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RE: Request for Proposals for Professional Tennis Services at
City Facilities including Joyce Oransky Tennis Center and
Pro Shop (REBID)
RFP#RECX110013-DH

Bid Protest for Abdoulaye Touré

Dear Ms. Holder:

I am in receipt of the letter from Russ Blackburn, the City
Manager, rejecting the appeal filed by Mr. Abdoulaye on the above
referenced matter. I received the letter on Thursday, February 10,
2011.

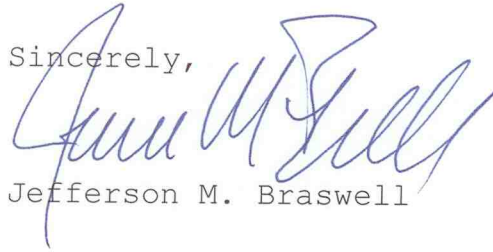
In accordance with the City of Gainesville's rules and
regulations for bid protests, please accept this letter as a formal
protest to the findings of Mr. Blackburn. We would request that
this matter be taken up by the City Commission or its designee as
appropriate. At the same time we would also like to challenge the
City's conclusion that the City of Gainesville's tennis program has
five hundred (500) players annually. In such, we hope to prove
that Mr. Oransky also does not have the minimum qualifications

since he is not running the municipal tennis center with more than 500 players. This number has always appeared excessive and the city is being overly regimented in its approach to this issue. I think it is very clear that Mr. Abdoulaye has sufficient experience to run the City's tennis program.

Please inform me as to additional responsibilities. I see that we are to provide copies of the file within seven (7) business days in advance of the scheduled hearing. I will need some additional guidance on how to best accomplish this.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Jefferson M. Braswell

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