

Trenton man files another brutality suit against Trenton cops over second alleged beatdown



Genesis Torres

TRENTON — Genesis Torres must feel like Trenton Police’s personal punching bag.

Torres filed a second lawsuit against TPD this month claiming he was permanently injured after being “assaulted and battered” by detectives Nicholas Mahan, Erick Avalos and Richard Gonzalez on Nov. 7, 2018.

Torres was walking down Pearl Street when the detectives went up to him and unloaded on him, according to the lawsuit, fracturing three of his ribs and bruising to his face and lower back.

He was taken to Capital Health Regional Medical Center for treatment of his injuries.

Torres is alleging his civil rights were violated over the alleged beatdown.

[In a separate lawsuit still pending in court](#), Torres claimed he was targeted for a beatdown by TPD after blowing through a red light.

He alleged in that civil rights lawsuit that detectives Harrison Steimle and Jorge Mejia “assaulted and battered” him Sept. 2, 2017, in the parking lot of a city liquor on the 200 block of Cass Street.

The beatdown started as a simple car stop, but quickly turned violent Torres said in a previous interview with the newspaper.

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Genesis Torres displays injuries he says he suffered at the hands of police in Trenton.

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His lawyer said he was charged for allegedly scuffling with the cops, in what his attorney said at the time seemed like cops trying to C.Y.A.

Torres was arrested again on drug charges a month after the incident. His lawyer claimed he was targeted for filing an internal affairs complaint against the officers, an allegation Trenton Police denied.

In that attack, Torres suffered a concussion, fractured nasal bone, zygomatic arch fracture, fractured orbital bones, ethmoid sinus fracture and a left frontal sinus fracture.

Genesis and his legal team provided photos of his injuries to The Trentonian, which showed him with blackened eyes, scratches and cuts.

He still had a shiner under his right eye when he spoke to this newspaper in September 2017.

Torres is represented by attorneys Robin Lord and Clifford Bidlingmaier III in both complaints.