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**DISTRICT ATTORNEY JOHN CHISHOLM ANNOUNCES
CLOSURE OF JOHN DOE INVESTIGATION**

On February 21, 2013, the Honorable Neal Nettesheim signed an Order closing the John Doe investigation which gave rise to charges against six individuals, including three former Milwaukee County Executive employees.

This office examined misconduct related issues ranging from campaign finance fraud to embezzlement. The John Doe investigation is now completed.

By its very nature, a John Doe proceeding is a secret investigation, intended to prevent the public disclosure of allegations that are not well-supported by the evidence. Information developed in a John Doe proceeding is made public only in the context of criminal charges and in the proceedings following such charges.

The Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office follows a policy of filing charges only where it believes proof beyond a reasonable doubt supports the allegations in a criminal complaint. After a review of the John Doe evidence, I am satisfied that all charges that are supported by proof beyond a reasonable doubt have now been brought and concluded. As a consequence, last week my office petitioned for, and Judge Nettesheim has now granted, the closure of the John Doe investigation.

A copy of the Petition and the Order are attached to this Release.

I wish to express my thanks to Judge Neal Nettesheim for his work over the course of this John Doe investigation.

By the terms of the Order closing the John Doe investigation, Judge Nettesheim authorized public disclosure of the Petition and Order after February 28, 2013. Judge Nettesheim has ordered that, in all other respects, the John Doe secrecy order remain in effect.

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IN THE MATTER OF A JOHN DOE PROCEEDING

Case No. 2010JD007

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PETITION FOR CLOSURE OF JOHN DOE PROCEEDING

WHEREAS an original Petition for Commencement of a John Doe Proceeding was filed with the Chief Judge of Milwaukee County dated May 5, 2010 and the above encaptioned John Doe proceeding was subsequently authorized by the John Doe Judge in an order dated May 7, 2010;

WHEREAS the scope of the John Doe proceeding has been enlarged from time to time based upon evidence discovered in the course of the investigation;

WHEREAS witnesses have been examined under oath and both physical and documentary evidence have been gathered, all by virtue of process issued by the John Doe Judge;

WHEREAS the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office has determined that the purposes of this John Doe investigation have been fulfilled and that no further requests for process will be made of the John Doe Judge;

NOW THEREFORE, the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office does respectfully petition the John Doe Judge for an Order closing this John Doe investigation.

The Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office further requests that this Petition and any related Order be permitted to be made public.

Dated this 20 day of February 2013.



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IN THE MATTER OF A JOHN DOE PROCEEDING

Case No. 10JD000007

ORDER CLOSING JOHN DOE PROCEEDINGS

Based upon the Petition of Assistant District Bruce J. Landgraf dated February 20, 2013, and for the reasons stated therein;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above-captioned John Doe investigation shall be, and hereby is, closed.

This Order and the supporting Petition may be made public.

This Order does not amend or otherwise affect any prior Secrecy Orders entered in this John Doe proceeding.

Dated this 21st. day of February 2013.



BY THE COURT:

Honorable Neal Nettesheim
Reserve Judge
Milwaukee County, Wisconsin