

# SWORN STATEMENT NO. 11-2

## FROM PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY JAIL

**We do not have cell phone footage of abuses inside prisons and jails. I am reading the following sworn testimony from a person held in the Prince George's County Jail to lift this veil of secrecy and hold our justice system accountable. This testimony was taken in April 2020.**

I am currently incarcerated at the Prince George's County Jail. I contracted the Coronavirus while detained at the jail and have since tested positive for the virus.

My symptoms first began at the end of March, and by March 31, I was feeling really bad. My symptoms were a headache, fever, chills, runny nose, and heavy sweating.

That same day, I had a bond hearing. I was given a \$1,000 bond with the option of paying ten percent to the Court, and my bond was paid shortly after.

Although my symptoms were bad, I was scared to go to the medical unit, because I wanted to get out before they could lock me in isolation.

When I still wasn't released by April 1, however, I was too sick and had to request a sick call. They took my temperature, and my temperature was around 103 degrees. They gave me Tylenol and a mask, but nothing else was done. They took me back to housing and I just had to wait. On April 5, my test came back positive. I now have to stay here for fourteen days, until they say I'm no longer contagious.

Until April 6, I was still wearing those same clothes I was sweating in, for five days. Some guys don't have toothbrushes or toothpaste either, some say they haven't had a toothbrush or toothpaste in a week. We've got the same clothes on for five or six days, the same underwear for five or six days. I'm still wearing the same drawers since Thursday, and they look nasty. They're turning black.

My bond is paid and I want to be released. So I just have to sit here and wait.