



# Judicial Watch™

*Because no one is above the law.*

July 23, 2009

**VIA EMAIL**

Officer Frank Pasquarello  
Public Information Officer  
City of Cambridge Police Department  
125 Sixth Street  
Cambridge, MA 02142

**Re: Massachusetts Public Records Law Request**

Dear Officer Pasquarello:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Massachusetts Public Records Law (MPRL), G. L. c. 4, § 7(26) and G. L. c. 66, § 10 (2004 ed.), Judicial Watch, Inc. requests from the City of Cambridge Police Department access to and a copy of any and all record(s) within ten (10) calendar days concerning or relating to the following:

Any audiotapes or videotapes recorded prior to, during, or after the arrest of Harvard Professor Henry Louis Gates on July 16, 2009.

Within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of this request, you are required to determine whether the request, in whole or in part, seeks copies of disclosable public records in your possession and to notify us promptly of your determination and the reasons therefore. G.L. c.66, § 10(b).

Finally, Judicial Watch request a waiver of any direct costs of duplication or statutory fees pursuant to 32.06 (5) as the requested items would benefit the public interest. Judicial Watch is a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) educational organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the operations of government as well as the importance of ethics and the rule of law. Judicial Watch regularly requests information from public agencies about their operations and activities and disseminates this information to the public in furtherance of its educational mission.

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If you do not understand this request or any portion thereof, or if you feel you require clarification of this request or any portion thereof, please contact us immediately at 202-646-5184 or [drothstein@judicialwatch.org](mailto:drothstein@judicialwatch.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D Rothstein", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Rothstein  
Judicial Watch, Inc.