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Peter Ettenberg, Esquire
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RE: COMMONWEALTH V. BENJAMIN LAGUER

Dear Mr. Ettenberg:

This is to answer your question concerning who was present in the hospital room when the victim made statements to Detective Ronald Carignan on July 14, 1983 at approximately 8:30 a.m. I have reread the report in question and spoke with Detective Carignan. The only other person present was her daughter Elizabeth Barry. I hope this answers your question.

Per our conversation at the courthouse, this office is prepared to offer the defendant a twenty year Concord sentence in exchange of his guilty plea. The victim's family is quite concern over her physical and mental health. They are in agreement with this recommendation. The police department has no opinion. We expect no objections from Mr. John Conte, given the delicate circumstances and possibly his own inclination to spare us all the grief of a trial.

Again, the fingerprint reports have not been received as of yet. As I have told you since you began asking, I will provide all reports as soon as I get them.

If you have any further questions, feel free to contact me at any time.

Very truly yours,

JAMES R. LEMIRE
Assistant District Attorney

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