

May 10, 2012

Chief Michael Chitwood Daytona Beach Police Department 129 Valor Road Daytona Beach, FL 32114

Dear Chief Chitwood:

Please be advised that two of your road patrol officers, Kimberly Kulenek Gernert and Sterling Martin, testified this week in a personnel board hearing regarding the termination of employment for former Volusia County Sheriff Deputy Scott Flesch which stemmed from his criminal conduct that occurred in Daytona Beach on December 5, 2010.

I wanted you to know that I met with both Officers Gernert and Martin, along with Lt. Thomas Para and Detective David Dinardi, in preparation for this hearing. Each of these law enforcement officers under your command were very professional, knowledgeable about the underlying events, and very helpful to me in defending the employment decision involved in this case. They were accessible to me for any questions I may have had and very respectful of both me and my paralegal, Amber Ryan. I wanted you to be aware of their involvement in this regard and personally let you know how much I appreciate their efforts.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Mary G. Jolley

Assistant County Attorney

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