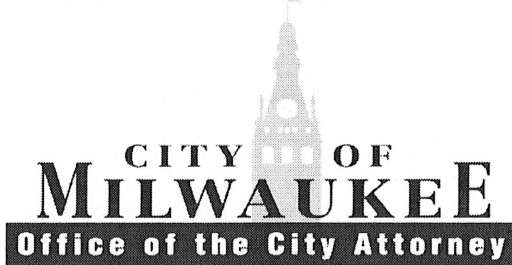


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May 9, 2018

To the Honorable Common Council  
Of the City of Milwaukee  
Room 205 – City Hall

RE: C.I. File No. 1032-2018-893  
Communication from: Jabbar Thigpen  
2630 N. 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53206

Dear Common Council Members:

Jabbar Thigpen alleges that on March 12, 2018, the Milwaukee Police Department's excessive use of tear gas within his home at 2630 N. 18<sup>th</sup> Street resulted in \$30,628.00 worth of property damage.

A suspected homicide suspect, Percy Morgan, confined himself to Mr. Thigpen's home. Mr. Morgan is the cousin of Mr. Thigpen. Believed to be armed, Mr. Morgan refused to surrender to police upon demand. After several hours of failed negotiations between Mr. Morgan, MPD, and family members, Mr. Morgan still refused to surrender. Eventually, tear gas was used to force Mr. Morgan from the premises.

The investigation of this matter reveals that the MPD acted within their scope of their authority and within reason to remove a homicide suspect from the premises. The use of tear gas alleviated the use of more forceful and deadlier means of removing a homicide suspect.

There is no evidence that the MPD was negligent in this incident. As such, the City would not be liable. Therefore, we recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,

  
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