

February 16, 2001

To the Honorable Common Council  
of the City of Milwaukee  
Room 205 - City Hall

Re: Communication from GLEN SCHOTT  
as Attorney-in fact for Jack R. Pettigrew  
C. I. File No. 00-L-79

Dear Council Members:

We return the enclosed document which has been filed with the City Clerk and ask that it be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Legislation with the following recommendation.

Claimant, Jack R. Pettigrew, 6412 West Carolann Drive, Brown Deer, WI 53223 alleges through his Attorney-in fact, Glen Schott, as Power of Attorney. 6300 West Douglas Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53218 that on January 18, 1998 his firearms were damaged when they were etched with identification marks while in the possession of the Milwaukee Police Department. He claims damages in the amount of \$7,250.00.

Our investigation reveals that the Milwaukee Police Department does not etch identification markings on firearms but instead uses a tag system. Our investigation further reveals that the firearms in question were transferred to the custody of the State of Wisconsin Crime Laboratory to determine if they were involved in any criminal offenses.

The etch markings on the firearms are consistent with the marking system used by the State Crime Laboratory. Based upon our investigation we have determined that the City of Milwaukee is not liable for this loss. Accordingly, we

To the Hon. Common Council

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recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,

GRANT F. LANGLEY  
City Attorney

MICHAEL G. TOBIN  
Assistant City Attorney

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Enclosure

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