



**JOHN CREUZOT**  
**CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY**  
**DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS**

May 10, 2023

To: Sheriff, Constables, and Chiefs of Police of all Dallas County Law Enforcement Agencies

RE: Notice of the Dallas County District Attorney's Office's Release of Request to Preserve Blood Evidence analyzed at Texas DPS Garland Laboratory

Dear Sir or Madam:

In February 2017, this office sent a notification letter to your department requesting the preservation of "all blood evidence in your possession that was analyzed by DPS Garland Laboratory." At that time, preservation was requested due to an issue with Christopher Youngkin, a DPS Laboratory toxicology analyst, and requests for reanalysis of blood evidence was possible.

Bar associations and the general public were made aware of the issue and after an investigation, the affected laboratory issued a Quality Incident Report. Given the passage of time and minimal requests for review of cases, ***this office rescinds its request to preserve the blood evidence mentioned above.*** If you are storing otherwise destruction-eligible blood evidence because of our retention request, you are free to dispose of said evidence, provided you comply with statutory guidelines for mandatory storage/preservation periods and destruction notification requirements.

A copy of our 2017 letter has been included with this correspondence for your convenience. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Conviction Integrity Unit at 214-653-3600.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Creuzot".

John Creuzot