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Dear Mrs. O'Brian

Thanks for your letter dated May 4, 2009.

I'm sorry that the "breadth and scope" of my request is overwhelming to your department. As I am not familiar with your filing system, I would like to ask, do you still file by hand according to dates in file cabinets? I would see the benefit in these economic hard times as most entities required to keep records do change to computerized filing systems and these metal cabinets can be scooped up now for scrap.

If this is still the way you file, I do understand that the "breadth and scope" overwhelms your department. I decommissioned two computers a few years back and they are still in my basement somewhere. I would be glad to donate them to your department. That might make me eligible for an income tax deduction. You could then enter the dates **and** the names of the accused/involved which would allow you to cross-reference records to reduce the "breadth and scope" hence save time and money.

I wish I did have the report in front of me so I could give you all the information on the report, but then again, I would not need the report if I would have all the information.

If you can cross reference your records, just enter "Kevin Gleason" or "Gleason Kevin" or "Kevin P. Gleason," and you should be able to find the record. I gave you two names in my first letter, including the middle initial "P" for Gleason.

In regards to the cost for the copies, I'm familiar with the law. I would limit the number of copies to 200, (\$200). It is not worth more to me as he already resigned.

M.G.L. c.66, s.10 provides in part:

The following fees shall apply to any public record in the custody of the state police . . . for preparing and mailing a . . . crime, incident or miscellaneous reports, **one dollar per page**. [emphasis added].

I would not expect the report to be longer than 200 pages. Just let me know how many pages and I will gladly send you a cashier's check.

I'm also familiar with relevant sections of Code of Mass. Regulations.

32.02: Scope and Purpose:

950 CMR 32.00 shall be construed to ensure the public prompt access to all public records in the custody of state governmental entities and in the custody of governmental entities of political subdivisions of the Commonwealth, and to ensure that disputes regarding access to particular records are resolved expeditiously.

The requested copies also do not fall under the exemption clause pursuant to M.G.L. c.4, s.7

Please let me know how I can help any further and if you want my decommissioned computers. The computers run still on the DOS operating system but if you don't have any it would be a fast improvement over a manual filing system.

I appreciate your cooperation. If you need to contact me, please do so any time at 413 626 3519.

Sincerely,

*Peter Frei*

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