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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Vice Mayor Angie Henderson

Metropolitan Council

FROM: Allison Bussell, Associate Director of Law

**DATE:** September 15, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Report of Final Judgments

Pursuant to Metro Code of Ordinances § 2.40.115(B), the Department of Law reports the following judgment against the Metropolitan Government, which recently became final:

Case Name Court Docket # Amount of Judgment

Citlaly Gomez v. Metropolitan Chancery Ct., Part II 20-219-II \$556,508.81

Government of Nashville &

Davidson County

# **Description of Claims:**

Plaintiff, an MNPD police officer, brought suit under the Tennessee Human Rights Act alleging that she was subjected to sexual harassment and a sexually hostile work environment by coworkers and management-level employees. She also claimed retaliation for making a sexual harassment complaint.

#### **Procedural Posture:**

The jury returned a verdict in Plaintiff's favor on the sexual harassment claim resulting in a \$300,000 damages award. Plaintiff was also awarded attorneys' fees and judgment interest.

## **Parties and Counsel:**

Plaintiff: Citlaly Gomez

Plaintiff's Counsel: Jason Lee

Defendant: Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County