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**Appeal No. 2018 AP 000555  
Jefferson County Circuit Court Case Nos.2017CV000392**

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**CITY OF WATERTOWN,**

Plaintiff-Respondent,

v.

**JEFFREY DONALD PERSCHKE,**

Defendant-Appellant.

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**AN APPEAL FROM THE JUDGEMENT OF  
CONVICTION AND OF THE TRIAL COURT'S RULING  
DENYING THE DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR  
SUPPRESSION OF EVIDENCE IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, THE HONORABLE  
WILLIAM F. HUE, PRESIDING JUDGE**

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**THE REPLY BRIEF AND APPENDIX OF THE  
DEFENDANT-APPELLANT JEFFREY D. PERSCHKE**

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## ARGUMENT

The crux of the City's argument is that the Court's factual finding regarding the radar device was proper and supported by the great weight and clear preponderance of the evidence. Brief of Plaintiff-Respondent, page 4. This argument is not supported by the officer's testimony, he testified that the radar device integration was not working, and he had no clue why it was not working.

It's clear the radar device used to determine Mr. Perschke's speed was integrated into Officer Lochowitz's squad car. When working properly the radar interface should be mirrored on the heads up display. (R.28:11/ReplyApp.1). Evidence adduced at the motion hearing established the heads up display worked inasmuch as the heads up display mirrored the officer's speed when he pursued Mr. Perschke's vehicle. Lochowitz increased his speed to 38 miles per hour during the pursuit. The trial court acknowledged that the video evidence and testimony initially offered at the January 2, 2018 motion hearing would not have been sufficient to justify the stop. The Court reasoned "If all they had was this, I wouldn't give it to them..." (R.28:15/ ReplyApp. 2). The defense did not challenge

the reliability of the radar, but rather the fact it simply did not work properly on the day in question. see *City of Wauwatosa v. Collett*, 99 Wis.2d 522, 524, 299 N.W.2d 620 (Ct.App. 1980) (challenges to accuracy or reliability of stationary radar device is a matter for defense).

Contrary to the City's contention, the evidence adduced at the motion hearing did not establish the radar device was working properly. The factual finding is not supported by the great weight and clear preponderance of the evidence and thus is clearly erroneous.

## CONCLUSION

Because of the above, Officer Lochowitz did not possess the requisite level of suspicion to stop Mr. Perschke's vehicle. Thus, the trial court erred in denying Mr. Perschke's suppression motion. The Court should vacate the judgment of conviction and reverse the trial court's order.

Dated this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

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## **APPENDIX**