

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

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IN THE MATTER OF THE REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE  
of the  
DAVIES PROTECTIVE PATROL SERVICE, INCORPORATED

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TO THE DAVIES PROTECTIVE PATROL SERVICE, INCORPORATED:

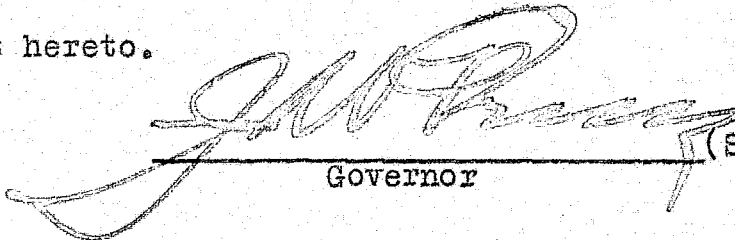
You are hereby summoned and required to show cause before the Governor of the State of Minnesota, at his office in the State Capitol, on October 14th, 1924, at 10 o'clock in the fore noon of said day, if any you have, why the license heretofore issued to you to maintain and operate a private detective agency in this state, should not be revoked, cancelled and set aside, for dishonorable and unprofessional conduct on the part of Ernest Davies, your President and General Manager.

It is charged that the said Ernest Davies wrongfully abused the power and authority by law vested in him as a private licensed detective as follows:

The said Ernest Davies at various times during the year 1924 at the City of St. Paul, State of Minnesota, by improper means influenced one Evelyn Greenfield, an unmarried woman nineteen years of age, to leave the home provided for her by her parents and to remain away from her parents, for improper purposes, and he, the said Ernest Davies, threatened the parents of said Evelyn Greenfield with harm in case they attempted to interfere with his domination and influence over said Evelyn Greenfield, and the said Ernest Davies at various times during 1924, in this state, threatened to use his official authority as a licensed private detective to cause harm to others; and the said Ernest Davies, at the City of St. Paul, Minnesota, on or about December 21, 1923, used his authority as a licensed detective as a shield under which to attack and assault a woman,

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all of which more fully appears from the affidavits hereto at-  
tached and made a part hereto.

  
Governor (SEAL)

Filed in the Office of the  
Secretary of State this FIRST  
day of OCTOBER, 19 24.



BEFORE THE GOVERNOR  
IN THE MATTER OF THE REVOCATION OF THE  
LICENSE OF ERNEST DAVIES, AS A DETECTIVE  
AND OF THE DAVIES PROTECTIVE PATROL SERVICE

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STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
                          ) SS  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY )

EDITH M. GREENFIELD being duly sworn deposes and  
says:

That she makes these charges against Ernest  
Davies and against the Davies Protective Patrol Service,  
Incorporated, for the purpose of procuring the revocation  
of the license issued to the said Ernest Davies and the  
said company as a detective, pursuant to the provisions  
of Section 5092, General Statutes of Minnesota, 1913.

That affiant charges said Ernest Davies with  
unlawful, unprofessional and dishonorable conduct, and  
says -

That she is the mother of Evelyn Greenfield;  
that at various times during the year 1924 said Ernest Davies  
endeavored to compel said Evelyn Greenfield to leave her  
home and live apart from her family; that on Saturday, June  
the 26th, 1924, Mr. Morgan called Mr. and Mrs. Greenfield  
to his home to discuss the matter of Evelyn Greenfield  
being in their home, wondering what kind of people they  
were to allow their daughter to live apart from her family;  
that Mr. Morgan is a Federal Officer, and is now out on duty  
for the state; that they went to the Morgan home and Mr.  
Morgan asked them questions in connection with Evelyn being  
away from home; that they told him everything very frankly  
and Mr. Davies came in soon after with Mrs. Landin and Mr.  
Davies refused to have Evelyn go home, telling her Mother  
that she was perfectly all right, that she was working and

there was no need of her going home. They did not urge it, believing that she could visit her Mother and that her Mother could visit her at Mrs. Morgan's; that Mr. Davies called them up and absolutely forbid them to have anything to do with their daughter and forbid them going to see her at the Sanitary Food Company where she was working.

Affiant further states that said Ernest E. Davies abused his official authority by intercepting said Evelyn Greenfield while she was travelling on a train with the body of her sister and prevented her from returning to her family, at which time, said Evelyn Greenfield decided the matter "had gone too far". He also stated he was going to rent rooms and compel her to live in them, taking her away from this family called Morgan. Then, Mr. Greenfield had an attorney on the case, Frank Larrabee - following his advice closely - and then going to Mr. McGee, Assistant City Attorney, Minneapolis, who put Mrs. Olinger on the case. The said Evelyn Greenfield called them for protection directly after going to Mrs. Morgan's after the funeral.

This affidavit is made for the purpose of securing a revocation of the license of said Ernest Davies as a detective.

*Edith M. Greenfield*

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1924.

*A. R. Bernheim*  
Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn.

My Commission Expires Oct. 6, 1929

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STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY ) SS

BERTHA GOSLING, being duly sworn, deposes and  
says:

That on the 21st day of <sup>December</sup> ~~January~~, 1923, in the  
City of St. Paul, Minnesota, the said Ernest Davies committed  
an assault upon affiant and in other respects conducted  
himself unprofessionally, and affiant makes this affidavit  
for the purpose of securing the revocation of the license  
heretofore issued to said Ernest Davies.

Bertha Gosling

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1924.

R Bernheim  
Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn.

My Commission Expires Oct. 6, 1929

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J. W. GREENFIELD, being duly sworn deposes and  
says:

That he is the father of said Evelyn Greenfield  
and that the reason for Evelyn Greenfield leaving home was  
on account of her brothers teasing her; that he didn't know  
where she was until her Mother returned from the East on the  
Monday following the time she left her home; that she left  
on Tuesday and had been gone about a week, but he knew from  
what Mrs. Greenfield had said in regard to Mrs. Landin being  
a sister of hers in the Eastern Star that Mrs. Landin would  
take care of her while Mrs. Greenfield was away, and he  
settled down on the thought that she was being taken care of  
by Mrs. Landin.

That Mrs. Greenfield called Mrs. Landin, on her  
return, and asked where Evelyn was and Mrs. Landin told her  
that she was working at the Sanitary Food Company and was  
perfectly all right, and staying with Mrs. Morgan; that she  
was perfectly comfortable. On the following Saturday Mr.  
Morgan called up and said he wanted Mrs. Greenfield and  
Mr. Greenfield to come down immediately, that he wanted to  
see them, and when Mr. Greenfield asked their number he seemed  
surprised to know they didn't know where Evelyn was; that  
they took a taxi and went to 80 Western Avenue and Mr. Morgan  
was alone and questioned them about Evelyn being brought there,  
saying that they had no use whatever for her only that she

apparently needed a home for a time and he thought from what he had heard that it was a case where they should go before a Justice Court and he had a conversation with them in regard to Evelyn, and they came to the conclusion that her place was at home. Then, they had a conversation with Mr. Davies and Mrs. Landin and Mrs. Morgan came in - they had been out - and Evelyn said she had a position and was enjoying her work and that she was getting along all right and wanted to show her brothers and sisters that she could make a living, and they agreed that as far as they were concerned that if she wanted to stay with Mrs. Morgan it was all right to go back and forth. Something was said about getting her clothes and Mr. Davies thought it was better that Mr. Greenfield should bring the clothes.

Affiant further states that said Ernest Davies pretended, by virtue of his authority as a licensed detective, to have a right to restrain the person of said Evelyn Greenfield and to keep her from her home.

On the following Saturday a message was received from Lafayette that a daughter of the Greenfields had died there and asking them to go immediately; that Mr. Greenfield was to meet her at St. Paul, but the body was billed through to Minneapolis.

Affiant states further that said Ernest Davies abused his official authority by intercepting said Evelyn Greenfield while she was travelling on a train with the body of her sister by exercising his dominating influence over her, and preventing her from returning to her family.

Further affiant saith not:

*Joe W Greenfield*

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1924.

*W. Burnheim*  
Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn.  
My commission expires Oct 6, 1929

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STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY ) SS

EDITH M. GREENFIELD, being duly sworn, deposes  
and says:

That she has heretofore made an affidavit wherein  
the conduct of one Ernest Davies, Manager of the Davies Protective  
Detective Agency was complained of and that she makes this affidavit to  
supplement the one previously made.

Affiant states that on or about June 28th, 1924,  
at the residence of a Mr. Morgan at 80 Western Avenue, St. Paul,  
Minnesota, said Ernest Davies, in her presence and in the presence  
of others, threatened to shoot anyone who attempted to get Evelyn  
Greenfield, the daughter of affiant, away from him and out from  
under his influence, and affiant further states that on the follow-  
ing Wednesday said Ernest Davies communicated with affiant over the  
telephone and said "If you interfere in any way, I will fill you  
full of cold lead - Davies always does what he sets out to do".  
And that at that time said Davies claimed to be the legal guardian  
of Evelyn Greenfield aforesaid and told affiant she had no right  
or authority to interfere; affiant further states that on or about  
June 16th, said Ernest Davies threatened said Evelyn Greenfield  
with bodily harm if she made any effort to get away from him, and  
affiant further states on information and belief that at various  
times and places during the past year said Ernest Davies threatened  
to shoot other persons, among them one Bertha Gosling and one Mrs.  
Landin.

Further affiant saith not, except that this affidavit  
is made for the purpose of serving as a basis for charges to be  
made against the said Ernest Davies to revoke the license to operate  
a detective agency heretofore issued to the agency of which he is



the manager.

Edith G. Greenfield.

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1924.

J. R. Bernheim  
Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn.

My Commission Expires Oct. 6, 1929.

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