



*Younger* abstention). Here, the state criminal case against Thomas is ongoing,<sup>1</sup> and that matter obviously involves an important state interest. Further, Thomas has the opportunity to raise challenges to the charges against him during that criminal proceeding. Therefore, this Court will abstain from interfering in Thomas's criminal case, just as it "has abstained from meddling in . . . [other] state court criminal actions." *Stevenson v. Motors*, No. 5: 16-cv-421-KKC, 2017 WL 512750, \*3 (E.D. Ky. 2017) (collecting cases). Accordingly, it is hereby

**ORDERED** as follows:

1. Thomas's Fourth Amendment claim against Officer Gabriel is **DISMISSED**, without prejudice.
2. This action is **DISMISSED** and **STRICKEN** from the Court's docket.
3. A corresponding judgment will be entered this date.

This 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2018.



**Signed By:**

**Danny C. Reeves** DCR

**United States District Judge**

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<sup>1</sup> The Court takes judicial notice of the publically available docket sheet in *Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Jammal Thomas*, No. 17-CR-00055 (2017).