

## **Pro-Rape Signs in Shop Windows**

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A few months ago I moved to McKinney, Texas, shortly before this whole police brutality fiasco went down. Recently I noticed that many of the local shop owners have placed pro-police posters in their windows and this has really bothered me.

So I want to set up a hypothetical situation:

Imagine that a football player commits a rape, horribly traumatizing a young woman. Let's say it's caught on video or something, so that it's pretty clear that he did in fact commit the rape. Then let's say that some feminists and other justice advocates start protesting, demanding that this rapist be ejected from the NFL and charged with a crime that's appropriate to the act he committed. Does that seem unreasonable?

Now, let's imagine that local shop owners start putting up signs saying "We support football" or "We believe in NFL players." Imagine how you would feel if you were a woman walking down the street in that town. Would you feel safe? Would you feel equal? Would you feel as though the local community cares about your feelings or your safety?

The shop owners could argue all they want that they are merely supporting the sport and not the rapist, maybe because a few people talked trash about the NFL in general, but in reality they are lashing out at a group that merely wants a basic level of justice. The shop owners would be blatantly showing support for a rapist.

This is what black people and police brutality survivors face here in McKinney, TX. These shop owners can argue all they want that they don't support brutality, but the timing of these posters tells a completely different story. They put up these posters as a direct act of defiance against a group who just want justice, peace and racial equality. Yes, these posters are pro-racism and pro-police-brutality.