



**U.S. Department of Justice**

Civil Rights Division

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950 Pennsylvania Ave, N W  
Washington, DC 20530*

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Chief Donald L. Lee, Jr.  
Key West Police Department  
1604 Roosevelt Boulevard  
Key West, FL 33040

Dear Chief Lee:

The Criminal Section of the Civil Rights Division enforces the federal criminal civil rights laws, such as the willful abuse of authority by public officials that deprives individuals of liberties and rights defined in the United States Constitution or federal law. We evaluate allegations of civil rights violations to determine whether the evidence and circumstances of the case warrant a federal criminal prosecution.

We received a complaint that officials of your agency may have been involved in violating the civil rights of Mr. Charles John Eimers. We recently completed our review of the results of the investigation of that complaint to determine whether a federal criminal prosecution was warranted. After careful consideration, we concluded that the evidence does not establish a prosecutable violation of the federal criminal civil rights statutes. Accordingly, we have closed our investigation. Please be advised that our conclusion in this matter does not preclude other components of the U.S. Department of Justice from taking action, where appropriate, under their separate enforcement authority.

This Division is dedicated to the enforcement of federal criminal civil rights statutes. We appreciate your cooperation in our shared responsibility to ensure the impartial and effective enforcement of our laws.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paige M. Fitzgerald".

Paige M. Fitzgerald  
Acting Section Chief  
Criminal Section