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Mr. Daniel J. Porter  
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Dear Mr. Porter:

Would you like to have a beer?

Today, President Barack Obama is hosting Harvard University professor Henry Gates, Jr. and Cambridge Police Department sergeant James Crowley at the White House for beers to settle a dispute regarding Gates' false arrest and President Obama's comment that "Cambridge police acted stupidly."

On December 20, 2002, you had Gwinnett County police officers conduct a S.W.A.T. attack on my home, placing me and my two foster children in danger while seizing the two boys on a false claim that I called one of them "stupid". I was arrested on charges of obstruction of a law enforcement officer because, according to the arresting officer, "Danny Porter said so." Your misconduct led to the deprivation of my foster children, false allegations of child sexual abuse, and a criminal trial resulting in my acquittal.

You have done great damage to me, my family, my foster children, and to the citizens of Gwinnett County, Georgia. I invite you to make amends over beers at *your* White House, the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center.

Sincerely, I am

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Erik A. Cooper', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Erik A. Cooper