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Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 2:24 PM
To: Diamant, Aaron (CMG-Atlanta)
Subject: RE: Please call ASAP

Aaron,

In response to your follow-up question, please find the following statement from District Attorney Howard.

“Demone Lee will not face disciplinary action in connection with this case. Mr. Lee is one of the most honest, forthright and hard-working attorneys I have ever known or been associated with during the course of my career. In the legal profession, differences in legal opinions occur frequently. That is why in written legal decisions there are majority opinions and dissents. Those differences are central to our systems of laws and should not be subjects of discipline, but rather viewed with respect.”

Paul L. Howard, Jr.
District Attorney

From: Jones, Yvette [<mailto:Yvette.Jones@fultoncountyga.gov>]
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Aaron,

Per your request, please find included a statement from Mr. Howard regarding the matter of State vs. Jon Thieme.

“Providing Brady material is both a legal and moral obligation resting upon every prosecutor. When the line of demarcation is close or somewhat unclear, we believe the better practice is to make the disclosure. Such was not done in this case. Accordingly, as communicated through the consent order, we believe honesty requires that this matter is retried.”

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