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From: Tratnik, Melanie (ATG)
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 1:57 PM
To: Weinmann, Lana (ATG); Marlow, Scott (ATG)
Subject: FW: Review of Jo Savage's Death at Riverpark Square

FYI.

From: Sally Savage [mailto:savagesp@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2009 1:49 PM
To: Moran, Brian (ATG); Tratnik, Melanie (ATG)
Cc: Savage, Dave
Subject: Review of Jo Savage's Death at Riverpark Square

Dear Brian and Melanie,

Thank you both for your phone calls this morning; I appreciate the promptness of your response. As we discussed, I am sending you my and my husband's contact information (below) along with a brief summary of the purpose of my contacting you.

Jo Ellen Savage was my husband's first wife and a very close friend and member of our extended family. She and Dave have a son, Jesse, who was 29 at the time of Jo's death in April, 2006. Dave's firm represented Jesse in a wrongful death action against the owners of the Riverpark Square parking garage. In the course of that lawsuit, Dave developed a comprehensive understanding of the history of the garage and the facts surrounding Jo's death.

As I believe you know, there is continuing intense controversy in the Spokane community about the circumstances surrounding Jo's death. There are members of that community who feel strongly that there has been continuing culpable conduct on the part of the garage owners and city officials. They are outspoken in their belief that there is cause for bringing a criminal prosecution in connection with Jo's death. They have expressed their deeply held concerns to numerous public officials and the media; we frequently receive copies of this correspondence.

We are aware that Spokane County Prosecutor Steve Tucker has referred this matter to the Attorney General's Office for review. We also understand that Mr. Tucker's office retains jurisdiction over this case and that the decision to bring criminal charges in connection with Jo's death will be his. You advised me that Assistant Attorney General Scott Marlow has been assigned to review this case and that he is well along in that process. During our conversation, Melanie, I asked that you convey our discussion to Mr. Marlow and that on his return to the office Monday you ask him to call my husband, Dave. Given Dave's thorough understanding of the facts involved in Jo's death, it would be meaningful to us to have the opportunity to speak with Scott prior to the time your office's recommendation is issued.

I also conveyed to you our desire to meet with one of you or an appropriate representative of the Attorney General's office after the review of this case is complete. It is important to us to feel that at the end of the day we have carried out our responsibility to Jo, Jesse and the rest of our family by ensuring that we have conveyed our own feelings about this matter and that we understand the process and the conclusions reached by those who will decide the final disposition of this case. I trust you understand that our request is motivated by a desire to ensure that we have done all that we reasonably and responsibly should, and that at the appropriate time this matter is brought to closure, whatever the outcome may be.

Thank you again for your time this morning. I appreciated your sensitivity to me and my family.

Sincerely,

Sally Savage

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