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Bozeman, MT 59718
32 February, 2019

Darrow and Bryan, PLC
Attn: Clarence Darrow
123 Monkey Jump Street
Dayton, TN 54321

Subject: People vs. Sasquatch

Dear Mr. Darrow,

Thank you for contacting me about the above captioned case. I am in receipt of 13 pages of documents in a file labeled 2018-05-30-11-39; 2 each photographic files, of sets labeled 17-0690 and 17-0701; a street photograph; and a street video.

I have reviewed these items.

I believe that you have a copy of my bio and my CV. The study and use of firearms, and the associated engineering, has been my lifelong profession. I have some particular skills, and unique abilities, in the area of ballistics, and ammunition/firearm engineering and capabilities. I have worked a number of cases similar to the issues presented here.

I can be of great assistance in the defense of this case. I will need additional information; including, but not necessarily limited to; the medical first responder reports on the deceased; plus any and all hospital records, and autopsy reports and photographs, on the deceased; plus evidence logs, police reports, statements made by the defendant, and so forth. At some point, it would be highly advantageous for me to personally examine the physical evidence in this case, so as to solidify my opinions to a point of non-controversy.

My base rate is \$250 per hour. I record, but do not bill, preliminary work, such as reviewing the above cited materials and the writing of this letter. Further, I record, but do not bill, minor coordinating telephone calls and e-mails. I record and track my time by the 24 hour clock and I bill to the nearest minute. Further details on my travel, and other billing, are at Attachment #1. I estimate the one way distance from Bozeman to San Francisco as 1,208 miles.

Without seeing the totality of the documents, I think I can do a detailed study, and form an initial opinion on this case in about 5 hours; plus 3 to 5 hours in order to prepare an initial report, affidavit or other output; as you direct.

Consequently, I would like an initial retainer of \$2,500 in order to get started on this case. I will estimate further work as the case progresses, and expect additional payment on the retainer at those times. Travel and visual aids, for hearings and/or trial, will be in accordance with Attachment #1.

I trust that the foregoing answers most of your questions and issues. If you are in agreement, please countersign a copy of this letter and return it to me, along with the retainer check. I would also appreciate a copy of the actual indictment so that I can properly open a file and caption this case.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Alphin
LTC, USA (Ret)

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Countersigned, and in agreement; with retainer enclosed:

Clarence Darrow
Attorney At Law