Declaration of Shawn Mulcahy

- 1. I am over the age of eighteen and have personal knowledge of all matters contained in this Declaration.
- 2. If called to testify as to the contents of this Declaration, I would be competent to do so.
- 3. I am submitting this declaration to describe how federal officers shot crowd-control projectiles at me and targeted other journalists who seemed to pose no threat at the ICE facility in Broadview, Illinois.
- 4. I am the News Editor at the Chicago Reader, an independently weekly newspaper based in Chicago.
- 5. I am a member of the Chicago News Guild.
- 6. Since September 5, 2025, I have been regularly attending protests and demonstrations at the Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") detention facility located on Beach Street in Broadview.
- 7. I come to the detention facility in my capacity as a member of the news media, and when there, am clearly identified as press, including by wearing press credentials around my neck, carrying a notepad or filming activity, and wearing a helmet marked "PRESS."
- 8. I have witnessed repeated targeting of members of the media by federal law enforcement, including ICE and and Customs and Border Patrol ("CBP") agents.
- 9. On the morning of Friday, September 26, 2025, I was shot with what I believe was a rubber bullet or foam ball while standing on Harvard Street, filming an arrest. I was clearly engaged in news-gathering activity and was targeted for this action.
- 10. The targeting of news media is not limited to me. That same Friday morning, I was part of a large group of press standing apart from the protestors on what I believe is a public street. We were clearly identifiable as journalists. Federal law enforcement threw tear gas directly at us, and another agent began shooting pepper balls directly at us.
- 11. At the times federal agents used force against me, I was not agitating or impeding law enforcement activity in any way.
- 12. I have witnessed multiple other members of the press being targeted with violence. This violence has escalated since September 5, 2025, my first day there. Each time I return,

there are more law enforcement who appear more agitated and more heavily armed.

13. I intend to continue reporting at the Broadview facility, but my ability to do so is harder because of the violence directed at me and my colleagues. While I have not been breaking any laws or disobeying any orders from federal officers, I am afraid that I will be targeted, injured, or arrested for continuing to report at Broadview.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on October 2, 2025.

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