

CLAIM OF: GRACE CURTIS

through her attorney

LARRY A. PANKEY, Esq.,  
PANKEY, COFFMAN & HORLOCK, L.L.C.  
315 W. Ponce de Leon Avenue  
Decatur, GA 30030

For bodily injuries alleged to have been sustained  
as a result of a police incident on July 25, 2000,  
at 2210 Perry Boulevard, NW.

THIS ADVERSED REPORT IS  
APPROVED

BY: *Rosalind Rubens Newell/Ken*  
ROSALIND RUBENS NEWELL  
DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY

ADVERSED REPORT

COM: *Rubens Safety*

DATE: *9/12/00*

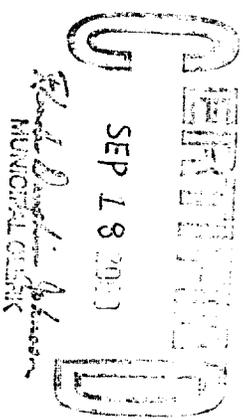
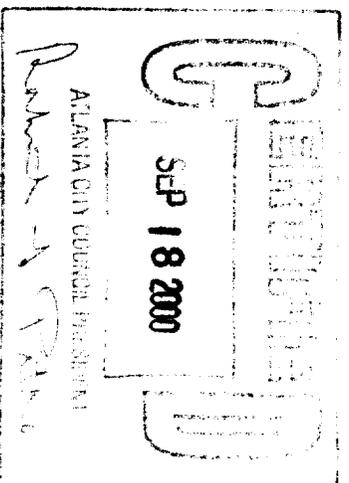
CHIEF: *C. T. Moore*

*Mark...*

*Roy...*

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ADVERSED BY  
CITY COUNCIL  
SEP 18 2000

September 28, 2000

Larry A. Pankey, Esq.  
Paney, Coffman & Horlock  
Attorneys at Law  
315 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.  
Decatur, GA 30030

**00R-1411**

**RE: Grace Curtis**

Dear Attorney Pankey:

I sincerely regret that your client has been adversely affected by the circumstances raised in his/her claim for damages against the City of Atlanta. Your time and patience in this matter has been greatly appreciated.

However, I must notify you that the Atlanta City Council Adopted an Adverse Report on your client's claim at its regular meeting on January 03, 2000. In consultation with the City's Law Department, who conducted an investigation of the situation, the Council has determined that the City cannot accept responsibility for this matter and therefore cannot pay this claim.

If you desire any further information, please contact the **City Attorney's Office/Claims Division at (404) 330-6400.**

Yours very truly,

Rhonda Dauphin Johnson, CMC  
Municipal Clerk

**cc: Claims Division/Law Department**

DEPARTMENT OF LAW - CLAIM INVESTIGATION SUMMARY

Claim No. 00L0469

Date: August 30, 2000

Claimant /Victim GRACE CURTIS
BY: (Atty) (Ins. Co.) Larry A. Pankey, Esq., PANKEY, COFFMAN & HORLOCK, L.L.C.
Address: 315 W. Ponce de Leon Avenue, Decatur, Georgia 30030
Subrogation: Claim for Property damage \$ Bodily Injury \$ unspecified
Date of Notice: 7/25/00 Method: Written, Proper X Improper
Conforms to Notice: O.C.G.A. §36-33-5 Ante Litem (6 Mo.)
Date of Occurrence 5/29/00 Place: 2210 Perry Boulevard, NW
Department POLICE Division
Employee involved C.A. Ford Disciplinary Action:

NATURE OF CLAIM: Claimant alleges that she sustained injuries when she was assaulted, battered, falsely arrested and imprisoned by Officer C. A. Ford. Claimant further alleges that Officer Ford used excessive and unauthorized force during her apprehension and arrest. However, a municipal corporation shall not be liable for the torts of policemen or other officers engaged in the discharge of the duties imposed on them by law as set forth in O.C.G.A. Section 36-33-3.

INVESTIGATION:

Statements: City employee Claimant Others Written Oral
Pictures Diagrams Reports: Police X Dept Report Other X
Traffic citations issued: City Driver Claimant Driver
Citation disposition: City Driver Claimant Driver

BASIS OF RECOMMENDATION:

Function: Governmental X Ministerial
Improper Notice More than Six Months Other X Damages reasonable
City not involved Offer rejected Compromise settlement
Repair/replacement by Ins. Co. Repair/replacement by City Forces
Claimant Negligent City Negligent Joint Claim Abandoned

Respectfully submitted,

Gwendolyn Burns
INVESTIGATOR - GWENDOLYN BURNS

RECOMMENDATION:

Pay \$ Adverse X Account charged: 1A01 2J01 2H01
Claims Manager: Concur/date 08-31-00
Committee Action: Council Action

LAW OFFICES  
PANKEY, COFFMAN & HORLOCK, L.L.C.

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315 W. PONCE DE LEON AVENUE  
DECATUR, GEORGIA 30030

LARRY A. PANKEY\*  
ANDREW Y. COFFMAN  
LAURA C. HORLOCK

\*ALSO ADMITTED IN  
D.C. & MASS.

ENTERED - 8-1-00 - SB  
00L0469 - GWEN BURNS

July 14, 2000

TELEPHONE  
(404) 371-0234

TELECOPIER  
(404) 377-4100

BURNS  
07/25/00  
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CERTIFIED MAIL Z 073 934 607

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Hon. William Campbell, Mayor  
City of Atlanta  
55 Trinity Ave, SW  
Suite 2400  
Atlanta, Georgia 30335

CERTIFIED MAIL Z 073 934 608

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Hon. Rob Pitts  
President, Atlanta City Council  
55 Trinity Avenue, SW, Suite 2900  
Atlanta, Georgia 30335

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JUL 19 2000  
OFFICE OF MAYOR CAMPBELL

CERTIFIED MAIL Z 073 934 609

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Beverly J. Harvard, Chief of Police  
Atlanta Police Department  
City Hall East  
675 Ponce de Leon Ave, NE  
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

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JUL 18 2000

CITY OF ATLANTA  
OFFICE OF MAYOR

Re: Our Client: Grace Curtis  
Subject: Ante-Litem Notice of Claims  
Notice of Lawsuit  
DOL: 05/29/00

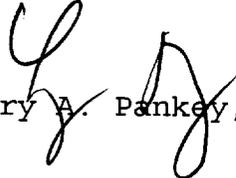
To the above elected and appointed officials:

Pursuant to the Official Code of Georgia, § 36-11-1, et seq. you are hereby notified that the undersigned and the law firm of Pankey, Coffman & Horlock, L.L.C. have been retained to represent Ms. Grace Curtis in connection with injuries sustained during the course of their severe beating, wrongful arrest and malicious prosecution at the hands of several police officers employed with the City of Atlanta Police Department.

During her arrest, Ms. Curtis received broken ribs, and numerous cuts and abrasions. We believe her injuries to be an excessive use of force and in violation of her civil rights. Simply put, a female should not have received such extensive injuries from these police officers.

Please let us know how you intend to deal with this matter.

Govern yourselves accordingly,

  
Larry A. Pankey, Esq.

LAP/sra

00- -1411

RCS# 2218  
9/18/00  
2:15 PM

Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

CONSENT

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YEAS: 13  
NAYS: 0  
ABSTENTIONS: 0  
NOT VOTING: 2  
EXCUSED: 0  
ABSENT 1

SEE ATTACHED LISTING OF  
ITEMS ADOPTED/ADVERSED  
ON CONSENT AGENDA

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Y Starnes	NV Woolard	B Martin	Y Emmons
Y Bond	Y Morris	Y Maddox	Y Alexander
Y Winslow	Y Muller	Y Boazman	NV Pitts

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CONSENT AGENDA  
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