

Alexandra Wilson
4505 SW Sawgrass Pkwy
Ankeny, IA 50023
7-22-2019

City Center, Council Chambers
217 E Center Street
Moab, UT 84532

Dear City of Moab:

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Although my vehicle is longer than the painted lines, there was still plenty of room for vehicles to pass without endangering their vehicle or others, or without crossing the center lines much if at all. However, when I returned to my vehicle, Officer Braydon Palmer (badge 2T9) was parked behind it with his lights flashing. He informed me he was about to have the vehicle towed because it was too long for the space. I requested that he not tow it and I that I would move it immediately, and he informed me that he was going to “still give me a citation.”

I told him I looked for a better place to park, but found nothing, then asked where a better place to park would have been. He told me of two other places – one that was behind a business a block northeast of where I parked, and the other located several blocks west. I requested that he give me a warning instead of a citation because there were no signs indicating where larger vehicles may park and I assured him I would look for the places he told me about and that I would not park *here* again. He informed me he was “still going to give me a citation.”

Soon after he presented a NOTICE TO APPEAR and insisted that I sign; the notice did not contain my correct name *and* included a warning that my license was expired even though it is *not* expired. I informed him I could get my license from the vehicle to show him *my* name *and* that my license is *not expired*, however he told me “No” and again insisted that I sign. I told him I would *not* because the information was inaccurate, so he wrote “REFUSED TO SIGN” on the notice and gave me the citation.

Here is a photo of my license next to the incorrect driver's license number and name he wrote on the citation, as well as the warning he gave me after refusing to let me show him my current license:



SPECIAL REQUEST – I am requesting that:

1. The City of Moab creates road signs to direct larger vehicles to an appropriate parking space;
2. The City of Moab drops the charges against me;
3. Officer Braydon be reprimanded for the abuse of discretion/misconduct and/or charged with violating **Utah Code 76-8-201 Official misconduct** “A public servant is guilty of a class B misdemeanor if, with an intent to benefit himself or another or to harm another, he knowingly commits an unauthorized act which purports to be an act of his office, or knowingly refrains from performing a duty imposed on him by law or clearly inherent in the nature of his office. Visitors to your downtown area should feel welcome as opposed to harassed when visiting the beautiful City of Moab.

Many blessings and thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,
 Alexandra Wilson
 US Citizen

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Grand County Justice Court
125 East Center
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DENIAL OF CHARGES – I hereby deny all charges against my person or property in this matter. Any reasonable person driving a 16' vehicle would have chosen to park in a similar spot as I did due to the fact that there were no signs posted helping to direct traffic otherwise, and other vehicles could easily pass.

ATTACHED – a letter I sent to the City of Moab's City Council wherein I requested they create road signs to direct larger vehicles to an appropriate parking space, which includes photographic evidence the officer wrote inaccurate information on the citation.

SPECIAL REQUEST – I am not from Utah nor do I have time to study your court's local rules of procedure. The citation Officer Braydon gave me (attached) does not appear to be an official document from the Grand County Justice Court ordering payment; therefore payment has not been included because at this time there is nothing due. Please dismiss the charge against me in this matter.

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