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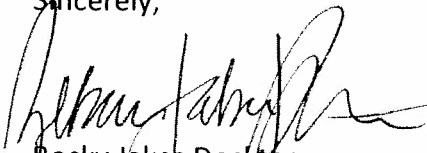
Mr. Gary Marbut
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Dear Mr. Marbut:

We received your letter requesting information regarding the Lewton investigation and trial. It is our understanding that there is ongoing litigation that would make our response to certain questions improper. In order to maintain the integrity and rights of those involved in the litigation, we are still reviewing the issues to ascertain which we can respond to at this time. We will let you know in a timely fashion when we have completed this and will respond to those issues when we can.

In the meantime, the court proceedings of the Lewton trial are a matter of public record and you are free to review them. We have a copy of the transcript of those proceedings that you would be welcome to review in the interim. Please contact Coleen Furthmyre at 444-4594 if you'd like to arrange a time to review the transcript.

Sincerely,



Becky Jakes Dockter
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