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*Via registered or certified mail*

Joseph Michael Coppola



Dear Mr. Coppola,


Please be advised that after reviewing the materials in the Brady/Giglio investigation conducted by this office in response to your perjury charges in Effingham Superior Court case number SUCR2025000075, I have decided that my office cannot use you as a witness or affiant on any criminal case from this point forward. I intend to place your name on the statewide Giglio list.

The investigation reveals that you untruthfully claimed under oath in court documents that debt incurred by you on a credit card was incurred by your deceased father.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §15-18-33, I am also sending a copy of this notice to your (former) employer, the City of Guyton Police Department (Guyton PD), and the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council (POST).

Both you and Guyton PD have the right to request reconsideration of this decision within thirty (30) days receipt of this notice. If you or Guyton PD request reconsideration, I will promptly review such request and any materials provided. A decision will be provided in writing and include specific reasons for such decision.

With regards,

  
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