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RE: *Mark Lunsford*

Gentlemen:

Needless to say, we were more than disappointed to have been contacted by multiple members of the media today, who had been furnished with copies of Mr. Diaco's March 26, 2008 correspondence specifically regarding settlement negotiations between the parties. As you gentlemen are well aware, if committed by an attorney, such conduct potentially violates Rule 4-3.6 and 4-4.4, *Rules of Professional Responsibility*. If committed by a party, such conduct violates specific case law preserving inviolate confidential settlement negotiations. This conduct is especially egregious in that it contradicts my specific confirmation of Mr. Lunsford's willingness to settle this matter as embodied in my March 17, 2008 correspondence. Accordingly, the release of Mr. Diaco's letter today is a transparent attempt to paint Mr. Lunsford into a corner, and such conduct certainly does not foster good will.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Mr. Lunsford, Mark Gelman and I cordially invite the Sheriff to meet with us at 1:00 p.m., Friday, March 28, 2008 at the law office of Mark Gelman, Esquire. Those offices are at 4811 Atlantic Blvd., Jacksonville, FL. Mr. Lunsford, Mr. Gelman and I will definitely

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be there waiting for the Sheriff, and we intend to discuss all available options which could possibly result in this entire matter being settled. We sincerely look forward to meeting with the Sheriff and exploring every way that this matter might be resolved. Thank you very much, I am and remain,

Very truly yours,


Eric S. Block

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cc: Mr. Mark Lunsford
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