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Jeff Wilhelm  
2405 North Lefebber Avenue  
Wauwatosa, WI 53213

RE: Jeff Wilhelm  
C.I. File No.: 11-S-319

Dear Mr. Wilhelm:


We have received your claim in the amount of \$525.89, relating to damages done by the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) on October 26, 2011 at 1032-34 South 19<sup>th</sup> Street.

Our investigation reveals that the MPD executed a lawful search warrant which necessitated the use of forced entry. The use of force is authorized by Wis. Stat. § 968.14. The MPD served the warrant at this location related to alleged drug activity. The decision was made by the onsite supervisor to enter the target location because it was felt the side door was a common entryway and the search warrant team did not want any potential individuals in the unit to escape. Since the use of force was authorized by state statutes and the MPD was acting within the sphere of responsibility, we are denying your claim.

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a letter within 21 days of the receipt of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202, requesting a hearing.

Very truly yours,

  
GRANT F. LANGLEY  
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