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New Hampshire Commission on Law Enforcement Accountability, Community, and Transparency

Dear Commission;

As you begin the task of improving law enforcement in the State of New Hampshire. I believe that you will find yourself in the awkward situation of uncovering a fatal police shooting that the Attorney General has not ruled as justified or unjustified but merely (we just can't figure it out).

In this day and age with all the science, technology and law enforcement knowledge. It is hard to imagine that the Attorney General's Office has decided to put a homicide on the shelf. Or maybe it's more than that.

Maybe it's racial? We would hate to think that or even say that, however the victim, Alex Cora DeJesus was shot and killed by Weare Police on August 14, 2013 while fleeing and unarmed. Yes it happened here in New Hampshire. Six years ago and the case remains unresolved.

The question put to each of the Commission members is what happens the next time. Can the state put a new legal term to homicide such as "we just don't know". HOGWASH. Figure it out Attorney General . What if it was your relative or family member.

The Commission that you have chosen to serve upon is clearly not starting with a clean slate. As a retired police officer it seems that every police shooting should be cleared as justified or unjustified.

Respectfully submitted,

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