but not limited to, the following messages which Kayla participated in, pertinent to the care, treatment, neglect and abuse of MJG.

The following is a group conversation between Kayla, Savanna and Melissa, which starts on 1/10/2023 2:00pm, appears to have taken place when Kayla and Savanna were caring for MJG while Walter and Melissa were away seeking medical care for NM during NM's cancer treatment, while Melissa watches and communicates with MJG remotely via the camera.

Kayla: I figured we could talk here so we are all on the same page.

Kayla: I feel bad because we are supposed to be watching [MJG] and you have a

million other things to worry about.

Melissa: Your fine. They just left to go to the dr so its just me.

Melissa: It's fine.

Savanna: I' m gonna roundhouse kick her ass through the window.

Melissa: Do it.

Savanna: sends an attachment but it states "empty file"

Kayla: lol she deserves it.

Kayla: It's just like when has it ever been okay to just take food off her tv.

Savanna: Sends an attachment but it states "empty file"

Melissa: It's never been ok and she knew and heard what you said. It's just [MJG]

being An ass and doing as she wants to. We'll I'm gonna handle it when I

get home Trust me.

Melissa: And dad was pissed before that so know he'll be even madder.

Savanna: Pissed at what.

Melissa: Go slap her ass again cuz I keep telling her head up and she keeps

moving it back down.

Melissa: I'm over this shit with her.

Savanna: She thinks you logged in to yell at her and then we logged back in I'm

sure.

A few minutes later after some conversation about the dogs it goes back to [MJG].

Kayla: She knows the rules she just doesn't care. Savanna: sends an attachment but it states "empty file"

Savanna: It just makes me so mad be the first day was fine and I was so hopeful it

would be good but of course not.

Melissa: Exactly and she thinks that she can do as she wants cuz we're not there

we'll she's wrong.

Savanna: sends an attachment but it states "empty file"

Kayla: Exactly like every time I walk in there now she asks if she can have

something.

Melissa: Nope she's a piece of shit who doesn't care about anyone but [MJG].

Kayla: Like don't talk from your room.

Savanna: She is also constantly yelling from her room and she's constantly being

told stop and still continues.

Melissa: See she feels she's owed it and she's not. She needs to earn everything.

Savanna: Yeah she earned a bed on the floor and no more movies Imao.

Savanna: Dumbass. Kayla: Exactly.

Melissa: But that's not how she thinks.

Savanna: Well she's stupid and I think she just has a peanut brain in that dumb head

of hers.

Melissa: She thinks it's owed to her and when people are nice she takes it for

granted and wants more.

Melissa: She's just ignorant period.

Kayla: Very true.

Melissa: She's never satisfied.

Melissa: She's greedy and thinks she deserves everything and then some. Melissa: We'll in here to say she don't deserve the dog shit off the yards.

The conversation continues and a few minutes later goes back to MJG.

Melissa: She's listening to you guys lol.

Savanna: I'm gonna let sassy take fat shits in her room all night instead of going

outside.

Savanna: She always does she's fucking nosy.

Savanna: Always listening and laughing and shit I told her yesterday who told you to

listen and who told you to laugh at me shutup close your ear holes lol

Melissa: Yeah she does always. We get after her all the damn time about it.

Melissa: She makes me so fucking mad dude I'm seething.

Kayla: I've only had her since Saturday and I'm so mad to the bone. I don't know

how in the world you do it.

Melissa: Its hard tbh and some days I don't want to anymore and wish she'd just go

away.

Melissa: I'm just being honest.

Savanna: I just want to karate kick her dumb head.

Kayla: I totally get that.

This conversation continues talking about MJG and how they feel about her. Melissa states at one point "Tel lol her shut up shes not to talk."

On 1/9/23 7:13am, Melissa and Kayla exchange the following messages, again, believed to be taking place when Kayla and Savanna are caring for MJG in the absence of Walter and Melissa.

Melissa: [MJG] was naughty savanna said you had to get after her this morning?

Kayla: Yeah she thought she could just take out her movie and do what she

pleased.

Melissa: What an ass. She's getting to comfortable.

Kayla: I told her this morning that she is not allowed to talk from her room or ask

when she is gonna get anything cuz Savanna will be sleeping and Im going to work. When I came home I told her my first priority is Savanna,

Lilly and Sassy so she has to patiently and quietly wait.

Melissa: Yeah shes dumb. She thinks shes top priority always. So frustrating.

Kayla: I fed her with a shake and some cereal bars a little while ago and had her

go to the bathroom so her needs are met and she can wait until I get

home and have time for hwr.

Melissa: Yeah if she acts up she gets the bed taken away and lays on the floor no

tv period.

Kayla: Ok sounds good.

Kayla: We are planning to phase out serving her right away and feeding her

every few hours so she can get back to her normal schedule.

Melissa: Yea she just expects shit when you do something nice and it's so

frustrating. It seriously pisses me off.

Kayla: I totally understand.

Kayla: She will be fed before you come home tomorrow so she can wait until the

next day for any more food if you choose. Cuz we all know she's gonna be

an ass when you get home.

Melissa: I' m planning her doing that and I' m gonna spank her ass if she does

because there's no reason for it all.

Kayla: she ask this morning if starting tonight she could have a hug before bed

cuz last night she had a bad dream.

Kayla: And I yelled at her to talking form her room.

Melissa: Yea it's all a game. To pull you in closer because she believes she can

manipulate you. Just tell her I know your games girl and I' m not falling for

it at all. Kayla: Yea she's ridiculous.

Later on in the conversation, around 10:05pm the following interaction occurred.

Kayla: Just so you know MJG was taking more than one bite at a time and when

Savanna confronted her, she continued to argue with her, so I used the

belt.

Melissa: That's fine.

Kayla: I don't think she expected it lol.

Kayla: But she argued with her multiple times.

Melissa: That's fine.
Melissa: She deserved it.

Later on in the conversation Kayla asks: What did dad tell MJG?

Kayla: I'm sorry I know you already have so much on your mind.

Melissa: No your fine and he told her she did wrong and deserved to have the food

taken away and she better behave because shes been nothing bu an asshole today and you guys are the boss period end of discussion.

Melissa: He's pissed at her. Melissa: Not anyone else.

Kayla: Okay good. I just knew that yelling at her or using my hand wasn't going to

be enough for her.

Melissa: No and that's fine. You did the right think cuz shes an ass an just uses shit

to her advantage but we don't play those games with her at all.

Kayla: No definitely not.

Kayla: Especially with everything else going on.

Melissa: Exactly and she plays on that shit and it pisses me off so bad cuz its not

ok that she pulls that shit.

Kayla: I told her to lay right and now shes crying.

Kayla: what should I do?

Melissa: Yeah im gonna log on and yell at her.
Melissa: So I want you to spank her ads again.

Kayla: should I take her bed away? Melissa: Yeah im thinking about it.

Sgt. Wall observed a group chat between NM, Sam, Savanna, Melissa, and Kayla. It appears this chat was through Facebook Messenger. On 1/9/2023 6:58 am the following exchange takes place:

Kayla: Sassy has peed on MJG twice now Imao.

Sam: Lmao

Melissa: Lmao 000ppps.

Melissa's Phone

Inv. Woelfel reviewed the contents of Melissa's iPhone, and observed messages and images, including but not limited to the below described messages and images, pertinent to the care, treatment, neglect and abuse of MJG.

Images:

- The image shows a screen with the view of the camera in MJG's room. MJG is seen lying directly on the floor on her back with her knees bent upwards and her back arched. MJG's arms are straight on her side with her hands on her thighs and it appears as if her hands are squeezing her thighs. She is wearing only a pink and purple pair of underwear and orange socks. Two mattresses are seen leaning up against the walls behind her. The timestamp on the camera in the upper left corner reads "2024-12-04 22:35:38"
- The image is of Sam holding a dog. In the background of the photo, the iPad showing MJG's room is seen. A person can be seen lying on the bare floor on their side.
- The image is a photo of what appears to be an iPad due to a circle button being seen.
 Only MJG's shoulders and head is seen lying on the floor of her bedroom. She is on her side, facing the camera. A mattress can be seen leaned up against the wall behind her.
 The upper right hand corner of the screen reads, "LIVE."
- The image is a photo of the screen of a cell phone which appears to show the view from the camera in MJG's room. MJG is seen lying on the floor in only a pair of pink underwear and orange socks with her whole body visible besides her head. MJG is lying on her side, with one arm straight out from her body and the other arm laying straight out from her body. Two mattresses are seen leaning against the wall behind MJG. The timestamp on the camera in the upper left corner reads "2024-12-07 22:42:04."
- The image is a photo of the screen of a cell phone which appears to show the view from the camera in MJG's room. MJG is seen lying on the floor in only a pair of pink underwear with her whole body visible besides her feet. MJG is lying on her back, with it arched, with one arm straight out from her body and the other arm laying across her chest. A mattress is seen leaning against the wall behind MJG. The timestamp on the camera in the upper left corner is illegible.
- The image is of Sam and Melissa's room. The tv is seen on and next to the tv is the iPad plugged in, and a human figure can be seen on the screen laying on the floor.
- The image is of Sam and Melissa's room. Melissa's leg and a dog are seen in the photo.
 In the background of the photo, the tv is seen on and next to the tv is the iPad plugged in, and a human figure can be seen on the screen laying on the floor.
- The image is a photo of the screen of a cell phone which appears to show the view from the camera in MJG's room. MJG is seen lying on a large flat blue colored item wearing only a diaper, socks and the blue unicorn pajama top. MJG appears not well and severely malnourished as the bones in her legs and hips are prominent. A mattress can be seen lying against the wall and a box tv in the corner of her room. The timestamp on the camera in the upper left corner reads "2025-03-26 09:42:12" and the upper right corner reads "LIVE."
- The image is a photo of the screen of a cell phone which appears to show the view from the camera in MJG's room. MJG is seen lying in the fetal position on her side. MJG is

wearing pink underwear and yellow socks, which both have brown colored marking on them. MJG appears not well and severely malnourished as her bones are prominent and the top of her spine is clearly visible.

- The image is a close up of MJG's body from her neck to her hips. MJG is seen wearing
 the blue unicorn pajamas and is holding them above her stomach utilizing her chin
 which is pressed to her chest. MJG is also wearing a diaper.
- The image is a photo of a screen which appears to show the view from the camera in MJG's room. MJG is seen lying on a flat surface which appears raised from the floor. MJG is lying on her side with her arms over her stomach area. MJG is wearing a red short sleeve shirt, a diaper and socks. The timestamp in the upper left corner of the photo is illegible.
- The image is of Sam and Melissa's room. A small dog wearing a green harness is seen and Sam is in the background, sitting in a chair, with the iPad showing MJG's room next to him. A human figure is seen on the screen.

Chats:

On 6/24/2020 at 11:41am, Melissa sends a message to Joanne saying, "Thought I'd share [MJG['s report card with you and show how great she did." Melissa also sends an attachment which shows as an empty file now. Joanne responds, "I like it. Tell shell I am very proud of her.

There is a conversation which begins on 3/4/2025, between Melissa and Savanna in which they talk about MJG a lot due to Melissa and Sam leaving the residence and Savanna and Kayla being left to care for MJG and NM.

Melissa sent a message to Savanna on 3/4/2025 at 2:38pm which read, "But [MJG] is not to be out of her room at all," and "I'll call when we're on our way to let you know her rules and shit so she doesn't hear them."

On 3/4/2025 at 2:43pm, Melissa sends a message to Savanna saying, "He said he's gonna stay home but please savanna make sure he eats and takes his meds at 1030 every night," referencing NM.

On 3/4/2025 at 3:34pm, the following conversation occurs between Melissa and Savanna:

Melissa: Do you want dummy's iPad

Savanna: I'll just use mine cuz I can mod Ashlee's stream from my phone now

Savanna: Let me download the app tho what's it called

Savanna: Do we have a tarp so dad can cover the top of the kennel so they can stay

out lol

Savanna: *Sends a photo of a screen which shows the app for Victure Home*

Savanna: Is it tho Savanna: This Melissa: Yes

On 3/4/2025 at 4:03pm the following conversation occurs between Melissa and Savanna:

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Omg I'm sobbing she just sat up looking at her is scary Savanna:

Melissa: Who did Savanna: [MJG]

I'm having a panic attack over it for real Savanna: She's fine now she laid back down Savanna:

Omfg knock it off dude Melissa: I can't right now savanna Melissa:

Melissa: I'm dealing with my own shit with the car and my legs

Why' d she sit up Melissa:

Idk but she laid back down Savanna: Melissa: Ok did she lay down th right way

Sorry I didn't mean to freak it just scared me to see her but tbh I think Savanna:

she's always looked like this

Yeah she did Savanna:

Yeah she has for awhile now cuz she don't sleep Melissa:

She's just so skinny I'm scared she's gonna die for real but I know it's be Savanna:

she doesn't sleep

When you guys want to feed her make her get up and take her to the Melissa:

bathroom as long as she's acting ok

They continue to talk about the dogs and at 4:19pm, the following exchange takes place:

I wish she didn't look so awful so she could just go to the Dr and get a Savanna:

feeding tube with that high calorie stuff NM had.

Yeah I know Melissa:

Melissa: Maybe she'll behave and you guys can get her on a schedule like we had

her on but she always fucks up after awhile

Yeah I know I hate that Savanna:

It's just scary she looks like hel Savanna:

Savanna: He'll He'll Savanna: Savanna: 0mg

Melissa: Dad said no they didn't

Savanna: Idk how you guys can look at her

Ok just making sure Savanna: Melissa: Yeah she does Melissa: And I don't honestly

Melissa: Give them a cup and half each

Savanna: I t genuinely scares me how skinny she is

At 4:48pm the following exchange takes place:

Savanna: Do you guys let her sit u.

Savanna: Up

Melissa: It's your call

Melissa: Whatever you guys want to do but let her know that NM is sleeping and

she needs to shut her mouth and no talking Fromm her room

At 5:42 pm the following exchange takes place:

She's fucking pissing me off Savanna:

Melissa: Why

Melissa: Gos damn we're not even fuckinf gone yet

Savanna: Nothing Nevermind sorry Melissa: No what's the issue

Savanna: She just keeps talking from her room and having a fucking attitude telling

us how she's freezing

Savanna: She was laying nice so I let her sit up but then she was fucking around

and so we made her lay back down

At 11: 18 pm the following exchange takes place:

Savanna: God I hate her.

Melissa: Why

Savanna: She makes me so mad

Melissa: Why?????

Savanna: She's just stupid pulling the same shit she always does crying her

stomach hurts andshit and her legs hurt

Melissa: Ask her if she wants me to all again

Savanna: She stopped now I just lost my shit on her if I need you I'll message again

At 11:35 the following exchange takes place:

Melissa: What did she eat.

Savanna: She hasn't yet be she's been talking from her room and fucking around

Savanna: So I'm waiting

Savanna: Was gonna feed her around 12/1 if she keeps her shit straight

Melissa: Ok

Melissa: Just so you know when you go into dummys room the dogs think they

need to go out

On 3/5/2025 at 12: 08 am the following exchange takes place:

Savanna: She's eating now.

Savanna: We're just giving her pizza and water is that fine

Savanna: No shake

Melissa: Yeah that's fine

Savanna: Ok

Savanna: We'll give her a shake tomorrow she was just pissing me off

Melissa: I'd like her to have a water and liquid iv early in the day if she can then a

shake with dinner. Dad never gives her water and I think that she gets

dehydrated a lot

On 3/5/2025 at 7:41pm the following exchange takes place:

Savanna: Freaking out bc Kayla just yelled shut up MJG with the door open lol.

Savanna: Not yelled but said

Melissa: 0mg

Savanna: But it's nasty out so I don't think anyone was outside

Savanna: Ugh anxiety tho Melissa: Don't worry about it

Savanna: Ok I' m sorry

Savanna: She's pulling shit bc Kayla took her food bc she was sneaking food with

the bites Kayla was telling her to take

Melissa: Yeah she told me. That's why we make her keep her lands on her knees

st all times and the plate away from her

Savanna: She's been keeping her hands on her knees

Savanna: Now she's just screaming and crying and begging for more chances

Savanna: I hate her idk how you guys do this

Melissa: So was that AI she ate today
Melissa: I didn't want to ask her or anything

Savanna: Well we didn't get up until 1:30 but yeah she had a liquid iv and then we

were just giving her food now

Savanna: If she stops fucking around well give her a shake and food later

Melissa: Ok well maybe see how she does. I just don't like her to not eat ya know.

Maybe have her sit in front of Kayla so she can watch her. I know that's

not the greatest thing but idk if maybe that will help

On 3/5/2025 at 8:09pm the following exchange took place:

Savanna: I don't mean to freak out my anxiety just gets so bad when you guys are

gone but also I am just scared bc of how horrible she looks I'm scared we're all gonna go to jail or something idk I had a bad dream last night

Savanna: I know it's just dream but it scared me I woke up sobbing and everyone

was asleep

Melissa: Yeah I know I live it everyday. That's why I'm trying to get her fed and shit

but she's an ass constantly

Savanna: I'm sorry I'm not trying to make yours bad or anything it just scares me she

looks horrible

Savanna: I know we have Angie and stuff but she looks so bad

Melissa: Yeah I know she does but she don't sleep either and that's the biggest

issue

Savanna: Yeah I know I just wish we could get her healthy enough looking to take

her to the damn Dr to fix it

Savanna: I'm sorry Melissa: It's ok

Melissa: Just let her eat now and feeed her something again later with a shake Savanna: Kayla said she had almost all the food she gave now but a few bites

Savanna: I'm sorry I don't mean to ruin your guys time

Melissa: Ok then she's fine till later

Melissa: It's fine

Savanna: Ok but we will give her something later

Savanna: Heat just kicked on so it should help the cold in the house

Savanna: You don't need to call but do we give her something way later she's been

talking and saying the same shit over and over from her room since we hung up just that she has to prove she's gonna behave before she gets anything and that she'll be on her best behavior if we give her something

Savanna: But I know she's gonna fuck us like she does to you guys so idk Savanna: But I don't wanna not cuz I want her to gain like you guys do too

Melissa: Just tell her that you talked to me and I'm pissed and if she continues to

talk and shit she will get absolutely nothing

Savanna: Ok

Savanna: I'm sorry

Melissa: She's to shut up and do it now

Melissa: Your fine

Savanna: Ok

Savanna: Kayla just told her and she still won't stop begging for something later

Savanna: I'm gonna deal with her

Savanna: It's like talking to a fucking wall

At 11: 34pm the following exchanged takes place:

Melissa: Did she calm down

Savanna: Yeah finally and ok thank you

Savanna: Just fucking kidding Kayla just gave me the iPad to take a nap and now

she's fucking pulling shit again but I just screamed at her so we'll see what

happens

Melissa: What's she doing

Savanna: Just fucking bitching about her legs and that she's fucking shaking

Melissa: Omg well if you need me to call let me know Savanna: I will I'm sorry I'm trying to leave you guys alone

Melissa: Omfg I'm sobbing

Savanna: Why

Melissa: Omg I'm sobbing. Vonny, Kay and Shantel are battiling a special guy and

they're letting him win and he's getting huge gifts and he's crying and

jumping up and down crying

They continue talking about the game and on 3/6/2025 at 12:31am the following exchange takes place:

Melissa: She calm down

Savanna: Yeah

Melissa: If you want for her to be quiet you can have her lay with her legs up and

put her shirt on so she stops her shits

Savanna: Ok I will before bed she's being quiet now

Melissa: What's going on

Savanna: Nothing NM's playing a game Kayla's taking a nap and I' m just sitting

here

Savanna: We're gonna get ready for bed soon NM's finishing a game and we're

giving stupid a Shake

On 3/6/2025 at 2:42 pm the following exchange takes place:

Savanna: Kayla's got MJG I was up until 5 with her and then she was pulling shit at

9 already again so I'm just laying down for a little bit call if you

need me or text my phones on loud otherwise they're both awake to."

Savanna: Too

Melissa: What's was she doing

Savanna: Just fucking being an asshole making noise rolling around on the floor

picking sticking her hands in her fucking underwear making the camera

move

Melissa: Ok so tell her when we get home she's getting her ass beat

Savanna: Kayla brought her in here this morning so I could deal with her bc she

yelled I have to pee and I have to pee now so I told her I know dad takes

you when you've been laying right now when you ask and not when you

nag and she got in my face and screamed at me

Savanna: We took away her liquid iv bc she sat up and was dancing all over and

crying and Whining

Savanna: And we gave her a fucking shake last night bc I felt bad and of course she

was laying nice and quiet to get what she wanted

Savanna: Sorry I don't want you to have to deal with it we're fine here now but I just

wanted to tell you Kayla has her and I'm gonna lay down for a little bit

Melissa: Yes she's a manipulative. That's how she works

Melissa: Ok

Savanna: I hate her Melissa: I get it

Savanna: Then had the balls to say NOW what did I DO

Savanna: and roll her eyes Melissa: She's an asshole

Melissa: When? Yeah she's an ass

On 3/6/2025 at 5:16 pm the following exchange took place:

Savanna: I'm beating her ass Savanna: Just so you know

Savanna: Sorry I don't mean to keep telling you guys what's going on here but I just

wanted you to know what was happening

Melissa: Ok what did she do now

Savanna: Fucking screamed from her room is someone gonna let me pee

Savanna: She just went at 2:30 Savanna: And she screamed it

Savanna: So I smacked her hands hard with the brush she went back to her room

screaming and is now laying on her floor picking

Melissa: Ok have Kayla bring her back out and call me

Savanna: No it's ok I'm sorry I feel bad

Savanna: I dealt with her

Melissa: No i want to talk to her

Savanna: Ok hold on Savanna: I'm really sorry Melissa: Your fine

Savanna: No

Melissa: I'm pissed at her cuz it doesn't matter what you say she just does what

she wants and it's frustrating cuz she knows what she has to do to get

Melissa: Shit she wants but continues the buklshit

Savanna: I know Savanna: I hate her

Melissa: Same and I'm sorry
Savanna: Why are you sorry lol

Savanna: She told me last night I know it's almost your birthday I'm gonna be so

good I promise and I said [MJG] no offense but your words don't mean but

to me but also to anyone here

Savanna: And she said I don't understand why nobody believes me

Savanna: And I just laughed and she rolled her eyes

Melissa: Yeah she's an asshole. She just doesn't get it. She also told me she was

gonna be on her best behavior for our anniversary but look how that went

On 3/6/2025 at 11: 04 pm, the following exchange takes place:

Savanna: She's giving dummy a shake now we just ate.

Melissa: Ok

Melissa: Has she has a water today

Savanna: And dads spot on the couch is open for you tomorrow

Savanna: Yes

Melissa: Did she eat Melissa: Ok thank you

Savanna: Should we get up early so the babies can go outside and the kennels can

go back where they belong in your room so they aren't in your way

Savanna: She had the liquid iv and is having the shake now and if she does well we

were gonna give her real food

Melissa: Yeah that would probably be good

Savanna: But I told Kayla wait cuz she was laying and fucking around again and

yelling from her room that her head hurts

On 3/7/2025 at 12:24pm Savanna sends an image to Melissa, which is photo of MJG lying on the floor of her room in the fetal position on her side. MJG is wearing pink underwear and yellow socks, which both have brown colored marking on them. MJG appears not well and severely malnourished as her bones are prominent and the top of her spine is clearly visible.

Savanna: Knows your home and is still fucking around

Melissa: Did she move

Savanna: Nope

Savanna: And she's been an asshole all night I yelled at her all night

Melissa: Let me know if she changes

Savanna: It says door dash will deliver my gift after 1 so I'll keep an eye on it I think

they'll just leave it on the porch

Savanna: She didn't she just rolled and moaned Savanna: And is acting like she's too weak to sit up

Savanna: And saying owwwww

Savanna: Can Kayla run to Crumbl and also I think I'm gonna do my shot tomorrow

Savanna: Idk if you want me to yell at her or not but she's got her hands in her

underwear

Savanna: She's done it the whole time you guys were gone too I' m sorry I don't

mean to start right when you're here

Savanna Sends a photo of NM sleeping with a dog next to him. NM is sleeping on a mattress, with a Lilo and Stitch pillow and a patterned blanket

On 3/12/2025 at 11:45 pm the following exchange takes place:

Melissa: Dad asked if Kayla could take dummy to the bathroom.

Melissa: Plesee Savanna: Yeah

Savanna: Sorry my phone died

Melissa: It's fine

Savanna: She'll take her in a second

Melissa: Whisper to her to see if she's shaking or not

Melissa: Like don't let her hear you tho please

Savanna: Yeah she is

Melissa: Ok Savanna: Why

Melissa: Cuz she keeps saying she is but I think a lot of it is fake

Savanna: Oh I do too

On 3/20/2025 at 7:16 pm the following exchange takes place: *Melissa:* Yell and tell her to lay right again please

On 4/27/2025 at 3:59 am the following exchange takes place:

Melissa: What a fucking idiot man lol.

Savanna: Who Melissa: [MJG]

Savanna: Should I have her shut our window cuz he's yelling

Savanna: What happened

Melissa: Why's it even open Jesus Christ

Melissa: I hate this fucking house

On 5/15/2025 at 1:55pm, the following exchange took place:

Melissa: So we got Joanne's package so dad messaged her to come get it and she

came and told dad [AF]'s dying cuz she's got pancreatic cancer.

Savanna: I don't believe it

Savanna: Did she ask to see or anything with [MJG] or just said that

Melissa: She's gor 1-2 years to live

Melissa: He didn't say. He just told me that

Savanna: Wow

Savanna: So let MJG go back for the next 1-2 Imao

Savanna: Sorry that's mean but

Savanna: She's gonna die anyway dad doesn't have to

The conversation continued

Melissa: I think it's just for sympathy so he'll let them see her

Savanna: Well they aren't so they can fuck right off
Melissa: He told her that she's on a trip with his cousin

Savanna: wtf

Melissa: And she said oh I hope she has fun

Savanna: Yeah I don't trust that then I feel like if she was really dying she'd know

that

Savanna: So I think you're right and she's using [AF] as an excuse hoping she can

see [MJG]

Melissa: No he told her [MJG] was with his counsin on a trip

Melissa: Yeah me too

Savanna: Oh lol

Melissa: Make me a sandwich lol Savanna: Have the boy bring the stuff

Savanna: It's her birthday I didn't know why do I feel bad

Melissa: Cuz we're caring people Melissa: Why what did they say

Savanna: She just came out to go to the bathroom and said well I'm officially 14 and

then was in the bathroom a little bit and said savanna guess what and dad

said we know you're 14 we don't care Imao

Melissa: Lmao

Melissa: Do you want a sandwich

On May 27th, 2027 at 12:19 pm the following exchange took place:

Melissa: We haven't slept yet because MJG has been awful and was screaming for

4.5 hours and even woke NM up. I. Worried if we lay down to sleep she's gonna shit in her room cuz that's what she's claiming but it was before dad took her to thr bathroom and then she didn't go so she's mad cuz he won't

take her now."

Savanna: She's so fucking stupid

Savanna: I can watch her Kayla has a virtual appointment with Mitch at 1 but let me

just pee Quick

On June 7th, 2025, Melissa is with Sam at a hospital, seemingly being prepared for a transplant as there is mention regarding a donor's surgery.

At 5:44 pm the following exchange takes place:

Savanna: What do I do for [MJG] for dinner. Savanna: And when idk when NM will wake up

Melissa: Well id just wait till later. She ate around 3 this morning

Savanna: Ok she's complaining and whining about going to the bathroom but I told

her she has to wait til NM can open the door

At 5: 48pm Melissa tells Savanna, "She's gonna have wait and that's it" and "If she doesn't to stop her shit she will not eat."

On June 11th, 2025 at 3:44 pm Melissa tells Savanna that she is going to let MJG go poop and they continue talking about what they are hearing.

At 3:55 pm the following exchange takes place:

Savanna: She's so stupid.

Melissa: why

Savanna: She got up too fast and fell Savanna: And then was crying that she fell Melissa: Tell her to crawl to her room Savanna: She got up and walked

Melissa: Ok

Melissa: Was she shaking Savanna: Idk I don't think so why

Savanna: Ask [NM]

Melissa: What are you doing?

Melissa: I'm so anxious

On 8/20/2025 at 2:57am, Melissa messages Savanna saying, "This fucking kid dude."

Savanna: It wasn't there last time I went to the bathroom and the only thing that changed between now and then was him taking MJG

At 2: 58am, Melissa says, "She's just acting weird and saying she's gonna pass out and shit."

Savanna: Of course she is

At 3:07am, Melissa says, "She's got me so sick feeling."

At 3:08am, Melissa says, "Nope he told me he couldn't deal with her and I said I'm sorry but neither can I and it's your issue."

Melissa: I said I'm gonna shit myself and puke because of her

Savanna: He doesn't care

Melissa: No I keep telling him how do you know she's faking cuz she is and I said

ok idk if she is or not

Melissa: And he got mad at me Savanna: He just doesn't deee

Savanna: Care

Savanna: He just told her she was making you sick

On 8/20/2025 at 1:35pm, Melissa says to Savanna, "Cuz I'm exhausted and still anxious with [MJG] and just can't do it tonight."

Savanna: I'm sorry

Savanna: If he's gonna be mean to you I can watch stupid so you can sleep and he

can go

Melissa: No cuz she's acting better but still goofy

On 8/21/2025 at 11:54am, Melissa sends a message to Savanna saying, "We're trying to go to bed. We only got up cuz she was throwing up in there" and at 11:54am said, "Sam said it's cuz she ate to fast."

Savanna: Idk he scares me with her cuz he always says she's dying

On 8/21/2025 at 4: 45pm Savanna says, "What's going on."

Melissa: Idk she's being weird

Savanna: Oh like how Savanna: Is she ok

Melissa: Idk

Melissa: I can't see what's going on in there

Savanna: Oh sorrv

Savanna: Sorry him telling her she was dying the other day just really made me

anxious

Melissa: Yeah I know savanna

At 4: 51pm Savanna says, "Did she get up."

Melissa: No

Savanna: wtf is happening Melissa: Idk savanna Savanna: Ok I'm sorry

Savanna: Sorry I'm not trying to make your anxiety worse

Melissa: To late Savanna: I'm slrry

Savanna: Does he need help

Savanna and Melissa discuss Kayla letting the dogs out.

At 4:59pm Savanna says, "Are you guys ok"

Melissa: Idk I'm freaking out

Savanna: Is she like actually having seizures Melissa: Idk what's she's doing or having

Savanna: Is she awake and moving and just weak

Melissa: I'm not sure

Savanna: Sorry I'm just trying to understand so I can try to help Savanna: Do you want me to see if Kayla can get her up and

Medical Records

MJG's Medical records from Children's Wisonsin hospital, Dr. Sandeep Narang, MD indicate, in part (for the purpose of thid Criminal Complaint, MJG's name has been replaced with her initials).

MJG initially presented to St. Vincent ED in Green Bay, WI via EMS on 8/21/2025. She was transferred to CW for further care and subsequently admitted to the W4 PICU. She was diagnosed with severe malnutrition and had signs of multiorgan dysfunction including acute respiratory failure, cardiac dysfunction, severe acute hepatitis, pancreatitis, coagulopathy, hypothermia, hypoglycemia, and electrolyte derangements. She remained in the PICU until 9/1/2025 when she was able to be transferred to W11.

At 0845 on 8/2212025 MJG had a drop in her blood pressure and heart rate indicative of shock. She required significant resuscitation including fluids and multiple rounds of epinephrine as well as norepinephrine drip. A blood transfusion and electrolyte replacement was ordered.

Initially evaluated by GI on 8/22/2025 and found to have acute severe hepatitis most likely secondary to ischemic injury. On 8/23/2025 lipase elevation was suggestive of pancreatitis most likely due to severe malnutrition and ischemia; both the hepatitis and pancreatitis have improved over course of admission. Daily xrays were initiated to monitor bowel obstruction initially identified on abdominal CT. She was managed with bowel rest and decompression, and ultimately likely had a severe ileus from malnutrition as opposed to SBO.

Close monitoring was initiated on admission for refeeding syndrome. Magnesium and phosphorus were low on admission and required multiple replacements. MJG developed acute refeeding syndrome on 8/23/2025. She required numerous electrolyte replacements throughout the course of admission. As of 9/15/2025, MJG was requiring IV electrolyte repletion about every 3 days.

MJG was initially evaluated by clinical nutrition on 8/22/2025. On subcutaneous fat exam, MJG was found to have little to no fat stores with visible ribs and spine and protruding hip bones. Micronutrient exam showed thin hair which was sparse and patchy, pallor, and dry flaky skin and multiple sores on bony prominences.

She was diagnosed with acute non-illness related severe malnutrition. TPN was initiated on 8/22/2025. NG feeds were initiated on 8/28/2025 and were slowly advanced. TPN was discontinued and oral feedings were initiated upon extubation on 9/1/2025. MJG expressed eagerness to continue to advance PO feedings and expressed enjoyment of food.

MJG continues to eat an age appropriate diet of 3 meals per day plus snacks and supplementation with pediasure as needed. As of 9/17/2025, MJG was noted to be eating age appropriate diet and fluid Intake. Her physical findings were improved since admission, and this resolution was consistent with severe malnutrition, and not some organic medical cause.

APNP Nitz discussed MJG's case with clinical nutrition via phone on 9/4/2025 to discuss chronicity of malnutrition. Nutrition team stated that a lack of any height gain since last known data point would indicate significant malnutrition over an extended period of time, likely years.

Severe pressure wounds and skin break down and lanugo were noted on admission (see photographs in physical exam section below). Wound Care consulted and wound cares given. Wounds were noted to continue to heal throughout admission and did not recur, MJG was not noted to pick at her skin lesions during this extended hospitalization.

Endocrinology was consulted on 9/9/2025 to assist with vitamin D deficiency and bone health. Per their documentation, 25-OH vitamin D level on 8/28 was undetectably low, so she was started on vitamin D3 1,000 IU on 9/1. On their evaluation, MJG reported no history of back, rib, or pelvis pain. Her presentation was consistent with osteoporosis and, given history of severe malnutrition, this is believed to be due to nutritional deficiencies.

Ophthalmology was consulted on 9/17/2025 due to complaints of blurry vision, trouble seeing at a distance, and longer time needed transitioning from light to dark. Dilated exam and vision screening was performed. Temporal pallor was seen at the optic nerve head bilaterally. Exam findings were concerning for metabolic optic nerve neuropathy secondary to vitamin deficiency.

Neuropsychological evaluation was performed on 9/10/2025. Many of MJG's cognitive abilities (working memory, attention, retrieval based memory, language, and visual-spatial skills) were broadly age appropriate (low average to average). MJG's processing speed was more variable with some performances below age expectations, particularly for timed tasks that involved fine motor skills (I.e., drawing), Per documentation, based on evaluation findings, MJG is currently functioning broadly at her pre-injury level (I.e., her cognitive baseline) although with somewhat more difficulty with processing speed, likely secondary to her recent medical complications in the context of savers malnutrition.

MJG has been seeing psychology regularly while inpatient. Discussion occurred with psychology on 9/9/2025. Per psychologist, while she is not specifically assessing MJG for an eating disorder, she does not have concerns at this time that MJG suffers from disordered eating. She states that she is excited and eager to eat. Per documentation from several nursing notes and medical progress, MJG is able to sleep comfortably and is often noted to be sleeping during hospital medicine assessments. PRN Melatonin 3 mg was prescribed which has been administered on occasion. MJG has stated that she picks at her skin at home as a habit and due to boredom; however, per search of notes this is not a behavior that has been documented while hospitalized.

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Physical and occupational therapy: initial OT evaluation occurred on 8/26/2025. MJG was found to have decreased ADL independence, decreased UE strength, and decreased activity tolerance. MJG's ADL/IADL participation was limited by medical status limitations, decreased activity tolerance, fatigue, and weakness, Initial PT evaluation occurred on 8/27/2025. MJG was found to have decreased lower extremity strength, decreased tolerance for upright mobility, impaired transfers, and impaired gait. MJG received PT/OT 5 days per week. On 8/28/2025 PT noted MJG required moderate assistance at her pelvis/trunk when standing. She was also noted to have bilateral knee flexion contractures and potentially bilateral hip flexion contractures based on posture in standing. On 9/2/2025, MJG was asked by OT how often MJG would normally shower. MJG replied "whenever they would let me", when clarifying if pt knew if that was every other day or weekly, pt stated "maybe weekly or monthly, i don't really know". Pt reports she was able to normally stand for her entire shower and wash her body Independently in a walk in shower. Pt also reports she could walk to/from bathroom from her room but would use "door handles and the wall" for support when walking." On this date, contractures were also noted to MJG's bilateral shoulders and MJG reported "i don't know how long it has been that I can't move my arms all the way up". MJG required assistance to press sink buttons to turn water on due to decrease UE strength to press button to activate sink.

When asked by OT if she would like deodorant, MJG reported that she did not know what that was. MJG walked with PT on 9/2/2025 who noted a crouched gait due to contractures and distance limited by fatigue. MJG required a seated reset break of 2 minutes between walks (each 20 feet). On 9/3/2025, OT assisted MJG in the shower and required assistance with washing her hair because of her bilateral shoulder contractures and Inability to move arms all the way up.

Nursing: On 8/25/2025 MJG was intermittently awake and uncomfortable. When awake, she was able to write on paper with marker and stated per nursing documentation, "I'm hungry," "I need a snack," "can I watch TV?" "I need to poop," "I can't breathe." On 8/26/2025 MJG wrote on her white board 3 different times asking when she could eat and wrote "I like pedi", indicating she likes pediasure. On 8/27/2025, father left the room to pick up take out food and upon return he made jokes/comments about being able to eat as MJG wrote on her white board: "Can I eat?" and "I'm hungry".

On 9/1/2025, MJG's RN documented that It had been approved for MJG to try to PO chocolate pudding. RN noted that MJG maintained appropriate O2 saturations, did not cough or sputter and maintained conversation while eating and swallowed well. MJG then requested a second pudding which RN obtained for MJG. While eating the second pudding MJG expressed "My dad will be so mad." When asked what he would be mad about, MJG replied, "He doesn't like when I eat this much." RN went on to explain that once cleared by speech that MJG would have three meals per day and documented that "MJG's eyes lit up as she started listing off all the options of food she could have over the course of her hospitalization." MJG inquired about pancakes, M&Ms, and tacos and also stated she was looking forward to having vegetables. When RN said again that MJG would get 3 meals per day she stated "Oh my dad is going to be so mad." She went on to say "He really doesn't like when I eat that much, and the way that I get with food." When asked what she meant about the way she gets with food, MJG stated "When I eat all of it, he also really doesn't like if i eat sweets."

WEIGHT TRENDS: On admission, MJG weighed 16.1 kg (35 lb 7,9 oz) and was In the <0.01

percentile. Her BMI was 8.68 kg/m2, also in the <0.01 percentile, Her height was estimated (knee height) at 53.63 inches (<0.01 percentile). She had some initial weight gains between 8/22 and 8/24/2025 which is likely representative of fluid. Her weight decreased slightly on 8/25/2025, Since 8/26/2026, MJG has showed steady overall weight gain with minor fluctuations. As of 9/19/2025 MJG weighed 25.15 kg (55 lb 7.1 oz, <0.01 percentile) representing an overall weight gain of 9.05 kg (about 19 lb 14.6 oz). Her standing height on 9/19/2025 was 54,02" (137.2 cm 0.01%) and her BMI has improved to 13.36 (<0,01%).

Immunizations are not up to date per WIR (due for HPV, Meningococcal, and Tdap vaccines).

IMPRESSION:

- 1. Severe child neglect: nutritional, medical, dental and physical. These types of neglect have had the following medical sequelae on MJG:
 - a. Severe malnutrition with consequent circulatory shock and refeeding syndrome and multi-organ dysfunction on presentation:
 - I. Acute respiratory failure, now resolved with treatment
 - II. Cardiac dysfunction
 - III. Hepatitis (liver inflammation)
 - IV. PancreatItis (pancreas inflammation)
 - V. Hematologic dysfunction--macrocytic anemia and leukopenia
 - VI. Insufficiency fractures of the vertebrae (T9-11) and L 11th rib and severe oateopania/osteoporosis
 - VII. Dermatologic dysfunction--pressure sores and thin, dry skin
 - VIII. Ophthalmologic dysfunction--optic nerve neuropathy secondary to vitamin deficiency
 - IX. Dental dysfunction--diminished dental enamel and discoloration of dentition
- 2. Concern for physical abuse
 - a. Forehead bruise on presentation, now resolved
- 3. Concern for prior sexual abuse (based on paternal report; STI tasting negative)

MJG is a 14 y.o, female with a reported past medical history of ADHD and autism who presented to Children's Wisconsin with severe malnourishment and numerous sequelae of malnourishment. Given the overall clinical picture, with the information available at this time, MJG's presentation is consistent the diagnosis of severe child neglect. Physical abuse cannot be safely ruled out at this point

Nutritional neglect and severe malnourishment

On admission, MJG weighed 16.1 kg (35 lb 7,9 oz) (<0.01 percentile for weight). The last known data point was in 2020 when MJG weighed 26.5 kg (58 lb 6.4 oz) and was around the 25th percentile for weight. This represents a weight loss of 10.4 kg (about 22 lb 14 az) since 9/2020 at the age of 9. Her height as of 9/19/2025 was measured at 54.02" (137.2 cm, 0.01%) and her BMI was 13.36 (<0.01%). On physical exam, MJG was extremely emaciated with virtually no subcutaneous fat stores and visible bones as well as other phys€cal signs of severe malnutrition including loss of and thinning of hair, lanugo, and flaking skin as well as numerous pressure sores over bony prominences. MJG was critically ill upon admission to the hospital with respiratory failure requiring intubation and signs of circulatory shock.

MJG developed acute refeeding syndrome and required electrolyte replacement for numerous days during her hospitalization. The development of acute refeeding syndrome is indicative of a prolonged period of inadequate caloric intake. According to the 2020 American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition consensus guidelines, refeeding syndrome is a potentially fatal condition that occurs in malnourished patients when nutrition Is reintroduced. MJG had other findings consistent with severe malnutrition as well, including severe vitamin D deficiency and development of diffuse osteopenla on xrays and DEXA scan with insufficiency fractures to the vertebrae of T9-11 and the left 11th rib; and, vitamin B12/folate deficiency associated anemia. She had evidence of multiorgan failure and has developed symptoms of tachycardia and edema concerning for further sequelae of vitamin and protein deficiencies. And, her ophthalmologic exam shows concern for metabolic optic nerve neuropathy secondary to vitamin deficiency. These findings are all indicative of a prolonged period of malnutrition, with prolonged being most likely months to years (not days or weeks).

On admission, father stated that MJG ate 3 meals per day and snacks, would sometimes vomit due to eating too fast, needed to be monitored while eating due to eating too fast and would sometimes refuse meals due to her "autism" diagnosis. Additionally he reported that MJG does not sleep at night, leading to increased calorie consumption and inability to gain weight. He also reported that MJG had subcutaneous fat on her body 6 days prior to admission before becoming acutely ill leading to weight loss. As stated above, the above findings are indicative of severe and prolonged malnutrition and are not consistent with the history father has provided about the frequency with which she ate prior to admission or the rapid on set of weight loss leading to her physical exam findings on admission.

MJG denies Issues with vomiting prior to admission. Vomiting has also not been observed in the hospital setting outside of the acute period of food reintroduction. MJG was evaluated by speech therapy who reported no oral motor feeding or swallowing concerns. MJG has not been observed to refuse meals and has been excited to eat and appears to enjoy food. Furthermore, neuropsychological evaluation showed that MJG functions largely within expected parameters for her age. MJG has been observed to sleep comfortably at night and occasionally requires melatonin for sleep initiation.

After being medically stabilized, MJG began feeding orally on an age appropriate diet on 9/1/2025. MJG has done well with meeting her daily intake needs and has made steady weight gain during admission. Overall she has gained 8.8 kg (about 19 lb 5.8 oz) while hospitalized, evidence which supports her ability to gain weight when given adequate nutritional intake and not consistent with some organic medical disease process in MJG's body. This is further evidenced by her ability to gain weight normally during the first 9 years of her life in which MJG demonstrated a relatively normal growth velocity and weight in the 25th percentile for age. Furthermore, father denied issues with resource needs or food insecurity and food was available in the home per investigators. Overall, MJG's physical exam findings, hospital course, laboratory and imaging findings, development of numerous sequelae of malnourishment, and her ability to gain weight appropriately when being fed definitively outline a diagnosis of nutritional neglect resulting in severe malnutrition and its harmful sequelae.

Medical neglect

The last known medical care MJG received was in 9/2020 at the age of 9. Children MJG's age should be seen at least yearly for health maintenance and to monitor for overall growth and development. More pertinently, MJG's father reported that MJG had an autism diagnosis leading to "self harm" behaviors such as skin picking that required her to be monitored in her

room and accompanied everywhere in the home. He also reported ongoing issues with food refusal and lack of sleep leading to inability to gain weight, Father reports that he was going to switch MJG to his physician but hadn't yet despite the fact that he and other household members receive care frequently and with relative ease.

Father reported that the day of admission MJG walked to the bathroom on her own and that just 2 weeks prior she was out in the yard with the dogs. MJG herself believes that she last played outside when she was 10 or 12 years old. She also reports that sometime before being hospitalized, she was no longer able to get to the bathroom on her own and that she needed to push herself up on furniture and hold onto objects and was no longer able to get up and walk. Father's description of MJG's strength and mobility is incongruent with her physical state when she arrived to the hospital as well as her course in physical and occupational therapy in which she has had to slowly progress in her stamina to walking and continues to need frequent breaks when ambulating or performing other tasks. MJG has multiple areas of contractures on her body which are indicative of a prolonged lack of normal movement and mobility. The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) defines medical neglect as a caregiver's failure to provide or follow through with recommended health care for a child, resulting in or risking harm to the child. MJG's emaciation and overall physical appearance when admitted to the hospital was such that a reasonable caregiver would have known to seek medical attention. MJG's self reported symptomology of progressive weakness and inability to perform activities of daily living such as getting to the bathroom also should have prompted caregivers to have her evaluated.

MJG will require close follow-up once discharged and consistent medical care with multiple subspecialties to ensure her continued healing and monitor her growth and development. She is at high risk for further medical and psychological complications of severe malnutrition. She is also behind on immunizations and will need follow-up with routine dental care, It is recommended that MJG establish with a medical home who is able to meet her continued needs.

Emotional/psychological neglect/abuse & educational neglect

It has been reported from multiple sources, including MJG, that she was locked In her room from the outside for extended periods of time. She was reportedly monitored by a camera through which she communicated with other household members. MJG did not have unrestricted access to any other parts of the home including the bathroom where she was accompanied by another family member. MJG described that sometimes she would have to urinate on herself if she woke up in the night and had to use the bathroom but was not able to get out because she was locked in her room. MJG has expressed that she has never completed hygiene tasks every day and only when she was allowed. There have been various explanations offered for why MJG had a lock on her door, including her "self harm" behaviors of skin picking and her propensity to "steal food" which is defined by the family as taking food from the kitchen/house without permission.

MJG has reported picking as a behavior she has engaged in due to boredom and being fidgety, however it has not been a behavior that has been documented in the hospital. MJG had to be reminded to not touch her breathing tube or NG tube and was compliant with this request. There have been no other concerns about, or documentation of, other self harm behaviors while she has been inpatient. In her forensic interviews, MJG described love and

fondness for her family members. This is understandable, as many abused/neglected children still love their maltreaters. However, particularly telling was that, despite her love and fondness for her family members, MJG expressed a strong desire to not be locked in her room or be monitored with a camera.

The American Academy of Pediatrics defines emotional or psychological maltreatment as acts of commission (doing something harmful) or omission (failing to do something necessary) by a caregiver that impairs a child's mental well-being

Locking a child in a room from the outside poses many safety risks including risk of injury in the case of a fire and is not a recommended or appropriate intervention for "skin picking" behaviors. Additionally, poor hygiene predisposes a child to wound infections in that minor cuts and scrapes can become contaminated with dirt, sweat and other debris and predisposes children to other preventable infections, such as those obtained by the fecal-oral or food borne routes.

MJG reportedly began virtual school in 2020 as a consequence of the Covid-19 pandemic and was initially enrolled in e-achleve. However, father reported he un-enrolled MJG and began doing home schooling. MJG stated in her forensic interview that she does "normal 5th grade" stuff for school while according to her age she should be in the 9th grade this fall. It is unclear what, if any, educational curriculum Is being provided to MJG at home, raising concern for educational neglect. Educational neglect involves the failure of a parent or caregiver to enroll a child of mandatory school age in school or provide appropriate home schooling or needed special educational training, Educational neglect can lead to the child failing to acquire basic life skills. Educational neglect can pose a serious threat to a child's physical and emotional well-being, and normal social and psychological development, particularly when the child has special educational needs that are not met.

Concern for physical abuse

On admission, MJG was noted to have a bruise to the forehead which father presumed was from her banging her head against the wall as he had seen her do this before. MJG reported that she presumed it was from when she had a seizure at home prior to her hospital admission. MJG has not been observed to have head banging behaviors while hospitalized and the history for the bruise is currently unclear as well as what MJG's mobility capabilities were prior to hospitalization. While the bruise was over a bony prominence, the lack of a clear history in an otherwise vulnerable child raises concern for physical abuse and further investigation is recommended.

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