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I was dispatched to 1561 Vinson Highway, the Family Store, in reference to a black male, later identified as Calvin Brown, trespassing on the property.

Upon my arrival, Calvin willingly approached me, and offered his name and date of birth without question or cause for concern. I confirmed his information through dispatch, while simultaneously having our on-duty 100 operator check to see if Calvin had in fact been previously trespassed from the location. Once 100 confirmed a trespass notice for the location was served to Calvin on 03/02/2026, I informed Calvin he was going to be placed under arrest for criminal trespass.

Calvin told me he was not going to jail and immediately attempted to flee on foot to avoid arrest. Due to my close proximity to Calvin, I was able to reach out, grab hold of the back of his shirt, and pull him to the ground to prevent him from running any further. Once on the ground, I obtained a rear-mounted position on Calvin's back, using my legs to lock his legs out in a splayed position as he was actively trying to stand up out from beneath me. I gave clear commands to Calvin to have him stop fighting with me, but he refused to do so. Calvin was able to partially roll out from under me, causing me to fall to my back while still maintaining a rear control of his person using my legs to wrap around his lower torso. While in this position, I attempted to regain positive control of Calvin's upper body with my arms during which he bit me on my left arm; the bite did not result in skin breakage nor any visible injury to speak of. At some point during the beginning of the altercation, I informed dispatchers that I was actively engaged in a physical altercation with Calvin.

I continued to tell Calvin to stop fighting, with reinforced commands given that he would be subjected to strikes to the face to gain compliance if he did not. Calvin again managed to roll over, this time bringing me back on top of him in a mounted position. Calvin continued to actively resist, resulting to me delivering several closed hand strikes to his face in an attempt to gain compliance and affect an arrest. Calvin then managed to roll me off of him, allowing him to obtain an upward posture over myself. I observed people watching in the background and shouted for them to assist me, as I was now in fear for my safety. The individual, later identified as Caliq Jones, was heard giving his refusal to help as he was actively recording the altercation on his phone. I continued to defend myself from my back, and was able to avoid being struck in the face by Calvin as he threw a closed-hand strike with his left hand to my face. After Calvin threw the strike, he placed his left hand around my throat and squeezed. When Calvin did this, I could feel the pressure begin to obstruct blood flow and restrict my ability to breathe (training cited at end of narrative).

I again shouted for help, as Calvin was actively attempting to fight, which prompted Jones and another bystander, Cornelius Barnes, to run up and pull Calvin off me. Once Calvin was off me and still being restrained by Jones and Barnes, he delivered a knee strike to my chest using his right knee. During this point of the altercaion, both Jones and Barnes were pleading with Calvin to stop fighting. The knee to my chest did not interrupt my ability to regain some semblance of composure, as I reached out and pulled Calvin back to the ground. A brief window presented itself for me to utilize my department issued Taser 7. I discharged one cartridge at close range and place the taser against Calvin's lower abdomen to complete a connection via a drive stun. Although a complete neuromuscular incapacitation did not occur, the action of being tased resulted in compliance being given.

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Once Calvin became compliant, Deputy Fordham was first to arrive and assist me with placing him under arrest. Deputy Fordham also conducted the transportation of Calvin to the jail in my stead so I could be checked for injuries, all of which were minor, by EMS at the request of Lieutenant Rogers.

Warrants for Misdemeanor Criminal Trespass, Obstruction of a Law Enforcement Officer - Felony, and Aggravated Assault Against a Peace Officer - Felony were sworn against Calvin.

Regarding prior training, I took part in a defensive tactics class conducted by Lieutenant Casey Banes, who is the lead Defensive Tactics coordinator for law enforcement in the state of Georgia. During said training, I voluntarily submitted myself to be placed in a Vascular Neck Restraint (more commonly referred to as a rear-naked choke), to understand the outcome/effects it has on the human body. In doing so, I was unable to maintain consciousness, and when I came to, I had a fundamentally new perspective on how being choked/strangled works. This being said, during my altercation with Calvin, I was able to clearly recognize the signs of what the potential outcome could have been had Jones and Barnes not assisted when they did.