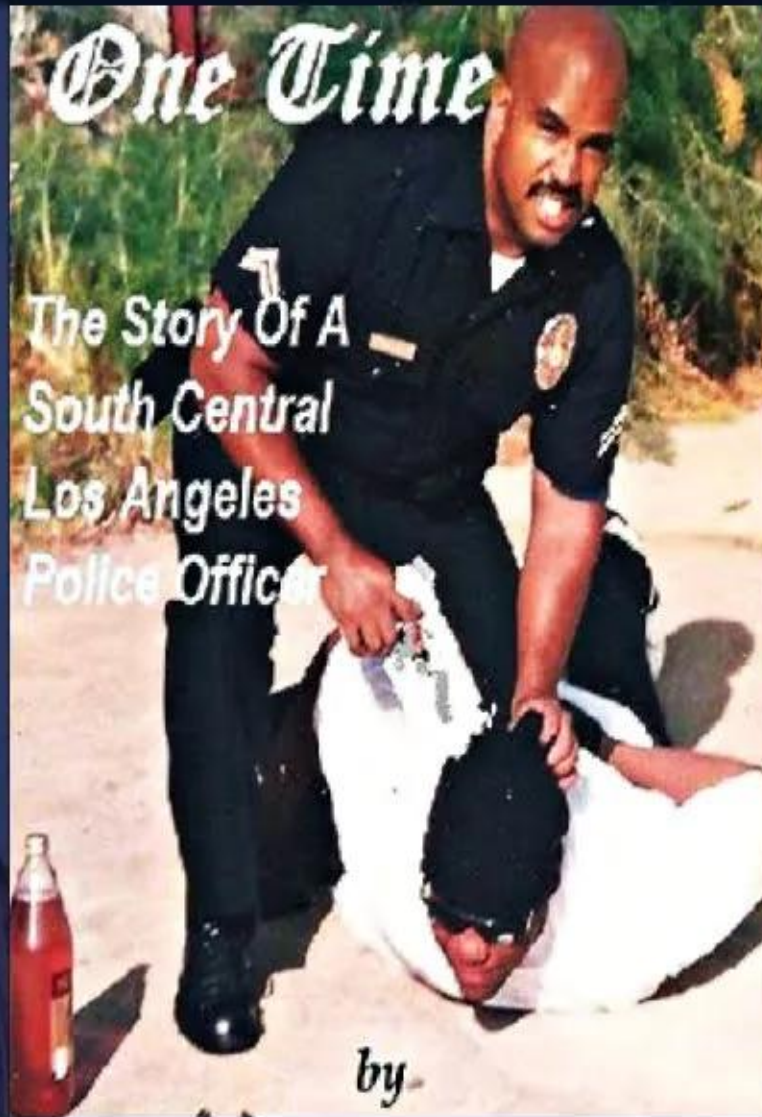


HIDDEN TRUTH SHOW WITH JIM BRESLO



BRIAN S. BENTLEY



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00:00:05,840 --> 00:00:02,750
okay now for interview with Brian

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00:00:09,310 --> 00:00:05,850
Bentley one of the big questions were

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00:00:11,959 --> 00:00:09,320
faced with right now as we look at the

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00:00:14,180 --> 00:00:11,969
response to the George Floyd and we look

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00:00:18,710 --> 00:00:14,190
at the black lives matter movement and

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00:00:21,410 --> 00:00:18,720
so on is if we just look at the George

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00:00:24,679 --> 00:00:21,420
Floyd situation do we have a problem

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00:00:28,240 --> 00:00:24,689
here in America with police brutality or

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00:00:30,980 --> 00:00:28,250
do we have a problem with police racism

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00:00:33,860 --> 00:00:30,990
that's interesting question and I think

11
00:00:35,479 --> 00:00:33,870
we have a problem with both and when you

12
00:00:38,360 --> 00:00:35,489
talk about racism people usually try to

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00:00:40,880 --> 00:00:38,370

put it into simple terms or you know

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00:00:43,400 --> 00:00:40,890

make it real simplistic but it isn't

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00:00:48,139 --> 00:00:43,410

pleased to Battaglia also is a complex

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00:00:51,200 --> 00:00:48,149

issue with George Floyd I mean we

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00:00:53,750 --> 00:00:51,210

watched someone get murdered right in

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00:00:57,020 --> 00:00:53,760

front of us and it was almost as if we

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00:01:00,979 --> 00:00:57,030

were there we see these videos every day

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00:01:03,080 --> 00:01:00,989

we saw them you know just non-stop so it

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00:01:06,230 --> 00:01:03,090

was almost as if we were there and we

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00:01:09,679 --> 00:01:06,240

were standing there watching there is a

23

00:01:12,859 --> 00:01:09,689

an issue with police brutality police

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00:01:15,230 --> 00:01:12,869

officers and it is due mainly to the to

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00:01:17,510 --> 00:01:15,240

their to the nature of the job it's a

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00:01:18,859 --> 00:01:17,520

violent job yeah I don't think I don't

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00:01:21,859 --> 00:01:18,869

think many people doubt that there's

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00:01:25,370 --> 00:01:21,869

police brutality I think you know that

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00:01:27,499 --> 00:01:25,380

whether it's racially motivated or not I

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00:01:30,020 --> 00:01:27,509

think is a real question you know the

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00:01:32,600 --> 00:01:30,030

George Floyd video is is horrifying to

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00:01:34,280 --> 00:01:32,610

watch actually I thought you made a

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00:01:35,899 --> 00:01:34,290

really interesting observation on

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00:01:38,510 --> 00:01:35,909

another interview that I watched through

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00:01:41,660 --> 00:01:38,520

you were you pointed out that hey when a

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00:01:45,200 --> 00:01:41,670

guy says that he can't breathe the

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00:01:48,319 --> 00:01:45,210

police mindset should change from being

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00:01:50,539 --> 00:01:48,329

full-blown arrest mode into being

39
00:01:51,410 --> 00:01:50,549
concerned for somebody's health you know

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00:01:53,630 --> 00:01:51,420
you're innocent until you're proven

41
00:01:55,670 --> 00:01:53,640
guilty so you're dealing with somebody

42
00:01:58,990 --> 00:01:55,680
who's supposed to be treated as an

43
00:02:01,819 --> 00:01:59,000
innocent person albeit subject to arrest

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00:02:03,440 --> 00:02:01,829
but there needs to be a mindset among

45
00:02:05,090 --> 00:02:03,450
police that hey we got to be concerned

46
00:02:07,280 --> 00:02:05,100
about the health and safety of everyone

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00:02:09,469 --> 00:02:07,290
even the people that were arresting and

48
00:02:11,029 --> 00:02:09,479
when somebody is indicating to you that

49
00:02:12,440 --> 00:02:11,039
they can't breathe there ought to be

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00:02:13,520 --> 00:02:12,450
something trigger that goes on in your

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00:02:14,990 --> 00:02:13,530

head and in the

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00:02:19,270 --> 00:02:15,000

cops we didn't see that trigger Gogh at

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00:02:22,460 --> 00:02:19,280

all no no we didn't and in fact the the

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00:02:24,380 --> 00:02:22,470

incident with George Floyd where someone

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00:02:25,940 --> 00:02:24,390

goes into medical distress is not

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00:02:27,230 --> 00:02:25,950

uncommon with police officers

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00:02:28,970 --> 00:02:27,240

these officers deal with that and

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00:02:31,010 --> 00:02:28,980

probably you know a couple times a week

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00:02:32,059 --> 00:02:31,020

where your arrest somebody and just

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00:02:34,540 --> 00:02:32,069

because of the nature of the rest you

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00:02:37,100 --> 00:02:34,550

know it's very frightening it's you know

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00:02:39,140 --> 00:02:37,110

Adrenaline's going on and people have

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00:02:39,890 --> 00:02:39,150

medical emergencies and so that's not

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00:02:46,190 --> 00:02:39,900

uncommon

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00:02:47,930 --> 00:02:46,200

not ignored it but they also contributed

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00:02:49,759 --> 00:02:47,940

to it by putting this knee on his neck

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00:02:52,729 --> 00:02:49,769

so you can see there wasn't any concern

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00:02:56,449 --> 00:02:52,739

and not just concerned but there seemed

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00:02:58,430 --> 00:02:56,459

to be some type of gratification from it

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00:03:00,350 --> 00:02:58,440

you know some kind of emotional release

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00:03:03,229 --> 00:03:00,360

from him having his foot on his neck

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00:03:07,070 --> 00:03:03,239

hands in its pocket and he seemed to be

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00:03:09,259 --> 00:03:07,080

enjoying it and to mention to go back to

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00:03:11,330 --> 00:03:09,269

what you're saying is is a racial or is

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00:03:13,009 --> 00:03:11,340

it just police brutality

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00:03:14,870 --> 00:03:13,019

yeah I worked with some really violent

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00:03:17,539 --> 00:03:14,880

cops when I worked with LAPD and

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00:03:19,940 --> 00:03:17,549

Southwest Division and I wrote in my

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00:03:23,030 --> 00:03:19,950

book that it's really difficult to tell

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00:03:24,920 --> 00:03:23,040

when you see a white officer who beats a

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00:03:27,110 --> 00:03:24,930

black person you see another black

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00:03:29,600 --> 00:03:27,120

officer who does the same thing it's

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00:03:32,600 --> 00:03:29,610

what's their motivation I've heard black

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00:03:34,340 --> 00:03:32,610

cops say well you know that person you

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00:03:36,110 --> 00:03:34,350

know I was pissed off because they're

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00:03:38,690 --> 00:03:36,120

bringing the the race down so I was

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00:03:41,600 --> 00:03:38,700

angry at that and then you wonder what

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00:03:44,060 --> 00:03:41,610

the motivation is behind the white

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00:03:46,009 --> 00:03:44,070

officers now the reason that I know that

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00:03:47,330 --> 00:03:46,019

there's racism on the department is

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00:03:49,160 --> 00:03:47,340

because I've had some you know I've been

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00:03:51,650 --> 00:03:49,170

really close to a lot of officers a lot

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00:03:53,479 --> 00:03:51,660

of white officers and sometimes when you

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00:03:55,250 --> 00:03:53,489

come into the car they'll tell you hey

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00:03:57,860 --> 00:03:55,260

you know what you need to look out for

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00:03:59,390 --> 00:03:57,870

so-and-so because we had a conversation

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00:04:01,580 --> 00:03:59,400

and they were throwing the N word around

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00:04:03,349 --> 00:04:01,590

and you should just be very careful that

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00:04:05,060 --> 00:04:03,359

person and they'll tell me yeah you know

100

00:04:06,949 --> 00:04:05,070

I had to put that person straight I've

101

00:04:08,810 --> 00:04:06,959

heard that maybe about 6 or 7 times

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00:04:10,460 --> 00:04:08,820

during my career where I've had white

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00:04:13,640 --> 00:04:10,470

officers warn me about other white

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00:04:15,680 --> 00:04:13,650

officers and so you know that sent an

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00:04:18,020 --> 00:04:15,690

alarm in my head too I go what's their

106

00:04:20,810 --> 00:04:18,030

motivation for doing what they do mm-hmm

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00:04:23,270 --> 00:04:20,820

but if we suggest that police brutality

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00:04:25,730 --> 00:04:23,280

is mostly racially based then you're

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00:04:27,200 --> 00:04:25,740

severely under estimating the amount of

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00:04:29,570 --> 00:04:27,210

police brutality because

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00:04:32,360 --> 00:04:29,580

the vast amount of police brutality is

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00:04:34,400 --> 00:04:32,370

probably not racially based well you

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00:04:38,120 --> 00:04:34,410

know that's that's like I said that's

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00:04:39,920 --> 00:04:38,130

hard to to address and well but you're

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00:04:41,900 --> 00:04:39,930

but you're the you're the guy who's

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00:04:44,330 --> 00:04:41,910

coming out and saying that hey there is

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00:04:47,029 --> 00:04:44,340

a strain among police officers that are

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00:04:48,320 --> 00:04:47,039

addicted to violence and I want you to

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00:04:50,350 --> 00:04:48,330

talk about that and I assume as

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00:04:52,700 --> 00:04:50,360

addiction to violence is not addicted to

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00:04:55,279 --> 00:04:52,710

racist violence it's just an addiction

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00:04:57,379 --> 00:04:55,289

to violence period right it is so so

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00:04:58,730 --> 00:04:57,389

when I wrote my first book one time the

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00:05:01,249 --> 00:04:58,740

story of a South Central Los Angeles

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00:05:04,460 --> 00:05:01,259

police officer I wrote it about the

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00:05:06,920 --> 00:05:04,470

violence that I saw and experienced on

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00:05:09,560 --> 00:05:06,930

the LAPD and here's the thing the thing

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00:05:11,900 --> 00:05:09,570

is when I wrote the book when I just

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00:05:14,060 --> 00:05:11,910

described my partner's I did not say

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00:05:17,180 --> 00:05:14,070

what race they were I described

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00:05:20,060 --> 00:05:17,190

everything else of a former Marine six

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00:05:22,550 --> 00:05:20,070

before our muscular tattoos but I did

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00:05:24,890 --> 00:05:22,560

not say whether they were white or black

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00:05:27,020 --> 00:05:24,900

and the reason I did that is because I

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00:05:29,510 --> 00:05:27,030

wanted to address the violence part of

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00:05:31,730 --> 00:05:29,520

it but here's the irony of it the irony

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00:05:33,589 --> 00:05:31,740

of it is that I have white officers come

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00:05:34,969 --> 00:05:33,599

to me and say my book was racial even

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00:05:36,499 --> 00:05:34,979

though I didn't mention the race and

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00:05:37,820 --> 00:05:36,509

then I have black officers come to me

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00:05:39,379 --> 00:05:37,830

and say well why didn't you tell me the

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00:05:42,140 --> 00:05:39,389

race why didn't you mention the race

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00:05:45,020 --> 00:05:42,150

because we know it was white people so

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00:05:47,360 --> 00:05:45,030

you know you have a dynamic here but

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00:05:50,740 --> 00:05:47,370

when I wrote my book and what I speak I

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00:05:52,969 --> 00:05:50,750

speak generally too specifically for

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00:05:56,330 --> 00:05:52,979

towards the violence because that's one

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00:05:59,719 --> 00:05:56,340

thing you can't deny is that the

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00:06:01,939 --> 00:05:59,729

addiction I mean you see it officers

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00:06:02,839 --> 00:06:01,949

can't control themselves you have body

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00:06:06,290 --> 00:06:02,849

cams right

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00:06:08,770 --> 00:06:06,300

you have citizens who have cell phones

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00:06:11,689 --> 00:06:08,780

you have surveillance videos on

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00:06:14,330 --> 00:06:11,699

buildings but they still go out and they

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00:06:16,159 --> 00:06:14,340

still commit excessive force knowing

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00:06:18,439 --> 00:06:16,169

that the whole world is watching and

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00:06:20,779 --> 00:06:18,449

they can't control it back when I was a

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00:06:24,409 --> 00:06:20,789

police officer doing the after the rebbe

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00:06:27,520 --> 00:06:24,419

for the riots and in 91 right after the

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00:06:29,839 --> 00:06:27,530

Rodney King beating LAPD was hands off

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00:06:31,730 --> 00:06:29,849

officers were saying we're not gonna

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00:06:33,980 --> 00:06:31,740

arrest anybody we're not gonna touch

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00:06:37,370 --> 00:06:33,990

anybody we don't care what the crime

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00:06:39,769 --> 00:06:37,380

rate goes you know how it gets we're not

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00:06:41,030 --> 00:06:39,779

touching anybody and as a result the LA

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00:06:44,210 --> 00:06:41,040

County Jail had to close

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00:06:47,600 --> 00:06:44,220

a wing of the other Jill because LAPD

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00:06:48,710 --> 00:06:47,610

was an arrest anybody however there was

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00:06:52,370 --> 00:06:48,720

a group of officers that I've worked

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00:06:53,870 --> 00:06:52,380

with that didn't care they couldn't stop

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00:06:55,130 --> 00:06:53,880

they went out and they were it was

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00:06:57,470 --> 00:06:55,140

business as usual

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00:07:00,710 --> 00:06:57,480

they were roughing up gang members they

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00:07:02,270 --> 00:07:00,720

are very physical in everything they

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00:07:04,070 --> 00:07:02,280

never stopped they didn't matter what

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00:07:06,860 --> 00:07:04,080

the public's opinion was they didn't

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00:07:08,990 --> 00:07:06,870

matter what the ramifications would have

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00:07:11,540 --> 00:07:09,000

been they can they conducted business as

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00:07:13,820 --> 00:07:11,550

usual because it was something they felt

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00:07:15,620 --> 00:07:13,830

they had to do so this addiction to

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00:07:18,140 --> 00:07:15,630

violence that you speak about that you

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00:07:20,510 --> 00:07:18,150

saw in your time of the LAPD and I

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00:07:22,670 --> 00:07:20,520

presume have also done a lot of research

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00:07:25,970 --> 00:07:22,680

on let's start with this question do you

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00:07:28,580 --> 00:07:25,980

see the prevalence of that among white

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00:07:30,830 --> 00:07:28,590

officers being any different than the

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00:07:34,220 --> 00:07:30,840

prevalence of that addiction among black

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00:07:37,150 --> 00:07:34,230

officers well we've seen in Atlanta the

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00:07:39,410 --> 00:07:37,160

officers that were fired they were black

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00:07:42,500 --> 00:07:39,420

the thing is is that you don't have as

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00:07:45,500 --> 00:07:42,510

many black officers to to run a pool and

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00:07:48,560 --> 00:07:45,510

do statistics on most of the officers

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00:07:50,930 --> 00:07:48,570

that you see on the LAPD in the black

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00:07:53,960 --> 00:07:50,940

community are white there's not a lot of

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00:07:55,880 --> 00:07:53,970

black officers on patrol so you can't

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00:07:57,560 --> 00:07:55,890

really get an accurate count so of

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00:08:00,440 --> 00:07:57,570

course you're gonna see what is a great

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00:08:01,780 --> 00:08:00,450

kind of LAPD do you know I do I know

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00:08:03,950 --> 00:08:01,790

that uh

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00:08:06,500 --> 00:08:03,960

which is interesting that you brought

201
00:08:09,770 --> 00:08:06,510
this up but the Police Protective League

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00:08:11,890 --> 00:08:09,780
is doing this campaign where you know

203
00:08:14,120 --> 00:08:11,900
there's a lot of diversity in the

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00:08:16,520 --> 00:08:14,130
department and that there's nine point

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00:08:20,960 --> 00:08:16,530
nine percent african-americans on the

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00:08:24,050 --> 00:08:20,970
job that comes out to be 962 black

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00:08:26,180 --> 00:08:24,060
officers on that 962 that spread out

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00:08:29,570 --> 00:08:26,190
through through the whole department

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00:08:32,000 --> 00:08:29,580
through the valley through Metro all

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00:08:36,320 --> 00:08:32,010
over and there are only there are less

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00:08:38,360 --> 00:08:36,330
than 300 black officers on patrol so you

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00:08:39,890 --> 00:08:38,370
don't see any I live in South LA I

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00:08:41,180 --> 00:08:39,900

haven't seen a black officer of my

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00:08:44,930 --> 00:08:41,190

neighborhood in eight months

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00:08:47,570 --> 00:08:44,940

so it's looking that why do you why do

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00:08:49,430 --> 00:08:47,580

you think there's so few black officers

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00:08:52,640 --> 00:08:49,440

I mean you say it's ten percent which I

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00:08:54,990 --> 00:08:52,650

mean that is ballpark the percentage in

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00:08:57,180 --> 00:08:55,000

in in the LA population right

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00:08:58,920 --> 00:08:57,190

african-americans that is but but you

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00:09:02,070 --> 00:08:58,930

can't go on that because when I was on

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00:09:05,730 --> 00:09:02,080

the job in 1990 the department was 13.8%

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00:09:08,640 --> 00:09:05,740

black in the population in LA was 11 so

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00:09:10,080 --> 00:09:08,650

I don't know where's they got into a

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00:09:12,630 --> 00:09:10,090

board meeting somewhere and decided that

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00:09:13,830 --> 00:09:12,640

we're going to change it but even when I

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00:09:14,970 --> 00:09:13,840

was in the department you still didn't

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00:09:19,380 --> 00:09:14,980

see a lot of the black officers on

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00:09:21,150 --> 00:09:19,390

patrol and have you ever you made a kind

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00:09:22,440 --> 00:09:21,160

of a flippant comment there about going

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00:09:23,610 --> 00:09:22,450

into a board meeting and changing

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00:09:26,040 --> 00:09:23,620

something what are you talking about

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00:09:29,130 --> 00:09:26,050

well it's uh you know it's a

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00:09:32,040 --> 00:09:29,140

conservative conservative effort not to

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00:09:33,560 --> 00:09:32,050

have not to have black officers on the

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00:09:38,220 --> 00:09:33,570

job

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00:09:38,700 --> 00:09:38,230

what do you bold assertion what do you

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00:09:42,060 --> 00:09:38,710

base that on

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00:09:45,540 --> 00:09:42,070

I base it on because I've talked to

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00:09:47,130 --> 00:09:45,550

people in recruiting and they go out and

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00:09:49,380 --> 00:09:47,140

there are a lot of black applicants and

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00:09:51,270 --> 00:09:49,390

you cannot tell me that all the

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00:09:55,530 --> 00:09:51,280

applicants are not qualified and that

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00:09:57,840 --> 00:09:55,540

they could only get five black qualified

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00:10:01,140 --> 00:09:57,850

people to to come into the police

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00:10:04,770 --> 00:10:01,150

academy and I know somewhere somewhere

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00:10:06,780 --> 00:10:04,780

they had to make the decision that

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they're only going to have this

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percentage in the class and basically

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you know they're going on what the

251
00:10:15,720 --> 00:10:14,290
percentage of the population is that's

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00:10:19,140 --> 00:10:15,730
not fair I mean is it does the LAPD

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00:10:20,940 --> 00:10:19,150
practice affirmative action I don't know

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00:10:23,130 --> 00:10:20,950
I'm not behind the scenes I don't know

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00:10:25,340 --> 00:10:23,140
that all I could say is that well what I

256
00:10:27,990 --> 00:10:25,350
all I could say is what I've heard and

257
00:10:30,900 --> 00:10:28,000
they're trying to keep it at the level

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00:10:32,370 --> 00:10:30,910
of the population of blacks but that's

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00:10:35,040 --> 00:10:32,380
not that's not writing that's not

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00:10:35,930 --> 00:10:35,050
productive because but who's trying to

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00:10:39,210 --> 00:10:35,940
keep it that way

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00:10:41,010 --> 00:10:39,220
well key for the leaves the mayor well

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00:10:43,980 --> 00:10:41,020

no is it I don't know who goes behind

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00:10:45,360 --> 00:10:43,990

and who actually makes that decision you

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00:10:47,850 --> 00:10:45,370

can use that's the question you should

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00:10:50,640 --> 00:10:47,860

have asked Jamie McBride on how they

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00:10:52,770 --> 00:10:50,650

came about those numbers with the how

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00:10:54,480 --> 00:10:52,780

many blacks but but perhaps the numbers

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00:10:56,790 --> 00:10:54,490

just come out as they are they the

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00:10:59,670 --> 00:10:56,800

people apply everybody's free to apply

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00:11:01,530 --> 00:10:59,680

the best-qualified get hired and the

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00:11:02,910 --> 00:11:01,540

less qualified don't and then it winds

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00:11:04,650 --> 00:11:02,920

up with the percentage that it winds up

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00:11:06,329 --> 00:11:04,660

and now you're acting as if somebody's

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00:11:07,380 --> 00:11:06,339

paying attention and manipulating the

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00:11:08,770 --> 00:11:07,390

numbers to make sure there's only a

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00:11:11,110 --> 00:11:08,780

certain percentage of blacks and that's

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00:11:12,670 --> 00:11:11,120

that's a very strong assertion you're

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00:11:17,320 --> 00:11:12,680

saying that they're violating title

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00:11:21,340 --> 00:11:17,330

seven of the Civil Rights Act Black's

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00:11:24,040 --> 00:11:21,350

well when I was in the Academy they did

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00:11:27,340 --> 00:11:24,050

have a policy that they would not even

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00:11:29,410 --> 00:11:27,350

start an academy class unless they had a

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00:11:31,150 --> 00:11:29,420

certain number of a certain percentage

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00:11:32,860 --> 00:11:31,160

of blacks in that class certain

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00:11:35,290 --> 00:11:32,870

percentage of Hispanics and a certain

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00:11:36,880 --> 00:11:35,300

percentage of whites that was a fact I

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00:11:38,680 --> 00:11:36,890

knew when I go when I was in there I

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00:11:41,050 --> 00:11:38,690

can't say what's going on now because

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00:11:42,880 --> 00:11:41,060

I'm not a part of it but I can tell you

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00:11:44,440 --> 00:11:42,890

for sure there had to be at least a

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00:11:45,730 --> 00:11:44,450

minimum percentage you're saying right

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00:11:47,020 --> 00:11:45,740

there was a minimum percentage that you

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00:11:49,720 --> 00:11:47,030

had to have and they would not start a

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00:11:51,640 --> 00:11:49,730

class if they could not meet those

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00:11:52,840 --> 00:11:51,650

percentages so that's affirmative action

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00:11:54,340 --> 00:11:52,850

they were intentionally looking at

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00:11:56,800 --> 00:11:54,350

people's race and making sure that they

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00:12:02,260 --> 00:11:56,810

had a certain percentage of black and

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00:12:05,520 --> 00:12:02,270

Hispanic candidates they were applying

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00:12:08,470 --> 00:12:05,530
affirmative action right and so now that

302
00:12:10,990 --> 00:12:08,480
the nine point nine percent is not an

303
00:12:14,230 --> 00:12:11,000
effective number nine hundred and sixty

304
00:12:17,079 --> 00:12:14,240
two black officers and having only less

305
00:12:19,180 --> 00:12:17,089
than 300 in the field is not productive

306
00:12:21,280 --> 00:12:19,190
especially when the crisis that we're

307
00:12:23,680 --> 00:12:21,290
having now is generated by what's going

308
00:12:25,300 --> 00:12:23,690
on in the black community well look I I

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00:12:27,460 --> 00:12:25,310
agree with you I would love to see a

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00:12:30,820 --> 00:12:27,470
greater percentage of African Americans

311
00:12:33,550 --> 00:12:30,830
as police officers because even though

312
00:12:35,140 --> 00:12:33,560
10 percent is in the ballpark of the

313
00:12:37,810 --> 00:12:35,150

percentage of African Americans in Los

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00:12:40,210 --> 00:12:37,820

Angeles the truth is there's far more

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00:12:41,890 --> 00:12:40,220

crime in the black community and so

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00:12:45,070 --> 00:12:41,900

there's far more officers in the black

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00:12:48,070 --> 00:12:45,080

community and it would be nice if a

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00:12:50,320 --> 00:12:48,080

larger percentage of them were of a

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00:12:53,950 --> 00:12:50,330

similar background and you're right

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00:12:55,120 --> 00:12:53,960

there the the statistics for the for the

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00:12:58,210 --> 00:12:55,130

crime in the black community is lot

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00:13:00,400 --> 00:12:58,220

higher and that goes to to what I've

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00:13:01,720 --> 00:13:00,410

been saying as far as the mindset of

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00:13:04,120 --> 00:13:01,730

police officers when I was in the

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00:13:05,770 --> 00:13:04,130

Academy we had a choice of where to go

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00:13:09,520 --> 00:13:05,780

we have three choices of where we wanted

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00:13:12,850 --> 00:13:09,530

to go everyone shows 77th southeast in

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00:13:16,360 --> 00:13:12,860

Newton which were areas in the black

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00:13:18,390 --> 00:13:16,370

community and a lot of our the recruits

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00:13:21,600 --> 00:13:18,400

were from other states they were from

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00:13:22,740 --> 00:13:21,610

Iowa they were from Montana and

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00:13:26,770 --> 00:13:22,750

everybody

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00:13:27,910 --> 00:13:26,780

77 and southeast and I asked a lot of

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00:13:29,710 --> 00:13:27,920

them over like why do you want to go

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00:13:32,020 --> 00:13:29,720

there and they're like because we heard

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00:13:34,050 --> 00:13:32,030

that's where the action is so everybody

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00:13:36,970 --> 00:13:34,060

knows the statistics where the crime is

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00:13:39,130 --> 00:13:36,980

where the action is and that's where

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00:13:42,670 --> 00:13:39,140

they want to go because they want to be

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00:13:44,200 --> 00:13:42,680

in where the action is it's not because

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00:13:47,440 --> 00:13:44,210

they want to help solve domestic

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00:13:49,300 --> 00:13:47,450

violence are are be mentors to kids they

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00:13:51,060 --> 00:13:49,310

want to go where you know where the

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00:13:53,860 --> 00:13:51,070

action is and I mean I understand that

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00:13:55,690 --> 00:13:53,870

but the thing is is you have that

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00:13:57,690 --> 00:13:55,700

mentality and you go into the community

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00:13:59,790 --> 00:13:57,700

and you want to go in like a cowboy

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00:14:02,590 --> 00:13:59,800

you're not thinking about what the

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00:14:04,750 --> 00:14:02,600

people who are innocent who aren't

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00:14:07,000 --> 00:14:04,760

involved in gangs who and the kids who

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00:14:08,710 --> 00:14:07,010

get stopped randomly because these

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00:14:10,510 --> 00:14:08,720

officers are from some other place and

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00:14:11,890 --> 00:14:10,520

they don't understand you know really

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00:14:13,660 --> 00:14:11,900

understand what a gang member looks like

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00:14:16,300 --> 00:14:13,670

and so that's where you have the

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00:14:19,000 --> 00:14:16,310

hostility and in the black community and

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00:14:21,640 --> 00:14:19,010

you have these officers who who are

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00:14:23,680 --> 00:14:21,650

aggressive and they go on to the black

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00:14:26,110 --> 00:14:23,690

community and it's accepted where you

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00:14:29,230 --> 00:14:26,120

live in West LA you can't go in there

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00:14:30,400 --> 00:14:29,240

and just stop randomly stop people you

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00:14:34,000 --> 00:14:30,410

know you'd be thrown out the division

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00:14:35,800 --> 00:14:34,010

and you would have problems but in South

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00:14:38,590 --> 00:14:35,810

LA you can pretty much do anything you

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00:14:40,030 --> 00:14:38,600

want to do and there isn't you know any