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REF: CIVIL CASE No. 12-1225- (GAC)
ANA MELENA SITU vs. JEROME O'NEIL

Please be advised that in order to find any physical evidence at place of the incident it is required that an excavation be made. This excavation will be made making two parallel horizontal cut with 4 inches wide and approximate 4 inches deep from point C1- to C2- as shown in the attached sketch.

- 1- Property owner must give exactly location of the piping line.
- 2- An approximation of original piping deep to be determined by simple inspection following the track of piping path.
- 3- Any tiles or cement in this way will be carefully removed and new one will be placed back after the excavation
- 4- All work to be recorded with videos and photos.
- 5- Any debris present will be recovered and preserved following a chain of custody for physical evidence according to Federal Rules of Evidence
- 6- I will verify the condition of external condition of any pipe discovered during this searching procedure.
- 7- The cuts will be done by high speed cutter saw with property cutter for concrete and or stone, as need (sub contractor will be assigned)
- 8- All connections, fitting, nut, couplings, elbow, T, pipe (hose, galvanized or copper type will be inspected).

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- 9- The route of the pipe will be inspected according to the Puerto Rico Fire Protection Requirement, UBC, NFPA, and IBC, as applied.
- 10- The installation of the piping installed in this route will be check against the Puerto Rico Building Code in force at the date of the incident and the Permit in force as granted to the building according to Puerto Rico Law.
- 11- Mr. O' Neil must make available any document issued by PUERTO RICO AUTHORITY granting the authorization to built a rented space for residential in area designated to car garage or built- in carport for zoning R-3 or RT-3
- 12- Mr. O' Neil must make available any document issued by Puerto Rico Fire Department which authorized or certified as acceptable the way that the piping was distributed and installed to supplied gas from the tanks to the stove.

NOTE: IF NO DEBRIS OF ANY TYPE OF PIPING SYSTEM IS FOUND DURING THE EXCAVATION THAT WILL BE A DEMONSTRATIVE OUTCOME THAT ALL PIPING, FITTING, VALVES, ETC. WERE REMOVED AFTER THE INCIDENT OCCURRED, BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN THERE WAS NOT PIPING LINE.

If any further question of regarding to the above statements, please do not hesitate to contact me as per you convenience.

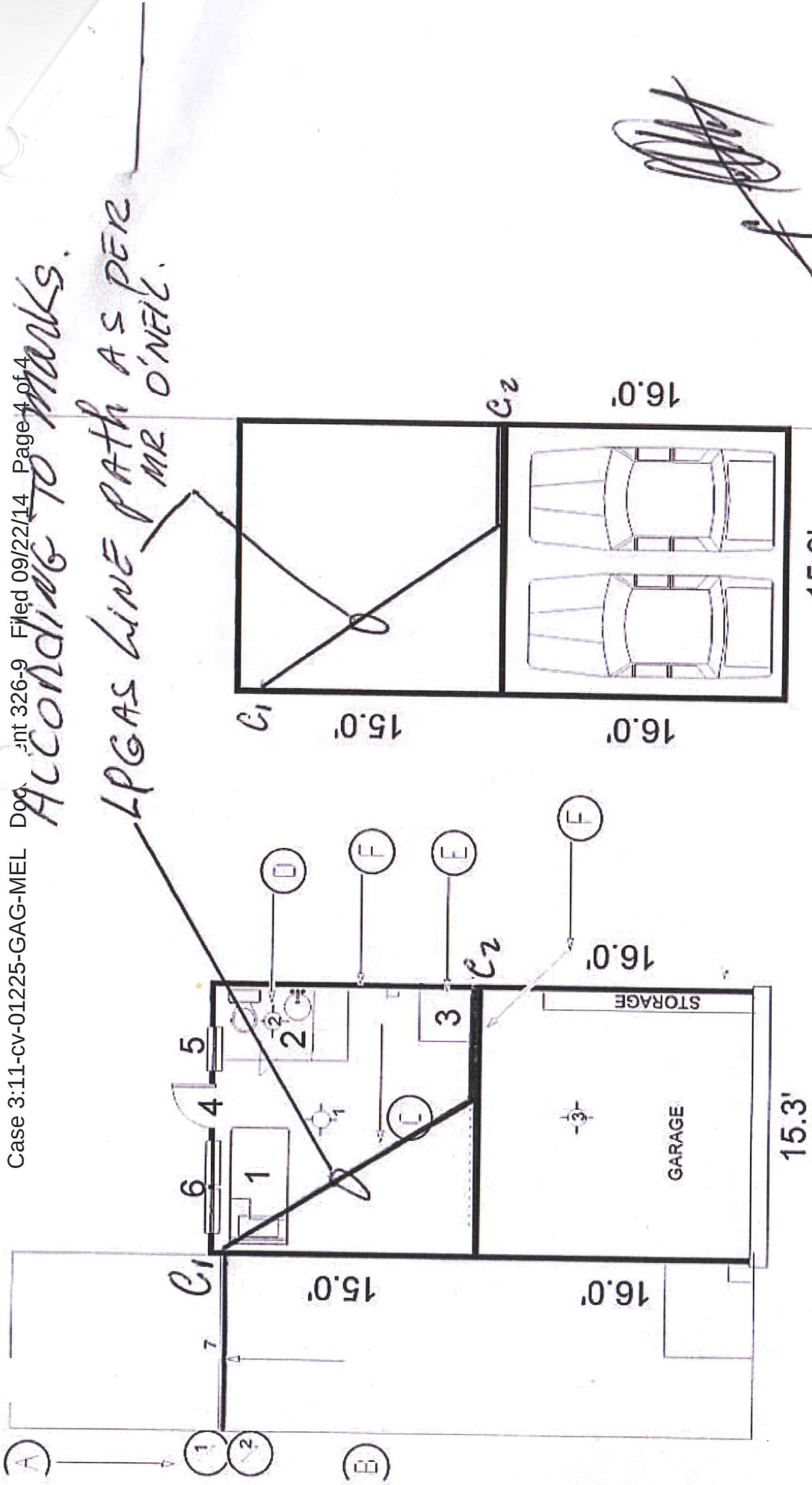
Respectfully submitted,



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According to marks.



LPGAS LINE PATH AS PER MR O'NEIL.

EXCAVATION WILL BE MADE FROM C1 - C2

IN ORDER TO DETERMINE IF THERE EXIST ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF GAS PIPING WHICH WAS IN PLACE DURING DATE OF FIRE WITHIN THIS SPACE