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The Honorable Gina DeGenova
Mahoning County Prosecutor's Office
21 W. Boardman St., 6th Floor
Youngstown, Ohio 44503

Re: *State v.* [REDACTED] [REDACTED] - *Mahoning County*
Request for Assistance

Dear Prosecutor DeGenova:

Your request for the Special Prosecutions Section to handle the above captioned matters is accepted.

Assistant Attorney Generals Micah Ault and Denise Salerno will be the Special Prosecutors assigned from our office. Could you please file a motion with the court to appoint Ohio Attorney General and any of his assistants as Special Prosecutor on this case? The Assistant Attorneys General acting as special prosecutor will serve without compensation by Mahoning County. Absent preapproved and extraordinary circumstances the Ohio Attorney General's Office cannot pay for basic criminal justice expenses, including but not limited to: juror fees, witness fees, witness mileage, witnesses travel expenses, court costs including but not limited to staff costs, transcript fees, jail costs, subpoena fees, costs of indigent defense, etc. These costs remain the responsibility of the County as they would be in any other case. Furthermore, your office would be responsible for reimbursing the Ohio Attorney General's Office for the cost of any potential lodging expenses associated with the prosecution of this case. Please contact me at the above number if you have any questions.

I thank you for the opportunity to assist you and the citizens of Mahoning County. If we can be of any help in any other cases please feel free to contact us.

Truly Yours,

Dave Yost
Ohio Attorney General

/s/ Christopher L. Kinsler
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