Dear Sir,

I hope my letter finds you well. I am writing to ask you to understand why I am so disappointed by how the sheriff’s department investigated the case of my son’s murder. It is hard because I have no words to tell you what we are going through, not only because we lost our beloved Adil, but also how my son Adil, my son Othmane, and myself were treated by the sheriff’s department.

It is very obvious to me and everybody that the way this case was handled is very strange and even experts have told me that they have never seen a redacted police report as the one released by Caldwell sheriff’s department. It took them 11 days to arrest him. And they only arrested him because of the media pressure. They assumed from the beginning and told my son Othmane the day it happened that it was all a “misunderstanding”. Later they repeated to us that it was a self defense because that is what Turner told them and they accepted his story before any investigation. They treated my son’s murder like if somebody hit an animal by car. They treated my son like he does not matter.

I want to tell you that many entities are relying on you and waiting for the outcome of this case. Government people, local media and national media and international media in Europe. I think this is a great chance for you to show the world who the person you are. I am saying this not because we want you to take our side about the Sheriff’s disrespect, but only for you to do what is right. Gun owners in this country are not ok with what Turner did. They all say this is not a self defense. You agreed that this is a first degree murder when we first met and we are asking you for the sake of God, sake of justice, and sake of democracy, to bring justice to my beloved son by bringing us an indictment of first degree murder.

I also want to thank you for the sympathy and help you’ve been providing to us and we trust you and trust that you’ll do what is right because I know you have children and I know you are doing your best to make them successful. Thank you.

I know that we share a strong belief in God. We have a saying that: God can postpone but never forget. We have another saying: God’s justice is stronger than earthly justice.

Thank you for your patience and kindness.

My Best Regards,
Fatiha Haouass