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SUBJECT: INTERVIEW OF JOSEPH HENNESSEY RE; ASHLAND POLICE SHOOTING

1. On Tuesday July 9th, 2013 at 1200 hours I met with and spoke to;

Joseph Hennessey DOB [REDACTED] 64
[REDACTED] Ashland, MA

in the MDAO SPDU office regarding the police involved shooting of Andrew Stigliano on July 2nd, 2013. Mr. Hennessey is an attorney whom Stigliano originally attempted to retain to represent him regarding a warrant issue and a civil rights complaint against the Ashland Police Department. According to Hennessey, Stigliano and he met at a Dunkin Donuts shop on Route 9 in Framingham sometime in May of this year. Hennessey stated Stigliano had a complaint against the Ashland Police regarding a search warrant served two years prior to this date on his house which Stigliano claimed \$7500 was taken from the house and not fully returned. Stigliano told him the Ashland Police only returned \$178 to him. Stigliano stated he obtained the cash from a personal injury claim but could provide no proof, paperwork of having received the money.

2. Stigliano also stated the police seized an antique shotgun from his house and that he made arrangements to have it signed over to a licensed dealer. When the dealer arrived to retrieve the shotgun from the police station the police stated they had no record of a shotgun there. Hennessey stated Stigliano wanted to name specifically Ashland Police Officers Greg Fawkes, Greg Wildman and Chris Alberini in this case. Hennessey stated he represents Ashland police Officer Ed Pomponio in a separate unrelated case and stated Pomponio informed him he never received a shotgun nor entered one into evidence. Pomponio stated he never saw any money from that search warrant either although Hennessey stated he police report from the search warrant mentions two thousand dollars seized. Hennessey stated he never met Stigliano again after this first initial meeting and he considered his attorney/client relationship ended from that point because Stigliano never

retained him and never negotiated a fee agreement with him. Stigliano would occasionally call or text Hennessey asking for advice or help in cases and Hennessey would remind him that he can't do anything for him if he isn't paid. Stigliano would in turn make promises to pay but never did.

3. Hennessey stated he received a text from Stigliano at approximately 11:15 on July 2nd, 2013 stating the following;

Stigliano: Get to my house asap cops surrounding it right now

Hennessey: I'm in Foxborough right now not even close to Ashland

Stigliano: Damn. It's like they new im taking as many down with me as I can, godspeed sir

Hennessey: Don't do anything stupid

Stigliano: I'm sick of them destroying my life, this is bullshit, I can take them all out fuck this happy 4th

Hennessey: Please do not do anything

Hennessey: Can you call me

Stigliano: Then someone help me, or wut choice I have? U tell me, im not going alive, bottom line n no I can't

Hennessey: I'm calling

Hennessey: U

Stigliano: Can't answer call police station

Hennessey: Are you in custody

Stigliano: Tell them to leave, kickin door in now

July 2, 2013, 11:18 am

Hennessey: R u ok. Do not do Anything that will hurt you in the long run

Hennessey: Andrew please do not do anything stupid

July 2, 2013, 11:39 am

Hennessey: R u ok

Hennessey: Go peacefully.

Hennessey stated he called the Ashland Police regarding these and did not divulge the content of the text messages but did say he was calling to warn them of an officer safety issue and to use caution with Stigliano.

4. Hennessey stated Josh Eaton, a self-styled local internet reporter, not affiliated with any news organization, called him for an "interview" regarding the shooting death of Stigliano. Hennessey stated Eaton asked about the text messages sent by Stigliano and Hennessey read them to Eaton over the phone. Eaton then stated he recorded the conversation and Hennessey objected but Eaton would not delete the recording per his request. Hennessey stated he did not permit Eaton to record his phone call conversation. Hennessey stated Eaton made further phone calls to him leaving hostile messages accusing him of helping Ashland Police "cover up" the shooting. Hennessey permitted me to record the voice messages from his phone. These messages

occurred on July 6th, at 6:26 pm, 6:38 pm and 6:40 pm. Hennessey expressed his desire to have Eaton charged under the state wiretap law for these offenses. The interview was then concluded.