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Mr. Mark Davis Vermont Public Radio 365 Troy Avenue Colchester, Vermont 05446

Mr. Alan J. Keays VTDigger 26 State Street, Suite 8 Montpelier, Vermont 05602

Re: Public Records Request

Dear Mark Davis and Alan Keays,

Please find enclosed the audio requested as part of your public records request. It is our understanding that although VTDigger provided payment for these files, the files will be shared between you.

With minimal exception, the files include the totality of the audio statements made by Ruqaiyah "Kiah" Morris and James Lawton. As previously stated, Max Misch was arraigned on criminal charges which are currently pending. Consistent with 1 V.S.A. § 317(c)(5)(A)(ii), because some statements contain information that could deprive Max Misch of his right to a fair trial, we are obliged, at this stage, to exempt these statements from disclosure. Pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317(c)(3) disclosure could also violate duly adopted Vermont Rules of Professional Conduct. Additionally, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 317(c)(5)(A)(iii) some statements have been redacted in order to protect against a possible unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

We thank you for your patience and understanding in meeting your request and abiding by our obligations under the Vermont Public Records Act.

To the extent you feel records have been wrongfully withheld, you may appeal to Deputy Attorney General Josh Diamond at the address noted above.

Sincerely,
Molly Gray (5)

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To request copy of audio files, please contact:

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