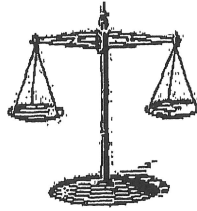


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Re: Investigation into the death of Laura Bowdoin

Dear Mr. McCabe:

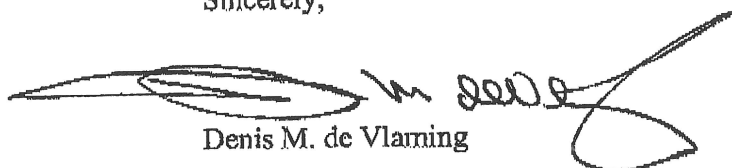
This letter is a bit unusual for me to write because in the end it suggests that your office look into a suspicious death that may in fact be a homicide. Usually, I am on the other side of the fence defending those accused of committing crimes. I do agree with my investigator, Michael Peasley, that it appears as if it is possible that someone is getting away with murder.

Rather than rehash any of the facts involved in this communication, I am sending along to you a letter and reports which document the matter which took place within your circuit. I will tell you that to some degree the "chain of command" has been consulted however it does not appear that anything is going to get done unless you, as the State Attorney, become involved. At my suggestion, Mr. Peasley contacted Mike Halkitis to run the facts by him. I believe that he was in agreement that the investigation was handled poorly but could do little in the investigative aspect based upon his own case load. I certainly understand that.

Because the husband of the deceased has chosen to get a lawyer and not cooperate, obtaining a voluntary second autopsy or exhumation is not likely. Only the power of your office can obtain the necessary evidence for a thorough toxicology report to be rendered to determine the true cause of death. Unfortunately, the body has been buried out of state and is not accessible to our immediate jurisdiction. I know that complicates things. However, Laura Bowdoin was a thirty-six year old, healthy mother of a six year old daughter, Britney, and deserves a fair investigation into her death and justice the law allows.

Thank you for your time, attention and professional review into this tragic death.

Sincerely,


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