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Mr. Mitchell Johnson  
City Manager  
City of Greensboro  
300 West Washington Street  
Greensboro, NC 27401

RE: FORENSIC DOCUMENTS  
EXAMINATION AND  
COMPARISON  
2006-0057

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The following copies of Risk Management Associates Investigative Report, Case COGI001, were submitted for a forensic documents examination and comparison:

**RMA REPORTS #**    **DESCRIPTION OF DOCUMENT**

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| Q-1               | Blog Document provided by RMA                            |
| K-I (A,B,C,D,E,F) | City Attorney Staff Copies (6)                           |
| K-2               | Assistant City Attorney ToNola Brown-Bland's Copy (1)    |
| K-3 (A, B)        | Outside Counsel's Copies (2) (from Linda Miles 10/24/06) |
| K-4               | City Manager Mitchell Johnson's Copy (1)                 |
| K-5               | Chief Bellamy's Copy (1)                                 |
| K-6               | IA Capt. Kelly's Copy (1)                                |
| K-7 (A,B,C, D)    | Capt. Kelly's IA Officers' Copies (4)                    |
| K-8               | Mayor Keith Holliday Copy (1)                            |
| K-9               | Mayor Pro Tem Sandra Groat Copy (1)                      |
| K-10              | Council Member Mike Barber Copy (1)                      |

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K-11 Council Member Diane Bellamy Small Copy (1)  
K-12 Council Member Sandy Carmanay Copy (1)  
K-13 Council Member Florence F. Gatten Copy (1)  
K-14 Council Member Yvonne J. Johnson Copy (1)  
K-15 Council Member Tom Phillip Copy (1)  
K -16 Council Member Goldie Wells Copy (1)

**EXAMINATION REQUESTED:**

To examine the Blog Document provided by RMA Q-1 and compare with all copies of The Greensboro City Management Investigative Report COGI001 Documents K-1 (A,B,C,D,E,F) through K-16, to determine if the Blog Document Q-1 was reproduced from any of the copies of RMA Investigative Reports COGI001 in Documents K-1 (A,B,C,D,E,F) through K-16.

**RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:**

The Blog Document Q-1 was examined and found to have identifiable dots in areas on the pages of Blog Document Q-1, which were highlighted for comparison purposes.

The highlighted dots on Document Q-1 were compared with all copies of the RMA Investigative Report COGI001 on Documents K-1 (A,B,C,D,E,F) through K-16. Attached is a chart which shows the items (dots), their location, and page number that was compared with all copies of the RMA Investigative Report COGI001. These are located on the left side of the chart. Across the top of the chart are all of the copies of the RMA Investigative Report COGI001 that were compared with the Blog Copy Q-1.

It is my opinion, based on the examination, comparisons, and identifiable dots on Document Q-1, that Document Q-1 was produced from Document K-11 or a generative copy of K-11. All identifiable dots on Document Q-1 were also found on Document K-11.

A copy of the comparison chart is enclosed.

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**DISPOSITION OF DOCUMENTS:**

All Documents Q-1 through K-16 were returned to Brian T. Flannery, Risk Management Associates, on October 25, 2006.

A copy of my curriculum vitae is enclosed.

If this matter needs additional attention, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Durward C. Matheny

DCM/s

Enclosures

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NAME: Durward C. Matheny

OCCUPATION: Forensic Documents Examiner

DOCUMENTS EXAMINATION: To examine and compare all types of document materials in areas of handwriting, hand printing, typewriting, copy machines, paper, inks, rubber stamps, etc.

### TRAINING IN THE FIELD OF DOCUMENTS EXAMINATION:

1. United States Secret Service School, Washington, D. C.  
(Questioned Documents Course)
2. United States Department of the Treasury, Washington, D. C.  
(Handwriting, hand printing, inks, paper examination and comparison, and special photography)
3. Georgetown University, Washington, D. C.  
(3 summer sessions - handwriting and typewriting examinations and comparisons)
4. Federal Bureau of Investigation Academy  
(Handwriting and typewriting examinations and comparisons)
5. Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Lab, Documents Section, Washington, D.C.  
(Ink examinations, paper examinations, and typewriting examinations and comparisons)
6. U. S. Postal Lab, Washington, D. C.  
(Typewriter examinations)
7. Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Atlanta, Georgia  
(Photocopy examinations)
8. Graduated N. C. State Bureau of Investigation Academy,  
UNC- Asheville, 1969.

QUALIFICATIONS: - Durward C. Matheny  
Forensic Documents Examiner

WORK EXPERIENCE IN FIELD OF FORENSIC DOCUMENTS EXAMINATION:

1. United States Department of Treasury, Washington, D. C. (2 years)
2. N. C. State Bureau of Investigation, Raleigh, N. C. (23 years)
3. Supervisor of Questioned Documents Section, N. C. State Bureau of Investigation, from 1972 to 1993.
4. Qualified and testified in state, federal, and military courts in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Florida, and Hawaii.
5. Have been in private practice of questioned documents since May, 1993.
6. Qualified and testified in over 500 cases.
7. Testified in high profile cases - Russell Stager, Velma Barfield, Ike Atkinson, Joann Little, and Wilmington Ten.

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE:

1. Federal Bureau of Investigation, May 1962 to August 1966.
2. N. C. State Bureau of Investigation, September 1966 to April 1993.  
(Retired SBI Agent Supervisor -26 years and 7 months)
3. Instructed document training at Salemburg Academy, Salemburg, N. C.  
(SBI Academy and Basic Law Enforcement Training)
4. Instructed document training at police and sheriff's departments throughout North Carolina.
5. Instructed documents seminars at various banking institutions in North Carolina.
6. Instructed at the Institute of Government, UNC-Chapel Hill.

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7. The SBI Documents Section and Document Examiners were accredited by The American Society of Crime Lab Directors under my direction and supervision.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

1. Charter Member of Southeastern Association of Forensic Questioned Documents Examiners. (since 1988)
2. North Carolina International Association of Identification. (since 1967)

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**FEE SCHEDULE**

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Forensic Documents Examination..... | \$ 100.00 per hour  |
| Court or Hearing Fee.....           | \$ 100.00 per hour, plus expenses   |
| Travel Time.....                    | \$ 50.00 per hour, plus expenses<br>(prepaid airline tickets)                                     |
| Case Preparation Expenses.....      | (film processing, special<br>instrumentation, charts, supplies,<br>etc.)<br><u>billed at cost</u> |
| Deposition.....                     | \$200.00 per hour, plus expenses  |

**NOTE:** a retainer of \$500 is requested upon submission of documents for a forensic documents examination, comparison, and written report. The balance is due in full upon receipt of case report, unless other arrangements for payment have been made.