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Dear Mr. Kimble:

I received your letter of May 26, 2000 on May 31, 2000. Unfortunately, this does not appear to be a matter in which our firm will be able to assist you. Accordingly, we are returning your letter and the enclosed copy of indictment number 98 CRS 23399 to you under cover of this letter.

It is hard to determine from your letter exactly what tort claim you would be pursuing, but you should keep in mind that many civil actions (such as negligence, assault, etc.) are governed by a three year statute of limitations (or less). Accordingly, any actions of which you are complaining dating back to April of 1997 may already be time barred, and were as of the time we received your letter.

In any case, we wish you luck in obtaining other representation. Any counsel you do retain should be able to advise you as to the applicable statute of limitations.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

May 26, 2000

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Dear Sirs:

Thank you for your time. I am writing to request assistance from your office, to prosecute a civil complaint I intend to file against specific parties who are (or were) employed by the Guilford County Sheriff's Department. Presently, I possess sufficient prima facie evidence that can be accepted per se to file and win this case, and I am confident the fact will persuade an impartial jury to award me punitive damages.

My name is Ronnie L. Kimble, and I am seeking legal representation to possibly file my complaint. I have seriously contemplated filing the lawsuit pro se, but in lieu of my current incarcerated status, I have not had adequate resources to fully prosecute my claim (s). I have been incarcerated since 1 April 1997 on false charges investigators were so convinced I committed. Despite my demands for an attorney, I was forced to endure several hours of grueling interrogation, by detectives who repeatedly attempted to extract a false confession from me. However, as I explained to them from the outset of my arrest, I was not guilty of the accusation they accused me of, and I had nothing else to say.

When investigators could not extract a false confession from me, they desperately started a campaign to humiliate and discredit me, since their criminal case against me was based solely on hearsay and circumstantial evidence. Despite the fact (s) that I had no criminal history; had an outstanding military record, was actively involved in my church, was respected by all those who know me, was a good husband, and most importantly, had a verifiable alibi, Guilford County authorities relentlessly pursued methods of destroying my alibi and credibility; they even resorted to housing me around jailhouse informants, and actually blackmailed one of my alibi witnesses (James Ogburn).

Moreover, they attempted to discredit me publicly, by indicting me on an additional [false] charge. Fortunately, all three of these methods were not successful in every way they had hoped or planned.

During my initial confinement at the Guilford County Detention Center, A custodian office (Ms. Janet L. Smith) became infatuated with me, and after several months, began writing me, despite my efforts to discourage her. However, Ms. Smith was oftentimes persistent and inevitably we began corresponding with one another. Since receiving other information, it became apparent that Ms. Smith's interest in me was known and encouraged by the Sheriff's office, in hopes I would disclose pertinent information to her about my criminal charges, and when they felt sure they had what they wanted, I was confronted with approximately ten (10) custodian offices, who forcibly searched my cell, and at least (4) of those officers maliciously assaulted me with excessive, deadly force, to take Ms. Smith's letters away from me.

Nearly two weeks afterwards, Guilford County Sheriff, Mr. B.J. Barnes directed his subordinate staff to place me on suicide watch, and during several interviews with the media, Sheriff Barnes stated that officer Smith and I engaged in "sexual orgies..." while I was in custody. Sheriff Barnes also claimed he possessed evidence to support his accusations, and it was under his directive that I remained housed on suicide watch for two weeks, even though a licensed psychologist recommended taking me off.

I took the liberty of enclosing a copy of the bogus felony indictment, and as you can see, according to North Carolina Statutory Authority G.S. 14-27-7, it is clear to see that under this statute, that I am the victim, thus I should never been charged. The false charge was subsequently dismissed, but along with the false statements made by Sheriff Barnes to the Media, it all defamed me publicly, affected the sanctity of my marriage, and affected my friendships.

After reviewing my concerns, if you are interested in representing me please contact me by mail, or preferably, through an attorney - client conference call, so that we may discuss the facts more in depth. If you would, please confirm your decision either way.

Whatever assistance you could provide, would be deeply appreciated, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



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<p align="center">STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA In the General Court of Justice Superior Court Division GUILFORD COUNTY</p>	File No. <p align="center">98CRS 23399</p>
<p align="center">STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA v. RONNIE LEE KIMBLE</p>	Film No. <p align="center">INDICTMENT</p>
Date of Offense November 1, 1997 through November 19, 1997	Offense in Violation of G.S. 14-27.7 and the Common Law

**Conspiracy to Commit
 Sexual Activity By A Custodian**

THE JURORS FOR THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA upon their oath present that between November 1, 1997 and November 19, 1997, in Guilford County, the defendant Ronnie Lee Kimble, did combine, conspire, confederate and agree with Janet Lynn Smith, to commit the felony of Sexual Activity by a Custodian in that Janet Lynn Smith and Ronnie Lee Kimble did agree to engage in vaginal intercourse, fellatio, and cunnilingus on the premises of the Guilford County jail, while Ronnie Lee Kimble was an inmate entrusted to the care and custody of Janet Lynn Smith a jailer for the Guilford County jail.

 Signature of Prosecutor

WITNESSES

J.D. Church, Guilford County Sheriff's Department

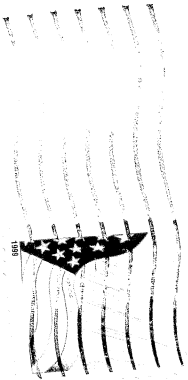
The witnesses marked "X" were sworn by the undersigned Foreman of the Grand Jury and after hearing testimony, this bill was found to be:

A TRUE BILL by twelve or more grand jurors, and I the undersigned Foreman of the Grand Jury, attest the concurrence of twelve or more grand jurors in this Bill of Indictment.
 NOT A TRUE BILL

Date <p align="center">MAY 18 1998</p>	Signature of Grand Jury Foreman 
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