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To: JAMES J PETTIS
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From: Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office
Sexual Violence Unit
35 East 500 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Re: **TIMOTHY BLAIN BALLARD**
Agency Case Number: **AG2023-673**
District Attorney Case Number: **24.018515**

Based on the information provided to our office for screening, we are unable to proceed with the prosecution of **TIMOTHY BLAIN BALLARD** at this time for the following reason(s):

Evidentiary Issue

We want to begin by recognizing the bravery it takes to come forward and disclose deeply personal and traumatic experiences. We acknowledge the impact of these events and commend the courage it took to speak with investigators and participate in the process. In our justice system, the State carries the burden of proving criminal charges beyond a reasonable doubt. This standard is the highest in our law, designed to ensure fairness and prevent wrongful convictions. It does not mean that we disbelieve or diminish a survivor's account, but rather that the law requires evidence strong enough to remove every reasonable doubt for a jury. After a thorough investigation, we determined that there is insufficient admissible evidence to meet the legal burden of proof. While the survivors have provided important and compelling statements, critical corroborating evidence is unavailable, and certain necessary elements of the charges cannot be established with the certainty required by the law. This decision does not diminish the value of the survivors' voices or the harm they have experienced. We remain committed to supporting survivors, connecting them with resources, and pursuing accountability whenever the evidence meets the legal standard. We also stand ready to revisit this matter if additional evidence becomes available.

We would be happy to revisit this matter if additional information is developed which

supports the prosecution of the suspect.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this decision, please first contact the Screening Attorney, **Clint Heiner** at **(385) 468-7621**. If your concerns persist, please contact the Senior Supervising Attorney, Jennifer Zeleny, at (385) 468-7628.

Thank you,

/s/ Clint Heiner
Screening Attorney