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Re: Ryan Ferguson

Dear Mr. Knight, Ms. Zellner, and Mr. Henderson:

Enclosed is a copy of a memorandum that was forwarded to me. Please don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

CHRIS KOSTER
Attorney General

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Shaun J. Mackelprang".

SHAUN J MACKELPRANG
Chief Counsel, Criminal Division

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Enclosure



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: 1-3-11

TO: Cari Collins General Counsel MO Dept. of Corrections

FROM: Mary Groves PO II/ District 6

SUBJECT: Jerry Trump-testimony in trial

Jerry Trump was under probation supervision, in the District 6 Office when the murder of the sports reporter at the Columbia Daily Tribune occurred. Jerry Trump was employed as a maintenance man at the Tribune, at that time. He reported to my office right after the murder had occurred and the victim's body had been discovered. I clearly remember Jerry Trump stating he did not see the murder happen, nor was he able to identify anyone who remained in the area. I read in the newspaper that Jerry Trump positively identified Defendant Ryan Ferguson during his testimony in the trial. I felt an obligation to report the contradiction between the information he told me and his Court testimony. Regional Sex Offender Specialist Janice Palmer also remembers him talking about the murder in a sex offender treatment group which she observed, and remembers him saying the same thing about not being able to identify anyone.