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Statement of Gloria Allred Regarding Meeting with Commander Paul Noel head of the Sex Crimes Task Force New Orleans Police Department

This afternoon my client (a rape victim), her husband, my law partner Nathan Goldberg and I met with Commander Paul Noel who is Commander of the Second District of the New Orleans Police Department (NOPD) and head of the Sex Crimes Task Force. Also present at the meeting were other representatives of the NOPD and the New Orleans City Attorney's Office.

We were very happy that we had the opportunity to meet with the Commander and other representatives this afternoon. He assured us that our client's rape case will be re-investigated and that they will maintain communication with us about the progress of this investigation.

It was confirmed to us that our client's rape kit had never been submitted for analysis but we were assured that it would now be sent out immediately to be analyzed. During the course of the meeting we also provided detectives with further information and evidence. It seemed to us that this case was being taken seriously and we were assured that they want to get it right.

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