



U.S. Department of Justice

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The Honorable James Messer
City Attorney, Fort Pierce, Florida
Via email: jmesser@city-ftpierce.com

Dear Mr. Messer:

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the Department of Justice's review of the criminal investigation into the fatal shooting of Demarcus Semer that was conducted by the Sheriff of St. Lucie County and the State Attorney. At this point, the Department has obtained the materials made available by the State Attorney's Office. We will review the materials, as well as any other relevant information, for possible violations of the federal criminal civil rights statutes and conduct any further investigation that may be appropriate.

Once again, thank you for your interest in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me regarding this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James F. Felte, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

James F. Felte, Jr.
Deputy Chief