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By electronic and first-class mail

Thomas E. Kulhawik, Chief Norwalk Police Department 1 Monroe Street Norwalk CT 06854 EM: tkulhawik@norwalkct.org

Re: <u>Duane T. Doutel</u>

Complaint and Demand for Investigation of Misappropriated and Damaged Property

Dear Chief Kulhawik:

My client Duane T. Doutel ("Mr. Doutel"), upon appearing at the Norwalk Police Department following the dismissal of his case to retrieve property seized as evidence by the department at the time of his arrest, was informed that, apart from damage to one of his firearms, his two rifle cases were missing.

Mr. Doutel demands an investigation. When a police department loses and damages property seized as evidence it is not only of concern to the property owner but a matter of public concern meriting investigation by the department whether or not such an investigation is demanded by the property owner. Mr. Doutel looks forward to the results of the investigation and based on that investigation Mr. Doutel and my office will determine the next course of action.

Sincerely,

Rachel M. Baud

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