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Dear Ms. Langfield:

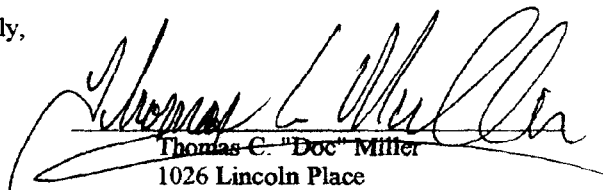
I am writing to you and cross copying to Judge Anderson's courtroom regarding exhibits I attached to the Motion for Forgiveness and Petition to Seal which I filed on behalf of my former client, Steve Douglas Gartin. Mr. Gartin, in a facsimile I received March 2, 2004, stated that "all Jeffco cases must be sealed," and "NCIC and CCIC warnings must be purged." Responding to my client's written orders, I submitted a Motion for Forgiveness and Petition to Seal on Mr. Gartin's behalf.

The exhibits for Mr. Gartin's pleading, including those regarding his matters in Arapahoe County cases, were provided to me by Mr. Gartin. In preparing for the hearing on the pleading scheduled for April 8, 2004, I contacted Judge Richard Jauch's courtroom in Arapahoe County for copies of the documents Mr. Gartin had provided. The files were in storage and it took several telephone calls to arrange with court personnel for the removal of the files from storage for my review. Once out of storage, only days before the April 8, 2004, hearing, a clerk stated that the file was too large for her to review and to provide me copies.

I next received the People's Response to Allegations in Defendant's Motion for Forgiveness and Petition to Seal via facsimile on the afternoon of April 7, 2004. Upon review of that pleading, and upon discussions with Special Prosecutor Marlene Langfield, I became aware of questions regarding the authenticity of exhibits I filed. My review of the Register of Action, provided in Ms. Langfield's response, caused me to doubt the authenticity of those exhibits filed in the Motion for Forgiveness and Petition to Seal.

Following the April 8, 2004, hearing, Mr. Gartin filed a *pro se* pleading withdrawing his plea of guilty. The contents of the pleading forced me to then file a Motion to Withdraw, which was granted on May 7, 2004. I feel it incumbent upon me to advise the court, and to acknowledge to Ms. Langfield, that there appears to be exhibits that are not factually correct in the Court's file. Since I am no longer the attorney of record, I am advising both Marlene Langfield and the Court in this correspondence of the error in the exhibits. While I was diligent in trying to obtain court copies before the April 8, 2004, hearing, I must nevertheless offer my apologies to the Court and Ms. Langfield for any errors in the pleading filed by me.

Yours truly,


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