

Case Number 190015581

From: Jamie Thom (jamesgthom@gmail.com)
To: spenzak@cityofnovi.org
Cc: chris@855mikewins.com; lindathom2013@yahoo.com
Date: Monday, January 30, 2023 at 12:21 PM EST

Hi Detective Penzak,

My name is Jamie Thom. I'm Linda Preka's husband and Denis Preka's stepfather. Per your advice, we have asked the records department to send all the case files to our attorney. However, we're not sure if the Snapchat transcript files are available to them. So I'm writing today to ask that you email the two original, *unedited* Snapchat CSV transcript files dated 4-8-19 and 11-21-19 to our attorney, Chris Filiatraut, who I have cc'd. His contact info is below.

Christopher Filiatraut
Mike Morse Law
(248) 281-9141
chris@855mikewins.com

If you need anything from Chris, please reply to all. If not, please provide the files at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,
Jamie Thom
(313) 799-0419

Balog Report

From: Jamie Thom (jamesgthom@gmail.com)

To: spenzak@cityofnovi.org

Cc: lindathom2013@yahoo.com

Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 at 09:25 AM EST

Good morning Detective Penzak,

Please see attached screenshot of Balog's report dated 10-3-2019. The last paragraph says "see attached photocopy of the Snapchat." Per your advice to Linda, we requested this file from the records department. Jackie in Records replied, "I am trying to locate the attachment of the photocopy. On page 26-27, the snapchat in question, *it doesn't say Detective Balog received it. And without that information, since he is retired, I can't attest to when or how he received something.* I'm sorry for this inconvenience as I understand this information is important for your upcoming case. I am still trying to locate the file. I just wanted to explain the report doesn't say Detective Balog received a photocopy but I will continue my search for the actual photo."

Will you contact Balog to find out where this file is? Or, if it's impossible to confirm the Novi police ever received it, please update the report saying so, and let us know when it's done so we can get it from the Records Department.

Many thanks,
Jamie Thom



Novi-Police_10-3-2019_Report.pdf.jpg

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RE: Reports for James Thom

From: Penzak, Shawn (spenzak@cityofnovi.org)
To: jamesgthom@gmail.com; novipolicerecords@cityofnovi.org
Cc: lindathom2013@yahoo.com
Date: Friday, February 10, 2023 at 11:27 AM EST

I believe we are still waiting on a FOIA request from your attorney.

From: Jamie Thom <jamesgthom@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2023 10:25 AM
To: Novi Police Records <novipolicerecords@cityofnovi.org>; Penzak, Shawn <spenzak@cityofnovi.org>
Cc: Majlinda Thom <lindathom2013@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Reports for James Thom

Good morning Jackie

I'm following up to find out if you were able to find the missing files. If so, would you please forward them to me?

Detective Penzak, if the files cannot be found, you will be writing a new report, correct?

Sincerely,
Jamie Thom

On Fri, Jan 27, 2023, 11:48 PM Novi Police Records <novipolicerecords@cityofnovi.org> wrote:

I am trying to locate the attachment of the photocopy. On page 26-27, the snapchat in question, it doesn't say Detective Balog received it. And without that information, since he is retired, I can't attest to when or how he received something.

I'm sorry for this inconvenience as I understand this information is important for your upcoming case. I am still trying to locate the file.

I just wanted to explain the report doesn't say Detective Balog received a photocopy but I will continue my search for the actual photo.

Thank you.

Jackie Wildman | Police & Fire Records Clerk & False Alarm Billing

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From: Jamie Thom <jamesgthom@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2023 3:39 PM
To: Novi Police Records <novipolicerecords@cityofnovi.org>
Subject: Re: Reports for James Thom

Thank you Jackie, however, there is missing information. On page 27, Detective Balog refers to an "attached photocopy of the Snap Chat." I need to see that photocopy. I also need to know a) when he received it, b) from whom he received it, and c) how he received it. I have no record of having sent the Snapchat to either Detective Balog or the Prosecutor's office. Thanks for your help with this matter,

Sincerely,
Jamie Thom

On Fri, Jan 27, 2023 at 2:22 PM Novi Police Records <novipolicerecords@cityofnovi.org> wrote:

Hello –

Please see attached for a copy of the requested report.

If you need anything additional, please let me know.

Have a good day.

Jackie Wildman | Police & Fire Records Clerk & False Alarm Billing

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From: Jamie Thom <jamesgthom@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2023 11:20 AM
To: Novi Police Records <novipolicerecords@cityofnovi.org>
Subject: Re: Reports for James Thom

Hi Yahaira,

My wife, Linda Preka, spoke with Jackie in your department and explained that the detective used my nickname, Jamie, instead of my given name, James. She said that's no problem, she'll send the information today. Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Sincerely,
James (Jamie) Thom

On Fri, Jan 27, 2023 at 10:02 AM Novi Police Records <novipolicerecords@cityofnovi.org> wrote:

Good morning,

The Novi Police Department does **not** have any records with your name.

Thank you,

Records Department

Yahaira Lopez | Police Clerk

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From: Jamie Thom <jamesgthom@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, January 27, 2023 9:49 AM

To: Novi Police Records <novipolicerecords@cityofnovi.org>

Subject: Reports for James Thom

Good morning,

My name is James Thom, please provide any and all records and reports that I am mentioned in or referred to, as well as any and all text messages, emails, etc. received by the Novi police or sent by the Novi police.. Attached is my driver's license for identity verification. Please let me know if there is anything else you need, otherwise I look forward to receiving this information as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

James Thom

313-799-0419

The sender has requested a read receipt. If you do not wish to provide one, [click here](#).