



LI woman awarded \$1M in false-arrest case

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A federal jury in New York has awarded \$1.12 million to a Long Island woman who says she was falsely arrested outside an Air National Guard base.

Attorney Frederick Brewington says the jury found that Nancy Genovese was humiliated and suffered physical abuse because of her July 2009 arrest. Genovese was arrested while taking pictures of a decorative helicopter in front of the [Gabreski Airport](#) Air National Guard base in Westhampton Beach.

She was charged with criminal trespass and spent four days in jail before posting \$50,000 bail. The charges were later dropped.

Genovese planned to put the photo on a "Support Our Troops" website.

The jury award Thursday was for compensatory damages. It will now consider punitive damages.

A Suffolk County spokeswoman declined comment.

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