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**Suspect Not Indicted in Cold Case Homicide**

*State v. Velis S. Nelson, 2015-CR-1759*

**DAYTON, OH (08/21/2015)** – During the early morning hours of January 5, 2006 a resident in the 1900 block of West Grand Avenue in Dayton called police to report hearing gun shots. Dayton Police officers responded and discovered the deceased body of Felicia Kirksey-Goodson-Battle on the 911 caller's front porch. Police searched the area, and discovered the body of a second deceased victim, Elizabeth Davis, inside the home of Ms. Kirksey-Goodson-Battle on Vernon Drive. Both victims had gunshots to the head.

Eventually, police identified a suspect, Velis Nelson, and arrested him for both murders.

The Grand Jury was presented with all of the currently available evidence. After careful deliberations, the Grand Jury declined to indict the defendant on any charges at this time. The criminal investigation remains open and ongoing.

The suspect will be released from custody.

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