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The Office of the District Attorney has been advised that a civil settlement was reached between insurance companies providing coverage to Delaware County and Nicholas Yarris. The decision to settle the matter appears to be purely a business decision made by the insurance companies involved without regard to any potential liability on behalf of the County of Delaware.

The County of Delaware, the Office of the District Attorney, and the prosecutors and detectives named in Mr. Yarris's suit adamantly maintain that they are not liable for the claims he asserted. It is important to note that prior to finalizing the settlement, Mr. Yarris agreed to dismiss from the lawsuit the Office of the District Attorney and its prosecutors and detectives, conceding that none of those individuals named in the suit acted improperly or were liable to him in any way.

The prosecutors involved in the Yarris matter tried the case based upon state-of-the-art forensic science at the time of the trial. They proceeded with due diligence and acted professionally at every stage of the Yarris proceedings.

District Attorney G. Michael Green remains steadfast in his resolve to solve the homicide of Linda Mae Craig. The Office of the District Attorney has a responsibility to pursue justice for Ms. Craig and will do so with fidelity. The investigative team assigned to this matter is hopeful that scientific developments and other investigative information will continue to yield additional evidence useful in solving this murder as happened in the Admiral Perry case.

In that case, a young woman, Kay Aisenstein, was murdered in June 1980. Twenty years later, with the use of advanced scientific technology, Dr. Edward Blake of Forensic Science Associates in Richmond California was able to develop a DNA profile from a crime scene specimen and later confirm a DNA match between that specimen and Admiral Perry. Due to the forensic science conducted by Dr. Blake, a jury convicted Admiral Perry of First Degree Murder in 2003, and he is serving a life sentence for killing Ms. Aisenstein. Such success stories yield confidence that Ms. Craig's murder will be solved.

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