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Ms. Ermelinda Thomas
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Letter Granting Immunity from Prosecution
For cooperation in the Kristin Denise Smart homicide investigation,
County of San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Office Case No. 9606-10965.

Dear Ms. Thomas,

This letter is intended to encourage your cooperation in the investigation of the disappearance of Kristin Denise Smart and to provide you a degree of immunity from prosecution in exchange for your cooperation in the investigation. The San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Office is actively investigating this case as a homicide.

You are not a suspect in the homicide of Kristin Smart. However, you have first-hand information related to her disappearance that will be helpful in solving the case and we are seeking your cooperation. Your cooperation includes you providing complete and truthful information to law enforcement about the circumstances surrounding the homicide of Kristin Smart.

In exchange for your providing complete and truthful information to law enforcement regarding this investigation, the People of the State of California, by authority of the San Luis Obispo County District Attorney, hereby agree to hold you immune from prosecution for any acts you committed after the death of Kristin Smart that were directly related to her disappearance and death. This includes the crimes of accessory after the fact as defined in California Penal Code section 32, destruction of evidence as defined in California Penal Code section 135, mishandling of human remains as described in California Health and Safety Code section 7050.5, and any similar post-death conduct on your part. If it is discovered at any time that you have provided law enforcement with intentionally misleading, inaccurate, or incomplete information, then you will not be entitled to receive immunity as described above.

We look forward to your complete and honest cooperation so that we may bring the Smart family the final closure that they have waited for so long.

Dan Dow
District Attorney
County of San Luis Obispo

_____ Date: _____
Ermelinda Thomas

EXHIBIT "B"