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To whom it may concern:

This letter is regarding an accident which occurred on May 9, 2015 at approximately 9:30 a.m. when I went to the Wells Fargo Bank located at 6130 W National Avenue. I parked on South 62nd Street, north of National Avenue to use the side entrance of the bank. When I left the bank, on my way to my car, I stepped from the sidewalk to the street. I did not see that the curb was broken and uneven. That is where I fell, landing on my left side. After I got up, I went inside the bank to talk with the management. Mr. Frank Eliarraras, the manager, came outside to look at the sidewalk with me. He took pictures of the area and informed me that the bank was not liable for this accident because it occurred on City of West Allis property. He asked if I needed an ambulance called. I declined and drove home.

After being at home for approximately ½ hour, I began to have some breathing issues. My wife and I decided to go to the West Allis Memorial Hospital Emergency Department for treatment. While there, they took x-rays of my left elbow and ribs. (See attached report from West Allis Memorial Hospital) The medical staff told me that I had bruised ribs and a bruised left elbow. They recommended putting heat on the areas, prescribed pain medications and suggested that I follow up with my primary physician for future care. Attached are pictures we took of the accident site.

Since this accident I have not been able to work or do my daily regular activities. Sleeping is difficult because the lying position makes the pain worse. Other things that create difficulties are getting in and out of cars, getting up and down from chairs, bending and lifting.

I am requesting that the City of West Allis pay for all medical expenses regarding this accident and compensation for time lost from my work.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me if further information is needed.

Sincerely,



Raffaele Patrone