

## ARLINGTON BRANCH NAACP Unit #6298

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## STATEMENT FROM ARLINGTON NAACP ON ARBITRATION DECISION IN THE JONATHAN PAUL CASE

The loss of Mr. Paul's life amounts to murder at the hands of City of Arlington's jail staff. Mr. Paul's life was cut short by excessive, unwarranted use of brutality while in jail custody after being arrested on misdemeanor traffic warrants.

We are perplexed and disappointed at the decision of an arbitrator to overturn the Police Chief's correct decision to terminate the rogue jail staff. When senseless acts of murder at the hands of those who are supposed to protect and serve are not addressed, all of America should be offended and ashamed.

-ALISA SIMMONS PRESIDENT ARLINGTON NAACP