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Re: *Konnech Inc. / CEO Eugene Yu*

All:

Please be advised that I have been retained to represent Konnech Inc. and its CEO, Eugene Yu, regarding the Sheriff's Department's pending criminal investigation concerning Konnech and Mr. Yu. You are hereby directed that any communications concerning Konnech and/or Mr. Yu are to be forwarded to me as retained counsel.

Sheriff Hayden should be made aware of the published LA Times article dated January 23, 2024 indicating that Los Angeles County has agreed to pay \$5 million to settle a civil rights lawsuit brought by Yu and Konnech against Los Angeles County. The suit alleged civil rights violations and negligence stemming from Yu's wrongful arrest. The County's District Attorney's Office wrongfully arrested Yu based upon frivolous allegations that Yu was illegally storing LA County poll workers' personal information overseas. As part of the settlement, the County agreed to seek a factual finding of Yu's innocence from the Court. **(see Exhibit A).**

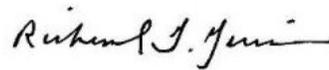
I expect any affidavit that you may choose to present to a Johnson County judge seeking a search warrant or inquisition subpoena will include information from the LA Times article in which my client was exonerated based on very similar allegations. As you know, any judge in Johnson County is entitled to the full picture of what is and has transpired.

I fully recognize that Sheriff Hayden has placed himself and his department in the awkward position of conducting a baseless investigation for the past several years into nonexistent election fraud in Johnson County. Sheriff Hayden should be very careful about making public statements concerning Konnech and Mr. Yu to somehow justify his obvious waste of taxpayer dollars. Los Angeles County's recent million dollar payout should send a strong message to Sheriff Hayden of the serious consequences that result from a baseless investigation into nonexistent election fraud.

Konnech was a successful innovative and leading technology company focused on poll-worker management. Konnech's product helped election authorities save millions of dollars every year. Before Sheriff Hayden's public announcement at the end of 2022, Konnech was about to build up its high-paid team in Michigan to expand its market. The actions of Sheriff Hayden with other election deniers have effectively destroyed Konnech and its founder, Eugene Yu. Mr. Yu is a first-generation migrant who had an American dream to create better management tools for the world. His dream has been shattered.

Please contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Guinn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Rick Guinn