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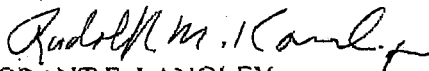Milwaukee, WI 53212

RE: C.I. File No: 03-S-119

Dear Mr. Hicks:

This office is in receipt of your claim in the amount of $650.00, relating to damage you sustained on January 15, 2003 when the Milwaukee police made forced entry into your property at 3815 North 16th Street.

Our investigation reveal the Milwaukee Police Department was chasing a fleeing drug-dealing suspect. The suspect fled into your property and slammed the entry doors in the officers' faces. The doors then had to be forced to arrest the suspect and recover the large amount of drugs involved in the situation. Since the police were not negligent, but rather acting within the sphere of their responsibility, the City would not be liable for your loss. Accordingly, 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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