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Re: Israel Monte Jackson – Freedom of Information Act Request

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that I have been retained to represent Melody Jackson, who is the mother of Israel Monte Jackson. On April 26, 2020, Israel Monte Jackson was found dead hanging from a tree in Roanoke, Virginia. Mr. Jackson's death was ruled a suicide and the case was immediately closed. Several weeks prior to Mr. Jackson's death, a missing person report was filed with the Roanoke City Police Department (hereinafter the "Missing Person Report"). By this letter, Ms. Jackson requests immediate production of the following documents and things pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (§ 2.2 -3700 et seq.):

1. Any and all documents related to the police investigation of decedent's death and/or the Missing Person Report;
2. Any and all forensic reports, witness statements, toxicology reports, and police reports relating to decedent's death and/or the Missing Person Report;

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3. Any and all autopsy reports, crime scene investigation reports, crime scene photographs, and photographs of decedent generated from the investigation of decedent's death; and
4. Any and all document and things, including photographs, relating to items found on decedent's person.

We kindly request a copy of all documents responsive to our requests to be provided to us electronically (kush@mwinjurylaw.com) or in the enclosed return envelope and agree to pay any reasonable expenses that may be incurred. The Virginia Freedom of Information Act requires a response to this request be made within *five business days*. If access to the records that I am requesting will take longer than this amount of time, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records. Moreover, if you deny any or all of these requests, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

Please do hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Kush Shukla, Esq.