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A NATIONAL AND PERSONAL APOLOGY

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Demographics

- Population: 43,400
- Share a border with Michigan State University
- Approximately 6,500 MSU Students Residing in Meridian Township



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5 TAKE AWAYS

Legal, Insurance Carrier and PR Firms Advice vs. Instinctive Leadership

One Leader.....One Spokesperson

Sincere Public Apology

Don't be Afraid of the Courthouse

Past, Present and Future.....Investigate, Apologize and Foster Change.

HEADLINE SEPTEMBER, 2016



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INDYSTAR

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016 CITY EDITION

OUT OF BALANCE: AN INDYSTAR INVESTIGATION



prepart courses where the Rachael Denhollander, shown at her home in Louisville, Ky., recently filed a police report in Michigan, alleging that she was sexually abused by Dr. Larry Nassar when she received treatment for lower back pain as a 15-year-old club-level gymnast in 2000.

Former USA Gymnastics doctor accused of abuse

Olympic medalist one of 2 women alleging sexual misconduct

Mark Alesia, Marisa Kwiatkowski

and Tim Evans mark.alesia@indystat.com, marius, kwiatkowsk @indystat.com and timeware@indystar.com

Olympic medalist, have accused a with little public notice. prominent, longtime team physician

was released Monday. The other filed a complaint two weeks ago with police in Michigan.

The women, in separate interviews with IndvStar, provided detailed accounts that closely mirrored each other as they outlined their allegations against Dr. Larry G. Nassar, Nassar served as USA Gymnastics' team physician during four Olympic Games Dr. Larry Two former gymnasts, one an and left his position last September

Nassar, a faculty member at Michifor USA Gymnastics of sexual abuse. gan State University who has treated One of the women filed a civil the university's gymnasts, has not lawsuit Thursday in California that been charged with any crime. His law- said the doctor fondled their genitals ver. Matthew Borgula, said Nassar and breasts. One of them said Nassar "emphatically" denies any wrongdoing.



Nassar

After being shown a copy of the lawsuit Monday, Borgula said, "Dr. Nassar, to the extent the allegations are against him, adamantly denies any misconduct at this or any other time."

The women said they were molested during multiple treatments in the 1990s and early 2000s. The two women

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Actual Email from MSU to Meridian Police-September, 2016



Frank Walsh

From:	Munford, Andrea < MunfordA	@police.msu.edu>
Sent:	Wednesday, September 14, 20	
To:	Brad Bach	
Subject:	Help me	

First of all, just a heads up regarding this case with Dr. Lawrence Nassar at MSU Sports Med...I am now up to 3 victims of CSC. I meant to call you earlier so you were aware we're taking them because we lease the space in that building on Eyde Pkway.

Second, one of the victims that called the reporter said she filed a report with MTPD in 2003. Her name is Brianne Randall now but that may be her married name. Can you see if you have a report on Nassar from 2003?

Thanks!!



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BRIANNE RANDALL-GAY



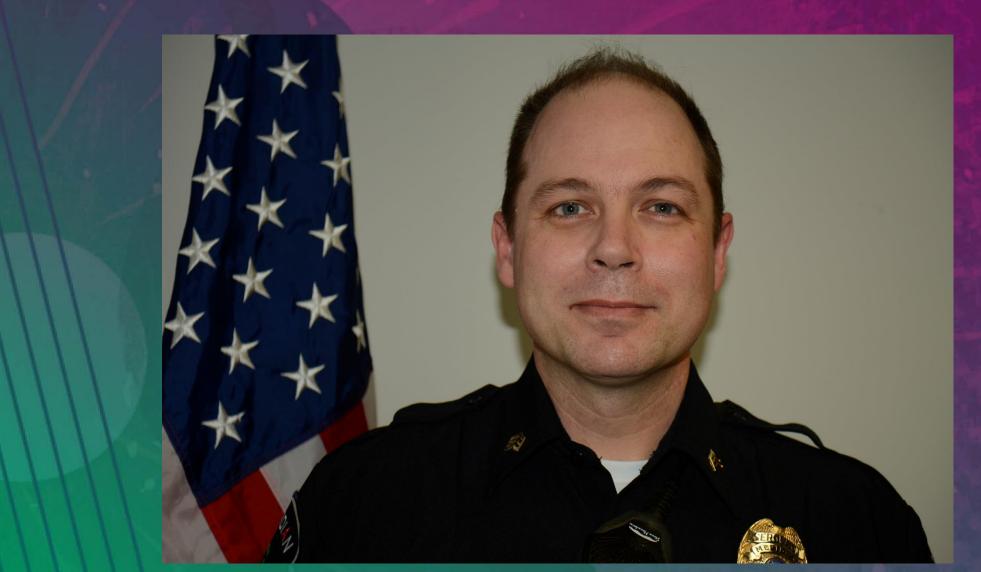
POLICE REPORT



Police release '04 report claiming assault by Nassar

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NASSAR MEDICAL PROCEDURE



"Creating a relationship with Brianne was the most important thing we could do. Forget the insurance liability, forget the PR firm, forget the attorney, do the right thing."





- First phone call
- Invite to travel to Michigan
- Call after church
- First meeting on Monday at noon with attorney
- Call to come to the courtroom
- National apology & timing



NBC NIGHTLY NEWS WITH LESTER HOLT FEBRUARY, 2018





LARRY NASSAR



MSU PRESIDENT LOU ANNA K. SIMON RESIGNS

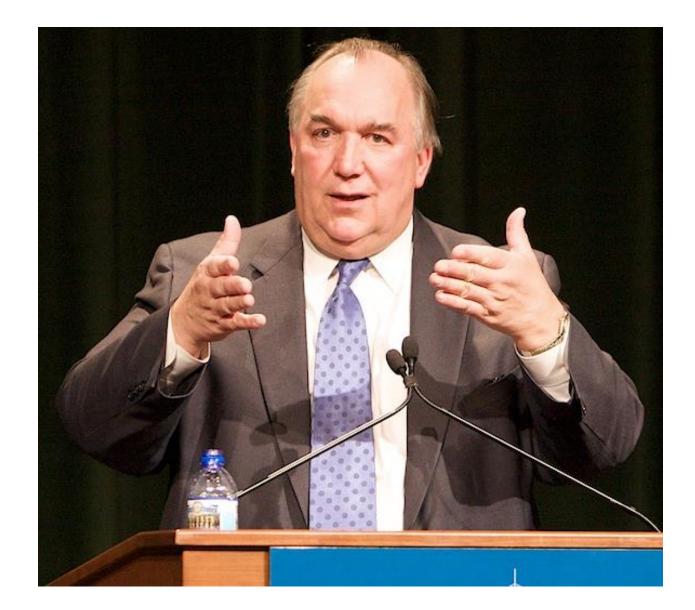


MSU ATHLETIC DIRECTOR MARK HOLLIS RESIGNS



MSU Board Asks for President Engler's Resignation

"Nassar survivors were enjoying the spotlight while the university is trying to go back to work."





MSU REACHES \$500 MILLION SETTLEMENT



332 SURVIVORS

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POLICE ARREST NASSAR'S BOSS MSU DEAN WILLIAM STRAMPEL



MSU Provost June Youatt Resigns

Department of Education fines MSU \$4.5 million as part of the continued fallout from the Larry Nassar scandal.



WE PROMISED BRIANNE "WE WOULD GET BETTER"



How Do We Get Better?

HIGH EXPECTATIONS



3 Outcomes

Review of all Sexual Assault complaints from 2000current Work with Brianne Randall-Gay on a community wide awareness and prevention program

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Department Reaction

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Questions

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Moving Forward

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CASE REVIEW

Cases from 2000-2017 were reviewed

- Averaged just over 33 cases per year prior to 2018
- 2017-investigated 35 cases
- 2018-investigated 74 cases
- 2019-58 cases as of 9/12/19

Categorizing case properly

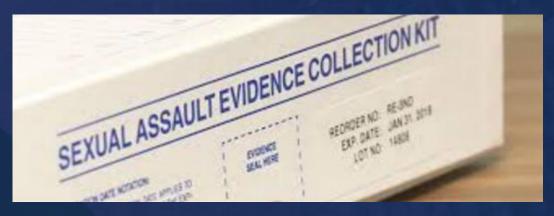
 charged, denied, victim declines to participate, critical evidentiary issues, outside jurisdiction, victim recants statement, unknown suspect

- Reporting of findings
 - Press release and conference

SPECIALIZED INVESTIGATOR

• The Need for a Specialized Investigator

- Ongoing Training
- Support for the Investigator



TRAINING

WHY A VICTIM CENTERED INTERVIEW WORKS

Presented By:

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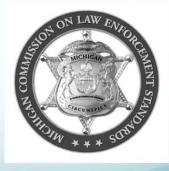




Jurisdictions of Excellence

Improving the Response to Sexual Assault: A Trauma Informed Approach for Detectives





Community Based Sexual Assault Prevention

- Program led by Brianne Randall-Gay
- Public Forum and meetings
- Promotes education and awareness
- Included cross-section of community
- Provides training to the community





Brianne Randall-Gay Video

Sexual Assault Survivor Brianne Randall-Gay's Statement





THANKS TO BRIANNE, WE ARE BETTER

Questions?

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