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January 28, 2016

Ms. Melissa Hirthe  
327 West Armour Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53207

RE: C.I. File No. 1032-2015-2927  
Communication from MELISSA HIRTHE

Dear Ms. Hirthe:

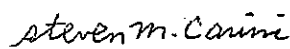
We have received your claim in the amount of \$1,295.05, relating to various damages allegedly sustained on October 30, 2015 when the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) made forced entry into, and subsequently searched, your residence at 327 West Armour Avenue.

The MPD records indicate that they executed a lawful search warrant which necessitated the use of forced entry to the front door. This use of force is authorized by §968.14 of the Wisconsin Statutes. The sergeant noted that they only damaged the door. They did not damage anything else. There is no evidence that the City was negligent in this overall matter. As such, the City would not be liable. Therefore, we are denying your claim.

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a written statement requesting a hearing within 21 days of the postmarked date of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. Please include a photocopy of this letter's envelope, showing the postmark, and retain the original in the event further proof is needed.

Very truly yours,

  
GRANT F. LANGLEY  
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