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May 4, 2007

Dear Ms. Berman-Shaw,

This is a request for records under the Missouri Sunshine Law, Chapter 610, Revised Statutes of Missouri. I request that you make available to me the following records:

The internal investigative reports related to the recent World Series ticket scandal, and any other investigative records, associated with the following individuals: Sgt. Phillip Menendez and Officers Phillip Edmond, Michael Ehnes, Thomas Kitchell, Wendell Ishmon, Thomas Kranz, Steven Schwerb, Joseph Somogye.

In addition, I would like to review the internal investigative reports for the seven other officers (a lieutenant, three sergeants and three officers) who also were disciplined as part of the ticket scalping investigation, and any other investigative records associated with those individuals.

I request that the records responsive to my request be made available for my viewing at police department headquarters before copying charges are incurred. I look forward to hearing from you as soon as they are ready.

Thank you very much in advance.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kristen Hinman', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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May 7, 2007

Ms. Kristen Hinman
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Re: World Series Ticket Investigation

Dear Ms. Hinman:

I am in receipt of your open records request faxed to my office last Friday evening, May 4, at 5:04 p.m. The only open records related to the internal investigation are enclosed. In light of the size, I will waive payment.

Very truly yours,

Jane Berman Shaw
General Counsel

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April 18, 2007

Police Board Accepts Chief's Recommendation

Police Officers Demoted for Use of World Series Tickets

The Board of Police Commissioners at its executive session on Wednesday, April 18, 2007, agreed with the recommendation of Chief Joe Mokwa that eight police officers be reduced in rank for one year for providing family members with Cardinal baseball tickets for the 2006 post-season games that were seized from scalpers.

The following police officers were demoted from the rank of police officer to the rank of probationary police officers: Phillip Edmond, Michael Ehnes, Thomas Kitchell, Wendell Ishmon, Thomas Kranz, Steven Schwerb and Joseph Somogye. Police Officer Phillip Menendez was demoted from the rank of Sergeant to the rank of police officer. The officers also served a two week suspension.

The Department's Internal Affairs Division began investigating the officers in early November 2006, after receiving a complaint from a citizen that his confiscated tickets were inappropriately used during the World Series.

In addition to these officers, three officers will be disciplined for internal procedural violations, one lieutenant and three sergeants will be disciplined for failure to supervise. The investigation into these violations is ongoing. All the officers involved in this matter have been transferred from the Vice/ Narcotics Division.

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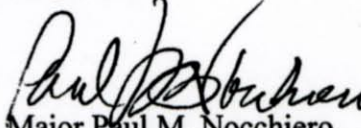
Sir:

The Board of Police Commissioners, at the Executive Board Meeting of April 18, 2007, approved the Consent to Recommended Disciplinary Punishment and Waiver of Board Trials for the following officers:

Police Officer Michael Ehnes, dsn 5628
Police Officer Phillip Edmond, dsn 6319
Police Officer Wendell Ishmon, dsn 5037
Police Officer Thomas Kranz, 4215
Sergeant Phillip Menendez, dsn 3920
Police Officer Joseph Somogye, dsn 3913
Police Officer Steven Schwerb, dsn 5494
Police Officer Thomas Kitchell, dsn 4974

The Board orders the Police Officers to receive fourteen (14) days of disciplinary suspension and be reduced in rank to Probationary Police Officers for a period of not less than one year; Sergeant Phillip Menendez shall receive fourteen (14) days of disciplinary suspension and be reduced in rank to Police Officer for not less than one year.

Respectfully,


Major Paul M. Nocchiero
Secretary to the Board

cc: Assistant Chief of Police
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