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## Interview request: Additional subpoenas

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Mr. Maldonado,

Below please find a statement from the District Attorney's office regarding the cases you were inquiring about. You may use all of the statement or none of it, but to avoid it being taken out of context, neither DA nor I authorize you to use bits and pieces of the statement.

For Immediate Release

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### Statement of Assistant District Attorney Christopher S. Bowman Regarding State v. Totaro

(New Orleans, LA) – The defendant in this case is charged with engaging in oral sex with a 13-year old victim and taping it. Additionally, the defendant is charged with possession of additional child pornography. The defendant's parents are both California attorneys.

The DA's office made numerous attempts to serve the victim with valid Court Notify subpoenas. These attempts met with negative results.

A California attorney representing [REDACTED] as well as the victim has made herculean efforts to thwart the ability of the DA's office to communicate with the victim in this case. The victim in this case was issued an Article 66 subpoena signed by Judge Derbigny. The victim's attorney was notified of the office's intent to seek the Article 66 subpoena prior to its issuance by the Court.

The DA's office is neither responsible for maintaining the Court record nor the preparation of the minutes of the proceedings. As such, the office cannot comment on what is or is not contained within them. However, the office is in possession of a copy of the motion that accompanied the office's request for the Article 66 subpoena.

The attorney representing the victim in this case has gone so far as to file a bar complaint against an ADA in this office in an attempt to halt the prosecution of an alleged pedophile. The aforementioned complaint was determined by ODC to be

unfounded and the ADA was cleared of any misconduct.

If you or Ms. Pensanti is in possession of a DA notice, then the office is requesting you produce it. However, throughout these proceedings Ms. Pensanti had repeatedly claimed to be in possession of evidence that does not exist – such as her claim to have a video of DA’s office employees entering her client’s home. However, no such video has ever been produced.

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