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Statement on Behalf of Special Prosecutor Brad Nicodemus

COLUMBUS, OH— Below is a statement on behalf of Brad Nicodemus, Assistant City Attorney, City of Whitehall, Special Prosecutor, who was assigned to assist Special Prosecutor Kathleen Garber in the three already-filed cases stemming from the May 2020 Columbus protests. In addition to those duties, Mr. Nicodemus also was tasked with reviewing all remaining incidents to determine if additional charges would be filed against other law enforcement officers from reported conduct during the protests.

"When reviewing cases for criminal prosecution, I not only review the evidence for probable cause a crime occurred but also to ensure I can prove at trial, beyond a reasonable doubt, that the crime occurred. Upon review of the incidents still needing a determination for charges, there is insufficient evidence to obtain convictions at trial. Therefore, I will not be filing any additional charges from the May 2020 protest incidents. Now that the criminal investigation is complete, the respective law enforcement agencies should complete their internal investigation against some of these officers for administrative disciplinary purposes," said Special Prosecutor Nicodemus.

All questions regarding the Special Prosecutor's review and decision should be referred to Mr. Nicodemus. His email is brad.nicodemus@whitehall-oh.us.

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