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RE: Recent Complaints to Monroe City Council
Court of Appeal Case No.: 30,856-KA

Dear Mr. Paster:

I will once again and only this one last time address the issue you have regarding a very old Court of Appeal case stemming from a charge against you relating to your demonstrating in front of Monroe City Court when a judge is present which is against the law. For clarification the charge was listed on your arrest as a violation of La. R. S. 14:401 which is a state law that should be tried in state court. The City of Monroe does have an identical law which is found at City Code Section 12:186. You were tried in Monroe City Court under the state charge and found guilty.

After your conviction you appealed. The Court of Appeal found that under La. R. S. 14:401 you should have been tried in state court and afforded the rights as allowed by state law.

The Court of Appeal stated:

“For the reasons explained, we set aside defendant’s conviction and sentence and remand the case to the City Court for further proceedings consistent with this opinion.”

Mr. Paster, as I have explained to you before, the charges against you were dismissed. You are not going to get a new trial. The City of Monroe does not have to give you a new trial IF THE CHARGES ARE DISMISSED. The charges are dismissed. I emphasize the above in capital letter and underline as you do not seem

to understand. The City is not going to file new charges on something that happened in 1997. For further clarification the case against you was remanded to City Court for further proceedings and the charges were dismissed.

Sincerely,

Nanci S. Summersgill



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On April 5, 2016 I went to the Monroe City Clerk of Court's office. I stated that I would like to have a copy of the order from the Court of Appeal No 30,856-KA. I then showed her my copy. The clerk looked for document for about ten minutes, and then came back and stated the case was old and she could not find it. I then informed the clerk, that it might be old, but the order from the Court of Appeal had not been carried out yet, and it is their job to keep up with the records. The clerk then requested others to help her find the documents with no prevail. The clerk did give me everything that was on my record. I am sending you what was on record and what was not on the record.

On April 12, 2016, I attended the Monroe City Council meeting. I informed the Mayor and City Council members, that an order from the Court of Court Appeals had not been carried out yet, and the order had been removed from the Clerk of Courts Office. I asked the Mayor, and the City Counsel to look for themselves, and to try and call for an investigation of the Clerk of Courts Office. I also gave the Mayor and the City Counsel a copy of everything that was missing from the record.

On May 16, 2016, I returned to the Monroe City Council meeting. I asked the Mayor and City Council did they look to see if the order from the Court of Appeal was on record, and no one would speak. I then turned to the Mayor, and asked if he looked to see if the order of Court of Appeal was missing, and the Mayor pointed to the City Attorney, and she stated that the order of Court of Appeals were supposed to be in my case file, and that the case had been dismissed. I almost lost it, but I informed the Mayor, and the City Council, and the public that this was unlawful and ungodly.

On May 16, 2016, I returned to the Monroe City Clerk of Courts office, to see if the orders of Court of Appeal and other documents were placed back on the record, but they were not. I did talk to the Head of the Clerk of Court's office, Mrs. Stephanie Mill. I believe that was her name, but my recollection could be wrong. She stated that she has never seen this order before and asked if she could have a copy of it. I stated that she could, and provided her with a copy. She stated that she would investigate the matter, but could not make any promises on this matter. I also requested an investigation as to why the order was never carried out. She stated that she did not know how long it would take to find out, but she would do her best.

One of my supporters told me to send it to Mr. Jeff Landry the Attorney General, and I am pleading and requesting a full and thorough investigation on this matter. Mr. Landry, my case should have never been tried in the Monroe City Court from the beginning, it should have been in the 4th Judicial Court in the beginning, and I am confused as to why justice continues to be over looked in my case. I am pleading for answers, and seeking justice, and with your help, I know that this matter can be resolved.

Respectfully Yours,



Lester Paster