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Information about criminal cases from Springfield

In 2020, the United States Department of Justice found that Springfield Police Department officers, particularly those within the narcotics bureau, routinely falsified police reports and engaged in a pattern or practice of excessive force. In *Graham v. District Attorney for the Hampden District*, 493 Mass. 348 (2024), the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court held that information about this misconduct should have been disclosed in certain cases. At least one case of yours was identified as a case where this information might have been important.

Because you may not have had this police misconduct information during your case, you may be entitled to vacate (undo) your conviction or change the outcome of your case. **Please note that there is no guarantee that you will be able to change the outcome of your case. If you take no action, the outcome of your case will stay the same.**

You have the right to have a lawyer help you for free if you cannot afford to hire one. A lawyer can advise you about whether to challenge the outcome in your case. If you choose to go to court, a lawyer will be appointed to advise and represent you for free if the court finds you cannot afford a lawyer.

How To Get a Lawyer:

If you want a lawyer to look at your case, please scan QR code below, complete an inquiry form online at www.publiccounsel.net/scr or leave a detailed message at our confidential recorded intake line: **617-910-5858. Please note these calls are not answered by a live operator.** Instead, you will be asked to leave detailed information in a voice message. You may also write to us at the address above or email us at scr@publiccounsel.net.

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