

Justice department attorney who was profiled is out of a job

By **PARIS ACHEN**
Capital Bureau

Revelations of Oregon Department of Justice agents monitoring social media activity by the agency's head civil rights attorney Erious Johnson Jr. for using a Black Lives Matter hashtag garnered international headlines in late 2015.

The incident triggered an outside investigation of the department in which agents were found to have likely violated laws barring the collection of political speech. The scandal also prompted edicts for mandatory anti-discrimination and bias training for department employees.

Yet, two years later, Johnson, one of the only black employees at Department of Justice, also is the only employee who ultimately was forced out of the agency in the wake of the scandal.

Two of the three white co-workers accused of profiling him still work at the justice department. A third left the agency voluntarily to take another job.

Johnson filed a federal lawsuit against the Department of Justice last year for violation of his civil rights. State officials agreed earlier this month to pay Johnson \$205,000 to settle the case



Submitted Photo
Erious Johnson Jr. was wrongly profiled by his co-workers at the Oregon Department of Justice, but he is the only employee to lose his job in the wake of the scandal. Johnson resigned his post as part of a settlement of his federal lawsuit against the state.

on the condition that he leave the department. He resigned the position effective Friday and is prohibited from working for the state for at least five years.

"I just think it's pure retaliation," said Beth Creighton, a civil rights lawyer who represented Johnson. "First, the state violates his rights, and then they require him to consent to continuing to violate his rights, i.e., that he won't

work for the state in order to be compensated for the violation he suffered originally."

Matt Shelby, spokesman for the state Department of Administrative Services, which handled the settlement, denied that the requirement to resign was retaliation for Johnson suing the state.

"When (the) DAS Risk (Department) gets involved in settlement discussions, the focus is on making the best business decision for the state, not punishing anybody," Shelby wrote in an email to the EO Media Group/Pamplin Media Group Capital Bureau.

Government officials have increasingly used forced resignations in settlements to discourage their employees from suing state agencies, Creighton said.

"My experience with the state of Oregon is that they do not take kindly to people who assert their rights even if they are correct in doing so," she said.

Shelby said he was not permitted to discuss specifics of Johnson's case. However, generally, state negotiators "consider how any settlement will impact the state in the future — both in terms of individuals filing claims against us, and our ability to negotiate them."

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More than 7,000 roofing nails spilled on Highway 101 in Warrenton

By **JACK HEFFERNAN**
The Daily Astorian

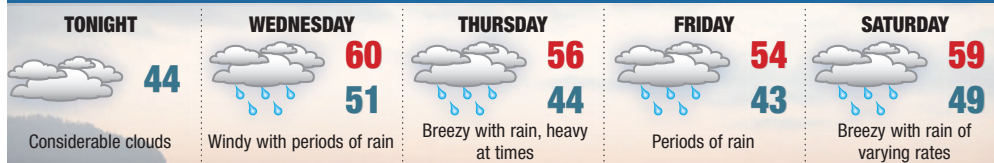
The state Department of Transportation and law enforcement officials utilized everything in their metaphorical toolboxes Saturday afternoon to clean up a potentially dangerous mess on the New Youngs Bay Bridge.

A box containing more than 7,000 roofing nails had spilled in the southbound lane of U.S. Highway 101 in Warrenton in front of the

Premarq Center. Shortly before 4 p.m., police received a call from a driver reporting the incident, though no injuries or accidents have been linked to the spill, Warrenton Police Chief Mathew Workman said. It is unknown who spilled the nails or how.

Southbound traffic was blocked for roughly one hour and drivers were directed to a detour via the U.S. Highway 101 Business Loop as ODOT officials collected the nails in large plastic sacks.

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA



ALMANAC

Astoria through Monday.
Temperatures
High/low 59°/36°
Normal high/low 61°/44°
Record high 77° in 2002
Record low 33° in 1983
Precipitation
Monday 0.00"
Month to date 1.23"
Normal month to date 2.39"
Year to date 54.44"
Normal year to date 42.63"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 6:26 p.m.
Sunrise Wednesday 7:37 a.m.
Moonrise today 5:08 a.m.
Moonset today 5:54 p.m.



UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Wednesday morning low in the east, the waning crescent moon is near Venus.

TOMORROW'S TIDES

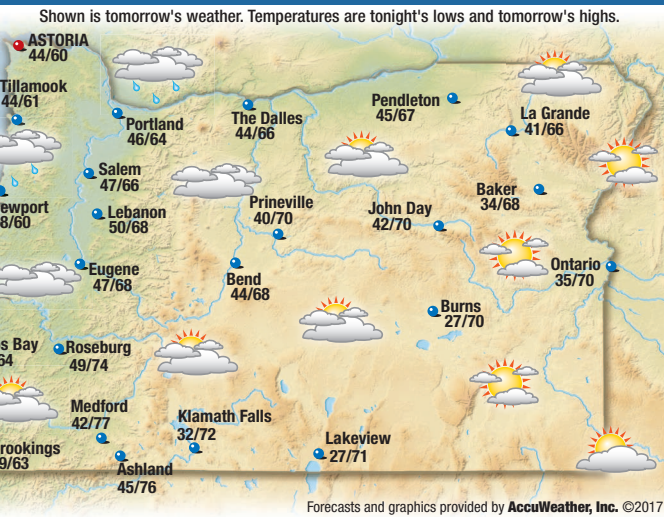
Astoria / Port Docks
Time High Low
12:51 a.m. 8.1 ft. 7:03 a.m. 0.3 ft.
1:12 p.m. 8.9 ft. 7:34 p.m. -0.2 ft.

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	68	48	s	71	48	s
Boston	58	48	s	69	53	s
Chicago	68	46	s	70	52	s
Denver	76	43	s	76	42	s
Des Moines	71	50	s	73	46	s
Detroit	68	46	s	69	51	s
El Paso	84	60	pc	87	62	pc
Fairbanks	33	22	c	30	16	sn
Honolulu	86	74	s	87	75	pc
Indianapolis	67	44	s	69	50	s
Kansas City	71	50	s	73	50	s
Las Vegas	87	63	s	85	63	s
Los Angeles	92	67	pc	86	64	s
Memphis	72	50	s	75	52	s
Miami	88	75	t	85	76	pc
Nashville	70	45	s	74	46	s
New Orleans	76	63	s	80	65	s
New York	60	48	s	70	55	s
Oklahoma City	73	48	s	78	53	s
Philadelphia	61	46	s	72	52	s
St. Louis	71	47	s	74	53	s
Salt Lake City	70	45	pc	72	47	s
San Francisco	75	52	pc	67	54	pc
Seattle	61	46	r	60	52	r
Washington, DC	63	47	s	71	50	s

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

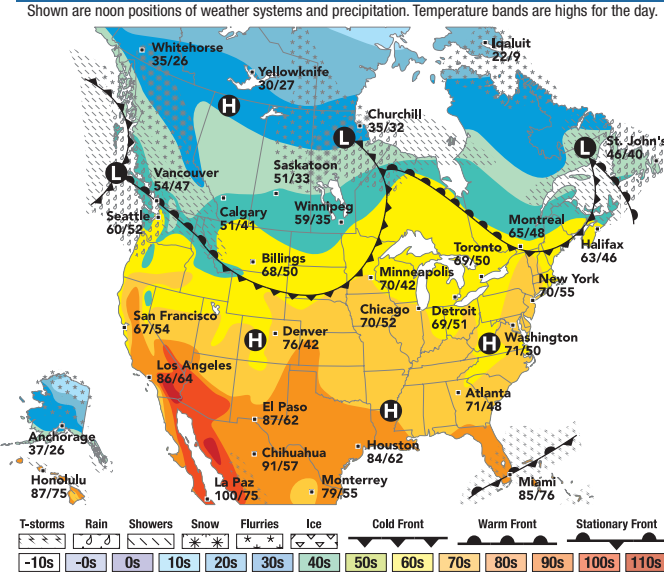
REGIONAL WEATHER



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City	Today	Wed.	City	Today	Wed.
Baker City	69 34 pc	68 36 pc	Olympia	60 40 r	60 49 r
Bend	68 44 pc	68 46 c	Pendleton	71 45 pc	67 51 c
Brookings	64 49 pc	62 52 c	Portland	60 46 r	64 52 c
Eugene	63 47 c	68 48 c	Roseburg	70 49 pc	74 50 c
Ilwaco	58 47 r	58 52 r	Salem	61 47 r	66 51 r
Klamath Falls	72 32 pc	72 33 pc	Seaside	59 45 r	59 52 r
Medford	77 42 pc	77 43 c	Spokane	62 39 c	54 48 r
Newberg	61 47 r	64 53 r	Springfield	64 49 c	69 51 c
Newport	57 48 r	60 51 r	Vancouver	59 45 r	63 53 r
North Bend	63 50 c	64 52 c	Yakima	68 35 c	64 50 c

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ON THE RECORD

DUII

• At 7:15 a.m. Saturday, Ian Justin Miner, 24, of Hammond, was arrested by the Warrenton Police Department on the 500 block of S.W. 18th Street and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants.

• At 1:04 a.m. Sunday, Bradley D. Kenoyer, 56, of Gearhart, was arrested by the Astoria Police Department on Commercial Street and Fourth Street and charged with DUII. His blood alcohol content was 0.14 percent.

• At 5:54 p.m. Sunday, Krystal M. Schneider, 30, of Salem, was arrested by the Astoria Police Department on the 3700 block of Pipe-

line Road and charged with DUII. Her blood alcohol content was 0.18 percent. Prior to officer arrival, she allegedly was involved in a single vehicle crash on the side of the road.

Assault

• At 7:26 a.m. Sunday, Paul Michael Depastene, 57, of Astoria, was arrested by the Astoria Police Department on the 4400 block of Lief Erikson Drive and charged with fourth-degree assault. He allegedly threw a female out of a house and into bushes. She sustained cuts to her left shoulder, forearms and hands.

DEATH

Oct. 15, 2017

PROCTOR, Frank Glenn,

76, of Clatskanie, died in La

Grande. Groulx Family Mor-

tuary in Rainier is in charge of the arrangements.

MEMORIAL

Thursday, Oct. 19

NEWLAND, Judith Dar-

lene — Celebration of life and

potluck reception at 5:30 p.m.,

Seaside Elks Lodge, 324 Avenue A in Seaside.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

TUESDAY

Port of Astoria Commission, 4 p.m., Port offices, 10 Pier 1 Suite 209.

Clatsop County Human Services Advisory Council, 4 to 5:30 p.m., 800 Exchange St., Room 430.

Seaside School District Board

of Directors, 6 p.m., 1801 S. Franklin, Seaside.

Seaside Planning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.

Shoreline Sanitary District Board, 7 p.m., Gearhart Hertig Station, 33496 West Lake Lane, Warrenton.

WEDNESDAY

Clatsop Soil and Water Conservation District Board, 10 a.m., District Office, Room 207, 750 Commercial St.

Seaside Tourism Advisory Committee, 3 p.m., 989 Broadway.

LOTTERIES

OREGON

Monday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 7-1-9-3

4 p.m.: 3-1-6-5

7 p.m.: 9-6-3-1

10 p.m.: 6-6-1-9

Monday's Lucky Lines: 02-06-12-16-17-23-26-29

Estimated jackpot: \$15,000

Monday's Megabucks: 6-16-19-20-21-30

Estimated jackpot: \$8.7 million

WASHINGTON

Monday's Daily Game: 8-9-3

Monday's Hit 5: 16-28-35-36-38

Estimated jackpot: \$150,000

Monday's Keno: 01-06-10-11-15-17-18-20-21-22-27-30-43-49-51-60-61-67-74-80

Monday's Lotto: 06-14-15-19-28-30

Estimated jackpot: \$1.6 million

Monday's Match 4: 11-13-17-24

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