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**JUDGE DISMISSES LAWSUIT WITHOUT PREJUDICE IN
FRALEY V. TOWN OF PURCELLVILLE**

PURCELLVILLE, Va., May 22, 2020 — The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia issued its ruling today on the case of *Fraley v. Town of Purcellville, et al.* Mr. Fraley, a former police officer for the Town of Purcellville, filed a lawsuit asserting thirteen claims against numerous defendants, including the Town, relating to his employment. The Town and other defendants moved to dismiss all of the claims as unfounded and improper. The court found that all of Mr. Fraley’s thirteen counts were without merit and failed to state any claims under Virginia or Federal law, and dismissed the case against all defendants. The dismissal was without prejudice, which means Mr. Fraley, if he chooses, has up to 30 days to attempt to amend his claims.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

“Purcellville-your small Town, where history and progress intersect and people prosper,” is an award-winning town of over 10,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 50 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 12th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is ranked “Safest City” in Virginia in 2020. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, which has been converted to a multi-use trail from Alexandria, VA to Purcellville, the Town has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, equestrian activities, farmer’s markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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