## To whom it may concern:

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I, Leon Shestak, received some violations, invoice # H000569419 and H000569418. I am a law abiding citizen and I really appreciate police and the work they do. But when I was stopped I was not given a chance to speak and explain myself, as soon as I say something officer cut me off, so I couldn't say anything at all. The same happened when I was talking on the phone with another officer, I was explaining to him and he cut me off saying that I am rumbling something. Both of them would not let me talk and explain etc.. They have authority over me on the highway and I understand that, but they overuse it. I, as a law abiding citizen have a right to speak freely. I was not yelling or arguing at all, I just wanted to ask them or explain something. But I was not given a chance.

As far as violation for my son, Mark Shestak 391.11B1, he was not going commercially, he is not a commercial driver. He went with me on this trip to help bring back a van for my friend, for which we were not paid at all! Not even a penny! I was doing this for my friend to help him, just a good deed for a close friend and it was not in any way commercial. I myself was driving commercially, delivering some vehicles, but not my son, he just got a ride with me, after he picked up a vehicle he was following me, so he wouldn't get lost, he never drove by himself out of state yet. He did brake down, he drove fine for sometime, then transmission stopped shifting and I had to tow him to the nearest Dodge dealer to get help, which was done, and he was on his way. He drove a Dodge Sprinter which does not require a commercial license to drive it! I totally disagree with this violation!

Violation 393.100B I drove thousands of miles with the battery cover/case in the back of my truck and it hasn't blown away and I don't think it would have, but when officer pointed out that it might blow

away I secured it with a strap right away. I truly believed that it would not be a problem, but I obeyed the officer and secured it.

Violation 393.43 I do have emergency braking in place. When I left on this trip, everything worked as it should. I always check everything before a trip. When officer checked it didn't work properly. I always carry extra stuff for repairing these kind of things, I repaired it right away before going anywhere, and I do apologize for it.

Violation 393.70C I do have double and triple endorsement and the law allows to tow 2 trailers or cars, the law requires breakaway and the second vehicle did have anti sway breakaway and lights, third vehicle had safety chain and lights, the law also requires to have brakes on second vehicle and I did have that. It's not my way of regularly operating, it was just in emergency situation to help my son get to the nearest mechanical help for Dodge vehicle. In my honest opinion I kept everything under close surveillance and safety to others.

I live almost 1500 miles away, so I please ask that if it's possible to get a telephone hearing scheduled, I also don't drive commercially a lot, it's a part time or even less job, I am a self employed mechanic but in order to support my family I do sometimes commercial driving transporting vehicles. I truly appreciate all the work law enforcement personnel do! And I never intended any fraud or go against the law, in anything I do. I try to the best of my knowledge to follow the law.

Thank you very much,

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