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SPECIAL PROSECUTOR APPOINTED IN THE RYAN FERGUSON CASE

(Columbia, MO)---Dan Knight, the Boone County Prosecutor, today filed a motion requesting a special prosecutor in the Ryan Ferguson case, and that motion has been granted.

A copy of the motion and the order appointing the special prosecutor are attached to this news release, and they can also be found on the Boone County Prosecuting Attorney’s website at showmeboone.com/pa under the “Prosecutor News” section.

Because this matter has not been finally resolved, the Boone County Prosecutor’s Office will make no further comment at this time.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI

STATE OF MISSOURI)
)
 vs) CASE NO. 04CR165368
)
 RYAN WILLIAM FERGUSON)

MOTION TO APPOINT SPECIAL PROSECUTOR

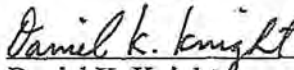
COMES NOW, Daniel K. Knight, Boone County Prosecuting Attorney, State of Missouri, and requests for appointment by the Court a special prosecutor, and as grounds states:

1. On November 5, 2013, the Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, vacated the conviction of Ryan Ferguson and gave the State a limited amount of time in which to determine whether to retry Mr. Ferguson.

2. This office has a conflict of interest and is requesting a special prosecutor due to the Western District's Opinion relating to a current and former staff member.

3. Susan Boresi, Assistant Attorney General, said that the Missouri Attorney General's Office is willing to serve as the special prosecutor if appointed.

WHEREFORE, Daniel K. Knight requests that this Court appoint the Missouri Attorney General's Office to serve as the special prosecutor in this case.



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ORDER APPOINTING SPECIAL PROSECUTOR

After consideration of the Motion to Appoint Special Prosecutor filed this date, the Court finds that appointment of a special prosecutor is required and hereby appoints Susan Borese, as the special prosecutor.

Steven R. Ohmer by phone
Judge of the Circuit Court, 22nd Judicial Circuit
Division 13
~~Boone County, Missouri~~
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