

The Hilarious Haters

## African-Americans Were Victims of One-Third of Orange County's 2010 Hate Crimes: Report

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The Orange County Human Relations Commission this morning unveils a 2010 Hate Crime Report that shows African-Americans were victims of one-third of such crimes reported in the region last year.

As a for instance, executive director Rusty Kennedy pulled out a September 2010 incident. [A]n African-American woman and a white man were walking together in their apartment complex when they heard a white male on an upstairs balcony yell, "Interracial relationships are wrong!" and call the woman a "nigger."

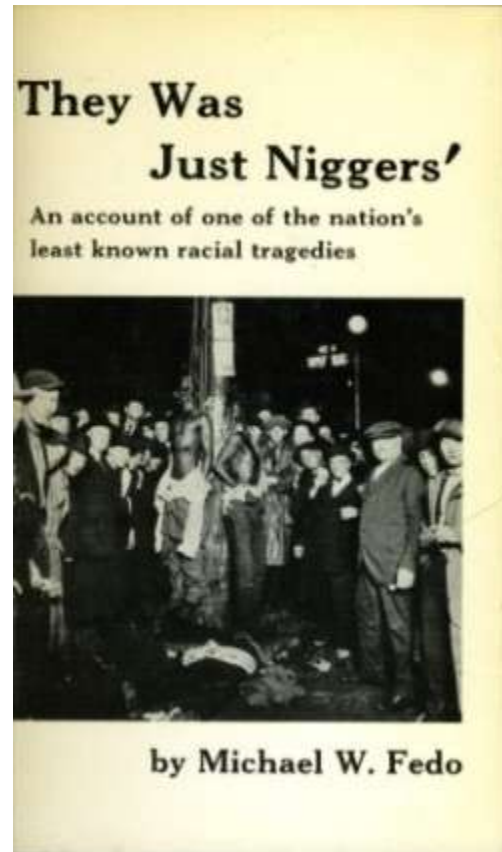
The perpetrator then walked downstairs and confronted the couple, punched the man in the face knocking him down and then kicked his back causing concussions. The perpetrator then fled the scene.

Yep, that's a hate crime all right, and the OC Human Relations Commission has been tracking them since 1991.

Working with law enforcement, community leaders and community organizations, the panel works to prevent hate crimes, create awareness of their existence and assist hate crime victims.

The 2010 report will be released to the press at 10 a.m. today in downtown Santa Ana.

Besides Kennedy, experts helping to break down the data will be Commissioner Ken Inouye; Ed Thomas of Christ Our Redeemer AME Church in Irvine; Kevin O'Grady, regional director of the Anti-Defamation League of Orange County/Long Beach; Ameena Qazi, deputy executive director of the Council on American Islamic Relations; and Ginger Hahn, executive director of The Center OC.



Look for the report to be posted at [ochumanrelations.org](http://ochumanrelations.org).

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