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April 27, 2004

Charles Charles

Nicole Cage 1143 North 29th Street, Apt. 309 Milwaukee, WI 53208

RE: Nicole Cage

C.I. File No: 04-S-77

Dear Ms. Cage:

This office is in receipt of your claim in the amount of \$1,155.00, relating to damage sustained to your property on January 8, 2004 which you allege was caused by the City of Milwaukee Police Department and missing items/money you claim to be missing when they did a search at 1143 North 29<sup>th</sup> Street, Apt. 309.

Our investigation reveals that Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) came to your apartment regarding possible drug dealing activity. When the officers knocked at the door they could hear sounds of a bullet round being chambered in a gun. An occupant of your apartment, Thomas Cage answered the door and then attempted to shut the door and bring up a gun at the same time. The officers then pushed the door open and Mr. Cage then became combative and fought with the officers. The damage that occurred to your apartment was a result of Mr. Cage's failure to comply with the officers commands. Once Mr. Cage was under control, the officers searched the apartment and recovered a handgun and drug dealing paraphernalia. The MPD inventory reports noted the officers placed a cell phone, drug dealing items and a 9mm gun on inventory as a result of this incident. Since there is no proof to support your allegations the MPD took the items/money from your apartment and the fact they were acting in their sphere of responsibility, the City cannot accept liability in this matter. Accordingly, we are denying your claim.

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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,

ERANT F. LANGLEY

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