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Re: Oakland County Child Killer Case

Dear Mr. Schuette:

The family of Timothy King, the fourth identified victim of the Oakland County Child Killer ("OCCK"), is prompted in part by the filing of a lawsuit by Deborah Jarvis, the mother of the third victim. As I have previously advised several addressees, my family had had no discussions with Paul Hughes prior to the filing of the lawsuit. I had not talked to Deborah Jarvis for more than 15 months before the suit was filed. Prior to the filing of the Jarvis lawsuit, I did make an informal request to Andrew Arena suggesting FBI involvement.

Enclosed is a copy of my April 4, 2012 Memorandum concerning the concerns of the King family. To my knowledge, some of the addressees have already received this Memorandum, but if you have not been provided, please call me and I will send copies.

Article 1, Section 24 of the Michigan Constitution provides crime victims the right to confer with the prosecutor. The information we have received from the Michigan State Police ("MSP") and otherwise, indicates that there was a likelihood that Christopher Busch ("Busch") was involved in these murders. As early as October 2008, Wayne County Prosecutor Worthy contemplated the creation of a Grand Jury to investigate his involvement. In the same month, then Oakland County Prosecutor David Gorcyca obtained a search warrant to obtain evidence from Busch's former residence. Thus far, we have been denied access to this Affidavit. The MSP reports also indicate that Richard Thompson, the Chief Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor in 1977 who attended the original Busch polygraph examination, believed that Busch was involved. At a conference with the law enforcement officials on February 26, 2010, Oakland County Prosecutor Jessica Cooper advised the crowd that Busch was not a viable suspect. Cooper has refused on many occasions the oral and written requests of the King family for her reasons in reaching this conclusion.

The King family deeply appreciates time and money expended by law enforcement in attempting to identify the killer or killers. Thus far, to my knowledge, the only accused of a felony in this search is me (see page ___ of my Memorandum).

Our concerns over the Interagency Disputes, are partially summarized at page ___ of the enclosed Memorandum. Based on their separate examinations, we can understand why the investigators may have a difference of opinion on who was involved. However, we do not understand why a four-time convicted pedophile who never spent a day in jail and has been dead for more than 33 years, is entitled to more **information** than we are.

Perhaps we can all take a lesson from "Finding Adam Walsh", a book written by his father, John Walsh, the producer of America's Most Wanted. Several newspapers filed Freedom of Information Act Requests for the entire file on this murder. John Walsh opposed it vigorously. He was afraid once the file became public, the case would never be solved. The judge gave the prosecutor six months to continue processing the case. After six months, the entire file was made public. Once the file was made public, two witnesses came forward with additional testimony and all involved concluded that one person had committed the murder. At the end of the book, Walsh apologizes for opposing the exposure of the file to the public.

Where does the King family turn at the present time. Your office is representing the MSP in our FOIA case against the Department. The Oakland County Prosecutor ("OCP") represents all but one of the communities involved and has formed her own Grand Jury. Prior to the Oakland County Grand Jury, Prosecutor Worthy created a Grand Jury in Wayne County. My son's body was found in Livonia, which accounts for the duplicate jurisdictions. It is my understanding that the OCP ceased all communication on this case with the Wayne County Prosecutor some time ago.

Who will make the final decision on whether or not Christopher Busch was involved in the murder of my son? Is there any provision under Michigan law for the appointment of a special prosecutor? What obligations do the prosecutors have regarding information to be provided to crime victims? Are the apparent differences of opinion among the various law enforcement officials better served by the Department of Justice as requested by Miss Jarvis? Has there been a massive coverup over a possible pedophile ring in the 1970s? Is the failure to share information a political problem or who gets credit for solving the case?

It has been five Christmases since Christopher Busch was identified as a possible suspect on November 30, 2007. I have personally lost more sleep in the last five years than I did in the previous thirty years. We suggest that one or more persons be assigned to arrive at a conclusion regarding the Christopher Busch involvement and that this conclusion be made public. Presumably the answer will be "yes", "no" or "maybe".

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If any addressee wishes additional information, you can call me at the office, 248.457.7111, or at home, 248.644.5398. I would suggest that you try the home number first as my time in the office has substantially diminished.

Very truly yours,

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