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Mr. Ean Algar, Chief of Police
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Dear Chief. Algar:

My name is Sadrudin Chatur. I am currently involved in a family court trial at the Milton Court house in court room #5.

Since the beginning of my trial one of your female officers has been spending an unusual amount of time in the courtroom where my trial is being held. There would appear that no officers are attending other courtrooms in the building and it would appear that this officer seems to be giving all of her attention to just my case.

As you are likely aware of, I have made several complaints against some of your officers regarding bias against me as a father during the dispute between my former wife and myself. Your officers gave considerable help to the mother of my children when she complained but when I complained for the same reasons, services were denied to myself. Preference was giving to my wife because I believe she was a woman and I a man. I am at the Court seeking justice for my children and your police force was responsible for my losing contact with my children as a result of your department conducting an unwarranted and meaningless investigation at great expense to the taxpayers. As a result of the problems caused by the bias of your officers in our custody dispute, some of your officers are being called as witnesses.

The presence of this officer in my court makes me feel uncomfortable and makes me feel as if I have been centered out by the Halton Regional Police for some reason. I find this officer's constant presence distracting. I am wondering why this officer is spending lots of time in my court while not spending time in the other courts in the building. During break times I went to the other courts and although there were proceedings happening, no officers were present there. This officer's presence is making me think that there is some link to my complaints against officers of the Halton Regional Police.

I am therefore requesting that this particular officer be asked to remove herself from the inside of the courtroom as her presence is making it more difficult for me to concentrate on my case.

Based on my experience in dealing with your officers that racial minorities and single fathers are not given the same level of service as are mothers. The treatment that I have

received by your officers as a male and single father makes me want to move out of the region completely.

I lived in Hamilton for over 10 years and I was never subjected to any investigations or discriminated in anyway this including when my former spouse alleged that in Hamilton that I had sexually abused my daughters.

I am living in fear from reprisals as a result of my dealings with police and others in the family court system and as a result I often have to carry recording devices with me as a form of protection.

If your department feels that I am somehow a threat to anyone, then I would be more than willing to voluntarily be searched before I enter the court house. Hopefully, at that point your officers would then leave me alone while in the courtroom.

Although I have no objection to the officer looking in the door to the court once in a while, your assistance in having this officer removed from the courtroom itself would be greatly appreciated. I have no objection to members of the public attending, but the actions of your officers is a big part of the reason why I am in court to begin with.

Yours truly

(Signed)

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