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No Charges In Biddeford Case

(AUGUSTA) Attorney General Janet T. Mills announced today that her office will not file criminal charges against Michael McKeown of Biddeford or former Biddeford police officer Stephen Dodd on the basis of allegations made by Matthew Lauzon of Boston.

Mr. Lauzon alleged that he was the victim of sexual abuse by Mr. McKeown and, later, by Mr. Dodd when Mr. Lauzon was a teenager living in Biddeford many years ago. Attorney General Mills said that a thorough investigation by her office and a legal analysis by senior prosecutors concluded that there is insufficient evidence to prove the elements of a crime beyond a reasonable doubt, including the element of Mr. Lauzon's age at the time of the alleged encounters.

The Attorney General's Office anticipates no further action in this matter.

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