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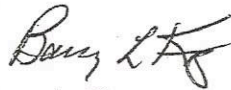
Linda Ortiz
Assistant FOIA Coordinator
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Re: CR-17346-10 Busch, Christopher/Greene, Gregory

Dear Ms. Ortiz:

On June 24, 2012, Mr. Paul Walton of the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office delivered to us the enclosed Affidavit. This makes reference to information provided to the Michigan State Police regarding the suicide of Christopher Brian Busch ("Busch") on November 20, 1978. The original report of Mr. Metzger was not included among the 3,411 pages which the Michigan State Police provided me on **December 15, 2010**. This letter is a Freedom of Information Act Request for a copy of the original Metzger report, un-redacted photos of the Busch suicide scene, and any other information concerning the Busch suicide which has not been previously provided to me

Very truly yours,



Barry L. King

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Enclosures

cc: Kathleen L. Cavanaugh, Assistant Attorney General
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AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID METZGER
MICHIGAN STATE POLICE FORENSIC SCIENTIST (RETIRED)

The undersigned being duly sworn deposes and says as follows:

1. I, David Metzger, am a forensic laboratory scientist formerly employed by the Michigan State Police between the years of 1975 through 1981.

2. In my capacity as a forensic scientist with the Michigan State Police lab, I regularly reviewed and analyzed crime scene evidence submitted by law enforcement agencies to look for trace evidence. A regular part of my duties included the review of evidence submitted to identify the presence of blood, hairs, fibers, dirt, grease and other bodily fluids.

3. As a forensic scientist for the Michigan State Police, I have been recognized and qualified as an expert in the field of forensic blood, hair and fiber analysis and have testified over 50 times in the Circuit, District, and Federal Courts in Michigan.

4. On February 28, 2012, I was contacted by the Oakland County Prosecutors' Office regarding a forensic examination that I performed on numerous ropes and cordage collected by the Bloomfield Township Police Department referencing the suicide of Christopher Busch that occurred in 1978.

5. To the best of my independent recollection, I have never been approached by any other law enforcement agency or prosecutors' office to discuss my forensic examination report of the ropes collected at the Christopher Busch suicide scene except, perhaps, the Bloomfield Township Police Department and maybe investigators from the Oakland County Child Killings Task Force over 30 years ago, prior to my contact with the Oakland County Prosecutors' Office on February 28, 2012.

6. I moved out of the State of Michigan in 1981 and was completely unaware of the recent attention that had been focused on the ropes collected at the scene of Christopher Buschs' suicide.

7. I received a copy of my original lab report (14402-78) from the Oakland County Prosecutors' Office and was asked to review the findings that I made back in 1978. After I reviewed my original lab report, I then contacted the Oakland County Prosecutors' Office to articulate my findings in what would be considered layman's terms.

8. In December 1978, when I conducted my examination of the ropes submitted by the Bloomfield Township Police Department, as noted in my report; the original request was to compare the submitted ropes and cordage with any other ropes or cordage submitted from the bodies of the victims or in the vicinities of the victims' bodies. No such ropes or cordage had been submitted to me from the victims, so no such comparisons could be made. However, I was aware that the Oakland County Child Killer Task Force would be interested in having the ropes examined to determine if there was any forensic evidence connecting them to any of the Oakland County victims.

9. The cases under investigation by the Oakland County Child Killer Task Force were very much on my mind at the time I examined the ropes because in March of 1977, I was one of the Michigan State Police lab personnel who was called to the location where the body of Timothy King had been discovered and I assisted in processing the crime scene for evidence.

10. On December 12, 1978, I began my trace evidence examination of the ropes. The ropes were submitted as evidence to determine whether or not they could be associated with any of the Oakland County homicides. The ropes were examined for the possible

presence of blood, fibers, hairs and other kinds of evidence which could have been connected to the murders.

11. If I had observed the presence of blood, fibers, hairs or any other evidence, on the ropes, then those findings would have been documented in the body of my Michigan State Police lab report 14402-78.

12. There was no blood, fibers, hairs or any other evidence on the ropes. Had the presence of any blood been identified on the ropes, further testing would have been conducted and documented in an attempt to gather more evidence, such as the "typing" the blood observed on the ropes or making a comparison of the known blood samples preserved from the victims. There was no further testing made on the ropes.

13. In the review of my Michigan State Police lab report in case #14402-78, I can conclude without reservation that no blood, hair or fibers were detected on the ropes submitted by the Bloomfield Township Police Department that were recovered from the scene of the Christopher Busch suicide.

That I have personal knowledge of the facts contained in the Affidavit and if sworn as a witness I can testify competently to the facts contained in the Affidavit.

David Metzger
David Metzger
Retired Michigan State Police Forensic Scientist

Dated: 4/7/2012

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 7th day of April, 2012

Brenden Gray
Notary Public

